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## EDITORIAL

### OUR PART IN THE MASS.

The worship of God is the most fundamental act of existence. We are creatures and our first and most necessary act as a human being is to acknowledge our Creator. Acknowledging God means offering ourselves to Him, to be sustained, helped, guided and taught by Him. This offering of ourselves and all we have is called Sacrifice. When we offer things to God, as the Hebrews of old offered first fruits and animals, these things are but symbols of the personal offering of ourselves. The offering of ourselves to God is real worship and it is essential.

In the Mass our personal inward offering should be made by means of the external offering or sacrifice that is being performed on the Altar. Christ is there offering Himself for us, and we offer ourselves with Him. We are sharers in that offering and not mere spectators or hearers of it.

Participation in the Mass, therefore, means two things:

- i. An inward and real offering of ourselves;
- ii. Joining as a united body in the words, thoughts and actions of the priest offering the Sacrifice.

How may we join effectively in this Sacrifice?

- i. By a good intention; that is by setting out deliberately to associate our offering with the words and actions which make up the Mass
- ii. By using the Missal so that we can pray in the very words of the Church;
- iii. By learning the meaning and entering into the spirit of the feasts and seasons of the Church's year;
- iv. By answering the Dialogue Mass with reverence and attention, using every endeavour to say the words with precision and accuracy. All College boys do not enjoy the privilege of the Dialogue Mass and while we are grateful to His Lordship for this favour we must show by our earnestness and devotion that we are worthy of so great an honour.

## THE MONTH OF MAY.

O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

Our beautiful May altar in honour of our Blessed Mother has done much to keep alive our devotion to the Mother of God during the past weeks. Like other Catholic boys the world over we love and honour the Blessed Virgin each and every day of our lives. However, during the month of May we make a special effort to redouble our fervour to the Mother of God.

Following so closely on the season of Lent and the tragedy of Calvary May affords all true children of Mary, an opportunity to thank the Blessed Virgin for her part in our redemption. Without Mary there could have been no Jesus, no Saviour, no Life Everlasting. It was Mary's fiat that made this possible. This thought and that other, of the Redeemer's double bequeathal of His Mother to us as our Mother and of us to Mary as her children should be sufficient to evoke from us feelings of loving gratitude and of loyal service. The scene is touchingly and beautifully described for us in St. John, chapter 20:

"When Jesus therefore had seen His Mother and the disciple standing whom He loved, He saith to His Mother: Woman behold thy Son. After that He said to the disciple: Behold thy mother."

## THE MONTH OF JUNE.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus  
I place my trust in Thee.

When the month of June comes round, we will gather, God willing, at the feet of our grandest statue of the Sacred Heart and proclaim our love for and our gratitude to the Sacred Heart for the countless favours we have received. Let us not be half-hearted in this devotion. Let our Blessed Lord have no occasion to complain of our indifference or lack of devotion. Let us try to live in accordance with the sentiments of the hymns we chant at our shrine. Jesus will then be honoured by our praise of Him and He will be pleased with our efforts to become better. We could say no better prayers, during our visits, than the prayers contained in the hymns dedicated to the worship of the Sacred Heart.

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Heart that hast loved Thine own to the end,  
Heart of our King, Heart of our Lord,  
Be Thou for ever loved and adored.

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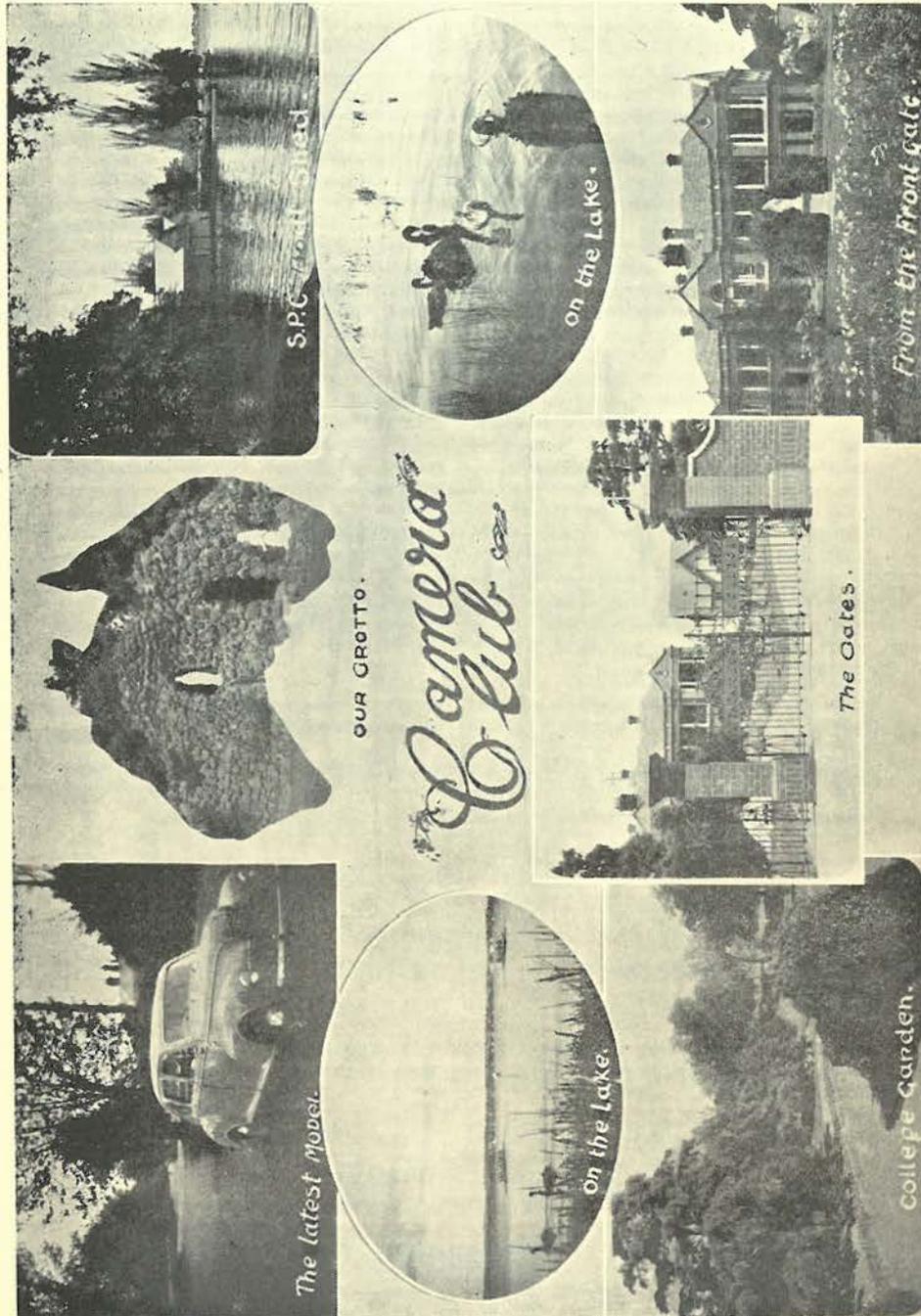
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*Mother of Perpetual Succour,  
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Mother of Christ, Mother of Christ  
What shall I ask of thee,  
I do not sigh for the wealth of earth  
For the joys that fade and flee.  
But Mother of Christ, Mother of Christ  
This I do ask to see,  
The bliss untold why thine arms enfold  
The Treasure upon thy knee.





