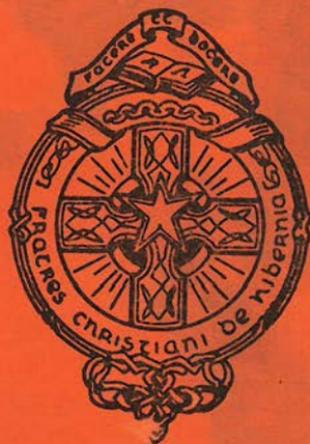


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THE SCHOOL BADGE.

(See cover)

The main outline of the badge is a circle containing a cross and a star, surmounted by a scroll and motto. The star reminds us of those words of Scripture: "Those who instruct many unto justice shall shine as stars for all eternity." The star is, therefore, the symbol of enlightenment and education. It reminds the Brothers themselves of their duty as Christian teachers; it reminds us that we should, as Christian gentlemen, so let our light shine before men that they may glorify their Father Who is in Heaven. The star stands, too, for that Faith, the principles of which we learn at school and which will guide us, if we but follow it faithfully, to our heavenly home.

The star, you see, is set upon the Cross, because our faith rests upon Christ and Him crucified.

The Cross with its circle, the symbol of eternity, is Celtic in design and adorned with Celtic tracery. The outer circle also shows further examples of Irish tracery, and bears in Celtic lettering the words: "Fratres Christiani de Hiberna," the Christian Brothers in Ireland—the official Latin title of the Order. This Celtic design and tracery reminds us that the Christian Brothers were founded in Ireland by Brother Edmund Ignatius Rice, in 1802.

The open book placed on top of the outer circle shows that learning is one of the objects of the Christian Brothers. To us it points out that the

acquisition of sound learning should be the aim of every Brothers' boy. The open book also typifies frankness and openness of character. Our lives should be open books in which all men may read and learn how Christian education turns out men of deep faith, solid character and true culture.

In the open pages of the book you see two Greek letters, Alpha and Omega, the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. These letters are frequently used in Catholic art to stand for God. Here they are placed upon the open book of knowledge to teach us that knowledge of God, knowledge of our holy faith is the most important part of our education.

On the scroll beneath the book, in Celtic lettering, are the words: *Facere et docere*—to do and to teach. In St. Matthew's Gospel we read that our Lord said "He that shall do and teach shall be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven." Hence, the words *facere et docere* form a very appropriate motto for the Christian Brothers. They briefly, but powerfully, express the Brothers' mission in life, which is firstly, *facere*, to do; that is, to live lives of active charity in the service of others, and secondly, *docere*, to teach, that is, to devote themselves with complete self-sacrifice to the cause of Christian education.

But the words are equally significant for every pupil of a Christian Brothers' College. They, too, have "to do" and "to teach." They have "to do," that is to fulfil well the duties of their station in life and they have

"to teach" effectively, by their example, the doctrines of the Catholic faith. Example is more powerful than words, and if every Brothers' boy put into practice the principles he learned in school, if he lived as a devout and practically Catholic, the alumni of this great College would quickly leaven the whole public life of the State and contribute to the formation of a sound public opinion on social and religious questions. "To do," for you and for me, is to practise boldly and bravely the faith we have learned in College, for in no better way can we teach the world what it means to be a cultured Catholic gentleman.

This, then, briefly, is the symbolism of the badge you wear, and I think you will agree with me when I say that it is beautiful, instructive and inspiring.

HONOURS ROOM

As this is the first opportunity that has presented itself this year, allow me to introduce to you the boys who are going to face the music in the sacred precincts of the Honours Room during 1938. To commence with, let me introduce to you last year's notoriety: Wal Moon, last year's English professor; A. Jones, the proud boast of the above class; B. Toohey, Latin stalwart; and Joe Fav.—Dasher's better half. To this noble quartette has been added the trio with the mighty voices—Joe K., Mick M., and Alan W.—from whom great things are heard. Hand-in-hand with these go Donald, Des, and Jumping Jimmy, who never sits still for more than ten seconds at a time.

In order to put a dash of colour into the sporting side of our class, we have imported Jack O'Dea and Ted Long from last year's Leaving Class—besides results we must have something else to boast about. To weigh these down we have Joe Flan., and M. Hyland, two solid specimens in person and toil. Amongst the wanderers between the Leaving Honours Room Proper and the Rest Room

we have Basil Feery, Pat McN. and Johnny Pekin; to these may well be added the leaders of the Day Boys' clan, M. Willis, J. Collins and D. McCarthy, who have recently cultivated such a love for their caps that they even wear them up to the Tuck Shop.

I now take special pleasure in introducing to you firstly our "enfant," Mark Whitty, who although youngest in age would make two of some of his elders, and secondly, Felix Favalloro the Second, who was introduced to us recently by Felix the First.

But "First doth come and last does go," our teacher, Br. Purton, who is the only person in the College who needs no introduction to the average reader.

And so, readers, I have introduced to you the 1938 Honours Class with the exception of Monsieur Vavjenezki (absent at the Gardens or else looking at the stars over the sea). Even though these characters do not step from the page as do Dan Chaucer's, still I am sure that you will recognise any of them—when you meet them.

RESULTS FOR 1937.

ST. PAT'S LEADS CATHOLIC PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

In the results for 1937 St. Pat's achieved several notable distinctions. The Newman Scholarships have been referred to in a previous number of the "Chronicle." St. Pat's secured three Scholarships and three Exhibitions.

On the Honours results free places to the University were awarded to Vin. Batchelor and John Holmes. Congratulations to both!

In the Honours Class some of the results are worth noting: In Commercial Law there were seven Honours out of seven! In Ancient History six Honours out of six! In Latin eight Honours out of nine! In all 38 Honours were obtained from an unusually small class.

Some of the individual results are interesting. JOE KELLY secured

Honours in Latin, English, French, passing in Italian (Leaving), and pass in Intermediate Japanese. BRIAN MULCAHY, the Captain of the 1st XVIII., secured Honours in Ancient History and Commercial Law and passed in Leaving English, Maths. I., Maths II., and Maths. II. The best pass was Vin. Batchelor's who got a 1st Class Honour in English, a 2nd in Latin and Ancient History and a 3rd in French. J. Callahan got a 1st Class Honour in Latin.

In the Leaving 26 have secured Matriculation and a Leaving Pass. This is a splendid result—something for 1938 to beat.

In the Intermediate there was a record number of passes—43. Amongst the best were Laurie Vaughan with eight Higher Passes; Frank Kroon seven highers, one lower; Jack Little seven highers, one lower; Frank Nicholas, eight highers; R. O'Hanlon, six highers, two lowers; Peter Vojvodich, five highers, three lowers.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC SERVICE.

A good number of St. Pat's boys figured in the Commonwealth Public Service list. They were P. McLoughlin, Joe Callahan, Vin Batchelor, Tony Vavjenezki, Joe Kelly, Terry Brown, W. Sloane, Matt. Hyland, M. Madden, B. Mulcahy, J. O'Dea, B. Toohey, L. Flynn, F. McGrath, J. Dwyer, J. Delahunty.

LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

This is 3LC Leaving Class on the air, and bringing you our first programme for 1938. Well, 1938 found many of the old faces (take that as you wish) back again. This year the Leaving quarters have been changed to the old Inter. A Room, and to many of last year's Inters. it brings back pleasant, or should I say sad, memories of 1937.

The Leaving is well represented, as usual, in the sporting world. In cricket there are four of last year's veterans back—Max Gill, R. McKee, J. Connell, J. Hill, and quite a number of others have good chances of gaining places in the XI.

In the rowing also, the Leaving boys are well to the fore. In having Leo Horgan as a representative of the 1st Crew, and many on the training list, we are justly proud.

School work these days is progressing as well as might be expected, although in the Maths. II. Class several students find it difficult to make function (x) function properly. A rather amusing incident occurred recently in the Physics Class. While trying to demonstrate Fleming's Left-Hand Rule the boys found that they were all thumbs, and the teacher said to one chap, "What's the matter, son? Have you the paralysis?"

Mr. O'Shea's elocution lessons are found very useful to the Greek and Roman students. There will be no need for his tongue twisters with the rather complicated Greek words that are frequently met. Speaking of elocution, much amusement was caused when, on being asked if he had learnt before, "Bing" replied that he had done so when he was young.

Among the new boys we welcome Len Richter, Joe Crosbie, Ray Livingstone and Cyril Stokes. The last-named resembles in many ways that supercilious Eddie Cantor. However, we welcome them all to the Leaving, and hope that they will be stout supporters at all times.

In the newly-formed House Competition Max Gill is Captain of the Tracey House; Leo Horgan, Vice-Captain of the Galvin House, and Rob McKee, Vice-Captain of the Nunan House. To these boys we offer our congratulations, and trust that they will carry out their duties in the true Leaving style.

Until our next broadcast, we say good-bye from all at 3LC.

Horrors of the Spanish War

FROM CATHOLIC PAPERS.

In the Hands of the Reds. HORRORS WITNESSED IN SPAIN

INCREDIBLE SAVAGERY.

The following is condensed from an article written by Jane Anderson de Cienfuegos in the "New York American Magazine." The scenes depicted here came under the personal observation of the writer herself (an American citizen). They are significant not alone for their own intrinsic brutality and foulness but as showing the frightful menace presented by a movement that deliberately adopts revolution and terrorism as the necessary means by which it is everywhere to be established.

Midnight in the city of Alicante on July 22, 1936. A revolver shot, directly beneath my windows, sliced through the silence of night. A volley, sharp and rapid and evil, in reply. I shoved aside the pencils and the sheets of manuscript on my desk, and said half aloud, "It's here."

You see word had filtered through from Madrid that three days before the people, armed from secret arsenals, had risen against the army and that the streets of the capital were running with blood.

I ran down the wide, marble staircase. The servants, housed in their distant quarters, wisely remained indoors. In the very second that I swung the heavy, outer portals shut behind me, six milicianos (soldiers) surged from the shadows, guns levelled at me.

They took me to the Committee of National Defence, housed in a theatre seized by the Federation of Iberian Anarchists. A crowd surging before its doors followed, with lungs of bronze, the *Internationale*. There I was thrust before a boney-faced, dark-skinned man, whose flat Mongolian

cheekbones glistened under slanting blank eyes—a feverish flat-fingered Russian. He shoved at me a printed blank where, in scarcely legible letters, there was a request for a safe-conduct to Madrid.

The "World War"

I took a pencil from my pocket-book and signed the square of white paper. He glanced at my signature and lifted his gaze suddenly to mine.

"Then you're the wife of Eduardo Alvarez de Cienfuegos?"

"Yes."

"Married in the Cathedral of Sevilla, in the chapel of the Cardenal de Cienfuegos?"

"Yes."

"You know this name has always been associated with the crown and with law and religion?"

"Yes."

"In case of trouble, you know how heavily that would count against you?"

"What kind of trouble?"

"People get shot, sometimes, in wars, you know . . ."

"I learned that during the World War, as a war correspondent."

"World War? THIS is the World War. When we get through with Spain we're going on to Portugal and then to France. Everything is ready in France. Everything else in the way of war has been a preliminary skirmish."

"What about America?"

He shrugged.

"America? America is a tough problem." And then: "Is it true that in your husband's country place you installed decent homes for your peasants, let in the poor of the countryside

to take water free from the mountains, learned the Spanish language so you could teach the children of the village?"

"We did everything for our people that we could. It was only a small repayment for their kindness—taking me into their hearts the way they did. I, a stranger, from so far away."

Communist Thoroughness.

I repeat this conversation because it has an important bearing on how I, born in Atlanta, Georgia, came to be accepted by the Communists as a sympathetic observer of their side of the conflict. Our property now? Well, it was confiscated, as is all private property in the hands of the Reds. And the new houses and cork trees are burnt.

Finally, the Russian drawled, "You can leave for Madrid in three hours' time. At four o'clock this morning."

"You don't need my passports or documents, then?"

"No, nothing. We know all about you and your *papelitos* (rubbish papers). Just as we know all about every other Catholic and every other landowner in Spain."

"That must make quite a long list."

"It makes several long lists," he answered quietly.

"International," he replied, and handed me my *salvo-conducto*. "Take this to the secretary of the National Defence in the Capital and he'll write you out a pass."

"You're very generous. When I get back, I'll drop in and thank you again."

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"You really think so?"

"And why not?"

He waved an arm at all those in the great hall.

"And do you think that all these, as well, will come back from the front? They'll come back, too, I suppose?" And he smiled.

The Supreme Crime.

When I left my home that morning I thought I was bound straight for Madrid. I was wrong. My caravan of cars had picked up supplies in Almeria and Malaga and had returned to Valencia. I had left the caravan to wander through the market, for it is at the market that one learnt the gossip of the moment.

"But it's no crime to believe in God," protested the little flower-girl in the market place, and her cheeks were as white as the carnations trembling in her small hands.

The words were all I heard. What conversation had led up to them, I do not know. The girl, sixteen or seventeen, I should say, was speaking to the bread-woman across the aisle, who was slicing into quarters, with a bright, deep-bladed knife, the big round loaves arrayed on her counter.

"Dare to say that again!" screamed the bread-woman, advancing from behind her wares.

"It's no crime . . ."

And the bread-woman, lifting her knife high over her head, drove it down into the girl's white throat.

The blow was so swift and powerful that I thought it would sever the head from the body.

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 But the blade had swung sideways
 as its fall, and but a thin stream of
 blood was pouring from the wound in
 the smooth flesh.

I helped other women pick the girl
 up and carry her across the earthen
 floor of the covered market to the
 main entrance of the market, where
 the crowd was massing, as if by
 magic summoned, with the woman
 screaming and cursing and the men
 brandishing their fists in the Marxist
 salute.

Four soldiers of the people battled
 their way through the throng. I wait-
 ed for them to seize the bread-woman,
 still shouting imprecations in the cen-
 tre of a group of peasants and wav-
 ing her bloody knife in pride.

But it was the young girl they
 wrestled from our arms. They dragged
 her across the side-walk and threw
 her into the rear seat of a limousine.
Red Chivalry.

The driver started the car. A mili-
 tarian seated beside the chauffeur,
 turned, faced the back of the car, and
 shoved the stock of his gun against
 the girl's breast to hold her upright
 against the cushions. For she had
 fainted.

"Do you think they'll get her to the
 hospital in time?" asked a woman
 shopper, her market basket hanging
 heavy on her arm. A man broke out
 laughing, a lewd, uproarious burst of
 sound, more animal-like than human.
 "They'll saw off her head," he
 shouted, and lifted a clenched fist and
 shook it at the heavens, as if invok-
 ing witnesses from on high to the
 blasphemy of his words. "There is no

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God. We have killed God. And we
 will kill every man, woman or child
 who pronounces His name until there's
 not one of them left to befoul the soil
 of Spain."

A Communist doctor drove me out
 of Las Arenas. I walked down to the
 stretch of sands where some soldiers
 were gathering in a gesticulating
 group. As I was pushing my way
 among them, with the new politeness
 of the people's regime, I dropped back
 in horror.

For there, tied to a stake on the
 beach, naked under the scorching
 summer skies, was the little flower-
 girl of the market place. Her head
 lolling against her breast, she was
 slowly bleeding to death from the
 knife-slice in her throat; while the
 soldiers, mouthing obscenities, stood
 by and exulted in her agony.

A Common Sight.

I was soon to become accustomed to
 the sight of the dead. For dulling in-
 terminable days and nights which
 lengthened into weeks and then into
 months, I was to journey to the fronts
 where I was to help, as did all of us,
 with the wounded and the dying.

It was in the plains of Talavera de
 la Reina, when the forces of General
 Asensio were falling back in retreat,
 that I bore witness to the loss of all
 brotherhood, to the madness of the
 war against God.

The fields, the trees, were blazing
 to the heavens. I had been helping
 with the wounded all day and it was
 only at five in the afternoon that I
 was ordered to take my place in a

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truck destined for the capital.

At the junction of the Toledo and
 Talavera roads I could see a little
 wayside chapel. Our truck was late
 in starting. I said to a camarada,
 "But people are going in and out of
 the chapel. I haven't seen anybody
 set foot inside a church since I saw
 the first churches burnt in Alicante
 and Murcia. Let's go and see."

She shrugged impatiently, "Oh,
 maybe they've strung up some padre,
 or some of his disciples. Why bother?"
 I insisted, but she said, "Oh, you
 go."

More Playfulness.

So I left here there and made my
 way through the shell-gutted fields to
 the chapel. Men and women soldiers
 were crowding through the narrow
 entrance. Part of the roof of the
 church had fallen in, and the lurid
 glow from the flaming horizon filled
 the humble place of worship with scar-
 let light. I wondered, "What would
 make all these people enter a church
 —that forbidden territory?"

And then I saw. In the small in-
 terior an immense cross rose above
 the broken altar. And on this cross
 there hung the body of a lad in his
 'teens, his loins girded with the crim-
 son banner of the Communists. His
 arms were bound with thongs. Nails
 were driven through the palms of his
 hands and between the bones of his
 feet. Heavy drops of blood glinted as
 they fell from the lacerated flesh.

I raced back across the fields. I

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gaped to the camarada, "It's too terri-
 ble! It's too terrible! They've cruci-
 fied . . ."

She replied, "Oh, they have, have
 they? Well, that makes one less. May-
 be a fool of a peasant boy studying
 with the padre, so he could grow up
 and be one. I'm glad it makes one
 less. For the victory is ours the day
 we have killed God."

At one o'clock on a September af-
 ternoon I decided I would go out to
 the Segovian Anarchist Centre at the
 Segova Bridge to renew my acquaint-
 ance with some of the camarades with
 whom I had reached Madrid in the
 first days of the revolution and with
 whom I had journeyed to the fronts.

A Wager.

At the angle of the Calle Preciados
 I saw two enclosed trucks, once used
 as postal wagons, and a brand new
 limousine with F.A.I. painted on it.
 The driver of the limousine hailed me:
 "Salud, camarada! Looking for some-
 body?"

"I want to get out to Segovia in a
 hurry."

"Well, wait a bit. There's something
 good going on here. See those two
 trucks? Know what's inside?"

"No. What?"

He laughed.

"They're full of Catholic Sisters.
 The Communists have got them. The
 Government got sick of giving them
 room in the Seguridad (central police
 headquarters) and threw them out."

"Well, what's going to happen?"

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"Oh, don't look so alarmed. They're only going to finish eleven of them." I gasped.

"How many are there?"

"Twenty-two."

"And why are they sparing eleven?"

"Because they want to save some of them for work in the hospitals. Work nobody else will do. That's what all the betting's about in there." He waved toward a cafe a few doors down.

"Betting?"

"Yes. They're going to race the trucks. To the execution grounds. And the driver that wins—well, he gets part of the bets. And his passengers—they die."

I shuddered. He went on.

"I've seen you up at headquarters. If the trucks go Segovia way I'll take you. You don't think I'd miss the show, do you?"

A group of men staggered out of the cafe and two of them mounted the drivers' seats of the trucks. Others clambered on to the seats besides them and on to the running boards. They shouted: "To Cuatro Caminos!" And the trucks rolled away.

I stepped into the limousine with my new-found acquaintance. He started off in high and veered through the side streets, explaining, "We'll get there first this way."

He was right. We waited there, in the Cuatro Caminos, for ten minutes.

Which Were The Winners?

The first of the trucks raced into the street, making such wild lurches that the noise brought men and women speeding from all around. The crowd grew so dense that it blocked the second wagon, which stopped half a block short of the goal.

When the door of the first conveyance opened and I saw the Sisters in their poor, shabby, black garments, I couldn't bear it, and I turned away. I saw enough in the blur of the white faces and the swirling of the black skirts above the clumsy shoes to know I'd never forget the scene.

The driver of the second truck was swearing, in drunken rage, and yelling to the crowd:

"And I've got to drive my eleven back to prison. And what do you suppose is going to happen out here to these pretty monjas (nuns) with day-break a long way off?"

"What do you think is going to happen?" shouted a swarthy virago, arms akimbo, Communist colours aflame on her breast. She pronounced a phrase, of which for lewdness and obscenity, I had never heard the like from a woman's lips. "That's what will happen!" she said. "Just as it's happened a hundred times before to others."

"Get me out of this, will you?" I demanded of my driver. "I can't stand it any more."

INTER A CLASS NOTES.

The holidays have ended, and we begin the 1938 school year in great form, having quite settled down in our new rooms. We were glad to welcome back a large number of the old hands. There is also a great number of new boys—some from as far as Mildura and Cohuna.

The prospects for the class seem very bright indeed. We are all now quite settled down to work, determined to overcome our examinations. Of course we have not begun our exams yet, but expect to next week, opening with Geometry.

The Intermediates have shown great interest in the House Competitions. In fact, we are represented in every part of the College life. We hope to be supplying tennis players, cricketers, footballers, and rowers to represent the College in the Inter-School contests, and thus keep up our renowned reputation.

Jim Sullivan is our hope in the rowing. For a few days he was training with the 1st Crew.

Pat and Mat are great class mates, but sometimes they have a little squabble.

Dick Carr is quite well after his recent illness, but we notice that he is limping, because of a bad toe.

We have also Des O'Hagan in our class. He obtained first in the State in the Sub-Intermediate exams.

Ian is a regular "Dave," although he hails from the city.

Amongst our new class mates is Tom O'Brien, of Wagga, N.S.W.

Well, we must get on with our studies now, but we hope to have a lot more news for you next month.

ODE TO BALLARAT.

(Inspired by the gross fickleness of the Ballarat weather.)

I have lounged in eastern gardens,
Where the scented breezes croon;
Bone boating in Hawaii

'Neath the soft Hawaii moon.
But the cold, cold days around me
Tend to drive those thoughts away,
In a place of sometime beauty,

Where the icy windlets play.
Where the cold grey morns awaken
Thoughts of home, and sunny days
Of the placid Murrumbidgee

As it wanders on its way.
Sure I'd give a million dollars

For a touch of summer here,
But I guess I'll go on wishin',
And the rain will go on swishin',
And the frogs will start their croakin'
In my ear.

(By "Iceberg," a newcomer from Wagga, N.S.W., where the temperature sometimes plays about 110 deg. mark.—Ed.)

INTERMEDIATE B.

This is Inter. B relaying to S.P.C. The new Inter B studio is a distinct success. It has, a fortiori, lost a little of that atmosphere of reverence—cum-excitement that one usually associated with it in past years. Nevertheless, it is still quite a good studio.

We cannot claim a 1st XI. rep. this year. Actually we had one, but

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he got away! However, there are distinct possibilities in the rowing enthusiast. Bill Brittain doesn't know how big to grow, and he may surprise those who do not know rowing form. George Dwyer and J. Wise have decided, apparently, not to grow out of their cox's uniforms. Several others, W. Newton, M. Quin, T. Green (ballast!), to mention a very few, may show up at the rowing.

In school we are a hard-working class of modesty; but we offer up the trials for the sake of the "Chronicle," and we would like to correct any false impressions!

This edition of the College "Chronicle" has taken us rather by surprise—rather a tribute to the little paper! However, Inter. B will be prepared for action in future and news of our Essendon, Gordon, Birchip, Lascelles, Maroona (very heavy!), Yarrowonga, Box Hill representatives will edify readers.

Here's to a successful 1938 for the College "Chronicle" and all at S.P.C.

PROSPECTS IN SPORT.

With eight of last season's Cricket XI. back at school, the team has taken shape, and shows great promise.

In rowing we have been equally fortunate, Harvey Munday being the only absentee from our first representatives. There are also many of the boys from the Regatta crews back to try their luck.

The football team this season, although lacking the weight of last season's, should combine well—the backbone being eight of last year's train-

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In Athletics, C. Fanning, H. Munday and J. Carroll have left room for good jumpers. What about it, new boys? We have last year's excellent team of sprinters lined up at the barrier; but can anyone of the new boys keep up with "Pek" when he runs the mile in 4.50?

Two of last year's tennis firsts, and three of the seconds have been signed up. Tennis champions wanted?

NEWS FLASHES.

St. Roch's competition commenced last Wednesday. All make it a point to wear whites on Sundays. It is too early in the season to record averages, but the games are keenly contested and a spirit of enthusiasm is quite evident in all. One of our Mildura representatives has at last broken his quack and opened up his account for the year.

HEARD ABOUT THE SCHOOL.

Remarks on the excellent showing in the front of the College, the new fence and gates in the foreground shown up by the picturesque splendour of the garden. We will be able to take our place in the floral display in the Centenary Celebrations.

Words of praise for the way in which the new Matron is handling affairs in the refectory.

It did not take the boys long to appreciate the improvements made to the talkie equipment—the speaking of the actors, etc., is now distinct and audible. Many thanks, Br. Molony for your efforts in this regard,

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and also for the painstaking way in which you conducted last year's Community Singing.

Many of the Old Boys did not fail to remark on the excellent condition of the oval. For the first time I had the pleasure of seeing grass at the base of the northern goal posts. Nice work, curator!

The Tuck Shop has changed hands for the first time for a great number of years.

The Honours Class has moved to fresh fields—so has the Leaving Class, and so on. The old Honours room has been desecrated. Just imagine that sacred room in which was fought the Battle of the Prose lasting for a number of years. That room stained all over with honour, renown, and ink (!) has now been invaded by the Inters. Alas! alas! The end of the world must surely come! With regard to the new room—who will be the first to knock the new clock off its pedestal? Who will follow in DickieCannon's footsteps by introducing ink to the spotless walls?

No one can help remarking on our new telephone booth, which will probably be called more than an improvement when the winter comes.

P.S.—A. Jones has been re-handicapped in the Friday night division of the Sunshine and Shower Stakes. The handicapper eliminated several of his pace-makers near the casualty office. Would the clock corner be banked and rounded off so as to avoid further mishaps and allow the back markers to come through with the

spirit that used to predominate in the "good old days?"

CRICKET

S.P.C. 1st XI, 1938.

Well, cricket time is round again, and S.P.C. is fielding a strong side. Eight members of the successful 1937 team are back, and a very keen competition for the last four places has arisen. However, these have been decided, and it promises to be as good, if not better, a combination as its predecessors. Br. O'Malley is in charge once again, with Mr. Hill also giving his expert advice.

Max Gill is filling the place of captain once again, with Tek O'Dea as his aide-de-camp. These two filled the same positions last year with great success, and they look like being successful again. Another veteran is Wally Moon. It is only hoped that he will reproduce his last year's form, and make sure of no more 99's. Rob. McKee still bowls left-handed and might get a wicket or two this year.

Jack Hill's cunning with the ball is well known, so his his bowling is A1. He also might be after a "six" on Grammar's oval, after his effort on College's last year. Jack Connell, another 1937 player, might make his score this year. Wide awake in the field, he fills the mid-on position admirably. Ted Long has vacated the keeper's gloves, and is to be found at second or third slip. And now our last 1937-ite, Jack Pekin. Bowling

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better than last year, he opens up the bowling opposite Max. Now come the new bloods. Times does not permit a polished account of them, so our brevities must be pardoned. Ken. Aldenhoven from South Melbourne is our 1938 Oldfield. A batsman delightful to watch, he will make his scores. Pat Cranage rising from the "Shed" shows great promise. Gerhard Jongbloed (Jingle-Bells), a keen fieldsmen and a try-hard bat, should do well. Last, but not least, is our other dayboy representative, Jack Deutchman. He should develop into a good and stylish batsman as he has the strokes.

Well, Friday and Saturday (March 5th and 6th) will try the mettle of this XI. Our old rivals, Ballarat College, are waiting patiently.

SUB A.

We take this first public opportunity of welcoming the many new arrivals of Sub A. We sincerely hope that they will enjoy the year 1938, and by a hard year's work bring it to a very happy conclusion by a splendid pass in the December Final Exams.

At present we number 42, although Ray Pelly has scarcely become a familiar figure, for ill-health has prevented him from appearing in our midst. We wish him a speedy recovery and trust that he will shortly be back amongst us. Ballarat East is well represented by W. O'Neill, L. De Graaff, L. Pring, W. Deutschman (mind the

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spelling, please), D. Currie (for size, Noel has a big handicap!) and I. Parsons. New members among the "Country Party" are: Frank Hannigan (Bendigo)—no relation to B. Hannigan; Joe Briody (Lexton); Will Brady (Echuca)—yes, one of THE family; Des. Rea (Naringal, Southern District); W. Collins (from Corowa); John Findlay (Terang); G. Morcom (Tarranyurk), Bill Dridan, a brother of Kev., from Amphitheatre; K. Munn (Apsley); while the following are supporters of city life: Francis Little who, by the way, is a little bigger than the bigger Little; Francis Killeen, also from Essendon; Kev. Benton (St. Kilda). And just as we go to press our 42 arrival appears—Brian Molan, from Landsborough, the home town of that former worthy representative of Sub A—W. Begg.

So far outstanding cricketers from Sub A have not yet appeared. However, when this appears all will be thoroughly "wrapt up" in the cricket competitions. Then we are bound to see W. Meakes scattering the stumps—and the pride of would-be batsmen! While, in due course, Mick O'Conner, our star footballer, will prove conclusively that Pimpinio knows how football is played. Doug. Smith, in the House Competition, as Captain of the 3rds, showed his "Bradman-like" propensities in compiling 46 runs to give his team a comfortable victory.

With this brief introduction to our notabilities we will say "au revoir" till April.

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QUEER NAMES.

Jerry D. Barba runs a barber's shop in the City of Washington.

The Mayor of Gaastra is Looney, and the Town Clerk is Battey.

Dr. Besick is a physician in Chicago.

Admiral Cheatham is Paymaster-General of the U.S. Navy.

The Tuf Steak Market is owned by Mr. Tuf, of Lexington.

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days.

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Daily average of about 1.50 for
lunch, sickness, etc., 26 days.

Leaving 15 days.
Two weeks' annual holiday, 14
days.

Leaving only 1 day.
That being Labour Day, nobody
works.

SUB INTERMEDIATE B

There are many new faces among the Boarders and Day Boys in the Sub B this year. Taking the Boarders first, they are: Pat Boyce, Newmarket; John and Bill Bowtell, Bunna-loo; Kevin Gould, Kinnabulla; Kevin

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Keogh, Watchupga; Lyall Matchett, Lascelles; John McLoughlan, Berriwillcock; Jack Magee, Longerenong; Bob Rice, Shepparton; Des Ryan, Waubra; Jack Spicer, Watchem; Brian Thomas, Curyo; Gerald Wood, Beaufort; Ken Aldenhoven, Culgoa; Jack Clark, Charlton; Bill Long, Knowsley; Jack Munro, Deniliquin; Jack O'Sullivan, Knowsley; Jack Sheridan, Donald; Val Knowles, Koo-wee-rup. The Day Boys are not so numerous, but they say that quality always comes before quantity. Laurie Barker, Bernie Flynn and Norman Ross come in from Creswick each day. Michael Bourke is training hard for the bike race at the Athletic Sports. He rides to St. Pat's each day from near Warrenheip. Jack Collins, Greg. Hutchinson, Chris. Jenkins, Tony Magill, and Kevin Willis are all representatives from the Christian Brothers' School, Drummond Street. Joe Nolan is not new to St. Pat's, but being now a resident of Ballarat, he has joined up with the day boys.

Perhaps next month, when such important things as procuring new books and being tested for the choir are things of the past, we will be able to tell readers a little more about ourselves. However, for the present, we are content to announce our presence and promise big things in the future.

THE HOUSE SYSTEM.

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never be forgotten in the history of the College. They are Tracey, McCarthy, Nunan and Galvin.

Rev. Br. P. A. Tracey was the founder of the Christian Brothers in Australia. He was still the Superior of the Brothers in Australia when they took over the College in 1893. It is fitting therefore to perpetuate the memory of one who did so much for Catholic education in Australia.

Brother W. M. McCarthy, M.A., was Principal of St. Pat's for many years. It was he who built the handball courts and the senior wormitory wing. He was a great teacher and did much for the old school. His name is held in reverence by many generations of S.P.C. boys. He is at present an Assistant-General of the Order in Ireland.

Brother M. P. Nunan, who died in Ballarat in 1935, was Principal of the College 1910-1913. He did much during that time to further the interests of the school.

Brother T. B. Galvin, B.A., a great scholar and a lovable gentle character, was Principal in 1925. His name is held in high regard by all who knew him.

CAPTAINS OF THE HOUSES.

Tracey House: M. Gill, Captain; K. de Lacy, Vice-Captain.
McCarthy House: J. O'Dea, Captain; E. Long, Vice-Captain.
Nunan House: A. Jones, Captain; R. McKee, Vice-Captain.
Galvin House: W. Moon, Captain; L. Horgan, Vice-Captain.

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RESULTS OF MATCHES

(Tracey v. McCarthy)

1st XI—	
Tracey House	100
McCarthy House	89
Tracey House won by 11 runs.	
2nd XI—	
McCarthy House	77
Tracey House	
Tracey House won.	
3rd XI—	
McCarthy House	113
Tracey House	77
McCarthy House won by 36 runs.	
4th XI—	
McCarthy House	44
Tracey House	19
McCarthy House won by 25 runs.	
Points to date—	
McCarthy House	12
Tracey House	4
To-morrow (6th March) Nunan House will play Galvin House.	

REMOVE AND SIXTH GRADE

With the new year came many new faces and practically all the old ones. We extended to all a hearty welcome and by now all have settled down in their new home and are doing all they can to acquire that spirit of self-reliance and obedience, which should mark every S.P.C. boy.

Our new arrivals hail from not only Victoria, but even from New South Wales. The N.S.W. flag is kept flying by Charlie Phibbs, Daniel P. O'Brien, Jef. Fitzgerald, Bernard and Charles Murphy.

Kevin Holmes and Mick Bourke are upholding the honour of the Villa. Bert Hassall is often seen with Gerald Ware, a true blue from Shepparton, whose father attended the College in "the good old days." Of the other boys, Howard Smith's Tom Cantwell's and Clive Cronin's fathers also attended St. Pat's. Dan O'Brien and

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Dan O'Meara are doing their share of work in the class and on the field. Harry Widdison and Pat Fitzgibbon had a very enthusiastic debate on the speed at which cows can be milked. Harry can do eight to the hour. Kevin Harman makes great efforts to be in time on Saturday morning.

In the Sixth Grade the old warriors like Keith Ross, Jack McGoldrick, Loy Hennessy, Basil Dawson, Phil Virgona, John Lennox, and, yes, Tom Colgan (safely anchored at last) are back in all their splendour (?). Of the new boys, John McCarthy from Kerang needs mention. He is a good trier at all things, particularly in the dining room. Leo Dell is a good worker and should finish up well near the top at the end of the year. Henry Grass and Allen Symes have been reducing—they thought it best to be rid of their appendices anyhow. Kevin Roache has commenced lessons on the piano and practises well. Last of all we come to Teddy Conlon. We finish with him, and quite appropriately too, as he is only a full stop. Nevertheless he is able to hold his own and he realises small packages contain precious articles.)

REMOVE RESULTS, 1937.

Twenty-eight boys passed the 2nd Year Examination of the Christian Brothers Secondary Schools of Victoria—a record for St. Patrick's College.

In the aggregate, John O'Brien and Langton Dunne received honourable mention.

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Arithmetic: Equal firsts, W. Clohesy, J. Nolan (100 per cent.).

History: 3rd, 5th, 7th, 10th places went to L. Dunne, W. Taubert, L. Nagle and B. Higham.

Geography: 4th and 5th places to Ian McLenehan and J. O'Brien.

Honourable mention was also given to L. Dunne in French and Geometry (98 per cent.).

WHERE ARE THE BOYS OF LAST YEAR?

COLEY MCKENZIE, Head Prefect for 1937, and one of the most highly respected boys of the school, has gone to Corpus Christi College to study for the priesthood. His brother, Frank, is already there. Coley has six L.C. subjects to his credit and Honours Latin.

JOE KELLY, who created a record in languages in Honours and Leaving, has gone to Corpus Christi College. Joe ran seven languages concurrently during the year—English, Latin, Greek, French, Italian and Japanese.

VIN. BATCHELOR, who did very well in Honours, has gone to St. Columban's to train for the Chinese Mission.

WILLIAM McCUNNIE, who secured a good pass in Leaving and Matriculation, has gone to Corpus Christi.

JACK CROWE, who had the distinction of doing the Leaving Latin in

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a year, has gone to St. Clement's College, Galong, to begin his studies as a Redemptorist.

Terry Brown has a position at the E.G.A., King Street, and is already proving himself an excellent salesman.

Jack Callahan is in the clerkships section of the Education Department.

Allan McDonald is a clerk in the Mental Hygiene Department.

Leo Scullion has gone to the University to do Law.

Jimmy Delahunty is in the Union Bank, Casterton.

Bill Sloane is in the Union Bank, Geelong.

Bert Lenne is doing Engineering at the School of Mines, Bendigo.

Harvey Munday has joined his father's business in Geelong.

JUNIOR NOTES.

Re-enter: Not the villains, but Francis W. Smythe, Richard Cannot, Desmond Bourke, Murray and Loy, John Tooley, Peter Wilson, Athol Nicholas and Billy Bunting.

Please, sir, the "little kids" have no exercise to-night! the "little kids" being Ralph Fuller and Micky O'Sullivan, and the speaker that big boy named Francis Smythe!

Confusion reigns supreme in tiny-town's room! Who is Frank Nugent? Which is Gerald? These are the Koondrook twins.

Ralph, who is only 8 years old, is not sure whether he is from Shepparton, Ouyen—or just the Mallee! In fact, he has been to Melbourne, Bro-

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ken Hill and Sydney.

Micky is a 6-year-old from Seymour. He was born in Melbourne—went to Seymour at the age of two months, and now hopes to "see more" at S.P.C.

Bruce Hussey is a new arrival from Mint Place, Melbourne. Ralph suggests we should get plenty of Minties from Bruce. Perhaps, Bruce owns the Royal Mint and can spare a few sovereigns. Who knows?

Martin O'Sullivan from Sandringham related to our old friends, the O'Deas, thinks Sandringham beach is much better than Lake Wendouree. But he thinks, and rightly so, that S.P.C. is a jolly good place.

Dicky's new revolver is the latest American style. He and Frank are well armed—"and dangers are to them indifferent."

These little men—not "kids"—are the future glories of St. Pat's, and we feel sure they will have a happy time at S.P.C.

W. Bunting has a "new face"—I mean a toy one. Is it true he frightened the life out of Richard "Ne peut pas?"

SPORTING FIXTURES.

(1st Term)

CRICKET:

S.P.C. v. Ballarat College, March 4th and 5th.

S.P.C. v. Grammar, March 11th and 12th

S.P.C. v. College, March 25th and 26th.

S.P.C. v. Grammar, April 1st and 2nd.

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This year the tennis fixtures have been arranged for the last term. All tennis matches are to be played in November.

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1st Eleven Results

Here, in brief, we have the results of the two Sunday matches played so far from the 1st XI.

The match against Victoria Club on February 20th:

M. Gill	0
J. O'Dea	21
K. Aldenhoven	46
W. Moon	18
R. McKee	29
J. Hill, not out	2
E. Long, not out	1
J. Connell	—
J. Deutschman	—
G. Jonglebloed	—
D. Delahenty	—
J. Pekin	—

Total 5 for 117

The most successful bowler was R. McKee with 5 for 49. S.P.C. won by 4 runs.

Last Sunday (February 27th) they met Wiregrass Social Club from Bendigo. Another victory was recorded. S.P.C. 1st Innings.

M. Gill	3
J. O'Dea	21
W. Moon	5
K. Aldenhoven	9
R. McKee	16
J. Hill	8

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E. Long	3
J. Connell (retired injured).	
J. Deutschman	21
G. Jonglebloed	4
P. Cranage	13
J. Pekin, not out	2

Total 11 for 124

J. O'Dea had most success with the ball, taking 6 for 21.

Now St. Pat's can face Ballarat College on March 4th and 5th tried and proved.

**SUB-INTERMEDIATE
SUCCESSSES.**

In the recent Intermediate Entrance Examinations conducted by the Christian Brothers' Secondary Schools' Association, students of St. Pat's, in competitions with pupils of all the Christian Brothers' Secondary Schools of Victoria and Tasmania, secured 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 9th, 15th and 21st places in the general aggregate. Also, S.P.C. students gained 1st and 2nd places in French; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 7th and 8th places in Arithmetic; 1st, 3rd and 7th in Algebra; 3rd and 8th in Christian Doctrine; 3rd, 4th, 6th and 8th in English; 3rd and 9th in Latin; 5th in Geometry; 3rd and 5th in Chemistry; 9th and 10th in Physics; 5th, 6th, 8th and 9th in Geography; 2nd, 4th, 7th and 9th in Imperial History.

The above results establish another S.P.C. record in the field of examinations. Congratulations to all concerned..

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W. Brittain: 2nd in Aggregate, eq. 1st in Algebra, 2nd in French, eq. 2nd in Arithmetic, 8th in Christian Doctrine, eq. 10th in Physics.

E. Frith: 3rd in Aggregate, 1st in Arithmetic, eq. 3rd in Algebra, 5th in Geography, 8th in English.

J. Walsh: 6th in Aggregate, 3rd in English, 8th in Arithmetic.

G. Ryan: 9th in Aggregate, 9th in Latin, 8th in Geography, 9th in Imperial History.

C. Conroy: 16th in Aggregate, eq. 3rd in Christian Doctrine, eq. 5th in Chemistry, eq. 6th in Geography, 7th in Imperial History.

K. Kearney: 21st in Aggregate, 7th in Arithmetic, eq. 5th in Geometry.

M. McGrath: eq. 9th in Geography.

B. Duggan: 7th in Arithmetic.

J. Wise: eq. 6th English.

Total number of complete passes was 52.

VALE

In this, the first edition of the "Chronicle" for 1938, it is only fitting that we should say a parting word to Br. J. A. Sterling who has departed from our midst. We regret to say that Br. Sterling had been an inmate of St. John of God's Hospital for some time, and that even though he has returned he has not fully recovered. On behalf of the boys of St. Pat's we wish Br. Sterling the best of health and happy days in Middle Park.

RECENT VISITORS TO S.P.C.

One of the first to pay a visit to St. Pat's this year was Alan McDonald, who was journeying to Melbourne to join the Public Service.

On Sunday, the 27th February, we were glad to see W. Batchelor, a student from Werribee, and a brother of Vin's. back at his "Alma Mater." He

was a boarder at the College in 1930 and 1931. Another student from Werribee to pay us a visit was Jack Carroll, of the 1935 Honours Class. Two of his classmates were also sight-seeing—Noel Flanagan and Frank McArdle.

Joe Kelly called to see us a few days prior to his departure for Corpus Christi College, Werribee. With him were Jack Dwyer and Sid Sinclair, both of whom have good jobs in view.

A Hero's Last Letter.

A Spanish boy of 22, a convert from Communism, condemned to death by his former Red comrades, and wanting to die like Our Lord, with his hands outstretched and his back against a huge oak tree, first wrote this letter to his sweetheart:

"Dearest Maruja,—
"I shal llove you till the moment of my death as I have ever loved you. God calls me: He calls mto Himself, and I am going to Him along the ways of sacrifice.

"Blame no one for my death; forgive in the name of God, as He forgave, and I also forgive.

"Till eternity, yours,
"Bartolome."

And, taking off his shoes so that he might go barefooted to the place of sacrifice, he chose the tree against which he wished to die, and himself gave the order to fire.

Splendid Examples.

The physical suffering of the Holy Father in his late illness has at times been so great as to be called abominable, according to dispatches from Vatican City. So sensitive is the body of the Pontiff, ravaged by old age and sickness, that it was necessary to place a framework of wire under the bed cover to keep it from touching him. Yet, in spite of such excruciating pain, the spirit of the Vicar of Christ refuses to bow to the weakness of his flesh. The spiritual leader of the world sits up in his bed

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GOOD

FRIDAY

When Jesus had at last reached the spot where the Law appointed that He should suffer the worst punishment that His enemies could inflict, He calmly awaited the completion of the arrangements for His death. Our Divine Saviour, not wishing to lessen His sufferings refuses all but the taste of the wine mingled with myrrh. His garments are then stripped from His back, reopening once more all the wounds He had received in the cruel scourging. Being thus made ready for the sacrifice, the soldiers threw Him down upon the wood of the Cross, and the revolting scene of His Crucifixion began. Huge nails are driven through the quivering flesh and muscles. The Sacred feet of the unresisting victim were drawn down and fastened. After a few moments the soldiers came, and, raising the Cross aloft, carried it to the hole which had been made in the ground to receive it. There they firmly secured it, and the disfigured, scourge-torn, bleeding form of Our Lord appeared high above all heads, a spectacle unto Angels and unto men. Look at your Lord and Master as

He hangs upon the Cross, and learn from the sight the great evil of sin.

The Crucifixion was Our Lord's price for the redemption of our souls. Therefore, let nothing be more precious to you than your immortal soul. Let nothing lead you away from God, into sin which alone can bring about the eternal ruin of your soul. Keep ever in mind those words with which every Catholic boy is so familiar:—"Whatsoever I lose, if I gain Thee, all is gained, and whatsoever I gain, if I lose Thee, all is lost."

Looking upon the work of our hands, the torn and bleeding body of Our Saviour, let us resolve to atone for the past, and by tears of sorrow, to blot it out from the memory of God. Let each of us determine never again to re-open the wounds of Jesus. Let us ask Him so abundantly to bestow grace upon us, that neither life nor death, neither Angels nor men, neither principalities nor powers, neither things present nor things to come, may be ever able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus Our Lord!

SPEEDING UP.

An old Negro was vainly endeavouring, one hot day, to drag along a lazy mule by its halter. The local doctor happened to be watching, and at last in desperation, the Negro offered to pay him a fee if he could put a little life into the lazy beast. The doctor went into his surgery and returned with his medicine case, from which he took a small syringe, filled it with a liquid and inserted the needle into the animal's side. The astonished creature at once reared up on its hind legs and then dashed off down the road at a terrific speed.

The darkey looked at the doctor and then at the rear view of the mule.

"Say, sah," he said, "how much was dat stuff you just put in dat mule?"

"Oh, about ten cents," replied the doctor.

"Well, sah, you just fire twenty cents' worth right into me. I's got to ketch dat mule."

* * * *

Mother: "Jane, do you know if Johnny has come home from school yet?"

Jane: "I think so. I haven't seen him, but the cat is hiding under the stove."

* * * *

A candidate for the police force was being questioned.

"If you were pursued by a desperate gang of criminals in another car doing forty miles an hour along a lonely road, what would you do?"

The candidate looked puzzled for a moment. Then he replied: "Fifty!"

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The new Irish butler was announcing the guests.

"Mr. Jones, Mrs. Jones, Miss Jones," he said.

"Shorten your announcements, Michael," whispered his employer. "Mrs. Jones and family would have been sufficient."

The next arrivals were Mr. Penny and family.

"Fourpence," announced Michael.

and, with death itself stalking in the background, exhorts us to fight the Communistic scourge. Over the radio his very voice bespoke the great ordeal he was undergoing, and his labored breathing portrayed to an astounded world in a most superlative degree the magnificent spectacle of the spirit triumphing over the flesh.

During all the great crises of its existence it has been the great fortune of Christianity to be endowed with leaders like Pius XI.; men who would scourge their bodies and strengthen their souls, and by their example give new life to men and women dulled by the pleasures of the world.

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HUMOUR

Two golfers strayed one day into a paddock without noticing the presence of a bull. When they had reached the centre of the field, the bull gave chase. No. 1 golfer, being also a runner, reached the fence a good deal ahead of the other golfer and the bull. From the safe side he held down the wires of the fence, and called to his friend: "Hurry up, Bill, he's just behind you." Aggravated by the remark, his friend breathlessly replied: "What do you think I'm doing—running a slanter?"

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HONOURS NOTES.

As another month has rolled by our numbers have increased and decreased. While we are welcoming several newcomers, we are saying farewell to those who have fallen by the wayside and who, being tired out by work, are seeking peace, rest and comfort in the precincts of the Public Service offices. Here it is fitting that we should give an official farewell to Ted Long and Matt. Hyland, two of our most valued students. How the class and the school will get on without these two we do not know, but still the Government must be kept going. Ted, since his arrival in 1935, has had a great career, one perhaps unprecedented in the later history of the College. Each year he has been Dux of his class. In 1936-7 he was the outstanding rover of the XVIII, winning the cup for the best and fairest player last year. In 1937-8 he took his place in the Cricket XI, and was found worthy to be chosen as a Prefect of the Sodality. This year he was chosen as a Prefect of the College. Matt. also arrived in 1935, and has been a classmate of Ted's all along the line. In 1936 he obtained eight Intermediate subjects, and last year he passed in seven Leaving subjects. This year he was selected in one of the crews, but was forced to resign. We wish both these fellow-students the best of health, wealth and prosperity in their new surroundings and we hope that they will frequently return to visit us.

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Since the March edition of the "Chronicle" three of last year's students and one new student have taken up seats in the Honours Room. Sid Sinclair, Jack Flanagan and J. Dwyer are the ones to stage a comeback; while the newcomer is John Sullivan from Bendigo. Another member of the class to be re-welcomed is Adrian Anderson, who has just arrived back after a slight operation. He is quite fit and has taken the place in the rowing vacated by his friend, M. Hyland.

Here we must extend our heartiest sympathy to Jack O'Dea, who was recently operated on for appendicitis and who is even now convalescing in St. John of God's Hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope to have him back in the Latin Class again very shortly. In the meantime Joe F. is bearing the brunt of the attack.

Congratulations must be offered to J. Flanagan, E. Long and B. Toohey on their election as Prefects of the School and the Sodality; to W. Moon and A. Jones on their election as Prefects of the School; and to M. Whitty and J. Flannery on their election as Prefects of the Sodality.

Another matter worthy of note is the attainment of the age of 15 by our youngest classmate, Mark Whitty. He has still quite a good stretch to go before he can be termed 'sweet sixteen,' but still when Jack Flanagan's back is turned he walks out.

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Any careful observer on Regatta Day would have seen the stroke of the firsts, A. Jones, down at the Ballarat City Boat Sheds picking up a few points, but it is doubtful whether he will be able to put his newly-acquired knowledge into practice on Head of the Lake Day.

In the last edition we failed to men-

tion the return of the Crooning Collier, the lad with the Iron Lung. We wished to make it perfectly clear that the omission was purely accidental—how the mistake was made cannot be explained, because Elvy always makes himself heard.

Easter greetings and best wishes to all.

Mitchell of the Mounted

(By J de Vere Blennerhassett.)

Ralph Mitchell was in the way of making a name for himself at last. Promoted to the charge of the Bindooroo police district in Central Queensland, it would be his duty to look after blacks and whites, and as the Garrogarro tribe were inhabitants of his territory, he knew that his hands would be full. Ralph's hands were very capable ones, and a stout heart and a deep conscientiousness made him the ideal mounted man.

There are, of course, other qualities besides courage and conscientiousness on which the mounted man must rely when he takes the charge of a great police district. Great physical disposition, faith in men as well as faith in God, for the true policeman is not suspicious of everybody, as some people might think, instead he has a firm reliance on the goodwill of his fellow-men, and when he finds that such goodwill is cheerfully given him, then his faith is straightened, and he knows that the evildoer is the less

likely to cross that path. When such does happen, he knows that he can command the help of every decent man in his district, and that wrong-doing is unpopular.

Wrong-doing is unpopular in all Australian cities and towns, but it is absolutely abhorred in the bush. In the bush the sheep-stealer, the cattle-duffer and the gold-stealer form the principal elements of criminology: there are other things occasionally, such as ordinary cheating in buying and selling, but in the case of white men, the three final mentioned are the principal perpetrators of crime. In the case of the blacks, it is different, for occasionally there is a murder of a white man, for some immediate and perhaps paltry gain, or a series of murders of blacks by other blacks, often for some reason of tribal origin. When Ralph Mitchell went to Bindooroo, he ran right into the responsibility of investigating a series of tribal murders, and of "running to

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earth" the murderers in one of the most complicated cases ever known in the annals of Queensland crime.

The Garrogarro tribe was known to be very fierce when roused by some infringement of its customs or tribal laws. Tribal laws of Australian blacks are very complicated, and if they were collected and printed in great volumes, as the laws of white men are, then any legal luminary might make his head ache or his nerves snap by an intensive study of them.

Ralph Mitchell was disappointed that he should find it necessary to begin straight away to track down the native criminals, for his idea was to try to make friends with the blacks from the first, knowing that by such means he could very likely prevent many a crime, and induce help from the friendly blacks when there was anything to investigate.

Sergeant Fellows, who was Ralph's predecessor, said: "It makes no difference in the case of a tribal murder, for then no blackfellow will tell you anything." In spite of this, Ralph felt that a known friendly attitude to the natives would help his work, and that this could not be so easily won, since he was to take his first appearance among them as the menacing and avenging officer of "Big feller Government" (the blacks' way of naming the law).

The case as it stood was this: The Girriwilli blacks had come into the Garrogarro territory, and not content with hunting its plentiful kangaroos,

and taking toll of its numerous wallabies, they had incurred the enmity of the Garrogarro tribe by desecrating a totem pole and bearing away three of the Garrogarro gins.

Reprisals soon followed, and five murders had been committed by the Garrogarro men, these crimes being the large size duty of Ralph Mitchell to investigate, to arrest the guilty warriors and to vindicate the cause of justice.

Five days after his arrival at the police quarters at Bindooroo, Ralph set out. He rode one horse, another trotted beside him—his pack-horse. The pack-horse was loaded with all that was necessary to his temporal wants for the immediate future, to wit, a pair of blankets, billycan and pint pot, a water bag and sundry groceries, including as their basis the principal ingredient for the making of damper, an indispensable article of diet in the Australian bush. On his own person and on the saddle horse he carried his pistols and ammunition and despatch book, writing materials, a few books, an electric torch and, strangely one might think, a mouth organ. Ralph whiled away many an hour with his modest musical instrument. There were many miles to go before there would be any danger that the savage breast of the hunted blacks would have any chance of being soothed by the sounds of the musical efforts of our troubadour policeman.

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to acquired knowledge of direction making progress sure. After ten hours of riding, Ralph made a halt, fed his horses, watered them at the creek, hobbled them for the night, and arranged his camp and camp-fire.

(To be continued.)

LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

Well, here we are on the air again after a month's rest. In that time the Leaving has lived up to the best ideals. We learnt that drastic affairs were taking place in Europe, but such is not the case here. Oh, no, we're just one big happy family.

The first question, I think, is: "How is school work?" Well, we seem to be settling down, although this is not universally agreed to. Still, we can say it is quite true. Some of us are even taking books to bed to read. I mean school books. What better proof do you want? At the same time, Robert Browning has taken a dislike to many of us, or should I say, we have taken a dislike to Robert Browning. In the Maths. III. class, some of the trig. functions, etc., are rather dark to us yet.

I suppose that this will be one of the last occasions on which we will be talking of cricket, that is, for the "Chronicle." We are proud to say that the Leaving has held its own in the First XI. In fact, more than half the team were Leaving boys. Max Gill, the captain, showed plenty of skill with bat and ball. Others who gained a place in the Eleven were R.

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McKee, J. Connell, J. Hill, J. Deut-schmann, P. Cranage and G. Jonge-blood. Before we leave this subject let us congratulate Pat Cranage for obtaining the "hat trick" last week against Ballarat College.

In the rowing the Leaving is well to the fore again. Leo Horgan, a member of last year's winning crew, is in training again under Mr. Hauser. With him is Laurie Vaughan whom we all hope obtains a place in the Firsts. In the Seconds the Leaving representatives are: Laurie Delahunty and Pat McNamara. Others training under Mr. Desnoy are Jim Donovan, T. Darveniza and Pat. Mullins.

We regret to hear that Frank Selkirk is leaving us. Frank, we understand, has obtained a position in the Railways Department, and I am sure that everyone joins with me in wishing him the best of success in his new sphere in life.

Jack Connell deserves to be congratulated on his appointment as a Councillor of the Sodality. Everyone knows that such a position at St. Pat's is second to none.

We welcome to our ranks Joe Cunnene, and we feel sure that Joe will live up to the Leaving ideals.

Last month we were allowed to see the sights of Ballarat. Many of the boys visited the Electric Speedway, and it is true to say that Sir Malcolm Campbell had nothing on them. Among those there I noticed Rob McKee and Max Gill, whose skill at handling the cars was remarkable.

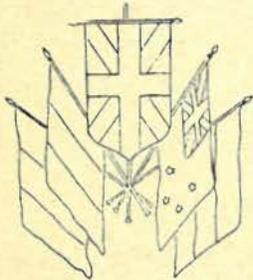
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We must not forget Fred Labb who is competing in Melbourne very soon for the handball championships. Everyone wishes him luck, and hopes he will bring honour to the school.

Well, till you hear from us again, folks, we say au revoir.



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AN ANZAC DAY REMEMBRANCE.

It is over 20 years since the call of the Motherland came sounding round the globe. A steady stream in response to this call flowed to the front from Australia, and in its course over 200 pupils from St. Patrick's College, Ballarat, cheerfully joined in the cause of honour and of liberty. Many of the former students, comparatively unknown during their days at St. Patrick's College, proved themselves to be heroes by the deeds of valour and of service they performed on the battlefields of Gallipoli, France, and Belgium.

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S.P.C. representatives at the front may be best illustrated by the following piece of news issued at the Military Headquarters, France:

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After the capture of the German trenches, O.G.I., on the 5th August a patrol commanded by Capt. Nicholas found, on returning from a reconnaissance in front, that an enemy machine gun in a shell-hole had been seriously menacing our men in the front line. Capt. Nicholas, as soon as he located the gun, gallantly went out again alone, and by great dash and initiative succeeded in capturing the gun.

In publishing the above, the Army Corps Commander wishes to convey his congratulations to Capt. Nicholas on his gallant action."

