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EDITORIAL.

THE NEWSPAPER PRESS.

The power of the newspaper is a measure of the responsibility of the press-man. He is far more than a commercial hand or a public service scrivener. He resembles the priest in the pulpit. He delivers a message from Hades or from Heaven. And where the pastor speaks to hundreds, he often addresses millions. We shall soon want highly educated Catholic journalists for our coming Catholic dailies; and it is time to interest youth in a career that on so many grounds would make a powerful appeal to our boys and girls. The saintly Pius X. blessing a journalist and his pen addressed him thus:

"There is no nobler mission in the world to-day that that of a journalist. I bless the symbol of your office."

In the present crisis of social structures the Catholic Church has the secret of rebuilding. Her light is doubtless a heavenly and supernatural light chiefly illuminating the ways of eternity; but its far-flung fringe, incident on common clay, becomes a beacon even to the children of this world. Question her on cremation, or communism, or eugenics, or strikes, and her voice is instant. From her throne on the Roman hills she has been watching man and questioning God for two thousand years: she not only knows what is wrong with the fads of the modernist, but she sympathises with his unrest, and with maternal solicitude points out to him with unerring finger the paths of peace. Her constructive policy satisfies the claims of abstract justice and the yearnings of the human heart. It will be the duty of the Catholic paper to send abroad the good tidings.

It has been said that the most religious people in the world will be a nation of unbelievers and rebels if they read bad newspapers for thirty years. The experiment of telling them the truth for a like period is worth trying; for truth has a unity, an appeal, a consistency which must prevail over the chicanery of the Ananiases. The people of to-day, drugged with the false philosophy of Modernism (called by Pius X "the synthesis of all heresies") need to be told,

and told daily, that Dives is God's steward, that there is no sense in regarding the growth of one's bank account as the purpose of existence; that the house which is a home is the happiest place on earth; that the child is not a mere unit in a military scheme, but a soul capable of God; that great educational authorities like Harvard, Princeton and Yale Universities now justify the Catholic insistence on religion in schools; that "how much money is in it?" is not a measure of absolute values; that Australia's most urgent need is unselfish leaders like de Valera and Salazar; and that the object of the Church is not to overthrow the British Empire but to get as many Australians as possible (whether of British, Irish or German origin) into Heaven.

Self-discipline is required to extract from good newspapers the immense benefit they are capable of imparting. Many throw the papers away once they have scanned the sporting items or read the short story. Sport is good and necessary (for the young, indispensable) and the story fits satisfactorily into an idle interval; but the boy is wise who betimes bends his best efforts to equip himself for the stern battle which is life. In a Siberian train journey, while the British Tommies were reading fiction the Communists were studying economics; and in Melbourne University we are told that the "Commos" stop up o' nights typing red propaganda to distribute it in the morning in the streets. There is plainly a strenuous battle awaiting our boys when they leave the guarded precincts of the College and mingle with a pleasure-mad world bred on godless secularity. It will be some beginning of the self-conquest which must precede all other conquests if they compel themselves to read, for instance, the leading articles in the Catholic weeklies. If they persevere they will gradually acquire a taste for serious reading and begin to wonder how they had ever been beguiled by the frothy stuff of former years. Perhaps they will even be attracted to that noble profession whose object is or should be the dissemination of mundane truth and the moral uplift of the clientele.

"If St. Paul were alive to-day," said Bishop Ketteler, "he would be a journalist."

Be then not only a reader of the good things in the good press, but an active apostle of the good press. And if false shame deters, look at Pius X as Cardinal going about in a gondola, laboriously collecting subscriptions for the Catholic paper.

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WELCOME, MONTH OF MAY.

May is Mary's month, and a month that is dear to every child of our Blessed Lady. We are all Mary's children. Christ Himself gave her to us, as our Mother, as his last gift to mankind, when, from Calvary's Cross he exclaimed "Behold Thy Mother."

Yes, Mary is our mother; to us she was given—to you and to me. She loves us and she will love us on to the end. It is very easy for us to love Mary. She means so much to us. No earthly mother ever loved her child as Mary loves us.

We love and honour Mary always, but it is especially during this month of May that Brothers' boys unite, the world over, in honouring her. Each day as we gather at her shrine, we know that hundreds of thousands of boys of the Brothers' schools throughout the world are gathered round their May Altar in praise of Mary.

Let us then, as we of St. Patrick's College assemble each day to sing her praises, let us be sincere and earnest. Let our protestations of love and loyalty be not mere vapourings of sentiment, but let them be the valiant boast and the pledge of our fidelity to our Heavenly Queen.

"We've decked Our Lady's altars
With flowers fresh and fair,
And crowned her with a diadem
The choicest and most rare,
So at her shrine we love to kneel
To invoke her as we pray,
O Mary, Queen of Heaven,
O Mary, Queen of May."

AND WHAT OF JUNE?

Yes, the months of May and June are both dear to the hearts of Christian Brothers' boys. Again we have our altar, this time decked in the colours of the Sacred Heart. Mary's blue is replaced by the red of the Sacred Heart, and instead of Mary's statue we have that of the Sacred Heart of her own dear Jesus to arouse our love and loyalty. It is not difficult to be sympathetic to Jesus during our June devotions, for so much has happened to cause suffering and sorrow to the Heart of our Saviour—so much, too, that is our very own. We gather round the shrine and, having implored pardon and mercy under the titles of the Litany of the Sacred Heart, we sing our hymn of praise begging that the Sacred Heart may be always and in all places loved and adored.

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LABOUR DAY MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL.

All the boys of the Matriculation Class, and those who were doing their Leaving for the second time, were present at the Mass which was celebrated in the Cathedral on Labour Day.

It was grand to see the Cathedral so full on that occasion and the huge congregation which had assembled in union with the Catholic Church, and which prayed with the priest that God would bless the worker and his cause, listened with rapt attention to the fearless and inspiring discourse of Rev. Fr. McInerney.

We were reminded by Fr. McInerney of the worker's place in society and of the Church's attitude towards the employer and the employee. We were warned that a powerful enemy, masquerading as a friend of the workers, was at large in the world. Much havoc had been wrought in Europe and elsewhere and the very bulwarks of civilisation had been rocked by the diabolical influence exerted by the Communist.

Fr. McInerney appealed to Catholics to stand full square against communism. Civilisation was a Catholic heritage. It had been given to the world by the Catholic Church. It was a duty incumbent on Catholics to see to it that civilisation was not destroyed.

He vehemently appealed to us to arouse ourselves, to throw off any apathy that might envelop us and to become interested in industrial and commercial affairs so that we might exercise a telling vote when our union put forth any matter for our decision. At least it could be said that Communists were zealous—a mere handful of them were swaying the destinies of the trade unions of many countries. We, in Australia, had seen something of their work and we were not altogether without blame. We had complacently looked on while they had usurped control of Trade Unions and other bodies. It behoved Catholics to become interested in these trade and industrial groups and to see that executive positions were not filled by anti-Christian or Communist leaders.

This was the second of such rousing addresses by Fr. McInerney. He had, on the previous Sunday, stirred the Holy Name men by a similar eloquent address.

S.P.C. is proud to count Fr. McInerney as one of her many alumni working for God and for Australia.

THE SODALITY OF OUR LADY.

There are twenty-seven Sodalists this year and we trust that we are honestly striving to be the equal of past groups.

The selection of officers held at the beginning of the term resulted as follows: Head Councillor, Brian Kelly; Assistant Councillors, Frank Monaghan, Maurice Maloney, John Robinson, Tom Tobin, Brendan Scally.

The usual weekly meeting, consisting of office and address by our Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini, takes place now on Friday, not, as formerly, on Monday.

On May 8th, Feast of the Solemnity of St. Joseph, a reception of new members was held in the College Chapel.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

This Society flourishes at the College. Although the age limit has been raised to fifteen years and the Junior Holy Name has been dropped, new enrolments have brought the number of members to a total of 110.

There will be an enrolment on the second Sunday in May. The next issue of the Chronicle will report this function.

The following office-bearers were elected for 1946:—President, Brian Kelly; Vice-President, John Robinson; Consultors, Frank Monaghan and Maurice Moloney; Secretary, Victor Crennan; Treasurer, Jim Groutsch; Marshal, Clem Cullinan.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

Founded three years ago, the Society continues its work under the capable guidance of Fr. Fiscalini.

The office-bearers appointed for this year are:—President, Maurice Moloney; Vice-President, Frank Monaghan; Treasurer, Tom Tobin; Secretary, John Robinson.

Members who left College at the close of last year were Bryan Long, Reg Long, John McCarthy, Frank Awburn, Frank Nugent, Gerald Nugent, Jim Dowie, Bob Donnelly, John Chandler, Brian Carroll, Will Dwyer, Brian Murray, Frank McLoughlan, Will Caelli, Bruce Hussey. Their places were filled by David Bourke, Michael Grogan, Pat Crudden, Clem Cullinan, Kevin Baker, Ray McAllister.

Members continue to visit the Base Hospital, St. John's Hospital, Nazareth House and the Benevolent Home each Sunday to bring joy and sympathy to the inmates.

A fete, directed by George Hamm and his willing and able assistants, Jim Hoyne, Newman O'Donohue, Ted Hoy, John Kelly, Henry Nolan, George Steed, Ned Conroy, was held on Saturday afternoon, 27th April.

Though rain fell during most of the afternoon, arrangements were so complete that the elements did not spoil the effort. Thanks to the efforts of the organisers, and the co-operation of the whole College, the net proceeds of the fete were £35.

The Society thanks these boys, and all the boys, through them, their parents. The groceries and other gifts donated by the boarders and day boys alike made this grand result possible. We are grateful, too, to all for the magazines and periodicals which were brought in after the Easter break.

One of our main sources of revenue is the St. Anthony's box, which is placed outside the Chapel. Into this box many generous souls drop their spare pennies which enable us to brighten in some little way the lives of those whom we visit.



EXAMINATION RESULTS OF 1945.

The publication of the final results of the examinations show that the students of St. Patrick's College have again acquitted themselves with honour. Twelve students were successful in the matriculation and these secured twenty-one honours, six first class and fifteen second class honours. J. McCarthy shared the exhibition in General Mathematics.

J. McCarthy, with three first class and three second class honours, and J. Spain with two first class and two second class honours and a pass, were outstanding among the successful candidates. Both of the above won Newman Scholarships and were placed eighth and ninth respectively on the list of Commonwealth Public Service for Victoria. R. Long, who gained three second class honours and a pass, was also worthy of mention.

Forty-six candidates, a record number, were successful in securing their Leaving Certificates—D. Bourke, J. Groutsch, seven subjects; A. Baker, K. Baker, O. Brennan, J. Chandler, C. Cullinan, R. Groutsch, B. Hurley, B. Malady, F. Monaghan, F. Nihill, J. Scott, K. Tobin, J. Vaughan, six subjects, were among the most successful candidates. Five of the students were successful and have received their appointments to the Commonwealth Bank. Six and seven candidates were successful in securing places on the State and Commonwealth Public Service lists respectively.

The Intermediate results were also very satisfactory. Forty-eight passed and twenty-four secured the necessary subjects for partial passes. T. Bazeley, J. Ware, J. Bourke, J. Butler, J. Colbert, K. Cusack, F. Kenna, G. Wise, nine subjects; B. Conway, V. Crennan, J. Donovan, G. Gleeson, J. Greening, W. Giuliano, K. Mogg, R. Stapleton, eight subjects, were particularly worthy of mention.

Forty-seven were successful in gaining their Sub-Intermediate Certificates. J. Shaw, twelfth; D. Gray, thirteenth, and D. George, fifteenth, in the aggregate were outstanding. Seven students were successful in securing Junior Government Scholarships. They were J. Shaw, D. Gray, D. George, K. Sharry, K. Mogg, P. Conway and P. Davey.

Twenty-nine gained their Second Year Certificates. W. O'Dell secured the honours here by being placed sixteenth in the aggregate.

Thirty-one secured their First Year Certificates.

The juniors to whom we look for so much, greatly impressed the various inspectors who expressed themselves as highly pleased by their successful answering of questions asked.

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GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE.

John Robinson, who is now in his fifth year at S.P.C., has lately been appointed as one of the Prefects of the College. He also holds executive positions in the Sodality and St. Vincent de Paul's Society. He is a keen student, and it is in this department that he is at his best. He has been very successful in his examinations and was one of the successful students in the matriculation last year. While he has not as yet secured a position in the firsts, he is an able and keen contestant in House matches. His ability and application gives promise of success in the final examinations.

Michael Grogan, the son of Leo Grogan, here about 1920, and who is now attending the health of the people of Richmond, has been here for five years. Last year he was successful in his matriculation. He is one of the newly appointed Prefects, and a member of the Sodality and St. Vincent de Paul's Society. As assistant projectionist he contributes largely to the entertainment of the other students. By reason of an obliging nature he is a favourite with all. His talents and devotion to his duty augur well both for his success at the end of the year and in his career on leaving school.

Noel Hooper, of Ararat, is in his second year at S.P.C. He is one of the Leaving Class and by virtue of his sterling character has won a place in the esteem of all who know him. He is our leading pianist, and it is in music that he finds his chief relaxation. His application to his work ensures that he will be successful at the end of the year.

Reginald Kenealy, of Melbourne, is now one of the pillars of S.P.C., and we find him working hard for his success in the matriculation. He is a Prefect of the College, a member of the Sodality and of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society. His cheerful ways ensure his popularity. He is a fine athlete, but has failed to hold a place in the Firsts mainly owing to his lack of inches. He is a very accomplished violinist and often entertains with a recital of classical music. His prospects at the end of the year are bright. Besides his other interest, he has Frank to keep a fraternal eye on.

John Morganti, of Melbourne, the son of Dick Morganti, an old boy and very interested in the legal side of affairs, graduated from the Villa two years ago and now is working hard as a member of the Inter A. Occasionally he looks worried, but looks are deceiving. Lately he has been caught in the camera craze and is rapidly developing an eye for beauty. He should do well at the end of the year.

John Rando, of Black Rock, has become one of the very prominent members of the College. He is a hard worker, and very keen on sport. He has lately shown very fine football sense and may be one of that chosen band of eighteen. We wish him all the best.

Daryl George, who comes from near the South Australian border, is one of our most promising students. Already he has gained some notable scholastic successes, not the least of which is the Junior Government Scholarship. He is frequently seen in the company of J. Shaw, D. Gray and J. Hewitt. He has achieved a popularity with those of his acquaintance by reason of his obliging disposition and cheery smile.

Ian Bradford, one of four brothers from Deniliquin, is gradually building up a record for long service. He is now in Second Year and already has quite a few years to his credit. He is a popular favourite with everyone, as his face always seem to be lit by a happy smile. His hobby is music.



AROUND THE ROOMS

MATRICULATION.

With the opening of the school year our members gathered strength until now we are not an inconsiderable numerical portion (the intellectual portion goes without argument) of the school strength. We gradually sorted ourselves out and now have settled down to serious work in preparation for our careers on leaving the hallowed walls which have sheltered us for so long.

Our numbers contain a few of the seasoned veterans of the last year's matriculation, and quite a sprinkling of faces new to S.P.C. We extend a hearty welcome to J. Maginnity, J. Stevens, G. Holmes and C. Redmond, and hope that their time with us will be well and happily spent. In the midst of our struggle upwards towards the light we find time to relax on the campus. We extend our congratulations to B. Kelly, Head Prefect of the College and the Sodality, on his captaincy of the First XI. and to Lieutenant C. Cullinan, vice-captain. Places in the First XI. were also filled by D. Bourke, P. Crudden, B. Scally, R. Kenealy and P. Worsnop.

It has also fallen to our good fortune to provide most of the prefects. We extend to B. Kelly, M. Moloney, J. Robinson, B. Scally, C. Cullinan, F. Monaghan, B. Kenealy, M. Grogan, T. Molan, J. Groutsch and R. Groutsch our heartiest congratulations on being chosen prefects for 1946.

We have in our midst various kinds of enthusiasts. The latest craze is that of the camera and its attendant ills. B. Malady, the originator of the aforesaid club, is the leading light, but has an able assistant in A. Locke, D. Bourke and B. Webb are likewise keen on proving that the camera does not lie.

K. Tobin is occasionally given to making damaging admissions. C. Cullinan had a haircut during the term. J. Todd made an uncomfortable, if last minute, return to his base after the Easter holidays. One stormy night some of us had our slumbers disturbed by rather unearthly tremors. However, the phantom was laid and we continued our slumbers without further interruptions until dawn.

LEAVING CLASS.

Greetings from the Leaving Class of 1946! We, as is in accord with the best of traditions, are the elite of the College, and are the link that binds the matriculation to the body corporate. It is during our time in the Leaving that our hopes and desires blossom forth, and we set our feet on the road to a definite goal. Gone are the toys of our childhood days, and now we grasp at the ideals and ideas of manhood. Serious as is this business of making up our minds, we are not enveloped in a cloud of gloom and seriousness. We, too, have our lighter moments.

Congratulations to R. McAllister, J. Leatham, P. Brennan, J. Ware on their selection for the First XI., and to V. Crennan on his captaincy of the Second XI. and the victorious team in the Senior Park competition. Congratulations to T. Tobin on his appointment to the Prefects.

We heartily welcome J. Laws, P. Shelden, K. Dunn and F. Hill to our ranks and we feel sure that they will be happy during their time here. We were sorry

to lose P. Kamps who had to return to Holland after a short stay amongst us. Short as his sojourn was, we had time to appreciate the fine character which he possessed. We all join in wishing him all the best in his native land.

J. Butler has been singularly reticent about his ride home for the Easter. J. Hoyne has, at last, come to know the meaning of Q.E.D. He demonstrated its meaning so clearly by his method of multiplication. R. Burke finds no difficulty with equations and symbols. Mere child's play! R. McArthur sometimes finds difficulties with cricket balls and shells. G. Hamm and his team successfully organised a fete in aid of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society. J. Bourke was the holder of the luck ticket and now has a camera with which to carry on his hobby.

T. Bazeley recently caught a fox which had definite signs of having been chewed about the ears. J. Colbert discovered that glass is fragile. B. Conway has received a railway time-table. V. Di Nuzzo agrees that irrational equations are irrational.

As the term draws to a close, and with the end of the term an account must be rendered, so we must on with preparing our profit and loss account. Farewell now for the time being!

INTERMEDIATE A.

There are forty-four hard working and extra keen students on the Inter. A Class list this year. All are eager to uphold the high reputation of the class in the fields of piety, learning and sport.

Monthly tests are held in all subjects and every member of the class tries earnestly and diligently to improve his position on the result sheet. In the first test the title of Prime Minister went to Jim Cusack, of Ararat, who was followed closely by Frank Kenealy and John Meeny. In the second test the first ten places were filled as follows:—Don Gray, Melbourne, Prime Minister; F. Kenealy, Melbourne, 2nd; Des Slattery, Terang, 3rd; Jim Cusack, Ararat, 4th; Peter Conway, Hopetoun, 5th; Peter Barbata, Melbourne 6th; Jim Flaherty, Warrnambool, 7th; Bernie Lourey, Noorat, 8th; Noel Loughnan, Tocumwal, 9th; and John Meeny, Ballarat, 10th.

Three of our students, Peter Barbata, Des Slattery and Stan Bates, gained selection in the 1st XI and did well. Peter should be a first class keeper next year. He showed improvement in every match. In the 1st XVIII. we should be well represented. John Pitcher and Wally Pedler are two of last year's players, and amongst the new ones who have a good chance of selection are Peter Barbata, Noel Loughnan, John Rando and Frank Drum.

James Flaherty did excellent work as property man in the 1st XI. and is Kevin Mogg's chief rival for that position in the 1st XVIII.

Bert Groening is one of our hardest and keenest workers. Starting from scratch in the Latin, he has already made good headway and is quickly catching up with the advance guard.

John Brady is showing great improvement this year and does not mind a little extra mathematics on Sunday mornings.

John White, a mate of John Brady's, of Echuca days, is starting his first year at St. Par's. Like many others, he found it hard to settle down to boarding school life; but he is doing much better now and is a most promising student in every way.

Peter Chapman, and the "baby" of the class—Laurie Wheelahan—are gradually overcoming transport difficulties in getting to school on time for the first period.

Murray Morris is our authority on the history of the Pacific this year.

The Mertz Brothers are beginning to do good times on their return trips from the woolclassing lectures.

John McSteen and John Rando look after each others welfare—Lent time or any other time—and there is keen rivalry between them in the spelling competition. Brian Kavenagh still wants to know who found his diary.

We all enjoyed the Easter vacation. Some of us saw the Stawell Gift final. Chris. Haintz gave a vivid and interesting description of the event at our Senior Literary Society meeting on the Sunday following.

Lent has kept us in the right spirit. Acts of mortification and self denial relaxed as Easter began. We are all looking forward now to our May Devotions in honour of Our Blessed Lady.

Space does not permit any more news, so cheerio until the next edition of the Chronicle, when we shall have something to write about other celebrities in our 1946 Inter. A class.

INTERMEDIATE B.

Let us introduce ourselves as the 1946 Inter. B. We are forty-one strong and, though we say it ourselves, as fine a body of students as you will meet. (We take a bow).

Quite a few of us have just finished our first term at S.P.C.—F. Clancey, K. Dowsley, H. Dullard, D. Heath, R. McVilly, R. Price and G. Spicer—while some of us have seen several Ballarat summers.

Our progress along the road of knowledge is still a matter of conjecture, but in the very near future our term test results, for which we are anxiously waiting, will enlighten all concerned. There is quite a deal of speculation as to who will be Dux, and punters among us have no easy job.

In the sporting world we have some promising representation. R. Tatchell played regularly with the First XI. and performed creditably. He has also a good chance of making the XVIII. M. Brandenburg, too, on present indications, should find useful work in the same team. In Inter-House cricket, J. Clancey, K. Dowsley, F. Clancey, H. Dullard figured prominently.

And now for items of interest.

Noel Panettiere moved up to a warmer climate as the cold months draw near.

Jim Ward in his solitude at the back, "far from the madding crowd," has a rather lonely life, but then Jim is naturally so quiet!

Peter Russo requests that anyone finding a locus should immediately inform the police. He believes they are a menace to public safety.

"Boots and Saddle" is Sid Roche's theme song and so effectively did he sing it that his horse took fright and threw him. We hope that the scar is the only permanent head injury.

Rod Price proved his ability as a story-teller some weeks ago. While relating an incident in the class, his voice became choked with emotion and his audience dissolved into tears. At one stage it was feared that some would have to be treated for hysteria, but fortunately this crisis was averted.

Daryl George and John Sharry are the Inter B representatives on the Committee of the Debating Society.

Peter Davey has taken very seriously to the noble art. Leo Collier should prove a good sparring partner.

We expect big things in the football season from Harry Dullard and Reg. McVilly, both of whom have ben identified as relatives of League footballers of the same name.

Kevin Tobin is ardent in his search for knowledge, particularly at the time lessons are being examined. John Clancey's knowledge of the turf seems prodigious. We are considering asking him to run a "guide" for the Chronicle.

With the levelling of the old hill, or part of it, some of the business-minded in our midst have been keeping a wary eye out for pieces of yellow metal. "There's gold in them thar 'ills."

The Harty brothers, Max and Kevin, are to be found on the courts after school if not engaged otherwise.

Damien Heath, Jim Shaw and Kevin O'Neil seem to be devouring library books at great speed. Alan Thorne and Arthur (William) Thompson are two of the very quiet day-boys.

Kevin Sharry has had enough of the 'flu and even of the Infirmary to last him for the rest of the year. Someone, on seeing him after his attack, was heard saying something about Belsen.

We leave you now wishing you all the best for Second Term.

SECOND YEAR.

This is the first time that we have been able to introduce ourselves as Second Year, for we were associated with the Sub-Intermediate A last year, and the Remove in previous years.

Our company is select, intelligent and keen; some have not obtained the spirit of study yet, but all are learning.

The home towns are scattered, stretching from West Wyalong, N.S.W., to the South Australian border.

Let us introduce as many distinguished personages as space will permit. V. A. Strangio, from Horsham, has held the "head of class" position for March and April; he is a most consistent worker.

I. Bradford has been "blackmailed" since his recent stay at J. Grogan's place during the Easter vacation.

Amongst the small men of the room may be mentioned L. McCarthy, J. Cahill and K. Ryan. On the other side of the balance are B. McDougall, D. Jeffreys and V. Williams.

The bell has been ringing "on time" most of the time, during the term for T. Candelin has been at the job. He should give some of the bell tones to B. Cantwell for he has lost his vocal tones. Too much talk has been suggested, but Brian blames the weather.

P. Clinton, K. Dower and D. Morgan represent us in the Cathedral choir.

A "service with a smile" is W. Cochran's motto. T. Cook and A. Jackson have adopted the same motto, but Arthur forgot to smile when he fell into a blackberry bush recently—Tom did smile.

Did you see A. Conroy's new suit? Have you seen our "Man of Steel" (W. Robinson)? Did you see J. Kelly in his first football match?

B. Delahunty extended his Easter vacation, but we hope to have him with

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us again soon. P. Guiliano has deserted Casterton and has moved into the more civilised area of Hamilton. Gavil Hackwill (one of the most consistent students in the class) has gone to the 'big smoke.'—Benalla lacked life and the earth tremor scared him.

Peanuts are J. Donehue's favourite food, but V. Herrick requires something more substantial. Vaughan is moving towards the top of the class.

G. Dooley is a quiet worker and he may prove a "dark horse" in the running. Another rumour hath it that A. Ryan is something of a sprinter. Another quiet worker is K. Doyle, but the same cannot be said of G. Sweeney. His cousin, G. Smith, keeps a good eye on him; Geoff is a future wool producer of Victoria. He will obtain the services of G. Schaefer to build his farm.

Bungaree has a stalwart representative in the person of G. Hishon, but V. S. Strangio maintains the position of Stawell. Have you ever heard of Hawksdale? B. King will tell you all about it. Ballarat has a few staunch supporters—G. Durant, J. Dwyer, J. Elliott, F. Grace, J. Gallagher, G. Hayes, M. Houlehan, R. McArdle, A. McGoldrick, B. Rice, N. Rowe.

B. Etheridge is a quiet boy—when? They say he has signed on to sell the new "1950 Model Atom Car." A number of boys should apply for this position—J. Mulcahy, G. Sheales (West Wyalong), and W. Robinson.

The science apparatus is carefully attended to by B. Perkins and A. McGoldrick; J. Mulcahy is the librarian; F. Godfrey is the doorkeeper; N. Jubb is one of the Propagators.

G. Haley made great progress in the last exam. and he is trying to maintain his position. K. Hogan is one of our latest arrivals; he is a brother of B. Hogan, of L.C.

Have you met T. Smith, A. Westblade, D. McDonald, J. Meeny, D. O'Connor or J. Walsh? We will give more details next term.

"Goblin Glen" has been mentioned in class often; B. Miller knows all about "Goblins" and "Fairies." J. Ward has not found any in Corowa, N.S.W., but Corowa is a long way from Upway.

Let us hope that every member has received worthy mention, but if someone has been overlooked, then the next issue will rectify the matter.

P.S.—B. Cavenagh has been doing great work as Class Captain. It is a position of honour and entails extra work, but Brian has been equal to the task, and the class selection has been justified.

FIRST YEAR AND GRADE VI.

It is with great pleasure that we announce to you our doings for the first term of 1946. Very soon after school commenced we carried out the resolve that each one of us had made, namely that we would begin hard work early. It has been rumoured that each of the following has made up his mind that he will be first in First Year, J. Simpson, F. Nolan, W. Kemp, G. Ridsdale, T. Laffey and D. Grant. We shall watch the tussle with interest. We were all saddened when J. Kamps and H. Schilte, our two Dutch boys, received word that they were to leave for Holland very soon. Both of these were very popular amongst us. May God's choicest blessings follow them to their native land and right through their lives. We hope to hear from them soon. Someone once said that L. Howard was accustomed to day-dream. Anybody seeing Louie learning his lessons would doubt the truth of that statement. Is it true that P. Carr and K. Carter prefer to play games than perform school work? G. Horan has shown his ability to talk even though he has a very inattentive audience. At least one person has been known to lend a very deaf ear to him. According to K. Hanily and M. Podbury, the Chronicle does not appear frequently enough. They run their own paper. The former is the "brains" behind the scene and the latter is the Printer. N. Lawlor prefers to live a life of leisure—in hospital. He was very early claimed as a victim by appendicitis. He will be back with us soon. M.

Pedler seems to like his music better than school. I wonder why? Why do N. O'Sullivan and S. Plummer no longer sit together? Among those who are working well this term may be mentioned J. Jess, C. Chapman, J. O'Donnell, J. and D. Kennedy. T. Byrne is rather proud of the title that he has earned for himself—"Slow but Sure." I hope that he lives up to the title. K. Grundell and K. Rowe prefer not to be seen together when a certain person is about. P. Vaughan, V. Carey, J. Gleeson, R. Davine, W. Hancock, P. Owens, G. Keogh, E. Rosser and J. McArdle are as quiet as mice all day. D. Fraser is not too sure whether he likes Geometry or Latin better. Without doubt J. Zilles has a particular affection for Geometry. Rumour hath it that Jeff is an accomplished dancer of Irish dances. Believe it or not, G. Torney is our baby—in age. P. Tardrew and J. Whykes depend on buses to bring them to school in time—they are sometimes early.

GRADE VI.—Although numerically we do not equal our room-mates yet, we maintain that our quality is just as good if not better. We claim that no boy in the school is as prepared to give a speech on any topic whatsoever, at the shortest notice, as is J. Carroll. Out of the thirteen members in our class there are ten that are learning to play some musical instrument or other. V. Leslie plays two, P. Flanagan is trying very hard to defeat P. Hackwill; perhaps M. Baird may even beat the two of them. Try as hard as he can, L. Plummer always seems to have the same number of mistakes in his dictation. J. Trainor and P. Russo seem to pay particular attention to writing. B. Davey works well in school. B. Brown lately has had someone to sit next to him. His work is always well done, even though he may be a little slow in arithmetic. The final members of our class are B. McGenis and F. Elliott.

On Saturday mornings a break is made from the ordinary routine. The first period is devoted to singing, and the remaining two periods are spent in either drawing or pastels or in practical work in science. In the latter period the experiments are demonstrated by the teacher.

We shall say good-bye to you till we meet again at the next edition of the S.P.C. Chronicle. We shall try to maintain the high standard of conduct set for us by our predecessors.

FIFTH GRADE.

Well, here we are once more! This year we are in greater strength than ever, as we are seventeen strong. Another St. Pat's record! As this is the first Chronicle for the year, here is a thumb-nail sketch of the pupils in our grade, by a Special Correspondent who, for various reasons, wishes to remain anonymous.

In their third year at St. Pat's are:—

Philip O'Reilly.—Makes a habit of winning the weekly test and so becoming Prime Minister of the class for a week. Good worker for the Missions.

John Hayden.—Can claim the distinction of being the most improved student for the past two or three years.

Francis Walsh.—Our Parsing expert, is often seen, but seldom heard.

Graeme Bradford.—One of our pianists. Nearly broke the bank at the recent fete. Represented St. Pat's in the Under 12 cricket team.

In their second year at St. Pat's are the following Grade Fivers:—

Ron Quilkey.—St. Pat's Under 12 and Under 11 representative. Captain of St. Patrick's Mission team. Scoring well in the "Prime Minister's" tests. His foghorn voice is a dead giver away at times.

Peter Hayes.—Doing well in the tests. Gradually made his way up to the front seat, and is doing his best to stay there. Top scorer for the Under 11 cricket team. Good contributor to the Missions.

John Madden.—Wouldn't be surprised to see John getting a bit of early practice for the athletics this year, after his visit to Stawell. Regular supporter of the Missions and consistent place-getter in the tests,

Barry Podger.—We were very sorry to hear of Barry's unfortunate accident. Hope you'll be back with us soon, Barry.

Conrad Gleeson.—Shows up in the tests from time to time. Practising to be a doctor, judging by his writing. Good worker for the Missions.

Ron Matheson.—One of our songsters. Works well in between talks. Good Missioner.

Leo Stevens.—Lost, stolen or strayed, at Easter. Wonder what kept him at Willaura? 'Flu it is said. Goes well in tests until geography and history come round. Helps the Missions.

The following Fifth Graders made their debuts this year:—

Barry McGregor.—Already making his presence felt. Favourite subject, Grammar. Has acquired the Mission spirit.

Francis Welch.—Doing well in his studies. Our best contributor to the Mission fund. Future politician—if his tongue doesn't wear out in the meantime.

Gavan Rice.—Following in the footsteps of brother Basil. Must learn "not to lead with his chin," especially against a hall. Good Missioner.

Darrell Grace.—Our bowls expert. Also shines at Art.

Kevin and Gerard Lynch.—Our latest arrivals. Kevin made his name in a lecture on "Trams." Also shines at Art.

Fourth Grade has ten in its ranks. Here they are:—

Robert Hutchison.—Has been Prime Minister so often this term we've almost lost count. Looks the part in his Indian suit. Little Chief Big Smile. Plays a big part in the Missions.

Warren Mills.—Is coming second in the tests, but is working so well lately wouldn't surprise by coming first soon.

Bernard Carey.—Specialises in mental and arithmetic, but finds the geography and history books a bit of a nuisance.

Bernard McKenna.—Finds it much easier to work in the front desk than in the back one. We wonder why?

William Klein.—One of the new brigade at St. Pat's and just getting into his stride. Works extra well.

Phil Skehan.—Our one and only member of the boxing class. Others boys, look out!

Michael Walsh.—Had a long battle with 'flu during the term, but looks none the worse for it. Won a Prime Ministership soon after his return.

Graeme O'Connor.—One of our songsters. Has something in common with Bernie McKenna and Michael Walsh. No prize for the correct answer as to what it is!

Vin Brandenburg.—Another newcomer. No, he hasn't got a beard. It is just the ink he manages to get on his face. How he does it is a mystery.

SECOND AND THIRD GRADES.

We are the babies of S.P.C. There are five of us altogether. Michael Hayden, Barry Thomson, and Robert Whitefield are in Third Grade, and Earl Dorney and John Burke are in Second Grade. Sir has started giving us a Prime Minister test every week. The first one was won by Barry Thomson, and the second by Earl Dorney. Barry brought some very interesting pictures to school a few weeks ago and we enjoyed looking at them. John Burke rides his bike to school. He has to come two miles. Michael Hayden has a hard job looking after his big brother John. Robert Whitefield gets his sums right nearly every day.

Well, since we are in the same room as the Fourth and Fifth Grades, we can tell you that altogether we have collected seven pounds already for the Missions. It looks as if we will put up a record for 1946.

Well, that is all we have to tell you until the next issue of the Chronicle, so until then—Cheerio!

THE NEW CHAPEL

The Chronicle now gives the complete amount to date and the names of contributors.

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DANGERS AHEAD IN INDUSTRY.

When we were at St. Pat's, even if only as day-boys, we were sheltered to a great extent from the evil influences which exist in the outside world. There were no bad companions, dirty talk or immoral literature to contend with.

You may think you are immune from such things, but there is a slogan, which is used by the Communists: "Keep up the propaganda, and like mud, some is sure to stick." This is only too true.

If you work in industry, the atmosphere is very different from that at school. I am speaking from my experience, and that of others, who work in the Railways. I am told that the moral and social conditions there are much the same as elsewhere.

One of the first things that struck me was that the majority of the men and boys could rarely say two words about anything without adding a third objectionable one. The effect of such speech, if it did not point to a serious gap in their mental and moral outlook, would be extremely ludicrous.

This is the point that it makes. Although they use in their everyday speech blasphemous and obscene language, most of them do not seem to see anything wrong with it. Others will admit, when they are cornered, that it is wrong. One man whom I know is particularly addicted to this habit. One day I tackled him about it, and asked him if he used such language at home. He is married, and has two young boys. He had been telling me about pulling one of his boys up for using an objectionable word. He said that he did not use bad language at home, so I asked him why he did so at work. He said that it was the environment. I think that he had something there, though, in his case, he ought to have been able to resist it.

During my time at this workshop, I have seen many new boys come in. It seems to me to be a sort of clearing-house for boys going to the various country depots. They come straight from school, and are usually there for a couple of months.

When they first come into the workshops they are usually quite normal. A few of the men and some of the older boys seem to take a delight in "taking them in hand." These men pump filth into them, and if they listen, in a few months they are as bad as the men themselves. There are a few who do not succumb. It depends to a large extent on what part of the workshops they are first employed and how soon these fellows get on to them. In many places there are decent men with sufficient strength of character to oppose them. Out of about three hundred men, there are about ten men who are the main cause of the trouble. Except for a few, the others are either tolerant or have not the strength of character to speak up. It is the old story of the few bad apples contaminating a whole case of good ones. Another common thing in this class of society are obscene and semi-obscene literature, and so called jokes and pictures. Some of these pictures are of the so called funny type. Others are plain obscene. Some of the men have whole picture galleries of them placed in very prominent positions. The management seems to make no objection, and it is impossible to remove them by force.

In my opinion, the Communists deliberately foster these conditions for their own ends. For instance, a red organization, the Eureka Youth League, used to run socials and dances in conjunction with other Communist-controlled youth organizations. It is said that these dances, socials, etc. were run as vote-getters for Communist officials of the A.R.U. The officials must have known what was going on during and after these functions, and have even been known to encourage it. That is bad enough, but I am told that some of the ladies who used to attend were of the "daughters of joy" type. The Communist lady who sponsored them was careful to warn her brother against them. Later, after the function, a number of youths and girls used to go to one of these women's flats for a celebration. When the vice squad commenced to take an interest, they cleaned

the functions up. After that the attendance fell off, and now they no longer hold them.

All this can be traced back to one thing, which is, that apart from the few mentioned above they do not for the most part draw any distinction between right and wrong. The only thought seems to be "see that you are not caught." This in turn can be traced back to our present system of "free, secular, and compulsory education," under which most of the youth of Australia are taught, and which finds so much favour with the Communist party.

There are many shady organisations abroad in industry to-day, flaunting different names. They all have one thing in common. They are Communist controlled. Some of them have had numerous names. An example of this is the Eureka Youth League, which was originally the Young Communist League; then, when the Reds were banned, the Young Democrats League, and finally the Eureka Youth League. It may have other aliases for all I know. I have heard that the present one is beginning to smell in certain localities, and that a change is contemplated.

The E.Y.L. approaches you as a non-Communist organization, but it is also known that it is a Red's recruiting ground. It is used as an auxiliary, and all good Communists sponsor it. Any member who responds to the carefully camouflaged propaganda which is pumped into them is quietly asked to join the Party. These organizations try to assume an air of respectability by having prominent but bemused speakers address their meetings.

You see now the tremendous difference between School and Industrial life. At school we are helped along the right ways; in industry, on the contrary, there are many powerful forces attempting to lead us astray. A glaring result of this is the number of boys who give up their faith six months after leaving school. The boy leaving school leaves a friendly world, and is plunged into a world, for the most part, hostile both to his religion and virtue for its own sake.

The dangers are that he will lose his morals or his faith, or perhaps both, unless they are jealously guarded.