## GREEN WHITE & BLUE PAGE

BRIAN HOGAN was elected Head Prefect of the College for 1949. Brian has taken a leading part in all College activities for the past two years and was captain of this year's First XI.

JOHN GREENING has been at the College as long as most of us can remember. He has already passed the Matriculation Examination and intends to enter the University next year to study Medicine, thus following in the footsteps of his father, a distinguished ex-pupil of St. Pat's. John was elected a Prefect this year and is one of the College Sacristans.

WALTER COOK is a day-boy who has seen many years at St. Pat's. He is now studying for his Leaving Certificate. As an athlete he shows great promise. He strokes our Second row and will probably find his place in the First XVIII. this year. Of late he has been seen at the wheel of a small car.

JOHN GREGORY hails from Pyramid Hill and entered the College four years ago. John has a quiet disposition which makes him a general favorite. He was a member of the First XI. and did good work, particularly in the field. He is in the Leaving Class and is an earnest student.

JOHN MULCAHY came to the College as a very small boy in 1943. He travels "all the way" from Casino in Northern New South Wales, thus outdistancing all other boarders. John fills the Stroke seat in the Third Crew and gives a good account of himself in the boxing ring.

KEITH JUBB comes from across the border and is very proud of his native Balranald. He is one of our best all-rounders in sport and a member of the First XI. and First XVIII. This year he is in the Leaving Class and he is studying hard.

BERNARD LOUREY of Terang has seen six years at S.P.C. and is now in the Matriculation Class. He was a member of last year's First Crew and as his age debars him from the same honour this year, he has been very valuable when required as a substitute. He has also taken on the training of our Fifth Crew which work he has done with very marked success.

BILL ROBINSON is a local boy who came here originally from Remark in South Australia. He won a Government Scholarship while at S.P.C. and is now in the Leaving Class. As one of the operators in the "box" he deserves the thanks of all who enjoy the weekly pictures.



*You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you*

It is many years since St. Pat's sent so many young men to the service of God on the one occasion. On Tuesday, 1st March, nine young men left home and family to heed the call of Our Divine Lord—"Come, follow Me."

At two o' clock we, the boys of S.P.C., assembled in the hall to pay our respects to these boys whom we had known so well and respected so much in 1948. Accompanied by the College Chaplain, Fr. Fiscalini, six of the boys came onto the stage to the accompaniment of loud applause. Shortly after their arrival it was announced that Most Rev. Dr. Stewart, Bishop of Bendigo, had come to visit his old friend, our Principal. He was forthwith invited to join in the farewell to the young students.

Br. Mogg, our new Principal, congratulated the six present and the three others who were absent. The six boys who were with us were: Kevin Mogg, of Melbourne; John Kelly, of Wangaratta; Henry Nolan, of Ballarat; John Taverner, of Horsham; Damien Heath, of Casterton; and Dan Arundell, of Terang. Ivan Auchettl, another Ballarat boy, also set out for Werribee, although he could not be present for the farewell, while Frank Ferrie had gone to Sydney to embark on his studies for the China Mission. However, that accounts for only eight of the nine. The last—but by no means the least—was Ambrose Byrne, of Nar Nar Goon. Ambrose had already left to commence his studies for the Jesuit order.

St. Patrick's College has already given over 200 priests to the service of God, but it is many years since so many boys left the portals of the College on the same day.

After Br. Mogg's congratulations and best greetings, Fr. Fiscalini expressed his good wishes to the boys. He was followed by Bishop Stewart, who congratulated the boys on their choice of vocation and wished them well. Unfortunately pressure of time prevented his giving us a longer talk, and soon it was time for the boys to leave so that they would arrive at Werribee to schedule.

A rousing war-cry and three cheers for the six young students left no doubts in their minds as to the feelings of good-will towards them held by the boys.

—J. GREENING.

#### HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

Under the enthusiastic guidance of Fr. Fiscalini, its Spiritual Director, the College Holy Name Society has functioned efficiently since the beginning of the school year, and the fervour shown by all members augurs well for the future.

About sixty members of the 1948 Society returned this year and these have been joined by twelve members from outside Societies, while thirty-six boys are on probation pending admission at a reception to be held on 8th May.

At the opening meeting, the 1949 executive took the oath of office. Those who were sworn in were: J. Bourke, K. Dowsley, C. Haintz, J. Greening, W. McCarthy, P. Conway and R. Caleo, who was elected to fill the vacancy created when D. Phillips did not return to school.

Thus far, two of the monthly meetings have been held, and the large numbers at Mass and Holy Communion, together with the regular attendance at the evening meeting and Benediction, suggest that the high standards attained in former years will be maintained in 1949.