Just one more extract to further show the S.P.C. spirit put to the test:

"Capt. W. J. Locke, who was known as the "popular boy" at St. Patrick's, brought to perfection on the battlefield the sterling qualities which distinguished him at college. Jack neither forgot nor neglected his religious training at S.P.C. The Army Chaplain (Father Power), at Gallipoli, stated that Jack was of great assistance to him in serving Mass, and keeping his men 'up to the mark' in attending the Holy Sacrifice, showing that he did not forget to serve God as well as his country.

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attack on 27th September, 1915, Jack was awarded the D.S.O."

Jack, now Colonel Locke, of Melbourne, was present at the Old Boys' Reunion on Sunday, 27th March.

The College "Honour Roll" is a glorious reminder to the present boys of the courageous spirit that makes us so proud of our ex-students who so nobly did their part in the hallowed cause of Right and Liberty.

On Anzac Day may the souls of those of our ex-students who lost their lives during the terrible conflict be fervently remembered in the Holy Sacrifice by the present students, many of whom are sons of heroes of 1914-18.

"Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen."

INTER A CLASS NOTES.

The term is now well advanced with the Intermediate A's. We have now settled down to our studies, all of us doing our best, determined to overcome our exams. Most of us are looking forward to our first "let up" at Easter.

Judging by the results of the exams, already held, the class proves to be an excellent one. In Latin, we have D. O'Hagan 1st, B. Gibney 2nd, B. Duggan 3rd; in the Algebra, T. Brady and P. Conway equal 1st, B. Gibney 2nd, P. Conway 3rd; in the Geometry, D. O'Hagan 1st, D. McGlade 2nd, T. Brady 3rd; in Trigonometry, D. O'Hagan 1st, T. Brady 2nd, B. Gibney

3rd; and last, but not least, in Geography we have P. Cashin 1st, T. O'Brien 2nd, B. Hill 3rd.

Jim Sullivan and Frank Englefield are our representatives in the rowing; the former being in the Second Crew and the latter in the Third Crew, probably. T. Brady is on the reserve list, and Bernard Gibney is a cox.

Since the last edition of the "Chronicle" we were pleased to welcome to the class rooms Maurice O'Keefe and Kevin (Shag) Ryan, two old hands, and Laurie Hoye who was new to St. Pat's, but not for long. Maurice O'Keefe was detained because of appendicitis, but is quite well again.

Noel Currie was greatly missed during his few days of sickness.

We cannot claim a member of the victorious "First Eleven," but Ian Keelan often leads the Second Eleven of Galvin House to victory as Captain. Tom O'Brien, B. McGrath, and I. Pontifract also predominate on the cricket field. The Inter A's were too strong for Inter B's in the recent cricket match, and we are looking forward to beating the Sub-Inters. with T. O'Brien as our leader.

We are anxiously awaiting the day when Brother O'Malley puts in the notice case, a cutting from the "Donald Daily." Rumour has it that it concerns Bernard Gibney, but in what way we do not know. As yet Bernie has not given his approval.

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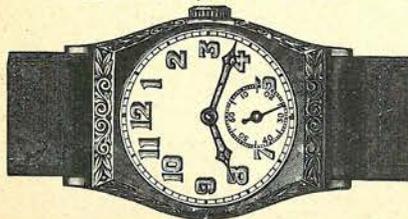
INTERMEDIATE B

We will be well represented on Boat Race Day by having Bill Newton and Bill Brittain both in crews and Jim Wise and George Dwyer coxes of the 1st and 2nd crews. We were defeated in the cricket by our rivals Inter A, but we hope very soon to transform our defeat to victory. We defeated the Sub B who, I think, expected us to be "easy meat." Since the last edition of the "Chronicle" Con Conroy, who was in Sub A last year, has returned. I think he grew tired of rounding up the cows and digging potatoes. Eddie Fleming has been seen about the surgery on a Wednesday night. He pretty regularly develops a headache on Wednesdays. George Wilkinson is "not so hot" at cricket, but we are reserving him for the football. "Merv." has become a musician, but he prefers playing in the classroom. Bill Newton was sick for a day or two last week. However, he soon recovered. Don Chisholm misses his rival, Peter Duffy.

We offer our congratulations to the 1st XI on again winning the B.P.S. cricket competition.

Let you forget all about our progress at study, we would have you know that at a recent test in Latin the marks ran thus: J. Ratcliffe, 90 per cent.; W. Brittain, 76 per cent.; W. Begg, 74 per cent.; G. Thomson and W. Newton, 73 per cent.; G.

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NEWS FLASHES

The Botany and Biology Classes are getting along admirably under the careful management of Geoff. Reynolds, who, by getting the boys to class and by his organization, is proving a big help. It is hard to find out just what the Botany Class keeps on the window-ledge of the Honours Room. Some of the boys have offered very valuable suggestions, but the class seem to keep it a trade secret. They have a particular type of flower which they guard very carefully. 'Tis just as well the Biology Class does not put in full time in the Honours Room, because some of the samples of their work might be objectionable.

The first Missa Cantata for the year was celebrated by Fr. Gleeson on the Feast Day of our Patron, St. Patrick. The choir, under the baton of Br. Murphy, gave its first display for the year and performed splendidly. The M.C. was Jack Flanagan; Acolytes: E. Long and A. Jones; Thurifer and assistant: B. Toohey and J. Flannery. The pages were the same as last year, with the exception of K. Reynolds, who replaced J. Tudor.

On Sunday, 6th March, about 80 of the senior boys marched down to the

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Cathedral to a special Centenary Mass celebrated by Fr. Gleeson. The Mass and sermon were broadcasted by 3BA. The full school marched on the next occasion, St. Patrick's Day. We all paraded down the streets to the tune of "Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching," and the applause of the admiring multitude. The "Sun" photographer thought our general appearance was so good, that it ought to be reproduced in the next morning's paper. In the afternoon many concentrated on "Ebb Tide," while others endeavoured to back winners. When all was over we returned to school to see "Rainbow on the River."

On the afternoon and evening of the 11th we were allowed out to see what we could see of the Centenary decorations, etc. Some of the boys availed themselves of the opportunity in the afternoon and went to see the procession. Others stayed home and watched the cricket. In the evening the miniature speedway and other carnival attractions kept our boys on the move. Our second last outing for March was on Eight Hours afternoon. Dinner was half an hour early to enable the boys to see the big "March of Progress"—one of the best processions ever seen in Ballarat. Some of the displays were well worth seeing by everyone, whether they have a taste for the beautiful or not. After this many of the boys went to the excellent sports meeting staged on the City

Oval. If they went to see thrills they were not disappointed!

Our last outing for the year was on Tuesday evening, 29th March. A band of the senior boys was permitted to go and hear a recital by R. Trewern, Miss M. Rusden and Miss P. Olsen. The entertainment was very enjoyable, and although many of the boys had heard Mr. Trewern sing before, they had never heard him to such advantage.

The Prefects of the School for 1938 are: J. Flanagan, M. Gill, W. Moon, B. Toohey, A. Jones and E. Long (until his departure).

The Prefects of the Sodality are: J. Flanagan, E. Long (until his departure), B. Toohey, J. Flannery, M. Whitty and J. Connell.

About fifty new volumes have been recently added to the College Library and all welcome their arrival.

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possession. Undefeated, the XI has once more brought honour to the school. This is due in great part to the untiring energy and keenness of our sportsmaster, Br. O'Malley; also of our coach, Mr. Hill, whose knowledge of the game is unbounded. The team played together as a team should play, and it was due to this spirit of combination that we have come to be the successful premiers.

Our first match was against our near neighbours, Ballarat College. In this game the most successful batsmen were Max Gill with 92, J. O'Dea with 51, K. Aldenhoven 53, and R. McKee 45. The total was 301, to which College replied with 46 in their first innings, and 49 in their second. Max Gill was the most successful bowler in the 1st innings, securing 4 wickets for 7 runs; Jack Hill, in College's 2nd innings, secured 3 for 22.

Our next match was home to Grammar School. Grammar batted first and put up 99 before they were all dismissed. The spin bowlers, Jack Hill and Pat Cranage, took the bowling honours with 4 for 8, and 3 for 15 respectively. We secured 257 runs, and Grammar faced the task of getting 159 runs to avoid an inning's defeat. In our innings, Ken Aldenhoven with 57, Jack Connell 53, and Pat Cranage with 42 were top scorers. Grammar took up the fight, but the excellent bowling of the Gill-Pekin combination proved too much, and they were out for 41. Max Gill took 5 for 14, and Jack Pekin, 5 for 19.

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Now we come to the final, but most interesting match of the season, S.P.C. against Grammar School at Grammar. This match was the only one in which we were seriously pressed. We batted first, and with 14 up Max was back in the pavilion, out for 11. Wickets fell at 22, 40, 55, 63, 65, 84, 97 and 113. A stand by Ken Aldenhoven for 28, and Pat Cranage with 30 gave us, with the others, a meagre 118. Grammar's first innings showed 89. Max Gill took 4 for 34, and Jack Pekin 4 for 39. With 29 lead only, our second innings commenced. A disastrous collapse showed the board registering 4 for 11. This is the time when a side is really tested. Once again Ken Aldenhoven rose magnificently to the occasion and obtained 58 runs. A good second innings by Pat Cranage also helped considerably. He secured 25. 102 runs were all we could manage, and now the struggle was in earnest. Gram-

mar, as fully determined to win as we were to defeat them, opened cautiously. However, our keenness prevailed, and our rivals were all out for 72. Splendid bowling by Jack Hill gave him the figures, 5 for 20 off 7 overs. Rob McKee got 3 for 6. Jack O'Dea, who is in hospital, and Ted Long, who took his Public Service appointment, were missed in this final game, but those who filled their places filled them well.

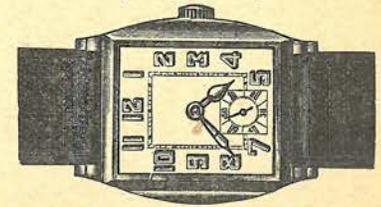
And so another B.P.S. Cricket Premiership has gone to St. Pat's. Once again we hold the Kennedy Cup for a year, and the "kit" can be packed away until the 1939 season comes round to Ballarat.

HOUSE CRICKET.

With the cricket season drawing to a close, all are watching with great interest the progress scores. With only two rounds to go, McCarthy House is one game ahead, with Nunan and Galvin second and Tracy two games behind these. McCarthy House will be considerably weakened for its game against Nunan House as Captain "Tec" O'Dea and his Vice-Capt., Ted Long, will not take the field. Tracy are expected to score a win over Galvin on the oval, but Galvin have proved strong in the Junior House match. The results to date are:—

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3rds: McCarthy d. Tracy; Galvin d. Nunan; match between Nunan and Tracy abandoned; McCarthy d. Galvin.

4ths: McCarthy d. Tracy; Nunan d. Galvin; Tracy d. Nunan; Galvin d. McCarthy.

Progress Scores: Galvin, 24; McCarthy, 20; Nunan, 16; Tracy, 16.

NOTES.

"Tech" O'Dea, Captain of McCarthy House, is in hospital convalescing after a successful operation.

Ted Long, Vice-Capt. of McCarthy House, has taken his leave of S.P.C. to enter the Public Service.

Ken Aldenhaven, Nunan House star batsman, made 99 against Ballarat College.

Max Gill, Captain of Tracy House, declares that Galvin House may as well give him the matches in the next round. We are not sure whether he means that they'll win them anyhow, or would be grateful for a little charity.

The match between Nunan 3rd and Tracy 3rds had to be abandoned because only four of each team turned up—let's hope this experience will not be repeated in any other House Competition.

Doug. Smith, so far, is the only century-maker in the College this season.

SHED CRICKET.

The Shed Cricket began much later than usual this year on account of the House matches. However, the competition is progressing very well. In each of the four teams there are some fine players who should fill any vacancies in the first eleven next year admirably. At present excitement is intensely keen because the teams are all fairly evenly matched. The B's and D's, captained by D. Nolan and E. Fleming, are equal with ten points each. The A's and C's, captained by J. O'Bryan and R. Hayes, are equal second with eight points.

The following scores are the results of the matches that have been played so far:

A v B.—A, 92 runs. J. McCarthy, 27; O'Brien, 4 for 20. B, 80 runs; J. O'Brien, 31; J. McCarthy, 6 for 29.

C v D.—C, 56 runs; F. Labb, 17; Collins, 7 for 16. D, 83 runs; Willis, 24; McGrath, 2 for 27.

A v C.—A, 76 runs; B. Toohey, 30; B. McGrath, 5 for 19. C, 74 runs; E. Frith, 21; J. Gibbons, 4 for 23.

B v D.—D, 60 runs. E. Fleming, 17; P. Cashin, 7 for 30. B, 77 runs; J. O'Brien, 27; J. Carroll, 2 for 8.

A v D.—A, 60 runs; J. O'Bryan, 17; B. Willis, 5 for 14. D, 95 runs; E. Fleming, 35; J. Gibbons, 4 for 20.

B v C.—C, 105 runs; E. Frith, 29; L. Gibbons, 4 for 21; B, 6 for 42; D. Nolan, 9; R. Hayes, 3 for 15.

A v B.—A, 3 for 74; J. O'Bryan, 32; J. O'Brien, 1 for 19; B, 4 for 85; J. O'Brien, 50; J. McCarthy, 2 for 27.

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A v C.—C, 5 for 96; E. Frith, 40; J. Gibbons, 4 for 36. A, 8 for 58; A. Sykes, 14; B. McGrath, 4 for 37.

C v D.—C, 4 for 146; F. Labb, 60; W. Begg, 1 for 14. D, 3 for 85; F. Kroon, 35; Frith, 1 for 3.

PARK "A"

The Park cricket is progressing very favourably. The four captains in the A grade competition are: L. Nagle, A. Ryan, J. O'Dea and W. Meakes.

The teams at the beginning of the competition were a little uneven, L. Nagle's team being the strongest, having two very good players, J. O'Sullivan and F. Hannah. Eventually J. O'Sullivan was transferred from L. Nagle's team to A. Ryan's. That alteration evened the teams considerably, for A. Ryan had always been defeated by Nagle. However, with J. O'Sullivan in his team he defeated Nagle's team by a narrow margin. Tom Hannah is about the best bowler on Park A, Jack O'Sullivan being a very close rival to him. J. O'Sullivan is also a good bat, although D. Smith ranks high in the list of batsmen. Another whirlwind bowler is J. Magee. He is on J. O'Dea's team, and is a great help even though he is only a fair batsman. Also on A. Ryan's team T. Green is the star wicket-keeper, although Gerald Woods on Nagle's team is a keen rival. Also J. McMahon and K. Willis are good opening batsmen, but not far behind

comes Kevin Lunt of A. Ryan's team. I think this concludes my little description of Park A cricket for the moment. The competition points at present are: L. Nagle, 14; J. O'Dea, 14; A. Ryan, 8; B. Meakes, 4.

PARK "B."

There are four teams which compete bravely in this competition, making strenuous efforts to become "premiers." These four teams are captained by John Sheridan, David Beale, John Burns and Frank Hannigan.

In John Sheridan's team the Vice-Captain, Jack Credlin, and B. Corrihan have helped greatly in the bowling part, while Frank Reilly plays an important part as wicket-keeper. B. Duggan and D. Ryan are also good bowlers. This team was unfortunate in losing Geoff. Morcom, who was a very reliable batsman and bowler. He was promoted to Park "A."

Dave Beale and Patrick Boyce are the two outstanding bowlers on the former's team. K. Keogh and Peter Penn are two reliable players. Tom Clarke, who finds it hard to leave his wireless, is a fine player.

As bowlers on Frank Hannigan's team we have the Captain himself, A. Hynes, Joe Briody and Brian Hill. Joe Briody also shows form as a batsman and a wicket-keeper. The other good batsmen besides Joe are Frank Hannigan, K. Gould, A. Hynes and B. Hill.

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Now at the end of the second round the points, with Frank Hannigan leading, are: Hannigan, 16; Burns and Sheridan are next, with 10 points each; and Beale is 4.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT.

(Replay)

The Editor of "The Torch" assures me that the following paragraph which appeared in his newspaper is nothing but the truth.

"Seven years ago a farmer in Iowa hung his vest on a fence in the barnyard. A calf chewed up a pocket in the garment in which was a gold watch. Last week the animal, a staid old milk cow, was butchered for beef, and the timepiece was found in such a position between the lungs of the cow that respiration—the closing in and filling of the lungs—kept the stem-winder wound up, and the watch had lost but four minutes in the seven years."

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No wonder the tortoise won the race!

THE BERRIES.

Oranges, watermelons and lemons are not fruit. Neither are they vegetables. Believe It or Not, they are berries! Any competent work on botany will define the classification of the above well-known delicacies as "berries."

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EPITAPHS.

Haine Haint.

Arthur Haine, of Vancouver, an atheist, ordered this inscription placed on his gravestone in order to show his disbelief in a future life.

GOOD KNIGHT.

Going,

Going,

Gone.

1868.

On the gravestone of an auctioneer in Greenwood, England.

HERE LIES AN ATHEIST.

All dressed up and nowhere to go.
(An epitaph in Thurmount, Maryland.)

In the Witchurch Graveyard, Dorsetshire, England:

Finis.

Maginnis.

SUB A.

Having studied rhyme we define it as a regularly recurring movement. These monthly notes, regularly recurring, scarcely produce rhyme; but they advertise us and show our activities within the four walls of our class and out in the open.

Let us mention firstly, lest our parents be alarmed, that we are all studying very hard—anxious to secure some 1st places in the 1938 Sub. exams. Weekly competitions in class work keep us all very busy.

Our numbers have risen considerably since we last spoke to you through these columns. New arrivals being Con. Caine, from St. Arnaud; Hugh Drum, from Banyena; Terry Sheehy, from Hopetoun; while some of the "old stagers," to wit, S. Bongiorno, B. Higham, have reappeared. Ray Pelley—out again, in again—has also staged a "comeback"—this time in the very best of good health. John Williams, another old-timer—in again,

cut again—returned and "weighed-in," but, being too heavy, decided to have his appendix removed, this being the fashionable method of securing a temporary respite from work. We sincerely hope his health will speedily be restored. These arrivals bring our number to 45. An increase is anticipated. The class prophet sees in the distance two strangers, located approximately at Donald, who are expected "to-morrow"!!

Stamp collectors are becoming very prominent in our domain. Ken Hartley, N. Tilley, W. Clohesy, P. Penn, J. Findlay, S. Bongiorno, G. Moloney, K. Mansfield are enthusiasts of high standing.

Joe Briody is practising to become a politician. He has already silenced Langton Dunne who cannot get a word in "edge-ways." Joe, prominent as a cricketer, is finding difficulty in playing for Park and St. Roch's teams!

Brian Molan kept the "operating" staff up for half an hour while they removed a "knot" from his finger. With file, pliers and snips the ring was removed!

We take this opportunity to congratulate our rivals, Sub B., who so convincingly defeated us in the first cricket duel.

Keith Munn complains bitterly that "they" (!!) won't let a man sleep peacefully during study hours (!)

Geof. Morcom is developing into an all-round cricketer. He is very prominent in Park A competition matches, and has thoroughly earned his promotion from Park B Grade.

W. Clohesy and John O'Brien are experts at "Javelin" throwing. Sh-h-h! The "Javelins" came downwards!?

And now we must call a halt. But, before closing we take the opportunity of wishing all a very Holy and Happy Easter.

A DUCK SHOOTER.

A man saw some ducks in a tree.
He said: "Here's a good shot for me."
He shot with a gun; hit all but one,
Not the ducks—but the leaves of the
tree!

Wm. Bowtell.

SUB B.

Things have been moving along quietly since the last edition of the "Chronicle." It is not often that a boy in the Sub. Intermediate gains a place in the College XI., but Ken. Aldenhoven has proved himself one of the best players in this year's team. We hope that he will make many more big scores with the bat that he is to receive in recognition of his performances. We had a good victory over Sub. A in cricket, but the result

Voices from Afar.

[This section will, in future, be devoted to the Old Boys' activities. The Editor will welcome news of ex-students of St. Patrick's College, and here expresses his thanks to those who have "set the ball rolling."]

OLD COLLEGIANS' REUNION AND DINNER.

On Sunday last our Old Collegians met in convivial atmosphere to celebrate their Annual Reunion with the customary dinner. About seventy lined up for the soup—a fairly good number, though a trifle disappointing for a Centenary Reunion. Popular arrivals were Mr. Mullens, M.L.A., Major Lock, Mr. Jack Murphy, of Wirths' Circus fame) and several other notables who have been absent from recent functions. Under the aegis of the genial Mr G. Carey, a happy spirit of camaraderie pervaded the dinner and wit and conversation (more perhaps of the latter than the

against the Inter. B was not so good. Stamp collecting is a hobby that is attracting many of the class. Ian McLenehan has gone in for the commercial side of the hobby and is doing good business among boys who are anxious to build up their collections. Someone has found out why Jack Burns answers to the name of "Binge." It has been suggested that he should buy a tuck shop. Kevin Lunt and Rob Rice are wireless enthusiasts. Frank Foster must have found the week-end too strenuous recently as accommodation had to be found for him on Monday in the Infirmary. We had great fun the other day bringing up from the Boat House the case for the racing boat. It took twenty-six of us to do the job and everyone was pleased when the case was finally put down in the College grounds.

former) flowed unchecked, eked out with a little wet brown ale.

We are happy to record that the after-dinner speeches were marked by a pleasing brevity. After the loyal toast, Mr N. Flanagan proposed the "Hierarchy and Clergy." His Excellency The Bishop was unhappily prevented from attending the dinner, but Mr. Flanagan's energy and eloquence found a warm response in the reply of that very popular Old Boy Priest, Rev. Father Ryan. The toast of the College was Mr. Mullen's grateful task, and in a vigorous speech he outlined the modern need of an informed and spirited Christianity and the part of our College in the foundation of a Catholic education. In his

reply Rev. Brother Purton made special mention of the honoured place which Ballarat holds in the educational and cultural life of Victoria. Many improvements had been carried out in the College since the last Reunion, and the rapid expansion of the school made further extension a necessity. He briefly summarised the examination results of the past year, which to many of his hearers, accustomed perhaps to an easier lot, were astonishingly good. Mr. J. Larkins, supported by Mr B. Toohey, proposed the Association and stressed the need of a general sharing of the burden to ensure that the Association should expand in numbers and adequately perform its duties. Mr Carey suitably responded. The final toast was that of the visitors and the Press, and was very ably handled by Dr. D. Podger. Responses were made by representatives of Ballarat Public Schools and visitors from Catholic Secondary Schools. The irrepressible Mr. T. K. Doyle then proposed the Chairman, and the dinner closed.

The annual meeting saw the election of the ever-green Mr T. Flanagan to the position of President of the Association. Mr. Larkins was elected Vice-President. It was decided to hold the next Reunion on the Sunday following Boat Race Day, and to have a dance on the Saturday night beforehand. It is hoped that a cricket match can be arranged to take the place of the Old Boys' Races, which came in for a good deal of caustic comment.

The Old Boys' Cup was won by a young Old Boy, Mr B. O'Connor, closely pursued by Mr. Flanagan whose presidential dignity did not rest too heavily upon him.

Altogether the day was a particularly pleasant one, and the enthusiasm displayed by our Old Boys is a happy augury for the future success of the Association.

Among the Old Boys present at the Reunion was Mr T. Reynolds, who was at St. Pat's in 1904-5. Later, he went to the war. He is now living at El-

sternwick and is delighted to see the many improvements at S.P.C. and to renew acquaintances with other Old Boys.

Another prominent Old Boy present at the Reunion was Mr. A. J. McCormack. He was a member of a victorious "Head of the Lake" Crew, 1st XVIII., and the Rifle Team in the "good old days." He is now a dentist at Ascot Vale.

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From Newman College, Harry Walker (present at St. Pat's during 1932-3,4-5), gives us the news of S.P.C. representatives at the University. He says:

I received your letter to-day, and on the 10th received the copy of the "Chronicle" which I read very quickly as I was very pleased to find out the various odds and ends that have happened since the College opened.

Since coming down to town we have found out that Jim Neagle, who was at S.P.C. about 1920, won the Exhibition given for Economic Geography.

Noticed among the "freshers" were Leo Scullion and Frank Keenan who very soon found out the run of the College and have already settled down to hard work.

Tim McCarthy has not returned to College this term, but it is expected he will return to continue his course next year.

Tony Grano is on his last year in Law.

A very probable number for the 1938 Newman Cricket XI is Victor Batros, who is also expected to help the College win the Athletics.

I omitted when speaking of the "Freshers" to say that Norman Dalton and Ted Byrne, old S.P.C. boys, are also down here doing Medicine.

Men who are rowing in the 1st Crew are Ted Andre, Pat Cody and Jack Seward, whilst Leo Scullion has been given the privilege (?) of coxing the Newman 2nds, who will be coxed by Mr. Jack Mulcahy, Brian Mulcahy's brother.

From Corpus Christi College, Werribee, J. Carroll (at S.P.C. 1934-5), and a brother of Tom, mentions that Rev. M. Grady and Rev. J. Shelley will receive Diaconate on Saturday, 2nd April, and Maurice Rushford will receive Minor Orders. The latter shared the swimming championship of the College, being victorious in the 440 yards and 100 yards.

CRUSADERS.

Recent receptions into the ranks of the Crusaders are: D. Rea, G. Morcom, J. Findlay, F. Little; while P. Segrave and R. Pelley have joined the Apostleship of Prayer.

To all the Crusaders and members of the Apostleship of Prayer a reminder to be faithful to their obligations is given.

The resolutions to practise weekly Communion, fidelity to the Morning Offering and the daily act of self-sacrifice will test your grit and character. Sooner or later you will probably be tempted to fall away from your high resolve. Never yield! Hold your ground! Show yourself a valiant soldier of Christ and cling with a will of steel to your high purpose. Your frequent approach to the Holy Sacrament will be an encouragement and support to many others and a source of profound peace and joy to yourself. May you abound in graces!

ROWING NOTES.

Rowing is in full swing, and our prospects for the Annual B.P.S. Regatta are bright enough. Last year we were successful in winning the Head of the Lake for the first time for seven years, and this year we are attempting to do what St. Pat's has not done for twenty-three years, namely, to win the coveted title thrice in succession.

Our representatives for 1938 "Head of the Lake" make a formidable combination. Adrian Jones is stroke, Leo

Horgan (3), Laurie Vaughan (2) and Kevin de Lacy (bow). Adrian, Leo and Kevin were members of our 1937 victorious crew and Laurie has been selected to take the place left vacant by Harvey Munday. We expect, however, to see Harvey in action again on the Lake, as he has a very good chance of selection in the Old Boys' Crew.

Mr. O. Hauser is again in charge of our Firsts, and under his capable coaching and guidance the crew is making satisfactory progress.

Mr. A. Wilson, an old friend and helper of St. Pat's in the rowing for many years, is again coaching the Seconds, and we all hope he meets with his usual success. He has selected a good crew, and although they are not yet up to our 1937 Seconds' standard, they are shaping well and should be in good form by the day of the race. Laurie Delahunty is stroke, Joe Flannery (3), Jim Sullivan (2), and Pat McNamara (bow). Joe is the only member who was in Brian Mulcahy's victorious Seconds last year.

Mr. A. Desnoy, whom we are pleased to have with us again, and who made a very successful start last year as a coach of school crews, is again in charge of our Thirds and Fourths. We wish him every success. He had a difficult task choosing his crews because there were about sixteen rowers striving hard to gain selection. At present the Thirds seem to be T. Darveniza (stroke), J. Favaloro (3), W. Brittain (2), J. Donovan (bow), and the Fourths: A. Anderson (stroke), P. Mullins (3), F. Englefield (2), and W. Newton (bow). A row off later on will definitely decide which crew is the Thirds.

The reserve rowers who train on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays are R. Flanagan, P. Vojvodich, M. Quin and L. Browne.

Jim Wise is again Cox of the Firsts. George Dwyer will probably be cox of the Seconds, and the remaining two coxswains will be chosen from Bernie Gibney, Tony Fry and Gerald Little.

The big day—the day for the 1sts,

2nds and Old Boys' events—will be April 30th. The Thirds and Fourth will have their races on April 28th.

All new boys at St. Pat's are expected to have the War Cry off by heart for Boat Race Day. The annual examination takes place a week beforehand.

TAKE YE HEEDE.

Know ye that this Royal Proclamation hath been issued by Royal Charter. Know ye also that if any boy, resident or non-resident, of our good College of St. Patrick, doth be ignorant of our goode olde War Cry he shall be duly immersed in the cool waters of the lake called Wendouree. Furthermore, it hath been enacted that certain "gentle"-men have the duty of carrying out our prescribed duties. This is ye ancient practice of punishment for ye young rascals who do not take the care and the trouble of installing into their numskulls ye goode olde War Cry in order that they shall show by their knowledge of the same their loyalty to ye goode olde school and shall encourage our boat race crews to strive to win ye Head of Ye Lake of Wendouree. More this copy or copy or copies of ye olde War Cry will be posted up on ye olde school walls.

WAR CRY.

Ero wero, wero rum
Um stick a bubble on a zip bang
colly wobble
Stick to the green, white and blue.
Ecka pecka wangi, ecka dora
whisky
Chillaloo, chillaloo wah
Wigga wogga, wigga wogga, zip
bom bah,
St. Pat's. St. Pat's. Yah, yah, yah.
Who are—Who are—Who are we?
We are—We are S.P.C.
Ginger beer; Ginger beer, pop, pop,
St. Pat's. St. Pat's. Always on top.

REMOVE AND SIXTH GRADE

Since the last issue of the "Chronicle" we have become better acquainted with St. Pat's, so much so that when a new boy arrives now we all feel like experienced old hands.

Jack Bongiorno has returned looking hale and hearty after an extended holiday. Tom McConville is another fiery supporter from Donald—what a pity he doesn't like cricket. Who is Paddy Rooskey? Ask Geoffrey, he may let you into the secret. We extend a welcome to the following new boys in our monthly "line-up" of new faces: John Morris, Alfred Foo.

Jef. is troubled by a perennial cold every Saturday morning. He finds it quite to his liking. Our sympathy is extended to Dan O'Brien, of Corowa, who recently woke up minus his appendix. He is doing well, and the addition of a wristlet watch to his furniture is doing wonders to bring the colour back to his cheeks.

Greg. Walsh is anxious to try all his French on any innocent person—at least he thinks it's French. Leo Dell seems to be used to conversing with the Man in Grey, and seeing that that distinguished person is not in residence we are besieged by questions galore.

The inspection is looked forward to by all. It seems to be the most popular period of the day. We have some good soldiers in the boot line. This necessitates an occasional clean up, but how sweet they look after they have cleaned up those offensive shoes.

As Easter is drawing nigh, other memories, such as the part we played in the St. Pat's Day Procession, are fading for the moment, as we anticipate the joys of the Paschal season. Let us, however, all unite to spend the remaining few days of Lent in a spirit of penance, and so prepare worthily for the glorious feast of the Resurrection.

VISITORS.

Among the Old Boys recently at the College we were pleased to see Colonel J. Locke. Colonel Locke is one of the few Old Boys who definitely decided on a military career when he was still a youngster.

Vernon Howard blew in for a few minutes the other day. His school days were 1910-1912 or thereabouts. Other visitors included George Bourke and Adrian Wall—they all had pleasant recollections of happy days at St. Pat's.

ST. PAT'S MOVES WESTWARDS.

ANOTHER PROPERTY ACQUIRED.

Parents and Old Boys will learn with much pleasure of another big extension at the College. The Principal is now in the position to announce that he has acquired for the College the house and land adjoining the College on the west side of the Sturt Street frontage. This gives St. Pat's another 125 feet of frontage to Sturt Street. **WE WANT AN OLD BOY NOW TO DONATE THE EXTENSION OF THE FENCE.** Now's the time and the opportunity.

JUNIOR JOTTINGS

The super-hero Clancy and his famous gun are having their effect on the juniors. After struggling with (very) long division, compo., tranny, etc., they may be seen (and heard) in the shrubbery and there fight to the death with six-shooters (and machine guns). Some, however, although riddled with bullets, refuse to succumb to their wounds. They're dead, but they won't lie down. As Dicky says, "Taint fair."

Several members of the class think that you can't have too much of a good thing. We have three O'Sullivans, two Wilsons, two Stuarts and two Nungents (by the way, Frank is the one who carries the trade marks).

Frank X. and Ralph have been studying so hard that they had to lay off for a rest in the "Infantry."

Des. Bourke keeps up the reputation of the class at the daily inspection, ably supported by Billy Bunting, who still wears a charming smile.

John McCarthy want to know if McCarthy House is named after him.

We have two "Rays" of sunshine in the room. One of them is remarkably like a bee in a bottle.

STOP PRESS. HOUSE CRICKET.

1sts: Galvin d. Tracy by 6 wickets and 1 run. 3rds: Galvin, 1938; Tracy, 4 for 38 (to be completed). 3rds: Tracy d. Galvin by 81 runs. 4ths: Tracy d. Galvin by an innings and 10 runs.

Progress scores: McCarthy, 20; Galvin, 20; Nunan, 16; Tracy, 16.

Nunan House has yet to play McCarthy in the last round, and one game has yet to be decided between Galvin and Tracy.

SCHOOLBOY HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the open schoolboy handball championship Les. Webb (St. Kevin's) proved too fast for Fred Labb (St. Patrick's, Ballarat), who earlier had an exciting semi-final win over Charlie Weale (St. Bede's).

Scores: Labb d. Weale, 31—29; Webb d. Labb, 15—11; 15—9.

In the house match, Tracy 2nds v. Galvin 2nds, Galvin House secured the victory.

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Mitchell of the Mounted

By J. de Vere Blennerhassett.

Synopsis of Chapter I.

Ralph Mitchell, a mounted policeman of the Queensland Force, has just been appointed to Bindooroo, and almost immediately he finds it necessary to go on a hazardous quest after savage members of the Gargarro tribe of blacks who had committed several tribal murders as reprisals against the Girriwilli tribe which had desecrated their totem poles and carried off three of their gins. The previous chapter leaves Ralph camped for the night, his hobbled horses within close range, and several days' journey off any probable contact with the men he was pursuing.

(CHAPTER II.)

The grey of the early morning found Ralph awake after a "streamlined" night of sleep, alert and anxious for the day's long ride that was before him. Early morning in the bush was no new thing to Ralph Mitchell, and its exhilarating effects were as welcome as they were well known to him. Birds stirred in the bushes and the tall gum trees, magpies were calling their melodious fourteen-note cry, kookaburras exchanged their risible calls, fig birds (parrots) took up the chorus where the owls of the night before had left it, and the whirr of

the wings of the rifle bird, and the ducks seeking the southern swamp lands, made an early morning concert which thrilled the heart of the lover of nature, which Ralph Mitchell most certainly was.

Scanning the immediate vicinity with the practised bushman's expert look, Ralph saw that there was no chance of an early morning swim, and he was obliged to use some of the water which his pack horse had carried. Ralph knew of the scarcity of water in this district by his familiarity with the map in his pouch which showed every creek and runnel, and, according to it, he was ten miles from any running water. There were five clay pans on his route with potable water, which would be useful for watering his horses later on, and replenishing his own stove, but all these were within the last four miles of his day's ride. For the present there was little to do, just the preparations for breaking camp, after having secured his hobbled horses. The first clay pan would be his breakfasting place, but there was yet his prayers to say, and the decade in honour of St. Paul of the Cross, the patron saint of policemen.

Soon Ralph was on his way: the bush grey thicker, and the under-

growth was more tangled. The rising country was being left behind, and soon the way would be clearer. But Ralph did not soon get to the first clay pan, and it was not for many hours later that he was able to break his fast, for just as his horses crossed the dry creek near Drake's Crossing, he saw a black's fire smouldering in its last embers, and clearly only a day old.

Before he intended it, he was on track of the Garrogarro warriors. Ralph knew that it was someone of the Garrogarro tribe that had made the fire, for it was a small "one man" fire, and if the Girriwilli men had been about, there would have been several, on account of its not being their own territory. It was puzzling, however, why one of the Garrogarro tribe should be so far south by himself. Ralph began to fear complications. Was this solitary camper a fugitive from his own tribe? But no, Ralph saw the explanation. There had been two men at the camp, and one was a white man. Evidence was spread around by the used matches, three in number, a small piece of brown paper, and the skin of a Span-

ish onion. The tracks of the black were plain, his bare feet leaving clear dents on the sandy soil, and the white man's tracks were plainer still, for the unmistakable boot tracks almost proclaimed who had been their maker.

Ralph's heart sank when he clearly saw that a white man and a black had been together at the camp, for he guessed that the association could be for no good.

The white man was probably, almost certainly, Joe Wilks, who spent most of his time dodging the police, with intervals of gaol sentences in between.

Just now there was no charge against Wilks, but if he were wandering the ranges with a black, there was sure to be sheep stealing at the end of it. The puzzle was, what were the pair doing in the ranges, for the sheep were out on the flat country. No doubt they were in the ranges for better chances of concealment from a police hunt, but if so, what had they done to expect such a hunt. Ralph feared that there were plots within plots for him to unravel, and he was undecided whether to proceed on his originally intended route, or to give chase to the two men who were

probably not eight hours in advance of him, but in a direction at right angles from where he had been proceeding. After a few minutes thought, he decided to go after the pair, and fortune seemed to be with him. Following the course of the creek, which eventually would lead to Cooper's Creek, he picked up the tracks of the white man on the sand, but the black had apparently walked on the grass. Here and there bushes had been disturbed along the grassed land through which the sand patch led. On the sand and on occasional clay patches the marks of the hobnailed boots of a lumbering white man were as plain as day. Ralph remembered a saying of Sergeant Conroy, "Suspect the too obvious." The white man's tracks were made not only with no effect at concealment, but they seemed to have been imprinted with a careful carelessness. Ralph decided to give them up. To do this meant to retrace his path, and it was ten minutes past one when he arrived back at Drake's Crossing and proceeded to build up the derelict fire, and to make a billy of

tea which he needed very badly: the horses would have to wait until three three o'clock before he reached the clay pan, to give them a drink. Ralph did not halt long, on account of his horses, and a few minutes before five he was on his way to the first clay pan. Within the hour the horses' delighted whinneying proclaimed that they could smell the water to which they were hastening, and in ten more minutes there it was—clear, cool and inviting. Because of the hard day which the horses had had, Ralph thought it well to halt, and not to proceed until the following morning. In a few minutes the horses were at the waterside, but while they revelled in deep imbibing their master was in for another shock. There were tracks of two other horses freshly made and indications again that a white man and a black had been at the clay pan during that very day.

Ralph knew now that there was something afoot, for plainly these were the same two after whom he had gone in the morning.

(To be continued).

HONOURS NOTES.

We have now come to the close of April—one of the most eventful months in the year, particularly from a sporting point of view. In this month the cricket was brought to a satisfactory conclusion—Grammar being defeated by 59 runs, after a very very exciting match, the St. Pat's XI. being weakened by the absence of the Honours representatives, J. O'Dea and E. Long. Then on the last day of the month the Head of the Lake was rowed off—the Honours having two representatives, A. Jones and K. de Lacy. We sympathise with the boys on being defeated, but we know that they put their best foot forward.

The football season has come round again and the Honours is likely to have a few representatives. J. Flanagan, W. Moon, A. Jones and S. Sinclair are back to don the guernseys

again; while J. Collins, J. Pekin and D. McCarthy are in the running for selection.

Congratulations are offered to Joe Favaloro on his selection as a prefect in place of Ted Long, who left last month. Although Joe has only been here since the beginning of last year he is well known amongst the boys, and the selection was a very popular one.

Except for a few little "eruptions" about the War-cry, etc., the Honours students have been living a very subdued life, except when Vavj. breaks out hunting Minerva and Diana in and out of Latin Literature.

Of course Des. Nolan, with awe-inspiring wit and learning amuses everyone particularly when dealing with such celebrities as Florence Nightingale, who, according to Des. nursed the soldiers in the Great War.

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We are disappointed with his efforts on "the Shed," where his team looks like losing the grand-final.

Our class has been reduced in number once again—this time Jack O'Dea was the one to leave. Just as he was recovering from his operation, he received a call to the Defence Department in Melbourne, and decided to accept. Jack will be missed from the cricket, football and tennis teams, of which for a year he has been one of the main-stays. However, we wish him the best of luck in his new surroundings, and hope that he will carry on successfully as a member of "the Government."

Joe Flannery, while studying hard at the Active and Passive of "Amare," still found time to occupy his accustomed seat in the second boat on April 30th. He was looking on the bright side all that afternoon and evening; but the anti-climax came on the Sunday morning at about six o'clock.

With the advent of May, come first the Term Tests and then the holidays—the Honours like all the other classes will probably find time to do a little testing. After these strenuous efforts, the class will close down for a few weeks to allow the boys to recuperate. School will be resumed on the last day of the month, and until then we will close down. Happy holiday everyone.

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FOOTBALL.

Football is now in full swing at St. Pat's. The First Test for selection in the College Eighteen was played last Sunday and, although the game was only a short one (owing to lack of training), it gave the selectors an idea re our likely representatives for 1938.

Of last year's team that went through all their Schools' matches undefeated we have back:—Max Gill, Jack Flanagan, Wally Moon, Adrian Jones, Leo Browne, Pat Mullins, Leo Horgan, Jack Connell and Syd Sinclair. All these are in good form, and as they have the spirit that has been handed down for years passed, they should be a big help in setting the right example for our 1938 1st XVIII.

There are many in the running to fill the vacancies on the Firsts' training list. At present the most promising are:—Laurie Delahunty, Laurie Vaughan, Jack Collins, Rob. McKee, Joe Cunneen, Ken. Aldenhoven, Pat McNamara, Trojie Darveniza, Frank Englefield, Gerhard Jongebloed, Pat Bohan, Tom Hannah, Jim Sullivan, Brian Willis and Des McCarthy.

After the next test, and also the first match of the season against Jim Munday's XVIII. from Geelong, the training list of twenty-two players will be selected.

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LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

It is with a happy heart that we appear in the Chronicle for the last time this term, for soon we will be at home enjoying the holidays. We did not take long to regain our form after the Easter vacation, although at first a few were feeling a little homesick, or are we too big for that now?

Football practice has started, and we find many of the Leaving boys out on the field fighting to gain a position in the First XVIII. A few were in the Firsts last year, and there are doubtless many possibilities among us this year.

You will be surprised to know that the Leaving possesses many baseball enthusiasts. Among the prominent persons we find Des. Delahunty, A. Magill, J. Lane, B. Willis, and B. Tierney. Their hiding place is not hard to find, however. If you peep through some trees at the eastern end of the Park these champions can be seen in action.

We are still finding Browning somewhat baffling at times, but not as we found him at first. If perchance you leave out an apostrophe in your essay then you must go "ad caedem, non ad pugnam."

Pat. Cranage must have found the "box" rather lonely, as we find Francis J. Kroon helping him in his work,

thus making it a Leaving combination.

The Commercial Law Class is more like a "Believe it or not" studio these days. When asked by the teacher if husband and wife were always partners, Tom replied, "Yes, but not always." In Ancient History, too, we are finding out things as it were. When we heard about a certain large army that used to drink the rivers dry we began to wonder whether in those days they held "Tall story competitions."

And it is with this thought that we say farewell to all for the first term of 1938, and after our three weeks' recuperation we will come back to face a good term's work, and maybe a nippy winter.

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INTERMEDIATE "A" CLASS

The first term is rapidly drawing to an end. We are all looking forward to a well earned rest during the holidays, so as to be prepared to return for a strenuous second term's work.

The term exams. are making splendid progress. At present they are the main concern of every Inter. "A" boy; each of us doing his utmost to have an excellent report.

The competition in the various subjects proves to be very keen. Some of the likely leaders are as follows: D. O'Hagan in Latin, T. Brady, followed closely by B. Gibney in Algebra; D. McGlade and B. Gibney should be to the fore in French; K. Kearney and T. Brady in Geometry; B. Gibney in Trigonometry; I. Keelan in Arithmetic; D. O'Hagan, in English; and lastly, P. Cashin, in Geography.

We were sorry to see St. Pat's lose the Head of the Lake for 1938, but the way in which they took their defeat brought out their excellent spirit. The wins by the Seconds and Fourths give us a good chance for the title next year. We all congratulate the losing crews as well as those that won, for the way they put in the finishes in the true St. Pat's style. Above all we congratulate our representative, Jim Sullivan, on being a member of the victorious Seconds. Also Bernard Gibney who coxed the Thirds.

The cricket season is almost finished. The Inter. "A's" are well represented in the competition matches, and hope to be on the winning side.

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We are looking forward to a football match against our opponents, the Inter. "B's."

We miss Kevin Ryan, who has been absent through sickness, and wish him a speedy recovery.

Mat and Ian like walking—especially out to the line.

Eric Carew won the competition in picking up the greatest number of stones from the oval. Of course, these were dangerous to our footballers.

Jim McMahon has trouble in deciding on what days he should come to school.

We do not see too much of Jim Sullivan these days—he is always drawing.

Our new arrival is Jack Flynn, an old class mate of Laurie Hoye. The latter is taking fine care of him.

Now that the month of May has begun, we are sure that every boy is increasing his devotion to Our Lady. How glad were the boys to have a copy of the "May Flowers." What a great help it will be in fostering devotion to Our Blessed Mother!

A NECESSARY EXPLANATION.

The train suddenly came to a grinding stop, which made the passengers jump.

"What has happened, guard?" cried a nervous old lady.

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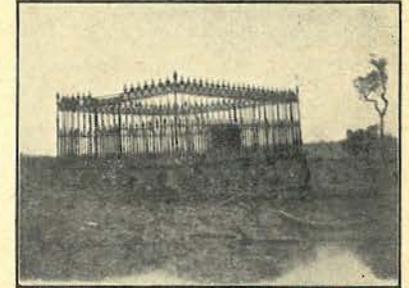
(We here express our gratitude to the Proprietors of "The Donald Times," to whom we are indebted for the photos of Donald appearing in this issue.—Ed.).

In the course of the present year, so much has been heard about the town of Donald that many of the boys are beginning to believe that such a town does exist. However, if there are still some whose ideas are to the contrary (now and again we hear of someone asking where Donald is), let me assure them that Donald does exist and in no small way either. In this, I am sure that I will be seconded by the other boys who name Donald as their home town.

Although Major Mitchell passed close to Donald in 1836, it was not till 1853 that the first settlement took place. Securing from the government the rights of a pastoral lease, Messrs. Andrew McCreddie and William Donald settled on the land where now Donald stands. In 1863, Mr. J. A. Meyer came to the district and built a combined store and hotel, the town's first building. Finally, in 1865, the district was surveyed and a sale of township blocks was held.

Covering an area of approximately 537½ square miles, the Shire of Donald has a population of about 4,000. The population of the town alone

would range in the vicinity of 2,200. The Donald Shire stretches from 3 miles north of Banyena on the south, to about 2 miles north of Watchem on the north, a distance of approximately 32 miles, while on the east it commences at Jeffcot and stretches to Carron on the west, a distance of about 24 miles. The Shire compares



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most favourably with other Shires in the matter of metal roads within its boundaries, having altogether 52 miles of metal and bitumen roads. The municipal valuation of the town of Donald is £12,394, while the valuation of the whole Shire amounts to £89,099.

Donald is an important railway centre on the Melbourne-Mildura line, and as such is believed to be the largest sub-depot in Victoria. There is a total of 52 employees, whose payrole every fortnight amounts to £450 (£11,700 per annum). Donald is also an important wheat centre, and every year about 200,000 bags of wheat are stacked up in the station yards. The total number of the bags for the Shire would amount to 630,000 bags.

Donald may well be proud of its buildings, and I would not be wrong in saying that they compare more than favourably with any other country town of the same size. On visiting Donald, the traveller is struck with its many fine buildings of which the Shire Hall and the Soldiers' Memorial Hall are perhaps the best. The latter, built recently at a cost of £10,000 is one of the most up-to-date theatres one could wish to find in that part of Victoria. The main hall measures 70 feet by 50 feet, and will seat 622 persons. Made wholly of brick, the 4 churches are a credit to the town. One could not wish to see four better buildings than the Catholic Church, Convent, Hall and School in any parish. It is worth mentioning

here that the priest-in-charge of the Donald Parish is an old boy of St. Pat's, namely, the Rev. Fr. Gleeson. In Donald, we also have five banks and five hotels which, added to the other business premises of the town, make up a very respectable total of 90.

Winding its way around the outskirts of the town is the Richardson River, which has its source in the Grampians and empties itself into Lake Buloke. On this river are built the swimming baths which provide much amusement for the swimming enthusiasts of Donald in the summer season. Lake Buloke is situated about five miles from the town and provides beautiful spots for picnic parties. Every year the four churches hold picnics and spend the day at this lake. In the duck-shooting season, any amount of sport is provided for those who are interested in duck-shooting. Another beauty spot in the town is the park, in the centre of which stands a magnificent monument to the soldiers of Donald who fell in the Great War.

At S.P.C., Donald can claim at least eight scholars, and this number goes to show the importance of the town. From the small account above, I hope you have gathered some knowledge of Donald, and I can assure you, that if you ever chance to visit the town, you will be assured of a marvellous time.

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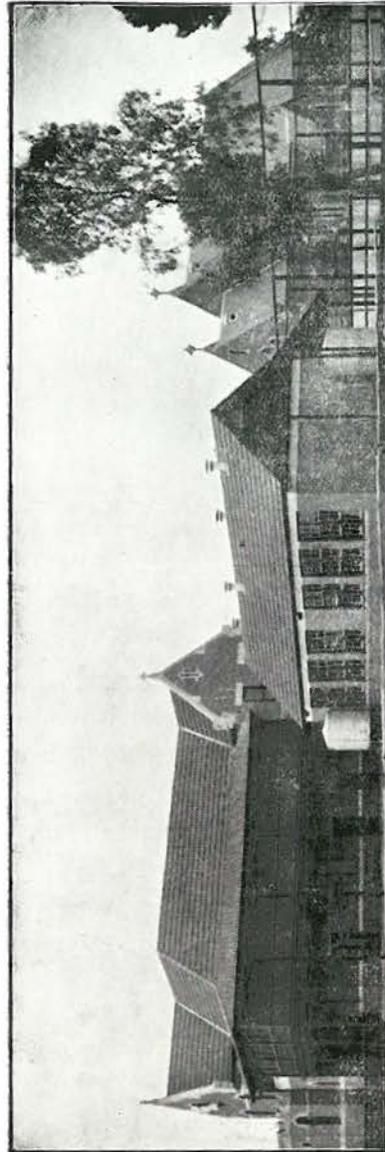
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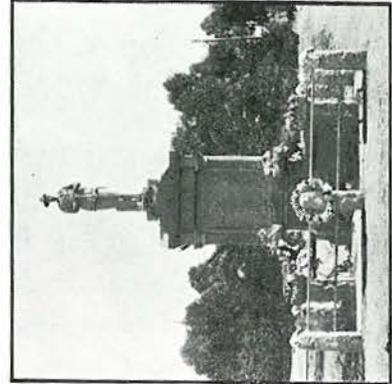
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O holy and most holy of all Saints, richest treasure of all sanctity. O Virgin, truly full of grace. O most clement, most pious, and most sweet Virgin Mary.

Turn, O Mary, thy loving eyes upon me; look at me, and draw me to thee, and grant that after God I may love no other but thee, most gracious, most amiable Mary, Mother of Jesus, and my Mother.

Our Blessed Lady frequently rewarded in this life those who truly loved her.

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Mary has undoubtedly proved herself "an infinite treasure to men."

"My Lady, grant this grace to me,
To love thee until death;
And when I die, to call on thee
Still with my latest breath."

O Mother of God! If I place my confidence in Thee, I shall be saved; if I am under thy protection, I have nothing to fear; for the fact of being thy client is the possession of a certainty of salvation which God grants only to those He means to save.—St. John Damascene.

LET US REMIND OURSELVES

- (I.) That no Catholic boy should be without the Scapular or Scapular Medal; for of both may Our Lady's words to St. Simon Stock be quoted, "Behold the sign of salvation, a safeguard in danger, the covenant of peace and everlasting alliance."
- (II.) That no Catholic boy should rise in the mornings or retire to bed in the evenings without saying the Three Hail Marys.
- (III.) That we must look on Mary as our Mother now during our school days, and in the trials and temptations which must be our lot when we go forth to fight the battle of life.

May Mary with her loving Son, bless us each and everyone.

June: Our Loving Saviour--His Sacred Heart

(As there is no June issue of the Chronicle, we take this opportunity of giving our readers a thought or two on the Sacred Heart).

Devotion to the Sacred Heart may be said to be in general the devotion of the love of Jesus Christ. Our Lord loves us with a twofold love—a divine love which had no beginning and a human love which began in time. Let us consider these in turn. From all eternity God loved us. That is something which straight away surpasses our powers of comprehension. Our mind is staggered when we try to go back and grasp the meaning of eternity. We feel ourselves helpless as a



butterfly fluttering against the window-pane. We look around at our friends and relatives and calculate how brief has been the time for which we have enjoyed their affection. But for endless ages before they or we existed God had us in His thoughts

and in His love. "The King of ages, immortal and invisible," wonderful in His beauty, His goodness and His power, fixed His affections upon us, and chose us out of countless possible beings to be His children, sharers of His riches. This love of God was His free gift. And what a gift it was! Like Himself it was infinite! Let us think of those that love us most on this earth. Does God love us as much as that? Yes, and much more. Let us pass beyond the bounds of reality and picture love in its most perfect form. Is God's love as great as that? Yes, and much greater. We shall weary ourselves in our efforts to represent to ourselves God's love in its immensity, and yet we shall fall immeasurably short of the reality. And it is a real love; tender, thoughtful, wise, enduring, such as we could never find in this world. God's love is perfect love.

THE PROMISES OF OUR LORD.

To Saint Margaret Mary.
For Souls Devoted to His Sacred Heart.

1. "I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
2. "I will establish peace in their houses.
3. "I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
4. "I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all in death.
5. "I will bestow a large blessing upon all their undertakings.
6. "Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and the infinite ocean of mercy.
7. "Tepid souls shall grow fervent.
8. "Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
9. "I will bless every place where a picture of My Heart shall be set up and honored.

10. "I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.

11. "Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.

12. "I promise thee in the excessive mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."

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EASTER AT ST. PAT'S.

Although those of us who were to spend Easter here at St. Pat's were looking forward to the vacation, it was not with the same eagerness as those who were fortunate enough to be going home. The prospect of spending five days, lonely days, as I at least thought they would be, was not altogether my idea of a perfect holiday, and the barometer of my feelings was very low as one by one the others trickled off.

Now, as I look back, I realize that it was a grand Easter after all, as the days were packed so full that one did not get a chance to feel lonely. We

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appreciated very much the grand evenings spent in the library, playing draughts and cards, or emulating Budge and the other champions at table tennis.

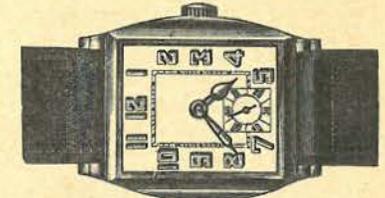
Nor was the significance of Holy Week forgotten, as the impressive Holy Week ceremonies at the Cathedral, especially that of the nightly Tenebrae, kept before our minds so forcibly the Passion and Death of Our Lord.

Lighter sport found some engaged in friendly contests on the tennis courts, while some preferred to loosen up in readiness for the oncoming season of football. Others of us made use of the library to engage in a bout of reading, and in fancy we rode the ranges with Clarence E. Mulford or indulged in a spot of light comedy with P. G. Wodehouse and the inimitable Jeeves.

Nor can one readily forget the many fine picture shows which we were allowed to see. Of these, "The Firefly" blossoms forth like its namesake and the glorious songs will live in my memory for many days to come.

To conclude without some reference to the Easter Sunday dinner would be an unpardonable crime; but I fear it is beyond me to describe it adequately, so I must regretfully leave it to your imagination, and say good-bye, with the hope that this Easter may be merely the forerunner of many happy days at S.P.C.

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With my brow all knit with thinkin',
And my confidence fast sinkin',
Like the flowin' of the ebb-tide of the sea.

Faith, I sort of get to yearning,
That there was no cause for learnin'
That they never had invented
Latin, French and, maybe, Greek.
Algebra! that word sure riles me,
And those problems and equations;
Faith, there ain't no rhyme nor raison
in the things,

For the simplest equation
Nearly makes me lose me raison,
And those problems! gosh!
I see 'em in my sleep.

As I sit here while I'm writin',
Bent beneath me load of learnin',
Gazin' at St. Joseph on the wall,
I sort of kind of wonder
If he ever made a blunder
When they questioned him
On Caesar's Gallic Wars?

T. O'Brien.

INTERMEDIATE B

The month of May has again arrived and all the boys realize that during this month added fervour in respect to devotion to the Blessed Virgin is expected. An aitar to Our Lady has been raised during the last week to impress upon the boys' minds the need for greater devotion

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We all look forward to the month of May, firstly because it is the month for devotion to Our Lady; secondly, because it is in this month we break-up for our Term holidays. Bro. O'Malley remarked that if you keep checking off how many days to go it seems much longer; but this does not stop the boys from, each day, crossing off the number to go on the back of their exercise books.

Yesterday we witnessed the Third's and Fourth's race. Everybody, when congratulating W. Brittain, seemed to forget that he holds a prominent position in the class ranks of Inter B. We also saw the Thirds go down fighting, defeated but not disgraced. You ask who the small fellow is at the front of the boat? Well, Inter. B. again take the lead in presenting Bill Newton, who also "studies" in Inter. B. We also have the No. 2 man of the reserves, M. Quin, who was unlucky to miss a place in the 4th crew. We are not short of coxes, as J. Wise, firsts, and G. Dwyer, seconds, use ink in our highly honoured room. So to the Inter. A. we challenge, "Bring out your boats."