There are three alternatives in this, the same as any other fight:—(1) Carefully avoid the enemy, (2) succumb to the attack, and (3) keep attacking until you win. The first is the coward's course, the second is the one that we must avoid, and this only leaves the third choice. Some people have the mistaken idea that to do this they must be always fighting with their work-mates. Those among them who have Communistic and similar ideas will soon see that your ideas are not theirs, and they will try to embroil you in arguments, and start picking at you. Arguing is generally a mistake, unless you know that the person or persons in question really want to know. I certainly do not mean that you should not stand up for your ideals. The type of whom I speak do not leave themselves open to conviction. They merely provoke these arguments as a means of putting forth their views. Many people, who would not listen to a soap-box speaker will attentively listen to the same statement put forward in an argument. This is a trap which catches many. It was used to catch me once. The best thing to do, instead of fighting your work-mates, is to show that you want to help them. This can be done by fighting for better conditions through the Unions and bona-fide youth organizations.

A phase of industrial life which is often neglected is Unionism. A great number of young men, whom I know, will not take part in Union affairs because a great number of Unions are Communist controlled. This state of mind suits the Communist very well. Another powerful force for good or evil is Example. Its power is wonderful. If all these people joined their Unions and ATTENDED their meetings, they would soon vote the Reds out and decent men in.

I hope that these few words drawn from my experience, and that of others, may be helpful in the first six critical months after you leave school and take your place in Industry.

[The Editor thanks Bob Markey for this article. In it Bob pays a compliment to the moral tone at St. Pat's in his day. We assure Bob that this high standard still exists. The Chronicle wishes Bob success in his studies at Werribee. Mr.

Paul Maguire, the well-known writer and journalist, tells us how the Jocists (Y.C. W. of Belgium) deal with the factory workers: "I personally knew 32 Jocists, who, having completed the job of Christianizing one factory, had thrown down their tools, left the factory, and gone to work in another rotten factory, sometimes at a lower wage, in order that they might start the process over again."]

SPAIN THROUGH OTHER EYES.

Readers of the Chronicle will be pleased to read what the Catholic paper of South Australia writes about Spain. Here's what the Southern Cross says:—

SOME THINGS ABOUT SPAIN SOFT-PEDALLED.

Those news commentators who never lose an opportunity to belabor Generalissimo Franco, because he saved his country from the Communists, might take notice at the present time that Spain is one of the few countries giving asylum to the Jews. Isaac Weismann, a member of the Jewish World Congress, recently visited Spain and made plans to organise an expedition comprising two thousand Jewish children to Barcelona and Valentia. He announced, too, that the government has authorised the opening of a synagogue in Barcelona so that resident Jews may have religious services, and that four Protestant chapels are functioning in Madrid.

Before this, Polish and Hungarian organisations had sent two thousand Jewish children from Central Europe whom Franco received and gave shelter to. Spain has offered to take care of fifty thousand children from the war ravished countries of Europe; and the Croat and Slovene refugees from territories at the present time occupied by the Tito regime in Yugoslavia are moving toward Spain. These people are glad to find a home and friends anywhere, and they are thankful to the Spanish Government for its Christian spirit. These facts will never be heard on the American radio. There seems to be a conspiracy here to blacken the name of Franco because Russia and the Communists demand it. Only a few courageous commentators like H. V. Kaltenborn are risking their popularity by telling the truth about Russia and the Communists.

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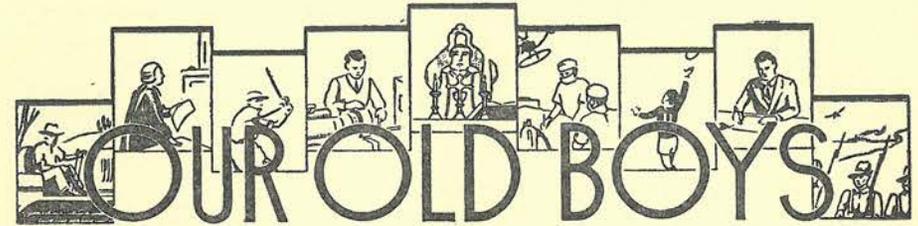
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Father Vin Batchelor, who was ordained last year in America, paid his Alma Mater his first visit as a Priest. He said Holy Mass in the College Chapel and gave all his blessing. We were very pleased to welcome him back to St. Pat's. The Intermediate boys were honoured by hearing from him an interesting account of his trip to U.S.A. During his short stay Father took a keen interest in the form shown by the First Eleven. He was one of our outstanding players in the 1937 team.

Father Joe Flannery said Mass for us about three weeks ago when passing through on his way back to Tasmania. He is stationed at Bellerive, near Hobart. We offer him, his mother, sister and brothers our deepest sympathy in the death of their dear father, Mr. W. Flannery. R.I.P. Father Joe was present at his bedside when he died and celebrated the Requiem Mass at Cohuna for the repose of his soul.

Fr. William McMahon was with us for a few days prior to setting out for England. He is Naval Chaplain on the Shropshire that is taking a special Australian contingent over for the Victory celebrations. During his visit to the class rooms he did not fail to renew acquaintance with the boys from the Warrnambool district.

Quite a number of old boys will be pleased to know that Gerry Curry, now Br. Aloysius, C.S.S.R., is back again in Victoria and is stationed at the Redemptorist Monastery, Wendouree. New Zealand had been the scene of his labours for some years. He was one of the very prominent players in the 1st XVIII. and the 1st XI. of the 1931 and 1932 years.

An event which aroused a great deal of interest recently was the marriage of our Bishop's niece—Miss Moira O'Collins—to Dr. Jim Peters. It took place in the Newman College Chapel and the Nuptial Mass was celebrated by His Lordship Most Rev. J. P. O'Collins. Jim attended St. Pat's from 1927 to 1930 and was one of our outstanding students and athletes. We wish both him and Moira every blessing and happiness in their married life.

Our congratulations and best wishes are offered to the following Old Boys on their recent marriages—Harry Moran, of Waubra; Bernie O'Connor, of Watchem, and Tony Magill, of Ballarat.

Another marriage which will be celebrated this month, and will unite two well known and highly respected Echuca families, is that of Kevin Ryan and Veronica Patricia Quinn. Best wishes to both for the great occasion and every blessing and happiness in the future.

We were pleased to learn that Father Jack McNamara is back with us again. He has been appointed to the East Malvern Parish. We hope he will be able to pay St. Pat's a visit soon.

Joe Hanrahan is back teaching in Ballarat. He won distinction while serving in R.A.A.F., and now that the football season has started he is sure to be prominent in one way or another.

Garry Durkin was a visitor to the College a short time ago. He renewed acquaintance with some of the Brothers who were here in his day, His discharge from the R.A.A.F. had just been granted.

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FURNITURE

Pat and Bill Condon are both doing well in Hamilton. Pat is in charge of the Argyle Arms and Bill gives his parents assistance in running the George.

No one is keener or more anxious to get the Old Boys' Association functioning again than Pat O'Neill, Chemist, at Northcote. We hope that his efforts will be rewarded with great success and that the Association will be stronger and firmer than ever.

Dr. T. Greening, Dr. Des. Podger, Basil Hayden, Mac Fraser and a host of others will do their part from the Ballarat centre.

Frank Ryan, of Kerang, and Mark Cranage, of Edenhope, visited us during the term. Both looked very fit and well.

Congratulations to Tom Mooney, who celebrated his 21st birthday recently. At the gathering there was quite a number of Old Boys. Tom's eldest brother, John, has an heir and son whom he hopes to send to St. Pat's some day.

Vic. Batros retired from the Education Department and is now in charge of his father's business in Liebig Street, Warrnambool.

Doctors Frank Hetherington and Wally Moon are kept busy in Warrnambool. Wally called on us recently. Frank is President of the South Warrnambool Football Team.

We offer our congratulations to Jack Hill who was selected to represent Victoria in Sheffield Shield cricket. His success with the ball for St. Kilda during the season was remarkable. We hope he keeps up his form and finishes by being selected to play for Australia in the Tests.

Tommy Kelly, holder of the world's two mile record, visited his old school while he was training in Ballarat for the Stawell Athletic Carnival. His cousin, Bernie McNamara, is one of our boarders. St. Pat's is proud of Tom's performances as a distance runner.

Adrian Anderson is now in Civil Aviation Department, Melbourne. He and his wife called in to St. Pat's a few Sundays ago when they were motoring through to Dimbologia, and his wife was shown through the College. The making of the new ovals impressed Adrian.



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OUR WERRIBEE GROUP.

A recent snap of our old boys at C.C.C., Werribee, shows that we have 25 ex-students studying at that Seminary. Look out for the photo in the Annual. Here are the names of the 25 now at Werribee—Rev. T. O'Brien and J. Kelly are Deacons and will be ordained in July of this year; Tom O'Brien, Joe Kelly, Tom McDonnell, Frank Little, Leo Baker, Pat Bohan, John Kells, Don O'Neill, Des. O'Hagan, Dan O'Brien, John Cross, M. Jongebloed, Pat Farrell, Jim Farrell, Will Walsh, Kevin Sweeny, John Moloney, Bernard Gibney, Frank Hickey, Bob Markey, George Groutsch, Nick Stafford, Bryan Long, Bob Connelly, Jim Kierce. Best wishes from the Chronicle.

NEWMAN COLLEGE.

A letter from Brian Feery, received just as the Chronicle goes to print, gives an interesting list of S.P.C.-ites at Newman College.

Brian writes that the most notable old boy at Newman is John Connell, who is President of the College, and Captain of the 1st XVIII. We wish John well with his fifth year Medicine. With John Connell doing fifth year Med., are W. Kermond and Peter Penn. St. Pat's hopes that all three will succeed.

Mervyn Mason has joined his brother Brian at Newman. He is doing Agriculture. Brian still stars as a member of the 1st XVIII. He is doing Engineering 4.

Like Mervyn, Mark Whitty, Kevin Kearney and George Dwyer have resumed study after serving in the Forces.

Kevin Lowry, with a Diploma of Civil Engineering, is studying for his degree.

Gerald Caine, Med. 2, is stroke of the 1st crew; G. Dwyer, Dentistry, cox. of 1st crew; Loy Hennessy, Engineering 2, is No. 2 in the 1st crew; J. McCarthy, Med. 1, is No. 4 in 1st crew; J. Spain, Engineering 1, is cox. 2nd crew; and K. Kearney, Dentistry 3, is a member of the 2nd crew.

Geoff. Fitzgerald, Med. 3, and D. Lenaghan, Med. 3, passed their 2nd Med. with honours—Geoff. with four honours, Dan with two. Other S.P.C. boys doing Med. 3 are Leo Cleary and John McGoldrick.

Ray Ryan is doing Engineering 2, and Frank McArdle, who was discharged from the Forces last year, is doing his first year Med.

All this comes from the pen of Brian Feery who is himself doing second year Medicine.

All Chronicle readers wish these undergraduates success. Congratulations to Ed Ryan on finishing his Bachelor of Engineering course.

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OUR VISITORS.

Early in March we had quite a run of visitors, led by our former Principal and now Provincial of the Christian Brothers in Australasia, Rev. Br. I. L. Mackey, who never fails to re-visit the old spot when opportunity offers. On this occasion his visit was very short indeed, but he found time to have a word with those boys of his period who are still with us (their numbers are dwindling fast, needless to say) and to form the acquaintance of some of their younger brothers. He spoke very highly of our three 1945 representatives at the Brothers' Training College at Strathfield—Reg. Long, Kelly Sheahan and Reg. Harnetty—who are quite settled down and happy in their new life.

Our next visitor followed almost immediately in the person of Rev. Br. J. I. Doorley, one of our two visitors from Ireland. We had had a very short and quite unofficial visit from him some months before, shortly after he had set foot on Australian soil for the first time. On this occasion his stay was longer, for he had to give a detailed official account of the St. Pat's College of 1946 to the Superior-General in Dublin. He was particularly interested in our present ground renovations, and also in the ambitious but very necessary building schemes we hope to realise in the not too distant future.

On the 14th March the Rev. G. O'Collins, of the Congregation of the Chinese Mission, who for some weeks had been holidaying with his brother, our revered Bishop, addressed the senior students of the College on some aspects of his twenty years among the Chinese. He praised the Chinaman for his loyalty to his master and saw great hopes for the future missionary among these people. Once this fidelity can be won for Christ, Fr. O'Collins sees a steadfast perseverance and loyal submission to Catholic doctrine. He was at the vicariate of Han Yang. He knew the Christian Brothers there when they taught in the village of Heu Peh. He admired those Brothers who were led by an Australian, Rev. Br. Harty, whom he hoped to meet before leaving Australia. Fr. O'Collins also gave an interesting account of his life in Japanese prison camps. "The Jap," he said, "compares very unfavourably with the Chinese. The cunning deceit and treachery of the one has no place in the make up of the other." In conclusion, Fr. O'Collins congratulated St. Patrick's College on the number of young men, ex-pupils of the College, who have entered the ranks of St. Columban's Missionary Society at Essendon. He had heard, since his arrival in Australia, of the boys from S.P.C. at present in training and he hoped and prayed that some of those before him had like aspirations. The Rev. Father held his big audience spell-bound for over an hour, and the applause that greeted him as he left the hall showed how much his talk was appreciated.

One other visitor of interest we had during the first week of April was Rev. Fr. J. Fanning, late Chaplain of our sister boarding school in Perth, W.A.—Aquinas College. He dropped in to see us on his way to visit his relations in New Zealand, and he had many interesting things to tell us about boarding school life in the West.

FAREWELL TO OUR DUTCH FRIENDS.

Three boys who made many friends at S.P.C. during their short stay amongst us were Phons and Josef Kamps and Hans Schilte—three Dutch boys who had the unenviable experience of being internees of the Japs during the war years.

Through the courtesy of the Dutch Information Bureau, Mr. Schilte brought us the film "Liberation of Hollandia" one night during the term, and, besides being very informative, it proved highly entertaining too. Unfortunately, just before Easter, Mr. Schilte got a peremptory call to Batavia from the Dutch Information Bureau, and we think Hans was as sorry to part company with us as we were sorry to lose his genial presence. Just about the same time Mr. Kamps had to set sail for Holland and we were equally sorry to have to bid farewell to Phons and Josef. We wish them every success and happiness during the years ahead and we know they will not forget the friends they made at S.P.C.

SISTER SCHAEFER DEPARTS.

During the Easter recess we were very sorry to bid farewell to Sister Schaefer who had the responsible job of looking after the health of the College—Brothers and boys—since the beginning of 1940. However, her two sons, Ted and George, are still with us as boarders. George has represented us, with no small measure of success, as an under age runner in the Combined Sports both in Ballarat and Melbourne during the past few years. Our best wishes for the future go with Sister.

COLLEGE CADET CORPS.

Senior students of the College were thrilled when, one day, the notice board announced the likelihood of the formation of a Cadet Detachment.

Soon another notice told us to seek our parents' permission to join the cadets. On a day appointed, the names of prospective cadets were collected and it was found that more than 200 boys were keen to join and had obtained their necessary permission.

Much disappointment prevailed when word came from Southern Command that only 120 cadets could be enrolled. However, the 120 senior boys were chosen, and already they have been addressed by Warrant Officer Rickard.

This gentleman explained very fully what the course comprised and what would be expected of each cadet. He answered numerous questions which were put by the boys.

Tuesday afternoon was appointed for our weekly parade, when we hope to meet W.O. Rickard and his companion from the Royal Artillery Depot, Melb.

All are keen on this new venture and already a requisition order has been filed for uniforms and equipment.

NEW OVALS.

The new ovals are nearing completion, but it will be many months before they are ready for use.

Levelling work on the Senior Oval is complete, and now agricultural drains and water pipes are being laid.

Early in May it is hoped to begin seeding and then we must just wait and see what weather the winter months will give us.

Though it was thought that the ovals would be ready for use in the third term, it is now feared that they will not be available at all this year.

The Senior Oval will now run East and West. It will be 180 yards long and 150 yards wide. The Second Oval, which will be on the Hill, will be 140

yards long and 120 yards wide. It will run North and South. Both the Shed and St. Rock's will be 100 yards by 80 yards.

Mr. D. Madden, who has supervised the reconstruction of the ovals, has our very best thanks.

THE COLLEGE ANNUAL.

It should not be long before the College Annual is ready. This year's Annual will have the usual photo groups and, besides, it will give:—

1. A letter from our Bishop to the Principal.
2. Photos and accounts of Chaplains who are ex-pupils of the College.
3. The names of Old Boys who joined the Services in World War II., and the names of thirty-one who were killed.
4. An appeal to all to furnish further names of ex-students who joined the Services and who are not listed, so that an Honour Roll, omitting no name, may be prepared for the College.
5. An article on the new ovals, and the Chapel and other buildings which it is hoped soon to build.
6. Valedictory to Mr. Hatfield.
7. Welcome to Mr. Morrissey.

THE NEW CHAPEL.

There is not much to report about our proposed new Chapel. Though the urge is there to build a Chapel which will accommodate our boarders and day boys, yet as building is not possible, at present, because of labour shortage and lack of material, not to mention Government restrictions, it is futile to predict when a beginning will be made.

In the meantime plans are being drawn up and discussed and the necessary permissions sought.

Since the publication of the Annual which printed the Chapel Fund, several further amounts have been received.

THE CAMERA CLUB.

Our Camera Club was inaugurated at the suggestion of our Principal, Rev. Br. Healy, and held its first meeting in the Leaving B room on Saturday, 23rd February. Rev. Br. Eastmure accepted the position of President, with Br. Clohesy as his Vice-President. Brian Malady was elected Secretary. The Committee was elected as follows: Tony Locke, Reg. Groutsch, Brian McCormack, George Schaefer.

The aims of the Club are:—

1. To promote an interest in photography.
2. To collect interesting photographs for College publications.
3. The production, at a later date, of a photographic review of the College and its activities.

Membership was at first confined to boys of the Matriculation and Leaving Class, but juniors were later admitted. We have at present about thirty members. Our meetings are held every Sunday evening and on these occasions our President, who is an expert amateur photographer, gives interesting and enlightening talks on the various branches of photography. As a result of these talks some very fine photos have been produced, and these are displayed in the Club's notice board. Very soon after our inauguration, members were printing their own snaps and now even junior members are able to print and develop. Competitions are held each fortnight and the winning photographs are enlarged. In this way

keen interest is aroused. A section of the library has been devoted to books on photography for the use of Club members. George Schaefer is the Club librarian.

We are deeply indebted to Brothers Eastmure and Clohesy. Br. Eastmure, particularly, has our thanks. He has set a high standard of photography, and under his guidance a splendid future lies ahead for Club members.

COLLEGE PREFECTS.

About two weeks after the beginning of School, in February of this year, the election of Prefects took place.

The Matriculation Class and the Second Year Leaving boys were assembled and were exhorted to vote for the boys who would worthily uphold the best traditions of the College and who would act in the best interests of St. Pat's in an emergency.

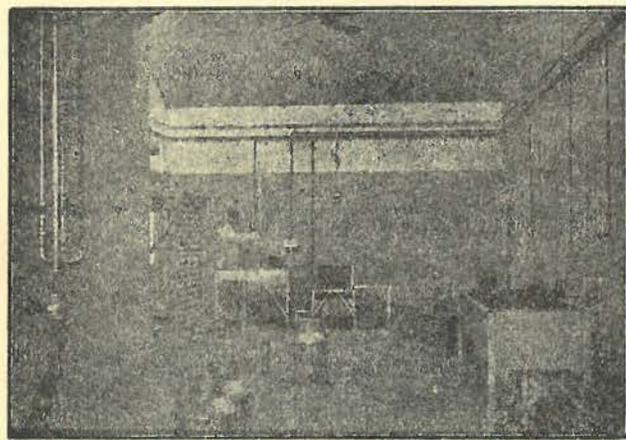
A very satisfactory result followed, and Brian Kelly who was elected Head Prefect fully measures up to the best Head Prefects St. Pat's has had. Brian is fortunate, for he has with him a band of twelve good and true boys who know what is expected of a Prefect and who are prepared to co-operate with Brian as Head. The Prefect body is: B. Kelly, J. Robinson, M. Grogan, B. Scally, T. Molan, J. Lannen, R. Kenealy, J. Groutsch, R. Groutsch, C. Cullinan, F. Monaghan, M. Moloney.

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S.P.C. PICTURES.

The Pictures on Saturday night are always one of the highlights of the week. As usual, the standard of the pictures was all that could be expected.

On the first night of the term, "The Adventures of Tartu," starring Robert Donat, was screened. On the following Saturday night we enjoyed that sparkling comedy "True to Life," starring Franchot Tone and Mary Martin. While we are on the subject of comedy we must mention "Hit the Ice" with those two favourites, Abbot and Costello, while the audience was left in a state of continual laughter during the screening of "Crazy House," starring Olsen and Johnson.

Our programmes do not consist of comedy alone, but are interspersed with musicals, westerns and mystery dramas.

The best of the espionage dramas was "The Fallen Sparrow," in which John Garfield, aided by Maureen O'Hara, tracked down a Nazi spy-ring in America.

Football fans enjoyed "The Iron Major," even though it did treat of American gridiron.

Barry Fitzgerald, a popular favourite, appeared in "Two Tickets to London," while a week later we saw still another performance of that veteran actor Lionel Barrymore in his portrayal of Dr. Gillespie in the "Dr. Gillespie Criminal Case."

Two bright musicals were featured this term, "Riding High" with D. Lamour, and Dick Powell, and "Sing a Jingle" with Alan Jones.

Lovers of mystery dramas were well catered for. In "Sherlock Holmes and the Spider Woman" Basil Rathbone, as Sherlock Holmes, by a series of rapid deductions and aided by his colleague, Dr. Watson, Nigel Bruce, brings to justice the perpetrator of an amazing number of crimes.

Those two dare-devils, Richard Arlen and Chester Morris, underwent their usual perilous adventures in "Minesweeper" and "Tornado" respectively.

The best show of the term was "Lassie Come Home," in which the Collie Lassie stole the honours, while the technicolor enhanced its charm considerably.

Owing to lack of space it is impossible to review all the programmes screened here, but all are worthy of mention.

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THE MIDDLE EAST OIL FIELDS—THE PRIZE OF DIPLOMACY.

Shortly after the termination of the war in Europe, the newly won peace was suddenly shattered by political upheavals in Lebanon and Syria. France's desire to dominate Syrian and Lebanon affairs was, and still is, mainly due to her anxiety for the Tripoli-Iran oil-pipe line. It was the fabulous treasure of Middle East oil which caused a stir in London, Moscow, and Washington recently when it was announced that the Iran Government had refused the United Nations any further oil concessions until after the war.

Russia, in endeavouring to secure now oil-fields for herself achieved little but the resignation of the Prime Minister of Iran. In Britain and America the news was taken with more resignation. The birth of the agitation can be traced back to February, 1944, when the United States Government announced that it would build a vast system of pipe-lines from the Persian Gulf through Arabia to the Eastern shore of the Mediterranean Sea. Then in May, Lord Beaverbrook journeyed to Washington where he signed an Anglo-American oil agreement, the full details of which are still secret. Two months had scarcely passed before the express train to Teheran carried a distinguished passenger in the person of Mr. Kavfaradze, who, fresh from talks in Moscow, was ready for more long talks with high ranking officials in Iran.

Since then many sandstorms have blown over the Middle East oil problem. Dangerous rumours float up and down the corridors of a dozen foreign embassies, rumours which all began with the abruptly announced American project for a new pipe-line.

As Mr. Herbert Feis, former adviser on international economic affairs to the United States Government has said, "This project can divide present Allies and spread political disorder throughout the Middle East or it can be made the main element in a programme of oil development which will unite the Allies in common purpose and greatly aid in orderly progress."

Britain, Russia and U.S.A. have their eyes pinned on the petroleum resources of that never-never land of Persians, Arabs and Syrians which we of to-day call the Middle East. The oil deposits here are among the richest in the world, the yield per well exceeding that of nearly all other oilfields. Enough oil is awaiting development in Iran alone to supply the whole of Europe's needs for many years to come.

The oil gushes up to daylight and is pumped through 10,000 miles of pipe line to the Black, Red, Caspian and Mediterranean Seas.

Most of it arrives at the giant British refinery at Abastan on the Persian Gulf, over which hangs a pillar of smoke by day and a pillar of fire by night, for the work of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company never stops.

Anchored to nearby jetties are a score or more ships lying like fat whales in the water—a representative few of Britain's oil tanker fleet, stated to be the largest of its kind in the world.

Ever since the first motor car spluttered along the highway, men and nations have battled secretly and openly with ledgers and with balance sheets to master

this oil supply problem of the Middle East and the Abadan refinery is an excellent monument to British success.

The British Government has long maintained political and military guardianship over the whole region, except Iran, through extensive treaties and a vast system of political agents. The guiding principles of British policy have been to prevent any part of it coming under hostile control, to maintain peace in and among the native States, and to safeguard their economic interests.

There are now three large combines which hold concessions. The Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., controlled by the British Government, the Iraq Petroleum Co. with joint British, Dutch, French and American directors, and the American Standard Oil Co. which owns property in Arabia.

It is an old and proverbial saying that two of a trade never agree and these three big combines have spent the last dozen years in uncertain and uneasy friendliness.

Meanwhile all three look over their shoulders towards the neighbouring powers of Soviet Russia and Turkey, and at the mysterious forces of international diplomacy which hover relentlessly over the derricks. The oil men brood over the oil because it can be sold at such a large profit, and there is more of it in the Middle East than anywhere else. Governments brood over the oil because they realise that it may mean political strength or weakness in the future.

The rulers of these States will put whatever pressure they can on the foreign oil companies concerned to increase production in competition with one another. These "pocket" rules depend heavily on the royalties received on oil production, and during the difficult periods leaders have been known to pledge oil royalties against cash advances from foreign governments.

More recently the United States have become interested. In America there are said to be 216,000 wells producing half the oil in the world. But this supply is not thought to be enough because of two conditions. First, there are no considerable reserves of untapped oil in America, and second, the Middle East oilfields would be of direct concern to U.S.A. in any struggle involving the Pacific, as such vast quantities of oil might turn the tables in any future war.

But the Middle East is not only wanted for its oil. It has found the way into the dossiers of foreign policy prepared by the great nations; it has been the subject of international rivalry from the days of Alexander the Great.

Here is the cross-roads of all wars, ancient and modern, and here is where the U.S. Government, as opposed to the private oil companies, intends to build a pipe-line at the cost of £30,000,000, plunging the American taxpayers for the first time into the hot-bed of centuries old disputes. Comparatively few wells have, until recently, been drilled in this rich Middle East area. There is a headway of black gold whose whereabouts was laid down by geography and geology and awarded by history into the hands of a few nomad States predominantly Arab.

Their government vary from loose and shifting tribal arrangements to inexperienced and shaky monarchies and personal dictatorships. The royalties received on oil production vary from 9d. to 1/- per barrel. The rules therefore are interested only in the number of barrels produced.

Iran, Arabia, and Iraq might desire to stimulate Soviet interests in Iran on the grounds that Stalin's oil output is only 17 per cent. of world production, while it is commonly believed that in twelve years the Middle East could produce about 70 per cent. of total world needs.

Russia says that she cannot sit back and see foreign governments controlling Iran's economic policy. She must have her finger in the pie.

On the other hand, Britain proclaims that she will never relinquish her hold over the Middle East, while American statesmen feel, for the first time in the economic sense is on the Red Sea and that extra oil production is vital to U.S.A.

Will these three great nations squabble? That depends on just how well they co-operate in the post-war period.

A million gallons of oil an hour, day and night, year in and year out, guaranteed not to dry up for 400 years, and costing approximately a half penny per gallon—such is the oil prize of Middle East Diplomacy.

SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

Debating and Public Speaking are again in full swing at the College. Our Society comprises boys of the Matric. Class and those Leaving boys who were members last year.

Our first meeting was held on 3rd March and much important business was transacted. The Principal, Rev. Br. Healy, was in the chair, and after a few well chosen words on the importance of debate and public speaking, Rev. Br. Chairman proceeded with the election of officers.

Reg. Kenealy was elected Secretary and he was given B. Kelly, J. Robinson, J. Groutsch, G. Hreglich, as his executive.

On the night of Sunday, 24th March, a very full programme was put through. The committee had arranged a debate on "The Abolition of Trial by Jury." The Government was represented by Messrs. Hreglich and P. Crudden, and Messrs. J. Robinson and M. Grogan formed the opposition. Messrs. M. Maloney and G. Groutsch were the adjudicators. The debate resulted in a decisive victory for the Opposition, who, with 162, easily accounted for the Government with 148. Mr. Grogan secured highest marks for the night.

Mr. Locke and Mr. Malady were heard to good effect on "World News of the Week," and "Catholic News of the Week" respectively. Mr. B. Webb's motion of thanks was equally good, and the Rev. Br. Chairman found little to correct in all nine speakers.

The next meeting, Saturday, 31st March, proved very interesting. The first item on the agenda was an "Open Forum" in which members discussed in pros and cons of holding future sessions in the Hall. Nine speakers in all, took the floor and sound arguments were advanced on both sides. However, on the vote of the meeting the Hall will be the venue for future meetings. Prepared speeches by Messrs. D. Bourke, B. Webb, T. Tobin, J. Vaughan, J. Stevens, G. Holmes and S. Bradford occupied the remainder of the meeting.

Sunday, 7th April, provided a very closely contested debate. The subject was "That the Secret of Atomic Power should be Internationalised." Messrs P. Worsnop and K. Sinnott affirmed, and Messrs. J. Groutsch and J. Lenaghan denied the matter. The adjudicators, Messrs. K. Baker and F. Nihill awarded the decision to the Government by two points.

Then came a Challenge Debate. Day Boys had challenged Boarders. They were to debate "Adult Suffrage." Messrs. B. Kelly and R. Kenealy represented the boarders and formed the Government. Day boys' representatives were Messrs. J. Lannen and B. Scally, and they formed the Opposition. Members of the Leaving Certificate Society were invited to this Challenge Debate.

All four speakers spoke confidently and well, but the Adjudicator, Rev. Br. Healy, had no difficulty in deciding in favour of the day boys. They won the debate by a margin of eighteen points. It was an easy victory, with J. Lannen and B. Scally each ahead, on points, of their opposition. B. Scally was the highest scorer, with J. Lannen second highest. R. Kenealy spoke well and scored the highest marks for method.

The Society has gone into recess until the second term, for, with First Term Tests almost on top of us we could not spare time to prepare debates or speeches.

LEAVING LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Committee of the Leaving Literary and Debating Society for 1946 is as follows:—Patron, Rev. Br. J. D. Healy; President, Rev. Br. P. D. Forrester; Secre-

tary, Mr. V. Crennan; General Committee, Messrs. R. McAllister, B. McCormack, G. Hamm, J. Ware, K. Dunn.

As is usual for the first term, we have confined members to prepared speeches, leaving debates for the second term. Each evening the meeting is opened by three speakers who read a digest of the Catholic, Australian and World News of the week. A vote of thanks to these speakers is moved, and then the prepared talks are given. All speakers can be questioned about their subjects by the members. The evening is closed when a vote of thanks to the speakers is moved.

The variety of subjects chosen for the talks gives interest to every meeting. At our first meeting, Mr. T. O'Keefe gave a very interesting talk on "Drawing as a Hobby." Later on in the year Mr. B. McCormack made the artists believe that "Golf" was a much better hobby. In history we learned of "The Eucharistic Festivals at Rupertswood" from Mr. J. H. Lawes, and from Mr. V. Crennan we found that we had much to learn about "Footscray." In the sporting world Mr. J. J. Walsh told us much when he told us that "It Happened in Sport," and Mr. J. Kelly spoke on "Fishing." Natural History was introduced by Mr. G. Hamm who told us much about "Snakes." Mr. J. Colbert spoke on "Soil Erosion," and Mr. J. Ware on "Decentralization."

INTERMEDIATE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

Meetings of this Society, which includes only members of the Intermediate classes, are held each Sunday evening in the Inter A schoolroom.

At the first meeting, 3rd March, the office-bearers were elected, viz.: Secretary, F. Kenealy; Committee, J. Sharry, D. George and P. Barbata.

The second meeting was on 24th March. J. Shaw spoke on the work of the Queen Mary in the war; J. Brady described his home town, Echuca, and B. Lourey gave an account of "Life on a Dairy Farm." J. Lenaghan was chairman at this meeting. P. Conway proposed a vote of thanks to all speakers and was seconded by N. Panettiere.

The speakers at the next meeting were J. Clancy, D. Gray, J. Morganti and K. Tobin. Their respective subjects were: "Sporting News," "Inflation in China," "Catholic News," and "Undertaking."

On 7th April the fifth meeting was held, and three subjects were debated. P. Conway and R. Caleo discussed whether "Atomic Energy will be more useful than destructive to man." The decision was in favour of P. Conway. The next subject was "Should Prohibition be introduced." The speakers were J. Cusack (Government) and J. Taverner (Opposition), the latter gaining the vote of the audience. Finally, K. Dowsley maintained against J. White that "Home Work should be abolished," and was voted the winner of the debate.

The last meeting to date was held on 28th April. N. Loughnan spoke on "The Victorian Electricity Supply Scheme." He was followed by R. McVilly who traced the "Life of a Thoroughbred Racehorse." N. Panettiere then discussed the "Effect of the War on Photography," and C. Haintz concluded with a full account of the recent Stawell Gift. A vote of thanks proposed by D. George was seconded by J. White. The Chairman of the evening was J. Mertz.

JUNIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

This Society is composed of the boys from the Sub-Intermediate and Second Year rooms.

The Committee was selected and the selection was confined to the Sub-Intermediate class. The following are the office-bearers for 1946: Patron, Rev. Fr. L. Fiscalini; Vice-President, Mr. K. Congues; Secretary, Mr. A. Byrne; Committee, Mr. R. Cameron, Mr. J. Dwyer, Mr. W. Ware, and Mr. F. Flynn.

On the first night Impromptu Speeches were held; some boys showed great promise, and others allowed the novelty of the occasion to upset their equilibrium and nerve. These failings will diminish as the year's work progresses.

Prepared Speeches filled in the evenings of two successive Sundays. Mr. B. Cavanagh and Mr. K. Congues were the best speakers; both show promise as public speakers.

After the Easter vacation, two Literary Nights were held. The articles—poems, stories, etc.—were the works of the members. Mr. A. Byrne produced some excellent work and many others will improve both in matter and in presentation in future productions.

In the next edition of the Chronicle more details will be given, but until then this is J.L.D. saying Cheerio.

RADIO DISCUSSION GROUP.

St. Patrick's College, offering as it does, excellent opportunities for youthful enthusiasts, no matter into what sphere of educational activity their enthusiasm may lead them, has witnessed during the First Term the formation of a Radio Discussion Group. The members are endeavouring to unite all "radio fans" into one group for weekly discussion on the mystic arts of the wireless radio. These students of wireless telegraphy and telephony have engaged the services of an "hour" lecturer under whose guidance they have already made appreciable progress in circuit reading, theory and design.

The foundation members were B. Kavenagh (Promoter), B. Groening, J. Rando, D. Slattery, V. Di Nuzzo, G. Gleeson, K. O'Neill, and J. Flaherty. Since its inaugural meeting the Group has welcomed two more members to its circle—A. Byrne and F. Clancy.

Despite the fact that study, sport and other Collegiate activities are demanding increased attention, all hope that this society, at present in its embryonic state, will mature in the near future.

Lectures, still in elementary stages, are being given to the boys in the recently formed Cadet Corps and will give a good basis for a signal Specialist. Such an opportunity should not be missed and intending members are asked to interview the Secretary, Jack Rando, early in the Second Term.

On the syllabus for the Second Term lectures are several interesting talks on Valves, Valve Circuit, A.V.C., Antenna Design and Modulation (A. M. and F. M.). Wishing all members and intending members "happy tuning" during the Term holidays.—SPARKS.

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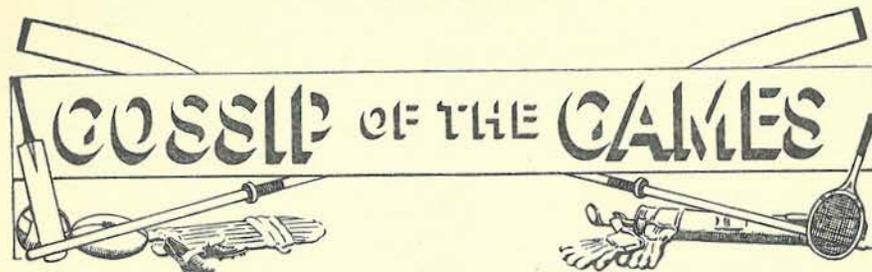
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BOXING

Mr. V. Stewart commenced boxing lessons on the second Sunday after the return. About sixty boys have joined. Two divisions—senior and junior—have been formed. Most of the boys are new to the sport and many have shown considerable improvement.

The instructor gives individual tuition during the lesson; his painstaking and quiet method enables the shy and awkward pupil to give of his best and become ballet-like in his movements.

Many more boys should benefit from this beneficial exercise and sport, but the lure of the free Sunday morning period is too much for most of the boarders. The exercise in the boxing lessons may be better than the attractive walk into the Gardens for some boys.

There is an interesting tournament later in the year, but entrance is not compulsory.

This is just an introduction; more individual details will be given in the next issue.

CRICKET

SENIOR PARK.

The Senior Shed competition had to vacate the old position and a ground was found in the extensive parklands near at hand. Six teams were selected instead of the accustomed four (Nunan, Treacy, Galvin, and McCarthy). This was necessary for the playing fields limited us to two matches a day instead of three.

R. McAllister, R. Kenealy, J. Robinson, P. Crudden, V. Crennan, and J. Ware were the captains selected. Four of these captains were selected as members of the Senior XI; they were R. McAllister, who obtained the batting average, R. Kenealy, P. Crudden and J. Ware.

Because of the sudden change on to football, the cricket competition did not reach a fitting conclusion, for the grand final was not completed. V. Crennan's side had compiled the most points, so this team was made the champion team of 1946. Final points: V. Crennan's team, 12 points; R. Kenealy's team, 10 points; J. Ware's team, 8 points; R. McAllister's team, 8 points; P. Crudden's team, 6 points; J. Robinson's team, 4 points.

Highest scores: J. Walsh 52, K. Sinnott 51, E. Hoy 42 not out, W. Giuliano 42, V. Crennan 39, W. Pedler 38, J. Ware 36, P. Crudden 34, K. Dunne 33 (twice), N. Loughnan 31.

Best Bowlers: V. Crennan, 8 for 12 and 5 for 10; G. Holmes, 6 for 29; J. Walsh, 6 for 46 twice; B. McCormack, 5 for 10 and 5 for 21; J. Kelly, 5 for 37 and 5 for 49.

CRICKET.
1946.

FIRST ELEVEN.

The 1946 cricket season was not a successful one for St. Pat's. Our second match, which was against Grammar School, was our only B.P.S. win.

With only two of last year's co-premier team to represent us, we were further handicapped by our grounds being unavailable for practice. The City Council and the Mental Hospital authorities came to our assistance, however, and we are most grateful to them for the use of their ovals.