—J. BOURKE.

#### SODALITY OF OUR LADY.

About twenty members of the 1948 Sodality returned to school following the Christmas vacation. Shortly after the resumption of activities, the five Councillors for 1949 were elected. Those upon whom this great honour was bestowed were: J. Bourke, R. Caleo, B. Hogan, W. McCarthy and K. Dowsley.

At the time the "Chronicle" goes to print, applications for entry into the Sodality are being received for a reception is to be held before the end of the term.

It is confidently hoped that members this year will maintain the high standard set by Sodalists in former years.

—J. BOURKE.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.

Under the guidance of Fr. Fiscalini, its Spiritual Director, the College St. Vincent de Paul Conference has been functioning efficiently since the beginning of the year.

Shortly after the resumption of activities, five new members were elected to assist the six brothers who had been members of the Society in 1948. Those found worthy of admission were B. Molony, B. Tobin, D. George, J. Greening and J. Shaw, while G. Dowling, a Society member at C.B.C. Essendon, was admitted in the middle of the term. L. Leneghan was appointed Vice-President to fill the vacancy created when J. Cooney did not return to school this year.

Weekly visits were made throughout the term to the Ballarat Base Hospital Nazareth House and the Queen Elizabeth Benevolent Home, where newspapers, magazines, tobacco, cigarettes and lollies were distributed among the inmates. Charitable works were also performed within the College itself; the College Infirmary being visited daily by Society members in order to distribute comforts among the sick ones.

A highlight in the term's activities was the visit paid one of our weekly Conference meetings by Bros. Godfrey and Rawlings, both members of senior Societies in Ballarat. We would like to take this opportunity to thank these men for the lively interest they have taken in our Conference and assure them that we will follow to the letter the intelligent advice which they so kindly gave us.

—J. BOURKE.

#### S.P.C. AT C.C.C.

St. Pat's must surely be proud of the grand number of its ex-pupils who are studying at Corpus Christi College, Werribee. Altogether they number twenty-nine, just one quarter of the total number of seminarians.

Here are the names of the twenty-nine: Rev. Tom McDonnell, Rev. John Kelly, Dan O'Brien, Chris Baker, Frank Hickey, Max Jongebloed, John Cross, Bill Walsh, Kevin Sweeney, Pat Farrell, Bill Dwyer, Jim Kierce, Bob Markey, Nick Stafford, Brian Long, Vic Crennan, Pat Cruden, John Barker, Frank Monaghan, Bill Melican, Brian McCormack. The seven remaining students commenced this year and they were given a warm welcome by the other S.P.C.ites. Those seven are Kevin Mogg, Damien Heath, John Taverner, Ivan Auchettl, Dan Arundell, Henry Nolan and John Kelly.

Rev. Tom McDonnell and Rev. John Kelly are now Deacons and will be ordained on 24th July.

Tom will be ordained for the Archdiocese of Hobart and John for the Diocese of Ballarat. Both are anxiously looking forward to the day when they will celebrate Holy Mass in the Chapel of their Alma Mater. Jim Kierce received Minor Orders on 19th March. Dan O'Brien and Chris Baker will be ordained Sub-Deacons next December. Chris is a member of the St. Columban's Missionary Society.

Greetings to "Chronicle" readers from Corpus Christi College!

#### ROME.

News from Rome reports well of our contingent. Fr. W. McCunnie has an eye to things and he and Des O'Hagan, Frank Little, John Moloney and Jim Groutsch are keeping well and are making very satisfactory progress at their studies. They still read with pleasure the "College Chronicle" and I'm sure readers of the Chronicle would appreciate matter from them which the Chronicle would gladly print. The following is taken from a recent letter from John Moloney:

"It was a grand thrill to arrive in Rome and almost the first thing we saw was the dome of St. Peter's rising up over the city. The College has a grand position up on the Janiculum overlooking the Piazza of St. Peter's, and it is also away from the noise of the city. This is a great advantage here; the other Colleges have much to complain about on this score.

"There are about thirty Australians here now, the number being augmented by the five who recently arrived. Jim Groutsch was among them and he looks very fit and happy after his trip, and well he might, since he seems to have had a marvellous time, particularly in Ireland with Fr. McCunnie.

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"Father McCunnie, of course, is in Rome, but he is up at the new College for post-graduates. There are about fifty Aussies in Rome now so we are looking round for a ground we might hire for a game of football. There is one near the College with Rugby posts up. We may have to take that. Soccer is the game played here and the Scotch are by far the best players. We were all pleased to know that St. Pat's won the Melbourne Combined Aths. Of course the football goes without saying. Give our congratulations to the boys and to Br. O'Malley. The other Colleges will soon give up in despair or they will poison Br. O'Malley off if he doesn't retire.

"Many of us quite frequently visit the Christian Brothers. They are very good to us. We have met Brs. Bourke and Ryan. They told us of their recent visit to St. Pat's.

"I suppose you heard of the big youth show they had here a few weeks ago. It was the most impressive sight I ever wish to see. There was a big gathering of youth from all over Italy, girls one week and boys the next. We were able to go in from the villa where we were on holidays. On the Saturday night, about five hundred thousand young men gathered in the Piazza in front of St. Peter's. A massive Altar was erected on the steps and a big number of cardinals and bishops attended. For an hour or so a number of speeches were delivered and then midnight Mass was celebrated. During this Mass all joined in the singing, holding lighted tapers in their hands."

[Thank you, John, for this very interesting letter. Persuade one of the others to write for the next issue in September.—EDITOR.]

#### HOLY YEAR.

Those of us who cannot take part in the Australian Pilgrimage to the Vatican City for the Holy Year should gain all the indulgences attached to the Holy Year and should join in prayer for its success.

#### PRAYER OF PIUS XII FOR HOLY YEAR.

##### *Official Translation*

Almighty and eternal God, with our whole soul we thank Thee for the great gift of the Holy Year.