We must leave this May feature to last because it does not appeal to the boys as holidays do. These ogres are Exams. Why the very word freezes up your brain and you can't do any work just in case the heat of the pen might melt the ice, and then you would have a severe attack of water on the brain. Yet all the boys will

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agree with me in this: Where there are exams, there are holidays.

Not to harp too much on the rowing—all the same it is a big subject—we wish the 1st and 2nd's "all the best" for to-morrow. This we know, that win they will if it is at all possible; and if they lose they will do so like heroes and sportsmen fighting every inch of the way. Up Guards! Attaboy!!!

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

(Ripley.)

WHAT AN APPETITE!

John W. Horton, the Iron Duke, of Wellington, was not only the autocrat of the breakfast table but lord and master of the luncheon and dinner table as well. The astonishing appetite of this Kansas coloured man and his prodigious capacity are unparalleled.

He could store away into the abyssal depths of his omasum whole cases of soda water, egg-shells, glass, a bunch of bananas (including the stalks), a forty-pound watermelon, a raw cow's liver, as well as newspapers and catalogues.

On occasions Horton drank as much as three gallons of water before turning away from the bucket—satisfied. He drank two cases of pop without stopping. He boasted that he had eaten eleven and a half dozen eggs at one sitting. Ten pounds of raw beef vanished quickly when he sat down.

Probably the most remarkable gastronomic effort of this cavernous

gourmand was the feat of eating a sack of stone mason's cement. This, he actually accomplished, although he shamefully admitted afterwards that it was the only thing he ever ate that made him sick.

The easiest bet he ever won was devouring a dozen two-pound fried chickens. A difficult bet to win was eating a dozen large-size lemons without sugar.

Promoters, anxious to see a real pie-eating contest, arranged a meeting between Horton and another coloured champion. Horton chose custard. His opponent selected apple, and consumed nineteen. Horton won comfortably by consuming twenty-seven!

LIBRARY.

Thanks to a generous gift of books from Mrs. Keelan of Melbourne, the College Library has attracted quite a large number of readers. Come what may, be there, hail, rain or snow, seated in front of a blazing log fire, we will pass the dismal days of winter in a most pleasant fashion absorbed in most interesting reading matter.

To Mrs. Keelan, therefore, we offer our sincerest thanks for so kindly coming to our assistance.

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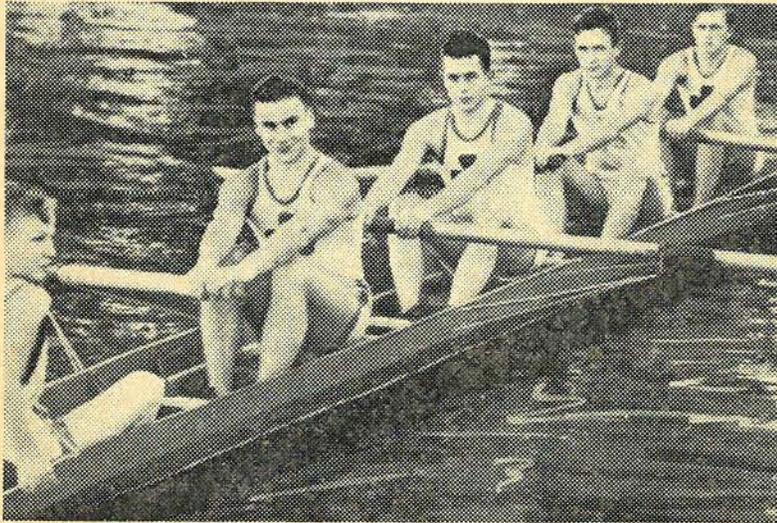
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ROWING.

We were disappointed last Saturday. With three of last year's winning crew, who made record time for the Head of the Lake, we were defeated badly by Grammar. However, Grammar proved themselves a really good crew, and we offer them our congratulations on their success. Our Firsts trained well, did their best, but somehow or other, could not strike the form that they showed last year.

Our Seconds—Laurie Delahunty (stroke), Joe Flannery (3), Jim Sullivan (2), Pat McNamara (bow), and George Dwyer (cox)—were successful. They rowed a great race. Grammar had a slight lead for the first half of the race, but St. Pat's rose to the occasion when up against it, finished strongly and won by one length and a half. Well done, St. Pat's Seconds!!! Your effort gives us a hope for the BIG BATTLE next year.

**S.P.C. "HEAD-OF-THE-LAKE" CREW 1938**

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Our Fourths gave us the only win on the Thursday, as did the Seconds on the Saturday. The crew was: Bill Brittain (stroke), Joe Favaloro (3), Trojje Darveniza (2), Jim Donovan (bow), and Tony Fry (cox). For most of the way there was little to choose between Grammar and St. Pat's. St. Pat's, however, finished the more strongly from the Point home and won by half a length. Well done, St. Pat's Fourths!!!

To our coaches, Messrs. O. Hauser, A. Wilson and A. Desnoy, we tender our sincere thanks for the efficient and painstaking manner in which they looked after their respective crews.

SUB. A.

Here we are again for another little chat with our readers.

By the time this reaches you our term exams. will be over, and we will all be looking forward to a well-earned first term vacation. These three weeks' holidays will commence a day earlier than expected, i.e., on Tuesday, 10th May.

Now for the cable news. Joe Briody, our stalwart from Lexton, brought us before the public gaze by joining the select band of century-

makers. So exhausted was he by his brilliant effort that we all enjoyed a couple of quiet days while he recovered his breath.

"And the organ softly playing." A new craze! Mouth organs! F. Little, D. Rea, F. Killeen, are endeavouring to emulate our instrumentalist of college fame—L. Dunne.

With the approach of the "Tests," our "crystal gazers" are feverishly constructing wireless sets. T. Clarke considers he knows a lot about crystal sets. S. Bongiorno's set, manufactured by the same T.C., functions well enough to pick up 3BA (Ballarat).

Information is not available *re* the "Miss-tery" hikes made recently by a couple of Sub A "explorers."

T. Mooney is endeavouring to imitate G. Formby's walk. To reach perfection he first fell off a bike and then was securely bandaged about the knees. Result: a fair imitation.

In spite of the fact that King Football has made his appearance, interest in the cricket competitions is at "fever pitch." W. Meakes, much to his own delight, secured the "hat trick" against Nagle's team, who were defeated at the last minute. Joe Briody's century? Nuff sed!

New Crusaders enrolled during April were Ray Pelly, F. Hannigan, and S. Bongiorno.

We take this opportunity of welcoming Mick Mellican from—well read the article elsewhere in this issue on "Beautiful Don—."

John Williams has returned after

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an operation for appendicitis. He is his usual self again.

To Will Clohesy we offer our sincerest sympathy on the death of his father. Many and fervent were the prayers offered by the boys of Sub. A., and, indeed, of the other classes, for the happy repose of his soul. And here again we fervently pray: "Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace." Amen.

Finally, we wish to offer our heartiest congratulations to W. E. Meakes upon whose shoulders there now rest the responsibilities of an Uncle—look after the niece carefully, Bill!

ANZAC DAY.

On Monday, 25th April, as has been the custom for years, the boys of the College paid tribute to the men—particularly the Old Boys, who made the supreme sacrifice between 1914-18. A squad of 120 of the senior boys marched down to the 10 a.m. Requiem Mass and saluted the Cenotaph as they passed. The manner in which the boys have performed this tribute has brought about much favourable comment from the people of Ballarat. It is, however, only fitting that we should remember these heroes and recall that:

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SUB INTER. B.

A good deal of our time these days is taken up with the term exams. The first mention of exams. made some of us nervous, but after the first few had been disposed of, we were taking to them like ducks to water. The next "Chronicle" will contain the results of the tests.

The sound of footballs is heard all about St. Pat's these days. Bill Long and Ken Aldenhoven are our only representatives to be selected to turn out to practice for the 1st XVIII. However, there are a number of excellent footballers among us. Louis Nagle, Doug. Smith, Frank Foster, Jack McLoughlan and Jack O'Sullivan are some who are very anxious to demonstrate their prowess.

Jack Sheridan was our best barrackeer at the Boat Race. He used his voice to such effect that he lost it, and it was not till the following Wednesday that he again began to exercise his old influence in the room.

HOUSE CRICKET.

The final round of the House cricket was the most keenly contested of all. With the two leaders, Nunan and McCarthy, striving for victory in all sections, many interesting games were witnessed. Nunan House in order to win the Competition had to win three of the four matches. They began well on the Sunday by being victorious on the Park and St. Rochs. Nunan House 1st XI., however, suffered its first

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defeat at the hands of McCarthy House, by 7 runs. The progress score now showed that McCarthy and Nunan House and Galvin were each 24 points, and Treacy 16. The Seconds' game on the shed not being completed on the Sunday was to decide who would win the competition. Nunan House in their first innings made nearly 200, and McCarthy House began well, and at one period were only 1 for 60. However, they were dismissed rather cheaply after this, and Nunan House were victorious. Thus Nunan House hold the title of Cricket Premiers.

Final Scores: Nunan, 28 points; McCarthy, 24 points; Galvin, 24 points; Treacy, 16 points.

ST. ROCH'S CRICKET.

The Grand Final between Kevin Harmer's team and Ken Mansfield's was played on a wet wicket. Kevin Harmer's team were the premiers of St. Roch's for 1938. Ken Mansfield's were runners-up, with Dan O'Meara's third, and Howard Smith's team filling fourth position. A glance at the winning team will show you cricketers in the making, and incidentally the cause of their success:

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REMOVE AND 6th GRADE.

Our term exams. are practically complete now, and no doubt we are all anxiously awaiting the break-up, and the return home. Seeing that this is the last chance of seeing our names in print for some time, we hasten to give the Editor some news of our doings for May. The month of May means for all Christian Brothers' boys and old boys a renewal of their devotion and loyalty to our Blessed Lady. Hence we are all striving to keep up the splendid tradition of all St. Pat's boys in their service of Our Lady.

Kevin Roach, whose parents have moved to Queensland, has left our class only to attend the Christian Bros.' College, Nudgee, in Queensland. Another Kevin, gets quite "a drop of the doin's" occasionally (I don't know what Mrs. Entwistle would have to say). There were many willing workers in decorating the Hall, and in preparing the floor for the dance on Boat Race night. Amongst the most efficient workers was Clive Cronin, who however did not always keep to the perpendicular (merely the floor). Others to share a like fate were Keith Ross, Dan O'Brien, Gerald Ware and Gerald Little.

Now that the cricket season has ended, we are all getting into form with the football. It is too early in the season to mention names of outstanding players. The next issue of

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Let us wish you a very enjoyable holiday, with a reminder to keep up your practices of piety for May.

Voices From Afar

From Corpus Christi College comes news that our friends of 1937, C. McKenzie, J. Kelly and W. McCunnie have settled down to serious preparation for their life's work. Already Joe Kelly is on conversational terms with any local Italians.

S.P.C. representatives there have forwarded their best wishes for success on Boat Race day. Although it is too early for a definite announcement, we sincerely hope that if you look elsewhere in this edition you will find news of "S.P.C. Head of the Lake, 1938."

NEWMAN COLLEGE.

From the University come the following messages bearing reference to S.P.C. representatives:

Victor Batros at the Military Sports Meeting covered himself with glory and returned to College with a new razor and gold pencil—results of two wins.

If any of the first year kids want to know anything they ask Frank Keenan! He's considered an authority. His brother, Jack, is not back this year due to a nervous breakdown.

Les. Coleman is on the training list for the Athletic team, but as yet no-

body knows what event he'll be doing.

Brother Stirling was sighted at the University, but the person who saw him was in too great a hurry to stop and speak.

Terry Brown and Eddie Williams were recent visitors to the College and were both full of enthusiasm for a trip to Boat Race.

Joe Connellan and Frank Hetherington are both doing well in third year medicine, and as always are working exceptionally well. The College extends its best wishes to the crew and hopes that it will show Ballarat College and Grammar School the rudder of the boat all the way. Several of the chaps are going up, and only hope it will be as successful a trip as last year.

PUBLIC SERVICE (MELB.).

When one visits the old College to view the Boat Race and is greeted by the editor of the Chronicle with a request that some notes are needed by the following Monday, one's enthusiasm for future visits is lessened—unless, of course, Tony Fry can inform one of that secret entrance.

So if in this month's column I have omitted any marriages, births or other items of interest don't entirely blame Hiram H.

The main centre of S.P.C. interest appears to be the Defence. Popping in here we hear reports that Kev. Reilly celebrated his 21st with an informal evening at the Embassy. Mick Madden is progressing well under

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What Are You Going To Be?

The time has come for you to choose a career. The choice depends largely on inclination and on fitness—in other words, on vocation. There are many professions offering you opportunities of splendid achievement. Australia calls for the young, the unselfish, the enthusiastic to give up their lives to her service.

It may be you feel a stronger and more special call to engage in the work of the Christian Apostolate, for the work of the practical Catholic laymen, even in the noblest professions, cannot be compared to that which Christ commits to the hands of His associates in "the divinest of all divine works." The physician heals bodies; the priest heals souls. The lawyer and the statesmen fight the battle of the weak against the evil of this world; Christ's ministers fight the battle of morality and purity against the powers of darkness on earth and in hell. The secular teacher trains minds for success in life; a religious teacher trains souls for a success in life that will mean a success also in eternity.

If one is called to be a priest his possibilities for good are beyond calculation. But, while we do not overlook the necessity for more priests, the great need of the Church is an increase in the number of Religious Teachers.

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a Teaching Order you are carrying on the sublime work of Christ, the Teacher of mankind. The Church knows well the importance of its Teaching Orders in carrying on this work. It has seen clearly the good they have done for souls, and it prizes its teaching Brothers because of the evident results of their work. The Bishops and priests whom they have trained, the splendid laymen whom they have given to the world, show how successfully they have continued Christ's office of teaching truth to the world and training men in the practice and defence of morality.

We have a noble leader and a noble cause! What more is needed to fire the heart of any generous boy! Christ, the noblest of Leaders, invites young men, even boys, to a partnership with Himself. This same Divine Person offers YOU His leadership and companionship.

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HONOURS NOTES.

A considerable portion of this term has already passed and the Honours Class has settled down to hard work. This term we no longer see the faces of Syd. Sinclair, Pat Collier and Des. McCarthy, who have accepted school teaching positions.

During the month the Retreat was given by Fr. Purcell, O.M.I., and the example that was looked for among the senior boys of the school was at all times shown.

It is hardly often that one goes through a day without something humorous occurring. J. F. often helps to brighten the day with his witty remarks. During the Economics period he was asked: "Now, Joe, suppose you wanted to build a brick factory and you had half a million pounds at your disposal, what would be your next difficulty?" Joe: "I would not know how to make the bricks." One certain boy, when he was asked what signatures were on a pound note, replied that he did not know as it was a long time since he had seen one. It is rumoured that another boy has severe heart trouble. We think he is beyond a doctor; but a trip to Beverly Hills might do him good.

The Literary Society has begun this term. Speeches by M. Whitty, A. Jones, A. Waldron have proved very interesting, and Sunday nights are eagerly looked forward to by the Honours boys.

Amongst the 1st XVIII we have Wally Moon, A. Jones, J. Flanagan, and Jack Colilns. These have helped

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the team to win all its matches so far, and we wish the team every success in its matches to come. Although the Honours room has no representative in the Seconds, the same wishes of good luck are forwarded to them in their various encounters.

Already many boys of the Honours Class are burning the "midnight oil," and we wonder if the examinations are being held any earlier this year; or perhaps is it—what will happen on the following morning?

LEAVING NOTES.

As this is our first appearance this term we have quite a number of items to deal with. Each of us came back well prepared both for a cold winter and a hard term's work. As a matter of fact we have improved on last term's system of taking books to bed. Some even come down after night prayers now to read them—I mean study. However, let's have some of the news.

The Leaving holds its own on the First XVIII training list; no fewer than twelve boys holding their positions. We must make special mention of Max Gill and Leo Horgan, who are Captain and Vice-Captain respectively. Before leaving this subject let us not forget to congratulate Pat. Mullins on his ten goals against Ballarat College. Pat. Cranage, Captain of the Second XVIII, also comes into the sporting news.

If one were to walk out to the Oval

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or Shed on Sunday morning, one would find many of the Leaving enthusiasts trying their hand at St. Pat's latest craze—baseball.

In school these days things are going smoothly enough, except on one or two occasions when, for instance, "The Tempest" is acted in our very classroom. It is interesting to observe how absorbed some of the Ancient History students are becoming in their work. In order to remember various dates in the Greek History some have adopted a double means. Alexander's march took place in 333 B.C. I do not think there is any need for me to tell you one way of learning in this particular case.

Commercial Law is proceeding with the usual bellicose incidents. The students are becoming quite enthralled in the subject.

Freddie was told a few days ago that his presence was not objected to as long as he didn't wake up too often. Freddie, asleep in the corner, didn't wake up to this.

Puzzle: Who knows why Gerhard Jongebloed is like Mithridates VI? Ask Ancient History class.

Our ears were filled one day with the quotation: "Conference maketh a full man." This was proved when

three gallants, seated next to each other, were the only ones to overcome a difficulty in Mathematics. Physically, these gallants also "maketh a full man."

I am afraid that Mr. O'Shea's elocution lesson will terminate in a warlike fashion one of these nights. Last Monday night there were some witty, if not personal remarks, passed by the would-be adjudicators; one of them even insisting that "pedantry" should be pronounced with the accent on the "a."

Each Sunday evening we look forward to the Literary Society meeting held in the hall. So far many interesting lectures have been given, and before the end of the term we can be assured of many more.

It would not be fitting to close without mentioning the beautiful Retreat we have just finished. Father Purcell was a zealous priest and particularly nice with the boys. I am sure many great benefits will be derived from the Retreat.

So we bring to a close the Leaving Class notes for July, and we hope that during the remaining months of the year the Leaving boys will do as well in their studies as they are now doing in the field of sport.

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Synopsis of preceding chapters.

Ralph Mitchell of the Queensland Mounted Police has just been promoted to the charge of a district in which a savage tribe of blacks called the Garrogarros, and a few troublesome white men are located. Added to this, another tribe, generally unfriendly to the Garrogarro blacks, the Girriwilli tribe had recently made a predatory incursion into the Garrogarro territory.

Ralph goes to investigate, and finds the tracks of a white man and a black. This incident suggests sheep stealing, and Ralph side-tracks to see what he can find. Eventually he decides to take no action, as there has been no charge laid, and he prepares to fraternise, for the while with the two men, who are on their way to where he is camped.

CHAPTER III.

Busying himself with the preparations for to-night's camp, Ralph revived the fire, and with the hospitality of the bush added to his preparations for the evening meal, sufficient to entertain the two visitors whom he knew would appear about dusk. The way which the two men must take was a winding way which would involve three times the travelling that would have been sufficient, if they had been able to come in a straight line.

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The Police horses of Queensland's mounted men deserve all that has ever been said or sung about "noble steeds," and "gallant chargers." The celebrated Arab may have addressed his steed in the famous verses:

"My beautiful, my beautiful!" etc., but the Queensland mounted policeman talks to his horse in the soothing language that casts out fear, and in the strong tones of command and pride of possession, which serve to bring into being an understanding on the part of the horse which means absolute trust, service and effort, which the mounted man knows he can rely on until every thew and sinew and muscle are strained in the goodwill efforts which the horse will make as though it were a responsible creature, or as some say, "As though it were a Christian."

"Good evening, comrades," called Ralph, as soon as the men were within hearing distance. "Good evening, Sergeant," answered the white man,

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while the black, showing his splendid white teeth in a most innocent smile, said, "You not bring it charge. We no steal em sheep."

"Nobody said you did," answered Ralph, "get down and have some tea," for by this time they had come up to where he stood over his fire. The travellers needed no second invitation, and would certainly have expected the first, for the hospitality of the bush is more definite in its unwritten laws than the more elaborate and exaggerated courtesies of high society, which are often in dispute and very difficult to settle.

Almost every country in the world is credited at some time or another with being the most hospitable in the world, but there are three phases of hospitality which seem to remain unrivalled, and these are Irish hospitality, Monkish hospitality, and the hospitality of the Australian bush. In all of these three, the "other fellow" is allowed to have a right to all that can be done for him, and this tradition has set firmly in the Australian bush, helped very largely by the Irish

element of its first rural populations, and by the Monkish example set in the very dawn of things Australian, by the Benedictine Monks who greatly influenced the first settlers.

Ralph's visitors soon produced their pannicans, and tea and damper were despatched generously. "I dined like a king," says Kinglake, when describing in "Eathen" a wayside meal which his servant prepared "in a desert place where there was no way and no water." "I dined like a king: like four kings—like a boy in fourth form." If the elements of quantity or avidity are those which characterize the dining of a boy in fourth form, then Ralph Mitchell and his two companions might be enrolled to-morrow in any select boarding school, for fourth form stamped them for its own in the terms of tea and damper. After tea Joe Wilks produced his mouth organ and Ralph his concertina, and far into the night they played and sang. The morrow brought the sterner realities of life.

(To be continued).

INTERMEDIATE A NOTES.

The second term is now well advanced with the Inter "A's." Since the last issue of the Chronicle we have had our term holidays, but these are almost forgotten by this. At present the work is at top pressure. No doubt, each boy is doing his utmost, anxious to do well, as the sec-

ond term really decides the fate of passing the exams at the close of the year.

The first round of the term exams has been completed. Up to the present the competition has been very keen. The leaders in the various subjects are:—Latin, D. O'Hagan, 1st, B. Gibney, 2nd, D. McGlade, 3rd; Algebra, B. Gibney, 1st, P. Conway,

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The Annual Retreat of three days was held on the 14th of June. It was excellently conducted by Father Purcell, O.M.I., who helped to make it a great success. Indeed, the Inters. did their part in making it the success it was.

The Inters. have now joined the Honors and Leaving in the Literary Society. Amongst the Inter. "A's" who have already spoken are I. Keelan, T. Brady, J. Sullivan, and P. Conway.

We must congratulate the 1st XVIII; not only on their victory over Ballarat College, but also on the performances for the year, as they have not been beaten yet. We are very pleased to see Jim Sullivan gain his place in the 1st XVIII, he being our only representative. But in the 2nd XVIII we can actually claim Greg Noonan, Basil McGrath, and Des McGlade. We must also congratulate them on their convincing win over St. Kevin's 2nd XVIII on Sunday last. The Inter. "A's" are also to be found on the Shed and Senior St. Roch's.

Everyone is looking forward to the big trip of the year on July 16th, when the footballers will travel to Melbourne with the hope of beating St. Kevin's.

Ian Keelan celebrated his 16th

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birthday in grand style only a few weeks ago. He is also a baseball enthusiast.

We welcome to the class Greg Noonan, a newcomer from Birchip.

Again this term we find Jim McMahon having great difficulty in deciding on what days to come to school. "Sam" also has trouble in making excuses for coming late to school.

Well as news is scarce, we must conclude now.

INTER B.

July is the month, set apart from all others, for Devotion to the Precious Blood of Our Lord which was shed for us during His Passion. In this month we also commemorate the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel which falls on July 16th.

Our room is honoured by the presence of a First XVIII member, namely Tom Hannah. Nor are the Seconds going empty handed in their search for football talent in "Inter B." Tom Green and Mal Quin provide the "bulk" of the team with Bill Newton and Bill Begg also giving able assistance. George Dwyer and Dan Toohey are both captains on Senior St. Roch's, and keep up the spirit of Our Room.

Someone remarked that Don Chisholm absorbs most of the heat from the pipes; but he forgot that the two "eleven stoners" have increased to "twelve stoners." That means they need more heat for the extra stone they have put on. Mal and Tom show

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no consideration for others!!!!

Someone congratulated Tom McCormack on being a fast bike rider; but he had nothing on his brother when Bryan Scully hit him with a shoe.

For all our virtue, Inter. B hopefuls sometimes take odd turns. Don maintains that sugar grows on the Barrier Reef. And Bill Brittain's mind turns to sketching gangsters—It is difficult to predict what may be of note in Inter. B when next we go to print.

By the way, we take this opportunity of welcoming in an official way, Joe Sherry, who lately joined the ranks of Inter. B resident students.

THE TERM DINNER.

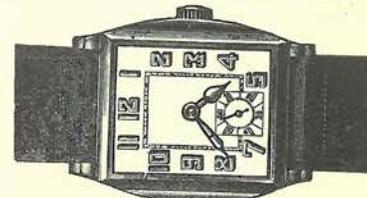
The First Term was brought to a fitting conclusion by the term dinner. The dining room presented a gay sight with its brightly decked tables laden with good things just crying out to be eaten. It was a feast fit for a king, but no, a king would not have done justice to it. It was fit only for youthful appetites and we certainly had them. With the orchestra supplying music, the good things disappeared as if by magic, and everyone relaxed with a sigh of contentment.

Having concluded the lighter side of the evening, Wally Moon rose to propose the toast of the sporting activities of the College. He complimented Br. O'Malley on the able manner in which he had coached the victorious cricket team, and extended also, on

behalf of his team mates, their sincere thanks to Mr. Hill for his interest and instructive advice throughout the season. He congratulated also the various crews and their coaches for the parts they had taken in the B.P.S. regatta. He complimented the losing crews no less than the winners, on the fine manner in which they had taken their defeat. He asked those present to charge their glasses and drink to the sporting activities of the school.

Br. O'Malley in responding, thanked Wally for the nice things he had said concerning himself. He thanked the team for their keenness and co-operation which had made his work among them so pleasant. He went on to thank the various coaches of the crews for their unselfishness in giving so much of their time to the coaching of the crews, and although St. Pat's had lost the Head-of-the-Lake this year, he felt sure that they had next year's winning crew in the making. He concluded by asking the strokes of the crews to present to their coaches gifts to mark the appreciation of the boys and the school of their efforts.

To Mr. Hill fell the pleasant task of presenting to Ken Aldenhoven a bat, in recognition of his fine batting throughout the season, which performances had marked him as the foremost batsman in the Public School cricket of 1938. He congratulated Ken, and hoped that he would score many runs with it during the next cricket season. He also presented to Pat Cranage the ball, suit-



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able inscribed, with which he obtained the hat trick in the final match against Grammar. He congratulated the team as a whole on its fine cricket which had given them an unbeaten record for the season.

Br. Purton then rose and added his congratulations to those made by the former speakers in reference to the cricketers and the rowers. He complimented the rowers on the fine spirit in which they had taken their victories and defeats, and he felt sure that the reputation of the College in the world of sport was in safe keeping in their hands. The school work, he said, was progressing favourably, as study had not been allowed to lapse in the interest of sport. He wished everyone an enjoyable holiday, so that they would come back ready for a strenuous term. He concluded by asking Rev. Father Gleeson to say a few words to the boys.

Father Gleeson complimented the boys on the fine manner in which they had attended to their religious duties. This fidelity had made his work among them so pleasant.

The evening was brought to a climax to the strains of Auld Lang Syne, and we carried away with us pleasant memories of a fine evening spent together.

T. O'Brien.

THE RETREAT.

The Retreat this year began on Tuesday night, 14th June, and ended on the following Saturday morning.

The priest-in-charge was Rev. Father Purcell, O.M.I., who introduced himself on Tuesday night by an impressive lecture on the salvation of souls, and also on the method of making a good Retreat. Father gave thirteen lectures during the Retreat, but the essence of most of them was that we should be prepared for death. He pointed out the shortness of this life, and the length of eternity. By impressing upon our minds vivid pictures of Hell, I am sure he increased everyone's determination to save his soul, and to be ready when God calls him. Father also gave a very effective lecture on the love of Our Heavenly Mother.

Thursday, the Feast of Corpus Christi was a day set aside by the boys for special devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. It is a pity that the anticipated procession of the Blessed Sacrament was postponed. However, during the second half of the day there was Exposition, most of the boys remaining in the chapel praying, and thanking Our Lord for instituting such a great Sacrament.

During the three days there was a spirit of piety among the boys that was convincing evidence that they were making a good and holy Retreat. They threw themselves whole-heartedly into the Retreat exercises, and by listening attentively to Father Purcell, and by assisting at the devotions in the chapel with fervour, they must have received abundant grace from God.

It would not be fitting to conclude

without a word of congratulation to Father Purcell. He is a tireless priest, and, by hearing over three hundred Retreat confessions in two days, he more than proved this. He concluded the Retreat by imploring the boys to be men of character, and I am sure they are all deeply indebted to this zealous priest.

—J. Connell.

FROM STUDENT'S DIARY.

JUNE.

Wednesday, 1st—

M.O.K. says, "A politician's greatest asset is his lie ability!"

Thursday, 2nd—

M.Q. golfing: "How far is it to the next hole, boy? Boy: "Four hundred yards." M.Q.: "Right, give me a putter!"

Friday, 3rd—

According to A. J., social tact is making your guests feel at home even though you wished that they were.

Saturday, 4th—

I.K. wishes to announce that he has renounced the title of "Dave," and in future will be known as "Zambuk." His decision, I believe, was influenced by his football activities.

Sunday, 5th—

I. K. celebrated his 16th birthday to-day. All at his table think that someone should have a birthday every week.

Monday, 6th—

B. W. says, "Brittania rules the

waves, but Hitler waives the rules!"
Tuesday, 6th—

J. T. thinks the Sultana of Turkey is a fruit.

Wednesday, 8th—

It has been said of J. S. that he is more likely to contribute heat than light to a discussion.

Thursday, 9th—

Last night we saw a Lantern Lecture on Tasmania. As it drew to a close, one could almost hear the voice of James Fitzpatrick saying: "And so it is, with this thought, that we say farewell to Tasmania, land of blue lakes and grand mountains ———!"

Friday, 10th—

D. C. proposes to grow sugar on The Great Barrier Reef! It should be wet enough, anyway.

Saturday, 11th—

The following sign was seen over the desk of a leading dairy executive — "All I am I owe to udders!"

Sunday, 12th—

Literary society shows many budding orators ready to burst into bloom.

Monday, 13th—

Half holiday. We watched an extraordinary game, originated by the Yanks, being played on the oval. The man out of the game appears to be barracking!

Tuesday, 14th—

A remark heard in passing: "Trying to teach you is like pouring water on a duck's back. It goes in one ear and out of the other."

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Wednesday, 15th—

Retreat, which will continue until Saturday, commenced to-day, under the guidance of Father Purcell, O.M.I.

Thursday, 16th—

The sun shone brilliantly to-day as if nature, too, wished to contribute her share in worthily keeping the feast of Corpus Christi.

Friday, 17th—

The last day of the Retreat. We should not forget the Oblate Fathers of Mary Immaculate in our prayers.

Saturday, 18th—

A prominent citizen remarked to me that the oval at St. Pat's was used mainly as a place for the boys to throw stones!

Sunday, 19th—

Last night, we saw the play, "The Barrats of Wimpole Street." The dog was poorly supported by the Cast?

Monday, 20th—

We note with regret the passing of C. J. Dennis, the noted poet, who was the originator of "The Sentimental Bloke," which had so great an appeal to Australians.

Monday, 20th—

Last night we witnessed an interesting and instructive Lantern Lecture given by Rev. Br. E. S. Crowle, B.A., Dip.Ed. (of St. Kevin's). It showed us the importance of sacrifice in the Old Law. It was the first of a series in which sacrifice will be traced up to the Sacrifice of the Mass. W. Moon, on behalf of the students, sincerely thanked Br. Crowle for thus enabling us to spend a very pleasant evening.

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Tuesday, 21st—

My motto is "Let's eat, drink and be merry, for to-morrow we dye—or wear a wig!"

Wednesday, 22nd—

W. M. and L. V. are as close as two ticks of a clock.

Thursday, 23rd—

L. H. says a chap he knows has no more prejudice than a sausage machine!

Friday, 24th—

To-day we celebrated with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament the feast of the Sacred Heart. Although it was short, we endeavoured to make up in fervour for that which it lacked in length.

Saturday, 25th—

R. R. is so small that when he has a pain, he doesn't know whether he has toothache or corns!

Sunday, 26th—

F. L. had a "dead cert." for yesterday. Unfortunately it was quite dead!

Monday, 27th—

V. D. says "A pessimist is a fish who looks for a hook in every worm!"

Tuesday, 28th—

According to T. B., "If you must borrow something, borrow it from a pessimist, he never expects it back!"

Wednesday, 29th—

The first match in Public Schools' Competition played to-day. St. Pat's had a fine win.

Thursday, 30th—

In concluding this month's review, I can only hope that those who have been mentioned in this issue will realize that this is meant as a candid column, and take it as such.

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From the Federal Capital comes a very interesting letter from Brian Toohey, who writes as follows:

"I must thank you for writing to me, not that I needed any reminding but it is a very consoling thought to see the St. Pat's Badge intermingled with my correspondence.

As yet I have not found time to write to any of my colleagues, so you see I am out of date with regard to the news, but this will be rectified when the July edition of the Chronicle comes along, as I hope it will.

Now I will proceed with my little paragraph.

In practically every phase of Canberra life are to be seen men who have received their education at the hands of the Christian Brothers; and what is more there is quite a large number who attended St. Pat's, Ballarat, during the first decade or so of this century.

Pride of place seems to go to Mr. Tom Carmody who claims, and rightly so we believe, to be the veteran Old Boy of Canberra. Mr. Carmody has just taken up his duties again in the Patent Office, after five weeks sick leave. One of his sons following in father's footsteps, played an excellent game of Rugby Union for St. Patrick's College, Goulburn, on Saturday, 25th, when they defeated the Canberra Grammar School.

Amongst the other prominent Old Boys might be mentioned Jim Keogh, who is perhaps one of the most outstanding footballers St. Pat's ever produced. For many years he was a leading light in football in Melbourne. Coupled with his name might be mentioned Messrs. Kilday and Niven, who are also on the staff of the Patent Office. Mr. Kilday is still interested in Australian Rules Football, and may be seen amongst the Ainslie supporters.

Messrs. Tilley and Dale are also Old Boys. They occupy positions in the Prime Minister's Department and Hansard staff respectively.

Amongst the Junior Old Boys we have Leo Rabl, Laurie Flynn and myself.

It is to Leo we look to uphold the green, white and blue on the football field—at present he is listed amongst the leading goal-kickers of the Association. Incidentally, the coach of the Manuka team, of which Leo is a member, is Pat Maroney, another old St. Pat's boy. Leo is studying hard at Commerce—but at present he is wandering around the Wimmera—exactly where, I would not be prepared to state.

Laurie Flynn is working well at the Patent Office, and is studying a couple of Leaving subjects at night-school. In his first try-out on the hockey field, he had the misfortune to strike his

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toe instead of the ball, with the result that he gave up the game and returned to tennis.

With regard to myself I will say that I am attending the Patent Office, am doing two Law subjects and in my spare time don a pair of football boots and play with the Manuka Seconds.

With these thoughts I will say "adieu" to you, the Editor of the Chronicle, the Magazine which in my estimation can do much to unite the St. Pat's Old Boys as they should be united."

THE SERVICE AND OTHERS.

(Victoria)

After a much needed spell in the best State of all, the city correspondent of the S.P.C. Chronicle has returned to face the worries and cares so familiar to all Service employees. The thought of facing 37 hours per week is really too much.

A representative team of Old Boys is looking forward to testing out the present students on July 10th. Bro. Purton has re-assured us that there are sufficient beds in the Infirmary to house the slain. Former stars in Jack O'Connell, Ted Long, Ted Cranage, Terry Keogh and Brian Mulcahy are already sharpening their teeth in preparation for the fray.

The Defence team contains some six S.P.C. representatives, or it did until Kevin Reilly tried a header and upset his chin. Jack Holland is another who has had a bout with the quack. He has recovered from his operation and is now starring at table tennis.

Terry Brown! Who was that young person accompanying you down Collins Street some weeks ago? And why is Brian Mulcahy interested in country hockey?

Alan Casey wishes to state that he was kicked severely on the shins in a recent football match.

Ger. Hayes and Dick Hingston are

doing well with their respective teams in the League. Terry Keogh is expected to secure Dinny Guinane's place when the latter retires.

Ted Cranage, gradually recovering from the effects of his football injury, has turned his attention to the study of chemistry.

There was a very pleasing attendance of a number of young fellows at the recent Smoke Social. All voted the evening an outstanding success. Let us hope that the forthcoming dance is well patronised.

"Ben Gun" Smith has been starting the University professors with his learned remarks.

Ned Hogan is still a keen student of horses, dogs and wrestlers.

There are some budding golfers down in the metropolis, and one in particular is seeking a match with Max Gill.

Tony Ryan confounded the critics and incidentally himself by passing his finals in pharmacy. Bill Rice has developed into one of Melbourne's leading salesmen.

A suggestion. Why does "Erb" Williams not return to S.P.C.? His knowledge of Noxious Weeds should be of great assistance in tracing culprits. I am sure the students would appreciate such a move.

"Hackenbusch."

WERRIBEE.

Tuning in to Corpus Christi College, we hear that the big match of the season, Theologians v. Philosophers ("Theo-Phil.") was won by the Theologians. S.P.C. was well represented on each side, Rev. M. Grady (V.C.), M. Delahenty and M. Rushford being prominent for the Theologians, and J. O'Brien and the McKenzie Bros. for the Philosophers.

Joe Kelly showed us his skipping prowess a little while ago—his turning of the rope almost approaches the long-sought-for example of perpetual and uniform motion.

NEWMAN COLLEGE.

Frank Lucas who has always been a very active member of the College was elected to the General Committee at the second term meeting. Vic. Batros had a very bad cold at start of term and when examined by a doctor was found to be suffering from pneumonia. He was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital where he has been for the last week. Unfortunately he has another week to put in down there. His case is not serious, however, and we all wish him a speedy recovery. The St. Pat's Old Boys are very anxious for the match on Sunday, July 24th. Whilst the team won't be all 1st XVIII or all 2nd XVIII players, it will be very strong, and we are hoping for a good game.

Probable players are: Les. Coleman, Kevin Whitehead, Frank Hetherington, Pat O'Donohue, Felix Favalaro, Tony Grano, and many others. Dr. Jim Peters, former S.P.C. star and captain of the champion Victorian Amateur team may yet captain the Newman "Scratch" team. Although Dr. Peters has given up football this year, we hope he'll say he will be available, and in that event spectators can be assured of an exhibition of high marking and dashing ground play. The Newman boys voted the Old Boys Smoke Social the best for some time, and are very anxiously awaiting the next one. Pat Cody is Secretary for the Newman "At Home" to be held at Earl's Court on July 20th, and judging by the time he's devoting to the necessary arrange-

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ments it is going to be the best yet. Joe Gargan and Bill Shea are both training very hard for the series of Inter-Collegiate football, and are both almost certain of inclusion in this year's XVIII. Pat O'Donohue spent the greater part of the last vacation in Adelaide. It was a very auspicious occasion for him. His sister, a member of the Carmelite Order, was taking her veil and final vows in the Monastery there. Roy Gurry has now finished his medical course, and is resident at St. Vincent's Hospital. Ted Byrne has a wide selection of gramophone records, and residents of D Flat are frequently entertained on a Sunday afternoon.

FATHER R. SCARFE AT THE COLLEGE.

Rev. Father R. Scarfe, until recently P. P. of Westbury, Tasmania, and a loyal Old Boy of the School, recently paid us a visit and stayed for a few days.

Father Scarfe has now been appointed in charge of Catholic Action for the Island State. On Sunday morning he spoke to the boys on the importance and significance of Catholic Action, and the Senior boys were pleased to hear such an interesting exposition of the subject.

Two Old Boys who paid us a visit during the month were Mr. J. Reen and his brother. Mr. Reen was in the Champion Football Team of 1903.

We were glad to see Bill Clements from Bendigo at the College recently. Bill is a successful lawyer in Bendigo. He rowed in the winning crews of 1914 and 1915.

Another old boy visitor was Mr. D. McDonald, Shire Engineer of Barwon. Mr. McDonald had not seen the College for many years and he was delighted to see the great progress made during recent years. Mr. McDonald was known as Centum, because he made the 100th boarder. The day Centum arrived was proclaimed a holiday by Br. W. M. McCarthy who was then Principal.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

(Melbourne Branch.)

From Terry Dwyer, secretary of the Melbourne Branch, we learn that the Association held a very successful function on June 16th at the Celtic Club, Collins Street. This function took the form of a smoke social and was indeed a huge success, there being over 60 Old Boys present.

Among those in attendance were: Rev. Fr. Toomey, Rev. Bro. Purton, Rev. Bro. Rahill (St. Kevin's), Mr J. J. Carroll (president), Mr. Davern Wright (representing the Campion Society), Mr G. O'Connor (Kilmore Old Boys), Messrs T. K. Doyle, F. Byrne, H. O'Brien, G. Little, T. Quinn, J. Coghlan, T. Flanagan, P. Murphy. Among the "younger" Old Boys we saw Ed. Long, Edmund Williams, Kev. Reilly, G. Robinson, Wally Joyce, "Amby" Galvin, M. Byron, L. Coleman, L. Scullion, Noel Flanagan, Les. Malcolm, B. Hussey, Terry Brown, Alan McDonald, Keith McDonald, J. Maher, "Snowy" Moore, "Pard" Cody, J. Connellan, and numerous others.

Some very delightful Irish songs were beautifully rendered by Mr. James Foran and Mr. Tom Dowling. Mr Jack Cussen simply astounded everyone with his remarkable feats of magic. Mr. Leo. Vermont also delighted the audience with numerous jokes, comic songs, and a little community singing. After the entertainers finished, the president, seconded by T. K. Doyle, moved a vote of thanks to the artists for their very

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enjoyable items. Rev. Bro. Purton then gave a short address, informing all the Old Boys of the various improvements to St. Pat's, and giving them all the news, also telling them of the very creditable performances of some of the present students. Finally it was decided that a dance be held at Bibrons on July 13th, 1938.

Just before concluding it might be of interest to note the office-bearers for 1938—President, J. J. Carroll; vice-presidents, J. Coghlan and T. Quinn; treasurer, F. Byrne; secretary, T. Dwyer; auditor, J. J. Norris; committee, Messrs J. Locke, T. Flanagan, T. Brown, A. McDonald, N. Flanagan; H. O'Brien, P. Murphy, K. Borrack.

PARK CRICKET PREMIERS.

After keen struggles which necessitated grand finals, the minor premiers in the A Grade maintained their position; while the B Grade minor premiers suffered two reverses, leaving J. Sheridan's team premiers for 1938.

The premier terms were:

A Grade: L. Nagle (capt.), T. Hannah (vice-capt.), K. O'Connor, B. McNamara, G. Wood, M. Cashin, M. O'Keefe, H. Drum, J. Collins, W. Deutschman, K. Willis, J. McMahan, E. Carew.

B. Grade: J. Sheridan (capt.), J. Credlin (vice-capt.), F. Reilly, D. Rae, W. Clohesy, J. O'Meara, B. Corrigan, Dan. Ryan, B. Webster, B. Duggan, Des. Ryan, M. Melican.

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McCabe had two fried eggs for breakfast on Friday! (Avalanche of letters to the London Press.)

O'Reilly picked up a handkerchief for a flapper near Neison's Monument! (She has already been offered a film contract.)

Ward and Brown were seen entering a barber's shop in Fleet Street! (Queue four miles long and dislocated traffic.)

Chipperfield picked up a sixpence in Piccadilly on Tuesday morning! (Seven persons killed in the crush.)

Fingleton was wearing a new puce and saffron tie on Thursday! (Leading article in "The Times.")

FOOTBALL: 1st EIGHTEEN

Captain: Max Gill.

Vice-Captain: Leo. Horgan.

St. Pat's, always renowned for its football, has again this year a First Eighteen well worthy to uphold the wonderful traditions of the past.

The season is not very far advanced at present, but sufficient has been seen of our 1938 Eighteen to convince us that they are really a great side. They are undefeated in all matches so far, and if their present form is maintained they will be very hard to beat in the matches to come.

Seven of last year's 1sts—Max Gill

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(captain and centre half-forward), Leo. Horgan (vice-captain and follower), Wally Moon (full back and change follower), Adrian Jones (rover), Pat Mullins (full forward), Leo Browne (centre) and Jack Connell (full back)—are again in the team, and have played no small part in the successes achieved to date.

Jack Flanagan, another outstanding player of last year was showing excellent form, but during the term holidays he had to undergo a serious operation, and it will be some time before he is again allowed to play.

The new members of the Eighteen—Laurie Delahunty (centre half-back), Ken Aldenhoven (forward and change rover), F. Englefield (half-back and change follower), Laurie Vaughan (follower), Pat McNamara (half-back), Rob McKee (half-forward, Jack Collins (centre), Gerhard Jongbloed (centre), Joe Cunneen (half-forward), Jim Sullivan (full-back), Tom Hannah (forward), Pat Bohan (back), and Trojy Darveniza (back)—are all footballers of good ability, and are giving every satisfaction.

Results of Matches played.

St. Pat's defeated J. Munday's XVIII, 9-7 to 6-3.

St. Pat's defeated Spencer St. Railways, 17-7 to 4-3.

St. Pat's defeated School of Mines, 11-16 to 8-7.

St. Pat's defeated Pharmacy College, Melbourne, 10-14 to 3-2.

St. Pat's defeated Postal Mechanics, South Melbourne, 13-6 to 9-3.

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Important matches to be played are St. Kevin's, in Melbourne on July 16th and in Ballarat on August 7th; Grammar on July 20th and August 17th; College on July 27th, and St. Patrick's College, East Melbourne, on August 21st. In addition, other interesting matches will be against Noel Flanagan's Old Boys' Eighteen, Newman College, Melbourne Catholic Boys' Legion and Bat Curran's Eighteen.

The Melbourne trip has already aroused keen enthusiasm and earnestness. Many are trying hard to be included in one of the three teams due for the annual visit to the metropolis. Others whose prospects of inclusion as players are not so bright are eagerly awaiting selection as emergencies, officials or supporters.

"SHED" FOOTBALL.

This year the "Shed Football Competition is once again being contested very keenly by four teams, under the captaincy of Rod Hayes, Pat Cranage, Des Nolan and Mark Whitty.

The first round began on the afternoon of June 13th, not a very good omen for the success of the competition. However, at the time of going to press, the first round has been completed, and we find the points score as follows:—

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P. Cranage, 12 points; D. Nolan, 8 points; M. Whitty, 4 points; R. Hayes, 0 points.

Each game points are given for the best and fairest player. Ray Livingstone is leading at present with 7 points, but he is being closely pressed by Des McGlade, who has 6 points, and Fred Labb, who has scored 5.

Results of the first round:—

1. D. Nolan, 11-14 d. M. Whitty, 8-12.
2. P. Cranage, 14-12 d. P. Hayes, 4-8.
3. D. Nolan, 9-6 d. R. Hayes, 5-10.
4. P. Cranage, 12-13 d. M. Whitty, 10-20.
5. P. Cranage, 12-8 d. D. Nolan, 8-7.
6. M. Whitty, 4-11 d. R. Hayes, 5-2.

ST. ROCH'S—SENIOR.

St. Roch's senior competition is now in full swing, and the games are causing a good deal of excitement. It is too early in the season yet to award the blue ribbon for barracking to anyone, but Lyall Matchett and Frank Foster are well in the front. Dan Toohey, George Dwyer, Val. Knowles and Doug. Smith are the captains for 1938. The teams are evenly matched and the games of the first round have provided very keen contests. Premiership points at the conclusion of the first round were: Val. Knowles, 8; Doug. Smith, 8; George Dwyer, 8; Dan Toohey, 0. There are many players in the competition who show excellent form. Among the best at present are: Frank Hannigan, Bill O'Neill, Doug. Smith, Arthur Hynes, Hugh Drum, Kevin Keogh, Gerald Little and Mick Melican. Mick does some very good work with his left boot when playing in the forward pocket.

JUNIOR ST. ROCH'S.

Four teams were picked under the captaincy of Jack O'Brien, Dan O'Meara, Brian Nolan and Howard

Smith. The games this year are of a higher standard than last season. Each boy seems to keep his place, and when he gets the ball to put in a good kick. The teams have adopted a colour, and are known as Blues, Golds, Greens and Reds respectively. As this goes to press, the points so far are Golds, 8 points; Blues, 4 points; Greens and Blues, nil.

SECOND XVIII. DEFEAT ST. KEVIN'S.

On Sunday last St. Kevin's Seconds visited St. Pat's for the annual match. The oval was heavy, but the sticky ball was handled well by both teams. St. Pat's got an early lead and kept it till the final bell, running out easy victors, the score being 12-8 to 3-7.

St. Pat's team was: P. Cranage (c), B. McGrath (v.c.), J. Gibbons, P. Bohan, J. Donovan, M. Quin, D. McGlade, B. Willis, J. Hill, R. Livingston, J. Deutschman, G. Noonan, A. Anderson, A. Magill, T. Darveniza, J. Lane, K. O'Connor, W. Begg, T. Green (19th).

The return match will be played in Melbourne on 16th July.

UNDER 15 FOOTBALL.

To-morrow, Sunday, 10th July, our Under 15 team will have its first match. The opponents will be C.B.C., Victoria Parade. We sincerely hope that the weather will provide us with favourable playing conditions, and that a keen struggle will be witnessed.

FOOTBALL—OR IS IT?

It was raining like the devil,
Lordy, how it just did rain,
When we played the civil servants—
Played and beat them, in the rain.
There was mud up to our ankles,
And the only thing that rankles
Is the way the skies above us
Sent the rain.

Faith! we just had gentle showers,
That just drifted down for hours,
Till our boots were filled with water,
Till we thought we shouldn't oughter
Play a game of bloomin' football
In the rain.

I sat down in a puddle,
And my brain was in a muddle,
And all the time the rain kept comin'
down.

Sure! the ball was wet and greasy,
And to sit down was quite easy,
And every time the pack went up—
'Twas myself that would come down.
But now the game is ended,
All my energy expended,
I just can't sort of reason out—
Why they call the game a sport?
When it's nothing of the sort,
'Cause all the time we're trying
To lay our rivals out!

T. O'Brien.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART.

Friday, 4th June, the feast of the Sacred Heart, was a day of special importance to all students of St. Patrick's College. To worthily celebrate the Feast, a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament was held in the specially decorated College grounds. The Blessed Sacrament was borne by Rev. Fr. Gleeson, our Chaplain; the students meanwhile filling the air with the sound of hymns. Although weather conditions were not ideal, being very dull with light showers, the ceremonies of the day, including the

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Missa Cantata in the morning, were most impressive, and were successfully carried out.

PUBLIC SERVICE APPOINTMENTS.



B. TOOHEY

Latest departure for Public Service

Brian Toohey has accepted an appointment to the Patents Department at Canberra. The whole school regrets the fact that Brian is leaving so soon. He was a Prefect, a Councillor of the Sodality, and prominent in all school activities. We wish him a full measure of success in the National Capital.

Laurie Flynn has also been appointed to the Patents Department at Canberra. Laurie and Brian will find a good friend in another old S.P.C. boy, Tom Carmody, who is one of the Heads in the Patents Department.

Leo Rabl, who is in the Commerce Department at Canberra, will be pleased to see there a few more boys from the old school.

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by Andrew Smith. Price 6/-.
"Farewell Austria"
by Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg Price 13/6
"I Search for Truth in Russia"
by Sir Walter Citrine. Price 5/3

INVASION OF ST. PAT'S. GLORIOUS VICTORY.

One of the most amusing and exciting incidents connected with Monday night's snowfall, says the "Ballarat Star," of August 29, 1926, was the Homeric inter-collegiate combat which occurred yesterday in the S.P.C. grounds. A party of School of Mines students, eager for fun, went in search of foemen worthy of their steel, and adding to their forces as they went, by the inclusion of reinforcements from Ballarat and Grenville Colleges and Church of England Grammar School made their way to St. Patrick's College grounds and cast down their gage of war, which, in this case, was a snowball shied through an open window. The home team, delighted at the excuse for a respite from labour, sallied out with their battalions to do battle with the bold invader. A general action ensued all along the line, and deeds of daring done worth of the Victoria Cross were of such frequent occurrence that they were allowed to transpire without more than passing notice. A well-known city solicitor, an Old Ballarat Collegian, was general of the combined forces, and allowed the foreign army to be surrounded by the defenders, so that his strategic skill could not have been that of a Napoleon or a Wellington, although the defenders, S.P.C., were outnumbered by the foreign army by two to one. At length, after an heroic struggle, and the expenditure of much energy, strength and snow, with an occasional sprinkling of mud, the invaders began to give way. Des-

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perately the Mines boys, thinking, doubtless, of the reputation of the Alma Mater, and the doughty deeds of her sons, strove to rally their forces for a last charge. The effort was without success, and the foreign army had to retire in quick order, after a desperate struggle on the summit of a neighbouring kopje. Then the defenders retired, and floated the College flag high from the battlements of their citadel, in celebration of their victory. One mishap that may have had something to do with the defeat of the combined army was the fact that a foreign power, with whom all belligerents were at peace—to wit, a policeman—unscrupulously violated the articles of war by capturing the invaders' ammunition wagon—to wit, a wheelbarrow, which, laden with nicely-made snowballs, was being industriously wheeled to the rear by a red and white-capped boy. Such conduct is to be strongly deprecated, and this unwarranted interference with the liberty of the subject should be made a matter for international armed intervention.

Don't we wish history would repeat itself!

LITERARY SOCIETY.

This term the Literary Society has resumed activities, and although only a few weeks of the term have passed, a big number of boys have given lectures on many interesting subjects. This year the Literary Society has included the Intermediate class, and already they have proved themselves worthy of inclusion. The meeting of the Society for June 19th was postponed as Rev. Br. E. S. Crowle, B.A., Dip.Ed., of St. Kevin's, gave a very interesting and educational lecture on the Sacrifice of the Mass. The speeches given to date are:

1. "Fr. Owen Dudley"—
L. Vaughan.
2. "Australian Inventions"—
A. Jones.

3. "S.P.C. extensions during past two years"—A. Waldron.

4. G. Jongebloed proposed a happy birthday to Ian Keelan.

5. Ian Keelan replied.
Sunday, June 19th—

Lecture by Rev. Br. Crowle, B.A., Dip.Ed., of St. Kevin's.

Sunday, June 26th—
1. "The College Crest"—
J. Donovan.

2. "Why the Church condemns Euthanasia"—T. Vavjenezki.

3. "A brief summary of the Retreat"—C. Stokes.

4. "Is Communistic Russia a failure"—L. Delahunty.

5. "The Campions and their Ideals"—M. Whitty.

6. T. Brady proposed best wishes and success to J. Sullivan, whom we supposed had won a scholarship for Architecture, which entitled him to three years' study abroad.

7. J. Sullivan suitably replied.

8. Max Gill proposed a vote of thanks to the speakers.

Sunday, July 3rd—

1. "Will the Anglican Church return to Rome?"—J. Favaloro.

2. "Australia's prospects in the Tests"—J. Flannery.

3. "An explanation for the change in Britain's Foreign Policy"—
F. Kroon.

4. "The Art of the Spoken Word"—
G. Dwyer.

5. "Recent Extensions to Australia's R.A.F."—R. Flanagan.

6. "Social Life among the Insects"—
M. Quin.

7. P. Conway proposed the health and best wishes to J. Toohey, who was retiring from his position as Mayor of Ballarat.

8. J. Toohey replied.

9. G. O'Brien, seconded by A. Waldron, proposed a vote of thanks to the speakers.

The chairman, Rev. Bro. Purton, suggested that at the next meeting there should be some dramatised scenes from the prescribed plays. We are sure that this will be of great help to English students, and of great interest to others.

SUB A.

On our return from our term vacation we were met with the stern facts of our examination results. The outstanding positions in the aggregate results were obtained by the following:

Honour List: 1st, L. DeGraaff; 2nd, D. Currie; 3rd, L. Dunne; 4th, J. O'Brien; 5th, T. Clarke; 6th, K. Mansfield; 7th, G. Malony; 8th, I. Parsons; 9th, L. Pring; 10th, F. Little.

Leaders in the various subjects: Christian Doctrine, G. Molony.

English, D. Currie, L. DeGraaff, F. Little, G. Morcom.

French, M. Pascoe.

Latin, D. Currie, L. Dunne, L. DeGraaff, B. Higham, K. Lalor, K. Mansfield, J. O'Brien, P. Penn, A. Ryan (all 100 per cent.).

Arithmetic, D. Currie, L. DeGraaff, G. Molony, P. Penn, L. Pring.

Algebra, W. Clohesy, L. DeGraaff, J. O'Brien.

Geometry, B. Higham, J. O'Brien, I. Parsons.

History, D. Currie.

Geography, F. Little.

Now we are facing the realities of hard work.

Our congratulations are offered to Keith Munn who, just prior to the "break-up," made his First Confession and Communion.

A notable absentee during this month is Ken. Hartley, who having undergone an operation, was unable to return. However, Ken. should be soon back with us.

Our sympathy is extended to Norm. Tilley who, through sickness, has been compelled to forego the pleasure (!) of this term's study. We wish him the very best of good wishes and hope that his health will improve.

Football is all the rage at present. Prominent players from our ranks are M. O'Connor, L. Dunne, R. Delahunty, F. Hannigan, M. Melican, T. Clarke, W. Meakes; while B. Molan

and J. O'Brien are captains in the Junior St. Roch's Competition.

The ranks of the Crusaders are gradually increasing. Recently enrolled members were W. Brady, J. Briody, Des Ryan (Sub.B.), K. Benton. It is to be hoped that those who are not yet members will remedy this by enlisting. Our representatives number 24.

Many of us recently were transferred to our new sleeping apartments, The Little Flower Dormitory. Here we have been made "quite at home."

Sam Bongiorno became "terribly sick," privately summoned his parents, made all arrangements for his funeral, showed his complete resignation by ordering pies and crumpets, and was then ready! "The Powers That Be" intervened, Sam was put on a strict diet, and, well—Sam is hale and hearty once again and we missed a holiday!

M. Pascoe went out shooting the silly rabbits and accidentally put a bullet through his hand. Why did he make the mistake?