Ballarat College fielded a strong side and we congratulate them on their success in winning the 1946 premiership.

As the season advanced our new players settled down much better and began to play with more confidence and success. Most of them will be back next year, so this brightens our prospects for the 1947 premiership.

Our best effort in the Ballarat Public Schools' competition was put up against Ballarat College in our final match. We made 119, our highest score for the season. College then batted and had a hard struggle. Three valuable wickets were lost for 10 runs, and when the last batsman came in they were still three runs behind our score. The necessary runs were made, however, and their innings ended with a total of 127. Quayle was the match winner for College. He took six wickets for 37, and followed it up with a score of 63.

The Cricket Cups were decided as follows:—Batting, Ray McAllister; Bowling, Clem Cullinan; Best all-round, Brian Kelly.

To Brother O'Malley and Mr. F. Galvin we are most grateful for their coaching and assistance, and hope to show better results next year. To Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Bates we would like to offer our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses and tokens of appreciation given us throughout the season.

The following are the details of our B.P.S. matches:—

B.P.S. CRICKET.

S.P.C. v. HIGH SCHOOL. Played at High School.

HIGH SCHOOL—1st innings.

Tozer, run out	6
Trezise, b Kelly	12
Moy, lbw, b Kelly	8
Veale, lbw, b Kelly	47
Cooper, c Bourke, b Kelly	4
Lepp, played on, b Slattery	9
McLachlan, c and b Brennan	17
Whykes, b Kelly	0
Teasdale, run out	1
Turner, c Leethan, b Kelly	1
Jenkins, not out	3
Sundries	9

Total 117

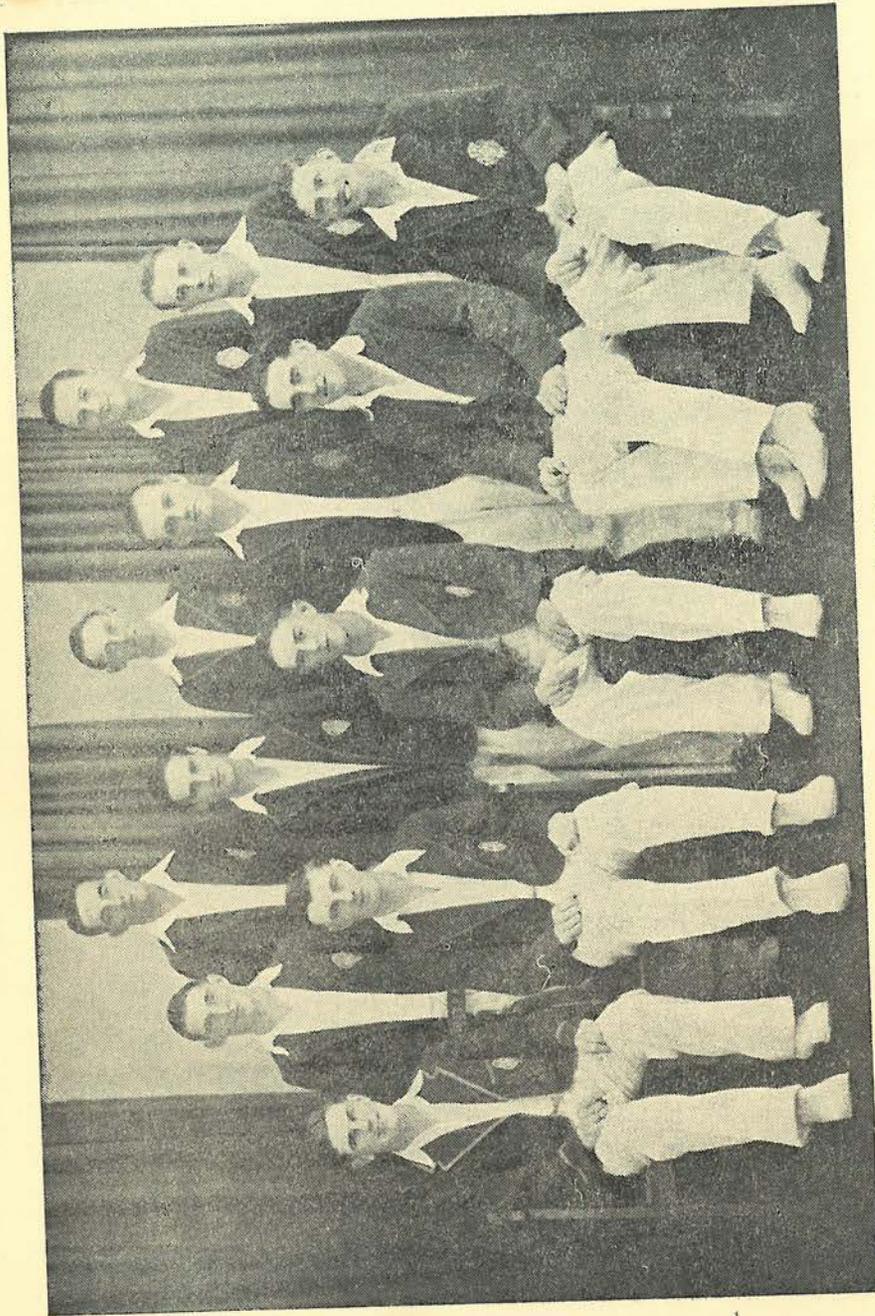
S.P.C.—1st innings.

Leethan, b Lepp	9
Cullinan, st Moy, b Lepp	10
Worsnop b Lepp	10
Brennan, b Turner	1
Kelly, c Jenkins, b Lepp	14
McAllister, st Moy, b Cooper	13
Slattery, st Moy, b Tozer	6
Bourke, b Trezise	11
Tatchell, not out	10
Barbeta, b Trezise	0
Scally, b Trezise	0
Sundries	5

Total 90

Bowling: Kelly 6 for 33, Brennan 1 for 20, Slattery 1 for 20.

Bowling: Lepp 4 for 26, Trezise 3 for 11, Turner 1 for 11, Cooper 1 for 12, Tozer 1 for 13.



S.P.C. FIRST ELEVEN, 1946
In front—P. Worsnop, S. Bates, B. Kelly (Capt.), C. Cullinan (Vice-Capt.), R. McAllister.
Second Row—D. Slattery, R. Tatchell, J. Leethan, D. Bourke.
Top Row—P. Barbeta, P. Crudden, J. Ware.

High School—Second innings, 35.

Second innings.			
Treize, b Scally	12	Jenkins, not out	9
Lepp, c Cullinan, b Worsnop	2	Teasdale, b Kelly	4
Moy, c Slattery, b Kelly	9	Sundries	5
Veale, c and b Slattery	4		
Cooper, b Kelly	8	Total	66
McLachlan, b Kelly	2		
Tozer, c Kelly, b Worsnop	10	Bowling: Kelly 6 for 22, Worsnop	
Whykes, b Kelly	0	2 for 24, Slattery 1 for 6, Scally 1 for	
Turner, b Kelly	0	9.	

High School won by 27 on the first innings.

S.P.C. v. C.E.G.S.—Played at C.E.G.S.

S.P.C.—1st innings.		C.E.G.S.—First innings.	
Leatham, b Huntly	10	Gration, b Worsnop	3
Cullinan, c James, b Morton	3	James, c Tatchell, b Kelly	6
Worsnop, b Lucas	3	Morton, run out	5
Kelly, c Morton, b Lucas	0	Petch, b Worsnop	26
McAllister, c Petch, b Nixon	33	Nixon, c Tatchell, b Cullinan	2
Bourke st James, b Morton	10	R. Lucas, c McAllister, b Cullinan	0
Tatchell, b Morton	18	K. Lucas, b Cullinan	0
Slattery, b Morton	2	Huntly, b Kelly	20
Kenealy, b Huntly	0	Bygrave, c and b Kelly	0
Barbeta, not out	2	Stait, c Bates, b Kelly	16
Bates, b Huntly	10	Wilkinson, not out	2
Sundries	15	Sundries	9
Total	106	Total	89

Bowling: Morton 4 for 37, Huntly 3 for 22, Lucas 2 for 12, Nixon 1 for 19.

St. Pat's won by 17 runs on the first innings.

S.P.C. v. B.C.—Played at B.C. (wet wicket).

B.C.—1st innings.		S.P.C.—1st innings.	
Netherway, c Barbeta, b Kelly	11	Leatham, b Davis	8
Davis, c Kelly, b Scally	3	Cullinan run out	0
Bradley, lbw, b Worsnop	45	Worsnop, c Davis, b Trahar	0
Trahar, c Scally, b Kelly	13	Kelly, b Davis	5
Sinclair, run out	6	McAllister, c Gray, b Trahar	0
Gray, run out	10	Tatchell, c Bradley, b Gibson	7
Walter, not out	3	Slattery, run out	6
McDonald, c Scally, b Kelly	0	Bates, c Gray, b Trahar	0
Sundries	7	Bourke, c Lemke, b Coburn	11
Seven wickets (declared) for	98	Barbeta, b Coburn	2
		Scally, not out	0
		Sundries	3
		Total	42

Bowling: Kelly 3 for 35, Worsnop 1 for 11, Scally 1 for 22.

Bowling: Trahar 3 for 11, Coburn 2 for 5, Davis 2 for 2, Gibson 1 for 8.

Ballarat College won by 56 on the first innings.

S.P.C. v. HIGH SCHOOL—Played at High School.

S.P.C.—1st innings.		B.H.S.—1st innings.	
Leatham, lbw, b Tozer	14	Treize, run out	8
Cullinan, b Lepp	18	Moy, b Brennan	19
Worsnop, c Veale, b Tozer	9	Veale, c Crudden, b Kelly	4
Kelly, lbw, b Lepp	3	Tozer, c Ware, b Worsnop	32
McAllister, run out	4	Cooper, c McAllister, b Tatchell	14
Crudden, lbw, b Lepp	0	Teasdale, b Crudden	10
Bourke, lbw, b Veale	12	McLachlan, b Worsnop	14
Tatchell, b Cooper	11	Lepp, run out	8
Brennan, b Veale	2	Quilliam, c Kelly, b Tatchell	2
Ware, not out	3	Jenkins, b Worsnop	5
Barbeta, b Turner	5	Turner, not out	1
Sundries	21	Sundries	13
Total	102	Total	131

Bowling: Lepp 3 for 15, Veale 2 for 8, Tozer 2 for 31, Turner 1 for 6, Cooper 1 for 7.

High School won by 29 runs on the first innings.

S.P.C. v. C.E.G.S.—Played at Grammar School.

S.P.C.—1st innings.		C.E.G.S.—1st innings.	
J. Leatham, b Huntly	14	Morton, c Crudden, b Kelly	13
Cullinan, c James, b Lucas	6	James, c Ware, b Worsnop	0
McAllister, b Lucas	0	Petch, not out	102
Worsnop, c Petch, b Morton	3	Gration, c Crudden, b Kelly	0
Kelly, b Morton	14	Nixon, c Bourke, b Crudden	4
Bourke, b Huntly	0	C. Lucas, c Barbeta, b Crudden	0
Tatchell, lbw, b Huntly	6	Huntly, c and b Crudden	0
Crudden, st James, b Morton	0	Bygrave, c Ware, b Kelly	3
Ware, c Gration, b Morton	1	Wilkinson, lbw, b Worsnop	5
Brennan, run out	2	Stait, not out	11
Barbeta, not out	15	Sundries	1
Sundries	7	Total	145
Total	68		

Bowling: Lucas 2 for 3, Stait 0 for 18, Morton 4 for 28, Huntly 3 for 13.

Grammar School won by 77 runs on the first innings.

S.P.C. v. B.C.—At Ballarat College.

S.P.C.—1st innings.		B.C.—1st innings.	
Leatham, c Longden, b Quayle	5	Davis, b Kelly	2
Cullinan, c Davis, b Gibson	13	Netherway, c Leatham, b Worsnop	2
Slattery, lbw, b Quayle	2	Bradley, c Tatchell, b Cullinan	17
McAllister, c Davis, b Quayle	19	Longden, c Leatham, b Worsnop	2
Kelly, b Quayle	0	Quayle, c Cullinan, b Crudden	63
Worsnop, st Longden, b Gibson	32	Gray, c Brennan, b Crudden	7
Bourke, b Quayle	0	Sinclair, run out	10
Tatchell, lbw, b Trahar	13	Trahar, b Leatham	3
Crudden, c Davis, b Quayle	4	Gibson, not out	4
Brennan, b Trahar	11	Walter, c Crudden, b Cullinan	1
Barbeta, not out	5	Lemke, c Tatchell, b Cullinan	5

Sundries	15
Total	119

Bowling: Trahar 2 for 28, Davis 0 for 22, Quayle 6 for 37, Gibson 2 for 13, Bradley 0 for 4.

Ballarat College won by 8 runs on the first innings.

Sundries	11
Total	127

Bowling: Worsnop 2 for 16, Kelly 1 for 21, Brennan 0 for 20, Tatchell 0 for 9, Cullinan 3 for 17, Leatham 1 for 18, Crudden 2 for 15.

JUNIOR PARK COMPETITION.

The Junior Inter-House matches were played this year on Victoria Park, as the renovations being made on our own fields made playing on them impossible.

There were six teams in this competition, the captains elected being K. Butler (A), J. Clancy (B), G. Hamm (C), F. Kenealy (D), J. Lorkin (E), J. J. Walsh (F). Though the weather throughout would have been ideal for football rather than cricket, only one match had to be abandoned completely.

There was time for only one complete round. The best performances were made by B team. Out of five matches played, they won four and drew one. They thus secured 18 points and, as time did not permit the playing of finals, were declared premiers. Next on the list comes E. team (J. Lorkin). After losing the first two matches they were successful in the remaining three, and had twelve points to their credit.

Third on the premiership list was A team (K. Butler) who gained 10 points, having two wins and one draw. Equal fourth were D team (F. Kenealy) and F team (J. J. Walsh). Both won their first two matches only, thus scoring 8 points. C team (G. Hamm) was successful only in the last match.

In the course of the competition, several good scores were made. The most promising batsmen would be F. Kenealy, V. Herrick, K. Ryan, N. Dooley, F. Gipp, F. Clancey, B. Perkins, J. Gregory, J. Lorkin, and V. Williams.

The highest individual score was made by N. Dooley (50 not out), while special mention should be made of B. Perkins (36), P. Guiliano (22), and G. Hamm (22 not out).

The highest team score was made by F team (104), against B team's 85.

In the bowling, the best performers were K. Ryan, J. Segrave and N. Dooley. Outstanding efforts were those of K. Ryan and J. Ward, in one match, took 7 for 8 and 6 for 8, respectively.

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JUNIOR CRICKET.

This year particular stress was laid upon the need for every boy to be playing games. On Wednesday school terminated at 3.00 p.m. so that every boy was given an opportunity to play. Four teams were picked. They were Galvin, Treacy, Nunan, and McCarthy. The captains were J. Kennedy, D. Kennedy, T. Byrne, and N. Lawlor. Even the smallest boys in the school had their game. Play terminated at 5.15 p.m. On the remaining four days of the week, two matches each lasting two afternoons, were played. The players on these days consisted of the boarders and those of the day boys who wished to remain. At no time was any boy idle, since those who were in the batting team who had been dismissed, or those who were waiting for a bat, played at tip-and-run.

With outside schools we were not very successful, as we won one match only—Under 13. However, even in defeat we showed that we were possessed of the real St. Pat's spirit, which rises superior to defeat, and we are determined that when next we play, we shall be victorious.

Throughout the season our outstanding players were: P. Carr, J. Whykes, K. Carter and R. Quilkey. These showed skill not only in batting, but also in bowling and fielding. Among those who are very promising are P. Hackwill, P. Hayes, J. Matheson, S. Brown and L. Stevens.

MR. MORRISSEY WITH US AGAIN.

By THE EDITOR.

The return to the College of Mr. John Morrissey, with his re-establishment as coach of the 1946 footballers, is an event we wish to record with feelings of the utmost satisfaction. Past pupils who benefited from his guidance will be delighted also to know of our good fortune. Such magnificent service had he rendered in the past that his quality as a coach was indirectly impressed upon many who passed through S.P.C. in the intervening years of his absence.

Our footballers have placed the winter game in a special niche among sporting activities at the College. The Press of Victoria has often shown its interest in our performances by recording from time to time some of the deeds of outstanding merit. From the many such notices we reprint a sample referring also to Mr. Morrissey's coaching in a wider sphere, and, as an earnest of what is in store for the boys of to-day, one appropriate to the occasion of his return. The "Sporting Globe" of 20/8/41 wrote as follows:—

UNBEATEN IN 38 YEARS.

Amazing Record of St. Pat's, Ballarat.

"The Ballarat St. Patrick's College footballers have been doing it again. Last week they finished the season with their usual tight grip on the local Public Schools' Association premiership. They've handed out the same thing to the opposition there for 38 consecutive years without so much as a solitary game being lost in all that time. That must be an Australian, or perhaps a world's record? Maybe, but it's not the only one. Panned out, those games gave an average winning margin of 20 goals each. One year, 1918, the Pat's were too busy themselves scoring to spare any time to the other fellows, and their average of 30 goals or so a match was the only scoring done that year. All that, too, in the days when scores were only half of present-day tallies.

In 1908 St. Patrick's gave the now defunct Grenville College a severe drubbing when they broke the Australian record with a score of 45 goals 44 behinds

to nil. Pretty swift action that, even for the 100 minutes' League route, but phenomenal going for the 80 minutes' space allotted to these games.

Prime Minister Menzies was not the head man in that show, though as a player of the losing side he took a hand in keeping the goal score below the half-century mark. Being one of the victims in that debacle does not prove the P.M. a dud footballer. Press reports of the day made no mention of him—nor of any other Grenville lad—among the best players in that match certainly; but of the four mentioned in a write-up of a subsequent contest that year, against Ballarat College, Menzies gets pride of place. He was with the losers again, but he was the head man there.

In this tall-scoring side Tom Seward was captain and Stan Coates vice-captain. They are now well known professional men in Melbourne. The principal goal-getters were the late Bob Thompson (17) and Leo Little (10). Both later played League football with University and Carlton respectively.

Other St. Patrick's Collegians to become prominent footballers were the late Leo Seward (University), Charlie Baker (St. Kilda), Jack and the late Chris Fogarty (University), Phil McCumisky (Carlton), Basil Nehill (St. Kilda), Joe Shortill (Carlton), Harry Neate (Essendon), Maurice Connell (Carlton), Bert Gregory (Melbourne), Morrie Sheahon (Richmond), Bill Walsh (Essendon), Jim Keogh (Brunswick), Bob Johnson (Melbourne), Joe Nunan (Footscray), Syd Dockendorf (North Melbourne), Dick Hingston (Melbourne), Jim Whitehead (Pahran), Jim Condon (captain of Queensland Carnival side), and Reg. Hickey (Geelong captain and leader of Victorian State teams). Brought together, a combination from these players would have provided winning representation in Australian Carnival games.

The St. Pat's teams were coached by Jack Morrissey for the first 20 years of their successful exploits. He spared one year (1907) away from Ballarat, and showed that W.A. goldfields youngsters could also be taught the winning way. Incidental it would seem was his captaincy while there of Railways F.C. in the W.A. Goldfields Association competition.

The Kalgoorlie Christian Brothers' College team benefited from his training that year, and took the Goldfields Schools' Association premiership without suffer-in defeat. A shock for the hitherto cock-o'-the-walk Central S.S., but a spur for the public who willingly subscribed a hundred of the best as exes. backing to go and do likewise 400 miles away at the coast. There, as a start, the little outbackers (they were usually much smaller than opponents) engaged the Fremantle schools' premiers, and put them out of the way.

Propaganda and boost had little effect in those days or the Goldfieders would have been licked before they started in with the "unbeatable" thousand-pupil James Street school, "premiers of Perth and winners of combined coast premiership for years past."

But it wasn't home James this time, for James only got 3 goals 4 behinds, while 9.13 was a fair tally for the little visitors and money's worth for their admirers when the midgets kicked up the Kal. dust as they marched in with the new title of Under 16 Championship of W.A."

We welcome John Morrissey back to the College and sincerely hope he will again experience all his old enjoyment of training our boys on the sporting fields.





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EDITORIAL.

THE SONG OF BERNADETTE.

Everybody has heard it. The applause is rapturous. Yet 89 years ago, when Bernadette told the story of the Lady who, when asked her name, replied, "I am the Immaculate Conception," she was beaten by her common-sense mother, scolded by her father, laughed at by the Nuns, and regarded by the Priests as the victim of hallucination.

But facts thundered in the public ear. A new spring followed the finger of Bernadette, flowing still at the rate of 27,000 gallons a day; the blind had sight restored; the deaf, hearing; Peter de Rudder had his semblance of a leg mended instantaneously by the addition of 1 1/3-inches of new bone. This last statement is of a sort that requires verification. But the abundance of it available is embarrassing. I select one proof, the force of which is beyond question. Dr. van Hoestenberge, who attended de Rudder, and had been an unbeliever, was converted by the miracle: "I can affirm upon my honour," he declared to Zola, "that I now believe absolutely, and that with belief I have found peace."

Lourdes is now a Laboratory for Miracles. A daring venture! So it was said at the time. But now all the daring is on the side of those who deny the miraculous. In 1882 this "Bureau of Medical Verification" was opened at Lourdes. From 1892 to 1917 it was in charge of Dr. Boisaire, assisted by Dr. Cox, who turned his back on a brilliant career to take up at the Grotto a mission of sheer devotedness. In this Bureau the medical certificates brought by the sick from their home doctors are verified; and in it also the cures are examined and registered by professional men. All doctors are welcome, e.g., in 1935, the laboratory was visited by 790 doctors, and Lourdes Association of Doctors numbers over 2000.

According to Dr. Vallet, President of the Bureau, the following conditions must be fulfilled before a cure is called miraculous:

1. Patients must be hopelessly incurable.
2. All cures must be instantaneous and abnormal.
3. No period of convalescence is permitted.
4. No curative agent can be used during the novena.

"You have to sit down before the facts like a child"—saying of a well known scientist. But human nature is often unequal to this attitude of sweet reasonableness. Zola, the famous (or notorious) French novelist, said, "If I saw all the sick at Lourdes rise cured in one moment, I would not believe in miracle." As Cobbett put it, "One may have all the facts, but not the grace for conversion."

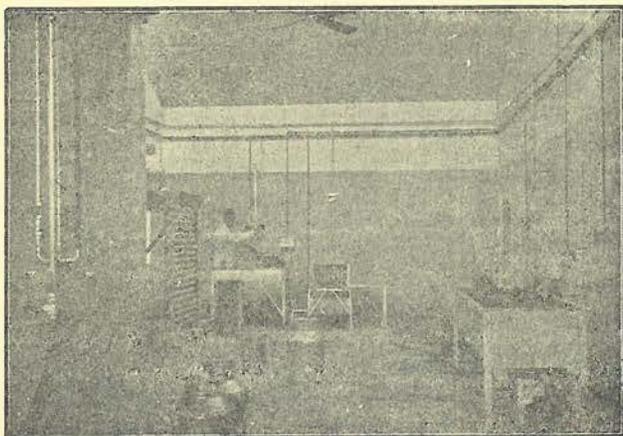
This line of thought suggests the case of Dr. Alexis Carrel. He was a French doctor who won the Nobel Prize for his work on cancer research, and who, after expulsion from France, became a professor and research worker in Harvard University, U.S.A. Why expelled? Atheistic doctors hold the view that miracles cannot happen, and Dr. Carrel had the temerity to advocate a scientific approach to the "occurrences" at Lourdes, with the result that he had to go to U.S.A.—and to international reputation. This keen scientist never bowed to the stupid dogma that the Creator may not modify His own laws. He examined Lourdes, and like all its earlier medical opponents (Drs. Dozous, Balencie, Hoestenberge) he died believing. He heard the Song of Bernadette, and joined her choir.

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GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE.

B. Kelly has been at S.P.C. for four years, and claims Wangaratta as his home town. He is in second year matriculation and his work gives promise of success at the end of the year. He has the distinction of being Head Prefect of the College and of the Sodality. He is also prominent in the Holy Name and in the St. Vincent de Paul Society. In the sporting world he holds the foremost place, being captain of the First XI and XVIII., and a member of the Tennis Four. He is a firm favourite with all and everyone wishes him every success in his career.

M. Moloney, one of the representatives of the Western District, has impressed everyone by his fineness of character and dependability. He is a Prefect of the College and of the Sodality, President of St. Vincent de Paul and a prominent member of the Holy Name. He has shown good ability as a footballer until forced to retire through an injury. His application to his work gives every hope of a truly successful conclusion to his school year. Our best wishes go with him in his after career.

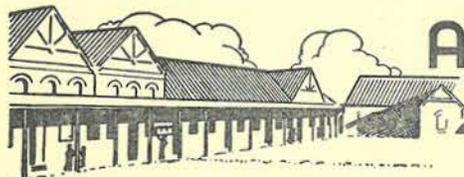
F. Monaghan is one of our representatives of far famed Stawell. He has earned the deep respect of all who have come in contact with him, and the fact that he is a Prefect and prominent member of the Sodality, St. Vincent de Paul and Holy Name Societies is but a tangible expression of the high regard in which he is held. He is a keen and capable student and should do well in the final examinations. He has aspirations as a distance runner. We wish him all the best, both for this year and in the future.

E. Conroy, of Ballan, is one of the serious students of this year's Leaving Class. Last year success crowned his efforts in the Intermediate, and his application gives promise of like success at the end of the year. He is a member of the Sodality and the Holy Name Society, a fact that speaks for itself. He is very obliging and is never found wanting when a job is to be done.

M. Brandenburg, a day boy, in the Intermediate, is very keen on all departments of school life. This year, he earned a permanent place in the First XVIII. where he has given valuable service as a rover. He is also a promising distance runner. We wish him all the best.

E. Hoy, of Wangaratta, is in his third year at S.P.C. He is one of the quiet workers of the Leaving Class and has excellent chances of success in the final examinations. He is a member of the Sodality, St. Vincent de Paul and Holy Name Societies. While he has yet to represent the College, he possesses good ability as a footballer, cricketer and tennis player. Our best wishes go with him.

B. Malady, of Koroit, started at S.P.C. last year. While not shining on the campus he joins in with a will. What he is lacking in the athletic sphere he more than makes up for in things intellectual. An excellent student, he has bright prospects in the final examinations. He is a member of the Sodality, St. Vincent de Paul and Holy Name Societies. His hobby of photography claims most of his spare time. Our very best wishes go with him.



AROUND THE ROOMS

THE JUNIORS.

Our first duty this time is to welcome to our ranks Ian Ferguson, who hails from Bendigo, and Bill Love, who comes from East Brunswick. We welcome them to St. Pat's and hope their stay is a happy one.

On August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption, Donald Tardrew had the honour of making his first Communion. Congratulations, Don!

As we were unable to hold the first term test in time for the last issue of the Chronicle, here are results now. Grade Five: R. Matheson, 1210, 1st; P. O'Reilly, 1200, 2nd; J. Madden, 1160, 3rd; B. McGregor, 1150, 4th; and F. Welch, 1130, 5th. Grade Four: M. Walsh, 1220, 1st; R. Hutchison, 1130, 2nd; W. Mills, 1050, 3rd; P. Skehan, 1020, 4th; and B. Carey, 1000, 5th. Grade Three: B. Thomson, 1100, 1st; W. Whitefield, 990, 2nd; M. Hayden, 810, 3rd. Grade Two: E. Dorney, 1050, 1st; J. Burke, 730, 2nd.

Our "Missioners" are still keeping up the good work and their offerings have now reached the thirteen pounds mark.

During the term we noticed Ron Quilkey playing a good game in the Under 7 stone and Under 13 football teams. Other prominent footballers to be seen in action on St. Roch's were Leo Stevens, Kevin and Gerard Lynch, Philip O'Reilly, Peter Hayes, Gavan Rice, Phil Skehan, Bern McKenna, Billy Love, Bill Klein, Robert Hutchison, Ian Ferguson, Vin Brandenburg, Robert Whitefield, Bernie Carey and Barry Thomson.

Our reporter has been on the job again, and he thinks the following worth reporting. If you want a couple of teeth out, Darrel Grace knows a nice spot in Geelong to go to. There is a rumour about that Bernje Carey is bringing the "nipper" next term, and intends to show him the "ropes", such as how to get out of homework, etc. Phil O'Reilly's drawings are the envy of the class and they are greatly admired every Monday. Michael Walsh gets rowdier every day, and Vin Brandenburg, Bill Klein and Francis Welch never say a word. We are thinking of forming a "Mumbler's Club" with Graeme Bradford as president. If you want the correct time, just ask Barry Podger. "Gene Autrey" Stevens, "Roy Rogers" Mills, and "Buffalo Bill" Skehan are packing their "shootin' irons" these days, so look out you hombres! The marble season is now closed—they say Peter Hayes skinned the lot, so that nobody else has any left to play with anyhow. If you want to make some money, see Barry Thomson. He's laying the odds!

Well, readers, we're off for the holidays now, so Cheerio until December.

GRADE VI.

We also have had our numbers increased by the timely arrival of three excellent boys, J. Dorney, R. Foster and T. Maher. All these settled down very quickly and are very popular. R. Foster recently made his first Holy Communion. We are looking forward to October for the tests, and we are working well. B. Brown, M. Baird, P. Hackwill and L. Plummer are busy preparing for music examinations. J. Carroll is making giant strides along the road of perfect speech; he learns elocution. You have only to look at P. Flanagan

from time to time to see how keen he is to be dux this year. All are out to beat him. J. Trainor lives a very quiet life, but tries hard. B. Davey is very popular. R. Carey is a silent worker, mostly. F. Elliott, P. Russo and V. Leslie are very happy when together. B. McGuinness has recovered from appendicitis; at present he has been given permission to play football. We have been generous to the Missions and together with First Year our total has exceeded £11.

FIRST YEAR.

B. Mair increased our number by one. He soon settled down and has gained many friends. We had no Term tests, but are waiting for the October tests. K. Hanily has been our representative at the Hospital; he has now no appendix. All four captains in St. Roch's football competition came from our class. They were P. Carr, S. Plummer, K. Carter and W. McCubbin. G. Horan is our member of the Camera Club. D. Grant seems to have developed the camera craze also. J. and D. Kennedy are studying hard. N. Lawlor has no particular liking for Latin and French. J. O'Donnell seems to like the Infirmary. How does he like shifting to the senior lockers? Very seldom are S. Plummer and N. O'Sullivan seen apart—except at school. M. Pedler is very keen on music. Practising, both vocal and instrumental, takes up quite a deal of his spare time. J. Simpson is our authority on ships; when he is not reading about them, he is either drawing them or talking about them. He proved that his head was harder than another boy's—the other boy needed a week in bed to recover: P. Vaughan is a close student of the "Sporting Globe." M. Podbury is very popular with R. Devine and J. Zilles. There was almost a stand-up fight on one occasion when both had invited him out to dinner on the same day. T. Byrne, V. Carey and G. Torney have formed a study circle, with pleasing results. All three are very keen on their work. R. Devine, T. Laffey and G. Keogh are good silent workers. T. Fraser seemed to be wearing himself away to a shadow with hard work. However, he has begun to look his old self again. K. Grundell, K. Rowe and J. Whykes are firm friends, but they prefer sport to school. Sickness has attacked W. Hancock frequently during the term; he tries his best to make up for lost ground. W. Kemp has been having a prolonged holiday; he should be fresh for the next term. J. McArdle has recently had a move in the class; he tries hard. E. Rosser and F. Nolan try very hard; both are very popular. P. Owens enjoys the drawing period; often his work merits special praise. G. Ridsdale seems to be determined to be the class leader for this year. P. Tardrew has brought back with him this term, his younger brother. His work is consistently good. L. Howard still delights in playing "bushrangers."

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SECOND YEAR.

Another term is nearing completion, so some news is expected from the students of Second Year.

We send a cheerio to our sick members—B. Rice, D. McDonald, J. Mulcahy and T. Smith, and hope that they will be with us again in a short time.

Our "man of steel" took up a window position, but the area of intellectuals was too enticing. Speaking of intellectuals, reminds us that G. Sheales has joined B. Etheridge, B. Miller and J. Clinton in the bespectacled club.

J. Grogan has been warned to keep his cap on during the next vacation. Ian Bradford will keep a careful eye on him. Watch the "sewing," Ian.

The bell is ringing right on time, all the time, for T. Candelin believes in punctuality. W. Cochran, A. McGoldrick and J. Meeny maintain that special hours of arrival should be fixed for day boys.

Three of the House captains from the Junior Park are from this room. B. King has placed his team on top of the list, and B. Hogan was only eight points behind. R. O'Connor is fighting hard for the third position. The result will depend on the next game.

B. Cantwell is a most enthusiastic supporter of the Senior team—even the Western Districts are forgotten at times. J. Cahill follows the big games of football in the Rochester League with great interest, but Pyramid Hillite, V. Herrick, is in the opposite camp. The Western Districts have another supporter now, for G. Hackwill's home is in Garvoc.

Those trains and buses are very slow, for G. Hishon and L. McCarthy come late (or is it early?) on rare occasions.

Charges are handed out weekly by B. Cavanagh, thus the room is kept in good order. Many thanks for his good work and for his control of the Propagation of the Fajth.

F. Conroy and J. Kelly take the week-end off now and again to see the beauty spots of Wallace and Bungaree. Last vacation saw the Strangio cousins (Vincent A., Vincent S.) in Sydney, and they came back alive, too.

The defences of Australia have been settled. T. Cook has his cadet uniform. B. McDougall has not joined; those route marches are not enticing. How would J. Ward and J. Lorkins look in uniform? But we have forgotten that business keeps them out—music and tuck shop.

Two from the class played in the Under 15 match in Melbourne — V. Williams and B. Perkins. Congratulations, but do not fail to obtain a victory in the return match. Speaking of football, recalls a few of the outstanding players on the Junior Park. J. Walsh is the ruck for Galvin; G. Smith is a most promising full back, and N. Jubb is always solid in defence (he practices on G. Sheales); A. Jackson has played in the under 6½ stone team. Another member of the team was K. Ryan—both played excellent games. Others in the Junior Shed are J. Donehue, a solid defender, and N. Rowe, who could be a good player, but requires a lot of rousing.

K. Doyle and J. Elliott have combined, but is it for study reasons? G. Haley is our "hobby" man. D. Jeffreys, R. McAardle and G. Hayes are interested also. Chook keeping occupies G. Sweeney's spare time, and G. Schaefer is a big man in the Camera Club.

Amongst the quiet workers are found the following: D. Morgan, K. Dower (both noted singers), A. Ryan, A. Westblade, G. Dooley, M. Houlehan, F. Godfrey and F. Gallagher.

P. Giuliano wishes to extend a hearty welcome to J. Jess, who has joined us recently. May he find many friends amongst us.

Geoffrey Durant is saying au revoir until you read about us in the next edition of the Chronicle.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE.

We were late for publication last issue of the Chronicle, but this time we hope to give you news of the boys of Sub B. for 1946. In the sporting arena we are well represented with J. Dwyer as our member of the 1st XVIII., and also a prominent boxer. We have also six representatives in the Under 15's, namely B. Morris, K. Jubb, W. Cook, I. Durant, B. Collins and F. Murphy.

During the term we played two football games against 2nd year, but Sub. more than made up for the defeat when the second game was played.

Roger Cameron and Keith Jubb, from Balranald, and Bruce Hall and Kevin Renwick, from Deniliquin, very ably upheld the tradition of N.S.W. in the room.

We have six boys in the Cadet Corps which was recently formed at the College. They are D. Pangrazio, I. Durant, A. Byrne, P. Cushing, J. Dalton and L. Donnelly.

W. Cherry is a scientist of note, and Bruce Hall runs a close second to him. M. Molan has recently returned from St. John of God's Hospital where he had an operation for appendicitis. We hope he has fully recovered. B. Ware and D. Phillips, our Shepparton representatives, have been in charge of the Tuck Shop recently, and perhaps that is why they are looking so well.

J. Croft, from Stawell, has just returned from a rest in the Infirmary. It does not seem to have affected his knowledge of the "Gift."

J. Driscoll is the proud owner of a greyhound dog which ran in the Waterloo Cup.

K. Congues is the vice-president of the Junior Literary and Debating Society, while A. Byrne is the Secretary, and the committee is R. Cameron, W. Ware, and J. Dwyer.

J. Moloney, P. Pulbrook, C. Bolger and Ewen McCarthy all seem to enjoy the Science period. W. Ley and B. Morris enjoy the Latin period. B. McNamara has a rather loud laugh for an innocent boy like himself.

The lucky one of the school is D. Pangrazio, as he won the Malvern Star bicycle. J. Gregory and C. Bartells hail from Pyramid Hill and they say it is a better place than Ballarat. Dux of the Latin class is J. Maginnity, and D. Kearns is his second in command. P. Colbert, K. O'Shannesy, R. O'Connor and F. Fitzpatrick are the midgets of our class.

This year we have some musicians of note, namely, P. Pulbrook, K. Renwick, J. Gregory, J. Dwyer, C. Bolger, A. Byrne, M. Walsh, J. Driscoll and F. Fitzpatrick. G. Joyce and P. Cushing are very sorry on a Friday morning, as they miss Brother O'Malley's Latin period. They are wool-classes.

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INTERMEDIATE "B"

The second term has blown and blustered its stormy way along the proverbial corridors of time with the usual accompaniment of frost, rain, hail, sneezes and chilblains. But it's an ill wind indeed that blows nobody any good, and some of us in Intermediate B were able to separate ourselves from the madding crowds and spend a few days of quiet rest in the Infirmary.

An outstanding event of the term was the College Retreat, held in June, and conducted by two Redemptorist Fathers. All of us enjoyed the Retreat which will long remain in memory.

We are pleased to say that two of this class did sterling service for the victorious First XVIII.—Max Brandenburg and Ray Tatchell. In the Second XVIII. our representative was Sid Roche, and Kevin Dowsley and John Clancy figured in the Under 15 team.

During the term we said farewell to Laurie Broderick and Frank Clancy, and to these go the best wishes of the class.

Some keen competition is displayed at the monthly tests, when members of the various "Houses" find it necessary to earn security of their seats, or be forced to take up position in the gallery. The final tests are looming up. Readers of Wodehouse might say they are lurking round the corner with a stuffed eel-skin. Insomnia, brought on by nervous anxiety, is already laying its hand on some of us—at night time at any rate.

The discovery of atomic energy was a great achievement, but it will fade into insignificance in comparison with that made by a certain scientist known to us. It is as much as we can say for now that it concerns biology, and was made after examination in the laboratory of the anatomy of the well known herbivorous rodent, which, incidentally did not survive.

Those who have donned the King's uniform in this class are D. Roche, J. Sharry, M. Brandenburg, R. McVilly, M. Harty, R. Lenaghan, D. George, K. Tobin, S. Roche, J. Shaw, K. O'Neil. They are looking forward to an exciting period in camp in the coming holidays. The handling of the rifle caused some trouble at first, particularly to one cadet who insisted on prodding the nose of the unfortunate man at his rear.