Heavenly Father, Thou Who seest all things, Who searchest and dost guide the hearts of men, make them responsive, in this time of grace and salvation, to the voice of Thy Son.

May the Holy Year be for all men a year of purification and sanctification, of interior life and reparation, the year of the great return and of the great pardon.

Bestow on those suffering persecution for the Faith, the spirit of fortitude, to unite them inseparably with Christ and His Church.

Protect, O Lord, the Vicar of Thy Son on earth together with all bishops, priests, religious, and all the faithful. Vouchsafe that all, both priests and lay people, the young, the mature and the old intimately in thought and affection may become as a solid rock against which the fury of Thy enemies will lash in vain.

May Thy grace enkindle in all men love for the many unfortunate people, whom poverty and misery reduce to a condition of life unworthy of human beings.

Arouse in the hearts of those who call Thee "Father" a hunger and thirst for social justice and for fraternal charity in deeds and in truth.

"Grant, O Lord, peace in our days"—peace to souls, peace to families, peace to our country, peace among nations. May the rainbow of peace cover with the sweep of its serene light the Land, sanctified by the life and passion of Thy Divine Son.

God of all consolation! Deep is our misery, grave are our faults, countless our needs. But greater still is our trust in Thee. Conscious of our unworthiness, we lovingly place our lot in Thy hands, uniting our weak prayers to the intercession and the merits of the most glorious Virgin Mary and all the saints.

Grant to the sick, resignation and health; to young men, the strength that is born of faith; to young girls, the gift of purity; to fathers, prosperity and holiness for their families; to mothers, success in their mission of rearing their children; to orphans, affectionate protection; to the refugees and prisoners, their fatherland, and to all men Thy grace, in preparation and in pledge of the unending happiness of heaven. Amen.

PIUS, PP., XII.

Christmas, 1948.

FIRST COMMUNICANTS.

Five are making their First Holy Communion in the College Chapel on the Feast of the Solemnity of St. Joseph.

Rev. Br. Mogg, our new Principal, has promised a cup to each grade for the boy having the most wins to his credit in the final term. These positions are attained from weekly tests. A failure in any one subject disqualifies for that week.

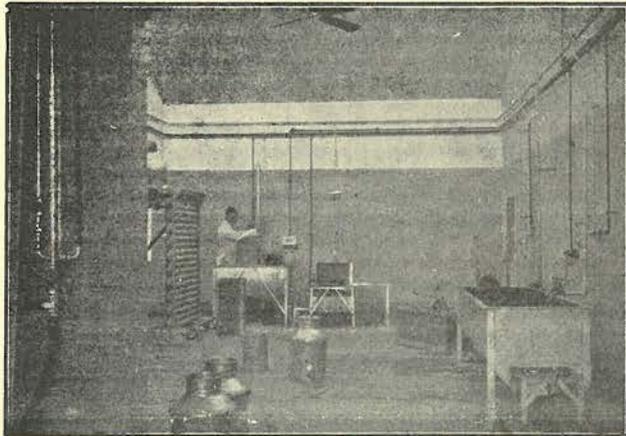
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AROUND THE ROOMS

MATRICULATION.

Greetings, dear writer!

No, it's not a misprint. You see, in all other issues of the Chronicle we have started off by saying hello to the reader. After much consultation we decided to relieve the monotony this time by letting the reader say hello to us. Now that that little formality is over, let us get down to business.

Business, I am told, consists in the various welcomes, congratulations, best wishes and the like which are usually found in notes such as these. Let us then first welcome the new boys. We have John Heffernan, from Hampton; Gerald Walsh, from St. Arnaud; Gerard Dowling, from Essendon; Clem Healey, from Warrnambool; Kevin Warren, from Geelong; and John Greening, from . . . . . now, wait a minute. How did "Doc" get in there. He's been with us for ten years, so he's no new boy. Please forgive me for making such a mistake, but if you only knew the difficulties under which I work . . . . .

Perhaps the most important event which took place in this first term was the election of the Prefects. The honour of Head Prefect was bestowed upon Brian Hogan. The other Prefects were: John Bourke, Dick Caleo, Peter Davey, Kevin Dowsley, Gale Gallagher, Daryl George, John Greening, Chris Haintz, Leo Lenaghan, Bill McCarthy and Jim Shaw. Congratulations are due to all of these.

We must not forget our Matric. representatives in the 1st XI. We congratulate Brian Hogan, Gale Gallagher and Jim Shaw for the part they played in the Senior Cricket Team.

And now the First Crew. John Bourke, Kevin Dowsley, Jim Hutton and Dick Caleo, the crew, are all from Matric. As we go to print, we will not venture to tell you who will win the Boat Race. Perhaps we will do that in the next issue. All we can do is wish the Crew the best of luck.

Well, the cricket season may be over, but it is certainly not forgotten. We learnt many things during this term which we will, no doubt, try out again next year. Noel Panettiere gave us a new slant on cricket. One afternoon as he was batting, our attention was drawn to the fact that his shirt-tail was flopping merrily in the breeze. We thought he was ignorant of the fact, but, to our surprise, when he came off the field, he remarked, "Well, that's one way to distract the bowler!"

It is noticeable that at the approach of 11 a.m. the Latin boys find new enthusiasm and plead to be allowed to remain in class over the ten-minute break. However, wisdom prevails and, with the proverb, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy today," ringing in their ears, they are usually forced out the door as the bell goes. Once, after his customary quoting of the proverb, the teacher was heard to remark, with a glance toward that arch-fiend, Bill Ley, "And it looks as though some of you have been working too hard."

Space is running out now so, if the reader will be kind enough to wish us a happy holiday, we will say good-bye until the next issue.

## LEAVING.

Welcome, readers! This is the 1949 Leaving Class bringing you the news for the First Term.

Our new boarders this year include Clive Kelly, from Portland; Brian and Terry Nunan, from Watchem; John Graham, from Melbourne; and Basil Sheahan, from Wycheproof.

Russell Gallagher, one of last year's boarders, is now amongst the ranks of the day-boys.