T. C. made a wireless set for Joe E. who, when he found it would go yelled out, "Yippee!"—held up Tom's right hand and said, "The rising Marconi of Ballarat!"

Boxing? Yes! Des. J. Rea, Peter Penn, L. Dunne are "at it." They may develop, so be friendly just in case!

Joe Briody is supposed to be chief chef at the Pine Forest Camp.

Now, Readers, we feel that we are becoming too talkative. So, "Adieu!"

SUB B.

There is not much to report at the moment. Kevin Reynolds completed our numbers when he returned to school last week, looking very well after his operation. School work continues on its merry way. Latin verbs have produced a good deal of mental fog of late, but there are signs that

THE HOBBY ROOMS.

This year there has been a very big increase in the number of boys who have taken up some enjoyable and profitable hobby. The outside room had been painted during the holidays, and it has been found necessary to buy a stove to heat the outside room, as the inside one has been more than crowded. Nineteen aeroplane kits have been sold and they will soon be completed. There are various models under construction. Six Gulls, four Cyclones, Bombers, Meteors and Rosella models are the types made in our workshops. The other hobbies include fretwork (six boys), chip carving (3 boys), silk mats (four boys), basket trays, cake stands, and office baskets have already been completed with Herbert O'Toole's the best to date.

Alan Waldron has completed two pedestals for the sanctuary, and is under way on a new pair.

Any boy who wishes to procure materials may do so by handing in his order on any day the room is open.

Competition Corner

LIMERICK COMPETITION.

A prize of 2/6 will be offered to the boy who puts the best finish to the following limerick:

.....What you have to do:

(1) Where the dotted line appears add a line of your own to complete the limerick.

(2) Write out the 5 lines clearly in ink, put your name on the page and hand it in to the Editor before 30th July.

There was a young laddie named Clay
Who stood on his head twice a day.
When his mates asked him why,
He would grin and reply:

REMEMBER: Editor's decision will be final.

SHORT STORY

COMPETITION.

A prize of 5/- will be awarded to the boy who contributes the most interesting Short Story for the August Issue of the Chronicle.

Conditions (1) The story must be original.

(2) Stories must not exceed 600 words and contain not less than 200 words.

(3) All entries must be written in ink and on one side only of the page.

(4) Entries close on Saturday, 30th July.

(5) Editor's decision will be final.

BRUSH UP YOUR WITS.

See if you can solve these problems. Prizes of 1/- will be awarded for the first correct solution of each problem. Write solutions neatly. Solutions must be handed to the Editor.

1. As a result, presumably, of the increasing accessibility of the more subtle poisons, the proportion of undetected murders has risen from 11.8 per cent. in 1926 to 18.7 per cent. in 1936.

Do you see anything absurd in this statistical comparison? What is it?

2. The following inscription was unearthed at Camulodum (the Roman Colchester):

Ore stabit fortis arare placet ore stat.

Can you decipher it?

3. A cricket team has two bowlers,

WODONGA.

John McHarg, present at S.P.C. about 1924-5 and winner of Donovan Bursary valued at £60 per year for 3 years, and a Non-Resident Newman Scholarship, valued at £10 a year, is now a very successful Barrister and Solicitor at Wodonga. Jack still shows great interest in S.P.C. activities, and was present at the Old Boys' Reunion this year. He has kindly supplied us with the following paragraphs, bearing reference to S.P.C. Old Boys living in and about Wodonga.

George McDonough: Well settled in Wodonga, prosperous dental practice, married, 2 children, at Reunion this year.

Fr. Tom Auburn: Graduated from Tallangatta to Parish Priest at Wodonga, as energetic and enthusiastic as ever.

Fr. Jim Dowling: Curate at Beechworth, transferred from Yarrowonga, occasionally seen at Wodonga to visit Albury "talkies."

Fred Larkin, prosperous hotel-keeper at Holbrook, still holding his own physically, annihilates distance with a new "Buick."

Smith and Jones. Before their last match their averages are the same, and they have taken 30 wickets between them. In the last match, Smith takes 3 for 24, and Jones 2 for 26. Their averages for the season are now worked out and are found in each case to be 4.

What are their respective figures for the season?

4. The good ship, Potephar, lay at anchor in Portsmouth Harbour. An interested spectator observed that a ladder was dangling from her deck; that the bottom four rungs of the ladder were submerged; that each rung was two inches wide and that the rungs were eleven inches apart. The tide was rising at the rate of 18 inches per hour. At the end of two hours, how many rungs would be submerged.

J. F. Doolan: One of the older school, farming at Brownie Plains, near Rutherglen.

Jack and Leo Hunt: Both successful farmers at Waubra.

Fr. Jim Lehane: Curate at Myrtleford.

Hugh McHarg: A banker at Bridgetown (W.A.), preferred the western lasses to the eastern, married.

REMOVE 6th GRADE.

Seeing that this is our first appearance for the term let us give a brief resume of our doings during the past four weeks. Returning punctually after the vacation with cheerful faces and determined to study hard during this term, we did not lose time in settling down to our books. Tom "Canty" was about our only late-comer (he was delayed getting a pair of new pants). Amongst the new faces in the class are Vincent Gemmola, a healthy-sized day boy who carries his weight well in the study line; Brian Condren, a good student who hails from Kyneton; Vincent Myles, a cousin to the notorious Paul White; Caesar Williams, from Miram;

and finally, Tony Rohan, who came from Geelong.

During the third week we made the Three Days Retreat, and the boys are all to be complimented on the enthusiastic and devotional way in which they entered into the Retreat.

Last Sunday night we began a series of weekly speeches. The ball was set rolling by Geoff Higham, who gave us his views on "The Spanish War." Bernard Murphy followed with an interesting account of "Balranald and District," and finally, Henry Grass read a paper on "The Progress of Cars."

Lately, Bert Hassall told us that when he was stunned he lost his "conscience" (that explains a lot). Loy Hennessy did more than stand by the bier when he was describing a South Polar expedition. According to Loy, after the hunter set out a "wizard blew up." If you have any grammar difficulties, see Tom McConville. Canty will give you a hand in your algebra, if needs be. Lorry Shee does good work in his conscious moments. Let us congratulate Vin Mishkinis on winning the Under 14 Violin Competition at the East Competitions. Frank Dwyer came back again with the idea that he was "pretty good" at sums. Some thought there was only need to say he was "good"—they seemed to doubt the preceding adjective.

Well, until next month, so long!

ELOCUTION SUCCESSES.

It is always interesting to many friends of the College to hear of the success of the boys. Mr. O'Shea's students at the Ballarat East Competitions achieved further laurels—

George Dwyer scored two firsts and a third for Readings and Dicken's selection; while Adrian Anderson gained two second places and a third in the Radio Test. Eric Carew and Ian Keelan were also starters, and

though not in the prize list, nevertheless, received their "competitive baptism,—always a useful, if trying experience. Both had done well at rehearsals; but facing a judge is quite another thing. Indeed, Ian, who was first in his section, and so was certainly not up to standard—when asked how it was he had failed to materialise, retorted, "I was first competitor, and the words just danced in front of me."—That, of course, was a species of stage-fright which can easily be conquered. George Dwyer won both the Impromptu Scripture Readings, and was commended by the adjudicator as being the only one "to convey the sense of the reading."

JUNIOR JOTTINGS.

This term finds the Juniors advancing at different rates along the path of knowledge. It is pleasing to note that the "veterans" of the class—F. X. Smythe, Richard Ne peut pas, John Tooley and Ron Rosser—lead the way in most subjects and are always well up in the marks. Others who distinguish themselves are John McCarthy, "Hoose" and the Nugent brothers.

We welcome two new members of the class—Brian Gleeson and Peter Horgan.

There are several promising footballers amongst us. Some of the juniors give a good account of themselves on St. Roch's. Barry and Martin uphold the reputation of the O'Sullivan's in this respect, both being "eggsperts" at "going through." Frank is there, of course, to give plenty of good advice to the other players. There is another player who falls over every time he gets near the ball.

Last week Ray Kervarec was appointed to the position of C.B.C. (Is it "Chairman of the Board of Control" or Custodian of the Best Class? or? Well, maybe it is and then again, maybe it isn't!)

HUMOUR

BE TERSE.

Be terse was the motto of the editor of the "Daily Snippet." He cut one reporter's copy so severely that next day he received this paragraph:

"Last night, Sir Dwight Hopeless, a guest at Lady Panmore's ball, complained of feeling ill, took a drink, his hat, his coat, his departure, no notice of his friends, a taxi, a pistol from his pocket, and finally his life. Nice chap. Regrets."

A SIMPLE PRESCRIPTION.

"Doctor, I have turned to you as the last resort," exclaimed the wild-eyed patient.

"What's the trouble?" asked the doctor.

"The ghosts of my departed relatives come and perch on the tops of the fence posts all round the orchard. They just sit there, waiting, waiting, waiting. What can I do to get rid of them?"

The doctor started his car.

"Sharpen the tops of the posts," he said.

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The minister was loud in praise of the juicy goose his coloured host provided for dinner, and asked: "Where did you get such a fine goose as that?"

"Pahson," replied his host, "when you preaches a good sermon, Ah doan ax whar you got it. Ah hopes you'll have de same consideration for me,"

HE THEN DID THE DISAPPEARING TRICK.

The sleight-of-hand performance was not going very well.

"Can any lady or gentleman lend me an egg?" asked the conjurer.

"If we'd 'ad one," shouted a man in the audience, "you'd 'ave 'ad it long before now."

TAKING THE RISK.

A small boy at the party had been eating steadily for an alarming length of time. When he asked for another helping the hostess spoke to him earnestly.

"Willie," she said, "I'm quite ser-

ious. If you take another helping of trifle you'll burst."

Willie listened, alarm spreading over his features. He hesitated and gazed at the dish of trifle.

Finally he sat erect, a study of heroic resolution. "All right, then," he said, "Gimme another helping and stand clear."

NOAH'S DRAWBACK.

The teacher had been telling the story of Noah and the Ark.

"Now, children," she said, "how do you suppose Noah passed his time in the Ark?"

There was no reply.

"Come, come," she persisted; "it's my opinion that he did a lot of fishing. Do you think I'm right?"

"I think you're wrong," said little Willie.

Teacher smiled.

"And why, Willie, do you think I'm wrong?"

"Oh, he couldn't have done much fishing, teacher," said Willie earnestly; "he'd only got two worms."

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Judge—"You broke this basin over the head of your husband?"

Accused—"But I didn't mean to."

Judge—"You did not intend to hit your husband?"

Accused—"Oh, yes, but I didn't intend to break the basin."

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ANSWER TO A WISECRACKER.

A drunk was leaning against a building . . . A cop groaned: "Move on; c'mon! What d'ya think you're doing—holding up the building?" . . . So the drunk staggered away—and the building fell down on the cop.

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"John, John, wake up; there's somebody creeping up the stairs."

"Thank goodness, it's no' me this time."

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Teacher: Don't you know what "grace" means? What does father say when he sits down to tea?

Tommy: Easy with the butter, lad, It's one and eight a pound.

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The Church and Science

Turn the pages of history, whether it be along the study of social science, biological science, exact science, art, music, literature, or any educational advancement, in ancient, mediæval or modern history, and you will find Catholics who have unknowingly placed their names far and wide throughout the ages.

In the Fourth Century we find Bishop Numiscus giving to the world the theory of the circulation of the blood.

Where do we find history pointing to for the students of human anatomy?

To the Catholic, Vesalius, known as the father of anatomy. To Falopius, Canon of Modena, whose name is still given to a part of the anatomy.

Naturalists point to Jean Henri Fabre, the world's greatest naturalist, who was a Catholic.

Zoologists point to Mendel, a Catholic priest, who first established the laws of heredity.

Entomologists point to Latreille, also a Catholic, who is known as the prince of Entomology.

Biologists point to Muller, the greatest biologist of the last century.

The father of Modern Pathology is Morgagni, and Archaeology points to De Rossi as the founder of the science of Christian Archaeology.

Geology points to Stenson the pioneer of modern geology. The laws of mineralogy were given to us by a Canon of Paris.

The students of medicine point to Schwann, discoverer of the cell theory in medicine. Jenner, discoverer of vaccination. Madame Curie, discoverer of radium.

History points to Chauliuc as the father of Modern Surgery, and the modern hospital. To Doctor John B. Murphy, of Chicago, one of the world's greatest surgeons. To Roentgen, discoverer of the X-rays.

Chemistry points to Lavoisier, who was a Catholic priest, as the Father of Analytical Chemistry.

Along the electrical line we point to Galvani, discoverer in electricity, who gave the world galvanised iron, and the galvanic battery. To Ampere, discoverer of the electric current. The laws of electricity were given to us by two ecclesiastics, Lun and Beccaria. The word volts came from Volta, the great Catholic electrician.

Modern astronomy was given to us by Canon Copernicus and Cardinal de Cresu.

La Verrier is known to have discovered the planet Neptune.

The system of arithmetic was instituted by the monk, Lucca de Borgo.

Nicholas of Cusa is known to students as the father of mathematical mechanics, and he was a Cardinal.

Hauy, the father of Crystallography, was a Catholic priest.

Fine arts point to Raphael, known as the world's greatest painter; to the

Rev. Father Wood, who constructed the first piano in 1711; to Bramante, the world's greatest architect; to Dante, the world's greatest poet; to Gutenberg, inventor of printing, who also produced the first printed Bibles—fifty years before the so-called Reformation; to Paderewski, the world's greatest pianist.

Gioia, the father of scientific navigation and the discoverer of the Mariner's Compass. Holland, an Irish Catholic Christian Brother, discoverer of the submarine. The founder of the original Red Cross, St. Camillus of Lellis. All these are pointed to as worthy of mention along educational advancement.

The laying of the first Atlantic cable was proposed by a Catholic, Bishop Mullock. Laennec, father of physical diagnosis, and the discoverer of the stethoscope was a Catholic.

And all the world points to Pasteur as the leading scientist of the Nineteenth Century.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE.

Rev. Br. P. W. Nolan.

A member of the staff of St. Augustine's Orphanage, Geelong (Vic.), conducted by the Christian Brothers, Rev. Brother P. W. Nolan, died at Geelong last Tuesday, 26th inst. Born in County Monaghan, Ireland, he was in his 61st year. He joined the Congregation of the Christian Brothers in 1897 in Ireland, and after due training came to Australia in 1901 to join the opening staff at Fremantle (W.A.), of which the present Provincial (Rev. Brother M. B. Hanrahan, M.A.), was a member. Brother Nolan taught in several States of the Commonwealth and was Superior at Townsville, Charters Towers and Toowoomba (Q.); and at Kalgoorlie (W.A.). His health began to decline

eight to ten years ago. His uncle, the late Brother Hubert Nolan, of the Irish Province, was also a Christian Brother.—R.I.P.

Mrs. M. Healy.

The death occurred on the 23rd inst., at East Ballarat (Vic.), of Mrs. M. Healy, mother of Rev. Brother J. D. Healy, of the Christian Brothers' Training College, Strathfield, and Rev. Brother B. D. Healy, of St. Patrick's College, Ballarat. She was in her 70th year and had been in indifferent health for some months. Her death followed a brief illness, during which she was comforted by the reception of the Last Sacraments. Her two sons were present during the last days of her illness and were in attendance at her death.

Mrs. Healy, whose husband predeceased her a good many years ago, was born in Victoria. She was an active worker in the cause of Catholic charity in the City of Ballarat, where she was an old and respected resident. Her home was always the model Christian household and she was known to a wide circle of friends for her generous hospitality.

The elder of her two sons, Brother J. D. Healy, was for 12 years at St. Mary's Cathedral School, during 3 years of which he was principal. For the past nine years he has been in charge of Mt. St. Mary's Training College, Strathfield, and is at present in charge of St. Joseph's Scholasticate. He is well known for his work in connection with the Christian Brothers' Annual Eisteddfod. Brother B. D. Healy has been stationed at Ballarat for several years, where he has been Principal of St. Alipius' School, Ballarat East, the establishment attended by his brother and himself as school boys. Mrs. Healy was much revered and loved by the boys of the school, in all of whom she took the greatest interest.—R.I.P.

Mitchell of the Mounted

(By J. De Vere Blennerhassett.)

Synopsis of Preceding Chapters.

Ralph Mitchell, of the Queensland Mounted Police, has just been promoted to the charge of a district in which a savage tribe of blacks called the Garrowarros, and a few troublesome white men are located. The Girriwilli tribe had recently made a predatory incursion into the Garrogarro territory, and the new officer is faced with a situation which calls for all his courage, resource and determination to be drawn on in its handling.

On the way to his new district Ralph picks up the tracks of a white man and a black, and goes in search of them, but before finding them decides that as there is no case against them, there is nothing to do for the present. Ralph meets them, fraternises with them and then moves on to his "station."

CHAPTER IV.

The three men were astir early. Wilks and the blackfellow left before Ralph had made his fire. The blackfellow, Yarramandingaman, declaring, "Me soon catchem 'possum," when Ralph pressed them to remain for breakfast. When the pair had disappeared, Ralph, boiling his billy, began to consider what might be the object of their association. That it was for no good was fairly certain, on account of their previous bad ac-

counts, and the evidence of a purpose behind their wandering, which the white man certainly had been at pains to conceal.

Within an hour the new "man" for Bindooroo was on his way again for the base of his labours. The morning passed pleasantly, and Ralph "blew the cool tobacco smoke," and between times, in the manner of Sir Lancelot, he sang as he rode, for his heart was light, and the interest of his new duties beckoned to him along the hot tracks (when there were tracks) and through virgin bushland for longer spaces, and when noontime came, and he ran his compass over the map, he found he had but fifteen miles to go before Bindooroo would be in sight from Casey's Ridge.

Warner's Soak was three miles off, so Ralph decided to push on that far and have his midday meal, and make his last preparations for entry into the town. Life seemed good just then. The future was full of promise—it always is, and the biggest promises of all wait on its ending.

Ralph was steeped through and through with that hope that "confoundeth not," and it was this hope set in eternal things, and enlivened by their "sure certainty" that cast a radiance over all his duties and sent him eagerly to take up the new and en-

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chanting duies that would lead him into what dangers he knew not.

It was with a thrill of joyous expectancy that the eager eyes of the new officer at last saw in the far distance the trees on the ridge that was the only thing separating him from the first sight of his new scene of labour.

In twenty minutes Ralph was on the ridge. The township of Bindooroo straggled about a winding creek, the "pale roofs" were much in evidence, and a "made road" was in sight, one that ran south to Adavale. Riding down the east side of the ridge, Ralph presently emerged through a thin belt of scrub land, and here was the bitumen road that ran right into the town, between "civilized telegraph posts," and unmistakable goats were grazing on both sides of it. Ralph was glad to see the goats, for though many jokes are made about goats and galahs, in weekly papers, anyone who has lived "outback" knows that a goat

is a benefactor to our race.

A motor car was coming into the town, and another was leaving it, and they were a welcome sight after the quiet of the bush, relished at the time for its own sake, but most men do not want it for ever.

In five more minutes Ralph was in the very hub of the small town. The police quarters were opposite the post office, and Sergeant Fellows was on the verandah waiting to welcome his successor. The sergeant had a long story to tell, and some official envelopes that had come that day by air mail were waiting to give directions to the new "man" about the case of the Garrogarro and Girriwilli tribes. Ralph saw that his new position would not be a sinecure, for that he was thankful, and on that very afternoon began to consider his plans, not merely for investigation and captures, but for means of preserving peace within his bailiwick.

(To be continued.)

HONOURS NOTES.

As this will possibly be the last edition before the holidays, we take this opportunity of wishing the whole school a happy holiday. All through the last month many boys have been practising for the golf tournament. Our tip is to place your money on A. Jones, as we think he will be a hot favourite—but not with Bro. Purton.

Joe Flannery, our outstanding bar-racker at the Grammar match, was a

little shy at the recent College one. Maybe he thought it was a foregone conclusion. Meanwhile, J. Sullivan has been experimenting with new facial adornments. His latest one is ink. Will it become the fashion? I hope not. J. Kearney and M. Willis are most of the morning trying their hardest at—well, let's say it is their Latin Authors.

While studying the works of the lyricist Vaughan, it was remarked in

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the English class that the Vaughans take anything that comes their way, and stick to it. So we offer this as a proof to the reference of W. Moon and L. Vaughan in last month's issue of the "Chronicle."

We note that J. Flanagan, an outstanding wing player in the football team of last year, has returned to the side as a forward. In the match against Melbourne C.B.L. he kicked four goals. We wish him the best of luck and we hope that he reaches his top form early.

Mae West has told us that she is no angel. But what price Tony Vavjenekzi? Some may call him an angel; but what about a referendum on the point?

Last Monday night, Fr. Worms gave us an exciting and interesting lecture on his experiences among the blacks of Northern Australia, and we were all very pleased to hear him. We wish him continued success in the fields of missionary labour.

We now bid you adieu till next month, when, refreshed by the holidays, we will resume work with added vigour.

LEAVING NOTES.

Well, folks, this is our last announcement for the term, and that thought fills us with excitement. Although we are counting the days till we leave on vacation we are determined to put in a good finish, and thereby end the term well. Our numbers at

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late study are increasing, and that point alone proves our determination.

As usual we have a few words to say on football. Yesterday, our captain, Max Gill, was an absentee in the game against the Catholic Boys' Legion. However, his place as captain was ably filled by Leo Horgan, and we take this opportunity of congratulating Leo on his excellent effort.

Since our last announcement in the "Chronicle" Pat McNamara has been elected a Prefect. The Leaving boys heartily congratulate Pat, and feel sure that he will be a great success in his new sphere.

Many of us will be in a sad plight if Prohibition is passed by the Government. The Leaving boys, under the baton of Laurie Larmer, are encouraging all to vote "No." Laurie has become very popular as a distributor, and only for that things may be different.

The Literary Society meetings are becoming popular with all of us. Last evening we had two interesting debates by Leaving candidates. In the first one Austin Neeson defeated Jack O'Bryan on the subject of the "Assassination of the Catalonians." The subject of the second debate was the "National Insurance Bill." Pat McNamara was defeated by Frank Nicholas.

Last Sunday week an Old Boy was ordained to the Priesthood. Later in the week he said Mass in the College Chapel. After receiving his Blessing, we were moved into a tense frame of

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mind, wondering whether he would ask for a holiday. He did. We are waiting.

Before closing, we must say a few words on the trip to Melbourne, for which we are very thankful to the Brothers. There were plenty of amusements and sights to be seen. Some found the Glaciarium rather hard. On the return trip, in the First XVIII. bus, several of our budding Eddys exercised their skill, among whom were Pat Mullins and Laurie Delahunty.

News is scarce, so we will ring off, wishing each and everyone a pleasant holiday.

DAIRY: DAY BY DAY. JULY.

Friday, 1st:

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

Saturday, 2nd:

L.D. asks: "What's a Chortoicetes Terminifera?" Answer: "Search me!"

Sunday, 3rd:
A.J. says that European politics resemble very closely Irish stews. One never knows exactly what constitutes them!

Monday, 4th:

There are quite a number of people who get through life without realising their own insignificance.

Tuesday, 5th:

W.M. says: "Hell hath no fury like a woman's corn."

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Wednesday, 6th:

To-day St. Pat's had a grand win over the School of Mines. It was a great match and the best so far!

Thursday, 7th:

J.D. has put his problems away for a "brainy" day.

Friday, 8th:

Baseballers hymn of hate:

"I'd like to sink without a trace,
Who rises "Won't get to first base."

Saturday, 9th:

Slogan of an electricity company:
"Don't kill your wife with work—Let electricity do it!"

Sunday, 10th:

St. Pat's experienced their first defeat to-day! Our "doughty" Old Boys!

Monday, 11th:

Minister attempting an eulogy in a funeral sermon: "We have here the shell—the nut is gone!"

Tuesday, 12th:

"By the way, L.D., a Chortoicetes Terminifera is a full brother to the Austraietetes Cruciata." I guess that clears it up a bit!"

Wednesday, 13th:

T.B. assures me that nothing is more disappointing than failure—except success.

Thursday, 14th:

Few people recognise the simple fact that they never need apologise for going away.

Friday, 15th:

The prisoner threw a bomb at the judge. And then, of course, the court immediately rose!

Saturday, 16th:

To-day was a day and a half. Congratulations to the firsts on their fine win. Also to the under fifteens and the seconds who were not disgraced.

Sunday, 17th:

By the way, I forgot to mention the Chortoicetes Terminifera is a common or garden grasshopper.

Monday, 18th:

B.W. expounds the theory that health is the thing that makes us feel that now is the best time of the year!

Tuesday, 19th:

J.T. says that a Nazi salute is more of a request than a threat.

Wednesday, 20th:

St. Pat's had a victory over the Grammar combination to-day. A feature of the game was the fine bar-racking of J.F.

Thursday, 21st:

J.K. says that a chap he knows (he refused to mention names) is so benevolent and so merciful a man, that in his mistaken compassion he would have held an umbrella over a duck in a shower of rain.

Friday, 22nd:

The Romans crossed the river by fords—buy a V8.

Saturday, 23rd:

L.H. says:

"Care to our coffin adds a nail, no doubt,
And every grin, so merry, draws one out!"

Sunday, 24th:

We offer our sincere sympathy to Bro. Healy on the death of his mother.

Monday, 25th:

We are indebted to Father Worms for his very entertaining lecture on his work among the Australian Aborigines.

Tuesday, 26th:

It is a great consolation to some of us to remember that a man who is not foolish sometimes is never wise.

Wednesday, 27th:

It has been said that Cassius was a set of vocal chords wrapped up in a toga!

Thursday, 28th:

I.S. observed in a fit of wisdom: "The metal of our minds is eaten with the rust of idleness!"

Friday, 29th:

How's this for a description of London: "City of rain and mellow fullness."

Saturday, 30th:

A student's translation of Motus in Gallia: A muck up in Gaul.

Sunday, 31st:

Do you know that two and two do not always equal four? Two quarts of water mixed with 2 quarts of alcohol = 2 4-5 qts!

PROGRESS AT S.P.C.

During the month of July the "Wrecker" visited St. Pat's. Scenes and sounds, producing the effect of war, disturbed the "quiet life"; for the old St. Roch's House has been razed to the ground and the land to the west of the Senior Dormitory has been cleared of trees—a job done most effectively with the aid of gelignite,

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which was necessary for removing the stumps. Now the land is clear; and in the very near future we hope to see a grand new playing oval—the size of a Melbourne League ground—adorning our extensive property.

While our footballers were “gadding about” the huge city of Melbourne the remnants of our scattered forces set to work to clear away the debris—a task that was done most creditably, especially by a small group of self-sacrificing, hard-working youths who, on Wednesday, 20th, received a “night out” as a reward for their generous assistance.

POLITICIANS— AND PROBLEMS.

At every weighty conference
That takes place nowadays,
It's not the speeches long and dull
That cause the long delays;
It's not the growth of armies,
Or the Soviet position,
It's the finding of the formula
That tries the politician.
For hours he lies awake at night,
While figures, signs, and numbers
Go round and round inside his head
And interrupt his slumbers.
Yet if a formula will help
Our Government to rule,
Why don't the M.'sP. try a few
Of those they learned at school?
There's H_2O and H and C
And H_2SO_4 ;
While Euclid has provided us
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Let's have more mathematicians—
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INTERMEDIATE A CLASS NOTES.

Holidays may come and holidays may go, but school goes on forever, or so it appears to the students of Inter A. However, we find the second term quickly drawing to a close, and all are determined to make these remaining few weeks as successful as possible. An excellent spirit of study has prevailed throughout this term. As a result the courses prescribed have almost been completed.

The second round of the term tests has finished. The following have distinguished themselves in the various subjects: Latin, B. Gibney, 1st; D. D. O'Hagan and W. McGlade, equal

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J. Goujon is kept busy as J.W.'s second. The latter certainly has the Inter B boys thinking.

Des. O'Hagan as Gratiano, Maurice O'Keefe as Bassanio, and Jack Credlin as Leonardo, held high the reputation of the Inter A's, when at the Literary Society meeting held recently they acted a scene from “The Merchant of Venice.”

We are hoping to play the Inter B's football soon. Of course we should have little trouble in beating them. Here, Jim Sullivan, Basil McGrath, Greg. Noonan and Des. McGlade should be to the fore.

Maurice O'Keefe is always to be seen as time-keeper for the football matches. Pat Cashin and Pat Conway also carry out their duties as “orange boys” in grand style; at least Mat. thinks so. We can also claim the first aid man, namely, Ian Keelan.

Many of us were present in Melbourne to see St. Pat's defeat St. Kevin's. Jim Sullivan, our only representative, played an excellent game. We hope St. Pat's will again have a victory over St. Kevin's on Sunday next.

The class extend their deepest sympathy to Br. Healy, T. Green and G. Dwyer in their recent sad bereave-

ments. We did not forget the departed ones in our prayers.

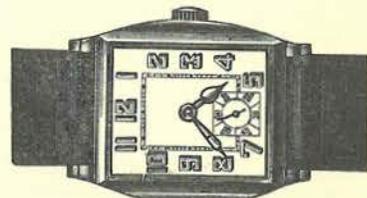
Well, this is all the news for this month. The next time we appear in print the holidays will be over, and the October exams. will be quickly approaching.

INTER B CLASS NOTES.

Here we are at the end of July. Very soon now we will be lining up for the big tests of the third term. Anyhow, recent bouts of late study—and study not so late!—indicate the zeal with which Inter B boys are preparing.

Tom Hannah recently broke a finger of his right hand. We were all very sympathetic, particularly so since the injury robbed us of our only chance of representation in the victorious team against St. Kevin's. Tom seems to be making a good recovery though, and with that we are pleased. We were pleased too that he was able to make the trip to Melbourne, even if only as a supporter. Anent the trip to Melbourne: Inter B reporter has authority to state that Jim Wise played well. Presumably in the Under 15 game! At least he came back on time which cannot be said of some one else who had that week-end away (don't blush, Don.).

Inter B were honoured by visits



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from notables lately. (a) A delegate from Inter A. Bas. entered somewhat reluctantly—no doubt in his modesty—dreading the honours thus thrust upon him. (b) Rev. Br. Magee, a very dear friend of Br. O'Malley. Our visitor was delighted to see Br. O'Malley again and surely the boys quite charmed him too. Anyhow, his "tall stories" were a pronounced success. Perhaps he will pay us another visit some day.

Our final note is one of sincere sympathy. To Tom Greene and George Dwyer, of our own class, and to Rev. Br. B. D. Healey we offer our deepest condolences in the sad loss that each has suffered.

"Thou Art A Priest Forever."

Sunday, 24th July, was another memorable day in the history of St. Patrick's College. On this day two ex-students of the College were ordained—Rev. Fr. J. Shelley and Rev. Fr. M. J. Grady.

Fr. Grady was ordained by the Bishop of Sandhurst (Dr. McCarthy) in the presence of a large congregation in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Bendigo.

Rev. Br. D. G. Purton, Principal of St. Patrick's College, was present to represent the College, and on its behalf to offer congratulations to the newly ordained.

Fr. Grady is the son of Mrs. Grady, of North Melbourne, and the late Mr. Michael Grady, of Redesdale. He was born in 1912, and received his early education at Redesdale School. In 1924 he went to Charlton, where he attended the High School for four years. Proceeding to St. Patrick's College, he continued his studies here for three years and laid the foundations of that virtuous and noble character which has brought him through eight years of serious preparation, in Corpus Christi College, to the glory of this happy day.



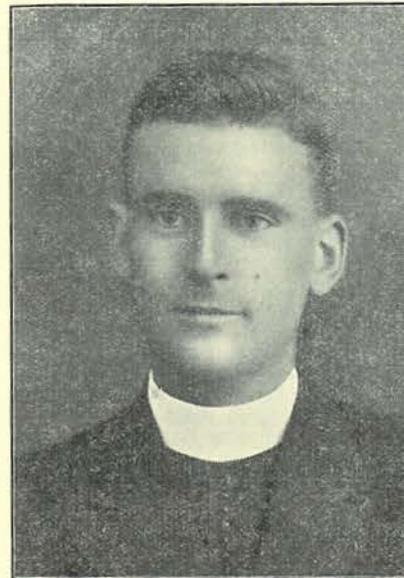
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LIBRARY JOTTINGS.

Once again Mrs. Keelan, of Melbourne, per medium of Ian, has aided us with a generous donation of books. We offer her our sincerest thanks.

During the past month, in addition to the above-mentioned books, the following new books were also added to our collection: The King Bird Rides, Hunted Riders, Happy Jack (all by M. Brand); The Hound of the Baskervilles (C. Doyle); Alice in Wonderland (L. Carroll); Capt. McBlaid of the Air Police, and Deville McKeene, Mystery Airman (both by R. Walker); and The Return of Bulldog Drummond (Sapper).

A crowded congregation at St. Patrick's Cathedral witnessed the most impressive Ordination ceremonies when His Lordship, Dr. Foley, raised to the Priesthood John Shelley, who as a boy attended S.P.C. for eight



REV. FR. J. M. SHELLEY

years (1923-31). In the deeply religious atmosphere of the College was fostered the vocation which led him at the end of that period to Corpus Christi College, where eight years of religious study have completed the moulding of his priestly character.

Fr. Shelley is the son of Mr. J. J. Shelley, so well known in the City of Ballarat.

On Wednesday, 27th July, Fr. Shelley celebrated Mass in the College Chapel, and later gave his Blessing to the Brothers and boys. Before leaving he visited the scenes of his schoolday labours and spoke a cheery word to those in the various classes.

Thus has St. Patrick's College contributed two more to that glorious band of Old Boy Priests who by their zeal and piety serve to keep the light of Faith burning so brightly in the hearts of the people of Australia. Of them the College is justly proud, feeling, and rightly so, that they are a magnificent testimony to the efficacy of the work carried on within its hallowed walls.

On this momentous occasion we offer to them and their parents our sincerest congratulations; and on bended knees we beseech our Almighty Father to bless and protect them on their holy mission.

"Ad Multos Annos."

FOOTBALL. 1st XVIII.

Captain Max Gill.

Vice-Ctpain .. Leo Horgan.

Results to date:

S.P.C. defeated J.Munday's XVIII, 9-7 to 6-3.

S.P.C. defeated Spencer St. Railways, 17-7 to 4-3.

S.P.C. defeated School of Mines, 11-16 to 8-7.

S.P.C. defeated Pharmacy College, Melb., 10-14 to 3-2.

S.P.C. defeated Postal Mechanics', S. Melbourne, 13-6 to 9-3.

S.P.C. defeated Ballarat College, 20-20 to 1-1.

S.P.C. defeated School of Mines, 10-12 to 7-7.

S.P.C. lost to N. Flanagan's Old Boys' XVIII, 12-9 to 11-7.

S.P.C. defeated St. Kevin's College, 8-9 to 5-5.

S.P.C. defeated Grammar School, 12-17 to 3-7.

S.P.C. defeated H. Walker's Newman XVIII, 9-14 to 8-5.

S.P.C. defeated Ballarat College, 25-23 to 2-4.

S.P.C. defeated Melbourne Boys' Legion, 10-13 to 8-5.

Points For: 1163.
Points Against: 509.

The above results show the excellent team that is representing St. Pat's 1sts this year. It is one worthy to be classed amongst the best of the past and certainly the most outstanding one of recent years.

All the successes to date are due largely to the good spirit that animates the side and also the splendid team work that has been shown in all the matches played.

In addition, every player possesses good football ability, and this is kept up and improved by the keen and enthusiastic manner in which the team trains on practice days.

Our Backs: Wally Moon, Jack Connell, Laurie Delahunty, Frank Englefield, Pat McNamara and Jim Sullivan are all able defenders and have proved their worth time and again.

Our Forwards: Max Gill, Pat Mullins, Ken Aldenhoven, Rob. McKee, Joe Cunneen and Jack Collins are fast and clever. They keep the play going, make position nicely and combine well.

Our Ruck and Centres: Leo Horgan, Adrian Jones, Leo Browne, Laurie Vaughan, Gerhard Jongebloed and

Brian Willis, are all dashing and determined and play with good football sense.

Pat Bohan, Tom Hannah (injured finger) and Trojy Darveniza have done excellently in the matches they have played.

Jack Flanagan, brother of Noel, resumed training last week. In his first match (S.P.C. v. Melbourne Boys' Legion) he showed the good form that characterised his play last year and should greatly strengthen the team in the remaining matches to be played.

Of these the most important one is the return match against St. Kevin's College next Sunday. St. Pat's players were successful in the first encounter at Como Park and are keen to win again. St. Kevin's are just as keen to equalise matters and consequently another great match is expected.

After the St. Kevin's match only two remain: S.P.C. v. C.E.G.S. on August 17th, and S.P.C. v. St. Pat's, East Melbourne, on August 21st.

In next issue of the "Chronicle" we hope to record victories in these three matches.

In conclusion the 1st XVIII. desire

to express their thanks and appreciation to the following officials who are carrying out their duties in a most efficient and satisfactory manner:

First Aid Assistant: Ian Keelan.

Goal Umpire: Joe Flannery.

Timekeeper: Maurice O'Keefe.

Suppliers of Oranges: Pat Cashin and Pat Conway.

Scorers: Frank Smythe and Frank Killeen.

Boundary Umpires: Cyril Stokes, Terry Brady, J. F. Sullivan, J. J. Collins.

OLD BOYS VICTORIOUS.

Apparently (critics of a certain letter, please note) it is left to Hackenbusch to give due publicity to the exploits of ye Olde Boys.

The triumphant Ballarat trip began on Sunday morning, July 10th. The party received its first thrill when he who held the tickets had not arrived at 9 o'clock. But there was no need to worry as the train did not depart till five past, leaving any amount of time to distribute the tickets and secure seats.

Matt. Hyland, one of our staunch supporters, soon produced cards and the gamblers held sway till we reached Ballarat. For once Jupiter Pluvius did not reign, and the Golden City was bathed in the luxurious warmth of old Sol.

There was much speculation as to where we should dine. Some argued that as Old Boys we should demand dinner from Br. Purton, others that

we should book up a sumptuous repast to the College. However, such was not to be and the party split. Many went to the Sturt and were allowed to doff their overcoats in the Black Hole of Calcutta—room No. 4—so familiar to members of a Boat Race party.

Bro. O'Malley welcomed us and was a little astonished when he noticed the composition of the team. We mingled with our doughty opponents in the famous lockers as we prepared for battle. Frank Mac, our coach of yore, deserted us and directed his "fizzing" campaign on the present students.

At last the great game has begun! First blood to the Reds, as within a minute of the bounce our sturdy half-forward, Jack Lonergan, has posted a major. Showing more skill and directing their play with greater method the Old Boys had run up a comfortable lead at half-time. But the never-say-die spirit of the present students began to assert itself—so so much so that in the middle of the last quarter they had turned a four goal deficit into a handy lead of ten points.

Gaining the drive from the rucks, where Terry Keogh was outstanding, the Old Boys surged forward, and Jim Rodgers goaled. The experience of the older lads now told, and the younger fellows were a little tired from the vigorous methods of Jack O'Connell, Terry Keogh and Terry Boyle. Surging forward again, they secured two more goals and put the issue beyond doubt. The present lads

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never gave in, and fought it out to the bitter end; but alas, they were not quite good enough, and a shrewd judge informs me that the Old Boys had the brakes on and that they could repeat the performance any day. So there, Max and Co.!

The four stars, Jack O'Connell, Terry Keogh, Wally Joyce, and Terry Boyle, were the only lads in training. "Ben Gunn" Smith started off like a Bunton, but developing cramps had to depart elsewhere. Ted Long was a little out of touch and Tec O'Dea, Tom Brazil, Ned Hogan, and Jack Loneragan suffered from lack of training. Laurie O'Brien and Neave Young have improved since we saw them at S.P.C. Buddy was the same shrewd young fellow, always a thought ahead of his opponents. Jack Fogarty took some brilliant marks, but Brian Mulcahy seems to have lost touch. Harvey Munday played a very serviceable game in the ruck. Nor must we forget the fence crasher, Kev. Reilly, who was unable to report for duty on the following day. Then there was the other colt from across the Murray who took some soaring marks—no folks, not the captain—just Willie Ware.

After hurried farewells we left for the train, some going per foot, others (more patient) per tram, and the fortunate few per favour of Father Gleeson. A very jovial band listened spellbound as Mr. Mac recounted the stirring deeds of other days, while the train thundered on its way.

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to Hamburger Bill (the original Hamburger Bill) and replayed the match. All voted the day an outstanding success, and agreed that it must become an annual affair. If possible, it should be a prelude to every St. Kevin's match, as it has a revivifying effect on the team.

Hackenbusch.

SECOND XVIII. TRIP TO MELBOURNE.

The trip to Melbourne on the 16th. July, was successful as a holiday excursion but not as a football trip. St. Kevin's won 10.7 to 8.7. We congratulate them.

The trip was pleasant. Jack Gibbons was chief soloist, and Mat Cashin was able to talk non-stop for 72 miles. We gave Gordon a war-cry in passing, but everyone there was asleep as usual. After the matches at Como Park the Interstate League game was one of the big attractions. Although races were not on the schedule one of Ajax's friends gave the big thrill of the return trip. He led the bus by six lengths for a couple of miles, much to the delight of the company and, we suppose, disgust of the owner. Eric Welsh would have been extended in keeping up a running commentary, although the race was adequately described by the bus passengers.

The day was voted 100 per cent. enjoyable. Fr. Gleeson received three cheers, in absentia, for providing a large box of chocolates.

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P. Cranage, 28 points; R. Hayes and D. Nolan, 12; M. Whitty, 8.

D. McGlade has a lead of one point in the votes for best player. G. Noonan, R. Livingston, and J. Pekin are close behind.

The final will be played on Wednesday.

Congratulations to Seconds on win against Catholic Boys' Legion on Sunday. St. Pat's, 6 goals 12 behinds; C.B.L., 6 goals 2 behinds.

ST. ROCH'S SENIOR COMPETITION.

The third round will be completed when these few notes appear, and everything will be ready for the finals. Dan Toohey's team has provided a surprise for everybody by defeating each of the other teams in successive games. Previously they had not won a game. This was surprising because they have excellent material in Frank Hannigan, J. Munro, K. Munn, J. Wise, W. O'Neill, J. Toohey, and others—not to mention the captain himself. The drawn game between Val. Knowles and Doug. Smith was unfortunate, but it shows how important it is for the captains to see that

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the goal umpires are suited for their work. It is not everyone who is so suited. If the result of this game affects the fight for premiership honours, it will be replayed; otherwise the result will go down as a draw. The Park has proved popular for games. Most of the players enjoy the larger ground, and the games out there have produced better team work than those on St. Roch's.

ST. ROCH'S JUNIOR COMPETITION.

The competition to date has found "The Golds," led by Dan O'Meara, undefeated. "The Greens," under Brian Molan, come next. The "Blues," with J. O'Brien as leader, claim third; and "Reds," under Howard Smith, fourth (but not last?). The above teams are all noted for their enthusiasm, and for this reason it would be hard for any critic to single out individual players who deserve special mention for their earnest efforts. However, in the next edition there will be a review of the best and fairest players in the competition.

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Prizes of 1/- will be awarded for the correct solutions of each of the following problems. Entries must be handed to the Editor before 6 p.m. tomorrow (Sunday). In the event of more than one competitor supplying the correct solution the first correct solution opened will receive the prize. Editor's decision is final. (N.B.: Put each answer in separate envelope and put number of problem on the envelope.)

1. This interesting "Shopping List" was found in the lining of "Chicago Jane's" hat, when that famous spy was arrested at Havre at the beginning of the Great War.

SHOPPING LIST:

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2. When I asked my friend, Watta Mistery, her age, she said:

"My dear Cuthbert, I know what you like is a puzzle. So here you are: "In six years' time my father's age will be three times what mine was when my father's age was equal to the sum of my age and my sister's. My age now is equal to what my father's age was then. My sister's age is double what her age was then. And in nineteen years' time my father's age will be double what my sister's age is now."

How old is Watta?

3. Dad went up to town this afternoon with £1 in his pocket and came back with £3. He had bought a new hat at the hat-shop and some daffodils in the market place. He also had a tooth stopped.

Dad gets paid on Friday and the banks are open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

The dentist comes every day but Saturday. Thursday is early closing day and there is no market on Friday.

What day of the week is it?

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

A prize of 5/- will be awarded to the boy who contributes the most interesting Short Story for the September issue of the "Chronicle."

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- (2) Stories must not exceed 600 words and contain not less than 200 words.
- (3) All entries must be written in ink and on one side only of the page.
- (4) ENTRIES CLOSE ON THURSDAY, 25th AUGUST.
- (5) Editor's decision will be final.

The winner of the August Competition is J. F. Cunneen, whose story is given below.

The judge's summing up:

J. F. Cunneen: "An Inside Job." Well constructed . . . reasonable plot.

A. Waldron: "A Sticky Finish." Humour well sustained; absence of plot marred the effort.

D. Nolan: "The Future." Weak construction spoilt an otherwise well-conceived story.

AN INSIDE JOB.

The firm of Smith & Sons had been established many years in a small suburb. Its proprietor, James Smith, was a meek looking man, about whom nobody knew much. His store never seemed to have any customers, yet it kept going, and Smith had a very prosperous-looking house in a fashionable suburb.

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Into a restaurant walked a very well-dressed man. He was evidently a usual customer, for the head waiter greeted him with a bright smile and conducted him to a single table in a corner. His thin, smooth hands, the hands of an artist or a musician, picked up the menu, and he gave his order. The man was Peter Cavender.

As he glanced around the room he noticed sitting not far from him a girl whose dark face reminded him of the Russian Ballet. She appeared to be uncomfortable, for she was glancing around the room as if looking for someone. Finally, she saw Cavender and with an anxious glance approached him.

"I-er, wonder if you'd help me," she said. "I-well you see that man who has just entered?" Cavender nodded. "Well, he's a detective from the Yard, and I've got some diamonds he'd like to find very much. He's sure to arrest me when he sees me. Will you mind them for me?" She cast an appealing glance at Cavender.

He smiled. "I'm beginning to understand things," he said. "All right. I'll keep them till we meet outside." With a quick jerk the girl thrust a diamond necklace into Cavender's hand. "Five thousand pounds at least!" he breathed.

He was waiting for the girl when she reappeared from the restaurant.

"The dick was very disappointed when he found nothing," she smiled.

"Well, here's the ice," said Cavender. "Oh, and by the way, if you

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wanted hard cash for it I think I could fix you up. Strictly confidential, you know, and no difficult questions asked. How about it?"

"I knew I could rely on you," were the only words the girl replied.

So the next day Peter Cavender conducted the girl to the store of Smith & Sons, and there in a small back room James Smith viewed the necklace with pleasure. "Yes," he said, "four thousand—well, maybe five; but not one penny more." The girl thought for a moment. "All right," she said. "It's a deal." As five thousand pounds changed hands Cavender put a proposition before the girl. "What about having a shot with us at the Doule Pearls? James and I are pretty good at safes and you would come in handy." Slowly the girl nodded her head.

A week later about two o'clock in the morning, a window of the Doule mansion was slowly raised and three shadowy figures climbed in. Silently they crept down the passage—Cavender, the girl, then Smith—and into the library. Behind some books the girl discovered the safe. Cavender dropped to his knees and began to work on the combination. The girl and Smith listened, with bated breath, to the falling of the tumblers. Under those expert hands of Cavender the safe door finally swung open. With the aid of an electric torch the three of them explored its contents, and found the pearls in a jewel case.

"What beauties!" whispered Cavender. Then the light went on. Near the

door stood three men; the uniform of two branded them as policemen, while the third, although in plain clothes, was visibly a detective. Each of them held a sleek automatic pistol. Cavender and Smith slowly held out their hands for the handcuffs, while the girl stood to one side.

"Double-crossed, eh!" snarled Cavender. "I never should have trusted a woman!"

And so finis was written to the crimes of Peter Cavender and James Smith. They will be old men when they get out of gaol. The name of the girl will never be known. Perhaps she soon may appear again; but meanwhile the Secret Service keeps its secrets well.

J. F. Cunneen.

A STICKY FINISH.

All was not well with Sir Algernon Oddsox. His fortunes had dwindled below zero; he had lost all the cash he had at the races or at cards, and even the gasmeter was empty. Stark ruin faced him as he stared disconsolately through the window of his banquetting hall, or in other words, the diningroom of his castle.

There came three knocks on the door. His one and only servant, George, the faithful retainer, opened the door to admit Victor Villain, who came in biting his moustache, twirling his teeth and picking his finger nails. "Aha!" he exclaimed, in a gloating voice, "if you don't pay me the 113d

you owe me for my mortgage before noon to-morrow, I'll erect a glue factory on your land in front of your castle."

"You cad!" groaned his lordship. "Give me another month!"

"Never!" sneered Victor, with a hard chuckle. With this he left, tripping over the doormat which nearly made him bite off his moustache with rage.

That night, Lord Oddsox went to bed with the cheerful thought of Victor's words and a hot water-bottle. He fell asleep, only to be awakened by a clanking noise in the corridor outside his room. The next moment the door of his room opened, and the bitterly cold draught that entered made him shiver in spite of his purple bed socks, hot water-bottle, and red flannel chest protector. He looked towards the door and there he saw a ghostly shape which beckoned him to follow. "Wh-wh-who are you?" quavered his lordship. "I am the ghost of your ancestor, Sir Marmanduke Oddsox, who was murdered during the War of the Roses," said the spectre with a hollow laugh. "My, them were the days, my pink-faced poltroon," he continued. "But come, enough of this dilly-dallying. I am here to show you where to find my buried treasure, so that no glue factory shall be erected on the lands over which I once ruled."

Screwing his monocle more firmly into his eye, and wrapping his night shirt more tightly around him, Algy followed the spectral shape down the oak staircase. He was led to the

paternal potato patch and there commanded to dig. After digging for three hours with a toothpick, Lord Oddsox upheaved a huge potato plant and amongst its roots he saw a large tobacco tin. He prised it open with trembling fingers. At first sight, the tin did not seem to contain anything of value, but after removing a few cigarette cards and a used bus ticket he came across 1/2½ in farthings. "Eureka!" he shouted exultantly. "Now, after paying that rottah, Villain, I'll have enough to buy some doughnuts."

At noon, true to his word, Victor turned up, and demanded his money.

"Take the filthy lucre, you low-down boundah!" said Algy, majestically, drawing himself up to his full height of 4 feet 4½ inches, "and never darken my drawbridge again."

The next day the newspapers had as a headline: "Villain Comes to a Sticky End," and underneath they described how Victor, who was wanted by the police for various misdeeds, had ground his teeth so sharply that a spark had ignited his moustache, and losing his head, he had jumped into a cauldron of molten glue, mistaking it for water. So ended the career of crime of Victor Villain.

A. Waldron.

LIMERICK COMPETITION.

This month's winner is Dave Flynn.

Here is his effort:

There was a young laddie named Clay,
Who stood on his head twice a day;
When his mates asked him why,
He would grin and reply:
I'M FEET NEARER HEAVEN THAT
WAY.

The following effort, contributed by A. Neeson, was placed next on the list:

There was a young laddie named Clay,
Who stood on his head twice a day;
When his mates asked him why,
He would grin and reply:
I'm saving my (soul) sole that way.

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AUGUST COMPETITION.

A 1st prize of 2/ and a 2nd prize of 6d will be offered to the boys who puts the best finish to the following limerick.

WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO:

(1) Where the dotted line appears, add a line of your own to complete the limerick (make the line rhyme with lines 1 or 2).

(2) Write out 5 lines clearly in ink, put your name on the page and hand it to the Editor before 24th August.

A laddie who lived in Peru
Was seeing the sights at the Zoo,
When he saw the giraffe
He started to laugh

SUB A.

Once again comes our turn for a chat with all "Chronicle" readers.

Just at present we are working very hard; for already the term is well-nigh over—only 19 days to go! Our October tests are not so far off, and upon these is decided the Dux for 1938.

For some of us the big event of the month was the trip to Melbourne. As players we had F. Hannigan, W. O'Neill, H. Drum. In addition, as representatives we had W. Clohesy, R. Pelly, R. Delahunty, W. Brady, B. Higham, W. Deutschman. Someone has said that W. O'Neill has not yet ceased talking of the wonderful time.

Some who did not go formed a "Country Roads Board" working group. Joe Briody acted as contractor, while Sam was clerk of works. The result was a brick path leading across the "quick-sands."

Sub A proudly introduce Bas. Higham who is now a nephew of a Bishop; for Fr. Roper, recently of Warracknabeal and a former Chaplain of S.P.C., is now Bishop of Toowoomba.

M. Pascoe has returned, after his

little escapade with a revolver bullet.

Rugby enthusiasts have a live-wire leader in W. E. Meakes who, at present, is vice-president, secretary, treasurer and captain. Is his secretarial work responsible for the overtime he has been doing of late?

Boxing fever has taken a firm grip on Des. J. Rea, L. Dunne, B. McKenzie, M. O'Connor, C. Caine, W. Meakes, all of whom find difficulty in locating "safe territory." D. Rea has been selected by Mr. J. Stanley, our physical culture instructor, to take a prominent part in a demonstration of "the noble art."

Silence reigns! What's up? Joe E. is absent! The clammy hands of that evil genie, Cold, has forced Joe to take to his bed. Someone has suggested that Joe might be listening-in on the Clarke-made crystal set—"Teddy Bear" hour?

B.D., in writing an essay on 'Hobbies,' suggests that Teachers especially require Hobbies as they have nothing to do!

Phil. Segrave, the only Drummond Street supporter in our class, has become a baseball patron and is a registered member of a team in the city.

L. Dunne, C. Caine, J. Williams, J. B. Molan and G. Molony have become Crusaders, and now our members number 29—truly a pleasing result.

J. Briody has secured a reputation as a golfer of some class.

K. Munn lately visited Melbourne. It took him quite a time to do the rounds, accompanied by his library book, which, strange to say, retained its cover.

Great interest is taken in lessons, etc., these days to secure an "easy" night on Friday.

J. O'Brien may soon have to wear glasses, as there is grave danger that he will strain his eyes through watching for the new library books. John is perhaps our keenest supporter and has already read 43 books! The new books haven't a chance to escape!

John also gives valuable assistance in the Library.

Brian Molan thinks the winter swimmers are not so "tough" after all. You should see Brian splashing the icy water. Others feel that they need not exert themselves—they need only stand near Brian—the Brave!

Well, readers, lest we tire you let us say good-bye till September.

SUB B

School work is progressing these days as well as might be expected. There were a few sighs of relief when it became known that the date for the Christian Doctrine exam. had been changed to early October. This will give those in the Confirmation Class an opportunity to put in some work at the other text books.

The exploits of Hannibal in Spain have been followed with interest during the past week. It was a coincidence that at the time we were reading about Hannibal's experiences around Saguntum and the Ebro River, the Spanish War should be centred in the same region.

Jack Sheridan is busy these days with his notebook. It is a big secret what is entered into it, but it must be something important. Allen has settled down to hard work, but favours the 40 hour week—no work on Saturdays. Jack Spicer gets very interested when he shows his displeasure.

CRUSADERS.

During the month of July several new members were welcomed into the ranks of the Crusaders, i.e., G. Molony, C. Caine, B. Molan, K. Gould, K. O'Connor.

All Crusaders should wear the badge, and thus encourage others to join this glorious Apostolate for the interests of the Sacred Heart.

(Badges cost 1/3; Certificate for

Apostleship of Prayer, 1d each; Crusader Certificates, 1d each; Manuals, 2d each; and Apostleship of Prayer Leaflets, 1d per year.)

Any boy wishing to become a Crusader, please apply at Sub A room.

SNOW! BUT OH!

On Monday afternoon, we experienced our first fall of snow for 1938. The fall lasted only two or three minutes, enough to chill the teams that were engaged in the football tussles on the Shed and St. Roch's. The evening was intensely cold, and we all had hopes of a heavy fall during the night. But our luck was out! The weather cleared and the sun took control. Our snow-fight plans will have to keep.

CATHOLIC BOYS' LEGION VISITS S.P.C.

On Sunday, July 31st, a large number of boys of the Catholic Boys' Legion, accompanied by numerous friends and supporters, together with Rev. Fr. Lanigan, the founder of the Legion, and Rev. Br. Magee, visited the College to enjoy a pleasant outing and to oppose our Senior XVIII. and 2nd XVIII.

The day was a splendid Ballarat day, with plenty of sunshine.

The 2nd XVIII's took the field first, and after a keen struggle S.P.C. took and kept the lead.

In the presence of quite a large audience the senior teams staged an extremely interesting tussle. Extra weight plus the "At Home" feeling gave St. Pat's the advantage which enabled them to secure a victory after an evenly contested match. (Scores of both fixtures appear elsewhere in this issue.)

To Mr. J. F. Montgomery and all concerned in organising this visit we

offer our congratulations. We sincerely trust they enjoyed their excursion, and that the trip to S.P.C. will linger with them as a very pleasant recollection.

REMOVE AND SIXTH.

August finds the class studying well. A greater effort however is required on the part of a few if they wish to pass in the final exams. in December. It is only that little extra effort that will give us success.

When the teams went to Melbourne we took the Saturday morning off (as usual) and repaired to the St. Roch's ground where we did devastating work to the wood. We here take the opportunity of congratulating our co-workers—the Intermediates. It's surprising what they did!

Kevin Love is a new arrival from Xavier. The following boys were unfortunately absent from the class photo and roll call: John Morris, Basil Dawson, Mick Bourke, John Lennox, and Frank Dwyer. We had a visit from Percy Williams for a few days and hope to see him settle here permanently in the near future. Seeing that we have Geoffrey Higham in our 6th Grade, we take the opportunity of congratulating his uncle, Rev. Fr. B. Roper, on his appointment to the See of Toowoomba. If any boy is anxious to try a new recipe at the pines see Basil Callahan. His is a very novel treat.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

Since the last edition of the "Chronicle" the Literary Society has only had two meetings. On July 10th the following speeches were given:

"The Vatican City": G. Reynolds.
 "Neon Lighting": J. McAloon.
 "Believe it or not" (Ripley): K. Gibbons.