John Clancy was anxious to join the cubs, but had to be disappointed. However, he is considered a good tout—er, scout.

John Taverner, Gale Gallagher, Ray Tatchell, Barry Fitzgerald and Noel Panettiere have music in their souls, and to their part in the production of those celestial harmonies which delight the ear of him who wanders in the direction of the music rooms. Rod Price is reputed to be studying the Jew's Harp.

Mal Hayes is developing a ferocious laugh, at which the pictures on the wall tremble.

Jim Shaw is a good student, keen footballer, and ardent supporter of one of the weaker Melbourne teams.

Kevin Harty and Peter Davey seem to get plenty of fun out of life—even at Latin time.

Kevin Dowsley, on going to work with a pen, has produced what we believed to be either samples of modern art or plans of battles. However, he has amazed us all by handing them in as Essays.

INTERMEDIATE "A"

One more fleeting term has passed in Intermediate "A" and after our return from holidays we shall be anxiously awaiting the October tests and then preparing for the final examinations in December.

Keen interest was maintained in the monthly tests throughout the term.

For June, the leaders were: Jim Cusack, 1st; D. Slattery, 2nd; D. Gray, 3rd; F. Kenealy, 4th; J. Meeny, 5th; P. Tagliabue, 6th; J. Flaherty, 7th; B. Credlin, 8th; J. Brady, 9th; D. Arundell, 10th.

Month of July: Frank Kenealy, 1st; D. Slattery, 2nd; J. Cuasck, 3rd; D. Gray, 4th; N. Loughnan, 5th; B. Lourey, 6th; P. Barbata, 7th; B. Credlin, 8th; J. Pitcher, 9th; B. Hurley, 10th.

Month of August: Don Gray, 1st; J. Cusack, 2nd; N. Loughnan, 3rd; F. Kenealy, 4th; P. Conway, 5th; K. Pullbrook, 6th; P. Tagliabue, 7th; D. Walsh, 8th; D. Arundell, 9th; J. Flaherty, 10th.

Des Slattery, John Brady, Bernie Lourey and John Meeny were incapacitated during the term; but they all made good recoveries and are getting back to their best form at the studies.

Not for many years did Inter. "A" have six representatives in the S.P.C. Champion 1st XVIII. Wally Pedler and John Pitcher were amongst the outstanding players in nearly all the matches. Peter Barbata, Frank Drum, and John Rando did excellently for their first year in the team. Noel Loughnan showed satisfactory form in the early games.

Bert Groening is S.P.C.'s head man in the Cadets and carries out his duties efficiently and well. He is still making great progress with his Latin.

Gerald O'Keefe and Jim Cusack did good work as boundary umpires in all the Inter-School football matches.

Pat Roache, from Nalangil, came to the rescue when John Pitcher and John McSteen used to be busy getting the new footballs ready for the Inter-School matches.

John Morganti was beginning to realise that zero hour for the big exams. is getting near and he should start to improve his position in class before long.

Murray Morris and Peter Tagliabue are still the chief authorities on our History subject.

R. Caleo is going to start Latin again, and we all hope he does well. Chris Haintz should assist him with the classics.

John Segrave is showing glimpses of his brother's form at English. Des. used to be our best.

Brian Foley has mastered the intricacies of logs, and Pat Hogan is taking more interest in History.

Michael Robinson and Kevin Pullbrook have been recommended to indulge in writing competitions.

It will not be long before Brian Kavenagh should follow in his father's footsteps and be one of S.P.C.'s champion forwards.

Colin Dodd is also showing very promising form.

George O'Neill, Stan Bates and Bernie Ratcliffe are working much more diligently these days and are showing improvement.

The Mertz Brothers—John and Don—broke all records this month by their speedy return from woolclassing.

All profited greatly from the Annual Retreat given by the Redemptorist Fathers—Fr. Fiscalini and Fr. Gaspar—and we were privileged to have our Statue of the Sacred Heart in place of honour for the school's Devotions during the month of June.

We shall close now by assuring you that Inter. "A" will do its best to uphold the high ideals and reputation of our predecessors and make the 1946 class the best yet.

LEAVING CLASS.

For the second time this year we welcome all readers of the Chronicle. We have just passed through a rather trying time, which in part was due to a particularly severe winter. With but two terms behind us, the final examinations are already obscuring the horizon. For some, the clouds are dark, but we all hope that the clouds have a silver lining. Nevertheless we can pause for a moment and take our gaze off the impending storm to look back on the dark ways we have travelled.

From our ranks a number were chosen to represent the College in the First XVIII. We offer our congratulations to W. Delany, W. Caneva, R. Stapleton, and J. Ballinger on their inclusion in the team and on the display which they gave. To V. Crennan, captain of the Second XVIII., go our congratulations. We cannot forget those able helpers who, while not rendering service on the field, gave substantial aid in keeping the football fixtures running smoothly. Those deserving of special mention are L. Nolen and K. Mogg.

During the term we had the pleasure of hearing N. Hooper giving a fine piano recital on the P. and A. Parade. Congratulations.

Some of our members have had to retire from the field of combat to recuperate the powers so sorely tried in the conflict. B. McCormack had a week or so in St. John's, while having his appendix removed. T. Fraser, P. Shelden and E. O'Donehue have each had a spell in bed, but all, we are happy to report, are now back on their feet and are looking well.

We are sorry to have missed A. Kamps from our ranks. Phonse, owing to a reversal of a former decision of his government, must return to Holland to pursue his study. Our best wishes go with him.

We are presented with another example of the old saying, "No rose without its thorn," and while we cannot but admire the serried ranks, the sloping arms, the military bearing, we earnestly hope there will be a noiseless military boot invented.

W. Davey has recently been trying to get his teeth into things, but he was doomed to failure, nor did any more success attend his efforts at gnashing his teeth. F. Hill may not try very seriously, but no one doubts that he has a wide understanding. D. Durant, and our sage, G. Wise, make a fine team. There are but few hurdles which they cannot negotiate safely.

R. McAllister recently tore himself away to visit the first city of Australia. We presume he saw "Our Bridge," but hope there were no comparisons drawn with Princes Bridge.

John Colbert, in his new position, finds himself pushed for room, but as a suggestion, why not throw a foot sideways and keep an inch or two of the seat. N. O'Donehue, however, finds that his change of position removes him from draughts, but we cannot have all the advantages of our position without its attendant drawbacks.

Space, we are afraid, is rapidly running out, and so, without further imposition, we bid our readers Au Revoir.

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MATRICULATION.

In response to a call from the Editor we come forward to recount in brief our doings for the second term. However, we are suddenly struck by a realisation that the year has almost gone, and we are standing, as it were, on the threshold of the accounting house where we are destined to give an account of duties done or omitted. Hence we know that lack of time is no excuse, even though it may be an explanation.

Some of us are already forming our plans for the week in Melbourne which we hope to spend, ostensibly, in doing the Newman examinations. However, we are not in too great a fear and trepidation of the examiners and their wives.

We tender our heartiest congratulations to B. Kelly, captain, B. Scally, vice-captain, C. Cullinan, J. Kenny, R. Groutsch, M. Moloney, T. Molan, J. Walsh, P. Worsnop and G. Holmes on their selection for the First XVIII. and on their play throughout the season. We also have a few of the lesser stars in our constellation. J. Robinson and K. Sinnott have shown considerable ability in leading the Senior Oval teams.

We are sorry to report that T. Molan and M. Moloney have been forced to retire temporarily from our ranks, and next term we are hopeful that they will be fully recovered. J. Vaughan also had occasion to slip away for a day or two to see how Melbourne was bearing up under the actual and threatened coal and gas restrictions. He reports favourably on the situation.

R. Podbury has been carrying his finger in a splint. Nothing very serious, we hope. J. Groutsch is very proud of his tongue and never loses an opportunity of displaying it to the best advantage. J. Lannen has taken to his studies with renewed vigor and interest. We wish him well.

F. Monaghan, besides enjoying wide popularity, is one of the daily favourites in the early Shower Derby. C. Redmond presses him closely on some mornings, but seems to lack the stamina of our erstwhile long distance runner.

The Camera Club representatives, while still functioning, do not display all their work. J. Stevens, R. Morgan and C. Redmond have evinced a desire to enter the world of high finance.

Having outlined our activities, we hasten to turn again to our studies from which we dragged ourselves to pen these few lines. We leave you now, dear reader, with the assurance that we will be with you again in the not too distant future.

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SODALITY OF OUR BLESSED LADY.

As in previous years, the Sodality of 1946 is upholding the splendid traditions set by those of former years.

Each Friday the members assemble in the College Chapel to recite the Office of the Blessed Virgin, which is followed by a short instruction delivered by the Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini. During the past term Father has instructed the members on the necessity of choosing one's vocation, and thus he has given much valuable advice.

At the end of the first term the following were found worthy, by the Spiritual Director and the executive, to be admitted into the Sodality: T. Molan, R. Morgan, K. Butler, B. McCormack, V. Crennan and J. Lenaghan.

B. Kelly, Prefect.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

The Holy Name Society in the College meets on the second Sunday of each month in the College Chapel. The front half of the Chapel is reserved for members of the Society on these Sundays and, with all the banners of the various Guilds, lining the aisle, the boys of the Society, as they approach the altar to receive Holy Communion, make an inspiring sight. Almost all the boys over the age of fifteen who are boarders are members of the Society. When these boys return to their respective parishes they will, we hope, be exemplary members of their parish societies.

At the final meeting in the first term, with the whole College assembled in the Chapel, five members were enrolled and sixteen members received their senior badges from Fr. Fiscalini, the College Chaplain.

We thank Fr. Fiscalini for his eloquent addresses at our meetings, and Fr. Shelley for so capably addressing us whenever our Spiritual Director is away.

V. Crennan.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

Under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Fiscalini the Society has been continuing its good work of bringing peace and good cheer to the inmates of Nazareth House, the Base Hospital and the Benevolent Home.

By the admission of K. Sinnott, G. Gibson, E. Hoy, J. M. Walsh and B. Malady, our membership has been increased to seventeen. A warm welcome, together with our heartiest congratulations, was extended to these boys, and we hope that they will enjoy and reap benefits from their work as St. Vincent de Paul Brothers. These benefits are there in abundance and are offered to all.

The main purpose in the inauguration of the Society at the College was to sanctify the boys themselves. Their spheres of visitation give the members an

opportunity to meet and speak to people whom they would never meet if they were not in this Society. The Benevolent Home provides a great opportunity for seeing the want and destitution of old men and women who are deserted in their old age by their relations and friends. They are cared for in the home as well as they could be in a public institution. Many a boy has left this building thanking God for His kindness and goodness to him.

Material gains are not considered. St. Vincent de Paul Brothers appreciate the spiritual benefits accruing to each member of their Society.

At our weekly meeting we spend quite an interesting and enjoyable time in Gospel discussion. Fr. Fiscalini presides and his explanations of the Gospel are most helpful.

M. Moloney.

THE ANNUAL RETREAT.

Commencing, on the second Tuesday of the first month, of the mid-term, the Annual Retreat was conducted by the Redemptorist Fathers. The Retreat Master of the Senior Group was a distinguished ex-student of St. Patrick's in the person of Father Charles Fiscalini, C.S.S.R. Fr. Gasper, his fellow-missioner, who conducted the exercises for the Junior Group, also proudly hails from Christian Brothers as his teachers, Warrnambool C.B.C. being his Alma Mater.

Fr. Fiscalini, in his opening address, appealed to the students to enter into the spirit of the Retreat with all fervour and seriousness befitting such an important occasion in their College life.

This point he further stressed, and proceeded to explain, that a Retreat rightly made and rightly understood, was a source of great grace. Made in the right spirit, a Retreat means the setting of ourselves in true perspective with Almighty God, with ourselves, and with others.

To this appeal the students answered with a zeal and piety which was particularly gratifying to the Brothers.

From Benediction on the opening Tuesday night, until the close of the Retreat on the following Saturday morning, the Retreatants were enjoined to strict silence except, for a one hour recreational period in the evening. A Retreat atmosphere pervaded the College during the whole time, and it was edifying to see the students saying the Rosary in groups, engaged in Spiritual reading, or walking in recollection and prayer within the College precincts.

Taking as his text, "What doth it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and yet, suffer the loss of his immortal soul." Fr. Fiscalini's sermons were simple and saintlike, commanding and thought-provoking.

Of particular interest and benefit were his beautiful and lucid instructions on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass preached from the Sanctuary whilst his fellow-missioner celebrated the 9 o'clock Mass on each day of the Retreat.

Fr. Fiscalini's sermons on Mortal Sin, Death, Immortality and Hell impressed the Retreatants greatly with the fact that Religion is a life to be lived and that the present time was the correct time to begin to fit themselves for the Apostolate of good example. Good example is a practical manner of assisting Catholic Action.

On the concluding day of the Retreat, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament was held, during which the Students took it in turn to watch and pray with their Eucharistic King and Lord.

The Chapel Altar, specially decorated for the occasion, was a tribute to the hands and work of Rev. Bro. Sacristan. Tall vases of jonquils and tawny gold chrysanthemums and clusters of candles gave a striking effect. Added to this, golden shafts of light, cast by the morning sun through the eastern windows of

the Chapel, made the Sanctuary such a scene of reverence, tranquility and colour that, no one would exchange it for the Sanctuary of a Cathedral.

On the Friday morning the boys offered a General Communion, and all the prayers said upon that day were offered for the repose of the souls of deceased ex-students and benefactors of the College.

The final exercise of the day came with the dedication of the Retreatants to Our Blessed Lady. Fr. Fiscalini preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

The saintly exhortations and the example of the Retreat Fathers could not help but make the boys steadfast and resolute in their purpose towards a deeper spirituality within themselves. Since the results of a Retreat are of an interior spiritual character and are impossible of assessment, we can but trust that in those silent and prayerful hours characters were being strengthened and weakness overcome.

J. Maginnity.

ORDINATIONS, 1946.

THREE MORE PRIESTS ADDED TO TOTAL.

Congratulations from us all to our three newly ordained Priests. We are looking forward eagerly to the High Mass which we have been promised by these recent ordinations. Fr. J. Kelly and Fr. J. Kearney, were ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, by His Grace Archbishop Mannix. One, Fr. T. O'Brien, was ordained in the Wagga Cathedral by Bishop Heinske. Br. Mullen and Br. O'Malley represented the College at the ordinations in Melbourne and, on the next day, at Daylesford at the first Mass of Fr. J. Kearney.

It is needless for us to tell these young Priests how delighted we are at their success. They are fortunate in their vocations. We pray that God may give them in abundance all the graces and blessings their holy state requires and we ask them to remember the Brothers and Boys of St. Pat's in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

BOYS' CHAPEL FUND.

The annual effort to augment the Boys' Fund for the new College Chapel took place as usual during the first term vacation. This year's effort was the third since the fund was started, and just on £700 has been raised. The result of each effort has been very good, but the boys of 1946 put up the best performance to date by adding £270 to the Fund.

The prize offered for 1946 was a valuable parcel of household linen. The Ballarat firms of Geo. Crocker Pty. Ltd., Tunbridges Pty. Ltd., Paterson Powell Pty. Ltd., assisted by the Melbourne firms of Payne's Bon Marche, and the Myer Emporium, generously helped to fill the parcel. The parcel was won by Mrs. Symons, of Echuca, the winning ticket being sold by John Brady. Mrs. Symons wrote a very appreciative letter to the College after opening the parcel. Her sentiments were those of anyone who could have shared the same good fortune.

The splendid results achieved called for a big effort on the part of the boys. However, John Croft and Leo Donnelly were the two outstanding workers and each was awarded a College football jersey. The Malvern Star bicycle, drawn for by all the workers in the effort, was won by Domenico Pangrazio.

The special object of the Boys' Chapel Fund is the erection and furnishing of the High Altar in the new Chapel. This objective is now well in hand and another effort by the boys of 1947, similar to this year's, should see the goal of £1000 reached.

The fund now stands at £1,032/9/-. The following amounts have been received:—

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S.P.C. Students, 1945	165	0	0
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Rev. Fr. T. Awburn	5	0	0
Rev. Fr. J. Dowling	5	0	0
Rev. Fr. V. Sproules	5	0	0
Rev. Fr. D. O'Connell	5	0	0
Peter Barbata	5	0	0
Mr. K. Callahan	5	0	0
Neeson Family	4	0	0
Mrs. H. Monaghan	3	3	0
Mr. Colin Gorman	2	2	0
Mr. John Holland	2	2	0
Mr. Len Moylan	2	2	0
Barry McGennis	2	2	0
Mr. Mat. Joyce	2	2	0
Mr. and Mrs. P. Thornton	2	0	0
Mr. I. Donegan	2	0	0
Mr. Tom McLean	2	0	0
P. & N. Stafford	1	14	0
Mr. T. J. Hallam	1	1	0
Mrs. M. Crowe	1	1	0
Mr. Kevin Curtain	1	1	0
Mr. H. E. Hassall	1	0	0
Mrs. V. Groutsch	1	0	0
Mrs. M. Shalvey	1	0	0
Leo Coulter	1	0	0
Frank Sheridan	1	0	0
Mr. Neil Williams	0	10	0
Mr. Davey, Koroit	0	10	0

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CARDINAL GILROY VISITS S.P.C.

His Eminence Cardinal Gilroy, accompanied by His Lordship Bishop O'Collins, visited the College during the first term vacation. The Cardinal was accompanied by Rt. Rev. Monsignor McCool, of Sydney, and Fr. Fiscalini, Secretary to His Lordship the Bishop of Ballarat.

We were indeed sorry that the visit of His Eminence occurred in May, when we were on vacation. But for the Brothers of the College staff and some visiting Brothers who had come to Ballarat for the annual Retreat, the College was deserted. We had heard that the Cardinal would visit Ballarat, and we hoped to meet Australia's first native-born Cardinal. We did not meet him and we had to be satisfied with an account of his visit.

There were many among the Brothers who were known to the Cardinal. Perhaps the best known was the Principal, who had come to Ballarat from Sydney. His Eminence chatted with the Brothers for some time. He had met Br. Nunan, Superior General of the Christian Brothers, and his remarks about this great Christian Brother were edifying and interesting. He knew the Brothers in Rome, and he knew what the Holy Father thought of the work being done by the Brothers in Rome. He had met the Brothers in many places, and he was very pleased with the work they were everywhere doing.

St. Patrick's College was not altogether unknown to him, the Cardinal said, for during his Seminary days he studied with ex-pupils of the College who continually boasted of their College—its academic and sporting achievements. In those days St. Patrick's excelled in every department of College life, or rather these loyal ex-pupils claimed as much. Later, he had come to believe that very many of these claims were justified. He regretted his not being able to meet the boys, and hoped on the occasion of his next visit to Ballarat the College would be working. He extended his blessing to the Brothers and boys with the wish that St. Patrick's would continue to flourish.

We pray that God may bless His Eminence with abundance of years and with the health and strength to carry out his very arduous duties. We, as young Australians, are proud of this Prince of the Church.

A VISITOR FROM IRELAND.

On 21st June, Rev. Br. Kennedy, Assistant to the Superior-General of the Christian Brothers, visited us on his way to Sydney from the Western States. On being asked to address the school, he agreed to do so, and gave us an interesting and instructive talk.

Concerning the College itself, he said, "You are the vanguard of Catholics in Australia. You are leaders in sport and academic achievements however, much as we like to bring back the football cup or to rest on scholastic laurels, there is only one way in which to judge success or failure, and that is by the type of life our Old Boys live. Judged by this standard, S.P.C. can be considered one of the leading Catholic Colleges in Australia." Br. Kennedy then emphasised the need for vocations to the priesthood and to the religious life. He felt sure that no other College in Australia, and few in the world, could claim a larger number of old boy priests in 50 years, but he reminded us that the Church had to expand, and the need for vocations now is greater than ever before. He urged us to pray fervently for the gift of a vocation. He reminded us, too, that there is a great need for vocations to the Christian Brothers, especially in Australia where Catholic education is entirely dependent upon religious teachers. Secular education has ruined the religion of many a country and he instanced the sad plight of France at the present day. Fortunately, no such problem exists in Ireland. Br. Kennedy recalled a certain Leaving class in one of the leading schools in Dublin in which, out of 49 boys, 21 had a religious vocation. This, of course, was an exceptional case, but such high numbers can be understood

when we consider that 95 per cent. of the population is Catholic. The ministers of Eire are all old Christian Brothers' boys. At the head of the Government is, of course, De Valera, an ideal Catholic layman in every sense of the word, and he, too, is a Brothers' boy and proud of the fact. However, such a great influence in education is only natural when we remember that 50,000 boys are being educated yearly by almost 1000 Brothers. In Dublin alone 16,000 pupils are being educated by 400 Brothers. There, too, is the greatest C.B. school with its 2700 pupils and 45 Brothers. Schools are flourishing in Eire, but the need for vocations has curtailed the possible work of the Brothers. Finally, Br. Kennedy exhorted any of us who had a religious vocation to foster it as our most precious possession.

VISIT FROM REV. FR. J. KEARNEY, P.S.M.

We greatly appreciated the honour bestowed on us on the occasion of Rev. Fr. Joe Kearney's visit to his Alma Mater on Wednesday, 31st July, and his celebration of his third Mass in the College Chapel. He is the third Pallottine Father ordained in Australia, and the first from S.P.C. After Mass we received his blessing and later assembled in the Hall where he was formally introduced to us by Rev. Br. Healy. On the platform also were his former teachers, Brs. O'Malley and Sterling. Father informed us that he would soon be leaving for the Native Mission Fields in the Northern Territory, looked after by the Pallottine Fathers. Mr. Kearney, father of the newly-ordained, and himself one of the earliest old boys of the Christian Brothers in Melbourne, thanked the Brothers for what they had done for him and for his two sons, at the same time hoping that many more vocations would come from the College. Before leaving, Fr. Kearney renewed his promise to return early next term to take part, together with two other newly-ordained Old Boys—Rev. Frs. J. Kelly and T. O'Brien—in a solemn High Mass in the College Chapel.

Joe Kearney came to St. Pat's in 1936 in the Intermediate, and remained till 1939 for Second Year Honours. Father Kearney's ordination took place at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, on the 28th July, and he celebrated his first Mass at St. Peter's Church, Daylesford, on the 29th.

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Obituary

REV. BR. H. C. DESMOND. R.I.P.

Many readers of the Chronicle were grieved to learn that dear Br. Desmond had died in Sydney. Death claimed this great man on 25th June of this year. Those who knew him were saddened at his loss, though none would have him suffer longer. Ex-pupils of St. Patrick's College cannot forget this Brother who came to Ballarat from C.B.C., Perth, in July, 1907. For the next fifteen years he taught with outstanding success in St. Alipius' School, Ballarat East. Then he taught in St. Kilda, Gympie, Burwood (N.S.W.), Tamworth, Waverley and Nudgee, and in each and all of these schools he endeared himself to the hearts of his pupils just as he had done in Ballarat East, where he did his greatest work. Returning to Waverley in 1938, Br. Desmond remained there until his death. In all, he had spent seventeen years in this celebrated New South Wales College.

However, nowhere is Br. Desmond so well remembered, and his memory so respected, as it is in Ballarat or wherever are to be found ex-pupils of St. Alipius' of the years '07 to '22. No teacher could have exerted on his pupils a greater influence than H.C.D. did on his. His personality was overpowering. He won his way to the hearts of his charges not by any sentimental appeal, but by his downright singleness of purpose, his desire to make good educated Catholic men. Kind and longsuffering, he was stern, betimes, and his students knew that conduct unworthy of a Catholic boy, and a Brothers' boy, would merit the disfavour of the Master.

He was Head Master of St. Alipius' when the present Hall was the Brothers' school. He supervised the transfer of the old to the new school, and the furnishings and appointments of the school in Victoria Street, even now, after the lapse of thirty-five years, bear witness to the capabilities of this Teacher of Vision.

However, this material building and its fittings are not the best monument to this great man. Each and everyone of the many hundreds who came under his influence acknowledges with deep gratitude the debt he owes to dear old H.C.D. Men in every walk of life, Priests and Christian Brothers, professional men and politicians, public servants and industrial and commercial leaders, all acclaim his virtues, and these many more thank Almighty God for their good fortune in having as their philosopher and friend the genial and capable Br. H. C. Desmond. May he rest in peace.

REV. BR. G. L. BLAKE. R.I.P.

It is our sad duty to record the death of yet another Christian Brother—Rev. Br. G. L. Blake. Br. Blake died while preparing for Holy Mass at the Brothers' College in Waverley. For many years he had been an intimate friend of the late Br. Desmond, and both these saintly Brothers died within six weeks of one another. May God grant that even now they are both enjoying the eternal brightness promised to those who instruct unto justice.

Like his friend Br. Desmond, Br. Blake was the personification of those noble qualities that make for greatness. He, too, enjoyed the friendship of his pupils, past and present, and of all who were privileged to know him. He taught with distinction at Waverley College and, until his health failed, he was vigorous and energetic. During the war, when the Japanese threatened Australia, Br. Blake took the Waverley Juniors inland to the town of Bowral. Here, his

fatherly assiduity and thoughtfulness maintained the boys in happy spirits and the enforced sojourn from Sydney was not felt as a hardship. Bowral was made a home away from home, and Br. Blake it was who brought about this happy relationship.

We sorrow with the Waverley boys in the loss of their very great friend.
R.I.P.

REV. BR. M. B. AYLWARD. R.I.P.

We at St. Pat's, Brothers and boys, sympathise with Br. Mackey on the death of Br. M. B. Aylward, an erstwhile teacher at S.P.C. Brother Aylward was a grand old man and had spent fifty-six years as a Christian Brother. He taught at St. Patrick's College in the early nineteen hundreds, and men who were boys in those far off days will recall his sterling qualities.

Coming from Ireland as a young Brother, he laboured loyally and well in our Australian schools.

To George Hamm, of S.P.C., and Patricia Hamm, of Sacred Heart College, Ballarat East, relatives of the deceased Brother, we tender our sincere sympathies.
R.I.P.

MR. MADDEN. R.I.P.

We extend to Mr. D. Madden, and to his family, our sympathy in the sad loss of Mr. Madden's father. His death occurred, recently, in Geelong. He had lived to a ripe old age of 82 years and remained staunch to the Catholic teachings of his childhood. His life was exemplary. He found great joy and consolation in the practice of his religion and died as he had lived, a model of patience and trust in God. R.I.P.

MRS. WOODRUFF. R.I.P.

A couple of weeks ago we had the pleasure of a visit from Messrs. Eddie, Harry and Will Woodruff. We were pleased to meet these gentlemen, Harry from Sydney where he holds a good position in the Commonwealth Bank, and Eddie and Will from Melbourne. All three looked remarkably well, but were sad at the reason for their visit to Ballarat. They came to bury their dear Mother. Their sister, too, Miss Noreen Woodruff, had come, and all four were a great consolation to Mr. Woodruff senr. on this occasion.

Mrs. Woodruff had been in ill health for some months and her failing health had caused no little anxiety. To the end she preserved her calm serenity which was characteristic of her in life.

The Editor offers the sympathy of all at St. Pat's to our three worthy ex-pupils, Eddie, Harry and Will, and to their father and to Miss Noreen.

MR. FLEMING. R.I.P.

Late of Mathoura, N.S.W., Mr. Tom Fleming attended St. Pat's in the early nineteen hundreds. His death occurred suddenly, in Melbourne, about two months ago.

Mr. Fleming sold his hotel in Mathoura, and was employed by Dunlop Rubber Co. in Melbourne.

He left a bereaved widow and a son and two daughters. Eddie attended St. Pat's for about four years, and advanced to Leaving Certificate standard. He played with the 1st XVIII. and 1st XI. He was recently discharged from the Services. Winnie married Terry Brady, from Echuca, who was at St. Pat's from 1933 to 1937. Terry now lives at Fern Tree Gully.

Betty married an American Marine and is at present in America. To Mrs. Fleming and Eddie and his sisters we offer our deepest condolence,
R.I.P.

Items of Interest

WE VISIT GORDON C.Y.M.S.

Since there are several S.P.C. old boys in the Gordon C.Y.M.S., the bonds between this Society and St. Pat's are very strong. It was, therefore, very willingly that we accepted an invitation to play a football match against the Gordon C.Y.M.S. on Sunday, 16th June, the day's match being topped by a debate in the evening. This event recalled a similar visit in 1944, when S.P.C. won both the football and the debate. The honours were divided more evenly this year, as our victory at football was balanced by a defeat in the debate.

The football match was played at Wallace, about 11 miles from Ballarat. Many old boys of the College were playing or acting as officials for the Gordon team, and several old acquaintances were renewed.

The match itself was clean and fast throughout. The Gordon team scored first, but St. Pat's took an early lead and retained it throughout the game. Smart system, speedy play and accurate kicking enabled them to do this. Mr. Morrissey's expert coaching showed itself in every action of the team. The position looked rather serious at the beginning of the final quarter, but the team rallied to a final burst which increased our lead considerably. The final scores were St. Pats, 9 goals 3 behinds; Gordon C.Y.M.S., 6 goals 6 behinds.

After the match we went on to Gordon, about four miles from Wallace. The C.Y.M.S. men served a delicious tea in the Gordon Catholic Hall. After tea a number of Gordon residents arrived to hear the debate, the topic of which was: "Is the Primary Producer better off under a system of guaranteed prices than under a system of supply and demand?"

The practical knowledge of the Gordon debaters, who were all primary producers, gave them a considerable advantage over our debaters, R. Groutsch, R. Kenealy and B. Malady. Consequently the Gordon team won the debate with a lead of ten points. The evening concluded with brief speeches by Rev. Fr. Lande, Br. Healy and the C.Y.M.S. President.

All returned to the College fully satisfied with the results of the day's activities, and happy in the thought of the splendid spirit which had dominated both the football match and the debate. We offer heartiest congratulations to the Gordon C.Y.M.S. on their victory in the debate and on the spirit which they displayed throughout the day. It is the wish of all that the visit to Gordon will become an annual occurrence in the future.—B. Malady.

JOTTINGS.

We are all sorry to know that Mr. Morrissey is so ill. His illness has deprived St. Pat's not only of the doyen of football coaches, but of one of our most loyal supporters. We sincerely hope that the fine weather will bring Mr. Morrissey relief.

Congratulations to Kevin de Lacy on his baby daughter. We wish Kevin success in his medical course.

Mr. Madden has nearly completed his job on the ovals. We won't know ourselves with our new grounds. Thanks, Mr. Madden.

A recent circular from the University states that the formation at Mildura of a branch of the Melbourne University to take First Year Meds, Engineers, Dentists and Architects, is not yet complete. It is more than likely that such a branch will be formed.

Our prosective Med., Engineering and Dental students are worried about the prospect of having to go to Mildura.

Mrs. Olsen seems to be blessed with perpetual motion. She is tireless in her efforts on behalf of her music pupils.

We offer Very Rev. Fr. Cianter and the Salesian Fathers and Brothers our sincerest sympathy in the sad loss of Fr. John. We were pleased to be of assistance to Fr. Cianter on the occasion of the recent accident.

We are glad to know that Michael Lennon is so much better. He is now out of hospital and living at his home in Wagga, N.S.W. Michael will be back at St. Pat's next year.

During the Under 15 match with St. Kevin's, played in Ballarat on 15th August, a heavy hail storm sent both teams to their knees. Spectators thought the boys knelt to worship Buddha.

Members of the 1st XVIII. and officials and assistants are grateful to Rev. Frs. Fiscalini and Shelley for the night out they shouted recently. It was one of the best.

One hundred and eighty boys went to hear John Lanigan recently. All agreed that John can sing. He is an ex-pupil of St. Thomas', Clifton Hill. S.P.C. wishes John well.

We have a suspicion that Bert Groening will be our O.C. at the coming camp. Boys from Platoon No. 2 had better be on best behaviour. They haven't yet done sufficient fatigue.

As the Chronicle goes to print, the Br. Purton Oratory Competitions have begun. Mr. J. Lynch is the adjudicator. We know Mr. Lynch and his choice of winner will be satisfactory.

We have recently heard good news of Sister O'Brien's brother-in-law. We trust he will soon be well and that Sister may be able to resume her duties at the beginning of the term.

A recent letter from Br. W. M. McCarthy, from Dublin, brings greetings and good wishes to the present boys of S.P.C.

Br. Purton, who is now at Goulburn, N.S.W., and who has been very ill for many weeks, is slightly improved. None wish him well more than we do.

One of the Sergeants helping our Cadets is an ex-pupil of the Christian Brothers, Wollongong, N.S.W.

Athletics and tennis will be the main attractions next term. Handball championships will also be decided.

We are very grateful to Miss Mayo for presenting to the College the Cup won by the late Fr. W. Mayo for champion boy in 1908. The cup is now contested for by the House Competition Football Teams. Treacy House has won the Fr. Mayo Memorial Cup for 1946.

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THE OVALS.

We who live in Ballarat certainly have to endure all kinds of weather! Football at St. Pat's always suffers because of the rain; but it has been even more noticeable this year due to the work being done in reconstructing the ovals. The work has been held up on many occasions through an unusually wet winter, and now, just when the oval is about to be sown we have the wet weather again.

The task of levelling our No. 1 oval is now completed, and our studies are no longer disturbed by the shattering roar of explosions and fragments of rock flying on the roofs. Some regret that the fun is over, but those who paid for the broken windows must have been thankful when the last fuse was lit.

Grading the field is not yet finished, although much has already been done in that direction. As soon as the seed is planted the project will be nearing completion, and it will then remain to pray that Mother Nature will do her work and allow us to be on the oval for our College Sports. The gaps in the hedges and trees which comprise the break-wind have been filled in by the planting of over 30 trees. A number of these have been put in for the purpose of decoration, while the rest belong to the pinus family and will afford much shelter from the sun during the summer months and afford protection from the winds in the winter. However, it will be several years before these trees are sufficiently developed to provide shade and act as efficient breakwinds.

The Hill is still closed, and the gangsters and gunmen who fought many a battle among its shrubs and trees, have been forced to confine their activities to other fields. Everything is nearly ready for a grand opening. New paths and cuttings have been made across it so that access to No. 2 oval will be possible from the sports-room and handball courts. The western side of the Hill was regraded during the construction of No. 2 oval, and this will present a neat appearance when the soil is bound with grass and the shrubs commonly known as "pig-face."

An important aspect of the undertaking is the comprehensive system of drainage. In all, 5,000 feet of agriculture drains have been laid, thus ensuring a fairly dry playing field even in the rainy season. As well as this, the ovals are watered by a network of water pipes which lead in from Duke Street. It was felt that the latter street would provide a more constant supply of water than Eyre Street, and that our use of the water would not affect so many residents. The school will benefit from this by having green ovals even during the driest seasons.

When the work is finished, St. Pat's will possess four fine ovals, of which No. 2 is expected to be playable in any weather. The texture of the soil will allow good drainage. Our cricket pitch, too, promises to be something worthy of St. Pat's. Mr. Madden has gone so far as to bring to the College, Mr. Tippett, curator of Melbourne University grounds. Mr. Tippett was impressed with our work and insisted that we get a truck of Merri Creek soil. He explained minutely how the pitch should be prepared, and Mr. Madden is hoping for good results.

At last St. Pat's will have fine playing grounds, the Hill will be a fairyland and the discomfiture of this year will be amply rewarded.

THE COLLEGE CADET CORPS.

"Marker!"

Immediately there was a profound silence. For several weeks, since the day when we were told of the proposed formation of a cadet detachment, all had been awaiting this moment. Now was to be the culmination of the many hopes and fears that had been formed. However, we were not allowed any more time for day-dreaming. While we were "falling in" we were startled by fierce commands of "silence in the ranks" and "remember you are a soldier, now!"

"Stand at Ease" and "Stand Easy" seemed to us to be strange orders, but we were soon deluged by many others equally unusual.

Eventually, with the command of "Dismiss," our initial parade was concluded.

On the next three Tuesdays the same procedure was carried out and new drill movements were being learned, but something was amiss—we were in mufti. Because of a hold up in supplies we were forced to drill, for some parades, in our civilian clothes. Then, one day, the army seemed to invade the College. A huge transport vehicle arrived in charge of a captain, a warrant officer, and half a dozen sergeants. Now began the work of fitting the boys with their uniforms. If dress makes the man, we were soldiers now, or nearly so, for our belts had not yet arrived.

However, soon these too were issued and so we, all of us, looked like soldiers. We were now able to drill with a martial air and, with our complete co-operation, the instructors found our drill to be improving with every period.

We are now veterans of ten parades. For us, soldiering is in a new dimension. Even in the short time in which we have been drilling, not only have we been instructed in squad drill, but we have also come to realize that this military training instils into us qualities of loyalty and discipline. Too, it trains our characters, while it hardens our bodies.

Should the need arise, we feel that we would be better able to face the foe than we might have been.

At the end of this second term, seventy-two cadets from S.P.C. are to attend the Watsonia Army Vacation Camp.

At camp we hope to do more of this soldiering and we are really looking forward to the 28th August, the day on which we march in.

G. Holmes.

BOXING.

The boxing finals will be held early in the next term. There will be an elimination contest, semi-finals and then the finals. We hope to have the Cathedral's Boxing Ring and many of the officials of last year.



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of the members found opportunity for a few really good snaps and dull days saw many cameras operating indoors. Membership increased during the term and more enthusiasts are excluded only by lack of a camera.

A section of the sports room has been converted for use as a dark room and though still not fully equipped has done good service on Saturday afternoons and Sundays. It is hoped to have it much better equipped in the near future. The recent acquisition of an enlarging camera (made by Mr. Hamill, to whom we offer our sincere thanks) has opened a new avenue of activity for the members.

During the term, Mr. N. Harvey, from the Lascelle studios, visited the College and gave us some interesting information. He is very interested in the welfare of the Club and we look forward eagerly to his future visits.

We take this opportunity of thanking the following who have made donations to the Club:—Anonymous, £5; Mr. A. J. Malady, £2/2/-; Mrs. J. Olsen, 10/-.

THE RADIO CLUB.

When the second term began, our club settled down to some difficult work. The membership decreased a little, but the joining of two Brothers and John Dalton brought our membership to eight. The discussions at the first meetings were on valves and their uses.

We then had our first lectures on simple radio circuits. From this we went on to more difficult four valve sets of "Tuned Radio Frequency." In the last three meetings our work was on Superhet receivers and revision work.

Up to date, all lectures have been given by Bert Groening. In the next term, however, it is hoped that members will give prepared speeches—or talks—to the Club.

"Sparks" sends his congratulations to all those who have persevered over the last few difficult lectures and hopes that, now the difficult and basic work has been covered, members will find time and effort to survey, with him, the great realm of Radio Reception in the next term.—"Sparks."

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Film News

The theatre still holds the first place in our estimation for providing such an array of fine films for our enjoyment each Saturday night. Our enjoyment is further increased by the excellent comradeship of those comprising the audience, for without a doubt our pleasure is doubled when we have someone to share our joy.

The screenings for the term began with Red Skelton in "I Dood It," and the comedy put us in good form for the rest of the week. This was followed by Paramount's masterpiece in technicolour, "The Lady in the Dark." Here Ginger Rogers and Ray Milland gave a fine display of polished acting.