When it was announced that the Cadets were to be compulsory this year, much dissatisfaction was shown by some of the class. Those who were in Intermediate last year have had at least twelve months experience of the Cadets and seem pleased that the non-military section of our class have to endure them this year.

Our representatives in the First XI. this term included Jack Gregory, who became famous for his all-round figures; Jack Elliott, who made quite a stir in the first senior match; and Keith Jubb and John Ferguson, who proved to be capable all-rounders.

Again Leaving is represented admirably in the boat-shed by Walter Cook, John F. Martin, Bryan Brewer, Brian Nunan, Michael Molan, John Mulcahy, Bill Clements, John Dalton and Leo Donnelly. During the season these boys have been showing grand form and should help to bring glory again to St. Pat's in the rowing for 1949.

Our second year Leaving students this year include: Paul Sheahan, Cavan Bolger, Bill Gunther, Ray O'Shannessy, John Gregory, Herman Allen, Walter Cook, Leo Donnelly, Leo Griffin, Frank Duggan and Eddie Cotching, who returned after the Easter vacation.

The Sheahan brothers, Paul and Basil, from Wycheproof, have proved their worth in cricket this term, both having good averages in bowling and batting.

We now have two budding "Sinatras" in our class. They are John Martin and Brian Bourke, who fill the dining room with "melodious" sounds.

Douglas Morgan breaks records every morning getting to school on his bike.

Bill Clements has had a little difficulty in getting around with his bad leg, but one of these days it will get pulled and he will recover.

John Grogan has begun day-dreaming, but his partner, Bill Robinson, sees to it that they are nightmares—by the use of a ruler.

John Graham has spent a very interesting term at St. Pat's, after spending a while in hospital, and he now spend his leisure time milking cows. If you want to know anything about Physics' Experiments, just ask John. He is an expert at them.

Herman Allen, from a town in the famous Kelly gang country, called Euroa, is an absolute authority on broken limbs and such-forth.

Clive Kelly, one of our newcomers from Portland, has already gained repute as a talented speaker.

Kevin Drake was mortally wounded soon after the opening of the duck season.

Alf Treppo imagines himself a prefect already. The small children are supposed to have received lines from him. Imagine it!

Brian Nunn, our student from Skipton, took a holiday of about five weeks' duration during the term. He escaped school under the pretext of swollen glands. After ridding himself of this affliction he toured Victoria by car, and returned to school just in time to return home for the Easter vacation.

Most of the class are shrouded in mystery concerning Bill Gunther's cat, but he is not going to let the cat out of the bag and tell us all about

it. Bill now will rarely converse with Brothers as they pass him in the schoolroom or around the grounds.

Frank Duggan, one of the leaders of our class, seems to have got away to a good start this year. He should do better this year in the final examinations.

Leo Walsh is one of the committee of the Leaving Literary and Debating Society. He is an able member and a good student. Gavan Hackwill and Ray O'Shannessy are also on the committee.

Geoff Durant seems to enjoy weight-lifting and will demonstrate anytime you wish.

John Gregory seems to have better hearing than John Grogan. The former hails from the city of Pyramid Hill, North of Bendigo.

Peter Kennedy comes from Creswick each day. Peter believes in train strikes and you can guess why.

The First Term tests are well over and everyone is anxiously awaiting the final results.

—W. GUNTHER.

## INTERMEDIATE CLASS.

Greeting, readers, from Inter "A." This is our first effort for 1949. Although our studies have been interrupted this term by the Easter vacation, we soon settled down after this short break.

Previous to this vacation we had our second round of tests. This round resulted in Gilbert Medwell gaining first place Gaven Breen second, John Sheehan third, Kevin Cranz fourth, William Kemp, fifth and Terry O'Brien sixth.

We now wish to welcome the new boys who, although finding it hard to overcome their homesickness at the beginning of the year, have now settled down to hard study. They are John Dowling, Brian Maher, Adrian Rousseau, Tom O'Connor, Martin Kenny Pat Pekin, Mervyn Clohesy and last, but not least by any means, Kevin Anlezark.

During the term we had a number of representatives in the 1st XI. One was John Lorkin, the Vice-Captain, and others were Kevin Hogan, Martin Kenny and John James. In the rowing also we had a number of representatives. Vin Carey in the Fifts and Geoff Dooley in the Seconds and Bill Hancock is Cox of the Firsts. Now as the football season is up us, the cobwebs are being brushed of the "footy" togs.

Owing to sickness Bill Hancock has missed quite a lot of school; but we are sure he will catch up on his studies in the Second Term.

Our one representative from N.S.W. is Ian Bradford. He is a keen student and with Don Grant and Adrian Joyce did good work on the score board.

We have a few keen cyclists in our class, namely, John Simpson, Adrian Rousseau and Brian Miller.

Gilbert Medwell, Leslie McMahon and Peter Tardrew come to school each day by bus from Learmonth, Creswick and Pootilla, respectively.

The Western District is well represented by Pat Cantwell, Jack Glennen, Chris Ryan, Keith Spong, Bill O'Connell and Terry O'Brien.

Jeff Zilles likes to take his music practices but has been talked out of taking them during school hours.

Noel Woodford, John Gallagher and Gerald Ridsdale have missed a few days of school owing to ill-health, but they are now on the road to recovery.

Sacrificing their lunch-hour, Jim Murphy, Norman Rowe, Jim Murray, Don Fraser, John Morris and Tom Laffey kept the cricket pitch in good trim during the cricket season.

Adrian Joyce and John Kelly had quite a bit of luck on St. Patrick's Day. It was a financial time.

Stan Plummer and Noel O'Sullivan, once keen French students, have now taken up Geography to spend the time between 2 p.m. and 2.40 p.m.

Brian Gleeson Harry Gill and John McCarthy are well up with the heads of the class.

Pat Clinton, although quiet, is very sure of his work.

John Bowman does an excellent job in calling out the history notes.

Brian Frawley, all the way from Bungaree, is renowned for his "spud" talk.

Remarkable for his dislike of cold water is John Fitzpatrick.