The Honours Class dramatised the

Murder Scene and the Dagger Scene from Macbeth. The characters:—

Dagger Scene: Fleance, D. Nolan; Macbeth, B. Feery; Banquo, W. Moon. Murder Scene: Macbeth, B. Feery; Lady Macbeth, A. Waldron.

The Leaving Class played the scenes from The Tempest. The characters: Ferdinand, S. Vaughan; Miranda, G. Stokes; Caliban, G. Darveniza; Stephano, A. Anderson; Grinculo, G. Jongebloed.

Bro. Purton also gave an interesting summary of the news of the week, including international relations.

The meetings for the following two Sundays were postponed.

The next meeting was held on July 31st. The following programme was held.

Debate: "Was Cicero's act of killing the Catilinians Constitutional?" J. O'Bryan (pro.); A. Neeson (con.). A. Neeson was given the decision.

Debate: "The National Insurance Bill." P. McNamara (con.); F. Nicholas (pro.). F. Nicholas obtained the decision.

The Intermediate Class staged three scenes from the "Merchant of Venice."

On Monday, July 25th, Rev. Fr. Worms, S.P.M., gave a very interesting and most educational lecture on life amongst the blacks in the Kimberley district. He told of the various expeditions into the interior, and of the hardships and dangers which the missionary has to contend with. He also appealed to the boys of Australia to help the mission either by prayers or by offering their services as priests. He pointed out that at the present time the mission is made up entirely of foreign priests.

DID YOU KNOW—?

That sense of smell is the toxicologist's best weapon? (Most poisons are recognizable by giving off a characteristic odour when treated with certain reagents.)

That the symptoms of lead poisons may be, and frequently are, mistaken for those of double pneumonia?

That even when poison is found in the system, the courts require proof that poison in question has killed the person?

That the mountaineers of Albania use arsenic for salt? (They get used to it and it doesn't kill them.)

That nearly all metals are poisonous if you get enough of them? (Gold is the exception, but who wants to use that for poison?)

That ground glass is not poisonous? (Don't try to commit suicide by chewing up a window pane.)

That the rule of the poisoning Borgia in Italy came to an end when one of them poisoned himself by mistake? (He had the habit.)

That poison found in the stomach of a dead person is no proof he has been poisoned? (If it is in the stomach, it has not been absorbed into the system, and so could not have produced a poisonous effect.)

That the air in a silo is one of the deadliest poison gases known—a mixture of carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide?

That common salt can be very poisonous? (If you get a tablespoon full at a gulp.)

That chloroform is one of the most difficult of all poisons for the toxicologists to detect? (Certain indications of its presence almost entirely disappear three or four days after death.)

That nicotine, a favourite poison with detective story writers, is often used in suicides but seldom in murders?

That the best antidote for poisons is an egg? (Two and over, waiter, I swallowed the iodine!)

That cases of poisoning with Epsom salts have occurred? (It is not ordinarily poisonous, but a few people find it so.)

That the only method of determining poisoning by potassium chlorate, a

peculiar and little used deadly substance, is by examination of the blood? (It turns white.)

(Contributed by N. Currie.)

JUNIOR JOTTINGS.

Fr. Gleeson generously offered a prize for the best worker during July. The marks were taken for Catechism, Homework, Spelling, Composition and Tables. The first eight places were filled by F. Smythe, 761; John Tooley, 733; F. Nugent, 718; B. Stuart, 706; G. Nugent, 696; M. O'Sullivan, 652; R. Rosser, 613. We are very grateful to Fr. Gleeson for the interest he has taken in our studies.

The Nugent Brothers and F.X.W.S. continue to lead the way in 4th Class, while supremacy among the Thirds is shared by Gerard and Murray. In Second Class, Henry and Kevin take it in turns to be in front. Henry says he is no relation to the Henry who appears in the "Argus."

Des. Bourke has come back to the fold after a strenuous tussle with the big bad pneumonia. The Shakesperian atmosphere is thus restored to the Junior Room.

Ron. Rosser continues to astonish himself by the progress he is making at the "sums."

Barry says he spends most of his life getting up in the morning.

Bruce has very quietly sneaked into 4th Class (and is doing well in it).

If any boy runs short of boot polish he need never be at a loss. Use Stove Polish!

There is a doubt whether the Christian name of Messrs. Gleeson, Sheehan and Stuart are Brian or Brian. What say they?

Who is the boy who sleeps so soundly in his "litty cot"?

ST. PAT'S JUNIORS TO THE RESCUE.

Feeling that St. Pat's is more than a "bit sad" in the defence line, Generalissimo Richard, aided by Generals

Smythe, Bourke and Nicholas, has rallied his "Soldiers." With banging of kerosene tins, and "shouldered arms," they march to the tune of "We're going to War!" Amidst smoking fires and explosions of gelignite the "Army" has already carried out many successful manoeuvres. Their motto is "Be Prepared."

FORGOTTEN DATE OF HIS SONG.

(The following item of "news" was culled from the "Herald," 6/7/38.)

Mr. Frederick Hall, the composer of more than 300 published works, laughingly confessed to-day that he could not recall exactly when he wrote his most famous song, "Good-bye, Melbourne Town."

A correspondent at St. Arnaud, signing himself "W.M.," to-day challenged the date of 27 years ago given on Monday in an interview with Mr. Hall.

"I remember the boys of St. Patrick's College, Ballarat, of whom I was one, singing it as they were preparing to catch their early morning trains for the Easter vacation in 1908," he wrote.

"There was usually no Easter vacation at this College, but in 1908 one was granted because of special circumstances. The unexpected happening brought great enthusiasm, amid which the singing of "Good-bye, Melbourne Town" was very prominent, even before I left to catch the Western District train leaving at 5.40 a.m."

The problem was referred to the manager of Allan and Co. (Mr. G. Sutherland), who fixed the day of publication of the song as June 17th, 1907.

"W.M." wins.

HUMOUR.

The village idiot sat over a puddle of water with his fishing rod and line. A passing tourist, dropping sixpence

in his jar, asked: "How many have you caught, young man?"

"You are the third," was the reply.

"Spare a copper, mum, or a meal for a poor bloke wot's just left prison," the tramp said.

"Just left prison?" the housewife said.

"You ought to be ashamed to own it."

"Oh, I don't own it, mum," he said gently. "I was only a lodger there."

Various articles had been disappearing from the factory, and the foreman was instructed to stop all the men at the gate and search them.

Some days later the manager was crossing the yard when he saw that the foreman had lined up all the workmen.

"Take off your coats, all of ye!" he was shouting.

"What's missing now?" asked the manager.

"A wheelbarrow," was the reply.

CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE.

A well-known citizen of a country town had been arrested for illicitly selling whisky.

As he stood in the dock of the local court, the colour of his nose was most evident to all the spectators.

After the prosecuting counsel had finished his speech, and called his witnesses, the prisoner's own counsel stood up.

"Look at the defendant," he said, pointing to his client. "I ask you—can you honestly think he looks like a man who would sell whisky?"

In less than a minute the jury returned its verdict: Not guilty!

HER RUG-BEATER.

Mrs. Smith: "Could I borrow your rug-beater?"

Mrs. Jones: "I'm sorry, Mrs. Smith, but he doesn't get home from work until 5 o'clock."

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The Christian Brothers' New Novitiate

FOUNDER OF THE AUSTRALASIAN PROVINCE.

The Christian Brothers, true to the missionary spirit which ever characterised their Irish forefathers, did not hesitate at the call of the Holy See and the pressing invitation of the Most Rev. Dr. Gould, Archbishop of Melbourne, to extend the sphere of their labours to Australia in 1868. It was not the Brothers' first connection with the Land of the Southern Cross. In 1843 came three Brothers—a writer in the "Catholic Press" some years ago said four, and actually named them all—and these for five years conducted three educational establishments in Sydney in a manner which was an inspiration to the local schoolmasters. One school was in Macquarie street, another in Abercrombie street, and the last in Kent street. The return of the Brothers to Ireland was due to their wish to retain connection with their Order there rather than to change over to a form of Benedictine rule under the control of Archbishop Polding.

One of the Brothers who returned to Ireland, Brother Francis Larkin, was appointed Director at Thurles, and there, under his care, was the schoolboy who afterwards became Rev. Brother Ambrose Treacy, founder of the Australasian Province.

Patrick Treacy was born on August

31, 1834, the year that marked the founding of Victoria. As a pupil in the Thurles school he became remarkably proficient in mathematics, and outside of school hours studied the violin. Among his schoolmates were Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia; Brother Philip Ryan, of Adare, and Brother Alphonsus Nolan, both Christian Brothers, and Brother P. Fanning, for many years Provincial-Superior of the De La Salle Brothers in America. Patrick Treacy entered the novitiate in 1852, and was henceforward known in the Congregation as Brother Ambrose. His first mission was to the Christian Brothers' School, Wexford. His changes in Ireland can be easily counted—from Wexford to Carlow—and upon the expiry of his term of office in the latter community he was appointed to govern the new foundation about to be made in Australia.

All necessary arrangements having been made for his venture, Brother Patrick Ambrose Treacy, accompanied by three Brothers, set sail from Liverpool on the "Donald McKay" on August 20, 1868, and after three months' sailing reached Melbourne on November 19 of that year.

Before leaving Ireland the impression was that Bishop Gould would build a permanent residence for the Brothers, besides handing them over the use of a school building. In welcoming the pioneer band to Australia, Dr.

Gould said: "I have no money for your work, but I give you ample authority to collect throughout the entire colony." The Brothers were, needless to say, very disappointed. Meanwhile they had taken up residence at 124 Nicholson street, Melbourne, and St. Francis' School had been assigned to them. Funds were very low for some time, but at the suggestion of Dr. Backhouse, of Bendigo, one of the Brothers was sent to collect in the country, and matters improved. In a short period the site on Victoria Parade, East Melbourne, was bought, and on it was built that grand old monastic home which is the Mother House of the Christian Brothers in Australia.

EXPANSION.

How Divine Providence has blessed the grain of mustard seed founded upon the strong fortress of Holy Poverty! To-day there are 85 establishments and 67 communities depending on the novitiate for their supply of Catholic teachers.

For years the Novitiate of the Christian Brothers has been situated at Strathfield, N.S.W. But as the number of vocations is ever increasing the accommodation at Strathfield has become entirely inadequate, and it has been found necessary to build a new Novitiate House. Campbelltown, N.S.W., has been chosen as the site for the new Training House for the future Christian Brothers of the Australian Province; and already the building is in course of construction.

A NATION-WIDE APPEAL.

£27,000 is needed for the building fund of the new novitiate at Campbelltown, and Rev. Brother P. D. Allen earnestly requests every ex-student and friend of the Christian Brothers' schools throughout Australia and New Zealand to subscribe at least £1 each towards the debt. One hundred thousand ex-pupils scattered throughout these countries will surely be pleased to show their gratitude in a practical way by aiding so worthy a cause.

DONATIONS RECEIVED.

The Christian Brothers of the Australasian Province desire to thank the following benefactors who have already contributed towards the £27,000 needed for the building fund of the new novitiate. The names of all donors of £1 or more will be enrolled in the "Book of Benefactors" that will be placed in the chapel of the novitiate for all time, and all generous helpers of the cause will be daily sharers in the prayers and good works of all the members of the Order throughout the world. Special donors of £1000, £500, £250, £100, £50, or £25 towards establishing burses of £1000, each of which will ensure the training of one Christian Brother per year in perpetuity, will be engraved on "The Tablet of Remembrance," near the oratory of the novitiate. List of contributions to date:

His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney and the Coadjutor-Archbishop, £100; A Grateful Ex-pupil of the Christian Brothers, £500; Mr. J. J. Mulholland, solicitor, Sydney, £100; Sincere Friend of C.B.C. (Mr. P. B.), £20; Farrelley Bros., £10/10/; Pupils of C.B.C., Manly, £10; Mrs. M. Holingdale, £10; Right Rev. Monsignor T. Phelan, P.P., V.G., Very Rev. W. J. Hurley, Adm., Rev. A. J. McHugh, P.P., Rev. E. F. Bond, P.P., Pellegrini and Co., Mr. E. A. Dwyer, Messrs. O'Loughlin Bros., £5/5/- each; Very Rev. J. McDonald P. P., £5.

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The organiser, Rev. Brother P. D. Allen, confidently trusts that very many more of the thousands of ex-pupils and devoted friends of the Christian Brothers will soon have their names inscribed on the "Book of Benefactors," and so help to lessen the heavy debt of £27,000. It is 20 years since the last general appeal was made to aid the noble work of the Congregation in Australasia.

Donations may be sent to Rev. Brother P. D. Allen, Christian Brothers' Training College, Strathfield, N.S.W.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE.

Mr. D. Anderson.

To Mrs. M. Anderson and Adrian, the whole College extends sincerest sympathy on their recent sad bereavement.

Mr. D. Anderson, who was aged 59 years, died at Dimboola in a private hospital, on Saturday, 25th August. He was well known all over Victoria

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and other wheat-growing States for his efforts on behalf of primary producers. As president of the Victorian Wheat Growers' Association, 1936-37, he directed strong opposition by farmers against the trade diversion policy against Japan. Since the inception of the Wimmera District Council of the V.W.G.A. he was president. A retired farmer, he grew a record crop of 64 bushels to the acre in 1923 near Dimboola to show farmers the value of superphosphates. As a young man he served in the Boer War. A keen sportsman, he was well known in bowling circles, having represented Dimboola in rinks at every Wimmera green. Last year he won the singles championship of the local club, competed successfully in the pairs championship and captained the winning rink in the club championship. For 19 years Mr Anderson was a member of the Dimboola Shire Council, being president on several occasions. He took a keen interest in the activities of the Dimboola Agricultural Society, and was a committeeman and a former president. For ten years he had acted as honorary judge at race meetings at Dimboola, and as honorary judge at other sports meetings. His interest in the welfare of school activities was keen, and he was president of the school committee. Deceased was a prominent golfer. The funeral took place at the Dimboola Cemetery and was largely attended, Br. B. T. Murphy being present to represent the College. It is to be hoped that the boys of S.P.C. will offer a fervent

prayer for the happy repose of the soul of the deceased.

Mr. A. E. Patterson.

Mr. A. E. Patterson, father of two Old Boys of St. Patrick's College, Jack and Cedric, passed to his eternal reward on 27th August.

Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Mary's of the Angels' Church, Geelong, on 29th August.

To Mrs. Patterson and her sons we extend our sympathies, and all students of S.P.C. will pray fervently that "Eternal light may shine upon him" and that "he may rest in peace."

HONOURS CLASS NOTES

Since our last edition we have been refreshed by the holidays, and we hope that all have had an enjoyable time.

We must congratulate the 1st XVIII on winning the football premiership, and on the wonderful way they played throughout the season.

Our congratulations are also due to Felix Favaloro who, on 18th August, reached the age of sweet sixteen. And to Wally Moon who in the golf tournament tied for first place in the A grade handicap.

It has been reported that Adrian Jones rivals Lady Macbeth in his somnambulist exploits. The boys

have decided either to tie him to his bed or else tie themselves in.

We are glad to note that "Toots" Sullivan has given up the idea of using ink for beauty treatment.

Joe K. thinks that the Polish Nation discovered Australia's highest mountain.

GOLF TOURNAMENT.

(Around the course with "Bunker.")

The golf tournament this year was held in indifferent weather. In fact, the weather was in so many different moods that I did not know whether to wear oilskins or sports wear.

From the first tee we chased a sizzling drive down the fairway. At least it would have been sizzling if a very fleckle wind had not blown it a trifle askew. We then roughed it for a bit as all good golfers must, and eventually arrived on the green with the modest score of five. With spirits as keen as the brisk westerly we drove from the second, very nearly breaking the altitude record; the ball finally lodged at a moderate distance from the green. Our approach shot was rather tentative, but at length we arrived at the green to sink a 20-ft. putt amid much rejoicing, and a cold shower.

Our next drive was rather unfortunate as it lodged in a bunker. Why they will insist in putting bunkers in the way is beyond me. Making sure we still had our rabbit's foot we experiment with a niblick and succeed

in dislodging the ball fully five feet. However, another lusty drive brings us within striking distance of the pin, and after approaching within five feet we take three to get in. Such is golf!

The next hole proves easy, and we begin to think ourselves to be in the pro. class, but, alas! we find we are sadly disillusioned, for our next drive soars away to disappear forever behind a hedge. Nothing daunted, we try another with more success, and by dogged play arrive at the green for an eight.

The sixth went all to schedule, and likewise the seventh. The eighth is cunningly hidden among various bunkers, but they carry no fear for us. With a lusty drive we advance two hundred yards up the fairway. Misfortune stalks us, and our next shot ricochets off the trunk of a tree and lodges in a bunker. A mighty stroke with the niblick finds us approaching the green, and we quickly hole out as another shower sweeps overhead. Quickly completing the ninth with much dispatch we add up our score and rejoice at the moderate score of fifty-one.

We pat ourselves on the backs and swat the ball aggressively down the tenth fairway for a homeward start. Alas! our approach shot is much too strong, and overshoots the green to land in the rough. We try a chip shot which, from the chip point of view, was very successful, but the ball trickles but five feet. We eventually arrive at the green with dampened spirits—and shirts. However, the next hole yields a three, so we begin

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to brighten up again and the sun comes out and shines brilliantly.

Our next drive off is without equal and lodges on the green. With great confidence we seize our putter, and with great care we nudge the ball gently in the back. Hard luck! the beastly thing rolls away in an adverse direction, and we mutter a few hard words under our breath. That hole cost us four and, likewise, the next yields a six; but with the club in sight and thoughts of lunch in our minds we tighten up our belts and our grip and drive off for the 14th. The ball soars off like a bird and raises our hopes quite twenty degrees, and by careful play we collect a modest four.

Playing doggedly, we complete the remaining holes to our satisfaction, and hand in our cards, which bear witness that the round has cost us 104 strokes. We now invade the club house, and partake of a delicious lunch kindly supplied by Sister Pola and Mrs. Hill, who were ably assisted by Pat Mullins, Bob McKee and Leo Browne. We then relax with great content in front of a grand fire to await results.

We find that others have also experienced a rather stormy passage and have great hopes of bagging the booty or even the championship, but, alas! we find that last year's champion, Max Gill, has outplayed us and again wins the championship. Likewise in the B grade, we find that one, Laurie Vaughan, has outplayed us and so wins the prize. In the A grade

there is much excitement, and the result is a tie between Joe Briody of the Sub. and Wally Moon.

T.O'B.

LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

Well, here we are back for the third term. The thought of the October tests in a few days has caused everyone to settle down to hard work once more, and no doubt the competition for Dux of the Leaving Class for 1938 will be very keen.

Since the last edition of the "Chronicle" one of the members of the class, Vic. Keogh, has left to take up a position in Redcliffs. During his time at the College, Vic. was very successful in all the classes, being often amongst the leaders. He was popular with all the boys, and even though we did not like to see him go, still we wish him every success in his new sphere of life.

Since the Leaving Class can claim so many in the 1st XVIII, it would not do if we did not congratulate the team on the way in which they finished the season so well. In the last Public Schools match Max Gill, Leo Browne and Laurie Delahunty received special mention for the fine games they played. We must also congratulate Pat Cranage, captain of the winning team on the Shed, who went through the season with only one defeat.

In the golf tournament, held on 15th August, the Leaving Class was again

well represented and the cards showed Max Gill winner of the championship with 93, and Laurie Vaughan, winner of the B grade handicap with 102.

Sincerest congratulations go to Jack O'Bryan, Keith Gibbons and C. Stokes on being recently admitted to the Sodality of Our Lady.

We were very pleased to have Dr. Roper, Bishop-Elect of Toowoomba, say Mass here recently. Dr. Roper is to be consecrated Bishop on October, 28th in the Cathedral, and Maurie Reynolds and Frank Kroon who are singing in the Cathedral Choir on that occasion will, no doubt, represent the Leaving Class very well.

During a recent discussion on the Australian Aborigines many informative, if not amazing, remarks were passed. For instance, we learnt about a big hop they made from Southern Asia to Australia when the land between those countries subsided. What Abos!

Speaking of aborigines, it appears that their language is partly derived from the French, since one of the French students thought that the future tense of pluvior was "plurri."

The aeroplane enthusiasts found the green patch a very convenient place for landing their planes, but someone didn't seem to think so, so—! However, that did not stop "Fritz" from carrying away the cup with a —. Oh! ask "Fritz" what the name was.

In case you don't know, the Leaving Class has a tenor who could rival even Nelson Eddy. "Duke" surprised everyone (except, of course, the Leav-

ing boys) with his item which was very enjoyable.

In our next appearance we will be able to give full details of the October Tests. Until then we will knuckle down to work both in school and in sport, and hope for success in both.

LITERARY SOCIETY NOTES.

The last meeting of the Literary Society for the second term was held on August 21st. A very interesting account of Australia's only rebellion—the Rum Rebellion—was given by Jack Pekin. Tom Carroll related the history of Alarm Clocks.

A keenly-contested debate on Prohibition was held between Kevin de Lacy and Jack Little. The latter, who was the champion of Prohibition, was victorious, much to the disgust of the audience. Basil Feery and Leo Horgan debated the question of Government Monopoly of Transport, and Basil, who argued strenuously against the monopoly, was given the decision.

Bro. Purton gave a brief account of the crisis facing Central Europe at the present time.

The members of the Literary Society will be looking forward to spending many more pleasant meetings when school is resumed next term.

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Mitchell of the Mounted

(By J. De Vere Blennerhassett.)

By J. de Vere Blennerhassett.

Synopsis of preceding chapters.

Ralph Mitchell, of the Queensland Mounted Police, has just been given charge of a district in which a savage tribe of blacks are sometimes troublesome. Occasionally, there is also trouble from white men who are sheep stealers. On the way to his new post, Ralph picks up the tracks of a white man and a black, and guesses that their association is not for any good purpose. Falling in with them, he offers them the courtesies and hospitality of the bush, and later they depart southwards, whilst Ralph proceeds on his journey west. Arrived at his destination Ralph finds some mail from headquarters which causes him to think quickly.

Chapter V.

Ralph sat down with his well-filled pipe to determine what to do in the light of instructions from Brisbane and Sergeant Fellows' advice. He knew that by the time his pipe was cold, he would have made up his mind what to do, rightly or wrongly, so quite at peace he began to consider. The case presented to him was that within three months over 170 sheep had been stolen from Gango Station, and though it seemed likely that Joe Wilks was the culprit, he could not have carried through such a big job unaided. It was Ralph's task to find

the culprit, and to find where were the sheep, or what was the manner of their disposal.

Ralph decided to leave the station in charge of his assistant, Constable Draper, and set out in the morning after the sheep stealers. Probably their turning to the south was only a blind, so Ralph decided to make for the north-east, keeping to the extreme east of the stock routes. No doubt there would be a corral somewhere in the foothills: the sheep would not have been driven over the range, probability seemed to point to the fact that they were killed somewhere in the ranges, and the skins smuggled to the coast.

Early in the morning Ralph set out, going several miles eastward at first and then gradually taking to the north. The bush was trackless, and to a great extent featureless. Away on the horizon was a small blurred bluish rise: he knew it from his map to be Mt. Pembroke.

At the other side of the rise would be some ti-ti country in the hollow between Pembroke and the gradual rising ground that led to the main spurs of the Dividing Range. Instinct told Ralph that it was about these lonely spurs that his quarry would be run to earth.

It was midday: time to call a halt.

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The officer dismounted, and stood like Sir Galahad with bared head as he recited the Angelus, a prayer to St. Paul of the Cross, the Patron Saint of the Police, and then dismissing the business of his hunt from his mind, he set about making his fire. There was plenty of feed for his horses, there was water, and the brightness of the day was, as Ralph described it afterwards, "the quintessence of radiance." His billy soon bubbling over, or rather the water in it, Ralph made his tea, and took his lonely meal. Hospitable, of a hospitable race, Ralph disliked taking meals alone, and he was glad that some wood pigeons hovering around gradually took with great diffidence the crusts which he threw for them. At two o'clock the horses were again ready for their journey, and Ralph, as he mounted, felt an unmistakable conviction that his journey was going to be short.

Upwards to where the rises merged into greater heights, disguised now by the thickly-growing bush, the horses plodded on. Slowly through acres of scrub, then quickly through several miles of grassed gum tree

land, the greater heights of the ranges now appearing.

In the near distance was what seemed to be a gorge. Ralph had not heard of this feature, so he made straight for it. The gorge led on through unbelievable thickness of scrub—jungle, they would call it in India—and suddenly, quietly, a sound struck his ear. The unmistakable soft bleat of a sheep, "Baa, Baa"! it was repeated. To dismount was the work of an instant. Ralph tethered his horses behind thick wattle clumps, and proceeded on foot. After he went on hands and knees to take observations, for there sure enough was the corral.

Evidently, the killing stage had not yet come, for there were about two hundred sheep, safely penned between bouldered valleys opening to the dried lake, just now covered with rushes, but sheer walls of rock protecting the other three sides. Grass was plentiful, and no man was in sight. Ralph guessed that Wilks and his sable companion were now less than twenty-four hours away.

(To be continued.)

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INTERMEDIATE A CLASS NOTES

The second term is quickly drawing to a close, and all are anxiously looking forward to a well earned rest. But by the time these notes are in print, the holidays will almost be forgotten; and we shall be settling down to a strenuous term's work, busily preparing for October exams.

The last round of the Term Tests was very evenly contested. The leaders in the following subjects were: Latin, D. O'Hagan 1st, B. Gibney 2nd, D. McGlade 3rd; Algebra, L. Hoyer 1st, J. Credlin and T. Brady equal 2nd, J. Flynn 3rd; Geometry, T. Brady 1st, B. Gibney and K. Kearney equal 2nd, J. Credlin and D. O'Hagan equal 3rd; Trigonometry, D. O'Hagan and T. Brady equal 1st, J. Flynn 2nd, B. Gibney and K. Kearney equal 3rd; Geography, P. Cashin 1st, T. O'Brien 2nd, M. O'Keefe and B. Gibney equal 3rd.

Br. O'Malley generously offered a missal to the boy, in either class, having the best average in his subjects. Each boy was given a handicap, and after an excellent competition, it was won by D. O'Hagan of Inter "A," closely followed by E. Frith of Inter "B."

The longed-for match between Inter "A" and Inter "B" took place on the College Oval recently. Our team was led by Jim Sullivan. After a hard-fought game the Inter "A's" were victors. Our opponents again challenged us. Considerably weakened by the absence of Jim Sullivan, this time

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Those who were chosen to be admitted to the Sodality are: M. O'Keefe, J. Credlin, D. O'Neill, K. Kearney, and I. Keelan. We congratulate them on this forward step.

Ian Keelan was greatly handicapped at the Terminal Dinner by the bandage about his chin.

One of Frank Gebbie's excuses for coming late to school was that he had chopped off part of his toe.

"Sam" also discovers that he has very bad chilblains when he does not do his home work.

We have missed Bryan Hill lately, who has been absent on account of sickness.

Tom O'Brien celebrated his 21st birthday in grand style.

Well, the next time we appear in the Chronicle, the holidays will have been long forgotten.

INTERMEDIATE B CLASS NOTES.

When these notes are being read we shall have but the memory of our September holidays. Writing now so far in advance of them, let us express the hope that they will prove enjoyable and thoroughly beneficial to all. If we are to judge by the fever of preparation for them they will be a distinct success!!

Our studies are going along nicely, thank you. And in our favour let it be said that there was no let-up in our earnestness till the very last minute. We are looking forward to this

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Results:

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 S.P.C. defeated Spencer St. Railway, 17-7 to 4-3.
 S.P.C. defeated School of Mines, 11-16 to 8-7.
 S.P.C. defeated Pharmacy College, Melbourne, 10-14 to 3-2.
 S.P.C. defeated Postal Mechanics, Sth. Melbourne, 13-6 to 9-3.
 S.P.C. defeated Ballarat College, 20-20 to 1-1.
 S.P.C. defeated School of Mines, 10-12 to 7-7.
 S.P.C. lost to N. Flanagan's XVIII, 12-9 to 11-7.
 S.P.C. defeated St. Kevin's, 8-9 to 5-5.
 S.P.C. defeated C.E.G.S., 12-17 to 3-7.
 S.P.C. defeated H. Walker's Newman XVIII, 9-14 to 8-5.
 S.P.C. defeated Ballarat College, 25-23 to 2-4.
 S.P.C. defeated Melbourne Boys' Legion, 10-13 to 8-5.
 S.P.C. defeated St. Kevin's, 7-8 to 5-7.
 S.P.C. defeated C.E.G.S., 20-15 to 4-8.
 S.P.C. defeated St. Patrick's, East Melb., 12-12 to 8-3.
 PLAYED—16. WON—15. LOST—1
 The above results show that our 1938 team was one of St. Pat's best for years.

term to break all records for keenness.

The highlight of our sporting activities for August was football—with a Captial F, you will notice. Inter A and Inter B clashed twice. In the first game we commenced well but faded in the second and third quarters. Inter A won a good game. The A's generously offered a chance of retrieving our laurels. This time the B's were invincible. Some of the glory of complete achievement was wanting, however, as the A's had to play without J. Sullivan. By the way, our best thanks to Rev. Br. Boland who kindly umpired both games.

And so on goes the term with its hard work and exams.

NEW SODALISTS.

On Wednesday, 24th August, an enrolment of new Sodalists was made by the College Chaplain, Rev. Fr. Gleeson.

Among those found worthy to be enrolled as members of this chosen Society of Our Lady were: K. Kearney, J. Sherry, M. O'Keefe, G. Little, I. Keelan, C. Stokes, K. Gibbons, J. Credlin, J. O'Bryan, W. Brittain, E. Frith, W. Begg, R. Young, D. O'Neill, B. Feery, V. Delahunty.

All first-year boys were ineligible for this reception.

The ceremony of reception concluded with Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

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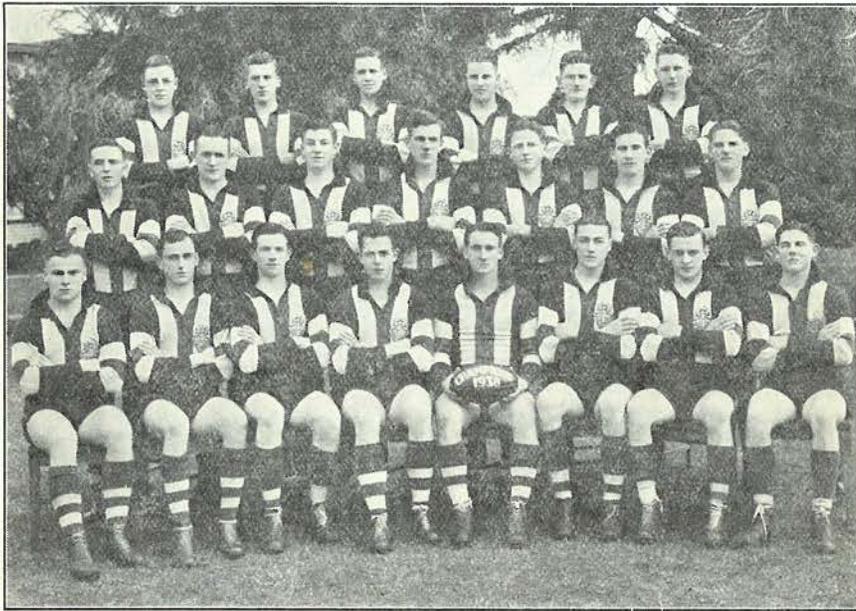
Capably led by Max Gill and Leo Horgan, the players sank all attempts at "individualism," and concentrated on "Team Work" and "Team Spirit." The result was unbounded success with a good display of fast, open and combined football characterising every match played.

The team's greatest achievement was to win the "double" against the redoubtable St. Kevin's—the first time since 1930. The next hardest matches were against School of Mines, who

generally field a strong side; but again St. Pat's came out victors on both occasions. The only defeat was received from an extra strong team of recent St. Pat's Old Boy Footballers, who were capably led by one of St. Pat's best captains in Football, Cricket and Tennis—Noel Flanagan. Although defeated, our 1938 players were by no means disgraced, and right up to the final bell the result was in doubt.

Trophies are awarded every year;

S.P.C. FIRST EIGHTEEN, 1938 Champions, Ballarat Public Schools.



Seated (left to right): A. Jones, W. Moon, J. Connell, L. Horgan, (vice-captain) M. Gill, (captain), P. Mullins, J. Flanagan, L. Browne.
Second Row: R. McKee, L. Vaughan, F. Englefield, L. Delahunty, P. McNamara, J. Sullivan, T. Darveniza.
Top: G. Jongebloed, B. Willis, T. Hannah, J. Cunneen, J. Collins, K. Aldenhoven.

but throughout the season no significance was given them, and it was the team and not the individual that counted most on every occasion. Well done, St. Pat's 1938 First Eighteen.

The Cup Winners were:

- (a) Best and Fairest—Leo. Browne.
- (b) Best Forward—Max Gill.
- (c) Best Back—Laurie Delahunty.

The Team:

- M. Gill—A great captain and a great player.
- L. Horgan—A good vice-captain. Fast, determined and most effective.
- L. Browne—An extra good player, and always amongst our best.
- L. Delahunty—A first year player who filled centre half-back position with credit.
- W. Moon—A good team player. Excelled in the ruck and the back pocket.
- A. Jones—First rover. A good player with plenty of pace and dash.
- P. Mullins—A good full forward. Brilliant in the last four or five matches.
- J. Flanagan—Owing to serious operation, played in only a few matches. Showed his old form and was always reliable and effective.
- J. Connell—Excelled as centre full-back. A wonderful trier and a player with plenty of spirit.
- K. Aldenhoven—A first year player. Did excellently, and often amongst our best.
- F. Englefield—A good ruckman, a good mark and an excellent kick.

L. Vaughan—A most improved player. Always showed coolness and good football sense. In some matches outstanding in his play.

J. Cunneen—A brilliant player with plenty of pace and dash.

R. McKee—A great wing half-forward. Always excelled in accurate and effective passing to team mates.

P. McNamara—Another greatly improved player. Plenty of pace and dash.

J. Sullivan—A great defender, dash-ing and courageous.

J. Collins—Showed good football ability throughout the season, and always most reliable.

G. Jongebloed—Made his mark as a good wingster, and played some excellent games.

T. Hannah—Out for a time on account of injury. Gave great service as pocket forward.

P. Bohan—A most improved player. Played in a big number of the important matches and did great work.

T. Darveniza—A good trier and a solid defender. His true form was not shown until late in season.

B. Willis—Promoted from Second Eighteen early in the season and justified his inclusion with credit. Well done, Brian!

This concludes the Football Notes for the year. Our 1sts did well and worthily upheld the best traditions of St. Pat's.

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ST. ROCH'S SENIOR COMPETITION.

The 1938 competition will be remembered by all who took part in it as one of the keenest yet. Three rounds of matches were played, and the Minor Premiership was won by Val. Knowles' team. The Premiership ladder was as follows:—

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Points For.	Points Against.	Percentage.	
V. Knowles	9	6	3	24	364	287	126
D. Smith	9	6	3	24	342	302	113
D. Toohey	9	3	6	12	327	349	93
G. Dwyer	9	3	6	12	271	356	76

The semi-final was played between teams captained by Doug. Smith and Dan Toohey. It was a good game, but Doug. Smith's team proved to be too strong, and ran out the winners by 7 goals 12 behinds to 2 goals 9 behinds.

The final brought two old rivals together in the teams led by Doug. Smith and Val. Knowles. This game proved to be the best of the whole competition. At the end of the third quarter, Val. Knowles' team appeared to have had the game won. They had played together splendidly, but in the last quarter their system was upset by the determined efforts of the opposition. What had appeared to be a certain defeat was turned into a brilliant victory, and Doug. Smith's team left the field the victors by 8 goals 13 behinds, to 7 goals 11 behinds.

The grand final between these same teams was disappointing. Val. Knowles' team was always on top, and at only one period of the game did it appear as if Doug. Smith's team might repeat their performance in the final. The scores for the grand final were:

Val. Knowles, 9 goals 10 behinds.
Doug. Smith, 2 goals 7 behinds.

The best players for the Premiers were: V. Knowles, L. Nagle, H. Drum, K. Keogh, F. Foster and M. Bourke. For the losers the most effective players were: D. Smith, W. Long, A. Hynes, H. O'Toole, L. Matchett and M. O'Keefe.

THE FOOTBALL DINNER.

At 6.30 p.m. on the night of August 15th, the 1st XVIII and the respective champion teams of "The Shed," "Senior St. Roch's" and "Junior St. Roch's" competitions sat down to a sumptuous repast. Br. O'Malley presided in his usual capable manner, the guest of honour being Fr. Gleeson.

After we had feasted sumptuously, Br. O'Malley rose to open the speeches. He congratulated the various winning teams on their success, pointing out that it is from these lower steps of the football ladder in St. Pat's that the members of the 1st XVIII climb. Concluding, he called on Fr. Gleeson to speak. Fr. Gleeson added his whole-hearted congratulations to Br. O'Malley's, regretting that he could not include the 1sts who had not played their final match. He voiced the

popular opinion that the result was "a foregone conclusion."

Max Gill, as captain of the XVIII, rose to add their congratulations to the three teams. He called on the 1sts to rise and drink to the health of the champions, but the said champions would have none of it. Was it not fitting that they should rise and drink their own health. Apparently, you can't keep good teams down! Following Br. O'Malley's lead, all joined in the song of congratulations.

Later, Br. O'Malley called on Pat Cranage, Val Knowles, and Dan O'Meara to respond to their toast. These three respective captains thanked all for various remarks said about them, and thanked also their teammates for their co-operation during the year.

Leo Horgan thanked the Matron and Staff for all the trouble she and her able staff went to in preparing the banquet. He also conveyed to Sister Pola the boys' appreciation of her untiring energy in caring for their various injuries received during the season. Br. Purton added his congratulations to those of the other speakers, and when all had joined hands the Refectory re-echoed to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne."

Grace was said by Fr. Gleeson, and then all dispersed to the grounds, reflecting that yet another football season had been claimed by the passage of the years.

R.M.M.

SUB A

Back again for the last term! Is it imagination, or have I really a headache at the thought?

Last month found us working at the term examinations. As the "honour" results may be of interest we give them.

Again, Len De Graaffe has succeeded in carrying off 1st place by a narrow margin from L. Dunne. Congratulations to the two L.D.'s.

HONOUR LIST.

1, L. De Graaff, 688; 2, L. Dunne, 582; 3, D. Currie, 642; 4, F. Little, 625; 5, J. O'Brien, 624; 6, P. Penn, 616; 7, T. Mooney, 610; 8, G. Moloney, 589; 9, A. Ryan, 565; 10, I. Parsons, 552.

Leaders in the various subjects were as follows:

Christian Doctrine: 1, L. Dunne, 80 per cent; 2, A. Ryan.

English: 1, A. Ryan, 80 per cent.; 2, M. O'Connor, L. Dunne.

Latin: 1, L. Dunne, 100 per cent.; 2, K. Mansfield, J. O'Brien.

French: 1, L. Dunne, 88 per cent.; 2, D. Currie.

Arithmetic: 1, H. Drum, L. De Graaff, 100 per cent.

Algebra: 1, D. Currie, L. DeGraaff, 97 per cent.

History: 1, L. De Graaff, 73 per cent.; 2, F. Hannigan, W. Deutschman.

Geography: 1, A. Ryan, 84 per cent.; 2, J. O'Brien.

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Next month we face the Final Test Examinations and as the class prize-winners will be determined by the results of these we can assure all readers that some very hard work will be done by us during the remainder of this month.

And now for other interesting items of news.

Pride of place in our class newsreel goes to Joe Briody, whom we congratulate wholeheartedly on his splendid performance in the A grade golf tournament of S.P.C. Joe and W. Moon, an Honours student, dead-heated for first place.

Next we congratulate Sub B, our neighbours on the other side of the glass partition, who barely defeated us in the challenge football match. We really do not think they could repeat the performance. F. Hannigan, M. Melican, H. Drum were our most outstanding players. M. Melican, as full forward, scored about 6 goals. Wait till he's playing for Donald!

Congratulations go also to Wm. Deutschman who is now seeing things clearly. One says "They make him look intelligent" (not that we really think his intelligence is confined to his looks); another says "They improve his good looks"; while yet a third (and we won't mention names) says that "He is now a member of a very select—quite aristocratic, in fact—band of notables.

Still a fourth "pat on the back" for Sub A students. For in the splendid hobby display did not P. Penn secure

first prize for the best fretwork model; while F. Little captured first prize for the best fleet of model aeroplanes; and W. Clohesy won a first prize for the best mat (table centre). So, readers, we are quite proud of ourselves.

M. Melican is the latest to join the Crusaders of the Blessed Sacrament. We sincerely hope that the few who have not yet become associates of this Grand Crusade will follow the splendid example given by the great number of their classmates who are already active, fervent members.

And now with a last congratulatory word to those who did so well in the exams, while we hope they will do equally well in succeeding exams, we plunge again into the work of the hour and bid our readers "au revoir" till next month.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE B

The first three places in the various subjects in the Term Tests are as follows:

Christian Doctrine: M. Bourke, 85 per cent.; C. Jenkins, 80 per cent.; L. Nagle, 80 per cent.; K. Aldenhoven, 80 per cent.

English: V. Knowles, 75 per cent.; J. Collins, 71 per cent.; J. Sheridan, 69 per cent.

Latin: V. Knowles, 86 per cent.; F. Foster, 79 per cent.; J. Nolan, 77 per cent.

French: W. Taubert, 83 per cent.; J. Nolan, 78 per cent.; J. Nicholas, 76 per cent.

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Physics: J. Sheridan, 100 per cent.; V. Knowles, 100 per cent.; R. Rice, 92 per cent.

Chemistry: V. Knowles, 85 per cent.; J. Sheridan, 75 per cent.; G. Wood, 75 per cent.

Geography: V. Knowles, 76 per cent.; D. Lawson, 64 per cent.; H. McGoldrick, 58 per cent.

Arithmetic: V. Knowles, 92 per cent.; K. Aldenhoven, 89 per cent.; J. Collins, 83 per cent.

Algebra: L. Barker, 100 per cent.; V. Knowles, 100 per cent.; N. Ross, 100 per cent.; G. Wood, 100 per cent.; J. Clark, 100 per cent.

Geometry: V. Knowles, 86 per cent.; K. Aldenhoven, 69 per cent.; J. Collins, 69 per cent.

ATHLETICS.

The Big Events this Term are:

(a) A.C.S.S. Sports in Melbourne on October 22nd.

(b) B.P.S. Sports in Ballarat on October 29th.

(c) S.P.C. Sports in Ballarat in November.

St. Pat's are the present holders of the Dr. Mannix Shield in the A.C.S.S. Sports, and the Courier Cup in the B.P.S.

We hope to see St. Pat's do well again this year, and retain both trophies for another twelve months.



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Of last year's Athletic Team, the following are still here, and are keen to even better their previous performances: Open: A. Jones, L. Horgan, P. McNamara, M. Gill and J. Pekin.

Under 16: J. Connell and L. Delahunty.

Under 15 and 14: M. Whitty, J. Lane, K. O'Connor, B. Scally, B. Higham, J. Burns, R. Young, L. Segrave and D. O'Meara.

DIARY: DAY BY DAY

AUGUST.

Monday, 1st:

J.G. says he represents an important part of his family tree—The sap, no doubt.

Tuesday, 2nd:

L.H. stood outside the dentist's door afraid to ring the bell. But probably the attendant heard his knees knocking.

Wednesday, 3rd:

J.S. said he had no idea that the steps needed repairing until they gave way beneath him. "And then of course he tumbled to it!"

Thursday, 4th. Did you know—?

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In a Chicago hospital a patient had to be operated on so often that the surgeon fitted him up with a zipp fastener.

Friday, 5th:

The maid knocked on the door with a couple of eggs! Hard-boiled, no doubt!

Saturday, 6th:

All else having failed, M.M. started writing poetry. Going from bad to verse!

Sunday, 7th:

To-day St. Pat's clinched the double against St. Kevin's. It was a torrid battle.

Monday, 8th:

A quack doctor is a vet., who attends to sick ducks!

Tuesday, 9th:

T.S. says that "Ratio Belli" means "food rations"!

Wednesday, 10th:

This is the name of a well-known Negro Comedy. "De Flayed a Mouse"—by Straws!

Thursday, 11th:

A.J. says a gladiator is a thing that gives out a great deal of heat.

Friday, 12th:

A Soviet is a cloth used by waiters in hotels.

Saturday, 13th:

He burgled the house of a Vicar. "No respect for parsons, evidently.

Sunday, 14th:

W.B. says he couldn't even sketch a bottle. No doubt he could draw the cork!

Monday, 15th:

To-day we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. This evening a golf tournament will be held at Midlands.

Tuesday, 16th:

A camel is a horse with nobs on.

Wednesday, 17th:

To-day St. Pat's won the final match against Grammar. Well done, St. Pat's!

Thursday, 18th:

To-day the Inter A's triumphed over the Inter B's in a very thrilling battle.

Friday, 19th:

L.W. says a refugee is a person who

keeps order at a football match!

Saturday, 20th:

A metaphor is a thing that you shout through.

Sunday, 21st:

P.H. says water is put in tanks and then filleted.

Sunday, 22nd:

Petroleum is used as a floor covering.

Monday, 23rd:

Last night's study for the term.

Tuesday, 24th:

The term dinner to-night, an occasion for much rejoicing!

Wednesday, 25th:

Another term behind us, and once again we say farewell to St. Pat's.

EXHIBITION OF HOBBY MODELS.

The library was placed at our disposal on the break-up day. Seven tables were occupied by the various models made by the boys during the second term. Amongst the models was a set of five pedestals for the Sanctuary, made and varnished by Alan Waldron. A very capable carpenter is Alan. Among the various baskets, trays and cake dishes, was the prize winning basket of Joe Kearney. It will look well in his office some day. The table centres this year were improved, and Bill Clohesy's multi-coloured silk mat was awarded the prize, with Jack Clark's and Merv. McLinden's very good also. The best fretwork model was a very attractive mantelpiece clock by Peter Penn, who received a Conway Stewart pencil for his efforts.

There were twenty aeroplanes, of many models, on show. Three silver cups were given to the following boys for this section: Best fleet, F. Little; Best model (and, indeed, a credit), Tony Fry, whose right hand man was R. Flanagan. The best "flyer" went to P. Vojvodich.

Next year we hope to see the facilities more convenient and helpful. An early start in the second term would assure an exhibition much bigger than was shown in August.

Competition Corner

SHORT STORY COMPETITION.

A prize of 5/- will be awarded to the boy who contributes the most interesting Short Story for the October issue of the "Chronicle."

Conditions.

(1) The story must be original.
(2) Stories must not exceed 600 words, and contain not less than 200 words.

(3) All entries must be written in ink and on one side only of the page.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON SATURDAY, 1st OCTOBER.

SEPTEMBER RESULTS.

The winner of the September Competition is S. Symes, whose story is given below.

This month's entries were summed up by the judge as follows:

S. Symes: "The Branded Murderer." Neatly put together . . . good dialogue.

Des. Nolan: "The Future." Better than previous . . . spoilt by irrelevancies and illogical conclusion.

A. Waldron's effort not up to first attempt . . . unsuitable subject.

The Editor takes this opportunity of thanking those who have shown enough interest in the competition to submit entries. The following boys sent in stories: J. Cunneen, A. Waldron (2), D. Nolan (2), J. Kearney (2), S. Symes, and N. Currie. Let us hope that during the holidays our authors-to-be have been busy and that there will be a large number of entries for this month's competition.

THE BRANDED MURDERER.

By S. SYMES.

For months Lyell Condon had, with the aid of James Carlyle, planned to murder his aunt, Anne Condon. She was exceedingly rich, and had made her will in favour of her only relation, Lyell Condon.

On the 3rd of July, James Carlyle was present at a fancy dress ball. He wore the costume of a hangman, and, as his face was covered by a mask, no one recognised him. A few streets away, Lyell Condon, dressed in similar costume, was entering his aunt's home through an open window. He went straight to her study. She was seated behind a desk with a date stamp in her hand. At his entry she arose, and fear showed in her face as Condon drew a revolver with a silencer on it. As she rushed at him and grabbed his arm, Condon shot her down without pity. He hurried from the house, and made his way quickly to the hall where the fancy dress ball was being held.

Inspector Charles Boyd, of Scotland Yard, was in his comfortable office talking to Gera'd Carstairs, star crime reporter of the "Daily Mail." "Well, Jerry," he said, "it's almost the case of the perfect murder: No fingerprints; no motive; and a clean getaway." Carstairs did not reply for a time. "Somehow, Charlie," he finally said, "I can't get the idea out of my head that Condon did it. Yet his alibi's perfect. A fellow can't be in two places at once, at a fancy dress ball and at a murder." "If we were only sure he was at the ball," mused Boyd. "Well, several people recognised him and spoke to him after unmasking time, didn't they?" returned Carstairs. "Let's go up and give him the once over." "O.K.," replied Boyd, "but you newspaper men give me a pain in the neck."

They travelled to Condon's apartments and found him packing up to go away. "Why, hello, Condon," said Boyd, "going places?" "Why—er—yes," was the reply. "I was thinking of going to America." "This is a jolly fine costume you have here," said Carstairs, who was examining the hangman's costume. "Yes, it's not

THE FUTURE.

(The Editor has made a few necessary alterations to this story.)

Cecil Longton was an ardent racegoer; in fact he followed horseracing more than anything else. To hand him the morning's paper with the racing page missing was an unpardonable sin. To describe him: he was of medium height, strong and well-built, and his face, which gave the idea of sternness, was always cleanly shaven. He considered himself to be the best-dressed person of the town—in reality he was—and he liked everyone to salute and look up to him.

On the evening of the 15th August, 19—, he had been to a billiard saloon and had lost a good deal of money there. Although he was a rich man, he had not much money ready at a moment's notice. As he walked home through the dimly-lighted streets of the town, he was contemplating how Fortune would turn her wheel for him on the morrow, on which was held the biggest race meeting of the year. He was passing across a dark alley when, out of it an old man suddenly appeared and thrust a paper in front of him. Indignant at being thus aroused from his reverie, Longton was half-inclined to ignore the man and his paper, but seeing the old man's firmness of purpose set in his face, he gave him the required money and without more delay set off for his house again.

Next day as he was travelling to the racecourse, he chanced to take the paper out of his pocket and have a look at it. To his amazement, however, he saw that the date on each page was that of the following day. Looking up the racing page, he saw an account of the race meeting to which he was going. He saw the winners, their starting prices and any other details that he wished to know. He was dumbfounded, and when he had reached his proper senses again, he was at the racecourse.

There, instead of backing his own selections, he put his money on the horses that the paper had named as

Boyd noticed the start Carstairs made as his eye caught something on the white lining of the costume. He controlled his excitement as he asked Boyd could he speak to him privately. Once out of ear-shot of Condon he burst forth: "Charlie, I've solved it! Do you realise what happened on the 3rd of July, 1938?" Boyd nodded. "Yes, Anne Condon was murdered." "Well," continued Carstairs, "when we found her she had a date stamp in her hand, and on that costume in there the date—the 3rd July, 1938—is stamped. Does that mean anything to you?" "You've got it," said Boyd, "it's enough to hang Condon."

They re-entered the room and found Condon still packing. "The game's up," said Boyd. "Your aunt branded you when you murdered her." Fear leapt into Condon's eyes. "You can't prove anything!" he replied in a hoarse whisper. "Can't we," replied Boyd, but he cut himself short. A revolver had appeared in Condon's hand. "Keep back," he ordered, "you'll never get me!" Slowly he backed towards the window and, suddenly throwing it open, he leapt to the ground two stories below. The smack was audible even above. Sweat was pouring out of both Boyd and Carstairs. "The Branded Murderer!" they whispered together.

STOP PRESS

Our sincere thanks to A. Jones, I. Keenan and G. Moloney, for donations of books for the College Library.

A LOST "SPIRIT."

A holiday-maker entered the lost property department in the railway station.

"I left a bottle of Scotch in the train," he stated. "Was it turned in here?"

"No," said the attendant. "But the fellow who found it was."

winners. Not one horse failed him, and by the end of the day he had won a large sum of money, more than twice as much as that for which he had hoped on the previous night.

After the last race he made for the station with a light heart, thankful that he had followed the mysterious paper and not his own opinions. Whilst travelling home, he chanced to look at the paper once more and there he saw: "Mr. Cecil Longton died yesterday while travelling —." He got no further. His heart had failed, and he was dead in less than two seconds.

D. Nolan.

LIMERICK COMPETITION.

This month's winner is Bryan Cantwell.

Here is his effort:

There was a young man from Peru,
Who was seeing the sights of the Zoo.
When he saw the giraffe,
He started to laugh,
"HOW'LL HE GARGLE IF HE GETS
THE FLU?"

There will not be a Limerick Competition this month, as the entries received were too few.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION

(and you have approx. 6 days in which to hand in your entry).

Who will win the Grand Final of the Victorian League Football? What will be the scores?

What you have to do:

..I forecast that (Insert here name of team) will win the Grand Final of the Victorian League Football Competition; and that the Final scores will be:

(Insert name of team)

.....goals behinds pts.

(Insert name of team)

.....goals behinds pts.

Write out the above VERY NEATLY, inserting the names, scores, etc.,

of your favourites for the Premiership. More than one entry from each boy will be accepted, provided each entry is on a separate page and enclosed in a separate envelope.

Entries close on Friday, 23rd September.

The first correct solution opened will receive a prize of 2/6.

Should no one forecast the correct results the prize will be awarded to the one whose forecast is nearest to the correct result.

Editor's decision is FINAL.

THE TERM DINNER

The second term lies behind us and we have only memories to remind us of the good time we had. Uppermost in our minds is the term dinner which surpassed even the last one. Under the skilful direction of Matron and her staff the dining hall was a blaze of colour, while the tables were overflowing with good things.

The dinner progressed smoothly, whilst dinner music was provided by the orchestra. We contrived to forget all about such trivial things as Latin and Algebra and, almost, the oncoming examinations. Pat Mullins revealed himself to be a singer of some "note," and delighted us with "The Sands of the Desert Grow Cold." We would have liked to hear more from Pat. However, there were more pleasures in store for us, as Joe Favalaro, with cunning fingers coaxed "Cavalleria Rusticana" from his violin.

But now the bell called us to order, while the Rev. Chairman called on Joe Favalaro to propose a toast to the 1st XVIII.

"The 1st XVIII," Joe said, were to be congratulated on their fine performance in winning the B.P.S. football and perhaps more so on defeating, on both occasions, St. Kevin's. He added that Br. O'Malley's decision to coach the 1st XVIII himself had proved a well-considered move. He

congratulated Br. O'Malley on the success of the team. He called on those present to rise and drink to the 1st XVIII.

Max Gill thanked Joe for his remarks, and said that he was proud to be the captain of a team which stood behind him as a well-ordered unit. They were in no small measure indebted to Mr. Deutschman and Mr. Hill for their unselfish interest in the activities of the team. He took the opportunity of thanking Mrs. Hill for her kindness to the boys on many occasions, and in providing lunch for the golfers.

Br. O'Malley, in responding to the toast, said that he was proud of the 1st XVIII, which had proved to be one of the best teams ever produced by the College. He thanked Mr. Hill and Mr. Deutschman for the assistance which they had given to him. He also thanked Mr. Matthews for the assistance he had given to the Seconds and the other teams of the school. He concluded by thanking Sister Pola for her expert attention to the injured members of the eighteen, and also Matron for her kindness in supplying oranges.

Once again we turned to the lighter side of the evening. George Dwyer delighted us with "Beyond the Ninety Mile," while Vin. Delahunty convinced us that opening a tin of sardines is a rather difficult task. Rody Delahunty introduced a touch of pathos by reciting "The Little Light."

Father Gleeson then arose to say a few words to the boys. He congratulated the 1st XVIII and said that it had been one of the best teams to wear the famous Green, White and Blue. He wished the boys a very happy holiday.

Presentations were then made to Mr. Deutschman, Mr. Matthews, and in the absence of Mr. Hill, who was indisposed, Wally Moon was asked to receive the presentation on his behalf. Adrian Jones then played as a violin solo, "Ave Maria," which won well deserved applause. The College Choir conducted by Br. Murphy was

in excellent voice, and delighted us with their singing of "The Donkey's Serenade," and "Sympathy."

We were proud to have as our guest Mr. Aldenhoven who spoke a few words to us. He said that he was deeply honoured to be present and that he was greatly impressed by the conduct and spirit of the boys. He hoped that the boys realised their good fortune in being members of a College which had such a glorious record in every walk of life.

The dinner ended with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," and as I looked around at the happy faces of my school-fellows I realised the truth of Mr. Aldenhoven's words. We are indeed fortunate and proud to be members of St. Pat's College.

T.O.B.

REMOVE AND 6th GRADE.

Now that the third term has commenced, we are no doubt anxious to hear the results of the second term tests. We will give the first and second places in each subject. In Christian Doctrine, Gerald Ware 96 per cent.; Dan O'Brien 93 per cent. In English, Greg Walsh and Dan O'Brien tied with 80 per cent. One mark separated Gerald Ware and Jef. Fitzgerald in Latin with 87 per cent. and 86 per cent. respectively. The following tied for first place in Arithmetic with 100 per cent. each: Kevin Harman, V. Mishkinis, G. Ware, G. Walsh, V. Gemmola. Four boys registered 100 per cent. in Algebra: H. Hassall, Jef. Fitzgerald, G. Ware and G. Walsh. The following seven secured 100 per cent. in Geometry: Jef. Fitzgerald, H. Hassall, V. Mishkinis, J. Morris, D. O'Brien, G. Ware and G. Walsh. The honours were shared in Geography by G. Ware 97 per cent.; Jef. Fitzgerald and G. Walsh tied for second place. In the history, G. Ware and G. Walsh were first and second in order.