Gary Cooper and Laraine Day, in another of Paramount's technicolour productions, treated us to a gripping portrayal of the fine character of Dr. Wassell in his fight to save those placed in his care. The story, though long, was well sustained. We enjoyed every minute of it.

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello had us in fits of laughter as they slap-dashed their way through "It Aint' Hay." Red Skelton again raised many a laugh as he was "Whistling in Brooklyn."

Spy drama was well represented by "Above Suspicion," starring Fred MacMurray and Joan Crawford. The audience was held in suspense from the time of crossing the German frontier until the same frontier brought escape for our hero and heroine.

The song and dance fans were pleased by the films "Show Business" and "The Merry Monahans," starring Donald O'Connor, Jack Oakie and Peggy Ryan. Deanna Durbin and Franchot Tone were responsible for an hour or so of splendid entertainment for the parts played in "His Butler's Sister."

"The Great Moment," starring Joel McCrae and Betty Field; "A Guy Named Joe," with Van Johnson and Spencer Tracy, were also among the highlights of the term shows.

Tom Conway, as the Falcon, gave a very creditable performance while the Flacon was "Out West." Dick Foran, Leo Carrillo, Wallace Beery, Pat O'Brien gave sterling performances in supporting roles. Gildersleeve awoke raucous echoes by his deep laugh.

The lovers of the great outdoors were highly entertained by John Wayne in "Tall in the Saddle" and Dick Foran in "The Road Agent."

The short features, always popular, were of particular interest. The Cine News Reel is, perhaps, the most solidly popular of the shorts. Donald Duck was responsible for many an amusing moment. The Quiz's were also another popular interlude.

Once again at the end of the term we are looking forward to another series of splendid shows on our return after the holidays.



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FIRST TERMINAL DINNER.

The usual high spirits were in evidence as the time approached for the completion of the First Term. The crowning function of the term was the Terminal Banquet extended by the Principal. All was gay on the evening of the banquet and a grand feast was enjoyed by us all. The Principal, Br. Healy, presided, and with him at the official table were Frs. Fiscalini and Shelley, Br. O'Malley and Messrs. J. Morrissey, F. Galvin and J. Calnin.

Towards the conclusion of the feast we had the Principal's address and a series of toasts and replies. Replies were made by the Chairman, Rev. Br. Healy, Fr. Fiscalini, Br. O'Malley, Mr. Morrissey and Mr. Galvin, and by the College Prefect and captain of the 1st XI., Brian Kelly. Maurice Moloney, in proposing the toast of the Hierarchy, said, "Reverend Br. Chairman, Rev. Fathers, Gentlemen and boys. It is my pleasure to-night to propose the toast of the Hierarchy and the Clergy. The majority of us have heard this toast proposed many times and have heard of the great work done by our priests, especially that done by those two grand priests we have living at the College, viz., Fr. Fiscalini, our Resident Chaplain, and Fr. Shelley, the Diocesan Inspector; but have we ever stopped to consider how they help us practically. By their mixing with us regularly we are able to converse freely with both men and learn from our contact that a priest is not to be feared and avoided, but one to be respected and sought in conversation. This will help us in after life when we require assistance or advice which can be given only by a priest. Fr. Fiscalini is at the service of the boys five nights a week, and every boy should make it his business to go and see Father at least once a term, even if it is only to chat about football or everyday occurrence.

We must not forget the visiting Priests who come from the Cathedral every Friday night to hear our Confessions. We owe a great debt of gratitude to these good men and we thank them sincerely for their spiritual aid.

Whatever we do, we must not omit the Bishop, who has the interests of the College at heart, and who is behind all movements which are beneficial or advantageous to its progress and development. For us the Bishop is the direct representative of our Holy Father the Pope, and as such he is held in high esteem.

We are sorry that His Eminence Cardinal Gilroy will be the guest of our Bishop while we are on vacation. Please God, St. Pat's will be in operation on the occasion of his next visit. We were as thrilled as the Sydney Catholics at his appointment, and are sorry to miss his visit.

Once again, we thank all these good men, and now I will ask you to rise and drink the toast to the Hierarchy and Clergy."

Father Fiscalini rose and thanked Maurice Moloney for his kind remarks. He then advised us to visit our Parish Priest and the Convent as soon as we would arrive home. Parish Priests are interested in St. Pat's boys, and such visits would please them greatly. He concluded by giving us his best wishes for a happy holiday, hoping that on our return we would be ready to tackle the hard work of the second term.

John Robinson then proposed the toast of the Sporting Activities. "Reverend Bro. Chairman, Reverend Fathers, Brothers and Gentlemen. With all the St. Pat's boys who have made this toast before me, I can say that I deem it a pleasure and a privilege to propose the toast of the Sporting Activities of the Term.

Conditions this term militated against an extensive sporting programme, but it was none the less intensive on that account. Owing to the low level of the water in Lake Wendouree, it was decided to abandon the Head of the Lake for 1946. This meant that cricket was the only competitive sport in which the College was engaged this term.

Training for the First XI. was made difficult by the fact that the new College ovals were under construction. The City and Mental Hospital Ovals were used as training grounds, and all matches had to be played away from home. This was a great setback, especially this year, as almost all of the XI. were new to B.P.S. matches, and consequently needed considerable training. However, they responded well to the diligent training of Mr. Calnin and Mr. Galvin and the exhortations and unflinching interest of our Sports Master, Rev. Br. O'Malley, to all of whom many thanks are due. In the face of so many obstacles the team, under the capable leadership of B. J. Kelly and C. Cullinan, performed well to win against Grammar and the Victorian Railways Institute. Highlights of the season were B. Kelly's 12 for 55 in two innings against High School, and P. Crudden's 5 for 3 against the V.R.I. B. Kelly obtained the best all-rounder trophy, C. Cullinan the cup for the bowling average, and Ray McAllister for the batting.

The toast would be incomplete if no mention were made of the undefeated Seconds, led by Vic Crennan, or of those stalwarts who comprised the Under 12 XI. who, although they achieved no great successes, enjoyed their activities as much as any.

Now, gentlemen, I ask you to charge your glasses, to rise and drink a toast to the Sporting Activities of the Term."

Mr. B. J. Kelly then replied to Mr. Robinson's toast.

"Reverend Brother Chairman, Rev. Fathers, Rev. Brothers, and Gentlemen. It is indeed a pleasure to reply to the toast of the Sporting Activities of the Term, proposed by Mr. Robinson. On behalf of the First XI. I would like to thank him for the kind remarks he made about us. Although our efforts for the cricket season were not crowned with success, I feel sure that we went down fighting and that our defeat was suffered in true St. Pat's style."

For the unselfish efforts made by Br. O'Malley during the term, we are deeply grateful. His untiring zeal certainly spurred us on to greater efforts. Br. O'Malley was ably assisted in his coaching by Mr. Galvin who on many occasions offered sound advice which proved successful against our opponents' batting. In concluding, I wish again to thank Mr. Robinson for his laudatory remarks.

At this stage of the proceedings, Mr. B. Scally proposed the toast of the Visitors, Messrs. Morrissey, Galvin and Callinan, and Br. Hanley.

"Rev. Br. Chairman, Rev. Fathers, Rev. Brothers, Gentlemen and boys. I deem it a great honour to-night to be able to propose a toast to our Visitors. This is a very pleasant duty, because we have with us gentlemen to whom we are indebted for services during the term. To them, we are very grateful, and say "thank you."

With us to-night, neither Fr. Fiscalini nor Fr. Shelley may be rightly termed visitors. They are part and parcel of the establishment, and know us as well, if not better, than we know ourselves. Then we have Br. Hanley, of whom we have sometimes heard, and has come from Sydney to see to the foundation of the Christian Brothers' new technical school in Ballarat. Br. Hanley arrived only this afternoon, and we are pleased to have him with us. We wish him every success in his huge undertaking and we feel quite sure that the Technical College will be second to none.

Mr. Morrissey, though a visitor, has been a familiar figure at the College in recent weeks and his name rings throughout the walls of this famous school. We are pleased to have Mr. Morrissey with us this evening and we wish him success as our coach. He is, we know, a master coach for athletics and football, and we feel sure that under his expert guidance we will not fail him.

Messrs. Galvin and Callinan have our gratitude for all their help during the cricket season. That we lost was no fault of theirs. They did their best, and I know and believe that we did our best. To all, on behalf of the College, I extend our heartiest welcomes and hope that for them this evening will not be easily forgotten."

Bro. Hanley took this chance of photographing the dining room. After some amusing anecdotes, he photographed the diners from two corners of the dining room.

Mr. Morrissey then rose in reply to Mr. Scally's toast. He recounted some of his experiences as master at St. Pat's—a position which he held for almost 20 years, beginning from 1908.

He had been informed that in a few years, the old part of the school would be demolished and new, more spacious buildings erected. He was glad to hear of improvements in the College, but was sorry that the old corridor would have to be demolished, because it was covered in memories and pictures which, once destroyed, would never return. He suggested taking a film of the corridor, reducing it to micro-film and keeping it for nostalgic Old Boys. His plea, he said, would be backed by all Old Boys.

The next toast was by Mr. F. Monaghan, the toast to Matron and Staff.

"Rev. Bro. Chairman, Rev. Fathers, Rev. Brothers, Gentlemen and boys. I am afraid I will not be able to do justice to such a worthy toast as that of the Matron and her Staff.

Conditions have improved very little since the war ceased and the problems which had to be faced in the war years are still present. Supplies of some foodstuffs are quite limited, and much trouble has been avoided here by the efficiency with which the affairs have been managed.

Normally, it would be a difficult task to keep such a large number fed three times a day and seven days a week. However, in the past five or six years, when conditions have been so bad, the Matron, and those who work with her, have managed to prepare meals for us.

Although the toast is to the Matron and her Staff, I could not let the occasion go without mentioning Bro. Mullens. He is a very busy man and the way in which he carries out his tasks in the dining room and manages the laundry is a credit to him. Not once has the laundry failed to have our washing done in time, yet there are few ladies working there. I am sure that it is a continual worry to him, and I take this opportunity of thanking him, on behalf of all the boys, for the splendid manner in which he has handled this task. The dining room and kitchen, too, are problems. With the number of employees reduced, and with very little prospect of improvement, he, with the co-operation of the Matron and Staff, has managed to keep things going.

At Easter, Sister Schaefer left. She had been here for six or more years and during that time there were epidemics of various sicknesses, which caused much work and worry. Sister did most of the work on her own and must be congratulated on the excellent way in which she acted at those times.

In spite of all the present day difficulties, Matron and her band of ladies, in the kitchen, have managed to prepare for us a dinner which would be a compliment to anyone, even when the worries of rationing and shortages were about.

And now, gentlemen, I ask you to be upstanding and to drink the toast to the Matron and her Staff."

The reply came from Br. Healy who, on behalf of Matron and her staff, thanked Mr. Monaghan for his kind remarks.

Speeches now took a new turn, and Bro. Healy, on behalf of the boys, requested a recitation from Mr. Morrissey, since, he said, it was a well known fact that Mr. Morrissey had not always been school teacher, but also an amateur entertainer. Mr. Morrissey replied by reciting a very humorous piece, "Lavinski at the Wedding," which brought down the house, and as an encore he sang the burlesque of an old song. The evening concluded in high spirits, and the end to festivities was announced in the form of a rousing "War Cry." We all then went into the Hall for the pictures.

HONOR ROLL



Here is a list, as we know it, of ex-pupils who served in the Services during World War II. S.P.C. is proud of them.

Alderdyce, Alec.	Carroll, Thomas	Dalton, Frank
Alderdyce, Rex	Carrucan, Con	Davey, Bill
Aldenhoven, Ken	Casey, Alan	Davis, A.
Allen, Frank	Casoy, Joseph L.	Davis, J.
Anderson, Adrian	Casey, Gerald	Davis, K.
Andre, John	Casey, W. J.	Davis, V.
Andre, Robert	Cashin, Mat	De Lacy, Kevin
Andre, Ted	Chisholm, Don	Delahenty, R.
Armstrong, W.	Clarke, Jack	†Delahunty, J. R.
Atkinson, W.	Cock, Douglas	Delahunty, L.
	Colbert, Brian	Delahunty, N.
	Coleman, Les	Delahunty, R.
	Colgan, Tom	Delahunty, U.
	Collier, Pat	Deutschman, J.
	Collins, G.	Deutschman, W.
	Collins, Jack	Devlin, John
	Collins, Laurie	Dixon, L. L.
	Condon, K. T.	Donehue, N.
	Conlon, Ted	Doyle, Andy
	Conlon, Geo.	Dryden, K.
	Conlon, Tom	Duff, G.
	Connaughton, R.	Duffy, G.
†Brady, J. L.	Connel, Brian	Dunne, L.
Brady, J. M.	Connel, John	Dwyer, E.
Brady, Lal	Connellan, Joe	
Brady, T.	Conway, Pat	Egan, Pat
†Brady, W.	Corrigan, Basil	Egan, Bob
Brain Leigh, R.	Cotter, Jack	Elliott, E.
Brazil, T.	Coutts, Theo.	Elliott, Harry
Briody, J.	Coy, Leo	†Engelfield, F.
Brittain, B.	Cranage, G.	
Brittain, W.	Cranage, Mark	Fahey, Brian
Brown, T.	Cranage, Pat	Falvey, Frank
Browne, H. M.	Cranage, Ted	Fanning, Con
	Crapper, Harry	Feery, Basil
	Creati, W.	Feery, Jack
Caffrey, H.	Credlin, Jack	Fisher, Joe
Callahan, Don	Crosbie, Joseph	Fitzgerald, Dave
Callahan, Frank	Crowe, Pat	Fitzgerald, Dick
Callahan, John	Crump, Sid	Fitzgerald, Jack
Callahan, Kevin	Cummins, Brian	Fitzgerald, Gerald
Callinan, Jack	Cummins, Des	Fiscalini, Charles
Canty, Jack	Currie, Don F.	Fitzpatrick, N.
Cappell, Thomas	Currie, R. Noel	Flanagan, Jack
Carroll, Andy	Curtain, Kevin	Flanagan, Noel
Carroll, Jack		

Flanagan, Ron V.
Flanagan, Tom
Fleming, Ed
Flynn, Bernie
Flynn, John
Flynn, Laurence
Foley, Bernie
Foley, Kevin
Francisco, Tom
Fraser, Doug.
Frith, Ed.
Fry, Tony

Gallagher, Fern.
Gallagher, Morrie
Gallagher, Peter
Gallagher, Bill
Gannon, J. L.
Gill, Jack
Gill, Jim
Gill, Pat.
Gill, Max
Giles, Jack
Giles, Dick
Glennan, P.
Gough, O.
Goujon, Jack
Graham, John
Green, John
Green, Stan.
Greening, W. T.
†Greenwood, Clem
Gregory, Frank
Griffin, John
†Grogan, Laurie
†Grogan, Vin
Gurry, A. B.

Hales, F.
Halligan, Ted
Halvey, Jim
Hanlon, J.
†Hannigan, B.
Hanrahan, J.
Hardiman, L.
Harman, R. J.
Harman, K. W.
Harnetty, D.
Hart, T.
Hartigan, F.
Harty, Des.
Hayden, Frank
Hayden, J.
Hayes, J.
†Hayes, John
Hayes, J.
Hayes, J. J.
Hayes, P.

Hayes, Rod
Hase, H.
Healy, Mick
Hetherington, Jim
Hetherington, Joe
Hennessy, B.
Hennessy, J.
Hickey, B.
Hickey, J.
Higgins, P.
Hill, J. P.
Hill, B. E.
Hill, J.
Hingston, J.
Hingston, R.
Hogan, E.
Hogan, K.
†Hogan, T. L.
Holland, J.
Holmes, J.
Holmes, Jack
Holmes, K.
†Horgan, L.
Howard, Frank
Howard, Leo
Hughes, K.
Hughes, L.
Hughes, L. H.
Hutchinson, G.
Hyland, P.
Hyland, T.
†Hynes, H. J.
†Hynes, Arthur

Irvin, B. G.

Jongebloed, Gerard
Jongebloed, J.
Jongebloed, Julius
Joyce, Walter

Kelly, Jack
Kelly, Jim
Kelly, N. J.
Kelly, T. P.
Kelly, O. L.
Kennedy, J. J.
Kennedy, Jack
Kennedy, John M.
Keogh, Terry
Kyatt, Laurie
Kyatt, Stan.

Lakeland, Barry
Landy, H. H.
Landy, P. W.
Lawson, D.
Larkin, R.

†Lenne, H.
Leonard, B.
Leonard, K.
Lescai, Vin
Liston, J.
Liston, K.
Livingstone, R.
Locke, W. J. M.
Long, B.
Lynch, G.
†Lynch, T. J.

Mason, Mervyn
Meakes, John
Meakes, Walter
†Merick, Charles
Mertz, H. A.
Middlemiss, Ken
†Mirnick, Alfred
†Mirnick, Charles
Money, Kevin
Mooney, Tom
Moran, Harry
Morcom, Geoff.
Morris, D.
Morris, Mick
Morris, R.
Mullane, Maurice
Mullane, B.
Mullens, Phil
†Munday, Harvey
Munday, Des.
Munn, Keith
Munro, Jack
Murphy, Charles
†Murphy, Frank
Murphy, John
Murphy, John
Murphy, Mick
Mullen, Pat
Murray, J. J.
Murray, Tim

McAloon, Jim
McArdle, Frank
McCarthy, John
McConnell, Kevin
McConville, Tom
McCormack, Bernie
McCormack, Tom
†McCullough,
M. S. C., Rev.
McCullough, Ernie J.
McDonald, Allan
McDonald, Don
McDonald, Pat
McDonald, Jim
McEvoy, Max

McGenniskin, Jim
 McGenniskin, Pat
 McGlade, Des
 McGoldrick, H.
 McGrath, Frank
 McGrath, Maurice
 †McKenzie, Bruce
 McLaren, George
 McLenehan, Ian
 McLinden, Mervyn
 McNamara, Bryan
 McNamara, Gerald
 McNamara, David

Nash, Bertrand
 Neagles, J.
 Neeson, Austin
 Neeson, Ivan
 Nevins, Tom
 Nevins, Jack
 Newton, B.
 Nihill, Jack
 Nixon, Frank
 Noonan, Greg.
 Noonan, Jack
 Noonan, Jim

O'Brien, K. P.
 O'Brien, Myles
 O'Bryan, Jack
 O'Connor, Kevin
 O'Dea, Jack
 O'Donnell, Phil
 O'Donoghue, Peter
 O'Donohue, Pat
 O'Farrell, William
 O'Halloran, Vin
 O'Hehir, D.
 O'Keefe, Kevin
 O'Keefe, Maurice
 O'Keefe, Xavier
 O'Neill, Eugene "Mick"
 O'Sullivan, Des.
 O'Sullivan, Garry
 O'Sullivan, John

Payne, Gerald
 Phibbs, Charlie
 Pontefrcat, Ina
 Powell, Des.

Rabl, Joe
 Rabl, Leo
 Raphael, Geo.
 Ratcliff, Joe
 Redmond, Mick
 Reilly, Terry
 Reynolds, Kevin
 Reynolds, Geiff.
 Reynolds, Maurice
 Rice, Jack
 Rice, Bill
 Richter, Len
 Rodgers, Jim
 Ross, Norman
 Rowe, Tom
 Rush, Mick
 Rushford, M.
 Ryan, Dan
 Ryan, Frank
 Ryan, Frank
 Ryan, Howard
 Ryan, Jack
 Ryan, Jim
 Ryan, Kevin
 Ryan, Tim
 Ryan, Vin
 Sait, G.
 Scally, B.
 Scarfe, R.
 Scott, Will
 Secombe, V.
 Segrave, L.
 Segrave, P.
 †Sheehan, B.
 Sheehan, F.
 Sheehan, J.
 Sheehy, J.
 Sherry, J.
 Sherry, K. A.
 Sieper, E. V.
 †Sinclair, Sid.
 Spain, John
 Spicer, J.
 Spinner, C.
 Spring, D.
 Stahl, F.
 Stanley, J.
 †Stanley, P.
 Sullivan, Jim
 Sullivan, John

The Cross signifies killed in action.

I COLLECT THE NAMES.

In April I returned to St. Patrick's after an absence of eight years, during which time I served with the Army. To say the least, I felt out of place in the schoolroom. Inwardly, the College had not changed, but there were only three or four names I could remember among the boys.

On various occasions some of my fellow students have asked me if I remember Tony L., or Peter G. and many others. I am happy to say that I have forgotten very few of the boys of my earlier days here. A walk along the corridor, with its many roll calls, revives pleasant memories and others not so pleasant for many of these young men have passed away now.

During the war, the old boys of St. Patrick's recalled the advice of the good Brothers and joined up "For God, King and Country." They served in all branches of the services and held ranks ranging from Major-General to Private. Decorations were earned and received. Our old boys who become Chaplains, played a very prominent part in bringing spiritual help and comfort to many a serviceman, both Catholic and Non-Catholic alike.

Many paid the supreme sacrifice but not one failed in his duty towards his faith and country.

Recently I assisted in compiling a list for an Honor Board which will be erected at the College in the near future.

Ah! the memories that those names recalled—Duxes of the College, Head Prefects, Captains of the Sports teams, Class Leaders! But those who were not outstanding in such categories are not forgotten. Look through the list and you will see what I mean. A name will recall how we won the football premiership, or the cricket in that particular year you remember best. Or, if you are more interested in actual school work, you may recall the scholarships, University free places and similar honors that our old boys have taken.

Then, looking to the grimmer side of the roll call, you will see the six years of dreaded war almost as plainly as if you were watching a moving picture. These men served all round the world, in the Middle East, in the Battle for Britain, Malaya, New Guinea, and on the seven seas.

One even distinguished himself by being attached to Field-Marshal Montgomery's forces for the Normandy invasion. We won't mention names, but Les Coleman was always to the fore, wasn't he?

And those who passed away are with us—the present pupils—each and every day in our prayers.

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CATHOLIC EVIDENCE NIGHT.

On Sunday, the 11th of August, the committee of the Senior Literary and Debating Society arranged that, instead of the usual debating and prepared speeches, a Catholic Evidence and a Bible discussion group should explain certain religious topics, and discuss a chapter from the gospel, respectively.

Invitations were extended to the other Literary Societies in the College and great interest was shown in the forthcoming proceedings. On Sunday evening, the College Hall was full, both Brothers and boys attending.

Rev. Br. Healy, our Principal, was chairman, and Rev. Fr. Shelley was present, so that we could conform with the Church's wishes that a priest should be present on such occasions. His guidance was not called upon however, as no heretical doctrines were put forward by our speakers.

The first speaker, P. Crudden, gave us proofs for the existence of God and capably answered questions asked from the audience. Those who raised objections had carefully thought out their "puzzles" beforehand and had made them as difficult as possible.

J. Groutsch and P. Worsnop discussed Purgatory and Indulgences respectively. J. Todd handled the Spanish Inquisition and capably defended the Church's actions pertaining to it. J. Leetham advanced very sound arguments in favour of Catholic Education, in the face of awkward questions put forward by members of the audience. He stoutly rebuked erroneous arguments and thus strengthened his case for Catholic Education.

Then came a very interesting item. J. Maginnity, leader, D. Bourke, C. Cullinan, F. Nihill, T. Tobin, K. Sinnott, E. O'Donohue and G. Holmes as a group carried out a Gospel discussion session in fine style.

The Gospel chosen was from St. Matthew and we were all interested in this method of Bible discussion.

J. Maginnity explained the plan his group would adopt, and in a few well chosen words he showed the benefit to be derived from these discussions.

We learned to see more clearly how the Gospel applied to our own lives and our own times. We understood how lessons taught centuries ago are applicable to the world to-day.

The evening was a pleasant one and the items presented held the interest of the audience throughout the evening. Our only regret was that time did not allow us to continue further.

It was indeed inspiring to hear the various speakers propounding Catholic beliefs so clearly and in such a good style. One could not but feel that the training in public speaking afforded the boys of our College by the Literary and Debating Societies was producing not only public speakers, but was combining with the Christian Doctrine class to send forth young men capable of spreading the doctrines of the Holy Faith.—R. Groutsch.

SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY OF S.P.C.

Throughout the term the members of the Senior Literary and Debating Society performed their activities with the enthusiasm which characterized the successful functioning of the group in the earlier months of the year. The members are to be commended on their keen spirit and sincere effort in the

preparation of speeches, debates and items.

Soon after the return from the May vacation, the Society's meetings were held whenever possible. Highlights of the Society's activities were the debate against the Gordon C.Y.M.S., the mock Coming of Age held on 28th July, and the Catholic Evidence evening, a description of which is included elsewhere in the Chronicle.

The first of these highlights took place at Gordon on Sunday, 16th June. Representing St. Pat's, R. Groutsch, B. Malady and R. Kenealy contended that "The Primary Producer is better off under a System of Supply and Demand than under a System of Guaranteed Prices." It was not surprising to see the primary producers of the Gordon district score a decisive victory over the young and less experienced speakers of our Society. These men were primary producers and they knew what they wanted. They had heard our arguments many times already and had refuted them often.

The mock Coming of Age was a novel and interesting programme. Undaunted by the absence of the supper which customarily is included in the functions, the various speakers delivered their speeches in grand style, as representatives of the local organizations of which Mr. J. Maginnity, the "man of the hour," was said to have been a loyal and ardent member. Musical items and recitations provided pleasant diversions.

Another debate dealt with "The Public Control of Advertising." Since this topic has an important bearing on the Matriculation English Expression Course, the contest was both interesting and educational. Its value was well developed through the efforts of the speakers, J. Todd, F. Monaghan, K. Tobin, and C. Cullinan, and by the adjudicators, E. O'Donohue and J. M. Walsh.

To give variety, a programme of prepared speeches comprised the agenda of the meeting on July 21. R. Morgan and C. Redmond delivered very interesting facts about "Atomic Energy—now and afterwards," and "Atomic Bomb Hysteria." G. Gibson's remarkable revelations concerning the "Space Age," and J. Kenny's "Story of Big Ben," provided ample food for thought.

At present, all attention is focussed on the Br. Purton Oratory Prize competition. From the twenty-two entrants who form the three heats to be held on 19th, 22nd and 25th August, the best two speakers will be selected from each heat to compete in the final which takes place on Sunday, 22nd September. A cordial invitation is extended to the members of the other Societies in the College and to the parents and friends of the pupils of S.P.C. to attend the heats and the final.

Many thanks are due to the members of the Society for their co-operation and enthusiasm throughout the term. To Rev. Br. Healy, the Principal, we extend our sincerest thanks and appreciation for his guidance and for service both as president of the Society and as chairman of our meetings.

Till next term, readers, we say au revoir.

R. Kenealy, Secretary.

[That the S. L. & D. Society caught up and has maintained the enthusiasm of previous societies is due in no small measure to the excellent organising ability of the Secretary, R. Kenealy.—Editor.]

JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Junior Debating Society concluded its activities early this year, for we have been invited to attend the Senior Society. Members of this Society are contesting the Br. Purton Oratory Prize, and we hope to obtain some very valuable aid from their work.

In the first place the committee are to be congratulated on their excellent work during the year. Much time was spent in preparing the work for the different meetings, but they gave their time and services willingly. The resulting

programmes were most satisfactory and every meeting was new and interesting—new subjects and new speakers.

The following comprised the committee:—Vice-President, Mr. K. Congues; Secretary, Mr. A. Byrne; Committee, Mr. W. Ware, Mr. R. Cameron, and Mr. J. Dwyer.

All of the members deserve a vote of thanks, for they formed an appreciative audience and with a few exceptions prepared their work well.

Mr. J. Dwyer proved himself to possess good debating powers; in fact, his last effort had to be explained to the audience, for it was a little too advanced. He should do well in the higher societies. Mr. A. Byrne, besides carrying out the numerous duties of a secretary, also delivered two well prepared lectures. Accomplished chairmen were found in such members as Mr. R. Cameron, Mr. K. Jubb, Mr. B. Hall and Mr. J. Dwyer. Two of the outstanding speeches were prepared by Mr. K. Congues and Mr. B. Cavanagh.

This was the introductory year, so we should see more serious and better work prepared and presented in next year's Literary and Debating Society. Later, these boys should be able to face outside audiences and present their matter, whether it be spiritual, social or political, in a convincing and definite manner. This was our aim and we have gone a fair way in the fulfilment of it.

INTERMEDIATE DEBATING SOCIETY.

At our first meeting a discussion on Communism was held. Mr. G. Groening supplied most of the information and was the chief speaker.

A Reading Night was held on 23rd June. Extracts were read by Mr. B. Fitzgerald, Mr. Roche and Mr. D. Heath.

At the next meeting, with W. Pedler occupying the chair, a series of debates was held. Mr. D. Roche and Mr. P. Tagliabue discussed "The Abolition of Universal Suffrage." This debate was won by the latter for the Opposition. Mr. Hallam and Mr. Heath then debated on the "Compulsory Disarmament of Nations." Mr. Hallam was given the verdict by popular vote. Finally, Mr. Credlin and Mr. McSteen discussed the White Australia policy. Mr. McSteen was declared the winner.

On 28th July was held a series of talks. Mr. Robinson spoke first on the News of the Week. He was followed by Mr. Price whose subject was "The Life of Fr. Damien." Next, Mr. Pullbrook discussed the matter of Friday Night Shopping, and Mr. Kavenagh gave a review of arguments for and against Sunday Sport. The final speaker was Mr. Rando, and his subject "The Raising of the School-leaving Age." Mr. McVilly proposed the vote of thanks and was seconded by Mr. Tobin. Some comments on the speeches were made by Messrs. Hogan, Taverner and Tagliabue.

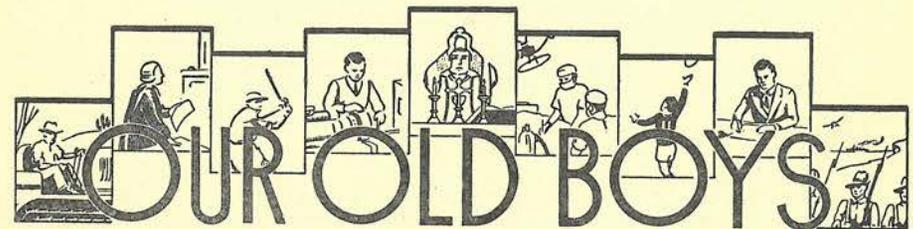
At the last function held to date, Mr. Groening gave a very informative and interesting lecture on the "Preparation and Publication of a Newspaper." A vote of thanks, moved by Mr. Gray, was seconded by Mr. George.

The remaining items for the term will include some team debates and a Quiz Night.

LEAVING LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

This Society, which meets each Sunday night in the Leaving "A" room, still flourishes. During the second term activities were limited because of various breaks in the usual Sunday night routine, such as the St. Kevin's week-end, the Gordon trip, the Purton Oratory Competitions, and a Catholic Hour sponsored by the Senior Literary and Debating Society.

The highlight of the term was a Mock Trial. The trial involved one half of the members of the Society. Mr. T. O'Keefe and Mr. W. Melican were the plaintiff and defendant respectively. Mr. R. McAllister and Mr. G. Hamm as respective solicitors presented their cases for a judge and special jury. Witnesses and court officials were numerous, and all contributed to a very enjoyable evening. The other evenings were taken up with items of news and published talks, followed by lively discussions. The diversity of the titles of some of these talks will give an idea of the interesting matter put before the members of the Society. The outstanding talk was that given by Mr. G. Gujlfyole, who spoke on "The Effects of the Atomic Bomb in Japan." In the ensuing discussion he answered all questions put to him with the coolness and self-possession of a veteran. Mr. K. Mogg gave evidence of his knowledge of "Events in Racing." Mr. E. Conroy introduced to us "England's Greatest Mechanic." Mr. K. Dunn spoke on "The Apparitions at Fatima." Mr. L. Lenaghan delivered a talk on "The White Australia Policy." Mr. F. Hill gave us much interesting information on "The Flax Industry in Australia." Mr. N. Hooper spoke on "Music." One evening was set aside to allow the President, Rev. Br. Forrest, to introduce us to the books in the Leaving and Matriculation Library.



Heartiest congratulations to Rev. Fathers Joe Kearney, Joe Kelly and Tom O'Brien, who were ordained recently. All at S.P.C. wish them God's choicest blessings in their priestly work.

Fr. Joe Kearney said his third Mass in the College Chapel. He is our first Pallotine Father. He came across from Daylesford the evening before, accompanied by his parents and sister. An assembly was held in the morning and a very hearty and warm welcome back to S.P.C. was given to the newly ordained priest. We are now all looking forward to the visit of the three priests together, which is to take place very soon.

Jack Eckel is back again in Ballarat; not as a student at St. Pat's this time; but as Veterinary Officer for Ballarat and District. We congratulate him on his promotion to this important position and wish him every success in his new sphere. Jack got his Veterinary Science degree at Sydney University where he also won his blue for Rugby. His 1st XVIII. team mates of 1940 are not surprised at that when they recall the power he was as a ruck man. His cousin, Frank Drum, was a member of this year's 1st XVIII. and Jack saw him in action at both St. Kevin's matches.

Mark Whitty, George Dwyer and Mal Quinn motored from Melbourne to see the return match against St. Kevin's. They looked well and gave their old school plenty of support.

Congratulations to Kevin Ryan, of Echuca, Peter Vojvodich of Broken Hill, and John Morris, of Camperdown, on their recent marriages. We wish them and their good wives every blessing and happiness for the future.

Congratulations to Tony Fry on his recent engagement. His fiance is from Cairns. Tony's brother-in-law, Joe Favaloro, is now a citizen of Shepparton where he has a big garage business.

Maurice O'Keefe, of Winslow, called to see his brother Gerald during the term. Maurice expects to receive his discharge from the Army soon and intends to do Commerce at the University next year.

Many of the old boys were present at the St. Kevin's match in Melbourne. Amongst them were Rev. Fr. Jim Kennedy, Pat O'Neill, President of the Old Boys' Association, E. Credlin, J. J. Carroll, K. De Lacy, M. Whitty, G. Dwyer, K. Reynolds, G. Picone, T. Keogh, J. Rodgers, Noel Flanagan, Greg Noonan, Ted Fleming, Bill Bowtell, Detective Pat Harrison, Bernie Leonard, Jim Donovan, Jack Gibbons, Jack Hill, Laurie Larmer, Brian Scally, Jack Mooney, John McCarthy, Loy Hennessy, Maurice O'Malley, Les Mogg, Ray Callinan, Mervyn and John Mason, George Wilkinson, Eddie Frith, N. Cody, J. Soulsby, L. Cleary, D. Carracher, Dan Leneghan, J. Wood, N. Aldenhoven, John Chandler, Jim Spain, John Hishon, J. Feery, Tony Locke, B. Hussey, George and Peter Raphael, H. Brewer, J. McGoldrick, J. Alwyn, T. Nevins, J. Nevins, G. Caine, K. Murphy, Jim Wise, G. Wise, T. Robinson, Laurie Delahunty, T. Mulcahy, H. McCormack, Ambrose McCormack, Lyell Barbata, B. O'Connor, T. Gurdavitch, Laurie O'Brien, Maurice O'Leary, John Cramer, Eddie Williams.

Just as these notes are going to press Brian Scally and Ed. Frith are arranging for a team of old boys to meet our 1st XVIII. in the last match of the season next Sunday. Likely representatives for the Old Boys' team are Brian Scally, Eddie Frith, Jim Frith, Val Knowles, Greg Noonan, Jim Wise, Laurie McFarlane, Jack and Brian Hill, Jack Deutschman, Lyell Barbata, Brian Willis, George Wilkinson, Peter Kennedy, Alf Gillett, Ken Aldenhoven, Dan Toohey, Terry Brady, Ed Fleming, Bill Begg, Joe Donegan and Jack Donegan.

Tim O'Sullivan is showing splendid form on the half-forward line this season. He informed us that Coragulac has won 14 matches out of 16 and should win the premiership.

Congratulations and best wishes to Jack Lonergan and his wife. They were married only a short time ago.

John Hishon is now at Dookie College and is doing well.

Lloyd Woodford has retired from the hotel business and has purchased Miss Cross' grocery business in Sturt Street. With his fine personality and likeable manner Lloyd is sure to do well. He still takes a keen interest in all doings at S.P.C.

Bill Doyle and Des Delahenty were present at all our inter-School football matches.

Jack Deutschman and Brian Foley are back again in the Ballarat Brewery office.

Brian Scally saw his old team in action in all matches this year. He stripped for the Seconds in a practice match against the 1sts a few Sundays ago. Brian was one of our best ruckmen in the days of Greg Noonan and Val Knowles. His presence and support contributed greatly to our success this season.

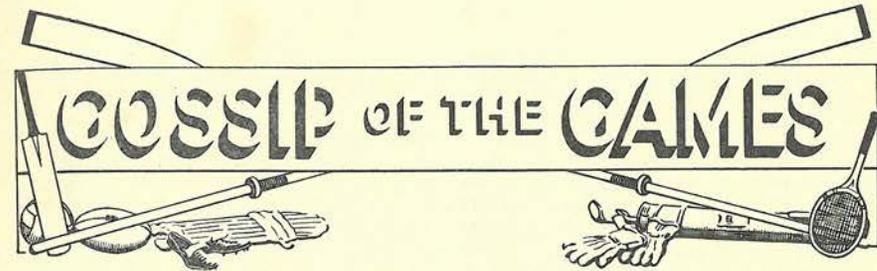
Two St. Pat's Old Boys are now on the staff in Ballarat—Br. H. L. Williams, who is in charge at Drummond Street, and Br. W. L. Clohesy who is teaching at Ballarat East.

Two more St. Pat's Old Boys, married during the term, are Alf Kavenagh and Alan Waldron. Alf, while on his honeymoon, visited Ballarat and saw his old team win their first B.P.S. match which was played against Grammar at Grammar. Alan was present at the first Mass of his old school mate, Fr. Joe Kearney.

Maurice, Des and Alf Kavenagh donated a very handsome cup for the football. We are most grateful to them for their thoughtfulness, generosity and keen interest in their old school. It should not be long before Maurice's son Brian secures a place in the 1st XVIII.

We are grieved to hear that Mr. Tom Fleming (1901-03) died suddenly a short time ago. R.I.P. To Mrs. Fleming, Eddie, Betty and Winnie we offer our deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Fr. C. Fiscalini, C.S.S.R., and Br. Aloysius, C.S.S.R. (G. Curry) are still at the Monastery in Wendouree and take a keen interest in all S.P.C. activities.



JUNIOR PARK.

The captains and members of the respective teams are to be congratulated, for the competition has been carried out with great enthusiasm, and no match was won until the final bell.

B. King captained his team well and placed them on top on points. He was ably assisted by P. Vaughan. I. Bradford was the most improved player in this team.

Second place was filled by the Galvin side. K. Hogan played excellent football and led his team to victory on many occasions.

In third place was the Nunan side. E. Schaefer was not an inspiring leader, but he had a good assistant in D. McNamara.