It has been rumoured that our two friends, Frank Nolan and Geoff Torney, are intending to hitch-hike to Melbourne.

It is also apparent that John Ryan likes to lengthen out his vacations.

Now, readers, as we have mentioned all those in our class, we shall bid you good-bye until we meet once again in the next issue of the "Chronicle."

#### SUB-INTERMEDIATE A.

There are fifty stars in the Sub A firmament this year, some bright, some brilliant, some that barely twinkle and a few comets who appear with varying degrees of brightness from time to time.

At the top of the class came Brian Maher and Des Nunn, or Des Nunn and Brian Maher, depending on the day of the week, for like the consuls of old, they have agreed to hold supreme command on alternate days. Both are keen workers and fully deserve their place at the top of the class. Both wear spectacles, both sit together and work together and talk together and . . . etc., etc.

Next come Des O'Loughlin and Kevin Opie, two new stars of the first magnitude from Clifton Hill, who have settled down to boarding school life like veterans. Excellent workers and keen conversationalists, they delight in making life easy for their teacher who consequently needs to correct only one of their answers. Des' parents sometimes send him parcels of cardboard.

Among our new stars are the following:—John Yandell and Fred Armstrong, who are both agreed on one thing—that after Castlemaine, Ballarat is the best place in the world. Fred would like to see more rabbits about. Arithmetic comes easy to Fred when the sums tell of hares and rabbits and ferrets. John shines when the class has to find how long it would take one cyclist travelling at 80 m.p.h. away from Ballarat to pass another cyclist travelling at half-a-mile per week towards Ballarat. Both John and Fred are amazed at the ignorance of Denis O'Connor and John Thomson who think that houses in Central Victoria are constructed of Castlemaine rock. But even when faced with such appalling ignorance Fred can smile and smile and keep on smiling.

Another star who can smile and smile is Laurie Whyte. Laurie has no obligation to lessons, it is the learning of them that does not meet with his approval. Things that meet with Laurie's approval include soldiering, holidays, cricket, holidays, football, more holidays.

John Burke is great company. That is the unanimous opinion of those who have sat near him. John gives a running commentary from nine in the morning till four (sometimes later!) in the evening. John is always on the air. He can comment fluently on all subjects from pedagogues to phrenology. The students' union is considering levying an amusement tax on all who sit within a radius of four yards of John.

Murray Podbury, Noel Lawlor and Kevin Rowe need no introduction. Murray conducts our debating sessions very ably. He is well up in his class this year which is most gratifying. Murray's main interests are study, travelling by air, S.P.C. Ballarat, Latin, French and Richmond football team.

Noel is a quiet, shy lad from Beulah, whose thoughts concerning the subject of education receive frequent and thundering ventilation. Noel is what one would call a school-boy "wharfie," but he is a happy one.

Kevin Rowe is one of our distinguished day-boys. Kevin is very quiet—so quiet that he seldom is asked a question.

John Dempster, a new star, comes from Mildura. John takes life very seriously—sometimes. Bob Roach complains that John won't laugh at his jokes, of which Bob has a constant supply.

We would like to introduce many other stars to readers of the Chronicle but time will not allow, however, you can look forward to hearing later of such gentlemen as Barry McGennis, Ray Jackson, Charlie Bolte, John O'Dowd, Peter Murray, Peter Clark and other bright lights of our Sub-Intermediate class.

#### SUB-INTERMEDIATE B.

We extend a very hearty welcome to our new teacher and Principal, Rev. Br. Mogg. We also welcome to Sub-Inter B Noel Elder, Wyche-proof; Eugene Nihill, Elmore; Graham Sheahan, Dumosa; Philip Perrott, Hastings; Maurice Frawley, Bullarook; John Deany, Brunswick; Peter Allen, Euroa; Neil Lourey, Pirron-Yallock; Brian Murphy, Warracknabeal; Hugh Bourke, Pakenham and day-boys Kevin Boyce, Ballarat; Bernie Mullins, Dunnstown; and Laurie Erwin, Ballan. Where did Laurie obtain his permit to come late each day?

Our class tests have placed Les Plummer at the top. Les is a good trier. He'd need to be for others are in hot pursuit. Keep your eye on Kevin Bryce, Les.

Kevin Nestor often thrills us with his speedy knowledge of Latin and Geometry. However, Brian Jess is dux in Geometry. He is extra clever. Sub Inter B boys will tell you why Brian should be a school teacher. John Deany, from Melbourne, is one of our best scholars. He heads the progress list. Peter B. Ryan, from Quambatook, never lets up. He's always on time. He's the official bell-ringer of the College.

There is a trio in our room. The three boys come from the North—Barry Coen, Barry Pedler and Jim Richmond. Barry Coen and Paul Russo are the weight-lifting experts of the class. They learn from Mr. Goldby. Brendan Davey is in the Bishop's Choir, so are Francis Elliott and Ray Coutts. We are all proud of John Lowrie who will cox some of the winning crews on Boat Race Day. We hope John doesn't find the water too cold on 7th May. Two of our class learn music. They are Richard Walsh, from Horsham, and Will Gleeson from Willaura. Will was also captain of our famous cricket team. Joe Mitchell was another of our cricket captains. Our class is very interested in the Missions and the Holy Childhood. The promoters in the room are Peter Ryan, Will Gleeson, Philip Perrott and Malcolm Baird. Malcolm received a great welcome when he returned to St. Pat's. He had been "wagging it" for a couple of years. We are all glad he's back. He's occupying fifth place in the mark list. Noel Lourey, one of our boys from the great Western District, has hopes of making the First XVIII this year. He was a champion on St. Roch's.

Herman Allen's smaller brother, Peter, is in our class. Peter is a splendid all-round athlete. His favourite sports are draughts, monopoly and noughts and crosses. This accounts for his fine physique. Carl Hickey has peeped in on us again after his recent illness. We all wish Carl restoration to good health and an unbroken Second Term. If you want any information about tractors you should consult John Foott. John's a specialist and advice is free. Bernard Rogers does not always get good marks for Geometry. He has been advised to bring out a new book. He thinks Hall and Stevens sometimes make errors.