The boys who commenced late in the year are to be congratulated on

the fine effort made. It is to be hoped that every boy now settles down to earnest work in preparation for the October Tests. More care is needed on the part of some who will certainly do well if they follow instructions carefully.

In the sixth grade the first in the class was A. Rohan, second G. Higham, third J. McGoldrick, fourth Alan Symes. A few boys in this class did not come up to expectations—perhaps the anticipation of the holidays unsettled them.

There are rumours that a few athletes lay hidden in our room. We had a record breaker, Johnnie Burns, in the Remove last year. I wonder who is to succeed him this year.

Until the next edition, good sailing on the high seas of exams. and athletics.

DID YOU KNOW—?

LONGEST TEST.

The longest cricket test on record was the fifth of the 1928-29 series at Melbourne. It commenced at noon on Friday, March 8, and ended about 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 16. The third at Melbourne, and the fourth at Adelaide, went into the sixth day, when the Englishmen were in Australia in 1925-26.

FISTIC FACTS.

(1) Palmer was technically knocked out by Young Stribling (America) in 10 rounds at Sydney in 1932. This was the only bout Stribling contested against Palmer. (2) Carroll and Palmer have not fought. (3) In their previous encounter Joe Louis was the victim principally of Schmeling's hard rights to the head.

WORLD'S LAND SPEED RECORD.

The world's land speed record of 301.1292 miles per hour was established by Sir Malcolm Campbell in his famous Bluebird car at Bonneville Salt Flats, in September, 1935. In October of last year, it was reported that Captain G. E. T. Eyston, the famous British racing motorist, drove

his car, Thunderbolt, at a speed of 309.6 miles per hour. He failed to establish an official record, however, because he did not make the return trip over the same course within an hour. However, Capt. G. E. T. Eyston has now driven his car at the record speed of 345.49 miles per hour. This speed is officially recognised.

BRADMAN LEADS THE WAY.

Bradman's 452 not out against Queensland is the world's record for first-class cricket. He has made 334 in England v. Australia Tests. Hammond made 336 not out against New Zealand.

MIGHTY SPORTING CROWDS.

(1) There were 88,540 people packed into the Melbourne Cricket Ground to see Geelong win the Victorian League premiership from Collingwood last season. All Australian attendance records for a sporting gathering, other than at Randwick or Flemington racecourses, were broken. The "gate" was £5,960 8/9. (2) The previous record was 87,798, and "gate" £7,405, at the third day of the third cricket Test match, Australia v. England, during the last series in this country. (3) The Melbourne Cup of 1936 was witnessed by 97,000 people.

Voices from Afar

NEWMAN NOTES.

The Newman team that had the misfortune to be beaten by the S.P.C. XVIII enjoyed the trip immensely, and was only sorry that a stronger team could not take the field. However, we can assure you that next time S.P.C. and Newman meet it will be a different tale.

Frank Hetherington is particularly busy at the moment. Owing to the fact that he's secretary for the oncoming Sports Dinner, his duties are rather onerous, and his time is as a result taken up by both study and the making of arrangements.

Joe Gargan has become rather confused of late. He was fully convinced that August 29th was March 17th. Owing to the fact that "Swot Vac" is now in full swing, the Newman notes must of necessity be cut short this time, but we hope that they will be fuller in the next issue.

CANBERRA. F.C.T.

Our Canberra correspondent (B. Toohy) writes as follows:

"The first item of importance is that we are about to welcome to our ranks John Francis Collins—Leo and I were both surprised when we received word of his approach. He is booked in with Laurie Flynn, so that at last we are getting some unity, because Leo Rabl and I have moved into the same quarters since the last publication. I do not mind telling you that board is a big problem up here—it is about as difficult to get as it is to get out of Latin, in the Honours—(that is the best simile I can think of at the moment). The football season is drawing to a close; but, both Leo and I are engaged in the finals—I am playing in the first semi-final of the Seconds to-morrow, and Leo is playing in the second semi-final on the following Saturday. Before I forget, I want to remind all the St. Pat's boys who are likely to come to Canberra not to sign up with any team except Manuka.

Last week-end Canberra was honoured by the visit of a very fine Rugby Union team from Christian Brothers' College, Waverley. They travelled to Canberra in a very well equipped bus which is the property of the School, (Wake up, St. Pat's!) and played against the Canberra University. I am sure you will be pleased to know that they kept up the C.B.C. reputation by securing a fairly comfortable win. St. Pat's, Goulburn, have also played a number of matches in Canberra, and have been successful on each occasion, (As far as I can remember). They played in one of the curtain-raisers to the International match, New Zealand and "All Blacks" v. Canberra."

JUNIOR JOTTINGS.

Keen competition throughout the term made us all very keen on our work. Marks were given for the various tasks of our schoolday life, and we all endeavoured to be "top of our class. However in the 4th Class the grand title went to F. Smythe, an old hand at the game, who scored 826 marks. Not far behind came J. Tooley, another old-stager, with 791 marks. J. McCarthy, 782; F. Nugent, 754; R. Cannott, 748; G. Nugent, 742; M. O'Sullivan, 729; P. Wilson, 705; B. Gleeson, 690; B. Hussey, 677; D. Bourke, 667; R. Rosser, 662; B. Stuart, 650.

In the 3rd Class, R. Harrington, after a great battle with that mighty giant, G. Wilson, won by a narrow margin. The marks were as follows: R. Harrington, 584; G. Wilson, 568; B. O'Sullivan, 549; M. Byrne, 509; B. Sheehan, 500; R. Kervarec, 423.

HUMOUR.

Judge: "When were you born?"
No reply.

Judge (angrily): "Did you hear what I said? When is your birthday?"

Prisoner: "What do you care? You ain't goin' to give me anything, are you?"

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The father was trying to find out how much his son was learning at school.

"When the kettle boils, why does steam come out of the spout?" he asked.

"So that mother can open your letters before you get them," replied his son.

GOOD FISHING.

Keeper: "Hi! No fishin' here."

Boy: "Don't you believe it, mister. I've caught six already."

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Traveller: "My name is Sparrow, sir."

Boss: "Oh? Well—hop it,"

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Peace or War?

The following article, appropriate at this time, is an extract from a radio address by Rev. Fr. Corrigan, S.J.

On the top of the Andes Mountains in South America, on the boundary line between Argentina and Chile, stands a colossal statue of Christ the Redeemer. It is known as the Christ of the Andes. The figure of the Saviour is twenty-six feet high and stands on a tall granite pillar surrounded by a globe on which a map of the world is outlined. A tablet at the base bears these inspiring words:

"Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust than the Argentines and Chileans break the peace to which they have pledged themselves at the feet of Christ the Redeemer."

Here is a Peace Monument for all the world to contemplate. . . . Instead of stocking the mountain heights with howitzers and machine gun posts, they disarmed a thousand miles of their mutual frontier, adopted universal arbitration, and sealed their peace at the feet of Christ the Redeemer, the Prince of Peace.

What a lesson for a war-torn world! What a hope for the war-weary peace forces of all nations!

The Peace Movement must not fail! Have we forgotten the last war's awful holocaust? The 10,000,000 known dead soldiers; the 3,000,000 presumed dead in addition; the 13,000,000 dead civilians; the 20,000,000 wounded; the 3,000,000 prisoners; the 9,000,000 war orphans; the 5,000,000 war widows; the 10,000,000 refugees? No! The Peace Movement must not fail!

We are living on a hair-trigger peace right now. The dogs of war may be unleashed at any moment. A spark may cause the explosion again as it did in 1914.

The road to peace is marked by three signposts, pointing the way: Disarm! Arbitrate! Keep Faith! As the mass opinion of the world assimilates more and more the meaning of those words and the blessing they assure, the ruthless god of war will tremble for his power and surrender at last his long sway and reign over mankind into the hands of Christ the Redeemer, the Prince of Peace! The Christ of the Andes is the sign and symbol of world peace.

May Christ the King, through the all-powerful intercession of Mary, Queen of Peace, grant peace to a troubled world.

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Campion Society

The Campion Society was founded in Melbourne early this decade by a small group of Catholic young men, for the most part graduates of the University, who came to the conclusion that they knew less about their Faith than any educated man should. They knew the fundamentals of Christian belief, but they did not appreciate the reasons for those beliefs. They knew the Church condemned certain things but they knew not why. The cause was ignorance—the cure was study. Thus they formed a study group, out of which the Campion was to grow.

The Campion Society is a centre of Catholic thought and culture, where young men can meet—only once a fortnight—to discuss life, history, literature, art, music and the rest. The storehouse of Catholic philosophy is open to them and they can prepare themselves to fight the battles of the Church in the intellectual sphere. It is a training ground in which young Catholic students receive their introduction to St. Thomas, Belloc, Chesterton, Maretain, Morton, Dawson, Hollis and those who have placed the Catholic philosophy of life before the educated world.

The Society in Melbourne has placed itself from the beginning under the leadership of His Grace the Archbishop. At an annual meeting His Grace said that he regarded the Campion Society as *the flower and fruit of the Catholic school system*. At the opening of the Spring School he said he owed more than he could express to the Campion Society which was active in Catholic Action even before the Pope spoke to them in Australia on the subject. The Society, he thought, was responsible for the Catholic Action Secretariat. He had great hopes of the Campion Society and the Secretariat. The members were calm and sane people who were trying to find the right road, and then to walk along it.

It is a society that should appeal to boys leaving school, and Old Boys too. It was the Campion Society that produced the Catholic Evidence Guild, the "Catholic Worker," the Assisian Guild and the Secretariat. Those who have a desire for this work may enquire from the secretary, 379 Collins Street, Melbourne.—E.W.W.

Campion Society Spring School of Social Studies.

S.P.C. OLD BOY GIVES PAPER.
Frank Gargan, LL.B., of Geelong, who was at St. Patrick's College, Ballarat, in the late twenties gave the fourth and last paper at the Campion Spring School, held at Xavier College,

Kew, on 2nd to 3rd September. The school, the theme of which was "Property for the People," was opened by His Grace, Dr. Mannix. Frank's brilliant paper, "The Vocational Society," made a lasting impression on those

present and caused many laudatory remarks, both from members and visitors.

Introducing the paper, Mr. F. Gargan said that in the Encyclical, "Quadragesimo Anno," Pope Pius XI pointed out that the reconstruction of the social order could not be accomplished unless the opposition at present existing between capital and labour was abolished and well ordered members of the social body constituted, namely, "vocational groups binding men together, not in accordance with their position on the labour market, but according to the diverse functions they exercise in society."

The mediaeval guilds were an example suited to the times and conditions in which they grew, and it is the idea of mediaeval guild adapted and developed to meet the changed circumstances of modern industrial life that we must strive to resurrect today. The guild system disappeared because of the individualistic spirit and the divorce of economic activities from moral considerations which followed upon the Reformation, and found its final form in the theory of 'laissez-faire,' an unjust and well-nigh barbarous system of the grim 19th century industrialism. Out of it Communism was begotten.

Experiments in co-ordination and control of industry in different countries were examined, the functions of the vocational group, the relations of the State thereto, and the relations of the vocational group to property. Catholics know better than to believe that vocational organisations will bring about a social and economic Utopia, but an improvement might be effected by a revival of the spirit of co-operation, a recognition of the social significance of economic functions, and a renewal of belief in the moral ends by which they are controlled.

HONOURS NOTES.

As we go to press the thought of the October tests spurs us on to better things. The Honours are known throughout the whole school to be

hard workers, but now in this troubled period of war and exams. we are doing our utmost to avoid a struggle with a superior force. Late study is the order of the day—or night—and very soon now the Honours will be showing the way to those who wish to pursue their studies at dawn.

We are well represented in the sporting world. With only three weeks to go the rowers are training very earnestly on the beautiful waters of Lake Wendouree. J. Donovan, J. Crosbie, A. Fry and F. Favaloro are upholding the rowing tradition of the Honours. In the Athletics, which are to be decided in Melbourne on October 21st, several Honours students are training for coveted positions in the team. Mark Whitty, J. Eckel, A. Vavjenezski, and Pat Bohan are our representatives in this branch of sport.

Laurie Vaughan has brought along his "Pluto" to keep him and his associates acquainted with the time all the time. A. Vavjenezski thought that to leap from a stair-case was easy until he tried it. Ask him what happened. We see more of Joe Kearney nowadays since he has cancelled his week-end trips to Hepburn Springs. Kevin de Lacy looks after rabbits very well, while Jack Little is reported to have been on a fishing excursion recently. B. Cantwell is still interested in the movies, and also in some of the movie stars. R. Livingstone was rather disappointed when St. Kilda was eliminated from the "four." Of course, Richmond's defeat was a surprise to many of our football enthusiasts. Now that the football has ended, the spring racing fixtures may prove high entertainment to many. We are calling for volunteers to assist Freddie in the forthcoming sweep.

Well, folks, happenings in the Honours room have been few since we came back, but the above may prove to you that the Honours are not always asleep but, as I said before, hard workers.

OBITUARY

FRANK KROON

On Sunday last, 1st October, the news came of the death in Melbourne of Frank Kroon. Although it was not unexpected it caused great sorrow to all at St. Patrick's, and to many of his classmates who left school last year.

Frank came to St. Patrick's in 1934 at the age of 10. Through all the classes he was particularly successful at his studies. Shortly after his arrival he won a special prize awarded for the best essay on the Centenary Air Race. In 1937 he passed his Intermediate with eight subjects. He entered the Leaving Class last year at the early age of 14, and was among the leaders of the class when sickness came in October.

His happy manner at all times endeared him to everyone, and the proof of the esteem in which he was held was manifested in the deep sorrow that was shown when he was first taken to hospital. Many Masses and prayers were offered for him during the long twelve months of his illness, and it was always a pleasure to call in to see him in Melbourne to enjoy once more his cheery company. He edified all by maintaining this happy disposition and thoughtfulness for others in spite of great suffering right up till his death on Sunday afternoon.

On Monday morning Mass was celebrated for the repose of his soul in the College Chapel by Rev. Fr. Gleeson. In a short address Father Gleeson said that it was appropriate that Mass should be offered for Frank's soul on the Feast of the Holy Angels. He had borne his long sufferings with such patience and resignation as to leave no doubt that he was now united with the Angels of God.



The funeral took place to Fawcner Cemetery on Monday afternoon. His sorrowing family and relatives were at the graveside, and the last prayers were said by Rev. J. English. The coffin-bearers were four of his former classmates: J. Connell, P. Bohan, M. Whitty, and L. Vaughan. The pall-bearers were W. Brady, L. Larmner, R. Hayes, and A. Jones, G. Reynolds, J. Favaloro, F. Keenan, W. Moon (Newman). Rev. Father J. H. Gleeson and Rev. Brs. Purton and Boland were also present.

To his sorrowing parents, his grandmother, Mrs. G. Kroon, and to his sisters Constance, Mary, Anne and Margaret, and his brother, Geoffrey, we offer deepest condolences in their sad loss.

R.I.P.

In memory of Frank Kroon, a statue of the Divine Child will be erected in the new dormitory by the boys of the College. Old Boys who were classmates, if they desire, may send contributions to Rev. Br. J. L. Boland.

LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

The things most prominent in the minds of the Leaving Class students at present are the forthcoming October tests. The thought of last Thursday has been an incentive to work for most of us for the last couple of weeks.

Tom O'Brien, two to one on, is still practising for his big event—one mile in five minutes—on foot. According to Ivan Neeson, chief trainer, rubber-down and rouseabout, he is a certainty. It looks as if Bill Kermond will be our main representative in the under sixteens at Melbourne. Mick Wall will also be playing a big part in the open. Talking of running, the track seems to have dried up considerably since Bernie Gibney has started training. Hot stuff!

As usual the Leaving Class is well represented in the first crew. Three of our members, Laurie Delahunty, Adrian Anderson and Bill Brittain have been selected. We may have had the full crew if George Wilkinson and Eddie Frith had not tossed up to see whether they would row or run. Of course, the veteran, Jimmy Wise, will cox the firsts—to victory, we hope.

Kevin Kearney apparently values his life at sixpence, since that was all it required for him to drink one of Kevin Hogan's cocktails.

The prompt action of Rod. Hayes

in the Chapel the other night avoided what might have been a catastrophe. We are wondering why he has not been recommended for the Royal Humane Society medal. Don O'Neill is on the sick list at present. We hope he will soon be with us again, and that he will not miss all the October tests. Returning to school after the holidays we noticed a prominent member of our class was missing. Has Gavin joined the militia or done anything rash?

SALES TALK.

Brown, the super-salesman for the Lynx Automobile Company, was out of sorts. In short, he had toothache with a capital "T." He had had a trying day and now prospective customers looked as uninviting to him as water does to a Scotchman. At this moment Lord Highbrow entered, and accosted him. Lord Highbrow annoyed Brown. He spoke in a loud voice which jarred on Brown's tortured nerves. Besides, he was wearing a bilious looking shirt which one might venture to call loud. Brown closed his eyes in the hope that the apparition might vanish, but it was no use, the shirt was still there. He got up from his position on the running-board, dusted the seat of his trousers and said wearily, but distinctly, "Oh! go to the devil!"

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Lord Highbrow did not, I regret to say, comply with Brown's wishes. For a time it appeared as though he might have a stroke, but finally he disappeared into the sales' manager's office visibly agitated. Now the sales' manager was a man with no imagination. He always put out the cat at night and he thought Brown an unnecessary evil. What passed between the sales' manager and Lord Highbrow, sad to say, has never been recorded.

However, shortly after, the manager himself was confronted by an agitated employer and a blustering customer. He gathered that Brown had been violently rude to his lordship and had almost attacked him. If

an apology was not given at once his lordship would take his custom and that of his friends elsewhere. The manager rang for Brown. He rang twice, and Brown came not. Finally, he went to seek that person who told him to go and take a bath. The manager liked Brown, who was a good salesman. The records showed that he had sold more cars in a week than any other salesman had in a month. Yes, Brown was a valuable man. He went back to his office and took his hat and coat and prepared to leave. Where was he going? He was going to take a bath. His Lordship could, -er make his own arrangements.

B. T. O'BRIEN.

To the Parents and Old Boys

The new dormitory block is nearing completion and the following furnishings are required for it:

Statue of the Infant Jesus	£8.
Statue of Our Lady	£8.
2 Large Crucifixes	£3 each
8 Large Holy Pictures	£1 each

Parents or old boys who would like to donate any of the above are asked to get in touch with Br. Purton.

The Statue of the Infant Jesus has been donated by the boys of the College in memory of their former school mate Frank Kroon, who died recently.

CAMERA CLUB.

With summer about to make its appearance, now is the time to put your camera into action. Poor and unsatisfactory pictures are always the fault of the operator. Here are a few simple hints, the observance of which

will result in better and more pleasing snaps.

1. Keep your camera clean, both inside and out. Clean lenses mean clear pictures.

2. Hold the camera steady. Don't jerk the trigger. Make sure the camera is LEVEL before you click,

3. The sun needn't always shine from directly behind you. You get better snaps and avoid screwed-up expressions if it shines more from one side. But don't let it shine on the lens.

4. Wind on IMMEDIATELY AFTER EACH SNAP to avoid double exposure.

5. For all close-ups (portraits) it's always best to check the exact distance with a measured piece of string from lens to sitter's nose.

6. Snap moving subjects either coming towards you or moving away—NEVER PASSING DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF YOU. This helps to avoid movement and blur.

7. When taking buildings, views, etc., include people in foreground, not too near, to give more life and interest to your snaps.

8. Don't tilt the camera upwards for shots of high buildings unless you want a trick effect of dizzy height.

9. To liven up landscapes and increase contrast of white clouds against blue sky, use a colour filter.

10. For all time-exposures, camera must be placed on tripod or other firm support—NEVER HELD IN HANDS.

Following his talk to the Camera Club on Tuesday night, Mr. Porter, of the Kodak Company, promised two good prizes for the boys submitting the best photos for the "Annual." Conditions for the competition will be announced shortly and at the close of the competition an exhibition of all entries will be held.

Now go to work and see if you can

produce some snaps that are worthy of a place in the S.P.C. Annual for 1939.

INTER A NOTES.

Once again Inter A greet readers with a few notes of the doings of this illustrious class. This is the month of October, the month of the Holy Rosary. Inter A intend to commemorate it by saying the Living Rosary. This time we are not able to give you results of any exams.; but before very long the notice-board will once again show the successes or failures of our members.

A great disturbance in the class! "Detective Angus" (no names mentioned) has been on the trail of the "clip that never was." Already he has given four days' grace and has even informed the teacher of this mysterious loss. Good luck, "Angus," in your search. We have representatives in the rowing: Bob Todd, Val. Knowles, V. Whitehead.

Another great break-up has taken place in Inter A. The few quiet boys who were in the far row have for some mysterious reason been separated and like kittens are fretting for each other. For two years these mighty stalwarts have held up the walls of the Inter., but now have been turned out of their "haunts," and have taken up residence in other places. Still, as they say, war is getting nearer us, these noble children may be able to be once more reunited and fight side by side. Perhaps!

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Bas Corrigan, a leader of one of the teams, has been away ill. Poor fellow! A 'possum here, a 'possum there, a blooming 'possum everywhere." This could well apply to the Inter rooms. "Nicho," with his little beast, is to be seen in unfrequented places. "Pop" and Des. Ryan returned a week late. Staunch John O'Sullivan surprised everybody by saying, "he finished work one afternoon." It's hard to understand how he possibly could have started.

We leave now this frivolous talk and turn to things more serious. The request by Father Gleeson has been well attended to here, and in a few weeks we will hand to him the list of all our spiritual efforts. We learn with regret the death of one of our old school mates, Frank Kroon, who passed away on October 1st. May his soul rest in peace. To his relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

AN AEROPLANE TRIP.

(N.B.—This is NOT about a Wirraway.)

I wanted like a bird to fly,
Above mother earth to soar;
I thought planes were not so sly
That their engines would always
 roar.
At second-hand a plane I bought;
I took it up and buzzed around,
The motor stopped and then I thought
"I'd feel much safer on the
 ground."
The tail came off (the wings did,
 too),

The dashboard fell on my lap;
The joy stick broke—it snapped in
 two;

A shocked expression crossed my
 map.

I landed with an awful crash,
The gas tank hit me on the head.

Then I felt a hideous smash:

I almost fancied I was dead.

I got a piston in my ear,

A prop in my backbone;

My stomach clogged with steering
 gear.

"Won't someone take me home?"
 A.J.V.

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Supported in the Crew by BILL BRITTAIN our success in "The Head of the Lake" should be assured; for does not Britain rule the seas?

And who doubted JIM DONOVAN'S ability to roll up his legs and fit into the Shell of the racer?

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nothing of the innumerable occasions on which the "favourite" failed.

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Rumour reports that EDDIE FRITH, that breaker of bowlers' hearts, has brought back from Bullarto a doubly-wide weapon with which "to dig-in" when the opposition cricketers just try to get him away from his wicket. Did someone say Ted had been studying the electric fan in order to perfect his swing?

Great prominence seems to have been gained by another youth who has "shot into the limelight" recently. Can TOM O'BRIEN do the mile under five minutes? His trainer has suggested liberal, external application of Mobiloil for loosening up the old man's joints, with extra large quantities of spearmint to develop his lasting powers. No doubt the mile event will be the important event on Sports Day.

Our 2nd Crew seems to have the weight, what with MAL QUIN and BILL TWO-TON (sorry, NewTON). Its seems the 2nds are determined to

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use strategy, guile and cunning—the latter to be supplied by Joe CUNNeen. However, Eddie GLOW-rey should be able to shed some light on the subject.

Did the "Truth" reporter say that "SAILOR" ECKEL was going to float alone in the senior handball championships? If he can get his land legs in time he should prove a hard nut to crack—even for Fred.

Grammar and College, in the final round of cricket, have the hard part of journey before them—the HILL (Jack). We wonder, too, will it be Jack's ambition to hit two "sixers" per match or will he be satisfied with just one?

The 1st Crew do not intend to act rashly in the coming "Head of the Lake" event, for wisdom is at the helm. We do not forget that it was JIM WISE, too, who steered our record-breaking crew to victory in 1937. Although in low spirits because of St. Kilda's misfortune in their encounter with "The Magpies" we trust he will not drown his sorrows in the murky waters of Lake Wendouree, nor try to emulate Captain Brown—"as the ship went down."

Yes, you thought we had forgotten the "lad from Dimb.—but, no! ADRIAN ANDERSON, who would not hesitate to declare that the best rowers are born on the placid waters of the Wimmera, has not been throwing himself round the horizontal bar for nothing. He will certainly pull his weight in our 1st Crew.

And now, patient readers, the Editor says stop—and that means S-T-O-P!

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INTERMEDIATE B.

Again Inter. B comes to press with the whole class working hard for the fast-approaching October tests. However, there are still some vacancies as Jack Young has not returned from an extended holiday. Also Kevin Lalor, who, it is said, is marooned at Healesville. We are glad to welcome back to our ranks Harry McGoldrick, who has been absent from our midst through his brother having contracted measles. We offer the best of luck to Kevin Willis, who last Saturday sat for the Post Office Entrance Exam.

The rowing is now in full swing. Inter B's two members are M. Quin, in the 2nds, and L. Dunne, in the running for the 4th.

In the Athletics J. McMahon and W. Meakes are still to the fore. Beside the specials the whole class is training for our own sports.

During the week the boys were aroused from their studies by loud squeaks from the vicinity of W. Meakes' desk.

Further investigation brought to light three young 'possums. Now all we have to do to find a 'possum is to ask either W. Meakes, W. Collins, or J. Williams. And so, wishing our companions in the other classes the best of luck for the October tests, Inter B resumes its course of solid learning.

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P.S.—Eventually we cross the cats with snakes, which will skin themselves twice a year, thus saving the men's wages for skinning.—T.F.K.

R. YOUNG.

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"Hey! Where are you carrying that fellow? Is he drunk?"

"No."

"Sick, maybe?"

"No."

"Oh, just a joke, huh?"

"No, no joke."

"I know, he has dizzy spells!"

"Nope, been healthy all his life."

"Very tired, I guess."

"No."

"Well, what's the matter with him?"

"He's dead."

ROWING.

Training for the Head of the Lake is in full swing, and St. Pat's chances this year of winning the coveted title depend on a crew well worthy to carry off the honours. They are Laurie Delahunty (stroke), Jim Donovan (3), Bill Brittain (2), and Adrian Anderson (bow). Jim Wise is cox. The coaching is in the capable hands of Mr. F. Luke, who has had wins with St. Pat's crews in the past, and he is sparing no effort to have this 1939 crew well up to the highest standard.

The Seconds are again being coached by Mr. A. Wilson. He has been in charge of about seven St. Pat's No. 2 Crews, and has met with success on every occasion except one. In Bill Newton (stroke), Joe Cunneen (3), Mal Quin (2) and Eddie Glowrey (bow), Mr. Wilson has a crew who should go very close to keeping up his succession of wins. George Dwyer is again cox. of the Seconds.

Mr. O. Hauser, whose 1937 St. Pat's Crew holds the record for the Head of the Lake, has this year the charge of the Thirds and Fourths, and is building up two strong crews. In Bob Todd (stroke), Rod Hayes (3), Myles O'Brien (2), and Val Knowles (bow) he has a most promising No. 3 Crew, and at present it looks as though No. 4 Crew will be Frank Gebbie, Langton Dunne, Joe Crosbie and Phil. Favaloro. The Reserve Crew is Jack Munro, Tony Fry, Jack Feery and Verner Whitehead. Des. O'Hagan, Kevin Reynolds and Des. Cook are aspirants for the positions of coxswains.

The time table for the 1939 Ballarat Public Schools' Rowing is—

Thursday, October 26th: 4.15 p.m., Fourth's Race. 4.45 p.m.: Third's Race.

Saturday, October 28th: 3 p.m., Second's Race. 3.30 p.m., Old Boys' Race. 4 p.m., Head of Lake Race.

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BALLARAT OLD BOYS' NEWS.

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DR. TOM GREENING: Busy surgeon in town. Equally as good at golf. President of Golf Club for second year—and a good one. Rather active on the squash court. Never drives car over 90 m.p.h.

DR. DES. PODGER: Looks to his share of the dental ills of the city. Plays almost as hard. Has a go at tennis, golf, shooting, billiards, squash and most other games. Not many cups on the mantel-shelf. Very glad to meet any Old Boys that come this way.

BILL and FRANK BARRY: Successful graziers at Ullina. Still single. Bill: good councillor. Frank: good golfer. Recently lost a grand citizen in their old Dad.

RUDOLPH HAGER: Doing well near the theatre. Pop in for light refreshments. Popular with the kids, mostly on account of Peter's ice cream. Doing his duty to the State.

BILL RYAN: Runs everything in Clunes, including a bank. Golfer and tennis player to be reckoned with. Bit of a heart-breaker after hours.

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DR. SPRING: Well, I guess you all know him.

MICK MARTIN: Runs Craig's leading hostelry. Councillor with some say. On health commission. Many other and varied interests. Don't get into an argument with him if you want to get home for dinner.

JACK LARKINS: Keeps the toughs out of gaol, and able assistant to T. E. Byrne. Think he would play better tennis if he tried left hand.

CEC. WILSON: Done very well at "Shop." Engineer on Melbourne City Council. Reports are that he spends a lot of after hours around Parkville way.

KEVIN CURTAIN: Congrats., Kevin. Glad to see you launch out on your own. Swings a good golf club. Proud possessor of a young colt to carry on family name.

RAY PIERCE: And what a golfer. Must work his swing with electricity. Very busy with switches, bells, etc. Also has twins. Fortunately, this is not as easy to catch as measles.

PERSONAL PARS.

REV. FATHER HARRY PATTEN, Assistant-Priest to Rev. Father Mulcahy at Bungaree, is a very keen and enthusiastic believer in the importance of organising the Catholic

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young men of the parish. As a result of his devoted work the branch of the C.Y.M.S. in Bungaree and Dunnstown is one of the most progressive country branches in Victoria. At a lecture delivered last month by Rev. Brother Purton, Principal of S.P.C., the attendance in the hall at Dunnstown on a bitterly cold night was something that many a city branch could not obtain. The various functions connected with the parish are run by the C.Y.M.S. and run excellently.

FRANK DONNELLY, building surveyor of the Richmond City Council, was at St. Pat's in those happy pre-war days when people knew or cared little about foreign politics or the consequences of secret diplomacy. Frank is a very keen labour supporter, representing the Central Ward for some time in the Richmond Council. The rapid expansion of factories in various parts of Richmond has given Frank a great deal of responsible work. A very severe illness kept him away from duty for some time, but all his many friends are glad to see him his old genial self once more. St. Kevin's owes Frank a great debt of gratitude for his services in connection with the college ground in Richmond Park. In addition the Richmond Football Club has no keener supporter or one with a sharper eye for a good player to sign up.

PAT. TOOMEY, when met recently by the writer of these notes, was in first-class form at his home in East Trentham. The high prices

prevailing for potatoes this year were a great boon to Pat, as well as his neighbours, the more so as the previous two seasons were very unsatisfactory. Pat is very proud of his two boys, the elder of whom is a sweet-tempered chap of three who seems thus early to be endowed with the philosophic spirit so necessary in these hard days.

MORT. E. MCCARTHY was called to Canberra on very short notice to take an important part in the deliberations of the board for fixing prices. It looks as if he will be in the Capital for some considerable time. I hear that his leisure time is very scanty and his work of a very difficult nature. One thing is certain, he will come out of the ordeal with flying colours. As secretary of the Tariff Board, he has travelled all over the Continent, and what he does not know about the wiles of the Australian manufacturer in trying to get additional protection against outside competitors is not worth mentioning. During the 1914-1918 war he served with the Australian Light Horse in Palestine, and can tell many interesting stories of the stirring events of those campaigns.

DR. TOM DALY, of Clifton Hill, is a shining example of what an old S.P.C. professional man should be in Catholic circles. Tom is one of the leading parishioners in Clifton Hill. A very busy man, he always has time for charitable work, and anything connected with the Church or the

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local college of the Christian Brothers finds him a ready and generous helper. Recently he visited the Continent of Europe and brought back an excellently-chosen series of motion pictures of life among the various peoples and the great monuments of the past, especially in Italy. St. Pat's once more has had an Old Boy in the winning team of the Victorian Football League. DICK HINGSTON played in the preliminary and grand finals on the left half-back wing. His work was never very

spectacular, like that of other players, who get a great deal of attention in the press, but he was that most valuable asset to a club, viz., the solid untiring defender who gives his man no latitude and never misses the chance of sending the ball forward by a long and well-directed kick. Melbourne had a first-class team this year, and the fact that Dick was able to hold his place so regularly on the half-back line is a sufficient tribute to his worth. One more up for the football prestige of St. Pat's!

OLD BOY'S REUNION - OCT. 29th.

AN OLD BOY'S APPRECIATION.

160 Kincaid Street,
Wagga, N.S.W.,
29th Sept., 1939.

The Editor, "College Chronicle."

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for sending me copies of the "Chronicle" which I have read with great interest. I must apologise for not having acknowledged the receiving of them sooner. I am enclosing postal notes for 24/—, which includes subscription for a year and a guinea donation to the College for use as the Brothers desire.

Some months ago I had the pleasure of visiting S.P.C. after an absence of a good many years. Bro. Williams very kindly showed me over the new

buildings, which are a very fine addition to the College. I might mention I was a boarder at S.P.C. in 1915-16-17.

Again thanking you and wishing the College every success in the future.

I am,
Yours sincerely,

WALTER HOVENDEN.

NEWMAN COLLEGE.

The old S.P.C. boys at Newman were very sorry to hear of the death of Frank Kroon, and to his parents we offer our deepest sympathy.

Our congratulations go to Joe Con-

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nellan and Frank Hetherington who were successful in their fourth year medical examinations. Their consistent successes augur well for their future in the medical profession. We would also like to congratulate Joe Gargan on his having passed the 3rd year Bacteriology exam. for his B.D.Sc. degree. It seems that these are only forerunners of further successes.

Pat Cody, who is now in his 5th year sat for his surgical anatomy exam. this week, but so far the results have not been published.

The Law examinations and further medical examinations begin at the end of this month, and when they are finished the results will be published.

To the S.P.C. Crews we extend our best wishes and hope that they will show College and Grammar how the race should be won.

Frank Lucas, who last year obtained his B.Comm. degree, is now with a tobacco firm in the city.

Dr. Ray Gurry and Dr. Jim Peters are still at St. Vincent's Hospital where they are residents.

Felix Favaloro was the unfortunate subject of a burglary about a fortnight ago. Unfortunately, he lost clothing to the value of £30.

To the St. Pat's boys sitting for their matriculation this year we extend our best wishes and hope to see a good number of them at Newman.

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MICK MEEHAN, BILL KELLY and **JIM DEEGAN** have all chosen a married life and have settled to farming. Two of them, Mick and Bill, may call themselves "Mallee-ites," for they have taken residence respectively at Lalbert and Nyah West. Jim Deegan has gone to Western Australia during the last few years and so we hear little of him.

C.C.C., WERRIBEE

The football season has come to a close and we have great pleasure in congratulating Frank Delahunty on winning the trophy for the best and fairest player. Frank is one of the best all-round sportsmen in the College and we feel sure that his success on the football field will be a forerunner to similar successes in the forthcoming athletics. Jack O'Brien also had a very successful football season, and was well up in the votes for best and fairest.

Jack Carroll has taken over the responsibility of sports secretary, and is therefore very busy making preparations for sports day on October 4th.

Although knee trouble prevented Jack Abraham from playing in the football competitions, it is rumoured that he is training secretly for the long-distance races.

Joe Kelly's acting ability was clearly shown recently when he performed

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a scene from Hamlet for us. In spite of more serious philosophic studies Joe manages to keep in touch with several foreign languages, especially with Italian.

Before the next "Chronicle" is issued the Boat Race will have been decided and all at Corpus Christi would like to wish the crews every success on the big day. We learnt with pleasure that the Old Boys are going to be present in large numbers and we of Corpus Christi will be there in spirit if not in person.

SUB. A.

Just at the moment we are in the midst of our final test examinations, with the prizes for 1939 depending on the results. Alf. Gillett, W. Gallagher, L. Dixon, H. Hassall, Des. Powell, L. Brophy, B. Mason and K. Lourey are all contenders for the honour of being "Dux of Sub. A, 1939." Full results will appear in the next issue of the "Chronicle."

Since our return weather conditions have given us the chance to play. Tennis has been our favourite sport, with would-be champions like L. Brophy, L. Cashin, L. Barbeta, D. Powell, G. Feery all wearing out their shoes and their racquets. The hot sun deprived Alf. of his "Palmolive complexion."

Our athletes, too, are receiving a fair share of prominence. Even Tom Brudenall has taken up training. Of

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his own accord? Why, er!—well, why not?

Clovis Hastings is now an authority on the town of Albury. He thinks the Spirit of Progress is a marvellous train. Being a Victorian, he naturally would.

L. Barbeta, L. Patterson, K. Lourey, D. O'Meara, and H. O'Toole became so holiday-minded that it took them sometime to realise that school had started. However, they did return and now are "hard at it."

As a preparation for the finals of the Melbourne Football League, B. Scott heavily bandaged one eye. They say he was a one-eyed supporter of Collingwood.

We have no rowers, none of us being water-minded, although some who reside in "the cottage" are able to give fair exhibitions of paddling.

Did Des. Stone go to sleep in school on his first morning back?

Who was the boy who suggested holding a smoke social. He promised to provide cigars!

Who won 3d malt balls because Sth. Melbourne won the wooden spoon?

Who lost 3d malt balls?

Just where are Max Dooley's gymnastic shoes?

Fred England has joined the aristocratic "Spectacle Brigade." We assure you he looks quite nice.

Brian Condren, B. Scott, D. Stone and Fred are practising solidly for the table tennis championships to be held towards the end of the year.

D. O'Meara thinks he will be able

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to give the Melbourne boys one or two points (inches, we hope) about high jumping.

Is it true Jack Davis and W. Maden are training secretly for the Siamese race in our own College Sports?

Charlie Phibbs is reported to be our first "air-raid" casualty. Swathed in bandages he cannot even read—he just sits kind-a-lonesome. Bert Hassell, in sympathy, has declared an armistice; and with Charlie out of action he finds life dull.

Martin Moran enjoyed his day at the Melbourne Show, marvelled at the Big City, thought Clark's Hill was better, bought a sample torch—and still talks of his wonderful day.

Keve Leonard is our hope of being represented in the handball championships.

CRUSADERS.

Quite a considerable increase in the number of Crusaders was noticed since our last issue.

M. Lawson, B. Hussey, J. Harris, G. Nugent, J. O'Neill and F. Dwyer have all joined the ranks of the C.B.S. We trust they will be faithful to their word of honour and their weekly Communion. Their splendid example is a further reminder to those who have not as yet joined the Apostleship of Prayer and the Crusaders.

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SOLVED.

Quite a number of boys have been asking what is the "snappy" tune played, over the wireless, prior to each B.B.C. broadcast. J.A.K. informs us that it is "The British Grenadiers." He further mentions that a grenadier was a picked soldier whose work it was to throw grenades. The Grenadier Guards play a prominent part in the English Army.

THE GOLF TOURNAMENT.

Owing to an accidental mistake the results of the S.P.C. Annual Golf Tournament were omitted from last issue of the "Chronicle."

The College Open Championship was won by Jack McCarthy, of the L.C. Class who did the course in 90.

Jim Wise carried off the honours in the A grade handicap event with a score of 96; while Pat. Cashin was successful in securing the B grade, his score sheet reading 101.

SALUTES.

Hints for the Guidance of Young Officers.

The following is the correct procedure for a young officer in charge of an armed party upon meeting a staff officer riding a bicycle. Correct procedure: If marching at attention, order your men to march at ease, and to light cigarettes and eat bananas. Then, having fixed bayonets, give the order: "Across the road—straggle!"

A General Officer, who strolls across your barrack square precisely at the moment when you and your platoon have got into mutual difficulties. Correct procedure: Lie down flat upon your face (directing your platoon to do the same), cover your head with gravel, and pretend you are not there.

A soldier, driving an official motor car without the knowledge of the officer, encounters the officer in a narrow country lane. Correct procedure: The soldier will open the throttle to its full extent and run the officer over. Correct acknowledgment: No acknowledgment is required.

Note.—None of the above compliments will be paid upon active service.—J.D.

SUB. B.

Well, here we are again, readers, and we hope you will enjoy our notes for this issue of the "Chronicle."

Gerald Ware is on the air from 1.15 p.m. to 2 p.m.; but lately it has become increasingly difficult to pick up his wave-length.

There were two recruits for the rowing in Sub B.: Leo Baker and Kevin Kelly.

Since our last "Chronicle" notes we have missing from our midst Bryan Drum, Tom Moloney and Henry Grass.

Recently we all got a shock when Bill Bowtell appeared among us wearing green coat and trousers, a red tie and a yellow sweater. Oh! what colours—spring fashions!

Vin. Gemmola is wasting away to nothing. This is on account of his having to curtail his dinner and be back in time for French.

By the way, has anyone seen G.W.'s Latin Reader? B.L. might know something about it.

B. Leonard is a great artist in our midst. Every night before study there are clusters of boys around his drawing books.

J. O'Meara can tell you the exact weight in tons of the ice in the Glaciarium. Or can he?

Now that the athletics are here we have our representatives in Jack Griffin, Mick Mendes, Gerald Ware, Leo McNair and Ken. Whiteford.

Our two candidates for the boy

with the softest voice are Ray Shelton and Tom O'Toole.

Well, as that is about all Sub. B will ring of till next month. Adieu!

"SWING."

They say that Swing-King Goodman has a message straight from Life. Does that explain why Swing is full of murder, threats and strife?

I can see that swing is modern, for the band conductor stands just like a wild dictator, bulging fat with fierce demands . . . He salutes us with his baton, gives the Peace an awful clout, signals madly to his henchmen; they obey—and war breaks out. The ones who wait nearby hold up each others' arms, and dance like maniacs while Swing presides and screams its rude alarms. The saxophonists puff and blow, the trumpet jokes are thick. The pianist does everything except lie down and kick. The drummer jumps from side to side and leaps like something cursed . . . He can't decide whether to turn a catherine wheel or burst.

The ones who cheer so much for Swing are often cross-grained folk, who have heard its now old-fashioned to regard Swing as a joke. So the Swing addict swings madly, making hits of every kind, till the highbrow with a mallet comes and hits him from behind. The Jitter-bugs say, "We make life bright" . . . But then the highbrows sing: "They murder music, so, of course, they all deserve to . . . Swing!"

R.M.M.

TONGUE TWISTERS.

Mr. O'Shea's lessons on the art of speech have made some of our students so glib in enunciation that they will have little difficulty in mastering these tongue twisters. Still, you can try them out on your little brothers and sisters.

The following tongue-twisting song had a great vogue in the music halls of days gone by:

"Which switch is the switch, miss, for Ipswich?

It's the Ipswich switch which I require.

Which switch switches Ipswich with this switch?

You've switched my switch on the wrong wire.

You've switched on Norwich not Ipswich,

So now to prevent further hitch, If you tell me which switch is Norwich and which switch

Is Ipswich, I'll know s'which is s'which."

If that is too easy learn this by heart:

"Esau sawed wood. Esau Wood would saw wood. All the wood Esau Wood saw, Esau Wood would saw. In other words, all the wood Esau saw to saw, Esau sought to saw. All the wood Wood would saw! And oh, the woodsaw with which Wood would saw wood! But one day Wood's woodsaw would saw no wood, and thus the wood Wood sawed was not the wood Wood would saw if Wood's woodsaw would saw wood. Now Wood would saw wood with a saw which would saw wood. So Esau sought a saw which would saw wood. In fact, of all the other woodsaws Wood ever saw saw wood, Wood never saw a woodsaw that would saw wood as that woodsaw Wood saw saw wood; and so I saw Esau saw wood with the woodsaw Wood saw saw wood."

After that I hope your jaw is not too sore.

Once there was a duel between two men named Shott and Knott. Not that there were ever two men named Shott and Knott, but the duel is described thus:

"Shott shot the shot, and the shot Shott shot shot not Knott, and the shot Knott shot shot not Shott, so Shott shot again, and again the shot Shott shot shot not Knott, but the shot Knott shot shot Shott, so Knott won notwithstanding."

Then there were financial troubles: "Your brother Bob owes my brother Bob a bob, and if your brother Bob doesn't pay my brother Bob the bob your brother Bob owes my brother Bob, my brother Bob will bob your brother Bob on the nob."

A.J.V.

ATHLETICS.

St. Pat's, winners again of "Courier" Cup in the Ballarat Public Schools' Sports and holders of the Dr. Mannix Shield and "Advocate" Cup in the Victorian Catholic Secondary Schools' Competition, will strive hard to retain the latter at the Combined Sports to be held at Olympic Park, Melbourne, on Saturday, October 21.

This year it will be a difficult task, because, as St. Pat's have five crews in training for the annual Ballarat Public Schools' Regatta, they will be without the services of some of their outstanding athletes. However, with the material available it is anticipated that the Green, White and Blue will be prominent enough and worthily uphold the best traditions of the College.

After last Sunday's trials the following have been selected for the special training list:

Under 11: B. Hussey, J. McCarthy, N. O'Dwyer.

Under 12: D. Tooley, L. Hennessy, B. O'Sullivan.

Under 13: P. Kelly, P. Williams, R. Scarfe.

Under 14: D. O'Meara, M. Bartlett, J. Bongiorno, M. Mullane, F. Little.

Under 15: K. Whitford, L. Dell, J. Griffin, T. Colgan, B. Hennessy, P. Boyce.

Under 16: W. Kermond, B. Scally, K. Leonard, P. White, T. Brudenall, B. McKenzie, J. McLoughlan, W. Meakes, B. Gibney, R. Young.

Open: M. Wall, M. Whitty, J. Walsh, T. Vavjenezki, J. Eckel, J.

McMahon, E. Frith, P. Bohan, L. Hoyer.

Entries are to be sent in on Wednesday, October 11th, alterations on programme are allowed until Monday, October 16th.

The following schools compete:—S.P.C., Ballarat; S.P.C., East Melbourne; S.P.C., Sale; Assumption College, Kilmore; De La Salle College, Malvern; C.B.C., Geelong; C.B.C., Victoria Parade; C.B.C., St. Kilda; C.B.C., North Melbourne.

St. Pat's, Ballarat, have won FIVE times out of the last SIX meetings, and hope, despite the rowing handicap, to be well in the running for the 1939 Championship. Best of luck, St. Pat's. "Ero, Ero, Weero, Rum."

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When in America, Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the Grand Old Man of the Chinese diplomatic service in his day, was questioned sweetly by an American: "What 'nese' are you—Japanese, Javanese, Chinese?"

Replying that he was Chinese, he asked in turn: "And what 'kee' are you—monkey, donkey, or Yankee?"

—L. Z. Yuan in Shanghai "Evening Post and Mercury."

REMOVE AND SIXTH GRADE

It is with great pleasure that we open this month's "Chronicle" with the enrolment of the following boys in the Society of the Crusaders of the Blessed Sacrament: M. Lawson, J. McGoldrick, L. Quinn, F. Nugent, B. Hussey, J. Harris, G. Nugent, J. O'Neill, and F. Dwyer. Their devotion will bring to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament great consolation, which He will not be slow to reward with many graces.

Now, as promised in last month's edition we are to call up those who have not appeared in the "Chronicle" this year, and apparently have been hiding their lights under bushels.

Mick Bartlett, Percy Williams and John Tooley ran into the leading posi-

tions in the "try-outs" last Sunday. They also study well.

Basil Dawson (Bronco) is doing well in school; kicked 3 goals in the soccer final, and meets several problems in Geometry.

Bob Robbins lends his father a hand in the shop in Bridge Street, and can usually find time to learn his work. Alan Symes is showing great effort at his cornet practices and can play "Peggy O'Neill" to some effect.

John Elsum is going well, but he likes arithmetic as much as Peter Wilson likes an early start for the term—and that's not much! Still when you understand that he was holidaying in Sydney you can't blame him for the delay.

Alf. Foo is a bit doubtful about the examiner; however, the examiner is not afraid of Alf.

Bruce Hussey is a great convert. This left-handed writer is now one of the best right-handed pen pushers in the room. It has taken only two months for the change by our system.

There are three others left: John McCarthy, Gerard O'Dwyer, and Ron Rosser. They remind us of the three monkeys: "See nothing, hear nothing, know nothing." I'll leave it to you to puzzle this out. Tat-ah!

LITERARY SOCIETY.

On Sunday, September 24th, the Literary Society met for the first time this term. It was decided to hold four meetings before dispersing till 1940, two preceding the October test and two after. On the Sundays, October 15th and October 22nd, a competition will be held, and the winner will receive a handsome prize. As this is the first of such competitions to be held for many years it should arouse great interest among the members of the Society. The arrangements for this oratory competition will be known later.

The chairman for our first gathering was A. Fry. A. Vavjenezski and B. Cantwell decided "that St. Pat's should form a Cadet Corps such as has been formed in other schools." W. Kermond chose as his subject "Disraeli" and pointed out to us the political achievements of this Victorian statesman. We were pleased to see that R. Livingstone secured his position as a senior pilot in the Australian National Airways, although he commenced work as a ground pilot. R. McKee congratulated Ray on his achievement. L. Delahunty discussed "Artesian Bores in Australia." G. Ryan welcomed D. McGlade back to Essendon after touring America with the victorious Davis Cup team. The usual news summaries were given.

On Sunday, October 1st, Mark Whitty was in the chair. We do not want the reader to think that this programme was drawn up for the sake of propaganda. The debate was held on the question, "That Australia should send an Expeditionary Force Abroad." The decision was given to the negative speakers: J. Crosbie and J. Kearney, who defeated the affirmative representatives: L. Vaughan and K. de Lacy. The secrets of the Maginot Line were revealed to us by M. Wall, while K. Kearney spoke on Hitler's Childhood. The toast of the evening which relieved the gloomy atmosphere somewhat was proposed by J. Credlin. The guest of honour was K. Hogan, who was recently appointed Minister of Agriculture. Although their tasks were difficult ones, the news commentators carried out their duties admirably.

JUNIOR ROOM RUMOURS.

It just shows how keen some ladies are. Micky O'S., Gerard, Marshall and Bob Bourke were so anxious not to miss any school time that they waited till the holidays started before they caught the measles.

One boy returned after the holidays disguised as a rabbit. Any day,

now, we expect to see him burrowing under the school.

Perhaps everyone is not aware that this room supplies two of the sweetest singers in the College Choir. They keep their voices in trim by plenty of throat exercise during school time.

Congratulations are due to Ray K. on his regular attendance of late. He is beginning to forget what it feels like to be away from school. Nice work!

Eugene is proving himself of great value to his side by collecting many marks.

We are pleased to welcome two new boys this term—Ted Schaefer and John Greening. Both of them show promise of being extra good scholars.

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"I also got a cup for running."
"Whom did you beat?"
"The owner and three policemen."

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Policeman: How did you get up that tree?

Tramp: Ain't you got no sense? I sat on it when it was an acorn.

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Teacher: Every one of God's creatures is here for a useful purpose. Now what do we learn from the mosquito, Jimmie?

Jimmie: We learn from the mosquito how easy it is to get stung.

FRANK KROON MEMORIAL STATUE.

Acknowledgments:

2/- each: T. O'Brien, L. Delahunty, J. Wise, R. Young, R. McKee, L. Larmer, B. McNamara, W. Begg, B. Gibney, P. White, P. Cashin, R. Hayes, L. Cashin.

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of bed. All at once a possible solution hit him hard and put him to sleep.

The next night Sheerluck observed that Ying ran across the courtyard with his long pigtail flapping behind him. From his hiding place he heard the soft pad, pad, as of bast slippers pursuing Ying. At that moment he knew that he had solved the problem.

The following day Ying visited a barber and had his pigtail removed for Sheerluck had persuaded him that it was old fashioned, and his ancestors' ghosts having modernistic minds would surely dislike it.

"Elementary! by dear Algernon," said Sheerluck when asked for an explanation of his movements. "You see, my boy, I deduced that if Ying only heard the ghosts when he was running, therefore it must be something appertaining to his fast movements. By close observation I found that when his pigtail flapped up and down it emitted a noise like that of a Chinaman running behind him, and so I had the cause of annoyance removed." "But," he added, while he reflected, "simple as it was, it was one of the toughest cases I've ever handled."

YOU IN THEIR PLACE.

You have just come home from your sister's funeral. She had been your only living relative. As you wander through the lonely house wondering what to do, someone knocks on the door. You open it to find a mild-looking man in a great-coat standing there. After you have asked him in, he puts a proposition before you. Almost as in a dream you accept. Your visitor leaves and it is only after reading the instructions which he gave you that you realise what you have done.

A few days later you are driving your car along a mountain track. You laugh bitterly as you come to a certain point. Then having got out of the car you set it running over the

embankment. You shudder as it hits the bottom and bursts into flames.

You remain in hiding for a few days and when you venture out again you are unrecognisable. You take a train to the city and for something to do you read a newspaper. You have a prickly sensation as you read of your death.

"While journeying across the mountains a car, driven by Mr. E. Whitford, the well-known business magnate, crashed 300 feet over an embankment to the gorge below. The car was completely burnt but for one number plate which allowed for identification of the car and driver," so runs the paragraph.

You reach the city, and obeying your instructions you proceed to a large grey building; you pass through a multitude of corridors, and finally arrive at a door marked "Interceptor Business Co." You enter and say a certain word to the man behind the desk. He smiles encouragingly and leads you through a secret door down more long passages. Finally, you enter another room and find yourself among a small number of men. A soft voice drones: "So you wish to join our society." You nod, and the voice goes on: "Do you solemnly swear to abide by . . ." You hardly know what it is saying. At the end you manage to mumble the words necessary to take the oath. Then your hand is shaken by all those present and you begin to feel justly proud. You have joined the British Secret Service.

Bryan Cantwell.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

Des. Ryan of Sub B was the only student to forecast the correct scores for the grand final between Carlton and Collingwood. He has, therefore, received the prize of 2/6. Congratulations!

The Editor regrets that the Serial Story has not arrived in time for publication.

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A CATHOLIC AUSTRALIA CRUSADE.

A crusade in the twentieth century? Yes, incredible though it sounds—a Crusade—and to convert Australia for Christ. Impossible! you will say. Perhaps, unless we Catholics do something about it.

But is it really worth working for? Well, Our Blessed Lord thought it was worth dying for. It is His wish that Australia should be Catholic, and He has put at our disposal the means to bring it about. Why not use them? Conversions have to be won by PRAYER. That will be our real key to success. Interest non-Catholics in the Church when you can: answer their questions: remember they have not the background of Catholic tradition and upbringing that you have—but above all PRAY FOR THEM.

Recite each day the Prayer for the Conversion of Australia, a copy of which you will find enclosed with this issue of the "Chronicle." Get your family and your friends interested and saying the prayer also.

If you can dispose of further copies of the prayer—the Catholic Australia Movement among the students at Corpus Christi College, Werribee, will be pleased to supply them in any quantity. Drop a line to the secretary.

THE HOLY SOULS.

November is with us, giving to all a reminder from Holy Mother Church not to forget that, as members of the Communion of Saints, we should assist by our fervent Masses, Communions, prayers, and "acts" those souls who are condemned by the Divine Justice to expiate their sins and the temporal punishment due to them in the cleansing flames of Purgatory.

The Spirit of Charity, the badge of the followers of Christ, our glorious Leader, should impel every boy to give a ready answer to the heart-breaking cry for assistance that is continually welling up from the abode of suffering.

The answer has already been suggested—Masses, Communions, Prayers and "Acts." These good works will fall like a refreshing rain on a parched ground and bring to the Suffering Souls a speedy deliverance from their pains.

"Have pity on me, at least you my friend." Prove yourself a real friend of those who are really your spiritual brothers. And remember, too, that in assisting the Souls in Purgatory you are at the same time, assisting yourself.

The Souls freed by your efforts will go before the Throne of God to plead

for you,—to obtain for you the graces necessary to "fight the good fight" and secure the eternal salvation of your own soul. Their prayers too will plead that your time in Purgatory may be very short.

"Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

HONOURS CLASS NOTES.

Now that the strain of the October Tests are over, the Honours Class has settled down for the final spurt. With the rapid approach of the December Exams, a feverish activity is evident. Even Tony Vavj. is beginning to wear a worried look. Perhaps this is due to the added political cares which now fall on the head of the Baron of Kracow. Tony insists that his full name is Baron Vavenjenocenezki—Well! that's what it sounded like to me. Of course, you know its Polish? However, his blue blood does not prevent him from working hard, and one night he remained at his books until 12 o'clock—not compulsory, but it had to be done!

Phil. Fav. and Allan Waldron, after entering for the Weight Putt

Championship, have decided that to defeat Max Gill after his victory in the Combined Sports, would be bad sportsmanship, so they have withdrawn their entries.

Joe Flan., popularly known as "Murry Joe," is again involved in "betting" activities, and was recently brought up before the stipendiary stewards. He was represented by F. Labb, and was acquitted with costs, on promising to be a good boy in the future.

Stop! Look! Listen! Joe Fav., who attained his 18th birthday during the week, will soon be a legalised pedestrian-killer. He is already armed with a 1938 Nash, which looks capable of doing extensive damage in Joe's hands. Nevertheless, we congratulate Joe and wish him the best of luck.

J. Pekin has been working so hard trying to cultivate a nervous breakdown that we offer him the following advice: "Don't run, Jack; walk! Don't walk, Jack; sit! Don't sit, Jack; lie down! Take it easy, Jack; take it easy!"

On October 20th the Biology Class bade farewell to Miss Griffiths. However, Geoff. is still carrying on, and under his capable management the class is capable of attaining excellent results.