McCarthy team obtained the "wooden spoon," but they played some very good and close games. The opposition was just too good. R. O'Connor was in charge here.

Final Points: Treacy, 28; Galvin, 20; Nunan, 16; McCarthy, 8.

The outstanding goalkicker was Martin Minogue, who secured 28 goals in seven matches; his best performance was 8 goals in one match.

D. P. Walsh kicked 17 goals, and he was closely followed by K. Hogan with 16. Others to reach double figures were P. Vaughan (12) and V. Herrick (12).

The most improved player was I. Bradford. G. Schaefer, G. Joyce, J. Mulcahy and G. Sheales showed marked improvement also.

The Junior Park "Brownlow Medal" was won by P. Vaughan (16 points). B. King followed closely with 13 points, and next on the list was K. Hogan (12 points), T. Conroy, N. Jubb and R. O'Connor received 7 points each.

ST. ROCH'S

As we thought that St. Roch's field would meet the same fate as the rest of the ovals we decided to play our games in the Park. This proved a happy choice, as we were often able to play when St. Roch's was under water. Our budding champions soon began to show themselves. By the end of the first round we heard that T. Byrne, K. Carter, R. Quilkey, W. McCubbin, T. Maher, M. Pedler were promising. By the end of round two, P. Hackwill, P. Carr, and J. Kennedy had struck form. L. Gleeson and B. Brown were about the most improved players by this time. It was about this time that great efforts were made to play systematically. Some became adepts in passing; most improved in kicking. Some seemed to practise marking, for some became very sure marks. J. Kennedy, J. Gleeson and T. Byrne were outstanding. J. Simpson was appointed timekeeper, and he performed that duty very well. By the end of round three competition had become very keen. N. O'Sullivan showed great keenness and would never give in. Some of the junior members showed great improvement. Some of these were W. Klein, B. McKenna, P. Hayes, L. Plummer and G. Lynch,

You may judge from the summary of the games who were the premiers. Congratulations to the Premiers.

6½ stone.—In our matches against other schools we were victors on both occasions. Our 6½ stone team defeated Ballarat College by 19.16 to nil. Our Under 12 team defeated Christian Brothers, Drummond Street, by 3.4 to 2 points. In both matches a very keen spirit was shown.

SENIOR PARK.

The Senior Park competition provided a series of interesting matches in inter-House football. Four teams were picked and captained by D. Arundell (Nunan), F. Kenealy (Galvin), C. Dodd (McCarthy), and R. Caleo (Treacy).

The weather throughout the competition was true to type, but only once or twice did a match have to be postponed.

Three complete rounds were played, and as this goes to press we are about to play the last match before the finals. So far, Treacy have a fairly comfortable lead with 32 points from Galvin (20 points). Next is Nunan with 16 points, and McCarthy have yet to win a match. Nunan made a bad start, losing their first two matches, while in the last round had a few men out with injury or sickness. Galvin lost to Treacy twice and Nunan once. Treacy lost only one match, and that to Nunan in the second round.

Points were given for the four best players in each match, and at the moment the leaders on the list are G. Gallagher and R. Caleo with 25 points. Next, with 15 points, come I. Durant and H. Dullard, Third, with 14 points, are C. Dodd and F. Cantwell. The following have 13 points: F. Kenealy, V. Williams and J. Lorkin. Others who gained points were: D. Arundell 12, J. Kelly 9, J. Bourke 5, F. Hallam 3, G. Steed, B. Perkins, B. Hurley and W. 2 each, and I. Bazeley, J. Meeney, J. Shaw, J. Jess and K. Ryan 1 each.

A record of the goal-kicking was kept, and at the head of this list comes Ken Butler, with 21 goals to his credit. Second is T. Bazeley with 15, and third J. Bourke with 11. Other goal-getters were: F. Kenealy 9, H. Dullard 7, B. Fitzgerald and J. Lorkin 6, W. Melican, B. Hurley and B. Cantwell 5, B. Perkins, C. Dodd, K. Ryan 4, G. Steed, V. Do Nuzzo, J. Kelly, D. Arundell, J. Hewitt 3, J. Croft, J. Taverner, P. Cushing and R. Caleo 2, and 1 each to J. Moloney, J. Meeney, I. Durant, B. Credlin, W. O'Dell, Jim Ward, J. Shaw, G. Gallagher, G. Gleeson, P. Roache, F. Hallam and G. Hamm.

The most improved player for the competition would probably be H. Dullard.

All are looking forward with eagerness to the finals. On present form it looks as if Treacy will meet Galvin in the final and should be able to hold the advantage.

In front—M. Moloney, J. Pitcher, B. Scally (Vice-Capt.), B. Kelly (Capt.), C. Cullinan, B. Caneva, W. Pedler.

Second Row—N. Loughnan, M. Brandenburg, F. Drum, W. Delany, P. Barbeta, P. Worsnop.

Third Row—J. Walsh, R. Groutsch, J. Kenny, J. Rando, G. Holmes, T. Molan, R. Tatchell.

Top Row—J. Dwyer, J. Ballinger.



S.P.C. SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAM 1946
Champions of Ballarat Public Schools

(For names see opposite page)

SENIOR OVAL COMPETITION.

The title, Senior Oval Competition, ill becomes our football competition for this year. Because of our having no oval at the College we played on a ground near the Zoo, which came to be known as the Zoo oval. This ground being a good distance from the College, a bus had to be requisitioned to transport us back and forth. The pleasant run round the lake—we were tempted to drive across it—added to the enjoyment of our game.

Four teams, bearing the names of Galvin, McCarthy, Nunan, Treacy, formed the Senior Oval Competition. We played two rounds and are now playing our final games. A grand final will be played and it seems as if Galvin or McCarthy will win. Some teams were likely to lose one or two of their best players to the 1st XVIII. Injuries were heavy among the firsts and we had to send up our best. The Second XVIII. was entirely selected from our teams. There is no opposition for our Seconds in Ballarat, and our only matches were against St. Kevin's and those games played to give our Firsts match practice. Our Seconds beat St. Kevin's both in Ballarat and in Melbourne. From this competition will come most of the 1947 1st XVIII. and a good combination will go in to wear the Green, White and Blue.

Captains.—V. Crennan (Nunan), J. Robinson (Galvin), K. Sinnott (Treacy) and R. McAllister (McCarthy), are to be complimented on their handling of the teams. As usual, one or two teams were stronger than the others and we congratulate members of the weaker teams on their fine sportsmanship.

Nunan was best served during the season by Crennan, Dunn, Nihill, Todd, Hogan, Hall, Crudden, Jubb, McVilly.

Galvin by Robinson, Bourke, Ware, O'Donehue, Dowsley, Ballinger, Morris, Giuliano, Dooley.

Treacy by Sinnott, Kenealy, Hoy, Kelly, McArthur, T. Butler, Lourey, McCormack, Lorkin.

McCarthy by McAllister, J. J. Walsh, T. Tobin, Stapleton, Vaughan, Roche, J. Groutsch, Kavenagh, Colbert.

Counting four points for a win, the progress scores as we go to print are:—Galvin 20, McCarthy 12, Nunan 8, Treacy 8.

FIRST EIGHTEEN.

Never since 1904 has St. Pat's supremacy in B.P.S. football been challenged so strongly as it was this year. The 1946 1st XVIII, however, showed they were worthy of the trust and responsibility and won the championship for the 42nd year in succession.

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A great deal of the credit is due to Mr. Jack Morrissey, S.P.C.'s champion coach, who after twenty-five years returned to help St. Pat's football with his old earnestness, enthusiasm and marvellous system. After the second round of the B.P.S. matches, when he had to resign owing to ill health and suffering, Br. O'Malley, our Sportsmaster, took charge of the team and carried on Mr. Morrissey's good work. It was Br. O'Malley's 14th year as sportsmaster of the 1st XVIII and the 19th occasion on which he was privileged to see St. Patrick's College win the Ballarat Public Schools' Championship.

The matches against Grammar School and High School were won without much anxiety or doubt, but Ballarat College had a very strong team and put us to the test in both matches. In the first match, at the City Oval, they were superior in the first quarter and in the first half of the second. In the second match they held the lead until the last ten minutes, when St. Pat's seemed to play inspired football and finished as victors by a margin of 3 goals 3 behinds.

We lost both matches against St. Kevin's, Melbourne, and offer them our congratulations on their two successes. In the match in Melbourne St. Kevin's were on top throughout. In the return match in Ballarat, with three of our good players out owing to injuries, we lost by a goal due to over anxiety and inaccuracy in kicking for goal.

To Messrs. Kavenagh brothers of Noorat—Alf, Maurice and Des—to Mr. F. Pedler, of Red Cliffs, and to Mr. H. Morris, of Ballarat, we are most grateful for their donations of handsome Football Cups. As a result we have increased the football awards from three to five, and the successful recipients are:—The Kavenagh Cup, for best and fairest, Brendan Scally; the Pedler Cup, for the best back player, Brian Kelly; the Morris Cup, for best forward, Bert Caneva; the S.P.C. Cups for next best players, Walter Pedler and John Pitcher.

To Br. O'Malley and Mr. Jack Morrissey we offer our deepest thanks for all they did throughout the season and for helping to bring another football championship to St. Pat's in B.P.S. football.

REPORTS OF SCHOOL MATCHES FROM BALLARAT
"COURIER"S.P.C. v. GRAMMAR SCHOOL—At Grammar School.
EASY WIN FOR ST. PATRICK'S

St. Patrick's College had an easy victory over the Grammar School on the Grammar School oval. The game was very one-sided, for Grammar team did not make much of a stand against their more experienced opponents. Scores: St. Patrick's College, 22 goals 11 behinds—143 points.

Grammar School: 3 goals 6 behinds—24 points.

Best players: Scally, Kelly, Cullinan, Caneva, Kenny, Pitcher, Rando.

Goal-kickers: Caneva (1), Barbeta (6), Scally (1), Cullinan (1), Pitcher (1), Worsnop (1).

S.P.C. v. HIGH SCHOOL—At City Oval.
ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE DEFEAT HIGH SCHOOL.

The above teams had their first meeting yesterday in the opening round of the season's premierships matches. Though the play was interesting, both teams found difficulty in coping with the heavy turf conditions prevailing at the City Oval. St. Patrick's were always in the lead and never looked in danger of defeat. Still, the margin was never wide enough to give the impression of a very easy win. High School, a lighter team than their opponents, gave a creditable performance in adapting themselves somewhat better in the heavy going and in being much safer in their marking. Occasionally, too, they combined well together. St. Patrick's irresistible at times, failed too often to clinch an

advantage with their usual ability at scoring. Though the weather remained fine overhead the greasy ball had a hampering effect on the play, neither team being able to handle it with much certainty. The games was played in the spirited and friendly manner inseparable from these matches. The umpiring was poor. Final scores:—

St. Patrick's College: 6 goals 12 behinds—48 points.
High School: 3 goals 11 behinds—29 points.
Goal-kickers: Pitcher 2, Scally 2, Caneva 2, Barbeta 1.

S.P.C. v. BALLARAT COLLEGE—At City Oval.

The two leading team in the competition—St. Patrick's and Ballarat College—met at the City Oval yesterday afternoon and after an exciting and interesting game St. Pat's won by a margin of five goals. The match was played in perfect weather conditions and, except for the centre patch which was muddy and water logged, the ground was in excellent condition.

In the first quarter Ballarat College played their best fotoball for the day. Their marking, handling, leading out and disposal of the ball were all excellently executed and had St. Pat's in difficulties most of the time. However, St. Pat's played on determinedly and were not far behind at the first change when the scores were College 3 goals 2 behinds; St. Pat's 2 goals 1 behind.

College again dominated most of the play in the first half of the second quarter and by good combined play increased their lead. St. Pat's kept going and just before half-time were beginning to strike form. They soon equalled College's score and at the bell led by 6 goals 3 behinds to 4 goals 3 behinds.

After the interval St. Pat's played brilliantly. Their handling, marking and kicking improved and all the forwards excelled with their fast and nippy play. College defended solidly and before the end of the quarter began to attack with good results. It was St. Pat's quarter, however, and really clinched victory for them. Three quarter time: St. Pat's, 11 goals 5 behinds; College, 6 goals 6 behinds.

In the last quarter the play was very even. Both sides were beginning to tire and to feel the effects of the fast and solid game. Despite this, good football was still played by both teams and the final scores resulted: St. Pat's, 13 goals 7 behinds; College, 8 goals 7 behinds.

Best players:—St. Pat's: Scally, Pitcher, Caneva, Pedler, Kelly, Moloney, Barbeta, Brandenburg and Kenny. College: Netherway, Longden, Davis, Bradley, McDonald, Quayle, Trahar, Tantau and Mitchell.

Goal-kickers.—St. Pat's: Caneva 7, Barbeta 3, Brandenburg, Pitcher, Worsnop. College: Davis 4, Longden 3, Mitchell.

Mr. S. Williams gave every satisfaction as umpire.

S.P.C. v. GRAMMAR—At City Oval.

St. Patrick's College met Grammar School at the City Oval. The match was played in muddy conditions and a strong wind blew down the ground throughout the game. After dominating the play for most of the match St. Pat's scored a decisive victory.

Grammar won the toss and were first to attack, but St. Pat's soon got going and played their best football for the afternoon in the opening quarter. They scored eight goals against the wind. Their clean handling of the greasy ball and position play always found Grammar in trouble. At the first change the scores were: St. Pat's, 8 goals 2 behinds; Grammar, 1 goal.

In the second quarter, with the wind, St. Pat's did not do so well. Their handling and accurate kicking deteriorated under the conditions. Grammar's defence improved and, crowding the game, they kept St. Pat's down to 3 goals 3 behinds. The scores at half time were: St. Pat's 11 goals 5 behinds; Grammar, 2 goals 1 behind.

After the interval St. Pat's immediately went into attack, again dominating the play by scoring 5 goals 5 behinds to nil. In the last quarter St. Pat's made many unsuccessful attempts for goal. The play became scrambly and congested. Grammar's defence again proved sound and kept their opponents down to 3 goals 4 behinds. Final scores:—

St. Pat's: 19 goals 14 behinds—128 points.
Grammar: 2 goals 1 behind—13 points.

Best Players.—St. Pat's: Caneva, Scally, Walsh, Kelly, Delany and Molan. Grammar: Morton, Stait, Treloar, Webley and Rowe.

Goal-kickers.—St. Pat's: Caneva 11, Barbeta 3, Cullinan, Pedler, Delany, Brandenburg, Pitcher. Grammar: Petch, Treloar.

The match was umpired by Stan. Williams.

S.P.C. v. HIGH SCHOOL—At High School.

In yesterday's Public Schools' football St. Patrick's College defeated High School by 37 points.

A strong south-westerly wind made conditions unpleasant on the High School oval, but except for the turf wicket area the ground was firm and some good football was seen.

St. Patrick's opened with the wind and took full advantage of it, leading 4 goals 7 behinds to 1 behind at quarter time.

High School did not keep their forward play open in the second quarter, and solid play by St. Patrick's defenders kept the opposing team's score down to 3—3. At half-time the scoring was 5—10 to 3—4 in St. Patrick's favor.

In the third term High School failed to score, while St. Patrick's forged steadily ahead. Final scores:—

St. Patrick's College: 9 goals 15 behinds—69 points.
Ballarat High School: 4 goals 8 behinds—32 points.

Goal-kickers.—St. Pat's: Caneva 4, Brandenburg, Tatchell, Cullinan, Pitcher, Barbeta. High School: Cooper, Coad, Moy, O. Nelson.

Best Players.—St. Patrick's: Pedler, Kelly, Scally, Caneva, Brandenburg, Kenny. High School: Veale, O. Nelson, Coad, Pargeter, Cooper.

ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE v. BALLARAT COLLEGE.

The final round of the Public Schools' football competition was played yesterday.

A strenuous and interesting match was played between Ballarat College and St. Pat's. The play was fairly even throughout, with College in the lead until the last 10 minutes, when St. Patrick's drew level and then went on to win by a margin of 21 points.

This win gave St. Pat's another championship in Ballarat Public Schools' competition. St. Pat's have now won every match in the competition since 1904, when they lost to College in their first match that season. St. Pat's won the second and also the play-off for the premiership.

The College ground was in good condition, but a strong wind which prevailed was a dominating factor in the play. College won the toss and took first use of it. They adopted correct tactics. Inaccurate shooting caused only four goals to be registered. St. Pat's defended well, but failed to score. Results at end of first quarter were: College, 4 goals 7 behinds; St. Pat's, nil.

In the second quarter St. Pat's did not use the wind to as good an advantage as College had done. The play became congested, and St. Pat's owing to poor shooting, could manage only three goals. College also defended well, but failed to score. At half-time the board showed College 4 goals 7 behinds, St. Pat's 3 goals 7 behinds.

St. Pat's began to show better form in the third quarter, and although against the wind, they kicked one goal to College's two. The College attack was not as successful as at the start of the game, and it found St. Pat's defence strong and solid. Three-quarter time scores were: College, 6 goals 10 behinds; St. Pat's 4 goals 9 behinds.

For the first half of the last quarter College kept their lead, and when St. Pat's scored first goal they equalised with a major. However, St. Pat's, not to be denied, soon struck their best form for the match, drew level with College, and added six goals to their three-quarter time score. Final scores:—

St. Pat's: 10 goals 14 behinds—74 points.
Ballarat College: 7 goals 11 behinds—53 points.

Best Players.—St. Pat's: Scally, Kelly, Caneva, Pitcher, Drum, Pedler, Cullinan. College: Davis, Longden, Netherway, Sinclair, Quayle, Bradley.

Goal-kickers.—St. Pat's: Caneva 4, Barbeta 2, Pedler, Cullinan, Pitcher, Tatchell. College: Davis 3, Tantau, Netherway, Cockburn.
Stan. Williams umpired.

ST. PAT'S v. ST. KEVIN'S—At Ballarat. SIX-POINT VICTORY FOR ST. KEVIN'S.

In a return match at the High School oval on Saturdal, St. Kevin's, visiting from Melbourne, narrowly defeated St. Patrick's College by six points. From 16 scoring shots St. Patrick's raised only four goals, and but for inaccuracy in front they would probably have clinched the game.

In the first term St. Kevin's took full advantage of a favourable wind and outscored their opponents by 4—3 to 1—1. St. Kevin's back line was on top in the second quarter, and although St. Patrick's made up some of the leeway were still eight points in arrears at half-time.

Scrambling play marred the third term, but there were some good efforts by individuals on both sides. St. Patrick's backs shone, and scoring for an evenly contested quarter was 2—1 to 1—2 in St. Kevin's favour. Assisted by the wind, St. Patrick's played aggressively and appeared to have the game in their possession in the closing term, but seven scoring shots failed to realise a goal. Final scores:—

St. Kevin's: 6 goals 6 behinds—42 points.
St. Patrick's: 4 goals 12 behinds—36 points.

Goal-kickers.—St. Kevin's: Richardson 2, Brickley 2, Lawler 2. St. Patrick's: Barbeta 2, Caneva, Pedler.

Best Players.—St. Kevin's: Richardson, Raphael, O'Bryan, Fahey, Goss and Douglas. St. Patrick's: Pedler, Caneva, Walsh, Kelly, Scally, Brandenburg.

RESULTS OF MATCHES, 1946.

May 8th—St. Pat's defeated Air Force, 11—9 to 6—8.
June 16th—St. Pat's defeated Gordon C.Y.M.S., 9—3 to 6—6.
June 26th—St. Pat's defeated Grammar School, 22—11 to 3—6.
July 3rd—St. Pat's defeated High School, 6—12 to 3—11.
July 10th—St. Pat's defeated Ballarat College, 13—7 to 8—7.
July 14th—St. Pat's lost to St. Kevin's, 5—9 to 8—8.
July 21st—St. Pat's defeated East Ballarat under 18), 9—21 to 6—9.
July 24th—St. Pat's defeated Grammar School, 19—14 to 2—1.
July 31st—St. Pat's defeated High School, 9—15 to 4—8.
August 7th—St. Pat's defeated Ballarat College, 10—14 to 7—11.
August 10th—St. Pat's lost to St. Kevin's, 4—12 to 6—6.
August 18th—St. Pat's defeated Old Boys, 10—8 to 5—8.

THE PLAYERS.

Brian Kelly: Captain, and one of our best players. His fourth year in the team. Played at centre and centre half-back and always did well.

Brendan Scally: Vice-Captain. Most consistent and reliable player. Third year in the team. Did great work in the ruck and on the half-forward wing.

Bert Caneva: Our best forward. Third year in the team. Good ability, and would have scored many more goals had it not been for inaccurate shooting.

Wally Pedler: Our champion ruck player. Marked and kicked well. Excelled in getting the knock-out and defended well when resting in back pocket.

John Pitcher: Again held centre half-forward position with great success. Always closely guarded, but his fast moving brilliant play kept our attack strong.

Clem Cullinan: Always played a hard game and succeeded in doing a lot of the heavy ruck work. Handling and kicking improved during the season. Honesty of purpose the keynote of his play.

Jim Kenny: A great trier. Keen and determined. Played brilliant games on the half-back flank.

Maurice Moloney: Was one of our best players in the first round of matches, but had to retire owing to injury. Excelled at half-back flank and centre, and was showing brilliant form.

John Walsh: Was our full back, and a good one, too. Sound, reliable and dashing. Marked and kicked off extra well.

Ray Tatchell: Our first rover. Has the making of a champion. Good football sense and brilliant and clever with the ball.

Max Brandenburg: Our second rover. Did fine work either roving or forward. Had the dash and desire to do things. Did them well.

Bill Delany: Fast, brilliant and dashing half-forward flanker. With better handling and marking of the ball he would have been amongst our best in all the matches.

John Rando: Our best winger. Clever and tricky. Seldom beaten for the ball in the B.P.S. matches.

Peter Barbeta: Worthily upheld the high reputation of his brother Lyell in S.P.C. football. A very good pocket forward and an accurate kick.

John Dwyer: A good back pocket player. Plenty of dash and courage. Sound and reliable.

Frank Drum: The youngest member of the team and one of our outstanding defenders. Played on the half-back flank. Cool and determined. A sure mark and a good kick.

Reg Groutsch: Played well with the Seconds. When promoted to the Firsts did well and held his place. Useful change ruck. Dashing and tenacious.

Tom Molan: Showed best from of all when given his first chance and played an outstanding game in the centre against Grammar. Had it not been for a high injury, would have played in all the remaining matches.

Gordon Holmes: Good and effective at times, but form not consistent enough. Was at his best during last quarter against College.

Rod Stapleton: Did well as a defender; but after a bout of the 'flu he failed to regain his best form.

Percy Worsnop: Good footballer and good ability. After showing excellent form early he did not continue to retain it.

Jack Ballinger: Played in the last two inter-School matches. Showed promise and played up to expectations.

Noel Loughnan: Played well in the early part of the season. Should be one of our best next year.

ST. PAT'S FOR EVER.

At College when the sun was high,
 All bright and azure was the sky,
 Untrodden turf lay there to meet
 The impact of our eighteen's feet.

But soon we saw another sight,
 Our first eighteen in all their might
 Came forth to keep our record true,
 As the umpire's whistle shrilly blew.

Encouragement of shouts and cheers
 Rose up and filled our eighteen's ears;
 Inspired our team to victory
 In the greatest game in history.

At first we kicked against the wind,
 The scores showed that we were behind.
 Back and forth the contest ranged,
 But still the scores remained unchanged.

Imagine how we were dismayed,
 And how our hearts were sorely weighed,
 For we had fears that we might meet
 Face to face with dire defeat.

The second quarter came and went,
 It seemed as if our team was spent.
 Our barrackers kept up their cries,
 Though tears welled up in many eyes.

The war cry loud urged on our boys,
 And soon despair gave place to joys,
 Our playing seemed to be inspired,
 Our men forgot that they were tired.

As the final quarter's end drew near,
 Our barrackers raised a mighty cheer,
 For we caught their score and passed it by,
 And caps into the air did fly.

Our team once more had saved the day
 By dogged and determined play.
 The game was won, and in our grip
 Lay the forty-second premiership.

EPILOGUE.

All you who challenge our record,
 Are bound to discover this truth:
 Far away is the day
 That anyone may
 Hurl down the flag, green, white and blue.

J.G., G.H., B.C.

[Written after the match, S.P.C. v. College, an account of which match appears under the 1st XVIII. notes.]



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EDITORIAL.

This is the last issue of the Chronicle for 1946 and it occurs to me that this Editorial might, in a very special way, be addressed to those boys who will be leaving College this year. These lines then, are addressed, primarily, to such boys.

A big percentage of these young people are leaving with a definite plan in mind. They are entering a Seminary or Training College, are returning to a life on the land, are entering the University or going into industry or commerce. These lads aim at something definite, but there may be some who are leaving us without any plan. To such as these we say, beware! Beware of allowing yourself to be swallowed up in a busy godless world without having a fixed purpose before you. The unfirm and irresolute fall easy victims to the cunning and deceit of the allies of the devil. If you think you are proof against such influence, then, in a particular way, must you beware. Stalwarts of former days have unhappily yielded, and the like will happen to you unless you know what you want and where you will get it. You will have success or failure and great success or great failure in proportion to your strength or weakness of purpose. Hence it is all important that you should follow that avocation which Almighty God intends you to follow. You cannot succeed in any other. "What am I going to be", is a question you should long ago have settled. In case you have not made up your mind, here are some thoughts. Others can advise in the choice, but you yourselves must play the big part. God helps us in all we ask of Him. He knows what He has planned for each of us and He will unfold His plan to the boy who sincerely asks His aid. Perhaps, already, you have felt the urge to enter the ranks of the Priesthood or of the Brothers. If you feel called in this way you are indeed a favoured child. Follow the advice of your spiritual director. Confidence in God will overcome all obstacles.

Perhaps you are called to the land, and that life on the land is to be your life. Return to the land, then, wholeheartedly. It is a noble life calling for noble souls. There you will meet a fine people of wholesome tastes and single endeavour. Your faith will be safe and your reward commensurate with your labours. You will be loyal Australians, too, in the truest sense, for Australia must live by the land.

If you feel the urge to follow one of the higher professions of the secular life—Medicine, Law, Engineering, Dentistry, Agricultural Science or Chemistry, for Industrial or Commercial purposes—enter seriously into the study of this course and aim high. Don't be satisfied with a sufficiency. The world is filled

with mediocrities. To-day, particularly, only the best qualified succeed. Sad is the lot of those young men who sought one or other of these Professions and who did not measure up to University requirements at the end of their first year. Competition is keener to-day than ever before. Only the strong survive. Don't you fail, and find yourself just another of that vast arm who are tossed about from pillar to post in the vortex of an unsettled world.

If you have not yet been very concerned about your future, your position is somewhat precarious, but by no means a lost one. Face up boldly to the question. "What am I going to be?" Answer it in a man's way, and remember that you will succeed if you wish and try to succeed. Do not deceive yourself with the thought that a trade offers an easy way of earning a living. Skilled tradesmen have many anxious periods. Continuity of employment for them depends on demand for labour. Many causes may throw an army of labourers out of employment.

Pray about the matter; seek the advice of people capable of advising you. Discuss your propositions with your parents and then do a man's share yourself.

Alma Mater will follow your career and she hopes that you will succeed as so many of her sons before you have done.

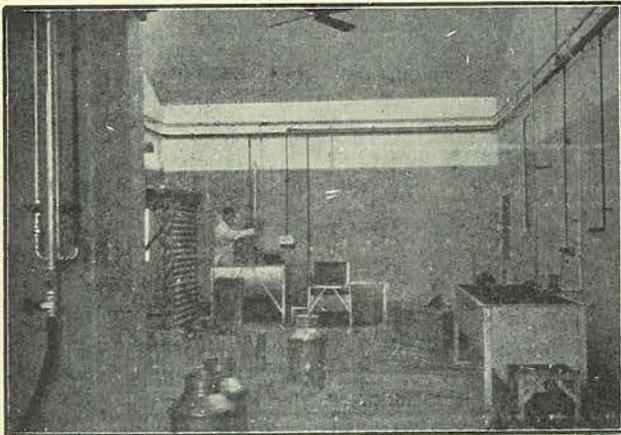
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CHRIST THE KING.

"All power is given to Me in heaven and on earth."
On the institution of the Feast of Christ the King, on 11th December, 1925, Pope Pius XI. declared in his Encyclical "Quas Primas," "We anticipate the joys of that most auspicious day when the whole world will yield ready and willing obedience to the most sweet lordship of Christ the King. Christ is the King of Society. Only in His Kingdom will men find peace."

Catholics everywhere, whether white or black, are all kindred children of Christ and live and honour Him. With the words of Pius XI. in mind on 27th October, 1946, the whole Catholic Church celebrated the Feast of Christ the King with magnificent ceremony fitting for such an occasion.

From all parts of the Ballarat diocese people flocked to the grounds of the Bishop's residence, where this year's procession was held because of the reforming of our ovals. The staff and students of the College worked zealously for the success of the festival, and many prayers were offered for fine weather. Almighty God answered our prayers and a bright sun shone down on the fresh spring grass and flowers. The brilliant white and gold silk of the Bishop and his attendants glittered in the sun and contrasted sharply with the sombrely clad processionists.

The head prefect, robed in surplice and soutane, was Cross Bearer, and he was accompanied by two surpliced attendants. They preceded the procession which was headed by a selected platoon of the College Cadet Detachment under the command of Lieutenant A. Groening who is to be complimented on behalf of the Cadets for an outstanding performance. Then came the members of Our Lady's Sodality, followed, four deep, by the remainder of the College with each and every boy singing lustily and responding to the Rosary. But no one was prouder than the acolytes who preceded the Canopy and lighted the candles.

The procession solemnly wended its way around the grounds. All moved into their appointed positions before the beautifully decorated altar and knelt in reverence and devotion as the Bishop passed with the Precious Burden.

The occasional sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. E. Dwyer of the Redemptorist Monastery. The basis of the sermon was the text, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all things to myself." Temporal rulers had been deposed in many countries during the past few years and revolution was rampant everywhere. Even the authority of Our Divine Lord was questioned by many, but Pope Pius XI. had placed before men the only Way of Life—Christ the King—by instituting this Feast. The insults and injuries which Our Lord had suffered before and during His Crucifixion were irreparable and could only be partially effaced by our total submission.

Catholics everywhere were exhorted to spread the Gospel as though men could see, written on our foreheads, the words, "On His Majesty's Service—the Service of Christ the King." We are soldiers who must fight the enemy—sin—which is raging throughout this modern world. Every possible opportunity was taken for the insidious use of the press, cinema, radio and public platform for spreading atheistic propaganda.

His enemies hate Him, and if we could only devote ourselves to the fight with equal enthusiasm, we would certainly have a great victory. Christ is not a mere name; it is the first word we speak as a child and the last when we are dying. Right throughout our lives, we see the Crucifix signifying the price of our redemption.

After the sermon, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given by the Bishop. At this very solemn moment, the cadets gave the Present Arms with an exact preciseness which was indeed creditable to such young soldiers.

His Lordship then thanked everyone for the magnificent procession and public profession of the faith. Such a spectacle could only strengthen our own faith and show non-believers that we really admit Christ the King. It was only by spreading the faith that we could be loyal.

"Long live Christ the King. To the King of Ages, immortal and invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever."

—Bernie Irvin.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, under the spiritual guidance of Father Fiscalini, has been continuing its great work of mercy amongst those who are not in a position to help themselves in the district of Ballarat.

Our total membership has increased by six since last we communicated with the readers of the Chronicle—the number of St. Vincent de Paul brothers in the College now standing at 21. We heartily congratulate J. M. Walsh, B. Malady, B. McCormack, J. Kelly, T. Butler and G. Hamm on their success in obtaining admission into our branch of the Society.

During the last term, we ran the annual sweeps for the Caulfield and Melbourne Cups, and thanks to the generosity and co-operation of the boys, our efforts yielded good profits for the ultimate benefit of the poor and needy of Ballarat. Once again, then, thanks to those who subscribed and, of course, congratulations to the winners.

However, the appeal made for subscriptions to St. Anthony's box did not meet with the same grand success, or rather that it had a very short lived success, which sad state of affairs we presume was due only to forgetfulness on the part of the boys.

Now that the year is so near to its close, we begin to remember that this year will be the last at St. Pat's for many of our members. We sincerely hope that in after life, reflection on our membership of this Society while at the College will afford us many happy reminiscences in the thought that we helped to carry out God's commands in regard to the virtue of charity and the propagation of our faith.

OUR LADY'S SODALITY.

Many incentives urge Sodalists of Our Blessed Lady to remain true to their promises. The most important of these is the resolution to honour Our Blessed Mother and to continue as her loyal sons through life. She is Our Mother and we intend to remain her devoted children. However, we are further enthused when we recall that past Sodality groups have been so exemplary and have taken the Sodality obligations so seriously. We cherish our love for Our Blessed Lady, and the Rosary plays an important part in our lives.

We assembled each Friday during the Term to recite the Office and to listen attentively to our Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini. Father insisted on the

necessity of Charity in the world to-day and on the value of childlike confidence in our prayers.

On the occasion of the Feast the King, members of our Sodality marched as a group and took a prominent part in the procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

This Society, the largest in the College, is about to change its Executive. Election of office-bearers in any society is an event which shows whether or not that society has its members interested. This year the number of candidates nominated for the seven vacant positions was sixteen. This figure was very pleasing to the outgoing Executive, especially when it was noted that all classes contributed towards that number and that the nominees, without exception, were all suitable for the position they hoped to occupy. The voting was very even, and although the number of voters was large, the members chosen did not have great majorities. The results of the ballot were:—President, O. Hunt; Vice-President, R. McAllister; Secretary, T. Butler; Treasurer, J. Ware; Marshal, F. Nihill; Consultors, D. Bourke and B. McCormack. These members receive the congratulations and good wishes of every member in the Society.

This year, although the Junior Holy Name was disbanded and the age limit raised to fifteen years, the number of members, one hundred and twenty, is very gratifying. Almost every senior boy is a Holy Name man and it aware of his duty which he is prepared to uphold. As some of these members must leave at the end of the year and take their stand in the world, the duties of being Holy Name men will stand them in good stead and help them to become good men and proud advocates of their Faith.



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"For the Man who Thinks before he Drinks"

GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE.

G. Hgrelich attended school on Singapore before coming to St. Par's. During his years amongst us he has earned the respect of all by his gentlemanly bearing and conduct. He has been characterised by his keenness for every branch of College life, and, particularly, as a student. This year he was Dux of the College. We wish him every success in the field of commerce which he has chosen as a career.

Brendan Scally, of Ballarat, has been an outstanding student at S.P.C. He has passed through all grades and is now in the Matriculation. He is a member of the Sodality and Holy Name Sodality and Prefect. He is a keen student and should do well at the end of the year. He has held an outstanding position in the sporting field. He has represented the College in football, cricket, athletics and rowing. His fine character has won him the respect of all who know him. Our best wishes go with him in his career on leaving school.

J. and R. Groutsch, the twins from Tocumwal, have been prominent among the students at S.P.C. Both possess intellectual ability above the average, and a strength of character which should carry them through the trials which they will meet in after life. Both are Prefects, members of Sodality and Holy Name Society. Reg. played successfully with the First Eighteen, while Jim has yet to represent the College in sport. We wish both of them all the best.

J. Lannen, of Ballarat, has been amongst us for quite a few years. Possessed of a retiring disposition, he has "done good by stealth." While not being prominent in the field of sport, he has taken a leading part in other departments of College life. He is a keen student and debater and his results give promise of success in the final examinations. We extend to him our best wishes for a successful career.

E. O'Donohue shares with his brother Newman the honour of being senior boarders at S.P.C. They started in sixth, and moved through the various grades. Eugene is a great favourite with everyone. He is a member of the Sodality and of the Holy Name Society. This year he represented the College in athletics and football. Our best wishes go with him.

E. Schaefer, of Wail, is another veteran among the pupils at S.P.C. Ted has a younger brother, George, to keep an eye on. He is a quiet and serious student and is rarely seen without a book in his hand. He has another hobby, Sloyd, and is rapidly becoming proficeint in handling the carpenter's tools. We wish him all the best at the end of the year.

B. Miller, of Melbourne, is rapidly establishing himself as one of those who have spent almost a lifetime at S.P.C. Bryan is now in the Second Year and is gradually absorbing all the knowledge at his disposal. He is a keen reader. Lately he has been absorbed in a new hobby. He is fast becoming an expert at developing and printing films. We hope he is with us for quite a time as he has established himself firmly in the affections of all.



AROUND THE ROOMS

MATRICULATION.

The September holidays had slipped by on "winged feet" and we found ourselves back at S.P.C. for what will be, for most of us, our last term at College. Soon we will be parted from our beloved Alma Mater, at least, in body, but we hope that the bonds that are deeper than the physical will ever draw us closer to her and the ideals she stands for. It is our ardent desire to carry into our careers the lessons of morality and deep spirituality which have been so insistently dwelt upon as the things most worthwhile in this our "earthly pilgrimage." If it be the sad misfortune of any to fall short of the high ideals of a good Catholic, we hope that the road to return to the ideals of College life will always remain open, and the unfortunate may again be helped back to the path that leads to salvation.

With our return, the examination atmosphere was much in evidence, for we learned that the October tests were to be held almost immediately. With this news came the hurried revision for the most important term test of the year. We settled down quickly and in a week or so we had scrambled over the first big obstacle of the term. With the posting of results we learned with pleasure that G. Hgrelich was Dux of the College, and J. Robinson a close second. We extend to both of them our sincere congratulations on their well earned success, and we feel sure that this is a good augury of success in the final examinations. Our heartiest congratulations are also extended to M. Grogan, Dux of Christian Doctrine, and R. Kenealy, the winner of the special prize in Christian Doctrine.

The athletics and tennis have claimed our sporting interests for the term. We have in our ranks many who have been prominent in both fields of sports. We extend our congratulations to B. Scally, F. Monaghan, C. Cullinan, B. Kelly, M. Moloney, J. Walsh, our outstanding representatives in these sports, on their help in bringing victory at the B.P.S. Sports.

Since our last appearance we have said farewell to two of our members, C. Redmond and J. Stevens, who have joined the staff of the Commonwealth Bank. To each of these we extend our best wishes for a successful career.

D. Bourke recently went to see if the Englishmen had any hints on the way to play cricket. He is now of the opinion that it is easy when you know how. Just swing the bat and let it hit the ball. Yes! Just like that.

Our congratulations to B. Malady, the winner of the Purton Oratory Prize, and to those who competed without success for really splendid speeches.

The twins, J. and R. Groutsch, are hot favourites for the siamese race. They move very well in double harness. We are sorry to have T. Molan on the line as a spectator at the sports and hope that his leg will be soon strong enough to enable him to take part in sport as is his custom.

Before closing, we take this opportunity of wishing all the blessings of the Divine Child at this time of peace and goodwill and to wish those who are leaving to join the ranks of those in the great outside all the best of success.

LEAVING.