Speaking of sport, we claim that we have representation in the First XVIII. We support Noel Elder and Kevin Bryce. We did very well in the cricket inter-class matches. We trounced Sub A and also Second Year. Frank Maloney was our big scorer. He used to hit "sixers." Joe Mitchell took ten wickets against Second Year. Hughie Bourke is one of the "dark horses" of the class and is rapidly overtaking the leaders. Tony Strangio believes in plenty of ink.

Good-bye now, dear old Sub B.—will see you all after the term holidays.

#### SECOND YEAR.

This very important class is very strong in numbers. There are sixty-five of us who come from places as far apart as Denmilquin and Terang. Many of us are just beginning our lives at S.P.C. and several have been here for quite a few years. Graeme Bradford came here away back in '44.

Some of us have distinguished ourselves during the first term. Leo Stevens succeeded in breaking his right arm and has been taking life easily for some weeks. Pat O'Sullivan and Peter Brumby simultaneously developed appendicitis and were carted off to hospital.

We are looking forward to the term tests and among those who should come out near the top of the class are Ken ("Spike") Pike, John Madden, B. McGregor, B. Gibson, J. Murphy, V. Hedges and F. Condon. There are a few others who may prove "dark horses." Our best cricketers would be Brian ("Kerang") Grogon, Ron Quilkey, Jim Fowler, Russell Mogg and Peter Hayes.

We have many music students whose comings and goings provide a diversion now and again. Ron Quilkey is supposed to know the first line of every tune that has been written. Bill Dooley hopes to rival Sir Bernard Heinze and we may yet see him conducting the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.

Robert Pemberton keeps a watchful eye out the door for our Geography teacher.

Brian ("Boo") Kavenagh has a prodigious appetite and occasionally produces the major part of a fowl from his pockets.

Brian Phillips is one of our marble marvels. Jim Griffin cribbed a few days at Easter holidays.

Mick Houlihan and Brian Walsh are contestants in title for Class Heavyweight. There will probably be a photo-finish.

Peter Hayes, a "clicking" expert, has a prize fox-terrier of which he is immensely proud. John Mason invents engines for jet-propelled planes that stay on the ground.

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John Johnstone is the loud-speaker of the class. Basil Murphy travels about 40 miles to school every day. Brian Hanrahan's broad smile cheers us up when things are gloomy.

Peter Griffin is a day-boy of the deep, silent type. Darrel Grace and John Madden like to have an occasional discussion on local politics.

John Toomey's great ambition is to play with Carlton—in spite of his name.

That is all from Second Year for now. We wish the readers a very happy holiday.

#### FIRST YEAR.

Bonjour, mes amis! Greetings from First Year! We have done so much French and Latin recently that Mum and Dad have to look up a dictionary (not an English one) when they receive our letter.

School work is very active these days with Noel Moore at the head of the class. Close behind him comes Des Brown, the boy to whom we go when seeking any information. Other scholars of note are Michael Walsh, Bernard Matthews, Charlie Nihil and Paul Dean.

Two very important persons in the room are Gavan Etheridge and Kevin Leith. They are members of the Bishop's Choir. Joseph McDonald and Denis McSparron are aiming at a place in the Choir, but they have been advised to take their singing lessons outside of school hours.

When it comes to army life, we are well represented. Lloyd Booth, John Fregon, J. McDonald, John Sweeney, Tom Lannigan, Bill Love and Daniel Duggan keep the flag flying high in the Cadets.

In the cricket world, Michael O'Beirne is out on his own. He has been giving lessons to the First XI. of late. John Sweeney, Robert Hutchison and Ken Dunne are all at home when it comes to cricket. Dominic Cincotta and Bill Love are the stars of the Junior Oval, and give promise of developing into test cricketers.

Denis Fanning and John Cummins have the honour of being the most improved boys in the class. Dennis McSparron is close on their tracks.

Noel Morganti and Tom Lanigan have shown a particular liking for stray dogs of late.

Among our other members we have: Peter Morris, who, according to a little boy by the name of "Des," is just the one to turn a square into a rhombus. Bob Shepherd, who will tell anyone just how the sea became salty. James Forest the boy who is fond of imitating roosters. Bernard Matthews, who showed signs of developing into a long distance runner, but has given up his running career only to win fame at his school work. John Griffin, the boy who really enjoys a holiday or two. Kevin Doherty and Jim Saunders, little men with big ideas.

Before signing off, we must make mention of Rev. Br. Smith who visited us and spoke to us on the subject of Vocations. His talk proved very interesting and we hope that his work in St. Patrick's was fruitful.

#### PARENTS.

There are thirty-eight boys in our room under one teacher. Not an impossible task if the boys learn *nightly* the set work. Will you help? Only a half-hour a night towards your own boy's education. Is it too much?

#### GRADES V. AND VI.

Once again we of the Fifth and Sixth greet you. We are thirty-six in number, twenty-two being in the Sixth and fourteen in the Fifth. Of these, nine are entirely new boys at St. Pat's. Barry Angus, from Melbourne; Alf Broad, from Yarrowonga; Dale Ross, from Queensland; Pat Irwin, from Sea Lake; Marshall Younger, from Bacchus Marsh; Ian Priestly, from Denilquin; and Barry Breen, Mel Creati, and Brian

Dow, from Ballarat; thus make these pages of the Chronicle for the first time. We hope that it will not be the last time, and that we shall be hearing great things from them during their years at St. Pat's.

At present we are busily preparing for our First Term test, which is only a week off. There should be some very keen competition for the position of Dux in each particular grade, and it will be interesting to see how Paul Williams and Richard McArthur, last year's holders of the title, will fare against this year's opposition. Perhaps one of the new boys will be able to turn the tables on them. Tony Lewis, Mel Creati and Barry Breen should be hardest for Richard to beat in Grade Six, and Paul will, perhaps, find Peter Brown, Brian Clinton and Frank Moloney his greatest rivals.