Mitchell of the Mounted.

By J. De Vere Blennerhassett.

MITCHELL OF THE MOUNTED.

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Synopsis of preceding chapters.

Ralph Mitchell, of the Queenstand Mounted Police, has recently been promoted to a district in which a tribe of blacks is sometimes troublesome, and occasionally there is sheep stealing indulged in by white men.

On the way to his new post, Ralph picks up the track of a white man and a black, and rightly concludes that their association bodes no good to law and order. Falling in with them, he extends to them the courtesies and hospitality of the bush, and later they depart southwards, whilst Ralph proceeds on his journey west. Arrived at his destination, Ralph finds some mail from headquarters which causes him to resolve very rapidly.

In the morning he sets out, and by good luck as much as by judgment, he comes on a corral in the foothills in which some 200 sheep are penned.

Chapter VI.

Ralph soon arranged his plan of campaign, the first part of which was negative—he would light no fire, and would sacrifice even his pipe, for fear of giving smoke signals to "the enemy."

Letting his horses take their chance of a premature showdown, Ralph sought the seclusion of a thickly matted sector of gum trees, and stood in among the mulga which was only on a level with his head, to take observations. Then returning to his horses, he abstracted some dry food from his pack, and returned to await events. "Events" began after six hours of cramped and weary watching. The sound of the hoof beats of two horses suddenly struck the ear of the waiting officer, with a music more welcome than a chorus under the baton of

Malcolm Sargent. Ralph bent down in the mulga, to wait until the rovers should come in sight. In ten minutes time, he had his first sight of a giant or white through distant trees, and gradually the full view of horses and men "hove" in sight. The pair were coming straight for the mulga patch in which Ralph was hidden. Getting his pistols ready he stood ready for a "coup." When the two men were almost in touching distance of him, Ralph suddenly rushed out, confronted them, and pointed a pistol very collectedly. "Keep Wilks covered, Dempsey," he called to an imaginary companion behind him, and "You watch Yarraman, Draper." The names of his imaginary companions were well and unfavourably known to the two sheep stealers, and believing themselves to be covered, they held up their hands, dismounted when told, and Ralph lowered his pistol in the pretence that the other officers had them completely in their power. Quickly he encircled their wrists with the little brass instruments supplied by a paternal Government for such emergencies, and leaving them awhile went into the scrub and held a triangular conversation with his two imaginary companions. Releasing his horses he sent them cantering away, shouting out directions to their imaginary riders, and began to make immediate preparations for his return. This did not take long, and to recover the horses was an easy task. Within 20 minutes he had his prisoners mounted, still handcuffed, and the journey back to Bindooroo began. Warning his prisoners that whatever they would say would be used in evidence against them, Ralph was not quite unprepared for the spate of information which they began to give him. The men had been caught red-handed, they knew that the "game was up" for many a

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day, and cared not what details they gave to the officer, since a term in gaol would follow in any case.

When five miles out from Bindooroo Wilks asked where were the other officers—how far behind. "I'm all the officers rolled into one," said Ralph with an amused smile. "What!" cried Wilks, "mean to say there was nobody with you in the scrub?" "Alone I did it, boy," returned the officer, "that was only my way of not giving way to loneliness, talking to Dempsey and Draper when they were miles and miles away."

"If I'd have known it," said Wilks, "you would have had a fight for it." "I would, of course," said Ralph. "I often have fights, and I often win them. Anyhow, here is the City of Bindooroo ready to give us welcome." Sure enough, the "City" was all assembled around the barber's shop, not indeed waiting for them, but getting news of the Test. Yarraman showed his broadmindedness or his lack of responsibility by shouting out: "Ha! Mr Burnett, you tellem what that pfeller Bradman make!"

(To be continued)

AMONG THE OLD BOYS.

TERRY BROWN, who has now tired of social engagements offered by the "Big City," has settled down to a quiet life. Is studying—at night school, more or less. Often seen in Collins Street or on The Block during the lunch hour. Blissful amblings!

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The McLOUGHLIN COUSINS, Len and Pat, are rumoured to be champion billard players. Pat takes things easy, while Len is busy delving into the depths of accountancy.

WILLIAM McCARTHY is still in the Commerce Department in Collins Street, paying subsidy on fertilizer. Incidentally, is in a quandary. Does not know whether to play tennis at Garden Vale or visit the little town of Fernhill. Says the proverb: "A bird in hand is better than one in the bush," Bill!

FRANK McARDLE, who is in the Betting Tax Branch packs a gun—not the lead-throwing variety. Is a staunch member of the Champion Society. Doing well in accountancy.

PAT GILL, at present taxing incomes, has spent a small fortune on a gun—and can he shoot? Began by practising at haystacks and latest reports have it that he can hit a kerosene tin at fifty yards. Has taken up distance running with the Old Paradisiacs. What is the handicap, Pat?

JOHN HOLLAND succeeds in crowding eight days—or nights—into seven. An adept at table tennis and superb terpsichorean artist. In his spare time does law. Turned "swat vac" into "vac."

BRIAN RUSHFORD makes startling discoveries in chemistry. Champion tall story teller. Tell the boys about the fox hunt!

TERRY KEOGH spent his recent holidays censoring the many picture shows in Town. Has purchased a new Old School Tie.

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JACK CALLAHAN has not fulfilled his resolution to join the Champion Society yet. Was in a deb. set or two last season. A waltzer of fame!

BRIAN HANNIGAN still persists in doing Commerce. Is doing very well, he says.

JAMES DELAHUNTY is still banking in the back-blocks of the State. A marksman of ill-repute. Languishes at Casterton for the high spots(?) of city life. Debating with himself as to whether he should go to Canberra.

JACK GILL, according to reports, is doing well in far-off Apsley.

BILL FOGARTY, when free from study, plays quite a nice hand at tennis. His brother Jack, we are told, goes out to tea on Sunday night. Would we say he is court-ous? En avant!

MARTIN DROMGOOLE, now in General Motors, is seeking a position in the Education Department.

HARVEY MUNDAY is a busy man in the commercial world. Dislikes rising early. Napoleon only worked eighteen hours a day!

MICK MADDEN is the steady-going fellow we knew him to be at school. Wears his Stetson at the right angle.

ALLAN McDONALD has succeeded in balancing his budget. Is looking forward to a trip to Ballarat on Sports Day.

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BRIAN BOURKE has been noticed "buzzing" around the Taxation Offices. Doing Leaving at night school.

GARRY DURKIN is a super salesman in an Elizabeth Street store.

JACK HOLMES was seen in the City during the recent holidays. In the fashion, but not "alone." "Silence" is the word.

DERMOT SULLIVAN, who completed Law this year, is somewhat in the same position—a man of few words—and not alone.

TOM HOGAN is in the same category. Probably that is why he did not attend the last smoke social.

MATT. HYLAND is seen at St. Kilda occasionally on Saturday evenings. Has Ted Long to look after him down Garden Vale way. Have been out together. And can Ted "swing." Well, ask him yourself!

LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

With the October Tests over, everybody has settled down to solid work once more in preparation for the big exams. At the end of the term. There is only a short time to go now, so you may see some of the Leaving boys walking about with books under their arms, and I mean under their arms.

We were all very sorry when we learnt that Frank Kroon had to undergo a serious operation recently. Frank was one of the most popular

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boys in the class, and even in the most depressing moments he had a cheery word for everybody. There was great anxiety among the Leaving boys during the critical period, but now we are pleased to know that he is getting along well. We would like, therefore, to take this opportunity of wishing Frank a speedy recovery, and hope that he will soon be well again.

The Leaving Class can once more give a good account of itself in all the sports. Three of the first Tennis IV are Leaving representatives: Max Gill, Leo Browne and Jack Connell. In the second four our representative is Gerhard Jongebloed. As the competitions will be commencing shortly we wish these boys all the best, and hope that they will keep up the best traditions of the Leaving Class.

In the Combined Sports in Melbourne two records were broken by Leaving boys: Max Gill in the weight putt and Jim Donovan in the high jump under 16. Many other creditable performances were put up, as for instance by Jack Connell, Joe Cunneen, Jim Lane, and Leo Horgan who literally bolted.

The results of the recent music examinations proved a wonderful success as far as the Leaving candidates were concerned. Pat Bohan obtained Honours in both practical and theory for Grade II Piano; while Gerhard Jongebloed, who did Grade II Violin obtained Honours in theory with 94 per cent. and Credit in theory. Jack Eckel who sat for Grade IV Violin obtained Credit. Congrats. to all for the very creditable performance.

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Joe Crosbie created a rather uncomfortable situation a few days ago when he asked about "Meeting at Night." Evidently the wrong meaning was taken from it, for there was absolutely no discussion, at least in class.

Basil Tierney tried a daredevil stunt on Jack Elliot's bicycle recently, but unfortunately he did not land on the seat again. However he is back to keep "Teddy" company once more looking only "a leetle the worse for wear."

Well, next time we appear in the "Chronicle" we will have nothing to talk about but exams. so far the present "Au Revoir" from the Leaving Class.

LIBRARY.

Still the number of books in the College Library increases. A further supply of books has recently been received per Ian Keelan, our best benefactor. Also, quite a number of new juvenile books have been added. Two interesting novels, "The Masterful Monk," and "The Shadow on the Earth" have been placed on the shelves and should appeal to all the senior students.

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MUSIC RESULTS.

In the recent music examinations the pupils of Miss K. McManamny were particularly successful. We offer our sincerest congratulations to Miss McManamny and to her pupils.

Results—

Grade II Piano: Bill Kermond.

Grade II Musical Perception: Gerard Jongebloed (Hons.), 94 per cent.; Pat Bohan (Hons.), 88 per cent.

Grade III Piano: Desmond O'Hagan, Credit; Barry Jenkin.

Grade III Musical Perception: Desmond O'Hagan.

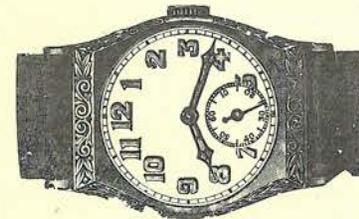
Grade VI Piano: Bob Rice (Hons.), 87 per cent.; Bill Meakes (Hons.), John Spicer, Credit; George Wilkin-son, Credit.

Mrs. Payne's pupils were equally successful, and to her also we offer sincere congratulations. P. Bohan, Grade II (Honours), 85 per cent.; G. Higham (Preparatory), 92 per cent.; V. Mishkinis, Grade IV (Violin), 89 per cent.; and J. Hutcheson, Grade IV (Violin), passed.

CHRISTMAS MAILS.

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DIARY FOR OCTOBER.

Saturday, 1st:

J.D. says he took a holiday and went fishing—seeing life from another angle.

Sunday, 2nd:

K.K. says that when motoring he just takes a bite at the wheel. Boy, what a digestion!

Monday, 3rd:

French translation of "the dog howled: Le chien hibou.

Tuesday, 4th:

I.J. says he intends to go excavating for skeletons. Take a look in our cupboard, I.J.

Wednesday, 5th:

Not many sounds exceed in interest a knock at the door.

Thursday, 6th:

The Editor regrets that there was no life in "The Cemetery," S.J.

Friday, 7th:

G.W. says that his straight left is an eye-opener. Ours is an eye-closer!

Saturday, 8th:

P.W. says "The explorers slept with their heads on stones." That's all right as long as they didn't start pillow fighting.

Sunday, 9th:

What can be worse than standing in the rain with a corn on each foot? Standing in a queue with a foot on each corn!

Monday, 10th:

Education to-day develops the memory at the expense of the imagination.

Tuesday, 11th:

W.M. says that the trouble with many a fat man is his daily doesn't.

Wednesday, 12th:

I have it on good authority that the foundation of the success of some marriages is dumb-founded.

Thursday, 13th:

If you would be a self-made man, don't do it with unskilled labour!

Friday, 14th:

L.W. says: "He is wise who knows when he is otherwise."

Saturday, 15th:

The only tolerance that earns the name is that towards intolerance.

Sunday, 16th:

Intuition: The strange instinct that tells a woman she is right whether she is or not!

Monday, 17th:

M.P. says that what cars need is chatterproof glass behind the driver's seat.

Tuesday, 18th:

The greatest menace in the world to-day is not poison gas, but poisoned ideas.

Wednesday, 19th:

It isn't your position but your disposition that counts.

Thursday, 20th:

It is well to remember that we cannot keep on the safe side and climb obstacles too.

Friday, 21st:

The good old days—when only one man in Europe thought he was Napoleon.

SUCCESS AT SOUTH STREET

At the recent South St. Competitions the St. Patrick's College Boys were well in the running, in fact more than held their own in every section they competed in.

Mr. O'Shea had the satisfaction of winning a place in every Junior Section his students competed.

G. Dwyer gained First, Third and Hon. Mention, out of three entries; Frank Killeen, Second; W. Clohesy two Hon. Mentions and Special Mention; and Adrian Anderson a Hon. Mention. Each of these boys came in from the adjudicator. Mr. Trotman said: "G. Dwyer showed great talent and promise;" "F. Killeen was made of the right stuff and should go far;" "W. Clohesy was the possessor of a beautiful voice and wonderful stage presence;" and "Adrian Anderson had wonderful and well modulated voice—this student has the root of very fine work in him."

STOP PRESS!

The inter-school tennis competitions began last Wednesday, when S.P.C. met last year's premiers, Grammar School. Play was continued on the Thursday.

The result was a victory for S.P.C. by 5 rubbers 74 games to 3 rubbers 68 games.

Full details will appear in next issue.

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Personalities

We Introduce:

DES. O'HAGAN, the Dux of Intermediate A and one of the smallest students at S.P.C., but one who has in a short time made himself conspicuous in study circles.

Born at Manangatang (the worst part of the Mallee, so he thinks!) in 1926, he started his scholastic career at the Darnum State School. Later, he migrated to Birchip, where he became Dux of St. Mary's in 1936, and where, also, he secured a Government Technical Scholarship. During his stay in Birchip he was taught by Miss Green in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Grades and to this zealous teacher we offer our congratulations on the brilliant successes of her student in whom she has laid a "solid" foundation upon which his S.P.C. fine achievements have been built. In 1937 he proceeded to St. Pat's. In his first year in the Sub. Intermediate he achieved great success and, in competition with the students from all the Christian Brothers' College in Victoria and Tasmania, secured 1st place in the Intermediate Entrance Examination conducted by the Christian Brothers' Secondary Schools' Association. In addition he secured 1st place in French with the splendid percentage of 97, at the same time passing brilliantly in eleven subjects (and he himself only 11 years of age!). And now this year he has given further evidence of his ability in "topping" the Intermediate Class.

As a musician Des. also is a "note"

worthy student. He has already passed in Grade IV. Music and Theory and Grade III Music and Perception.

Des. is a keen philatelist and also a lover of the Meccano which indicates that later on we may hear of him as an engineer of the first rank. "*En avant*," Desmond!

GREGORY ALEX. WALSH was born at Wangaratta on 31st January, 1926. This makes his present age to be approximately 13 years. He came to Ballarat in 1931. For several years he attended our school at Drummond Street, and this year came to St. Pat's to enter the Remove Class and to begin his secondary course. We find him, now, Dux of his class with perhaps English as his best subject. His fluency in composition is no doubt due in a great degree to his reading. Although his ambitions are vague at the moment, we congratulate him and wish him every success for his future.

VAL. KNOWLES, who was born at Koo-wee-rup and received there his earlier education. Last year (1937) he secured a "Sydney Myer" Scholarship and graduated to St. Pat's where by his industry and ability he has achieved the honour of being Dux of his class, Sub. Intermediate B, for 1938.

Although young and a newcomer, Val. is extremely popular and has

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been to the fore in sporting activities—as a member of the "Shed" Cricket and as the Captain of the premier team in the Senior St. Roch's Competition.

EDWARD FRITH: Trentham is at last illustrious, for it was there 15 years ago, on the 18th April, 1923, to be exact, that Edward John Frith was born. Ed. is Dux of Inter B for 1938, with an average of 83 per cent. in his six selected subjects. The subject of this notice came to S.P.C. in February, 1937, and entered the ranks of the Inter B boys. He has upheld the honour of his first school, the Bullarto State School. In 1937 Sub. Inter Exams, Ed. was Dux of Sub B, 3rd in the State for all Sub. Inters., and 1st in the State in arithmetic. This year's success is very fitting then.

In sport, too, Edward John Frith shows promise. This year (1938) he was vice-captain of Rod Hayes' successful team in the Shed Competition. His batting average was 35. He played in all matches with the under 15 years football team. This year he gained a place in the B.P.S. Athletic Team and secured 2nd place in the under 16 years high jump. Besides these successes, of which we are certain, there is another probable success, for Ed. is knocking at the door of the tennis team (and he has been admitted).

We put the finishing touch on this sketch by mentioning Ed's. greatest

honour: he was this year admitted as a member of Our Lady's Sodality.

LEONARD DE GRAAF.—On February 3rd, 1932, Leonard De Graaff was enrolled as a pupil of the Christian Brothers' School, Ballarat East. For two years previously he had been attending the primary school at St. Alipius conducted by the Sisters of Mercy.

From Len's first day in the Brothers' School he showed he was alert, and always anxious to reach the coveted goal—the premier place; and during his six years at the Ballarat East Christian Brothers, this position was taken from him on one occasion only and that was at the final examination in 1932, when he was defeated by Thomas Moloney—since entered the Christian Brothers' Juniorate, Strathfield—by one mark.

Len's most outstanding achievement was at the final examination last year, when he secured a brilliant pass in the Merit Examination; received the Paterson, Powell & Sandford trophy for Dux of the School, and was awarded the Old Boys' Scholarship tenable at St. Patrick's College for three years.

Len. was not a very great asset to the school's sporting activities, but at the end of the year when the concert tickets were to be disposed of, Len. was once again in the forefront.

During his year at S.P.C. Len. has continued to be successful and has now the honour of being Dux of Sub. Intermediate A.

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INTER. A CLASS NOTES.

The third term is rapidly drawing on, and the December exams. will be commencing in a few weeks' time. All have set their minds to strenuous study, and are imbued with the "right spirit" of study.

After very keen competition Des. O'Hagan has succeeded in attaining the greatest honour in Intermediate A, namely, "Dux of the Class for 1938." He was closely followed by B. Gibney, 2nd; G. Ryan, 3rd; D. McGlade, 4th; and J. Credlin, 5th.

The following were the leaders in the various subjects: English, D. O'Hagan; Latin, D. O'Hagan; French, D. O'Hagan; Algebra, J. Flynn; Geometry, B. Gibney; Arithmetic, D. O'Hagan; Physics, D. McGlade; Chemistry, D. O'Hagan; History, M. O'Keefe; Geography, T. O'Brien; and Drawing, J. Sullivan.

The Inter "A's" were well represented at the Melbourne Sports by B. McGrath, W. Kermond, and B. Scally, who helped to gain the well-earned victory. At the Ballarat sports our following representatives contributed to the victory: B. Hill, W. Kermond, J. Sullivan, B. Scally and B. McGrath. We were sorry to hear that Jim McMahon broke his arm recently. However, he is now back with us again.

We were pleased to welcome a new arrival from St. Kilda, namely, Tertius Walsh. He certainly keeps the boys amused, especially at Physics time.

Des. McGlade is our representative in the tennis. He will probably be a member of the 2nd IV.

On Sports Day, Pat. Cashin and Pat. Conway returned to their old occupation, but this time as "pineapple boys."

All entered wholeheartedly into the Living Rosary. We are now preparing for November, the month of the Holy Souls.

INTERMEDIATE B.

Intermediate B once more go to Press. The October Test exams. have come and gone. They held a few serious lessons for individuals here and there, so let us hope they are not forgotten. Our congratulations go to Ed. Frith, who secured the duxship. Others worthy of a word of praise are W. Brittain, J. Ratcliffe, G. Little, Leo. Segrave, G. Thomson and Con. Conroy.

We are delighted to know that Frank Kroon is doing so well after his operation. Frank was a much visited and very happy sufferer on the day of the Melbourne Combined Sports.

And speaking of sports. We congratulate our Aths. Team on their success in Melbourne and in Ballarat. We of Inter B contributed 5 points to the Ballarat victory per medium of our high jumping dux. Now we are looking forward to our own day on November 5th. No prophecies. But we will let you know in the next issue!

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Tennis

In this issue of the "Chronicle," we are able to give a fuller account of the tennis activities than in last month's issue. By now it can easily be seen that the interest taken in tennis and the standard of the boys' play are in marked contrast to that of the last two years. This rebirth of tennis at S.P.C. is, in no small way, due to the copious zeal and untiring energy of our two coaches, Mr. C. Stuart, and Mr. D. Whittington. Because of the improvement shown in every boy's game, we are sure that the lessons of our two coaches have not been waste of time.

S.P.C. v. N. FLANAGAN'S TEAM.

On Sunday, the 23rd October, in preparation for the forthcoming inter-school matches a team of S.P.C. players staged a very keen contest against a team of Old Boys led by Noel Flanagan from Melbourne. At the end of the day the scores gave a well-merited victory to St. Pat's, thus giving us great hopes for success in the B.P.S. matches. The final scores were—

- S.P.C.: 9 sets 123 games.
- Visitors: 8 sets 119 games.
- Results—
- M. Gill and L. Browne lost to N. Flanagan and T. Boyle, 8—9.
- J. Connell and J. Flanagan lost to J. O'Dea and B. Cleary, 7—9.
- M. Gill and L. Browne lost to J. O'Dea and B. Cleary, 6—9.
- J. Connell and J. Flanagan lost to N. Flanagan and T. Boyle, 5—9.
- M. Gill defeated N. Flanagan, 9—7.

- L. Browne defeated B. Cleary, 9—6.
- J. Connell defeated J. O'Shea, 9—8.
- J. Flanagan lost to J. Fogarty, 9—2.
- D. Nolan defeated L. Howard, 9—8.
- G. Jongebloed defeated T. Brown, 9—5.
- E. Frith defeated L. Howard, 9—1.
- D. McGlade defeated T. Brown, 9—4.
- M. Gill defeated T. Boyle, 9—6.
- L. Browne lost to T. Boyle, 9—8.
- J. Connell defeated B. Cleary, 6—4.
- D. Nolan lost to J. Fogarty, 9—3.
- G. Jongebloed lost to J. O'Dea, 7—6.

Max Gill in these matches showed splendid form and gives us every reason to hope that he will probably bring back to S.P.C. the McNeil Cup, which has not entered St. Pat's for six years.

L. Browne, having graduated from last year's seconds, played very well to run F. Boyle, an experienced player, to 9—8, and to defeat B. Cleary.

J. Connell forced to let his tennis slide on account of athletics, played superb tennis to defeat J. O'Dea, a member of last year's firsts and also B. Cleary.

J. Flanagan, taking a long time to warm up, is just now beginning to show his best form. By the time the B.P.S. matches reach us, he should have reached his best form. D. Nolan impressed favourably to gain three games against such a player as J. Fogarty. The winner had to win out every game after at least three deuces. G. Jongebloed's form was very impressive. In defeating I. Brown and making J. O'Dea earn every point, he played very good tennis.

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E. Frith, in defeating L. Howard 9—1, revealed some very fine shots and played extraordinarily well to defeat such an experienced player.

D. McGlade was another player to exceed expectations. In his match with T. Brown he showed splendid form.

As the B.P.S. matches are quickly approaching, the elimination contests have been abandoned, and the challenge rounds have been begun. The eight players to represent St. Pat's will be: 1, M. Gill; 2, L. Browne; 3, J. Flanagan; 4, J. Connell. These four will constitute our First IV, while the Second IV will be chosen from D. Nolan, F. Foster, G. Jongebloed, E. Frith and D. McGlade.

Des. Nolan, on account of sickness, has had to withdraw from sporting activities, and is, therefore, reluctantly forced to relinquish his place in the Seconds. Latest report, however, is that he may be available for our next match against Ballarat College.

In conclusion, we again thank Mr. Stuart and Mr. Whittington for their help, and we hope their efforts will be rewarded by St. Pat's winning the tennis championship and the McNeil Cup.

A SINGULAR HONOUR.

The Bishop of Toowoomba, Most Rev. Dr. Roper, paid us a singular honour on the Feast of All Saints, by celebrating Holy Mass in the College Chapel.

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At the conclusion of Mass our distinguished visitor, and former College Chaplain, addressed the students. Recalling his happy associations with the College during a period of 27 years, he referred to the many distinguished ex-students of St. Patrick's College who received their training in this College. He commented particularly on the devotion of the present students to the Holy Mass and the Blessed Sacrament, exhorting them all to assist at Mass on every possible occasion, urging them not only to assist on the days of obligation but to loyally gather round the Altar on week days, whenever possible. Finally, he fervently invoked the Blessing of God on all present.

We return his good wishes, and fervently pray that God's choicest graces and blessings will aid him in his arduous duties in his new diocese.

SUB. INTERMEDIATE A.

This month we have another and very important set of Examination results to submit to our readers.

The October Tests to decide the class leader were held, and once again Len De Graaff has carried off the honours.

The marks of the first ten were as follows: 1, L. De Graaff, 557; 2, L. Dunne, 501; 3, D. Currie, 494; 4, F. Little, 473; 5, P. Penn, 462; 6, A.

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Ryan, 459; 7, W. Deutschman, 458; 8, J. O'Brien, 452; 9, W. Clohesy, 438; 10, T. Mooney, 427.

The leaders in the individual subjects were:

English: W. Collins and L. Dunne, 71 per cent.

Latin: L. Dunne, 83 per cent.; D. Currie.

French: L. Dunne, 83 per cent.; L. De Graaff.

Arithmetic: L. De Graaff, 94 per cent.; W. Deutschman.

Algebra: L. De Graaff, 90 per cent.; W. Deutschman.

Geometry: P. Penn, 72 per cent.; A. Ryan.

History: B. Higham, 59 per cent.; D. Currie.

Geography: L. Dunne, 67 per cent.; F. Little.

The Christian Doctrine prizewinner will be announced later. And, now, here goes for the Finals! We are all working hard and hope for success so that our holidays may be made more pleasant with the thought "and we passed our exams, as well."

We are really sorry that we have not a television apparatus that you might see us and marvel! Lacking this apparatus we must use words.

Frank Killeen and W. Clohesy recently represented us in the South Street elocutionary items, and both performed creditably. Frank secured the better award—a second. Both boys receive private lessons from Mr. J. O'Shea, our well-known and popular elocution master, all of whose

pupils did splendidly at the competitions.

Don. Currie, following the "fashion," tried to knock a motor car off the street. He finished up in hospital suffering from shock—but we think the car must have got a bigger shock! However, he is 100 per cent. fit again.

Joe. Briody, our "never-sit-still-never-keep-quiet" companion, took a couple of days rest in the Infirm. We missed the "sunshine" of his countenance, but we find that during his sojourn in the Infirm, his smile was "done up," and now 'tis larger and brighter than ever.

Our two successful athletes are Hugh Drum and Keith Munn. The former won the 100 yards championship in the Ballarat Combined Sports; while the latter secured 2nd place in the 220 yards championship, and also did his part in securing a victory for our Relay Team in the same sports.

Congratulations to B. Higham and W. Meakes who dead-headed in the S.P.C. High Jump under 15, jumping 4 feet 11½ ins.

WORD-BUILDING COMPETITIONS.

Only two entries were received. Salvatore Bongiorno, who supplied over 2,000 words, failed to observe the conditions in many cases. The judge's award goes to James McMahon, who submitted over 1,700 correct words. However, in view of Salvatore's great effort and his interest in the competition a special prize of 2/- is awarded.

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On Saturday, 22nd October, the Associated Catholic Secondary Schools held their annual Athletic meeting at the M.C.G. Competing schools were St. Pat's, Ballarat; St. Pat's., East Melbourne; Christian Brothers' College, Geelong; Assumption College, Kilmore; De La Salle College, Malvern; Christian Brothers' College, North Melbourne; Christian Brothers' College, Victoria Parade; and St. Pat's., Sale. St. Pat's., Ballarat, retained the Dr. Mannix Shield for the highest number of points, and also the Senior Cup. Ballarat also came a close second for the Junior Cup, being beaten by North Melbourne.

Two records were broken by Ballarat representatives. Max Gill added 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. to the weight putt, bringing the record up to 38 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., and Jack Burns clipped 1-5 of a second off the under 13 100 yards. In the under 16 high jump, Jim Donovan, clearing 5 ft. 4 in., equalled the existing record. Running a "heady" 440, Leo Horgan came home a very easy winner—a grand finish, leaving his opponents far behind. In the open 100 and 220, Adrian Jones, clearing away from the remainder of the field, recorded two magnificent wins, and also with a great burst of speed, established a comfortable lead in the first sprint of the 880 relay. So run St. Pat's successes:

OPEN.

100 Yards: A. Jones, 1st, 10 2-5 sec.
220 Yards: A. Jones, 1st, 23 4-5 sec.
440 Yards: L. Horgan, 1st, 54 4-5 sec.
880 Yards: J. Pekin, 4th, 2 min. 10 1-5 sec.
One Mile: J. Pekin, 4th, 5 min. 2 sec.
880 Yards Relay: St. Pat's, Ballarat, 1st, 1 min. 37 sec. Team: A.

Jones, L. Horgan, J. Connell, P. Mullins.
120 Yards Hurdles: P. McNamara, 3rd, 17 sec.
Weight Putt: M. Gill, 1st, 38 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. (record).
High Jump: J. Cuneen, equal 1st, 5 ft. 5 in.
Broad Jump: J. Connell, 1st, 20 ft. 10 in.

UNDER 16.

100 Yards: J. Lane, 1st, 11 sec.
220 Yards: K. O'Connor, 5th.
90 Yards Hurdles: K. O'Connor, 1st, 12 4-5 sec.
High Jump: J. Donovan, 1st, 5ft. 4 in. (equal record).
Broad Jump: J. Donovan, 1st, 18 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

UNDER 15.

220 Yards: W. Kermond, 5th.
880 Yards Relay: St. Pat's, Ballarat, 1st, 1 min. 45 sec. Team: W. Kermond, K. Munn, H. Drum, B. Scally.
Broad Jump: J. Lennox, 3rd.

UNDER 14.

100 Yards: J. Burns, 2nd, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.
UNDER 13.
100 Yards: J. Burns, 1st, 11 4-5 sec. (record).

UNDER 12.

100 Yards: B. O'Sullivan, 2nd, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

UNDER 11.

75 Yards: B. O'Sullivan, 2nd, 10 1-5 sec.

So with a score totalling 120 points, St. Pat's, Ballarat, triumphed over Parade, 80 $\frac{3}{4}$ points; St. Kilda, 46; North Melbourne, 45; Geelong, 43 $\frac{1}{2}$; Malvern, 43; East Melbourne, 43; Kilmore, 34; Sale, 18.

ATHLETICS UNDER 15.

The present scores read as follows:
1. Gerald Little's "Reds," 527 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.

2. Bernard Gibney's "Golds," 514 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.

3. Jack Credlin's "Greens," 341 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.
4. Tony Fry's "Blues," 268 pts.

The programme was disorganised last Thursday and Friday, but is back in full swing this week. By the time this is in print, we will be holding our own sports and one of the above teams will be enjoying "the fruits of victory." The Reds seem favourites, leading by a "neck" on the Golds. However, Bernie Gibney may astound us yet, or who knows, Tony Fry may make a dash for it? Thanks to the four captains for their attendance on every occasion and for the interest they stimulated in their teams.

B.P.S. ATHLETICS.

Saturday afternoon, the 29th of October, saw all S.P.C. students wending their way to the City Oval, there to cheer on their representatives in the B.P.S. Sports. Weather conditions were not too favourable for running, and as a following breeze was prevalent in the "sprints," no records could be allowed, not that any of our "Reps." broke any.

In the first event, the Weight Putt, Max Gill was unlucky. He fouled three times, but putting determinedly in his last two efforts, he recorded a putt of 37ft. odd.

Fewtrell, C.E.G.S., gained first place with a putt of 39 feet 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Hugh Drum and Brian Scally were victorious in their 100 yards under 15. In the same distance open event, Adrian Jones and Leo Horgan proved to be too fast for their opponents. Likewise, in the open 220, Adrian Jones upheld his sprinting reputation. The under 16 100 yards saw Jim Lane winning from Heitman (B.C.) with our other rep., Mark Whitty, a close third. Bill Kermond and Keith Munn breasted the tape respectively 1st and 2nd in the 220 under 15. Kevin O'Connor and Jim Lane repeated this performance in the under 16 220. Barry O'Sullivan, running in spite of

the sore knee, obtained second place to the Ballarat College under 12 "fier," W. Cameron, with Geoff. High-am 3rd. Pat McNamara won the broad jump open with a leap of 19 ft. 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., with Jack Connell, continuing in spite of a slightly ricked ankle in 2nd place. Brian Hill, under 14 high jumper, gained 2nd place, and Dan O'Meara 4th place. After seeing Best (C.E.G.S.) run the 880 in 2 min. 10 sec., we all needed some afternoon tea to gather strength again for the latter half of the programme. Jack Pekin and Ken Aldenhoven ran 3rd and 5th in the aforementioned race, not the afternoon tea one.

Two jumps, both events taking place at the one time, were held on resumption of "the games." Jim Donovan and Basil McGrath added 13 points with a 1st and 2nd in under 16 broad jump, and Joe Cuneen and Pat Mullins gave us another 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ points with an equal 3rd place, and a 5th. Kevin O'Connor equalled the under 16 100 yards hurdle record, but owing to following wind it was not allowed. Basil McGrath added another 5 points with a 2nd. 100 yards under 14 saw Jack Burns 1st and Pat Bovce 5th. In 120 yards open hurdles, Pat. McNamara easily recorded the full 8 points, and Pat Mullins gained 3rd position. Under 16 high jump saw Jim Donovan again successful, and Eddie Frith a close second. Breaking away as they entered the straight, Leo Horgan gained 1st place in the

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open 440. His partner, Jim Sullivan, after making the pace, came home in 4th place. Though no points were recorded for it, the mile relay proved one of the most interesting of the day's races. S.P.C. were easy winners. The final event of the day, the open mile, saw Best (C.E.G.S.) victoriously breaking his own record by 6 secs.

Then, with Adrian Jones being presented with the Cup, we turned towards S.P.C. again, satisfied to know that "The Courier" Challenge Cup would repose for yet another year on its stand in the Refectory.

ATHLETICS: S.P.C. SPORTS.

Our Annual Sports Meeting takes place to-day, Saturday, November 5th.

There is a wealth of talent this year amongst the athletes and, as every competitor is keen and enthusiastic, the meeting should be a great success.

The "Blue Ribbon" of the Meeting is the Dr. Foley Cup for the Senior Champion. It is very open this year. Adrian Jones, Leo Horgan, Pat McNamara, Max Gill, Jack Pekin, Jack Connell, Pat Mullins and Joe Cunneen are all in the "running."

The Junior Cup will be a good struggle between Jim Lane and Kev. O'Connor. Both did well at the Combined Sports' Meetings.

The House Competition is arousing great interest, and as the House Teams are very even, it is difficult to predict who will be CHAMPION HOUSE.

The Houses with their leaders and colours are as follows:—

Treacy House: Captain, M. Gill; Vice-Captain, K. de Lacy; Colour, Blue.

Nunan House: Captain, A. Jones; Vice-Captain, R. McKee; Colour, Gold.

Galvin House: Captain, L. Horgan; Vice-Captain, G. Jongebloed; Colour, Green.

McCarthy House: Captain, J. Flanagan; Vice-Captain, P. McNamara; Colour, Red.



By courtesy "THE HERALD" Melb.

MAX GILL established a record in the weight putt at the A.C.S.S. Sports (Melb.)

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING.

On Sunday, 30th October, there was held in honour of the Feast of Christ the King, in the spacious grounds of St. Patrick's College, the annual Eucharistic Procession. Early in the morning the possibility of having a wet day faced us, but towards noon the threatening clouds disappeared and the afternoon was very fine. A

huge crowd, all intent on professing their faith, began to enter through every gate from 2 o'clock onwards, and at the Benediction the crowd was estimated at about 5,000.

All the buildings of the College were gaily bedecked with flags, and in the grandstand there was prepared a magnificent altar. All those who helped to put up these adornments and so make the procession a success are to be congratulated. Bro. Rieck, in particular, is to be commended highly for his efforts in making the magnificent altar.

The onlookers witnessed a surely inspiring spectacle as the long procession, representing the faith of Ballarat and outlying districts, moved around the oval.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. Williamson, C.S.S.R. He spoke on "The Sacrament of the Blessed Eucharist." Benediction was celebrated by the newly-consecrated Bishop of Toowoomba, Dr. Roper. A feature of this procession was the presence of two Bishops. Dr. Foley, Bishop of Ballarat, and Dr. Roper, Bishop of Toowoomba.

After Benediction had been given and "Faith of Our Fathers" had been sung. Dr. Foley expressed his pleasure in seeing that the faith of the people of Ballarat was still very much alive. Dr. Roper then expressed the thoughts he conceived as he bore the Sacred Host around the oval. He thanked Dr. Foley for his unbounded generosity in permitting him to carry the Blessed Sacrament around the oval and then allowing him to give Benediction.

REMOVE AND SIXTH GRADE THANKS.

The October Tests brought the following class positions to hand:

- Dux of Class: Greg. Walsh.
- 2nd Place: Gerald Ware.
- 3rd Place: James Fitzgerald.
- 4th Place: Dan O'Brien.
- 5th Place: Vince Mishkinis.

The exams. brought to light our many weaknesses. That, of course, was the purpose of the tests. It is for us now to correct these mistakes and to learn carefully such parts of our course which we found we did not know.

We take this opportunity of congratulating the above and of expressing the wish that the December examinations will find a big improvement in our work. May we congratulate Geoff. Higham of Sixth Grade who secured Honours with 92 marks in his Piano Exam.

Pat. Fitzgibbon has found a new way of wearing spikes—however, it is not to be recommended. Dan O'Meara, although only twelve, jumped into fourth place in the Under 14 High Jump, clearing 4 feet 6 inches in the Ballarat Sports on Saturday. Congratulations, Dan. You should go near the record next year.

At the moment some boys are putting in a great deal of practice for the various items for the sports. Steve is practising obstacle races whenever the opportunity presents itself; while it is not uncommon to see Clive Cronin doing a siamese race. It's a pity Vin Gemmola does not practise the bicycle race—it might get him here on time occasionally.

Now that the month of the Holy Souls is here, we will do all we possibly can to be of practical help to the Souls in Purgatory, remembering: "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead."

THANKS.

To all the boys who so generously helped to decorate the grandstand and grounds for the Feast of Christ the King we offer our warmest thanks. They were very willing and eager to offer the best for such a beautiful occasion, and we are sure Christ Our King has not forgotten their services, but will bless them abundantly.

Voices From Afar

NEWMAN COLLEGE.

Congratulations S.P.C. athletes on your fine performance at the M.C.G. It was a very pleasing sight to see S.P.C. with such a great margin up their sleeve.

PAT. CODY: Former S.P.C. footballer, now pursuing a successful "Med." Course, secretary the College "At Home" 1937 and 1938, has retired from all sporting activity except rowing for Newman, but figured in the "Newman Gentlemen's Team" against Ormond, when he covered himself with very doubtful success.

VIC. BATROS: Prefect at S.P.C., 1935 and prominent athlete; also one-time member of the College 2nd XVIII. Now at Newman doing commerce, and his athletic prowess is still part of him; holds several records, including one at Newcastle, and his efforts have been rewarded with a University "half-blue."

PAT. O'DONOHUE: Prefect at S.P.C., also a promising member of the Sodality. Few will forget the brilliant victory his "Shed" Cricket Team won on the oval when the final was played in pouring rain and batsmen wallowed in mud. Now doing Law, and although he was somewhat delayed at the start of his course, has proceeded very successfully, and will be well up amongst the passes this year. In sporting sphere he has played with the famous Newman 2nd XVIII, but every year so far his football seasons have been very short due to injuries which have at times necessitated hospital treatment.

FELIX FAVALORO: Who doesn't know Felix? He is now doing Medicine and was once a prominent footballer, but the years have taken effect.

Well, more ex-students in the next issue.

CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE, WERRIBEE.

We wish to offer our congratulations to the S.P.C. Aths. team on its fine victories in Melbourne and in Ballarat.

Our own sports, held on October 5th, were narrowly won by the "Greens" from the "Reds." As usual, S.P.C. was well represented among the finalists, the chief being Fr. M. Grady, who won the Mile Handicap, and Leo. Fiscalini, who came third in the 880 Championship. Bill McCunnie, having his first race at C.C.C., won the 75 Yards Handicap in 7½ secs., thus breaking the record by three-tenths of a second, while Jack Carroll tied for second place in the High Jump.

Some weeks ago, while working on the pile driver at the swimming pool, Coley McKenzie had the misfortune to fracture his arm and little finger when the driver caught him unawares and crashed down on his arm. However, they are now on the mend, and in a few weeks Coley should be able to discard the sling.

The cricket season commenced last week, and already there is keen competition for selection in the Town v. Country match to be played in the near future. Often seen practising at the nets are Jack Carroll sending down his proverbial leg breaks, and Maurie Delahenty trying to "pull one" into the olive grove, while Joe Kelly is always to be found in the near vicinity of "silly point."

This month we introduce among the ex-S.P.C.-ites, Maurie Rushford, who received Minor Orders at the beginning of the year. The big game hunter and fisherman of the College, Maurie won the Cup for the most improved player in the football this season. But now the football season is over, he can be seen daily at the swimming pool, assisting in the erection of a new diving tower.

Mick Kehoe, who attended S.P.C. in the 'twenties, will begin his Theological Studies next year. One of the most prominent cricketers and handballers in the College, Mick is not to be seen in action these days, as he is recuperating after a recent operation for appendicitis.

Jack Abraham attended St. Pat's for only two terms, but he is, I think, entitled to a mention in our columns. A very able runner, Jack is greatly incapacitated with sore knees which compel him to take to the less strenuous exercise of walking.

Almost synonymous with football is the name of **Jack O'Brien**, who, as we might expect, headed the list of goal-kickers in our recent competitions. At present he is greatly absorbed in the study of Second Philosophy. Recently, Jack was elected secretary of the Sports' Committee, a position which he fills in a very efficient manner.

A PUNCH AT EVERYBODY.

When next I see these few jottings at least one worry will have passed. No doubt many other Old Boys will also have surmounted some of the hurdles which confront them as the end of the year draws nigh.

John Walker, the debonair young man from Erica, still flutters down to the city for an occasional race meeting. One Old Boy met him there recently. John dashed up, told him Sidcup for the last, and was off again.

Ray Smith is responsible for the following: How many days this month (October), George? After a little mental arithmetic George bravely replied, "31." Wrong again, said Ben. There are only 30 as we had one "No" day.

There was a very representative gathering of Old Boys at the recent Combined Sports. All were delighted to see the old school on top again. It was very encouraging to see the number of young Old Boys present, as it

shows that they still cherish fond memories of S.P.C.

Leo Howard, **Terry Brown**, **Barry Cleary**, **Jack Fogarty**, **Jack (Bubs) O'Dea**, and **Terry Boyle** were in Ballarat last week to engage the present students in a game of tennis. It was a most enjoyable day and the students had a slight margin at the finish. **Alan Casey** came along as mascot, and he and **Bubs O'Dea** caused some trouble on the return journey, as both had missed their afternoon nap.

Frank McArdle was sighted yesterday making a frantic effort to arrive at work before the boss appeared.

Jack Lee and his wife have been in the city recently. This is correct, if I am to believe the social section of the "Table Talk."

Reg. Hickey is among the newly-weds.

Jack Moloney is one of the star golfers at Mount Gambier, and is consistently in the low 70's.

Leslie George Patrick Coleman is to spend his vacation at the Royal, South Melbourne.

How about a few opinions on the best football team since 1932? Here is mine:

Gregory, **Connell**, **Hayden**, **Hanrahan**, **Healey**, **Mulcahy**, **O'Connell**, **Gill**, **Hunter**, **Malcolm**, **Hayes**, **R. Giles**, **Horgan**, **O'Brien**, **Long**, **Keogh**, **P. McGenniskien**, **Rodgers**.
19th, Hetherington.

Have any Old Boys improvements to offer?

"Hackenbusch."

On the Feast of Christ The King many Old Boys renewed acquaintance with the College. Amongst these was **Bert Righetti**, who was in College in 1907-8-9. He brought along his son, **Laurence**, who, no doubt, will be here in a few years. He saw the 1907 Roll Call, which renewed many old memories. His present address is: "Smeaton House," Smeaton.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE B

The following were our representatives in the Athletic Team this year: K. Aldenhoven, J. Burns, P. Boyce and Kevin O'Connor. Jack Burns is almost a veteran in the St. Pat's team. He first ran for the College in 1935, and he now holds the school record for the 100 yards under 13, under 12 and under 11. Kevin O'Connor delighted us all by his performance over the hurdles, both in Melbourne and in Ballarat. In the Melbourne Combined Sports he established a record for the 90 yards hurdles and in the Ballarat Combined Sports he equalled Jack Carroll's record of last year. Pat Boyce and Ken. Aldenhoven did well but they are not in the record-breaking class yet. Frank Foster is our only representative in the tennis team. Jim O'Dea helped greatly to put the Sub B on top in the trip to Melbourne competition. He sold over 500 tickets and easily won the prize for the best seller. We were pleased to welcome Neil Delaney to our class recently. He comes from Heathcote. Greg. Hutchinson's cheery smile will not be seen in the room again. He left school recently and may be a high official in the Post Office some day.

The results of the October Tests have not been finalised yet, but there is no doubt that the first place in the class goes to Val. Knowles. We all offer him our congratulations and wish him the greatest measure of success in the December examination.

FROM CATHOLIC PAPERS.

Lifting the Veil Over Mexico.

KILLINGS AND TORTURINGS STILL FREQUENT.

There is persecution in Mexico under President Cardenas. This statement must be made deliberately for the claim is often heard that he has put a stop to the shedding of Christ-

ian blood. On the other hand we may admit that Mexico is not now in the ugly position of being chief persecutor of the Church. Greater horrors are being perpetrated elsewhere—and President Cardenas is less blood-thirsty than his predecessors. He does not directly order a general massacre of Catholics, but killings and torturings are by no means infrequent.

To convince the reader on this point it is necessary to cite actual cases and to mention even a few of the revolting details that have come to light. All of them occurred during the Cardenas period and they are the more abominable because Mexico represents herself at Geneva as a civilised nation. Her Government is accepted as civilised by other nations of the League and throughout the world.

Yet in Mexico it is a normal happening for men to be condemned without a pretence of a trial. On any imaginary pretext they can be cast into prisons which are unlighted, undrained and breeding grounds of the filthiest diseases. Finally, it is in these prisons that men are tortured with an ingenuity which proves that the Mexican Bolsheviks are well abreast of their Russian comrades in the refinements of sadism.

PRIEST'S MARTYRDOM.

Among the crimes committed by the regime during the year 1937, the assassination (or one may say, the martyrdom) of Fr. Pedro Maldonado should be widely known.

On February 10th, 1937, the brave priest was praying in his room when a score of armed men broke in upon him. They had been sent by the Mayor, Jesus Salcido, to arrest him for disobeying the religious laws. With the Chief of Police at their head they fired as they came, brutally ill-treated some women who tried to save the priest, threatened to burn down the house around his head and dragged him off to the "Presidencia Municipal." They had hardly driven away

in a lorry when another lorry appeared, full of men who had sworn to "liquidate" the priest.

But Father Maldonado was already going to his death. In front of the "Presidencia Municipal" he was savagely beaten with pistols and rifles, then dragged along by his hair, up the staircase and to the first floor. He was accused of having set fire to a school, although the Socialist teachers themselves held him innocent.

At 11 o'clock at night, a lorry full ofgendarmes sent from the capital, Chihuahua, returned there with Father Maldonado so horribly injured, especially around the head, that he could be recognised only with difficulty. He was placed in the hospital of the "Beneficencia" where, at dawn, on February 11, he received Extreme Unction from a priest brought to his bedside by a Catholic nurse.

A few hours later the body was delivered to the Bishop, the head so far destroyed that the hairs could not be cut from it as relics; and, according to an eye-witness, one eye was hanging from its socket. Thousands followed his body to the grave at Santa Isabel, where the townsfolk had tried in vain to rescue their priest and at Chihuahua twenty thousand people marched through the streets despite the efforts of the police to stop them.

CONGREGATION FIRED ON.

The crime which occurred at Orizaba in Vera Cruz on February 7 of last year aroused more indignation in the outside world. Seventy-five people were surprised at a Mass celebrated secretly by Father Jose Maria Flores and when some of them tried to escape from custody the police fired into the group. Many were wounded, one old woman died of wounds and a fourteen year old girl, Leonor Sanchez, was killed outright. All the survivors were then thrown into prison but the authorities took no action against the murderers.

JUNIOR JOTTINGS.

A marathon contest to decide places in the classes is now in progress. At the end of October this is how matters stood.

In 4th Class: F. Nugent and Julian, 161 each; J. McCarthy, 157; J. Tooley, 152; Martin O'S., 136; B. Stuart and G. Nugent, 134; Hoose, 133; Cephas, 132; F.X.W.S., 126; R. Rosser, 124; Des. Bourke, 121; G. O'Dwyer, 106; Dickie, 87; A. Foo (absent several days), 80.

Gerald Wilson led 3rd Class with 138; Barry, 135; Ray H., 125; Murray, 122; Ray K., 122; B. Sheehan, 94.

Among the Tiny Tots: Kevin, 88; Henry, 69; Mick, 58.

Congratulations to Barry who represented the Juniors in Athletics at Melbourne and in the B.P. Sports. He did very creditably to fill 2nd place in his events, despite having a "gammy" leg.

HUMOUR

ABSENT-MINDED.

Man: "Where is my hat?"
 Wife: "Hanging on the lamp."
 Man: "Lamp! Huh! What crazy place will I find it next?"
 Wife: "On your head, I suppose."

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CASE FOR THE P.M.G.

"Hullo! I have a call for you from Aberdeen."

"Hullo! This is Ben Lacy, Jack. I'm stranded here and need £20."

"Something must be wrong with the 'phone."

"I want £20."

"Something must be wrong with the connection."

Operator (interrupting): "I can hear the caller quite well."

"Well, you give him the £20."

—"Weekly Telegraph" (Eng.)

BETTER THAN NOTHING.

Two shipwrecked sailors were on a desert island. They were cold, hungry, and utterly miserable.

"Say, Bill," said one of them. "Can you pray?"

"No," said the other.

"Well, can you sing a 'ymn?"

"No."

The first sailor thought hard for a moment or two.

"Well," he said at length, "we'd better do something religious. Let's 'ave a collection."

—"Calgary Albertan" (U.S.A.)

Doctor: "But I told you to take a dose of this medicine every day after meals."

Scottish Patient: "Yes, but I know these bottles of medicine work out very expensive, so I've only been taking one meal a day."

A LONG WAY OFF.

Doctor: "You take a dose first thing in the morning and the next when you retire."

Yokel: "But, doctor, I bain't goin' to retire for another ten year."

This is the shortest poem in the world:

"Hired.
Tired?
Fired!"

Gaol Warder: "Prisoner 097, your wife is at the gate; she's called to see you."

Prisoner 097: "Could you tell her that I'm out?"

IT PROBABLY WAS.

The manager of the firm arrived at the football match and there he met the office boy.

"So this," he said sternly, "is your uncle's funeral?"

"Yes, sir," said the boy, with great presence of mind, "looks like it, sir, he's the referee."

THE LUCKIEST MAN ALIVE.

Surely he is Captain J. H. Hedley, of Chicago, who fell out of a plane nearly three miles in the air and then fell back into it again.

Lieutenant Makeplace was a Canadian flying officer, and Captain Hedley was an observer in his plane when they were attacked over the German lines. In the running fight that ensued Hedley was dislodged from the plane when it was making a sudden vertical dive, and fell several hundred feet in a direct line with the machine—probably suction or a vacuum had something to do with it—alighted on the tail, and was brought safely to earth from a height of some 10,000 feet.

TACT—100 PER CENT.

Little Harold was home for the holidays, and, with some apprehension, he watched his father open his school report.

"What's this?" demanded the angry parent. "Arithmetic, bad; spelling, bad; reading, bad; conduct, bad; history, composition, geography, all bad. What is the meaning of this, Harold?"

The boy thought hard and shifted uneasily in his chair.

"I can't understand it, dad," he said at last. "Do you—do you—er—think it might be a forgery?"

CANINE PUNISHMENT.

"Madam, your confounded dog has torn my trousers!"

"Naughty, naughty Fido! I shall punish him severely. I shall take his pink ribbon away from him for a whole week."

THE MISSING LINK.

At the art gallery Dad and Dave came to a headless, broken-armed figure with an iron rod as a support in the place of one leg. They read the title: "Victory."

"I'd like to see the bloke what didn't win," said Dad.

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Bishop Hayes Offers Some Advice

A fine address embodying excellent advice to the boys about to leave school and to those still in the pursuit of knowledge, was delivered by Bishop Hayes at a speech night concert.

"When a scholastic year comes to a close and I am invited to these 'breaking-up' functions," said Bishop Hayes, "the boys I have in my thoughts most are those who are saying good-bye to their school and going out into the world to earn their living. They are leaving the shelter of their school, the care of their teachers, and are losing the companionship and good example of other boys in the school. More than that, they almost cease to be boys over-night and become men, face to face with the great realities of life. About 96,000 boys and girls leave school each year in Australia and it is a critical period in their lives when they require sympathetic guidance and help.

"My wish and prayer is that the boys, whose school career ends tonight, will always be worthy of their school and of their teachers; may they be always model men and leaders of goodness everywhere; honest and upright and above all just and charitable. If I would give any counsel in particular, I would urge the boys to cultivate a habit of reading.

"Let them join a library, and let them visit the Catholic Library where they will find interesting books in plenty. In this way they will build on the foundation they have received at school, and put a finish and a polish to their education.

"I ask you boys to remember the principles underlying Catholic education. These principles are definite and clear and embody lofty ideals. You should know and be able to explain these principles to others who are ignorant of them. During last year the Catholic Taxpayers' Association of Australia did a great service to the ideals of Christian education. With the claim for justice put forward by this association I am not here concerned. All I wish to emphasise is the fact that by means of fifteen weekly broadcasts over a network of thirty-eight radio stations, the Association enlightened the public mind and awakened the public conscience concerning some fundamental truths of vital importance.

"SOCIAL JUSTICE."

"I also urge the boys, who are leaving school, to study the question of social justice. The Church desires for all men a decent home and a living wage that they may live the full Christian life decently. To achieve this

happy result a more equitable distribution of wealth is necessary, and this is the problem of social justice. It is the serious duty of all laymen to interest themselves deeply in this matter and to help to solve it by sane methods on Christian principles.

"Every method contrary to Christ's teaching must surely go astray. It is the lesson of history as well as being a matter of faith.

"In conclusion let me advise all to practise charity in word and deed. When others malign you it goes much against the grain of human nature to think and speak kindly of them, but it is Christ's teaching, nevertheless. Self-defence is permitted, but we must never let rancour eat out our hearts for injuries and insults received. There have been occasions of late when certain people went out of their way to slander our faith, and the only comment that is worth making on their action is that they have a very poor knowledge of the charity of Christ. Leave it at that, and pray for them. And let your charity be of a practical kind, not in word and thought only. Give alms to the poor. There will always be poor in the best regulated societies and under any system of economics, with human nature as it is and always will be, and the duty to help others is always incumbent upon us. Never let the pursuit of wealth, or greed, so stifle your best feelings as to make you unmindful of the poor and the needy. Greed is the great present-day vice, and Catholic young men must keep their souls free from it."

HONOURS CLASS NOTES.

With the Christmas vacation only a week or so off, the boys have entered into the spirit of examinations with great zest. Even "Baby Mark" has been disturbed from his diurnal slumbers. Noticeable changes have taken place in several of the boys who visited Melbourne a few weeks ago, particularly Joe Fav. and Des. Nolan. The delay in the former's return to

Ballarat was not surprising, as Joe is sometimes affected by the "moon," and is likely to forget his way home. When asked with whom he stayed, 'Glasco' was insistent that it was with relations and not friends. We all wish to congratulate Wal Moon on obtaining a Newman Exhibition. We might add that the "average" number of Newman Scholarships obtained by the Honours Class during the last two years is four. Allan Waldron, who formerly occupied the position of Public Enemy No. 1, has been reported to have won first prize in Christian Doctrine. Rumour has it to congratulate Wal Moon on obtaining with "Slanter" Anderson as captain and coach. They are already in strict training under W. M's capable administration.

We would like to congratulate the Tennis Four on their brilliant victories in the Inter-School Tennis, and especially Max Gill on his victory in the McNeil Cup. The Honours Class was represented by Jack Flanagan, who incidentally has acquired considerable fame as a practical joker—ask Maurie to verify this.

A. S. J. has become so interested in gymnastics that he tried to do a back lift over the handle bars of a bicycle, in the middle of Sturt Street—and unfortunately succeeded. On enquiring into the cause of a disturbance in the Honours Library (more popularly known as the Rest Room), it was found that Toots Sully and Primo were staging another gang fight.

We advise anyone who is seeking employment during the Xmas holidays, to apply to Joe Flan, as it is reported that wages are considerably high along his part of the Murray.

Tony Vavj's exploits during his sojourn in Melbourne would make even Tertius green with envy. In concluding the Honours notes for 1938 we would like to thank the Brothers, and Bro. Purton in particular, for their untiring efforts during the year. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, we say farewell to 1938.

Mitchell of the Mounted.

By J. De Vere Blennerhassett.

Synopsis of preceding chapters.

Ralph Mitchell, of the Queensland Mounted Police, has recently been promoted to a district in which a tribe of blacks is sometimes troublesome, and occasionally there is sheep stealing indulged in by white men.