We were jolted out of our holiday mood on our arrival at College for the commencement of the third term. We were greeted with the shocking news that the October tests were to be held almost immediately. This was bad news. The holiday hangover was still much to the fore and we were plunged into the frenzied preparation for the October tests, a full dress rehearsal for the final examinations. But, to our credit, it must be said, we bravely settled down to pull our full load, and soon found ourselves working as if we had been at it for weeks.

Bravely we faced the difficult task of answering the searching papers that the examiners so obligingly set for us. From these efforts it gradually emerged that J. Leatham was the Dux for 1946, with V. Crennan a close second, and J. Scott and J. Bourke a few marks away third. To each of these we offer our heartiest congratulations on a great effort. J. Walsh, the Dux of Christian Doctrine, and K. Mogg, the winner of the special prize are worthy of our highest congratulations. To those who did not manage to secure any of the major placings we also offer the best of good wishes for truly great efforts.

To relieve the monotony and provide the relaxation so necessary for keen students, our time out of school hours has been brightened by athletics and tennis. Heartiest congratulations to W. Delany on his sprints which gained first place for him in the hundred yards in the B.P.S. and Melbourne sports. Congratulations are also due to J. Bourke, E. O'Donohue, U. Caneva, J. Ballinger and R. McArthur on their inclusion in the athletics team.

We also have a number fighting for a place in the tennis four. Amongst the keenest we might mention E. Hoy, K. Mogg, J. Kelly, M. Lorkin, and R. McAllister as those showing most promise.

Recently some of our number tore themselves away from Ballarat to pay a short visit to Melbourne, where, amongst other things, they saw the Englishmen in action against Victoria. They brought back glowing accounts of Hutton's prowess and dismal forecasts of scores reaching the five hundred mark.

K. Mogg recently had a look at Bernborough, the dream horse. Did he know something, or was it pure chance that led him to pick the last race he was to finish in?

G. Wise and D. Durant have a renewed zest for footrunning. They found the first plunge the hardest. T. O'Keefe and W. Melican were an almost unbeaten combination in the carry-your-chum race. B. Conway has started a long term training as a cat burglar; he now wears slippers.

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T. Bazeley is to be congratulated on his sense of timing. He is now back to study after having a spell in hospital; an attack of illness which coincided with the tests was the cause. However, we are all pleased to see him again now that he has recovered his health and spirits. W. Delany is sometimes confused. In fact, he recently confused the French and Physics period. A slip of the memory. F. Kenna and U. Caneva are still judging their runs with a remarkable accuracy. P. Sheldon believes in a quiet life. His motto: "Do Not Disturb."

Time and space at our disposal are limited, but before closing, we take this opportunity of wishing all our readers the grace and blessings of the Christmas season.

INTER "A" CLASS NOTES.

Since we last went to press, the Dux of the class has been decided. We tender our hearty congratulations to Donald Gray, a popular and brilliant student who gained the coveted honour. Others, in order, who filled the next places and who deserve our congratulations are Peter Conway, Jim Cusack, Des Slattery, Brendan Hurley, John Meeny, Frank Kenealy and Peter Chapman. The rest of us are looking forward to the December exams. with good prospects and hope to cause surprises when the final results are posted.

The Christian Doctrine prizes were keenly contested and many very good papers were submitted. First place went to Peter Chapman, and the Father Shelley prize for the best all round paper was won by Brian Credlin. Congratulations to both.

Leaders in the different subjects in the October tests were: Don Gray, English Expression, Mathematics A, Mathematics B, and equal first in Arithmetic with Jim Flaherty; Bert Groening, History and General Science; Peter Barbeta, English Literature; Des Slattery, Latin; Kevin Pullbrook, French; and Noel Loughnan, Geography.

So much for our scholastic achievements. Now for other news. Our class was well represented in the Combined Sports. John Pitcher was our star performer and he did well in the Hurdles, High Jump and Broad Jump. Frank Drum won the High Jump under 16 in Ballarat, and was equal first in Melbourne. Dan Arundell was fourth in 100 yards under 16. B. Kavenagh came fifth in the Hurdles under 16, and Wally Pedler helped to win the Open Relay.

Before the end of the year those who are likely to make the crews for the 1947 inter-School Rowing will be decided. At present we have the following who are well in the running: Peter Barbeta, Frank Drum, Frank Hallam, Noel Loughnan, Bernie Lourey, John McSteen, Murray Morris, Wally Pedler, John Pitcher and Pat Roache.

John Brady was our only representative in the tennis, and reports show that he did well.

During the month of October we all participated in the Living Rosary in honour of our Blessed Mother, and, during this month of November, we are doing our best to help the holy souls in Purgatory.

Before signing off, we would like to take this opportunity of thanking our Masters for their untiring efforts on our behalf during the year and to wish all our readers a very Happy and Holy Christmas.

INTERMEDIATE "B"

Congratulations to Jim Shaw who is Dux of Inter B for 1946. Jim has worked well all the year and certainly deserves the honours he has won. John Sharry is also to be congratulated on his attaining second place in the class. In his case, too, earnest study has been well rewarded. Third and fourth places were secured by Daryl George and Peter Davey respectively.

Visitors to our class room may have been surprised to see Jim Ward reclining

in Oriental fashion at his desk. He has not been taking it lying down, but is recovering from a fractured leg.

The "gazing rustics ranged around" were astonished frequently during the term by Leo Collier's explanations of the meaning of words. Maybe we should call him "Webster."

Inter B representatives in the recent inter-School sports were M. Brandenburg, R. Tatchell, J. Shaw, H. Dullard and R. McVilly. We have also representatives in the First Four in the person of Ray Tatchell.

Dick Lenaghan revealed secrets of modern methods of water storage at a recent maths. period. As far as we can gather, they appear to be standing the dams on edge at Tourello.

Daryl George, like John Silver's famous parrot, seems to have a weakness for pieces of eight. Mal Hayes can't understand why Virgil couldn't use the King's English and save a lot of trouble all round.

Frank Clancy is an enthusiast for tennis of the indoor and outdoor varieties.

Late study has struck us hard and long and many find it necessary to snatch forty winks at slack periods during the day.

Jack Clancy denies reports that his absence from school some weeks ago was for the purpose of having his face lifted. His face is looking no worse after being treated as a painter's palette.

We have quite a few in the Cadets, and on Tuesdays the tramp of martial feet may be heard mingled with the manly squeals. Those of us who are in uniform strongly object to be called "swooners."

Rod Price, in a laudable effort to preserve ink supplies, is endeavouring to discover a process by which ink absorbed into blotting paper, may be relinquished and returned to the bottle.

Kevin Sharry, besides growing at an alarming rate may be seen performing a variety of breathtaking turns on bars horizontal, vertical and parallel.

Kevin Dowsley's size and strength led him to victory in the College Mile Handicap on Sports' Day.

And now we must leave you and make our final preparations for the great ordeal ahead. We wish the reader every success in the final exams. and a very pleasant holiday thereafter.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE.

At the beginning of the term we temporarily lost nine of our best students to the Scholarship Class. By the time these notes appear, they will be back with us again and we will be more confident in accepting some of the end of the year challenges that are already coming in.

The term has been a strenuous one for all. Outside of school our energies were diverted to the athletics. Our representatives in the Combined Sports team were Brian Morris, Keith Jubb, Wally Cook and Dom Pangrazio. Wally Cook was the Under 15 Champion and defied all opposition, both in Ballarat and Melbourne. Keith Jubb proved that the dry conditions up north have not affected his staying qualities and will return to Balranald with the Under 16 Cup in his bag.

The Boxing Tournament was a great success, and John Dwyer did his share to make it so. His bout with Maurice Maloney was one of the best for the night and he worthily upheld the reputation of the Dwyer family, and Spargo Creek generally.

Back at school this term, after a long illness, is Peter Kenny. Peter soon got back to the pencil and paper life and it wasn't long before he was showing some of the older hands the way to study.

During the term the recruits for the Cadet Corp showed a good increase in the class. One of our original recruits, John Dalton, has been promoted to Lance-Corporal and is preparing for higher rank next year. Leo. Donnelly's glowing account of the Army tea brew probably induced some of the recruits to shoulder a gun.

SECOND YEAR.

This is the Second Year sending in the final notes on the famous (or is it infamous?) Second Year.

The Christian Doctrine winner or the Dux is not known, but V. A. Strangio, B. King and G. Hackwill are hot favourites.

Western District boys are always attacking the Wimmera supporters. V. A. Strangio and J. Walsh, supported by G. Schaefer and D. O'Connor, put up such good arguments for this so-called "dry spot" that many boys are going to move to this "Land of Milk and Honey."

V. S. Strangio is an M.A. now. Other members of this "club" are J. Mulcahy, G. Hackwill and G. Sheales.

Small and very light is K. Ryan, who jumped his own height in the Under 15 High Jump. Boxing is one of his sports.

The boy with the bass voice is A. McGoldrick—a member of the scholarship class.

A welcome is extended to B. Nunn, a brand new boarder from Skipton. Did anybody say that Brian cannot walk fast?

Geoff. Hayes is a collector—diamonds () to pebbles are sought after. Gavan Hackwill has allowed his photographic hobby to be supplanted by music. He passed his Grade IV. exam. recently. Congratulations!

Serious in every way, dark horse in sporting events, industrious in school, and a member of scholarship—A pen picture of F. Godfrey.

The golden head of J. Meeny may be seen at St. Patrick's on any Saturday night. J. Gallagher is also a regular attendant.

Although Rochester and Lockington appear on few maps, J. Cahill has made their fame resound in our room.

Our sympathies are extended to B. Cavanagh, Melbourne, who had to undergo a very serious operation recently. Let us hope he will be with us again next year.

In the recent sports, B. King surprised the other under 14 runners by winning the sprint events. He has placed Hawksdale on the map.

Chairs, desks, etc. have expert attention now, for G. Schaefer is an experienced carpenter. G. Durant and T. Candelin (a member of horizontal bar squad, or monkey club) give very valuable assistance. We have a few desks left!

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Strike! Strike! This is L. McCarthy and G. Hishon's war cry. Reason—no trains, no school.

B. Miller spent a section of his recent week-end outside of an office. People should leave a "not at home" notice on their doors. Brian started to reduce in a drastic way recently, but it was not voluntarily.

Where does I. Bradford go on J. Grogan's bike. The answer should be posted to Second Year room as soon as possible. John spent a little of the last vacation on the Bradford farm.

Modelling is a hobby of W. Robinson and G. Haley. G. Haley is engaged on the construction of a model motor car—engine and all.

J. Kelly is assisted in his studies by P. Guiliano now, but the combination may soon be broken. Both are promising students and athletes.

Our small boy, Ben, found the school life a little strenuous recently, so he vacated to the Infirmary. John Jess is another of our big, but unassuming, pupils. R. O'Connor and he have formed a strong combination.

Brian Perkins, a very good student, must find his out-of-school life very dull now, for during the football season he was in great demand by the Y.C.W. and School.

John Elliott argued with a fence recently. The fence must have had a victory, for John left his school companion, Kevin Doyle, for some days. He now things it easier to go over or around, rather than through, a fence.

We were expecting something good from G. Dooley at the Sports, but he let us down. T. Smith could have given Geoff some height in the high jump. Tom surprised us by his effort on St. Roch's.

G. Smith, who goes to School of Mines for wool-classing is our wool expert. T. Cook is our leading Cadet of Second Year, although he collapsed at Feast of Christ the King, due to the weather of course.

Second Year made a name at our own Sports. V. Williams equalled the Under 15 High Jump record, N. Jubb won Under 15 cup, N. Rowe was victorious in two sprint events. All did their best even if they gained less prominence. Congratulations to all.

John Ward and J. Lorkins should train with more care, for they were defeated at tennis recently. Both show promise, but more energy is necessary.

There must be a "magnet" at St. John of God's, for J. M. is unable to pass the hospital.

It is reported that Basil Rice pays visits to the handball courts, but the times cannot be recorded. You will find he is preparing for the approaching competitions.

G. Sweeney is the local boy from the East. B. Ethridge accompanies him to the College. Both are members of the choir, but a few impromptu numbers are given at dinner hour on certain days.

K. Hogan found the sports a little too strenuous, with the result that Thursday found his classroom seat empty. A. Jackson was there, but we are hoping that the serious hobby of hen-raising is not too arduous.

Berriwillock, in the Mallee, is supported by B. Morris. This town is found on any very large map. F. Conroy knows where the lake is situated, for he had a wet reception there recently. Elaine is another town often mentioned in official circles, and Dartmoor is uttered under one's breath. A. Ryan comes from Elaine, and J. Donohue sings the praises of Dartmoor.

On behalf of the class, the remaining members—R. McAardle, A. Westblade, P. Cantwell, D. Jeffreys—wish every reader a Holy and Happy Christmas and a very prosperous (in every sense) New Year.

FIRST YEAR.

The December exams. are fast approaching and all are working hard to make sure of securing a good pass. Even John Whykes has given evidence of enthusiasm, and there is no holding Pat Carr, John O'Donnell and Kevin Grundell.

Tom Byrne has a lot to say about many things, but unfortunately his remarks are not always appreciated. But if you really want a lot of information about nothing in particular, just apply to Ted Rosser. Some say that Ted's statements do not bear as much weight as those of Gerald Torney/or Vincent Carey.

William Kemp, the Hercules of the class, is looking very worried these days. Perhaps the job of looking after Kevin Rowe is proving too much, or perhaps he is taking the studies too seriously!

John Simpson has joined the ranks of the "M.A.'s". After his sojourn in hospital he is doing well at his school work.

Don Fraser's thin, haggard look shows how earnestly he is working. Three very rowdy members of the class this term were Ray Devine, Gerald Ridsdale and Thomas Laffey. These boys should do well in the exams. Gerald Keogh also makes things fly when he is on the move.

The Kennedy brothers hope to startle everyone with their results. Ask Dan why he likes drill so much.

Jeff. Zilles becomes very keen about his music lesson, especially when Latin period arrives.

It is a great pity there is no walking race in the sports, as we are sure we have someone who could win easily. Anyone who practises as constantly as Noel Laylor would be sure of first place.

Speaking about sport, we would like to congratulate Kevin Rowe and Noel O'Sullivan who came first and third respectively in the Ballarat Public Schools' Sports. Kevin represented the College at the Melbourne Combined Sports and came third in his race.

During the long week-end which we had for the Combined Sports, many of us had a pleasant time in Melbourne and elsewhere. Stan Plummer had a far away look in his eyes for days after, and Don Grant seems to have had a hectic time.

Did you see how John Gleeson attempted to overcome one of the obstacles in the Obstacle Race at the College Sports? We recommend more gentle methods, John.

Peter Tardrew, Colin Chapman, Peter Vaughan, and Bill McCubbin are some of the stalwarts of the class.

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Murray Podbury and Kevin Hanily are leading quiet lives these days—perhaps. Rumour hath it that Frank Nolan has done very well in the October examinations.

Finally, we would like to place on record how sorry we were to lose Br. McCarthy, and we wish him the best at St. Kilda.

SIXTH GRADE.

During the term Carl Hickey joined us and did not take long to adapt himself to our ways. We wish him many happy years at S.P.C.

Congratulations to Pat Flanagan, who is Dux of the class, and to Peter Hackwill, who was a close second. These boys are very good workers and deserved their success.

We wonder how Pat Flanagan would get on if he did not have Paul Russo to advise him, or how would Brendan Davey fare without the assistance of Victor Leslie.

Barry McGennis is very subdued lately. Perhaps it is due to those severe looks of Raymond Carey.

Our information bureau is still being run by John Carroll. The distances travelled by John on his bicycle are really astounding.

Two mighty men of the class, Frank Elliott and John Dorney, terrify all by their ferocious looks.

If you ever want to know how to spell a word, don't ask Joe.

Des Nunn tries very hard to escape awkward situations with a benign smile. Les Plummer tried this method also, but was not quite a success.

Although Ray Foster has been with us for part of the year only, he is certainly making up for lost time.

Barry Brown has shown us that he is well able to protect himself when it comes to boxing.

We are pleased to report that Terry Maher is leading a quiet life.

At the recent B.P.S. Sports, Peter Hackwill and Malcolm Baird won the Under 11 and Under 12 sprints, and Brian Hetherington came second in the Under 13 High Jump. You see we did more than our share towards winning the sports.

JUNIORS.

Well, 1946 is nearing its end, so for the last time this year we greet you through the pages of the Chronicle.

We arrived back from the September holidays to find Brother Young waiting to examine us. Though it was a bit of a shock on our first day back in school, we managed to remember some of the many things we had forgotten during the holidays, and with trembling hands and trembling voice we gave the required answers and so convinced Brother that we had worked hard during the previous two terms.

Father Shelley paid us a visit also, to examine us in Christian Doctrine. Fortunately, there were no heresies put forward, and once again we did well.

Our Mission Fund closed with a grand total of £18/17/6. This is the largest amount we have ever had, so we are very pleased with our effort this year and hope that next year's effort by the Juniors will be as good. Francis Welch, Robert Hutchison, Ron Quilkey, Peter Hayes, Gavan Rice and Philip O'Reilly were our best "Missioners," but every boy in the room gave in something.

During the term a library was started. With the help of donations, and the penny charge for changing books, we had enough money to buy nearly a

hundred books. Every one of us in the room has joined the library and we enjoy very much the adventures of Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn, Robinson Crusoe, Pinocchio and the other ninety-six heroes in our list.

We have been informed that Peter Hayes, Leo Stevens, Graeme Bradford and Ron Quilkey passed their music exams.

At the Sports on Wednesday, 6th November, we were very successful. Norman Harris spread-eagled the field in the Open 880 Handicap, and just lasted long enough to win. 'Tis said that he ran round the oval four or five times before the sports to get into trim. He carried a penalty in the mile as a result, and after looking the winner a furlong from home he was downed by some of the top weights and finished seventh. However, he was too good for the opposition in the 75 yards Championship Under 10. Warren Mills upheld the reputation of Finley, N.S.W., by winning the 100 yards Handicap Under 11; Gerald Ladiges was second, and Darrell Grace third. Michael Walsh won the 75 yards Handicap, Under 11; Earl Dorney was second, and Kevin Carey third. Graeme Bradford was second in the Under 12 Handicap. Robert Hutchison was second in the Under 10 Championship, Francis Welch was third, Michael Walsh fourth, and Bill Klein fifth.

Here are the results of the Second Term tests:—

Grade 5: P. O'Reilly, 1st; J. Madden, 2nd; R. Matheson, 3rd; B. McGregor, 4th; F. Welch, 5th.

Grade 4: R. Hutchison, 1st; M. Walsh, 2nd; W. Mills, 3rd; B. Carey, 4th; V. Brandenburg, 5th.

Grade 3: B. Thomson, 1st; R. Whitefield, 2nd; M. Hayden, 3rd.

Grade 2: E. Dorney, 1st; J. Burke, 2nd.

We extend a welcome to Kevin Carey, Michael Fulkner, Tom Lanigan and Norman Harris, who joined us this term. May their stay at St. Pat's be a happy one.

Christmas Greetings to all from the Juniors.

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THE BANQUET NIGHT.

On Tuesday, the 27th of August, St. Pat's was in the throes of confusion, accentuated by the fact that this increased activity was due in large part to the preparations of going to camp by a group of 60 cadets. It was the terminal break-up day. That evening would be our banquet night, and the following morning would see some of us speeding homewards, while others would go to Watsonia.

When we gathered together in the dining room, many of us were in khaki, a colour which contrasted strangely with the dark blue suits worn by the remainder of the College.

At the Chairman's table were Fr. Fiscalini, Rev. Bros. Healy and O'Malley, Mr. Barbeta, father of Peter Barbeta, Brian Kelly, Maurice Moloney, and Brendan Scally.

The first speech was by Michael Grogan, a toast to the Hierarchy and Clergy, which is here reproduced in full:—"Rev. Bro. Chairman, Rev. Father, Rev. Brothers, Gentlemen, and fellow students, I consider it an honour to be called upon to-night to propose the toast to the Hierarchy and Clergy. During the course of toasts made on previous occasions, we have heard of the great work done by our priests, especially those who are connected in some way to the College. We would do well to follow the example set by these men, for our association with them will do us much good. If we try to adopt the ideals that are set down before us, then we will be in a much better position, not so much for the attaining of great success in this life, which is only a secondary aim, but for the salvation of our souls, our main purpose in life.

"In this respect we are fortunate, for we have living with us at the College two priests, both of whom are models for Catholic youth. I refer to Fr. Fiscalini, our resident Chaplain, and Fr. Shelley, the Diocesan Inspector. A resident Chaplain is in a position to do a great amount of good, for, by mixing with the boys, he comes to know them and thus take a greater interest in them. Fr. Fiscalini, in addition to his outside duties, is always available to discuss problems and give advice. We must thank him also for his interests in various societies here at the College. As Spiritual Director, he ensures that their aims are not forgotten.

We must not omit the Bishop, who is a true friend of the College. We know that anything done by him in our regard is in the interests of our spiritual and temporal welfare.

"Finally, our thanks, but in no way the least measure of our thanks, must go to the priests who came up from the Cathedral every Friday night to hear our confessions. This is no easy task, and they are to be thanked sincerely for their untiring efforts."

The toast was then accepted by Father Fiscalini who thanked Mr. Grogan, then added some words of encouragement for the next term's work. When he concluded, James Lannen proposed the toast of the Footballers of 1946.

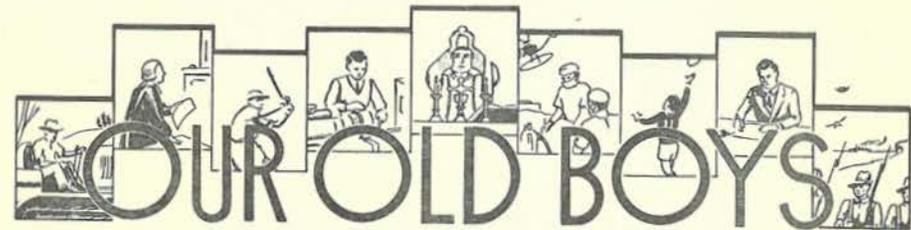
In reply to Mr. Lannen's toast, Brian Kelly, captain of the 1st XVIII. and Head Prefect, rose and thanked him for his kind words. He wished to express his gratitude to Bro. O'Malley for his untiring work for the team; to Mr. Morrissey who was, unfortunately, missing through illness, and to Fr. Fiscalini for the interest he took in the team. With a word of thanks to the sports officials, and again to Mr. Lannen for his remarks about the team, Mr. Kelly closed his speech.

Mr. Tobin then delivered his toast to Matron and Staff.

On his conclusion, Bro. Healy, on behalf of Matron and Staff, thanked him for his kind words, and then asked Mr. Barbeta for a few words. Mr. Barbeta thanked the Chairman for the honour of being present at a S.P.C. banquet. He was sorry, he said, that he himself was not an old boy of the College, but was proud of having sent his sons to St. Pat's.

Then, to the sound of the war cry, the second banquet of 1946 was concluded, and we went to the hall for the screening of "Higher and Higher."

—Giuliano Hreglich.



This was the first year for thirteen years that the roll call was without a member of the Long family, of Knowsley. Seven sons attended St. Pat's and all of them reflected the greatest credit on their home and school. Jack Bill and Des. are busy on the farm and with the mills. Bernie is out of the Air Force and is now back at his old job in the Public Service. Ted is kept busy with his work in the Y.C.W. and recently announced his engagement to Miss Noreen O'Connell, of Northcote. (Congratulations, Ted). Reg. and Brian were the last of the family to finish at St. Pat's. At the beginning of this year Reg. entered the Training College, at Strathfield, to be a Christian Brother, and Brian went to Corpus Christi to study for the Priesthood. We wish them perseverance and every blessing in their holy vocations.

Ned Kennedy, of Barnedown, has announced his engagement to Miss Marie Long. Ned was a boarder at St. Pat's for some years, and Marie is the only sister of the seven Long brothers. Congratulations to both.

Heartiest congratulations to Tony Fry on his recent wedding in St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney. His old school-mate, Mark Whitty, of many years at St. Pat's was groomsman. The following account of the marriage appeared in the Sydney Catholic Weekly:—"A wedding of interest to North Queenslanders was that of Stella, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. E. Capra, late of Cairns, to Anthony Arthur, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Fry, of Toorak, Melbourne, which was celebrated before Nuptial Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, recently. The bride was attended by her sister Mena, and the groom by Mr. Mark Whitty. The happy couple left by plane for Hobart, where the honeymoon was spent. The bride and groom cherish among their presents a statue of the Sacred Heart, the gift of His Grace Archbishop Duhig.

It was grand to meet Mr. Gerald Coffey at the Ballarat Combined Sports. Mr. Coffey loves his Alma Mater and never fails, when the occasion offers, to associate with the present boys. He won the 440 for St. Pat's on the City Oval fifty-two years ago.

Mr. Jae Nunan visited the College on the day before the Ballarat Combined. He addressed the boys and urged that some athlete should try to break his record of 63 points for highest individual score.

Old boys seen at the B.P.S. Sports were Ossie Shaw, whose son Jim represented St. Pat's in the Under 15 section; Lawson Muir, Tom Greening, Gerald Coffey, Rudolph Hager, Maurice Kavenagh, whose son Brian competed in the Under 16 section, Alf Kavenagh, Bert Gregory (Pyramid Hill), Morrie Calnin, Peter Hyland, Lloyd Woodford, Des Podger, John McArthur, Tom McLean, Bill Doyle, Des Delahenty, Leo Stevens, Ted Long, Dan Lawson, Bill Lawson, Brian Scally, Basil Hayden, A "Mac" Fraser, Frank Fiscalini, Frank McLoughlin, John Mason, Jack Eckel, Joe Delaney, Mick Melican, Brian Murray, Jack Davis, Jim McMahon and Harry Elliott.

We were delighted to see Paul Grano's name among Australia's Catholic writers. Paul was a student here in bygone days.

Congratulations to Ted Dwyer, who was married in Melbourne recently. Ted was here in 1921.

We heard a few days ago that Dan Lenaghan, Dux of S.P.C. in 1943, and brother of John, Les and Dick, did very well in his 3rd Year Medical course. Heartiest congratulations, Dan.

Mr. Leo Little wrote for a copy of the Chronicle. We are glad to know our pages contain matter of interest to such remarkable old boys.

Tom Colgan rendered great assistance to the athletic team in Melbourne. His support and enthusiasm are as keen as ever.

John Harris is teaching in the country, and paid a visit during the term.

David Fitzgerald is working at Lysaght's, in Newcastle, N.S.W., after four years a prisoner of war in Germany.

Father G. Fitzgerald is Parish Priest of Westbury, Tasmania. He served as part time Chaplain during the war.

Kevin Cusack is now living in Gippsland and is on the staff of the Commonwealth Bank at Sale.

Jack Carroll, one of the champion hurdlers in 1937, is now living at Newport with his wife and son and is still in the Air Force, after five years of war service.

The four Roache brothers—Jack Dan, Patrick and William—are now farming in the Colac district.

Mr. Ted Credlin, formerly of Charlton, has transferred to Albert Park. His eldest son, Jack, also an old boy, is in the State Savings Bank at Nagambie, and the family is still represented at St. Pat's by Brian, who is sitting for his intermediate.

Hughie and John Drum are kept busy on their farm at Banyena. Their sister Kath recently became engaged to Frank Delahunty, of Murtoa, who was at St. Pat's for a number of years.

Two generations of Delahunty's have passed through St. Pat's. Frank and Rhody are on the land, and Laurie is in the Bank at Queenscliff. Their father and uncle still take a keen interest in St. Pat's activities.

Tim McCarthy paid a visit a few weeks ago. He finished his dentistry course this year and is starting a practice at Warracknabeal.

Laurie and Stan Khyat are well known and well liked in Stawell. Both were discharged from the Army last year and have resumed business in the Railway Hotel, just opposite the Stawell athletic ground.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Frank Ryan, of Kerang, on the loss of his father, who died some weeks ago.

Deepest sympathy also to Tony and Peter Hyland on the loss of their father, Mr. Peter Hyland, of Camperdown, an old boy of S.P.C. May his soul rest in peace.

Old boys will be pleased to hear that Austin Howard, who finished at St. Pat's in 1917, is now station master at Westmere.

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Dr. Jack Little is now doing research work in Sydney.

Dan Ryan, of Mt. Scobie, Kyabram, is school teaching in the Terang district.

Joe Dooley, late of the 2nd A.I.F., has a dental practice at Mildura.

Tony Gurry, who has recently been discharged from the R.A.A.F., is an agent for Dennys Lascelles Ltd. at Portland.

Gerald Sheales is kept busy on the land at West Wyalong, N.S.W. He was at St. Pat's 1920 and 1927 and is now represented at his Alma Mater by his son Garry.

Maurice and Kevin Rushford were here a few weeks ago. Kevin is married, has a son, and is a veterinary surgeon. Maurice has two or three business interests in Werribee which keep him busy.

Hearty congratulations to Lloyd Woodford on the latest addition to his family—a son. Hope he takes after his father and becomes one of St. Pat's outstanding athletes.

Maurice Sheahan still keeps a look-out for promising athletes for St. Pat's. He is still teaching at Berriwillock and during the season was secretary of the Tyrell Football League.

Kevin and Maurice O'Connor have each a shop business in Horsham. Mick is on the farm at Pimpinio.

Old boys of thirty years ago should remember Carl Recke who is still stationed at Fiji. On a recent holiday to these parts he took the opportunity of seeing through his Alma Mater.

Tom Kelly (1913-1916) is now the licensee of the Victoria Hotel Pyramid Hill.

Bert Gregory is doing well in his business at Pyramid Hill. His son Frank who, like his father, was a brilliant athlete at St. Pat's, works in the Taxation offices in Melbourne. The family is again represented at S.P.C. by John.

Ossie Shaw (1908-1914) is now working at the recently built Albert Park Barracks, near his home at South Melbourne. Many a time he carried St. Pat's colours to victory in the field of sport. His son Jim represented S.P.C. for the first time and is sure to follow in his father's footsteps.

Fred Webster is back at the State Savings Bank in Ballarat. His home is quite close to his old school.

Jack Connell, who finishes his finals in Medicine in March, is kept busy these times, but did not fail to see his old team compete in the athletics. His cousin, Brian Kelly, was a member of the winning Open Relay Team.

Hearty congratulations to Eddie Frith, of Bullarto, on his engagement to Miss Frances Maher, of Ballarat.

John McCarthy was in Ballarat one week-end recently and helped the rowing for 1947 by stroking for some of our "budding" crews who are taking up rowing for the first time.

We were all pleased to see the Cranage brothers, of Edenhope, when they called recently. They never fail to visit when they are passing through Ballarat.

Pat Mullins, of Maryborough, looks well and fit and was a member of the Y.C.W. team that visited Ballarat late in the football season.

Three old boys who keep closely associated are John Mooney, Jim Rodgers and Ned Hogan. They called when passing through to spend a day at Jim's place some weeks ago.

Jack Hill and Ken Aldenhoven are old boys who are doing well in Melbourne cricket. We are looking forward to seeing Jack playing against the English team in Ballarat next February.

Bernie Clohesy is working at MacLeod's, Ballarat, and visits the College often to spend some time with his brother who is on the staff at Ballarat East.

Eddie Williams still takes a keen interest in all S.P.C. activities and never fails to call when in Ballarat. His brother is in charge of our branch school at Drummond Street.

Heartiest congratulations to Tom Hyland and Ray Harman, who were married recently. Best wishes to both.

No old boy is keener to help in reviving the Old Boys' Association than Noel Flanagan, who was one of our outstanding students. With the lead given by Pat O'Neill and J. J. Carroll and the assistance of Noel, great things are expected for 1947.

Don Spring recently left for America, where he will further his dental studies. Old Boys of 1917, 1918 will be pleased to know that Fr. Tom Morrissey, C.S.S.R., is recuperating. Fr. Morrissey had a very serious illness. He was more than six months in the Mater Hospital, Brisbane, after a complete collapse. He is a big man with a big heart, and his earnestness and enthusiasm in his missionary labours weakened his health. A loyal old boy, Fr. Morrissey has the good wishes of Brothers and boys. It was grand to meet Father at the College recently. His interest is perennial.

Major Les. Coleman (1931-1936) visited St. Pat's last Sunday for the first time since he left school, ten years ago. Four of his old class-mates happened to come along the same afternoon. They were Br. Gerry Curry, C.S.S.R., Dr. Frank Hetherington, Matt Rea and Harry Elliott. It was quite a re-union. They were shown over the College and noted keenly all the improvements in the grounds, additions, showers, etc. since their day. They all took a keen interest in the handball finals that were played during the afternoon.

RADIO CLUB.

Although meetings were irregular during the third term because of sporting fixtures and study, the continuity of subjects for study was not broken, and the syllabus for the year was thus satisfactorily completed.

It is to be regretted that membership suffered a decline during the second term, but the quality was thus considerably improved, and the present standard leaves little to be desired. "Sparks" hopes that the numbers of the Radio Club who are also in the Cadet Corps will make themselves available for instructional use in the newly-formed Cadet Signals Section. Among the promising members of the Club at present, J. Rando, V. Di Nuzzo, D. Slattery and A. Byrne are the most outstanding. The course covered now has embraced the principles of the T.R.F., Super Nitrocyne, Constructional features, Design features, Cathode Ray Oscilloscope, R.F. Power Generation and Amplification, and Directional Antennas.

As the Club has now weathered its first year in the College, it looks to 1947 with a degree of optimistic anticipation. New members are expected, and a progressive plan of more difficult studies for second-year students has been arranged.

"Sparks" wishes to thank all members who remained with the club throughout the year, and to congratulate them on the high standard which they have attained. A Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year are his wishes for the vacation period, and, of course, successful "DX-ing."

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BR. JOHN FRANCIS KENNY. R.I.P.

For many weeks prior to our third term break, Br. Kenny had been ill and had been confined to his bed. Though his death, on Saturday, August 31st, was sudden it was not unexpected. Both the Brothers and the boys received the news complacently, though sadly, for they knew that death was but the beginning of a better life in company with Him Who promised to be his reward exceeding great.

For Br. Kenny, too, death had no fears. He had served His master loyally and well and he did not fear the rigorous account that would be required of him. He knew he was near death. He told the Brothers so. He wanted no privileges. He had no likes or dislikes. He wanted all to go on, in much the same way as usual. His medical adviser visited him as usual and reported that his condition was much the same and that there was no immediate danger of death. Hardly had the doctor left the sick Brother's room than Matron found him gasping for breath. She called the Chaplain—Rev. Fr. Fiscalini—and the Brothers, and in a few minutes the dear old man had breathed his last. Soon the news of his death had gone abroad and many messages of sympathy were received by the Brothers from ex-pupils in every walk of life. His Lordship, Dr. O'Collins, who held Br. Kenny in very high esteem, was one of the first sympathisers. He presided at the Requiem Mass and at the obsequies and, later, at the funeral services in the Cemetery.

His Lordship knew Mother Brigid of the Presentation Order, who is Superioress of a Convent in the Geraldton Diocese, and a sister of Br. Kenny. To Mother Brigid, His Lordship sent the following message:

"Deepest sympathy and congratulations on the death of your saintly Brother."

Indeed, these were the feelings of all who knew him. Heaven was enriched by the death of this kindly, generous, devoted Christian Brother.

One of the Brothers who had lived with Br. Kenny for many years writes of his saintly confrere:—

"If it be true, that a man influences others immeasurably more by what he is, than by what he says and does, who will adequately estimate the force and spiritual effect of the life and example of Br. Kenny on the numerous pupils with whom he came in contact during nigh sixty years spent generously in promoting the Kingdom of Christ in the hearts of Australian youth? To begin, he was one to whom the invisible was a greater reality than the things of sense. His realization of the Supernatural was not so much faith as vision. Nor was such, a blind reasoning credulity. Anyone who had carefully studied his "Fortifying Youth" will appreciate the granite-rock foundation on which his faith was built. Like St. Thomas he was prepared to weather every shock by a solid wall of well-reasoned-out argument inspired by faith—and his sincerity was transparent in his unwavering adherence to his ideals—ideals which were the loftiest and most delicately sensitive that can be imagined. Hence the ease with which he could spend long periods in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Suggest a spiritual or philosophic theme and he was at once interested and interesting. But this need not be done sub-umbra, for his profound and sincere humility shunned anything that savoured of display. This was why he might appear to some at times dull and lacking in conversational powers. His very gaucheries were made humorous blinds to shield his modesty and humility.

"Errors, like straws, upon the surface flow
He who would seek for pearls must dive below."

He had always been a serious and thoughtful student. His mind was Catholic and penetrating. His interest in life unbounded; even after a long life of study and contemplation there was nothing blase about him. He clung tenaciously to life, for life to him was romance. People marvelled that he could spend the whole vacation alone in the laboratory. But I verily believe, he had not a dull moment. He once told me—in an unguarded moment—that he could find poetry even in a stone.

Sermons in stones—and books in the running brooks
And good in everything.

For nearly thirty years he had concentrated on Science—Chemistry and Physics; but few knew that previously he taught the whole curriculum in Goulburn, Ballarat and elsewhere. He was a perfect master of English, and when the occasion required, could write and speak in terse, telling and beautiful style. Latin and French he knew well, and had been, before he threw in his lot with the Congregation of Christian Brothers, a foreign correspondent to the Freeman's Journal. He had an intense love of Ireland, and deep and appreciative interest in her tears and smiles. But above all he was an ardent—almost bigotted—Catholic and measured everything in relation to the Church and her teaching. He was a sound moralist, with nothing of the obscuritist in his nature. And fundamentally he was a broad-minded, tolerant, and kindly soul. He may have had his blind spots—who hasn't? but now that the curtain has been withdrawn, I am sure that he will revel enthusiastically in all things beautiful, good and true in the vision that knows no ending.

May the earth lie lightly on the remains of John Francis Kenny, and may his soul rest in peace.

JOTTINGS.

St. Patrick's College congratulates Dr. K. Dorney on the recent conferring of his D.S.O.

An account of Fr. F. Martin's visit and his address to the seniors will be found elsewhere in this Chronicle. We wish Fr. Martin health, happiness and success on his South African mission.

Delighted to see Paul Grano's name among Australia's leading Catholic writers. Paul is a student of bygone days.

Brian Kelly, Michael Grogan (both Medicine), J. Lannen and J. Robinson (both Engineering) are not happy at the thoughts of Mildura next year. G. Hreglich is pleased that the Commerce Course can be studied in Melbourne.

Residents of Ballarat were alarmed recently at the parade of our Cadets. Whisperings suggested World War III. They were marching down to Mr. Thornton's studio for annual photos.

Speaking of cadets, reminds us to thank Lt. A. G. Groening for the success of the Camp held at Watsonia during the September vacation. That our Corps did so well is due in large measure to Lt. Groening; we all thank him.

Recent rains have done much good to the new grass on the ovals. The cricket pitch is completely grassed and another shower or two would be welcome for the ovals.

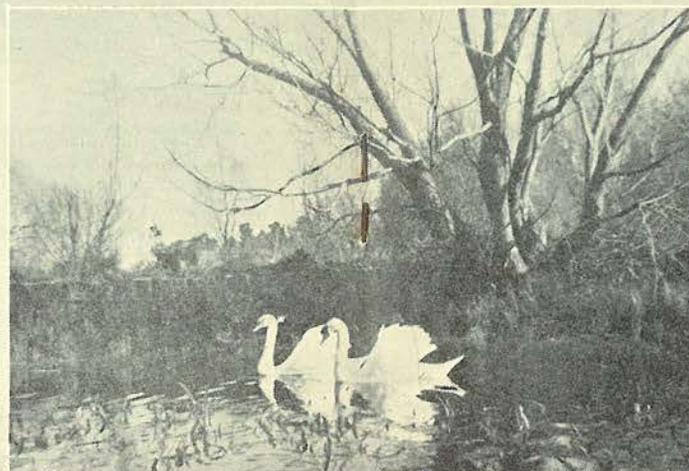
It is rumoured that there will be more than forty in the Matric. class next year. We are wondering what class room will be used by the 1947 class.

Great enthusiasm has been aroused by the announcement of a College Regatta on Sunday, December 8th. Given a fine morning we are sure the regatta will be a great success.

Fr. T. Morrissey, C.S.S.R., has recovered from his serious illness. He is an enthusiastic old boy of S.P.C. and urges the formation of a branch of the Old Boys' Union in Sydney and Brisbane. The Editor agrees with Fr. Morrissey.



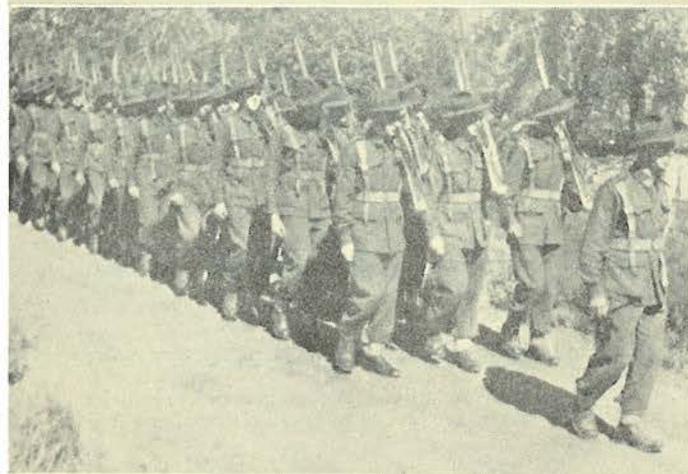
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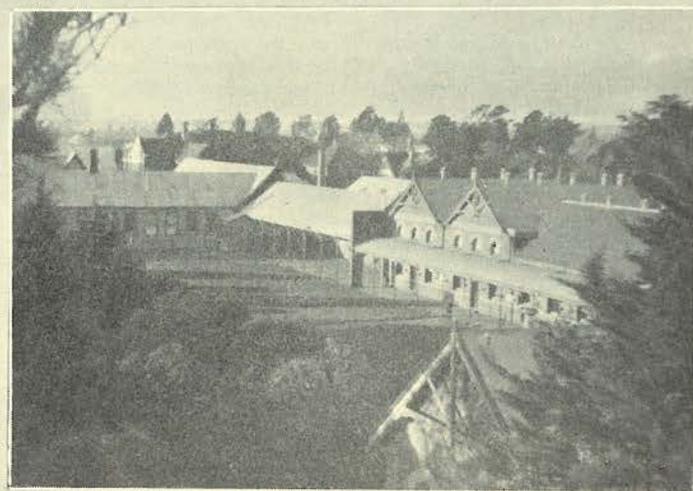


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"EN ROUTE" B. Malady

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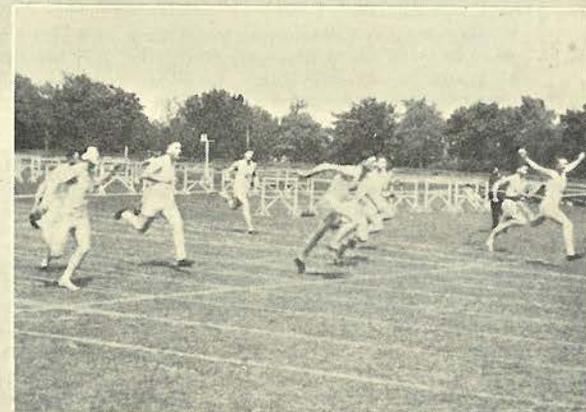
"THROUGH the TREES" G. Guilfoyle



"COMRADES in ARMS" J. Groutsch



"GILL" B. Malady



"CAMERA FINISH" B. Malady

DICTATION.

Grade I.—1st prize, Perc. Worsnop; 2nd prize, Jim Groutsch; 4th place, Brian Malady; 5th place, Giuliano Hreglich.

Grade II.—1st prize, John Scott; 2nd prize, Bill Davey; 4th place, George Hamm; 5th place, Geoff. Guilfoyle and Vincent Di Nuzzo; Honorable Mention, Bill Delaney, John Ware, Ken Butler.

READING.

Grade I.—Honorable Mention, Jim Groutsch.

Grade II.—1st prize, Geoff. Guilfoyle; 2nd prize, John Scott; 4th place, John Ballinger; Honorable Mention, Vincent Di Nuzzo.

CONVERSATION.

Grade I.—1st prize, Bernie Irvin; Honorable Mention, Brian Malady.

Once again, on Tuesday, 19th November, several members of the Alliance Francaise came from Melbourne to hold a Distribution of Prizes in the Hall at Clarendon P.L.C. With them came the Victorian Consul for France, and Professor Chisholm of the Melbourne University. The Minister for France, M. Pierre Auge, was to have come to present the prizes and to address the audience, but he was delayed in Canberra, and did not get to Melbourne in time to come with the party. However, the Consul presented the prizes very efficiently, ably seconded by Madame Gay, President of the Alliance Francaise. The first and second prize winners received nicely got-up and interesting books in French—French editions, too—as well as certificates. All the others received certificates.

After the Distribution of Prizes, the first prize winners in each of the four grades for Poetry Recitation, recited their particular set poem. John Scott, the prize winner in Grade II., recited "Le Cor" in splendid style. This was followed by a most interesting and eloquent address by Professor Chisholm. He spoke first in English and, after a while, broke into French, and it was evident that his youthful audience could follow what he had to say.

Finally, five members of the Alliance Francaise presented a short one-act comedy by Eugene Labiche, entitled "La Cigale Chez les Fourmis." At the outset, the actors promised to be slow and deliberate, but, as the play progressed, they entered, with typical French enthusiasm, into the spirit of the piece, and the audience had to rely more on the very expressive actions than on the spoken word for their understanding of the play.

Shortly after 10 p.m., a very instructive and entertaining evening was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

THE CADET ACTIVITIES.

Since we are now approaching the end of a very successful cadet year, some dates in our diary of events afford interesting memoirs.

April, Tuesday, 9th.—The first discussion on the proposed formation of a Corps.

April, Tuesday, 30th.—Fall-in. With this opening command, the first parade of the 1946 S.P.C. Cadets was begun.

After this there followed two more weeks of drill and lecturing before the end of the first term.

May, Friday, 17th.—Five of our cadets—J. Robinson, M. Grogan, H. Nolan, B. McCormack and G. Holmes—went to the A.M.F. camp at Puckapunyal where a school for potential N.C.O.'s was being conducted by senior instructors from L. of C. headquarters.

June, Tuesday, 11th.—For the first time this year we now had our own N.C.O.'s. These were Sergeants Robinson, Grogan, Holmes and Nolan, and Corporal McCormack.

July, Tuesday, 23rd.—Up to this time we had been handicapped by the

fact that we had to drill in "mufti"; now, newly acquired uniforms were worn and the standard of work was greatly improved.

The parades for the second term consisted for the most part in elementary foot and rifle drill. Our supplies were rather small and, as yet, our Q.M. store contained only rifles and spare uniforms.

August 28th to September 7th.—During these ten days, sixty-eight cadets from our detachment, together with cadets from other Melbourne and country corps, were given further teaching in the rudiments of Army life. This period of training at Watsonia was most enjoyable and was made more pleasing when our highly esteemed and much respected C.S.M., A. Groening, was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant.

After returning to school for the third term, we were soon able to notice a marked difference between the work of the boys who attended the camp and of those who were not able to attend. Consequently it was necessary to have the platoons reformed and numbered in order of experience.

October, Tuesday, 8th.—So that the task of the too few N.C.O.'s might be lessened, sixteen cadets, whose work at camp and throughout the year had been most exemplary, received the rank of Lance-Corporal. These were R. McAllister, R. Groutsch, J. Groutsch, W. Butler, R. Kenealy, G. Gibson, K. Tobin, J. Todd, G. Hamm, W. Delany, E. O'Donohue, W. Guiliano, J. Dalton, M. Harty, M. Brandenburg and J. Sharry.

November 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th.—On these days, No. 3 and No. 4 platoons went out to the Canadian open range. Here each cadet fired thirty rounds—ten Grouping, ten Application, and ten Rapid Fire. Some very good scores were obtained, the highest of which was L-Cpl. J. Groutsch's 97, out of a possible 125.

Our Cadet Corps has only been formed for a year and we have been handicapped by the lack of seasoned instructors and by lack of supplies, yet it is our proud boast that we have a detachment which is at least the equal of any of its seniors. From the one hundred and twenty boys who enrolled, we have now one Lieutenant, one Staff Sergeant, four Sergeants, one Corporal, and sixteen Lance Corporals. Our Q.M. store is now well equipped, and its neatness received due approbation from Major Umphelby on his recent tour of inspection.

During our Christmas holidays there will be three camps. The first one is for potential officers, and is from the 4th to the 29th January. The second, for potential N.C.O.'s, is from the 4th to the 17th, and the third from 17th to the 29th, is to be a refresher camp for N.C.O.'s. We wish the boys who are to attend these every success and hope that they will gain high marks in their individual courses.

—Gordon A. Holmes.

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OUR FIRST CAMP.

The annual cadet camp held at Watsonia in August was the first camp attended by our cadets since their re-institution as an organization at the College. Those who decided to attend the camp and gamble on the consequences—for very few had previously attended such a camp—did not regret their decision. They found the life, although very strange at first, on the whole very satisfactory, and all expressed the desire to attend any future camps.

The St. Pat's detachment marched into Watsonia on Wednesday, 28th August at about 4 p.m. We travelled by rail from Ballarat that morning, and on our first appearance created a favourable impression. The Commanding Officer, who welcomed us on arrival, was favourably impressed by the high standard of drill we had attained during the few short weeks of our existence as a Cadet Detachment. The remainder of that afternoon was spent in collecting our necessary equipment at the C.Q.M.S. and in settling down for the night.

This equipment consisted of bedding gear—a palliasse and four blankets. No pillow was issued, for this was left to the ingenuity of each cadet. We were also issued with a "giggle" suit and gear, namely two tin plates, a pannikin, a fork, a knife and a spoon.

The first two days were spent in revising and perfecting what had previously been taught at College. However, once the quality of this elementary drill had reached the required standard, subjects of a much more advanced and interesting nature were taught. Due to the able instructing of Lieutenant Richards, Cdt. Lieut. Duff, and W.O.2 Trowell—our senior instructors—we soon made rapid progress in our work.

The Army authorities made our syllabus as interesting as possible. This was a rather difficult task, for, being first year cadets, we had to be confined to a course of elementary training which did not admit of the more advanced and more interesting night operations as mock-battles. However, the syllabus for the Annual Camp in 1947 will be of a much wider range and the majority of the boys, who will then be second year cadets, will be able to engage in these more advanced exercises.

The periods during the day were not too numerous, nor were they long, and they were so arranged as to prevent the possibility of our becoming bored and disinterested. The last period ended at 1615 hours, and from then until "lights out" at 2200 hours, we were free. This free time was very welcome and it tended to give the life at camp the atmosphere of a holiday.

On Sunday, 1st September, S.P.C., Ballarat, together with C.B.C., North Melbourne, and Xavier College, under the command of Major Slaveski, assembled as a battalion which marched to the Red Shield hut, where Mass was celebrated by Fr. Van Pruyen, S.J. Following the dismissal at the battalion parade ground after Mass, we were free for the remainder of the day.

Wednesday, 6th September, was acclaimed by all as the best day of the camp. On this day we went down to the miniature rifle range where we put into practice much of the theory we had recently been taught. This was our first shoot, and for most of us, the first time we had fired a .303. In view of these facts the results of the shoot were very satisfactory. On the following morning W.O.2 Trowell and our instructor N.C.O.'s gave a demonstration of the correct firing of the Austen, Bren, and the rifle.

During the Camp each cadet did his utmost to reflect credit on his College. Through their willingness to learn and their explicit attention and obedience to their instructors the boys placed the St. Pat's Detachment on a high and firm foundation. Many features of the Camp appealed to us and, like most cadets, we owe much to our officer, Lieut. Bert Groening. To him must go most of the credit for the success of the Camp. Bert is a College student of more mature years, who has served in the second World War. He went to no end of trouble to make us efficient and good cadets. He is thorough in all that he does. Bert's great service and devotion to us was recognized by the Army authorities,

and consequently he was raised from the rank of C.S.M. to that of Lieutenant. We gladly approved of this promotion and endeavoured to show our agreement by presenting Bert with a Sam Browne and peak cap, which Major Umphelby ceremoniously presented on Tuesday, 3rd of September.

—T. Butler.

THE BALLARAT PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

It was not until 1911 that the Ballarat Public Schools combined to form a group which competed for honours in each of the various spheres of sport. Before that time scratch contests in football, cricket and athletics were held, but nobody worried much who won. In those days there were only three contestants, namely S.P.C., Ballarat College, and Church of England Grammar School; not until 1944 was a fourth school, High School, admitted to this Association.

Though football was perhaps the most keenly contested sport, the annual athletic meeting was a keen rival for pride of place. Until the year 1925, S.P.C. had been undefeated in athletics, but that year, and the next, C.E.G.S. proved too strong. However, we have been defeated only four times since then, and the result is that St. Pat's is looked upon, in Ballarat at least, as the home of athletics.

When we returned from our September break this year, we were faced with five weeks of strenuous training for the Ballarat Public Schools' Sports. Most people think only of the feats of the athletes on the actual day of the sports. They do not consider the many hours spent in preparation and the hard work that training entails. Though we knew that Ballarat College were weak, we thought that a keen struggle would take place between the other teams.

As the majority of our last year's champions were not with us, our prospects did not look too bright. However, after a few nights of training we were convinced that we had a champion team in the making, particularly in the junior section. Owing to the levelling of our ovals we were obliged to train on the City Oval. Our last year's coach, Mr. E. Sheehan, was not available this year so that the training fell to the capable hands of Br. O'Malley.

The day of the sports dawned very discouragingly. The sky was overcast and mist was falling. However, by noon our prayers had been answered, and we moved down to the City Oval full of hope. Our hopes had not been misplaced. From the first even, in which W. Delany easily won the 100 yards Open Championship, we were never threatened. Wins by W. Cook, M. Baird and B. Caneva, and seconds by P. Hackwill, F. Monaghan and J. Pitcher, put us further ahead. Though, towards the end of the day we were not so successful, we had a lead of about fifty points, and another victory was in sight.

After the last event, the St. Pat's team, led by their most capable captain, B. Scally, marched on to the oval to receive the "Courier" Cup, which was presented by the Mayor, Cr. Pittard. We had added another victory to our already good record.

..... —J. M. Walsh.



The Forum

SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

Under the guidance of the Principal, Rev. Br. Healy, the Senior Literary and Debating Society has functioned most successfully throughout the year. Through the enthusiastic participation in debates and the delivery of speeches at the numerous functions held throughout the year, the members have gained increased confidence and ability in public speaking. The society's primary purpose has been to develop the oratorical and argumentative powers of the members, with the sole aim of laying the foundations for future development as public speakers. It is hoped that the relatively little experience gained through the society's activities may, in some way, help to produce the competent Catholic public speakers so urgently needed to defend the Faith.

The most significant indication of the success of this year's activities is the high standard of eloquence achieved in the preliminary heats and final of the Purton Oratory Prize Competition. This, the most important annual function of the literary year at St. Pat's, terminated the activities of the Senior Literary and Debating Society for 1946.

The nineteen entrants competed in three preliminary heats held on 19th, 22nd and 25th of August, respectively. From the first heat, the best three speakers, not two, as had been decided, were selected for the final, since the adjudicator was unable to separate two of the best speakers. Of the following, whose speeches were also listed, Mr. J. Todd (84 points), Mr. J. Lannen (83 points), and Mr. R. Podbury (83 points) were the successful competitors.

1. Mr. J. Todd: "Don Bosco—the Apostle of Youth."
2. Mr. B. Kelly: "Westinghouse—Master Inventor."
3. Mr. B. Irwin: "Irish Exiles in Australia."
4. Mr. J. Lannen: "The Potentialities of Northern Australia."
5. Mr. T. Butler: "Plastics."
6. Mr. J. Robinson: "Curare."
7. Mr. R. Podbury: "Jack Savage—Dam Builder Extraordinary."

From the following competitors in the second heat, Mr. R. Morgan (88 points) and Mr. J. Maginnity (86 points) were successful in reaching the final:—

1. Mr. R. Morgan: "Oratory and Leadership."
2. Mr. T. Tobin: "China's Cardinal."
3. Mr. R. Groutsch: "Marathons of the American Highways."
4. Mr. J. Groutsch: "Andrew Carnegie—Scottish Millionaire."
5. Mr. P. Worsnop: "The English Pope."
6. Mr. J. Maginnity: "The Church, Communism, and the So-Called Reformation."

In the third heat, Mr. P. Crudden (82 points) and Mr. B. Malady (79 points) were the successful finalists selected from the following competitors:—

1. Mr. P. Crudden: "Ernest Bevin—Practical Diplomat."
2. Mr. B. Malady: "Photography To-Day."
3. Mr. B. Scally: "Song of Bernadette."
4. Mr. M. Molony: "William Shakespeare, the Real Master."
5. Mr. G. Holmes: "St. Alphonsus."
6. Mr. G. Hreglich: "Louis Pasteur."

The final was held on Sunday, September 22nd, in the College Hall. Mr. J. O'Shea, who graciously acted as chairman, welcomed the visitors, among whom were Rev. Fr. Fiscalini, and Rev. Bro. Young, Christian Brothers' Examiner, and then the students of the College,

The seven finalists set a very high standard which the competition adjudicator, Mr. J. Lynch, highly commended. The selection of Mr. B. Malady (90 points), who defeated Mr. J. Todd by one point, met with unanimous approval. As Principal of the College and President of the Literary and Debating Society, Rev. Br. Healy, thanked the visitors for attending, and Mr. J. Lynch and Mr. J. O'Shea for officiating in the respective capacities of adjudicator and chairman. After Messrs. B. Malady and J. Todd had seconded Rev. Br. Healy's thanks, the motion was carried by acclamation. Following, then, suitable replies by Messrs. J. Lynch and J. O'Shea, and a few words from Rev. Fr. L. Fiscalini, who commended both adjudicator and speakers, the audience expressed its appreciation and congratulations with hearty applause.

The following are the speeches delivered by Mr. B. Malady and Mr. J. Todd in the final of the Purton Oratory Prize Competition. Following each are the adjudicator's remarks on each subject.

Mr. B. Malady—"Communism is Un-Australian."

"Communism violates all those things which we, as Australians, hold dear. It violates our freedom, opposes our ideals, transgresses our sacred traditions, and is wrecking our nation's unity and our Australian way of life. A realization of the barbarism, bloodshed, and suppression, on which Communism is based, should be brought home to all Australians so that they may more fully strive to save their country from this terrible enemy, which is using every available weapon to destroy our freedom and happiness.

"Too many people to-day are apt to regard Communism merely as a nuisance, and they refuse to see the terrible consequences which will follow in its wake. Others tend to regard it as a movement for the betterment of the poor and the underprivileged. If Communism were such a movement, it should surely be sought after as a pattern for perfect living. The trustworthiness of Communist promises has, however, already been exemplified by the suffering, diseased, and deported farmers of Iran, Kenya, South Africa, and much of Europe. These starved and oppressed people told no tales of totalitarian plenty, equality, and justice. The only results of dictatorship that they had seen were hunger, oppression, and death. Too late had they learned the value of the Utopian promises of dictatorship. Such were the terrors of their homelands that men would rather suffer and die in exile than return to live under the heel of the oppressor.

"Of course, many will argue that 'that could not happen here.' It can happen here, and it will happen anywhere that Communism is allowed to take root. Even now the seeds of disunion and confusion are spreading in Australia. Communists are using every effort to revile everyone and everything which differs ideologically from their own way of life. Already their scheming promises have attracted many ignorant and weak Australians into the betrayal of their God, their country, and their fellow-men.

"We often fail to appreciate the precious things of life. One of these precious things is freedom. Our Irish forefathers carried on a ceaseless struggle to obtain freedom for us, and all our ancestors have fought continually to preserve that freedom. During the war, Australian servicemen fought on every battlefield to guard their country against totalitarianism. As they fought, they had but one idea, namely the preservation of freedom and the Australian way of life. All these men fought that each and every Australian might have the freedom to live, to learn, to work, and to worship in the way his conscience taught. None of them liked the suffering and death of war, but all fought on courageously, trusting in God, and knowing that theirs was the one just cause. These men knew and understood what they were fighting for. They were sincere in everything they did, and many of them died that we might be saved from oppression. Surely we, for whom these men have given so much, will not allow the country to become a prey to an even worse form of totalitarianism than that which they fought. Are we going to surrender ourselves to a silent and cunning tyranny, while the battlefields are still wet with the blood of those who fought

against the oppression which came from without? When our open enemies attacked us, we pledged ourselves to guard against all who would threaten our future rights and freedoms. If we allow Communism to infiltrate into our way of life, we are breaking those pledges, and rendering vain the sufferings of all who fought and died for Australia's cause.

"The present constitution of Australia allows every man his full natural rights. No man is compelled to believe in, or to love God, but, no one is taught, as Communists are, to hate all things which are sacred, or to revile all who oppose him and to deprive all men of their natural rights. We are the beneficiaries of the many Australian soldiers who gave their lives that all men might be free, and we must never surrender our freedom. Although there are many faults in the government of this country, there is nothing wrong that Communism can cure.

It is not for me to cut a perfect pattern for Australian living; nor is it for me to seek out those "snakes in the grass" who would rob us of our precious heritage. But, I feel that it is my duty, as an Australian and a Christian, to express my firm conviction that no Australian can adopt the principles of Communism, without jeopardising the future security of his homeland. I feel that I should be avoiding my responsibility as an Australian if I joined those who privately speak about Communism, but neither act, nor speak publicly against this insidious enemy of our Australian way of life."

Adjudicator's Remarks.—Choice of subject good. Introduction excellent. A good stage presence. Used eyes well on audience. Speaking at a nice pace. Pausation and emphasis good. Very nice choice of language. Good matter well arranged. More light and shade would have improved your speech. Peroration quite good. A fluent speaker, convincing and sincere. A good effort.

Matter, 44; Manner, 46; Total, 90.

Mr. J. Todd—"Edmund Ignatius Rice: Founder of the Christian Brothers."

"In 1762, when Ireland was bleeding under the cruel yoke of the penal laws, Edmund Rice was born at Westcourt, in County Kilkenny. He was born at a time when Catholic services were forbidden, when priests were persecuted, and when authorized Catholic schools were non-existent. By denying Irish boys the education which was their right, the government sought to stamp out Catholicism; but they reckoned without the courage and determination of the Irish people. Under the government plan, boys, desirous of receiving education, were presented with two alternatives, both of which were distasteful. They could attend one of the Charter schools, strongholds of Protestantism, or they must roam the streets, ignorant and uncouth. The Irish people availed themselves of yet another opportunity to receive this forbidden education, however; many boys used attend hedge schools, schools conducted by brave Catholic teachers, in places which they considered safe from the prying eyes of government officials. In this way, Irish boys learned to read and write, they learned the sad but glorious history of their country, and above all, they learned the Truth of the Holy Faith. Edmund Rice received his education in a hedge school, and thus, it is easily seen from whence he obtained the inspiration and determination to better the lot of the youth of Ireland.

"At the age of seventeen he left Westcourt to work for an uncle, a wealthy merchant of Waterford. Being intelligent and industrious, he made rapid strides toward success, and, when his uncle died, he became the owner of a flourishing business.

"Now rich, Edmund Rice became known throughout the country for his Christ-like charity. One story, told of him, shows to what extent he possessed this great virtue. He had noticed a young black boy on one of the trading vessels in the harbour, and, by bargaining with the ship's captain, he became the boy's guardian. He had his young charge instructed in Catholic Doctrine, and so great was the faith and devotion of the young convert, that he was remarkable for his piety in that very pious community. His kind guardian continued to reap benefits on the young boy's head, and when he grew up, he

placed him in a small business. Thus, the future founder of the Christian Brothers made that boy's life happy and successful, and won his soul for God. Edmund Rice, while still a layman, had begun his apostolate for youth.

"Although he was rich, Edmund Rice was not happy. He led an exemplary life as a successful business man, but he realised that his true vocation lay in some other sphere. He prayed to God for light and his prayer was answered. It was while speaking with a friend on one occasion that they were interrupted by a troupe of young urchins romping past. His friend turned to him and said: "Mr. Rice, there is your vocation; do something for those boys." Edmund Rice accepted these words as though they had come from the lips of God. He was determined to sell his business, and likewise, he was determined to devote, not only the proceeds of the sale, but more important, himself, to the welfare of Irish youth.

It required little thought to enable him to decide that the greatest need of Irish Youth was to have Catholic schools. Acting on this decision, he rented a house, threw open its doors, and, with the aid of two hired teachers, commenced school. Boys eagerly attended his classes, and that humble scene, of the wealthy merchant seated amongst his ragged pupils, held promise of a splendid future. That man was to be the spiritual father of a long line of illustrious sons, who would carry his work and his name across the seas. Those ragged pupils were to be the staunch Catholic citizens of Ireland. That humble classroom was to be the forerunner of the magnificent colleges which would one day grace the largest cities of the world. In all, that tiny seed, so laboriously sown, was to grow into a mighty tree, covering the earth with its branches.

"As the members attending the classes continued to increase, another school was built, and it was about this time that other pious young men, attracted by his self-sacrificing labours, enlisted under his banners. Thus, on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1808, seven men made their religious profession and became the first Christian Brothers of Ireland. Each of these holy men took the name of a patron saint, and since the founder took St. Ignatius of Loyola as his patron, he was henceforth known as Edmund Ignatius Rice.

"For thirty years this holy man guided the destinies of his institute, and thus, when he lay dying in 1844, he held the consolation of knowing that his Christian Brotherhood had supplied the most pressing need of Irish Youth. Little did he realise that within a century it was to be firmly established, not only in his beloved valleys of Erin, but amid the factories of England, amid the skyscrapers of New York, on the rock of Gibraltar, in sunny Australia, on the slopes of the snow-clad Himalayas, and even in the throbbing heart of Rome.

"It has been truly said that what Daniel O'Connell was in the field of politics—a leader and liberator—Edmund Rice was in the field of education. He was the true apostle of the youth of Ireland, and through his sons, he has become the apostle of the youth of the nations. His institute has brought immense benefits to the church; it has brought countless souls to the feet of Christ. How glorious must be his reward, how exalted his place in Heaven!

Adjudicator's Remarks.—Choice of subject good. Introduction good. Pausation and emphasis good. Speaking at nice pace. Final consonants good. Be careful of your vowel sounds. Good matter very well arranged. Very nice choice of language. A sincere, earnest, and fluent speaker. Just a tendency to drop voice too low at times. A nice peroration. A little more light and shade would have made this a fine speech. Good work.

Matter, 45; Manner, 44; Total, 89.

Excerpts taken from the speeches of other competitors:—

"The Irish Catholic priests, persecuted here as in Ireland, preserved and planted the faith—with the result that the Catholic Church in Australia is one of the glories of Christendom, characterised in every feature of Irish fervour, devotion to the Holy See and indomitable courage."—Mr. B. Irvin, "Irish Exiles in Australia."

"Plastics suitable for the production of whole motor-car bodies are already in existence. They are much lighter than metal, equally strong, with a permanent polish requiring no other attention than soap and water. One of the great advantages might be that of freedom from squeaks. Bearings of plastics have been made which require no oil, a great advantage in places where access is difficult."—Mr. T. Butler, "Plastics."

"The Territory is said to be a country without a future, this being due to isolation from the developed South, sparsity of population, and lack of incentive to pioneer the area. Darwin itself—the Gateway to the East—is nought but an isolated settlement populated by Government officials, foreigners, and traders of the Northern coasts."—Mr. J. Lannen, "The Potentialities of Northern Australia."

"Jack Savage, the most eminent dam builder in the world, is a man of varied and remarkable achievements, for not only do three hundred million people enjoy the fruits of his brain, but many promising young students have been helped to complete their university training, for he says, one of the worst forms of waste is that talent should lie undeveloped and unutilised. Truly, John Lucien Savage is a great builder and a great human being."—Mr. R. Podbury, "Jack Savage—Dam Builder Extraordinary."

"America, exhibiting characteristic genius and initiative, has successfully used diesel oil as a fuel for her great overland transports. Let us hope that, what America has developed by, will help to solve the grave transport problems facing Australia and so many other countries to-day."—Mr. R. Groutsch, "Marathons of the American Highways."

"Lloyd George was a far more impassioned orator than Churchill, for, by the unerring appeal of his war speeches, he had a tremendous influence in bringing the final defeat to Germany. Churchill, however, was no less effective, since his bull-dog manner and determination, exhibited whilst making his war speeches, must not be overlooked."—Mr. R. Morgan, "Oratory and Leadership."

"Few realise that an Englishman had once been elected Pope. He was Nicholas Breakspere, born at St. Albans in 1100; he ruled from 1154 till his death in 1157. He bravely upheld the temporal and spiritual authority of the Papacy against Frederick Barbarossa, the powerful Emperor of Germany."—Mr. P. Worsnop, "The English Pope."

"In negotiation, he is a hard, almost relentless, antagonist. No suave diplomat can put anything over him. For the mixture of idealist and realist in him make for a cool assessment of facts. And, once convinced of the rightness of his stand, Bevin is the rock immovable."—Mr. P. Crudden, "Ernest Bevin, Practical Diplomat."

"Shakespeare left no legacy that his score of plays, existing only in manuscript, should be printed or in any way preserved, and he therefore took no means to correct any mistakes which might have been present. Explain as we may, this is the most astounding fact in the history of Literature."—Mr. M. Moloney, "William Shakespeare, the Real Master."

"Among the many great scientists of the nineteenth century, there are none more brilliant or more astounding than the 'Prince of Scientists,' Louis Pasteur. A man of extraordinary genius, Pasteur did everything in his power to alleviate the suffering of humanity, and though but poorly rewarded for a lifetime of labour, he is remembered to-day, fifty years after his death, by a grateful generation."—Mr. G. Hreglich, "Louis Pasteur."

"It was not until many years after his death that the world fully realised how completely rounded was the life of this generous Scottish millionaire. Alas! how few are they who, with equal and even greater means than Andrew Carnegie,

have been so generous in the distribution of their wealth."—Mr. J. Groutsch, "Andrew Carnegie, Scottish Millionaire."

"It is an unusual thing in these modern times to encounter a novel written with the sincere intention of uplifting humanity in depicting a series of wants and circumstances, which took place in a world of reality, the truth of which has been confirmed by friend and foe alike. Such a book is 'The Song of Bernadette'—the greatest epic of our time."—Mr. B. Scally, "Song of Bernadette."

"In offering to consecrate his life to God, he overcame tremendous trials and difficulties. When ordained, he showed remarkable zeal in pagan fields, and was elevated to the Episcopacy by Pope Pius XII. He lived through Japanese aggression, displaying then, as always, his coat of arms, 'Thy Kingdom Come.' This thought permeated his whole life."—Mr. T. Tobin, "China's Cardinal."

"The story shows Alphonsus quite capable of taking part in the games and amusements of his age; however, it shows him ready to sacrifice everything rather than go into the occasion of even a venial sin. Thus, early in life, he learned to have recourse from danger in prayer."—Mr. G. Holmes, "St. Alphonsus."

"The Jesuit Order, particularly, with consummate scholarship, re-educated Europe in the Faith. Darkness fled before the light. The human intellect is made to attain the Truth, and, despite the bias it received from the sin of our First Parents, it will in the ultimate reject error."—Mr. J. Maginnity, "The Church, Communism, and the So-Called Reformation."

"Such a crushing blow had certain marked effects on his life, for his outstanding ingenuity and vigor gave way to despair; he lost all interest in his inventions, neglected his companies, and in 1914, as a result of a severe cold, he developed heart trouble and died."—Mr. B. Kelly, "Westinghouse, Master Inventor."

Before closing this review, we would take this opportunity, on behalf of the members of the Senior Literary and Debating Society, of thanking Rev. Bro. Healy for his deeply-interested guidance and assistance to the members throughout the year. Thanks, also, must go to Messrs. B. Kelly, J. Robinson, G. Hreglich and J. Groutsch, who, as members of the committee, generously and earnestly performed the many duties. Finally, to all, whose assistance has helped to promote the success of the society's activities, we say "Thank You."

—R. Kenealy, Secretary.

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Film News

FILM NEWS.

The third term started off with a little excitement in the way of pictures. Boris Karloff showed his usual skill at making thrillers in "The Climax." When the woman he loved refused his proposal of marriage he murdered her.

Susanna Foster, a young singer, had a voice that was identical with that of the murdered woman. Boris, who, needless to say, was a fanatic, set out to remove her.

He was the theatre throat specialist, so that he had easy access to her. There were many thrilling moments while he endeavoured to remove his victim.

Like all such films, the villain came to a terrible and well-deserved end.

"Frontier Badmen" and "The Singing Cowboy" added a touch of Texas to our entertainment. The speed with which Robert Paige used draw his pistols absolutely amazed our junior bandits.

Leon Errol was up to form in "Slightly Terrific." He never seems to tire of imitating someone else and always to the amusement of the audience. In this particular instance he impersonated his twin brother who was, of course, a multi-millionaire. Needless to say there were many complications, but all turned out well in the end.

George Sanders and Tom Conway proved their outstanding detective abilities in "Action in Arabia" and "Night of Adventure" respectively. George Sanders successfully thwarted the plans of Nazi agents who were endeavouring to stir up trouble among the Arabs. Tom Conway, on the other hand, neatly extricated himself and another from a charge of murder and successfully revealed the guilty parties.

In "The Cross of Lorraine" we got another glimpse of German brutality and the hardships and dangers faced by prisoners of war.

The story centres about the fall of France and the surrender of a band of French soldiers. They are promised that they will be taken back to work on the French farms, but are instead taken to a German concentration camp. After several attempts to escape, and also several executions, they finally make good their escape back to France. There, led by Pierre Aumont and his fellow patriot, Gene Kelly, the inhabitants of one of the villages wipe out the Nazi overlords and soldiers and destroy their village before the enemy can return in force to capture it.

In "Kathleen," Shirley Temple played the part of a young girl who had lost her mother and was under the control of a cruel and overbearing guardian. However, she came under a much more pleasant lady in the person of Lorraine Day. After many vain attempts to show her father the worthless character of the woman he was to marry, she shows him the goodness of her new nurse who finally becomes her mother.

Donald O'Connor and Peggy Ryan give us their usual performance of thrills and spills in "This is the Life."

Henry and Dizzy were with us again in "Henry Aldrich Plays Cupid." As usual, Henry managed to get his father into all kinds of strife. The film was up to standard in entertaining value and lost none of its humour even though Dizzy didn't waggle his ears throughout the whole performance.

Pluto provided some very good laughs in "The Sleep-Walker," and Goofy in "How to Swim". Donald Duck has always been the constant friend and favourite actor among our little boys—and big ones, too! He played the leading role in "Paratrooper" and others throughout the term. We have had a good range of shorts throughout the term, the best, I think, being "With the Marines on Tarawa."

—R. Groutsch,

Needless to say, the first few weeks were replete with blisters, crabs, cramps and damaged riggers. Bro. O'Malley enlisted the help of Messrs. Donnelly and Blackie, coaches of the Thirds and Seconds respectively in 1944. They came twice a week, often taking real risks while guiding crews out. On one occasion, despite great agility displayed while taking out a novice crew, Mr. Blackie almost fell in, and it was observed that, for the remainder of the trip, he gave orders from a sitting position.

Over a month has gone by, and the select field has somewhat narrowed down. Injury has taken its toll, and some have been found too small, but all are still very keen, hoping to make one of the three crews. Some of the '47 prospects are Brian Malady, Reg Groutsch, Kevin Tobin, Bruce Hall and Brian McCormack.

The major difficulty, viz., keeping time, is not insurmountable now, and some semblance of style is at last apparent. Nor is the work monotonous. Formerly, no more than five or ten strokes could be tackled, and trips would only last 10 to 15 minutes. Lately, however, an adventurous crew, with a bold cox., remained out for about one hour, visiting Fairyland.

Despite setbacks and occasional failures, rowing continues at St. Pat's because we at last realise that the time has come for S.P.C. to win the boat race. It was last won in 1937, and after ten years victory is going to return to us, and remain here. If eagerness be any indication of success, as it surely must be, then 1947 will spell the beginning of a long series of victories on the Lake.

—Giuliano Hreglich.

TRAINING FOR THE SPORTS.

The Brothers and boys of the College, when the football had finished, began to think about the next sporting activity in which the Ballarat Public Schools would be contesting. This was the athletic meeting which was to be held in the middle of the third term. In addition, there were the Catholic Secondary Schools' sports to be held at the beginning of November. There was much speculating as to the capabilities of our team. However, nothing certain could be known until the training had well advanced.

Our ovals were not available for practice, and so the Ballarat City Oval was obtained for four days each week. Fortunately, this ground is situated only a little distance from the school, and so the athletes were not seriously handicapped by the fact that they had to journey to the arena.

Formerly, when training took place on our own oval, spectators gathered to watch the programme. Groups selected their champion, and good natured criticism and much encouragement kept spirits high. This year, on most nights, only those who were required were present. Of course, attendance increased on those evenings when trials were to be held.

The preliminary exercises are mostly jogs, which were insisted on for about two weeks and which most did not like. The lads were anxious to have sprints, but they had to be restrained. Gradually, however, the work was increased and varied in view of the events each intended to enter. Hence, the sprinters had starts out of the holes, or "breaks" as they are usually called, and striding over short distances. The distance runners did longer work. Difficulty was experienced in practising the starts. In Melbourne, starting blocks were to be used, while, in Ballarat, they were not allowed.

When training began, there were very many aspirants. But, as the various trials were held, many were eliminated and, finally, there was only a select band left. Those who were not included in it, took part in Brother McCarthy's sports, which were enjoyed by many.

Our coach in the past few years, Mr. Sheehan, could give his attention only in the initial stages of training. This unfortunate occurrence was a handicap which had to be overcome. Our sports master, Br. O'Malley, took charge. Usually, he concentrates solely on the relay teams, but this year he had to manage the whole team, with the exception of the weight-putters. These boys were coached by Mr. Crimmins. Another helper was Mr. Val. Stewart, to whom some of the boys owe very much for his assistance.

—F. A. Monaghan.