On the way to his new post, Ralph picks up the track of a white man and a black, and rightly concludes that their association bodes no good to law and order. Falling in with them, he extends to them the courtesies and hospitality of the bush, and later they depart southwards, whilst Ralph proceeds on his journey west. Arrived at his destination, Ralph finds some mail from headquarters which causes him to resolve very rapidly.

In the morning he sets out, and by good luck as much as by judgment, he comes on a corral in the foothills in which some 200 sheep are penned.

Having lodged the sheep stealers in gaol, Ralph sets out to capture the blacks who were promoting discord among the various tribes.

Chapter VII.

Ralph Mitchell found himself a national hero from the moment of his entry into Bindooroo with his two captives taken single-handed.

The court proceedings were over in a few days and the two men safely

lodged in Brisbane Gaol, and now the affairs of the Garrogarro and Girridilli blacks were calling for his attention.

Communications from headquarters simplified this task, for he was informed that for the present peace had been made between the two tribes. There were, however, two dangerous Girriwilli blacks who had remained in the Garrogarro territory and whose record was a violently criminal one, taken by the standard of the white man.

It was not Ralph's place to try to adjust the two widely different standards: he disagreed personally with the idea of judging the blacks by the standards of the whites, but professionally the case was, a blackfellow had transgressed the law and must be apprehended.

Setting out on the day that the two captives had departed for Brisbane, Ralph went westward to the thick mulga land, and took as a companion a black "police boy." The police "boy" was a man, an expert tracker, and spoke and smiled his way very tolerably through the English language.

The two men plodded on for eighteen hours before making a halt, and the full moon was bright in the sky when they made their first camp.

On the following morning an early start before the stars were off the

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sky," enabled them to cover several miles of hard travelling before the sun rose. By the time the sun did rise, they were in better country for travelling, because the spaces were greater between scattered clumps of bush; but it was worse country for a man hunt, for observation was easy.

However, there was little fear that they should so soon fall in with their quarry. Ralph was anxious to reach the red gum and scrub country as soon as possible, for he knew that the wanted men were likely to be where there was plenty of cover.

By nine o'clock the red gum country was reached, and when Charlie, the police boy, had located a soak, a leisurely stop was made for the refreshment of men and horses, and after more than an hour's delay the pursuers were on their way again.

Late that afternoon, when thinking of making a second halt, Ralph had the unbelievable good luck to pick up the tracks of the two Girriwilli warriors, before he had begun to look for them.

A short conference with his sable assistant, and the officer decided to "lie low" until dark.

In the shelter of some rocks the billy was boiled and, late that night, the two men nushed on with their "eyes skinned" for a blackfellow's fire.

At a few minutes to eleven that night, Charlie suddenly said: "Got

them, boss." Far to the south in a gully that opened towards Lake Eyre, there was the unmistakable smouldering of a blackfellow's fire.

Dismounting, the two men made a long detour, and approached the fire from the south.

The two Girriwilli men were there, their nullahs and womerahs by their sides. The two sat silent, and unsuspecting of danger. It would be dangerous for Ralph to walk too close to them, for cracking sticks and leaves would give warning, but the "boy" went within a few yards of the fire. As he uttered a yell, and made a rush, Ralph also rushed, making as much noise as possible.

Charlie kicked the nullahs away from their owners, but each of them grabbed a womerah, and stood to show fight. For a few minutes the issue seemed doubtful, but when Ralph fired five shots with his automatic and Charlie had got in a good one on the head of one of the warriors, the fight was over, and the two handcuffed blacks stood, examples of the effective reach of the long arm of the law. In two more days the procession of the four men into Bindooroo roused the citizens to a great and excited admiration for their new mounted man, who in such a short time had shown his effectiveness as a guardian of law and order.

(The End.)

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LEAVING CLASS NOTES.

Well, folks, this is the final announcement from the studios of Leaving Pass for 1938, and we wish to put before you the happenings of the past month. When this appears in print, everyone will be well into the exams, and are the Leaving boys working? I'll say we are. A few have even given up their Saturday night's picture show to study.

Keen competition centred around the running for Dux. After nearly a week's adjournment, the verdict was given that Jack Little had topped the class. We take the opportunity of congratulating Jack on attaining this position.

Folks, stand by for a special announcement! After the recent war scare two of our boys decided to enlist. They sent in their entry forms to Corinella, who readily made them colonel and lieutenant, respectively. We are not mentioning any names, but these nobilissimi et fortissimi iuvenes are brothers, too.

The Aths. season is over, and Rowing is having its turn. On December 3rd, the Rev. Fr. Gleeson Cup is to be decided, and two very keen contests should be seen both among the Firsts and Seconds. Leo Horgan, Pat Mc-

Namara, and Laurie Vaughan are the leading representatives of the Leaving down at the boathouse.

Tennis is also over, and first of all we congratulate the Four on bringing the Tennis honours back again to St. Pat's. Three of the Leaving boys, Max Gill, Leo Browne, and Jack Connell, held places in the team, which only goes to show that the Leaving is always there, and doing well. Max Gill deserves special mention on his great win in the McNeil Cup. Gerhard Jonglebloed was our representative in the Seconds.

A few of our day boys fell for Mexican Rose, the lady from America, who was present at the Ballarat Show. In fact, Laurie Larmer and Jack Hill wanted to give up an afternoon's school to be present at the show, but unfortunately for them things did not turn out according to their wishes.

Jim Donovan recently created a stir when he got a little sentimental in writing about Miranda. The pen must have slipped because Jim blushed when the new point in Miranda's character was announced to the class.

"Mum" was the word between Pat Cranage and Bro. Boland last Wednesday night, when several boys tried to find out just what the "flicks" were.

Gerhard Jonglebloed, always a wise

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investor, has decided to buy up all available shares in a certain company. He received word of their good value on November 19th. Of course, "Jongy" was not the only shareholder. There were many more about whom we do not wish to say anything.

Before closing we take the opportunity of thanking the Brothers for their interest in us during the year. We wish everyone the compliments of the season, and with this thought we say adieu.

HINTS ON SHAVING.

In the early stages, say the Intermediate year, it is necessary to have an ivory handled brush, perfumed cream, a mug (to hold the water), and an audience of juniors. Best effects are achieved with a gilded razor. Lather profusely, chiefly the face, leaving portholes for the eyes and an indication of where the ears are. This is a safeguard to defective hearing. At this stage it is not necessary to have a blade in the razor. Scrape off the soap, wash, and use plenty of white, scented face cream, whistling the while a few bars of the popular tune, "Only Make Believe." The purpose of these early shaves is to get the correct angle of the razor (which should be almost a right angle) and to create the impression that one is growing up.

During the next period, say the Leaving year, it is well to spread around beforehand among one's

friends the necessity for the weekly harvest, and to mention occasionally the difficulty of getting it off. This serves the purpose of bringing out fewer comments from friends on the waste of soap. It is noticeable at this stage that the tickly feeling of the stubble causes a frequent fingering of the upper lip. A blade should be inserted now, but no attempt should be made to go too close to the skin. Otherwise the weekly lather would become fortnightly, and one might lose count of the weeks.

When eventually the face, in sympathy with vain efforts, sends forth a slight encouragement to the youthful shaver, he should occasionally miss a week to let friends see that his labours were not fruitless. But on no account should a month go by without a lather, not even to win a friendly wager!!

When shaving becomes a real daily business it is well not to choose the same time each day. The objects of one's solicitude learn the time, and are inclined to duck down when they feel the brush and pop up again five minutes after the razor has been over the face.

It is left to the shaver's discretion how long he keeps the side levers. Long-pointed ones suggest streamlining and should be good for rowers and athletes. Likewise the number and shape of the decorations produced by the unskillfully used razor are to be decided by the time at one's disposal or the number who are trying to use the same mirror.

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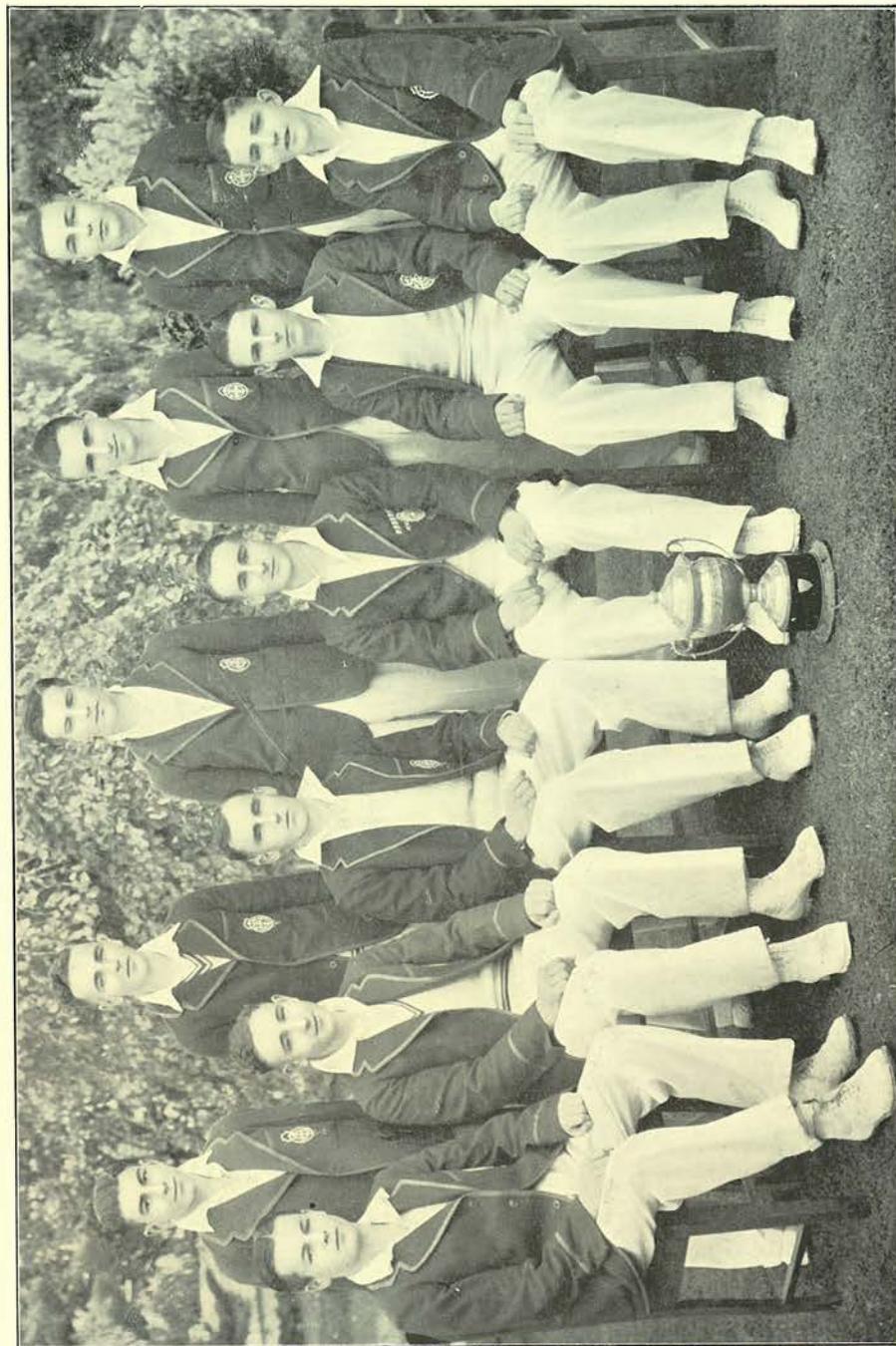
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INTER "A" CLASS NOTES.

Well this is the last time we will be appearing in print for 1938. The year has been altogether very successful, not only in studies but also in sport. We are able to announce W. Kermond and D. O'Hagan as the leaders of the class in Christian Doctrine.

By the time these notes are published we will be in the middle of the University Examinations. As they really decide the amount of work each one has done for the year, all are studying hard, anxious to overcome them.

We were well represented in the tennis circles by Des. McGlade, who was a member of the 2nd IV. We were also delighted to find Jack McCarthy victorious in the Under 16 Competition. Bill Kermond, Bryan Scally, Jim Sullivan, Laurie Hoye and Bryan Hill were amongst the successful competitors on Sports Day.

We are hoping to see some of our rowers carrying off some of Rev. Fr. Gleeson's Cups on December 3. They are Jim Sullivan, T. Brady, W. Kermond, M. O'Brien, F. Gebbie and R. Todd. We also wish the same concerning the Handball Competitions.

We warn you not to ask Mat Cashin the scores in his game of handball against A. Ryan.

T. Walsh is well settled down now. He delights in a visit to the Gardens of a Sunday morning. Happily, he never has to walk back.

Jack Credlin makes valiant efforts to keep Donald O'Neill awake.

All are anxiously awaiting the holidays, and are busy making arrange-

ments for a good time, chief amongst these being Laurie Hoye and Bas. McGrath.

We must conclude now, wishing everyone "A Happy Christmas" and "A Bright New Year."

INTER. B CLASS NOTES.

This is our last effort in print for 1938. By the time these notes are being read, we will be well on the way to a pass—we hope. We have the usual item to chronicle about working hard—with a few exceptions. One special effort has been in the direction of French irreg. verbs! Anyhow, here's hoping, and best of luck to all St. Pat's examinees.

We congratulate the Tennis Four on their grand victory, and Max Gill on his fine win over all comers in the McNeil Cup. Don't "you fellows" forget that the Tennis 2nds were helped along by our worthy dux, Ed. Frith.

Our congratulations, too, to those stalwarts who won the various Tennis Cups in our own S.P.C. competitions.

It seems a shame that the year must close and so put an end to the associations of the past twelve months. But then think of the holidays, and the joy of finding one has passed! So, like Fitzpatrick, "it is with these thoughts, etc." and off to an excellent holiday. May we all have such, and may it be crowned by a good pass whatever be the exam.

To all at St. Pat's and Chronicle readers everywhere, Inter. B. wishes A Merry Xmas and a Bright and Happy New Year.

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TENNIS

St. Pats achieve Victory at Last

CHAMPIONS, 1938.

With the close of the tennis season at St. Pat's comes the end of a very successful season—the first since 1935. This year was the best St. Pat's have had for many years, as in winning the tennis premiership of the Ballarat Public Schools we accounted for the Grammar and Colledge, both of whom possessed teams in which there was remarkable talent. Once again—the first time since 1932, when L. Khyat was successful—our representative, Max Gill, has won for us the McNeil Cup, for the champion singles player of the B.P.S. This successful and pleasing result is in no small way due to the efforts of our two coaches, Mr. Stuart and Mr. Whittington, and to the great enthusiasm of Br. Williams. They have placed tennis in St. Pat's on a high standard, and it is to be hoped that in the future St. Pat's teams will remain on top and so show our two coaches and tennis master, that their efforts have not been wasted.

ST. PAT'S V. GRAMMAR (FIRSTS)

This match was played at Grammar on the 2nd and 3rd of November. On the first day, a brilliant one, the

four doubles were played and also two singles. Grammar's No. 1 doubles pair accounted for both St. Pat's pairs, mainly because of their superiority at the net and their splendid co-operation. The match between M. Gill and M. Spittle developed into a baseline duel, players scarcely coming to the net. The game, a far better one than the scores suggest, was at all times very interesting. On the second day only two rubbers remained to be played. When J. Flanagan and J. Connell both won their singles, St. Pat's had already "one leg-in" for the premiership.

Results—

S.P.C.: 5 rubbers 10 sets, 74 games.
C.E.G.SS.: 3 rubbers 6 sets, 69 games.

Details of scoring—

M. Spittle and A. Carter d. M. Gill and L. Browne, 6-3, 6-5.
J. Flanagan and J. Connell d. P. Wilson and W. Stubbs, 6-3, 6-4.
M. Gill and L. Browne d. P. Wilson and W. Stubbs, 6-3, 6-1.
M. Spittle and A. Carter d. J. Flanagan and J. Connell, 6-3, 6-1.
M. Gill d. M. Spittle, 6-2, 6-5.
A. Carter d. L. Browne, 6-2, 6-0.
J. Flanagan d. P. Wilson, 6-4, 6-4.
J. Connell d. W. Stubbs, 6-3, 6-4.

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S.P.C. V. COLLEGE.

This match, the last one for 1938, was played in brilliant weather at St. Pat's courts, on 19th November. It resulted in a rather easy win for St. Pat's, although the college players put up stern fights and never gave in until the last stroke was played. This victory over College gave St. Pat's the tennis premiership for 1938, a title which they have not held since 1935.

Results—

S.P.C.: 7 rubbers 14 sets, 101 games.
B.C.: 1 rubber 5 sets, 62 games.

Details of scoring—

M. Gill and L. Browne d. H. Morrow and S. Lloyd, 6—3, 5—6, 6—2.
J. Flanagan and J. Connell d. A. Lee and J. Higginbotham, 6—3, 6—4.
J. Flanagan and J. Connell d. H. Morrow and S. Lloyd, 4—6, 6—1, 6—2.
M. Gill and L. Browne d. A. Lee and J. Higginbotham, 6—1, 6—4.
M. Gill d. L. Lloyd, 6—4, 5—6, 6—0.
L. Browne d. H. Morrow, 6—4, 6—2.
J. Flanagan d. A. Lee, 6—1, 6—1.
J. Connell lost to J. Higginbotham, 6—2, 6—1.

(THE SECONDS.)

The team comprising the Seconds was as follows: F. Foster, D. McGlade, G. Jongebloed and E. Frith. They played in this order against Grammar; but for the College match G. Jongebloed moved up one at the expense of D. McGlade. Prevented by sickness for the Grammar match and examinations for the College one, D. Nolan was unable to take his place in the team for either match.

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S.P.C. V. GRAMMAR.

In this match St. Pat's were easily beaten, winning only two rubbers out of the eight.

Results—

C.E.G.S.: 6 rubbers 13 sets, 101 games.

S.P.C.: 2 rubbers 6 sets, 87 games.

Details of scoring—

S. Nicholls and K. McKenzie d. E. Frith and F. Foster, 6—5, 6—2.
S. Nicholls and K. McKenzie d. G. Jongebloed and D. McGlade, 6—5, 6—3.
K. Raybould and J. Tyler d. G. Jongebloed and D. McGlade, 6—4, 6—5.
E. Frith and F. Foster d. K. Raybould and J. Tyler, 6—1, 6—2.
S. Nicholls d. F. Foster, 5—6, 6—0, 6—2.
F. McKenzie d. G. Jongebloed, 6—5, 6—5.
J. Tyler d. D. McGlade, 3—6, 6—4, 6—1.
E. Frith d. K. Raybould, 3—6, 6—4, 10—8.

S.P.C. V. B.C.

This match resulted in a very easy victory for St. Pat's. Nevertheless, the College players put up determined fights but were not able to produce the standard that would be required if they were to win.

Results—

S.P.C.: 8 rubbers.

College: 0 rubbers.

Details of scoring—

F. Foster and G. Jongebloed d. R. Coutts and M. Foster, 6—5, 6—1.

D. McGlade and E. Frith d. N. Carne and H. Keith, 6—3, 6—3.
F. Foster and G. Jongebloed d. H. Carne and H. Keith, 6—3, 6—0.
D. McGlade and E. Frith d. R. Coutts and M. Foster, 6—5, 6—0.
F. Foster d. R. Coutts, 6—3, 6—1.
G. Jongebloed d. M. Foster, 6—5, 6—4.
D. McGlade d. H. Keith, 6—1, 6—2.
E. Frith d. H. Carne, 6—3, 6—0.

On Sunday, 13th, a team representing St. Patrick's Cathedral Club played a match against St. Pat's for the purpose of giving the college boys some practice. The match resulted in a very narrow victory for the visitors.

Results—

Cathedral: 8 sets 90 games.

S.P.C.: 6 sets 88 games.

Details in scoring—

H. Murphy d. M. Gill, 8—5.
L. Moloney d. L. Browne, 8—3.
J. Ballinger d. J. Flanagan, 8—4.
J. Connell d. C. Jackman, 8—2.
F. Foster d. F. Murphy, 8—6.
J. Bannon d. G. Jongebloed, 8—7.
D. McGlade d. J. Bannon, 8—7.
E. Frith d. H. Murphy, 8—5.
L. Moloney and J. Ballinger d. M. Gill and J. Flanagan, 8—6.
L. Moloney and J. Ballinger d. L. Browne and J. Connell, 8—7.
H. Murphy and J. Ballinger d. M. Gill and J. Flanagan, 8—6.
L. Browne and J. Connell d. F. Murphy and C. Jackman, 8—4.
D. McGlade and E. Frith d. F. Murphy and C. Jackman, 8—3.

H. Murphy and J. Bannon d. F. Foster and G. Jongebloed, 8—2.

THE McNEIL CUP
MAX GILL TRIUMPHS.

On the 21st of November, the tournament for the McNeil Cup began. St. Pat's, after winning the tennis premiership the previous Saturday against Ballarat College, had every hope of success, as Max Gill, our champion, was playing superlative tennis. On the first day, the first and second rounds were played, and St. Pat's saw four of its six representatives defeated. Perhaps the most unfortunate of these was F. Foster, our No. 5 player, who, after winning the first set against Lloyd, Ballarat College's No. 1 player, held match point against him in the second, but failed to clinch the victory. Both Max Gill and Jack Flanagan won their quarter-final matches; but Jack, in his semi-final, was defeated by Spittle, of Grammar, in three sets. Max in his semi-final defeated Carter, also of Grammar. In the final, M. Gill gained a decisive win over Spittle, thus winning the McNeil Cup, which no other S.P.C. representative has won since 1932.

Results:

1st round:

J. Tyler d. G. Jongebloed, 6—4, 6—0.
W. Stubbs d. H. Foster, 6—3, 3—6, 6—3.

2nd Round:

M. Gill d. R. Coutts, 6—2, 6—2.
J. Nicholls d. L. Browne, 6—2, 6—2.
A. Carter d. J. Connell, 6—3, 6—2.
A. Lee d. V. Wilson, w.o.

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 J. Flanagan d. J. Higginbotham, 6—1,
 4—6, 8—6.
 S. Lloyd d. F. Foster, 3—6, 6—5,
 6—4.
 J. Tyler d. H. Morrow, 4—6, 6—2,
 6—2.

Quarter-finals:

M. Gill d. J. Tyler, 6—3, 6—1.
 A. Carter d. A. Lee, 6—1, 6—1.
 J. Flanagan d. S. Lloyd, 6—0, 6—4.
 M. Spittle d. J. Nicholls, 6—1, 6—2.

Semi-finals:

M. Gill d. A. Carter, 6—5, 6—3.
 M. Spittle d. J. Flanagan, 3—6, 6—2,
 6—3.

Final:

M. Gill d. M. Spittle, 6—3, 6—2.

TENNIS CUPS.

Br. Williams wishes, through these columns, to place on record his sincere gratitude to Dr. D. Podger, Dr. J. P. Little, Dr. W. O'Loughlin, and Dr. J. Hayden, all loyal ex-students of S.P.C., who generously donated tennis trophies for our College Championships.

This year's tennis has been an outstanding success, and the assistance rendered by the above is much appreciated by the Brothers and students. We thank them wholeheartedly.

S.P.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENTS.

On November 20th, the St. Pat's tennis tournaments were begun. Instead of the usual three competitions, the number was increased to six, thus showing the interest taken in tennis this year. The number of entries was three times greater than last year, there being over 70 entries. The competitions were under 12, under 13, under 14, under 15, under 16, and open (the Podger Cup).

FINALS.

Under 12:

B. Stuart v. G. Higham,
 won by B. Stuart (8—6).

Under 13:

B. Stuart v. D. O'Brien,
 won by B. Stuart (8—6).

Under 14:

G. Ware v. C. Jenkins,
 won by G. Ware (8—4).

Under 15:

W. Meakes v. J. Spicer,
 won by W. Meakes (6—4, 6—5).

Under 16:

J. McCarthy v. E. Frith,
 won by J. McCarthy (6—3, 1—6, 6—3).

Podger Cup (Open):

M. Gill v. J. Flanagan,
 won by M. Gill (6—1, 6—5).

SUB. A CABLES.

As the end of the last term is approaching, we find ourselves looking forward to the next few weeks with mixed feelings. On the one hand, we have the thought of the holidays and home-going, and on the other, the final exams. And, oh, the thought!

As a preparation for the exams, a few of us underwent "rest cures." G. Molony, G. Morcom, S. Bongiorno, P. Penn, J. Briody and R. Delahunty all thought it a capital idea!

Keith Munn succeeded in triumphing over H. Drum in the Sports, and secured the Cup for champion boy under 15.

Bruce McKenzie has threatened us! If we are not careful, he says, he will settle down to some hard work!

Tom Mooney and W. Collins are going to show us just how strong they are. Watch them on break-up night as they perform on the parallel bars.

Des Rea and H. O'Toole, our "News Reel Camera men," made a "scoop" recently, when out walking on a Sunday morning. Ask them about it.

W. Meakes and M. Pascoe have joined the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Dumb Animals—the fatherly affection which they bestow upon their pets is praiseworthy—may be!!

The Final of the Under 15 Tennis was played between W. Meakes, of Sub. A., and J. Spicer, of Sub. B. Bill won the honours for Sub. A.

The final of the Under 14 Handball also resulted in a duel between Sub.

A. and Sub. B., and here again Les. Pring, the Sub. A. representative triumphed.

And, now, we must take our departure. Before closing we wish each other a very Holy and Happy Christmas, and a most enjoyable holiday. Our good wishes are extended to all the Brothers and students of S.P.C.

DIARY.

Tuesday, 1st:

We wish to warn all that J.F. is a licensed pedestrian basher. He uses a large Nash as a projectile.

Wednesday, 2nd:

B. McG. says that he is going to be a signwriter. "Why, he made signs before he could talk!"

Thursday, 3rd:

P.J. says that a psychologist is a fellow who mends bikes.

Friday, 4th:

J.T.S. is only the ghost of his former self. "No wonder everyone sees through him."

Saturday, 5th:

We do not recommend pythons as pets. One is liable to become wrapped up in them.

Sunday, 6th:

L. V. says that that he is a coming pianist. He plays quite well with one finger.

Monday, 7th:

According to W. B. he has come to the parting of the ways.—"A good place to start a service station, Bill."

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Tuesday, 8th:

I. P. says that when he starts his pastry shop, he'll start with a flourish of crumpets.

Wednesday, 9th:

A. A. says he has a strong sense of rumour.

Thursday, 10th:

"The general's hair was quite white." Naturally, old soldiers never dye.

Friday, 11th:

P. M., our diplomatic correspondent, throws some light on a Diplomat. "A diplomat," says Pat, "is a person who tries to stop trouble that wouldn't have started if there hadn't been any diplomats!"

Saturday, 12th:

S. Py. dictionary. Chamberlain, pronounced J'aime Berlin; meaning I love Berlin!

Sunday, 13th:

While perusing the daily paper I discovered astonishing statistics on the cost of alcohol to the nation—"Drunkenness certainly produces some staggering figures!"

Monday, 14th:

Pursuing the question further, "Water is good enough for anyone. What does a man want with whisky?"—"Soda or ginger ale!"

Tuesday, 15th:

Heard near the cricket pavilion. "He hit the first ball into the stand, and the second one over the square leg boundary." Six off one and half-a-dozen off the other!

Wednesday, 16th:

H. H. says that the redness of his nose is not due to sunburn, but keeping it to the grindstone.

Thursday, 17th:

B. McG. says that Christmas is a time for burying hatchets in more places than in chickens' necks!

Friday, 18th:

Misfortunes according to a learned member of the school usually come in cycles. Some of ours come in limousines!

Saturday, 19th:

We congratulate the members of the tennis team on their fine win. Thus, in the sporting world St. Pat's remains supreme.—"Did I hear some one mention rowing?"

Sunday, 20th:

Congratulations to Max Gill on winning the McNeil Tennis Cup.

Monday, 21st:

K. DeL. thought that he saw a ghost near the football pavilion—"Must have been the old team spirit, Kevin!"

Tuesday, 22nd:

P. W. said the question shrivelled him up.—Must have been one of those burning questions!

Wednesday, 23rd:

Extract from an essay: "The monkeys at the zoo had a banquet."—No doubt they all wore "tails!"

Thursday, 24th:

In his more serious moments J. B. assured me that all men are cast in the same mould. "Maybe, but some are mouldier than others!"

Friday, 25th:

A. J. is getting cynical. Everything

around him seems to be decaying—"That's all rot!"

Friday, 26th:

A poet needs ambition and fire. Ambition to write poems, and fire to burn them when written.

Saturday, 27th:

"The moving finger writes, and having writ,

Moves on; nor all thy piety nor wit, Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,

Nor all thy tears wash out a word of it.

Monday, 28th:

Exams! Exams!! EXAMS!!!!

Wednesday, 30th:

Ideal Christmas? Mine would be, One where there were no Xmas bills,

And Christmas dinner didn't mean digestive ills.

Weeks of glorious holidays

Beside a stream of ginger beer,

So I could drink to all the world, A good New Year.

—D. H.

SUB. INTERMEDIATE B.

Well, another year has almost passed and we are looking forward to the holidays. However, our happy thoughts are somewhat dulled when we think of the examinations that still have to be faced. We are all studying hard and hope to emulate the Subs. of 1937 by having some of our number among the top places in the examinations.

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The Creswick boys have been having a worrying time of late. They do not know how to get to school in time for the exams. There have been numerous suggestions as to a way out of the difficulty. The chief of these was that they should pitch tents on St. Roch's for the week.

Sherlock Holmes has been around the room lately with his magnifying glass looking for clues. It is rumoured that distinct traces have been found of some work having been done in a certain desk.

The College Regatta has brought some of our number on to the Lake. Ken Aldenhoven, Jack Munro and Val Knowles are all useful members of their crews. Kevin Reynolds is our only coxswain.

All in the Sub. B. take this opportunity of wishing everyone at St. Pat's a happy Christmas and a good holiday. Next year there will probably be some gaps in our ranks, but we feel sure that the friendships gained during the year will endure and grow stronger during the advancing year.

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Two sensational victories by L. Horgan over A. Jones, winner of the "combined" sprints, and Horgan's effort in equalling the school open 440 yards record were highlights of the

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annual inter-house athletic championship meeting at St. Patrick's College on Saturday afternoon.

Horgan was not entered for the sprints at the Public Schools' Association meeting, and Saturday's performances astounded those who had not been following his form.

Under good conditions, Jones would possibly have been yards faster, but the strong breeze gave Horgan a chance to display his renowned doggedness, which enabled him to leap ahead over the last few yards. Jones was open champion last year; in this year's series Horgan won the senior cup easily as he was placed second in four other events. His time for the 440 was 53 4-5 sec., equal to J. Maher's 1933 record and one second faster than Horgan's "combined" run.

The houses, with their new names, staged a keen competition early in the afternoon, but McCarthy raced away towards the end of the programme, and ran out the victor by 57½ points from Treacy.

HURDLES' RECORD.

The other record for the afternoon was set by K. O'Connor, winner of the 100 yards hurdles, who clocked 14 1-5 sec., 1-5 sec. faster than the "combined" record, which he equalled on the previous Saturday. In the events decided prior to Saturday, B. Higham and W. Meakes shared a new under 15 high jump record of 4 ft. 11 1-8 in.

The most thrilling event for the afternoon was the open 220 yards, in which Jones had 18 in. on Horgan, with 10 yards to go. Horgan threw himself to the lead with a desperate

effort, and registered the fast time of 23 5-5 sec.

Conditions did not favor records amongst the runners, but a high standard was maintained throughout the day.

J. Pekin has proved himself the school's outstanding middle-distance runner. Last week he won the open 880 and mile championships, and on Saturday won the open mile handicap from scratch. He runs a heady race, and should make a name for himself.

M. Gill failed to approach his "combined" weight putt of 39 ft. 5½ in., and could only manage 37 ft. 7 in.

BRILLIANT JUNIOR.

Most brilliant of the juniors was J. Burns, holder of under 11, under 12 and under 13 sprint records, and winner of the under 14 "combined" championship. As well as winning the 100 and 220 yards and high jump for the under 14 championship cup, he won the under 13 100 yards championship, and under 13 100 yards handicap.

Included in the programme were handicap events for all ages, novelty races and bicycle races, so that a large percentage of scholars had an active interest in the meeting. Many were eliminated in qualifying competitions.

There were originally 185 entrants for the mile handicap, and nearly the same number for the 880. The majority of these started, making the events spectacular and amusing.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS.

The final total of points scored by the houses were: McCarthy, 248½ points; Treacy, 191 points; Galvin,

170 points; Nunan, 111½ points.

In the individual championship competitions the results were: Open: L. Horgan, 39½ points, 1; P. McNamara, 22 points, 2; J. Pekin, 16 points, 3. Under 16: J. Donovan, 34 points, 1; K. O'Connor, 28 points, 2; M. Whitty, 19 points, 3. Under 15: K. Munn, 15 points, 1; W. Kermond, 13 points, 2; W. Meakes, 10½ points, 3. Under 14: J. Burns, 29 points, 1; L. Bell, 13 points, 2. Under 13: J. Burns, 8 points, 1. Under 12: B. O'Sullivan, 8 points, 1. Under 11: J. Tocley, 8 points, 1. Under 10: G. Dwyer, 8 points, 1.

The heavy programme of 59 events was splendidly run by the staff, ex-students and friends of the College. Br. W. T. O'Malley officiated as starter.

An amplifying system installed by Mr. J. F. Strange operated to advantage, and the Nazareth House Band provided bright music. The ladies' committee catered for the wants of the large gathering of spectators in the matter of sweets, ice cream and afternoon tea.

HANDBALL, 1938.

With the athletic season over, one hears at every spare moment of the day the dull thud of a handball in the courts. In the third term this vigorous sport comes into its own, and one can relax for a brief half-hour or so from study and the cares of exam. preparation. At present the singles

championships are in their final stages. In the open section only nine competed. The finalists were F. Labb, last year's open champion, and P. Cranage.

In the under 16 competition, a much bigger representation was afforded. Acting as secretary, Fred Labb collected thirty players, and in the under 14 competition he netted sixteen. In the former, J. Eckel and D. Smith are to decide the honour.

After the singles championships have been decided, the various rounds for the championship doubles pairs in the three divisions will commence. In all the respective ages, an elaborate system of drawing has so allotted these pairs that nearly all are of the same standard, and undoubtedly keen competition will result.

(Since the above notes were written the singles finals have been decided: In the open, F. Labb defeated P. Cranage, 21—11, 21—9. In the under 16, J. Eckel defeated D. Smith, 15—8, 14—15, 15—14. In the under 14, L. Pring defeated P. Boyce, 11—4, 11—9. The standard of play was quite good and in the under 16 division the display given was excellent.)

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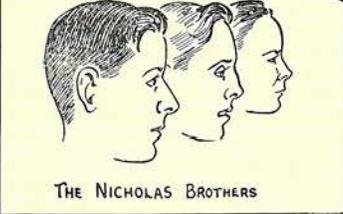
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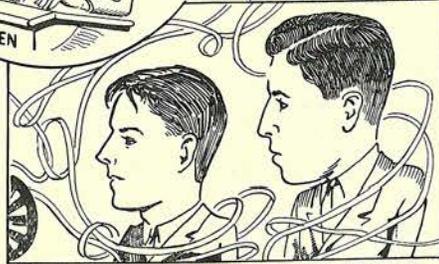
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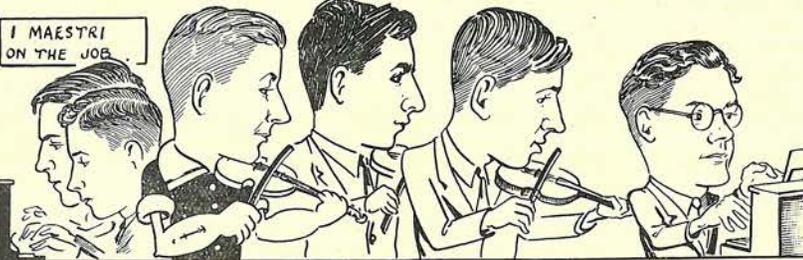
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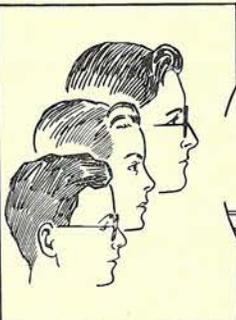


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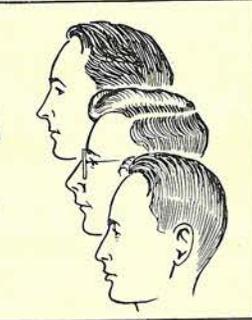
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THE REYNOLDS TRIO

Personalities

JOHN LITTLE, who has secured the honour of being Dux of the Leaving Pass.

Jack attended St. Monica's, Essendon, for five years prior to his arrival in S.P.C. While there he was prominent as a student, and in 1935 secured a Diocesan Scholarship, but preferred St. Pat's. In sporting activities Jack was a very capable swimmer, and represented his School in the Combined Carnival.

In his first year at St. Pat's, he was Dux of Sub. A., and in the general examinations secured 5th place in the Aggregate, 2nd in History and Physics, 3rd in C. Doctrine, and 5th in English. Last year in the Inter. he secured 7 subjects at the Higher Standard and one at a lower.

Jack is extremely keen on wireless, and may often be seen with a wireless book. As "Manager" of an unregistered photographic department, he secures a lot of business from S.P.C. students who find his rates very reasonable.

As a member of Our Lady's Sodality, and a K.B.S., Jack is held in high respect by all.

Although not prominent in sporting activities, Jack plays a little tennis.

His aspirations are towards medicine.

LEO HORGAN, alias "Happy," a well-known figure at St. Pat's, which he entered in 1934.

Leo was born at Wagga, N.S.W., in 1920, and received his earlier education at De La Salle College, Cootamundra, and at the Junee Convent.

Principally as a member of the Athletic Team does this stalwart shine. In his first year at St. Pat's he won the Under 15 Cup. The following year he secured the Under 16 honours. Then, in 1935, '36, '37, '38, he has represented S.P.C. in the various Com-

bined Athletic Competitions. This year he proved "the surprise packet" in the S.P.C. Sports, and, in winning the 100, 220, 440, as well as securing seconds in 880, weight putt, and the broad jump, he won the Senior Cup.

As a rower our subject has rendered splendid assistance to St. Pat's, for he was No. 3 in our record-breaking crew of 1937. He stroked the firsts in '36 and was again No. 3 in the 1st Crew of 1938.

Although a rugby player while in N.S.W., Leo has quickly adapted himself to the Victorian code, and this year was a very prominent, hard-bumping member of our 1st XVIII. Probably he would have represented us in 1936 except for injuries which prevented him from taking part in sport.

Leo has also passed in Grade VI Music.

This year he is sitting for the Commonwealth Public Service. We wish him every success, although his loss to S.P.C. will leave a vacancy hard to fill.

TOM O'BRIEN is in his first year at S.P.C. He will be coming back next year. His poems secure for him the position of the school poet; in fact if he grows much more he will be a long fellow. In the near future he hopes to be at St. Columban's.

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MAL. QUIN is one of the large workers from the Intermediate. He comes from Alphington, and is undecided about his future, but will probably become a professional globe trotter. He gets in practice during the school holidays.

JOE FAVALORO, a Prefect of the School and a member of the Sodality, is one of the hard workers of the Honours. He was a member of this year's victorious Fourth Crew, and next year hopes to do Engineering at the University.

JACK CONNELL is 16 years old and has been at St. Pat's since 1934. He is a Councillor of the Sodality, and a member of the Cricket, Tennis, Football and Athletic Teams. He will be back here next year, and later hopes to do Law at the "shop."

MAURICE REYNOLDS has been here since 1935, when he was removed from the Remove to the Sub. He is an industrious worker (anyway, that's what he says!) and he obtained seven subjects in Inter. He will be back here next year, and at present is undecided about his future.

KEVIN REYNOLDS. Another of the "terrible trio," entered S.P.C. as a Junior in 1935, and still is one. He is the cox of McCarthy's Second Crew, and in the future intends to follow in his father's footsteps.

GEOFFREY REYNOLDS is the eldest of the Reynolds brothers. He is an adept at handball. In December,

he intends to take his brothers to Sydney, that is if they will trust their lives to him. Next year he intends to do "med" at the University.

PAT BOHAN is an accomplished musician. While at St. Thomas', Terang, in 1935, he passed Grade I. Music. This year he did Grade II., and obtained honours in it. He is seventeen years of age, the College organist, and intends to go to Werribee in the near future. He is also a member of the College Football Eighteen, and the Sodality.

TONY FRY and SPENCER SYMES. Two of the real old timers. Tony was born at Werribee 1924, and he came to S.P.C. in 1931. He is a member of the Sodality, and this year was one of the captains in the Under 15 years Athletic Competition. Tony's hobby is aeroplanes, and his friends consider him a good designer of "crates." He hopes to return to S.P.C. next year.

SPENCER (better known as "Spim") **SYMES** enrolled at S.P.C. in 1931. This year he celebrated his 16th birthday. Spim has some good autograph books in which are the signatures of many well-known old boys. He thinks this is the last year at S.P.C. for him, so we will take this opportunity of wishing him the best of luck when he gets out into the wide-wide world.

RONALD VICTOR FLANAGAN came to S.P.C. in 1937. Since then he



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has had the honour of being admitted to the Sodality. Last year he passed the Intermediate in eight subjects, and he is sitting for the same number in the Leaving Examination this year. Ron intends to take up flying as a career and we offer him the best of luck.

JOHN FRANCIS ECKEL was born at Minyip in 1923. In 1931, he enrolled at Villa Maria, where he attended for 5 years. In 1936, he proceeded to S.P.C. Here he has done very well in his studies, especially in Latin. Jack is an excellent handballer, and this year he played football with the 2nd XVIII and with the Under 15 years team. He hopes to return to S.P.C. next year.

JOSEPH FRANCIS CUNNEEN, of Elmore, enrolled at S.P.C. in March of this year. Since then he has become one of the most popular boys in the school. As a member of the 1st XVIII, Joe is an excellent forward, while the Athletic season finds him as St. Pat's No. 1 representative in the High Jump. Rumour hath it that Joe intends to take up teaching, and we wish him the best of success in this occupation.

BASIL McGRATH is a member of the Inter. with a future ahead of him in school cricket and football.

ALAN WALDRON has embarked on a literary career. Readers of the Chronicle are familiar with "Algeron Oddsox," who is a character reminiscent of Wodehouse.

JACK FLYNN hails from Wyche-proof, which makes the proud boast that the train runs down the main street.

TERRY WALSH, a new-comer from St. Kilda, is a keen exponent of Physics and Chemistry.

MYLES O'BRIEN hails from Cohuna, up north. This is his first year at St. Pat's, and he proposes to follow in the footsteps of his father and study law.

IAN KIELAN, a prominent member of the Inter, comes from Melbourne. Among other things he dabbles in first aid, and proved a tower of strength to the football team.

FRANK and GERALD NUGENT. The famous Koondrook Twins. Born at Bendigo 10 years ago. This is their first year at St. Pat's. Have been in the forefront of the class all the year. They both like tennis and golf. We don't know about the golf, but they show promise of being good "racquetters." The problem is whether Frank is more like Gerald than Gerald is like Frank.

JULIAN McCONVILLE. Like the Man from Snowy River, Julian hails from "up by Kosciusko's side," where he started life 12 years ago. Since he came to S.P.C. last September, he has challenged F. N. for leadership in Fourth Class. Is good at all sports, especially cricket and swimming.

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REMOVE AND SIXTH GRADE

Michael Bartlett has shown us lately that his one ambition is to be manager of the City Library. While he is engaged with his notebook let me draw your attention to three day boys who have been doing that "extra" which counts for success: John Davis, Des. Cook and Des. O'Hehir.

David Maddern is sharing a secret with Steven Cullinan—happy times in Mildura! Athol Nicholas is making vain efforts to grow, but at times he considers it better to remain one of the infants. Loy is growing the wrong way.

Remove boys are to be commended for their application to study in preparation for the exams. We hope to record their various successes in the first issue of the 1939 "Chronicle."

Now that the term is drawing to a close we take the opportunity of wishing one and all a very enjoyable holiday. May the Christmas season bring with it a special blessing on each one of us from the Infant Jesus and His Blessed Mother.

To all, then, we extend wishes for a very happy Christmas.

S.P.C. "ON THE AIR."

THE COLLEGE CHOIR.

On Friday, 25th November, the choir accepted the opportunity given it to sing over National Station 3LO. This gave the parents of our boys from all parts of the State a chance to hear their sons sing, when they could not conveniently be present at the Annual Concert and Presentation of Prizes.

Accordingly, from the Ballarat Town Hall the choir rendered two numbers: "Nymphs and Shepherds," a two-part song by Purcell; and "The Blue Danube," by Strauss, arranged in two parts by Lesco.

We had a very interested audience as was evidenced by the numerous congratulatory messages which we received. We take this opportunity of thanking them for their good wishes.

NEWMAN COLLEGE.

Some University results of interest to S.P.C.:

Tom Capell and Ted Hennessy: Both doing finals in Med. and have no exams. till November, 1939.

Pat Cody passed 4th Year Med.
Joe Connellan passed 3rd Year Med.

Frank Hetherington passed 3rd Year Med.

Kev. Whitehead passed 3rd Year Accountancy; doing a supp. in Physiology.

Felix Favalaro and Ted Andre both passed 2nd Year Anatomy, but have to do a supp. in Physiology.

Les. Coleman passed 1, 2 supps.; missed 1.

Ted Byrne has to do 1 supp. in 1st Year Med.

Tony Grano doing finals in Law and has to do 1 supplementary.

Pat O'Donohue passed 2nd Year Law.

Harry Walker passed 2nd Year Law.

Leo Scullion passed Economics.

Vic. Batros passed Economic Hist.

Frank Lucas passed finals in Commerce.

Bill Shea, Jack Seward, Joe Gargan, George Robinson, C. Wilson: Results not yet to hand.

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Announcer: "The orchestra will now play 'Together.'"

Voice: "It's about time they did."

Voices From Afar

CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE, WERRIBEE.

On December 8th in the College Chapel one student will be ordained to the Priesthood, and fifteen others to Major Orders, amongst whom will be L. Fiscalini and W. Batchelor, both of S.P.C. fame.

The annual town and country cricket match, begun on Sunday, 30th October, and continued through the ensuing week, resulted in a much-coveted victory for the country—their first win in the history of C.C.C. They amassed the huge score of 3 for 202 in reply to the Town's 197.

At present exams. are in full evidence here, and will continue until the vacations begin on the 12th December. No doubt the same atmosphere of anxiety and work pervades S.P.C., where everybody, after recovering from the October Tests, is once more "hard at it."

And now for our final number of Old Boy Personalities!

JACK CARROLL, completing his first year of Philosophy, is now deeply engrossed in preparation for exams. In the field of sport Jack has many outstanding performances to his credit.

In the main football and cricket matches during the year he figured prominently: last year gained third place in the Marathon, and in the sports tied for second place in the high jump. At present he captains one of the teams in the cricket competition, where he is ever prominent with bat and ball.

Also busily solving the problems of 1st Philosophy is FRANK McKENZIE, who left St. Pat's early last year. He represented Philosophy and the Country in football, where he showed plenty of the old S.P.C. spirit of "going through." Frank is a very assiduous visitor to the swimming pool these days, where he is busily en-

gaged in erecting a diving tower. His brother, Coley, is perhaps better known as the Head Prefect of S.P.C. last year. During the footy season Coley gave us a true glimpse of his old S.P.C. form, and has proved that even an old man can play good football. Some time ago he had the misfortune to fracture his arm and little finger, which, of course, will put him out of the professional rank for some time. However, he has now discarded the sling and hopes soon to be ready for the exams.

JOE KELLY is also doing his first year at Corpus Christi. Well known at school last year for his polyglot abilities, Joe was not here long before he became conversant with many of the local Italians, so that now we are wondering what nationality he really is. He also featured in the recent Town v. Country cricket match, and earlier in the year gave us a glimpse of his skipping prowess, which, to say the least, was superb. The exam bug seems to have bitten Joe, too, for it has been said that he spends most of the night quoting Horace—in his sleep!

BILL McCUNNIE, who also graces the ranks of Rhetoric, is at present busily delving into the classics, especially the Georgics and Plautus. In the recent college sports Bill made fame by breaking the 75 yards record, and some of the older hands have it that Bill is one of the fastest "colts" seen here for quite a time. Not so long ago Bill also had the unique experience of capturing a snake in the College grounds.

As this will be our last time in print this year, we would like to take the opportunity of wishing each and everyone at St. Pat's a happy and holy Christmas and prosperous New Year. We hope, too, that these will be merely the happy prelude to many more.

CHRISTMAS PIE.

With the advent of December one's thoughts quite naturally go back to the last few weeks of the school's years of yore, and to some of the outstanding items presented at the Annual Speech Night. In 1933 was heard the classic rendition of "The Volga Boatman" by the senior choir; indeed, one of the most magnificent musical offerings of recent years. Then in 1936 we had the splendid portrayal of "The Nativity." In that most authoritative journal, "Things every baby should know," this particular item received the coveted three stars. Then we must not forget "Flick and Flock," which was the opening item from 1894 to 1937. The College Orchestra could always be relied on to give this difficult tune an interpretation fired with feeling and imagination.

December also ushers in exams. and is the month of the break-up dinner—surely an event in itself. We might advise the unwary to beware of the caviarre and champagne, as such delicacies are not conducive to the exams. of the following day. The lads who are to receive cups and prizes should have a full dress rehearsal beforehand, as one lad some years ago did not, and, haughtily stepping on to the stage, forgot the step and crashed on his beano—rather a nasty sensation before a packed audience!

Recent visitors to town have been the two Meakes, of the firm of Meakes, Meakes, Meakes and Wheeler. They report that business is good. Present scribe saw them in full dress making for the Palais.

Jack Mooney has taken to the dogs and can be seen any evening at Middle Park taking his two prize hounds ("Red Mac" and "Spotless Jack") for a quiet stroll. He has promised to advise all Old Boys when they are going off.

The Defence team takes on an S.P.C. flavour when we see such names as A. Casey, B. Mulcahy,

J. Fogarty, J. O'Dea, E. Long and K. Smith. Our Defence reporter states that Kev. Reilly and Tom Brazil are going to Apollo Bay for their holidays. We wonder what the interest is. Tom is a frequenter of the Palais. Another Defence item states that Bubs O'Dea is getting fatter and lazier—if that can be possible. Jack Fogarty is assistant secretary of the Carmelite Tennis Club, and is one of their leading players.

Bert Lenne was seen recently making a dash across Flinders Street. Under his arm he carried a suspicious looking parcel. No doubt it was a revolver, or, maybe, a bottle of chloroform. The same debonair Bert was at Luna Park recently enjoying himself to the full.

Brian Hanigan and Terry Brown are continuing with their athletics. Brian is one of the all-round champions at the Park, but we would like to see him specialising in one event. If so he should soon develop into a champion. Terry is endeavouring to start an Old Boys' Football Club and seeks the support of every Old Boy.

Mike Byron, a Sub. man in 1932, was at the Independent Church the other night giving an informal lecture. He took as his subject, "The Possibilities of Future Canary Breeding in the Arctic," and was greeted with loud applause. One wonders whether he will join the said Church.

Martin Dromgoole now drives a new Vauxhall—rather a toff! Jack Robinson celebrated his coming-of-age at an informal evening at the Spider's Web on the night of November 25th. Wally Joyce and Terry Keogh are playing cricket and doing a little sunbathing in their spare moments.

The lean, long "Stork" Cranage, of 1935, is no longer lean, inasmuch as he now tips the beam at 13 stone. Jack Mansour is a school teacher by profession, and Walter Clarebrough is a senior mechanic at General Motors. Barry Cleary has taken to dramatic art and is to partner Louise

Rainer in her next picture, "Kangaroo."

"Tony" Ryan, having completed his finals in Pharmacy, is now bent on a course of chiropody, so anyone inflicted with corns or bunions may consult him—then you may pass on to the insult!

One of our learned scientists confided to me in strict secrecy the following maxim taken from Euclid viii. 1. At first the earth was thought to be flat, then it was found to be round, nowadays it's crooked!

The author, along with another Old Boy, can be seen at Yarra Bend Golf Links three mornings a week at 6.30, so any complaints should be lodged then and there. After visiting many razzling bouts he reckons he's pretty tough.

In conclusion, as our learned speakers are wont to add, I may proffer a little advice to the boys now that the holidays are drawing nigh—some girls use dumbbells to get colour on their faces; others use colour on their faces to get dumbbells—so beware!

The C.S.I.R. recommends "Snow White" as a picture which should appeal to the simple, childlike minds of M. Gill, L. Horgan, J. Flanagan, K. de Lacy, J. Favalcro, and A. Jones—so don't miss it, boys!

A bright and merry Christmas to all of ye, and until 1939 we must say "au revoir."

—"The Rouseabout."

A SPORT'S RETROSPECT

With the approach of the examinations, sport seems to be waning in the minds of the boys, but we must not let it disappear entirely. Perhaps a resume of St. Pat's successes would be in order.

In the first term we met with mixed success, winning the cricket, but having to admit defeat at the hands of Grammar in the Head of the Lake. The First XI were undefeated champions in the school premierships, and were also undefeated in the Sunday

games. During the season this team proved by its performances both in matches and at practice that it was as good as any that had ever represented St. Pat's. Although defeated in the Head of the Lake, we won the seconds and fourths' races, and were second to Grammar in both the thirds and the Old Boys.

During the football season, our reputation not only in school matches but also in Sunday games was upheld, and we had to admit defeat only on one occasion, and then at the hands of a team of Old Boys. Our victims included St. Kevin's (twice) and the School of Mines (twice), besides several formidable teams from Melbourne. Throughout the winter golf increased its hold on St. Pat's and a very successful tournament was held on the Midlands course.

Our sporting activities in the third term were divided between athletics and tennis. On the oval the boys put in that strenuous training which enabled them to "sweep the board" both in Melbourne and Ballarat, firmly establishing St. Pat's as the outstanding Catholic College in Victoria.

We witnessed a spirited revival in the sphere of tennis, and returned to supremacy in the Public Schools Tennis, winning both the Premiership and the McNeil Cup.

Although we can be justly proud of our successes this year, we must remember that we are only handing on the tradition, entrusted to our care by the past students. We have fulfilled that trust in the realm of sport. All that remains is to bring glory to St. Pat's by excellent results in the examinations, and there can be no doubt that here, too, we will follow precedent.

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Gentleman: "You are an honest lad, but the pound I lost was a note—not twenty shillings in silver."

Boy: "I know, sir, but the last time I found a pound note the owner had no change."

ELOCUTION COMPETITION.

Unusually keen interest was taken in the 12th Annual Elocution Competition, when 110 finalists faced Mr. J. F. O'Shea.

There were: Junior Class, 25; Sub-Inter., 21; Inter, 40; Leaving, 24. This is the largest number yet to quality.

The standard in Leaving, Inter. and Sub. Inter. was very high. This was mainly due to several of the competitors having won prizes at South St., and the experience gained there helped them to gain their places in the prize list.

The general ability displayed by competitors was highly commendable. The pronunciation and the clarity of diction was another very pleasing feature.

The work in the Junior Section was not so well finished, but next year the work in this class will be equal if not a little better than any in the College. If good fortune smiles on us and we have Rev. Bro. Murphy presiding, this class should top the list.

The "Chairman" Competition is introduced to develop the "Art of Chairmanship." The competitor is expected to have a little originality and initiative, and to conduct the session with dignity and control and see that competitors adhere to the rules of the competition, and that each one will receive a "good hearing."

Clearness and distinctiveness is also another feature—many of the competitors failed in this respect. In one instance one of the boys had excellent matter, but his method, delivery, etc., were not in keeping—so many wandered away from their "point."

The winner, Bruce McKenzie, had an easy task: his effort was outstanding in a noor field: he could be heard at all times: he was natural and convincing, and his ideas were well on the correct lines.

There should be more competing in this section, because it is an excellent opportunity to develop the correct methods of a competent "Chairman."

The results were:

Leaving: 1st, Adrian Anderson; 2nd, Cyril Stokes; 3rd, Jim McAlloom, Gerhard Jongelbloed, Pat Bohan; hon. mention, Maurice Reynolds, Rod. Hayes.

Intermediate: 1st, Geo. Dwyer; 2nd, T. O'Brien, G. Little, W. Brittain; 3rd, M. O'Keefe; hon. mention, J. Toohey, V. Delahunty.

Sub. Inter: 1st, Rody Delahunty; 2nd, Frank Killeen; 3rd, Kevin O'Connor; hon. mention, Tom Clarke.

Junior: 1st, T. Conlon; 2nd, H. Smith; 3rd, J. Fitzgerald; hon. mention, P. Wilson.

Chairman: 1st, Bruce McKenzie (Sub. Inter.); 2nd, Frank Nichols (Leaving), 3rd; Pat Conway (Inter); hon. mention, John O'Hagan (Inter.).

JUNIOR JOTTINGS.

The close of November finds the places in the classes as follows:—

F. Nugent and Julian, 1,074; John McCarthy, 964; G. Nugent, 927; Martin, 916; F.X.W.S., 907; Cephas, 892; John Tooley, 885; Ron Rosser, 821; and B. Hussey, 804.

In Third Class: Ray H., 988; Barry, 929; Gerard, 881; and Murray, 755.

In Second Clas: Kevin, 464; Mick, 416; and Henry, 307.

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS, ADIEU!

At games or sports we'er more than keen;

No merrier pals could ere be seen,

Because we're all St. Patrick's boys.

Kind ccmrades, come and share our

fun;

And now for happy holidays—

I bid you all adieu!

And don't forget your prayers,

They're good for me and you,

Then we'll be here again next year

With songs and stories new,

And so, until we meet again,

St. Patrick's boys, adieu!

Frank Killeen.