It is interesting to note that in our series of weekly tests, the following are the progress marks to date:—Grade VI: Tony Lewis, 351; Richard McArthur, 328; Vin Brandenburg and Barry Breen, 326. Robert Whitefield, 306; and Mel Creati, 302. In Grade V: Peter Brown, 274; Kevin Hooper, 251; Frank Moloney, 250; Ian Priestly, 235; Brian Clinton, 219; and Paul Williams, 203.

Peter Rafferty and Michael Hayden were our only casualties for the term. Peter had to have an operation on his arm, which kept him in hospital for a week, and Michael is now minus his tonsils.

All records should be broken this year, as already half of last year's total amount has been reached. Best workers for the Missions are Barry Angus, Donald Tardrew, Peter Brown, Brian Clinton, Marshall Younger, Irwin McGenniss, Frank Moloney, Brian Dow and Barry Breen.

Most of us have started kicking footballs around. Quite a number of boys returned from the Easter holidays with footballs, and of course, they are very popular these days. The arrival of new football boots for some of the more fortunate among us was a cause of great rejoicing for the owners, and of envy for those who had them not. Officially, football does not start until next term, but that does not matter.

The next big event is the Head of the Lake on the 7th May. We hope St. Pat's will win the big race. We wish the First Crew the best of luck on the big day and assure them that we'll be there to add our voices to those which will be urging them on to victory.

The following deserve a special mention:—Richard McArthur and Mel Creati, for their attention to study and the neatness of their work; Michael Hayden, for showing great improvement in his studies; Michael Martin, for tidiness; Barry Angus, for generosity; Des Williams and Bernard McKenna, for their sporting ability.

Well, that is all we have for you this time, so Cheerio until next term.

Yours,

—THE FIFTH and SIXTH.

#### THE JUNIOR ROOM.

Greetings, everyone!

Nineteen-forty-nine began with a full room showing varying stages of progress. The newcomers find their best effort has to be continually put forth if they hope to stay in their allotted grade. However, most of them now realise that "To get high one must aim high."

#### FOURTH GRADE.

The fifteen fourths on a whole are working well.

Michael F. could and should take a more careful and responsible aspect of life.

John Bu., though constantly stumbling, rises and tries harder than ever to master his difficulties.

John Bo. has had a few successes and is suffering with a swollen head. Prick the bubble, John, before it swamps you!

Darryl is a newcomer from the East. He might have been a wise man there, but here he finds it an impossible task to exert himself. Robert R. also has this view on life. When they overcome laziness they will get somewhere.

Denis R. from the North finds the South rather freezing. When his blood thickens he might be able to show us what Queenslanders can do. We would really like to see.

Bill D. has overcome his talkativeness of last year and consequently doing much better work.

Tommie E. in his own quiet way keeps on the pass standard, but writing is not so good.

Gary C. is trying very hard indeed and is making creditable progress. John No. is finding it hard to build without the foundation he missed last year. Learn your tables, John. They make good ladders.

Barry A. thinks a strong arm the more important. A keen brain, Barry, will make an important Armstrong. Try and see.

George H., a serious newcomer (I thought), has a wealth of humour underneath, which catches the unwary at awkward times—Birthdays. Doesn't it, George.

Paul K. and Michael H. radiate fierce sparks at test time. If the schoolroom is burnt down the cause will be the heat of the clash between ambition and rivalry of these otherwise great pals.

The results of the First Term are not completed, but six are coming breathless up the straight.

#### GRADE III.

The twelve thirds on a whole are triers. A lack of fundamentals is making the progress of this grade much slower than I like.

Warren Mc. and Darryn J. have dead-heat finishes and try to keep all newcomers out. But George P. and Paul Q. have caught them napping and managed to force a way through to victory.

Robert C. will have to work far more conscientiously before he will bring credit on himself.

Francis D. and Gary G. would do better if they left that pal of theirs—"laziness"—stay in bed instead of bringing him to school.

Phillip Mc. is of an inquiring mind, but so far concentrates on out-of-school subjects. When he turns it on to school subjects he will get on.

Brian S., Howard G. and Selwyn S. should have asked St. Joseph to help them more when they were under his guidance. There would be no need for timidity now.

John O'B. should be more conscientious when teacher's eye is not on him. Likewise could David Mc. Shifting is over now, David, so you shift yourself into a newer outlook for better work.

#### SECOND GRADE.

The eleven seconds have the hardest work. The College foundation is of a higher standard than their former schools and much precious time has to be spent on necessary fundamentals. Especially is this so in two-lettered sounds and automatic answering of addition and subtraction to number 10.

Lindsay B., Kerry A., John B. and Geoffrey B., generally lead the way, with Den W. and Denis F. following. Michael N., an overseas boy, thinks the idling on board ship can be carried on in school. Peter H. is improving, but could do better work. Michael D. is holding on to that glimmer of learning that is beginning to shine. Maurice Bu. has the most hoeing to do, but is sticking to do better.

## THE MISSIONS.

The Juniors have cause to be proud of themselves here. They have divided themselves into two teams (Infant of Prague and Lady of Fatima). They aimed for £10 this term and have passed in £20. Last year they paid for one native priest and £15 for expenses. This year they are trying two priests (£30) with expenses.

The Juniors say the big boys might beat them in sports, but they wonder if they do in the Mission field. They hope for the Missions sake they do. Average 10/- a head a term).

George Henley has £4 to his credit, Francis Doble £2, whilst John Bongiorno, Michael Hutchison and John Burke have reached the £1.

Unfortunately we have a few that will not spare any "pocko" for the unfortunate natives.

Some credit must go to Fr. Cuddegan of St. Columban's, who sent us some beautiful pictures to help us in our schoolwork, religion and trying for two priests (£30) with expenses.

## COURTESY.

Hilaire Belloc, the noted Catholic writer, declared: "It seems to me the grace of God is in courtesy."

If then our measure of grace depends on the courtesy we display it is indeed deplorable that so few of us are really courteous. This is a Christian virtue which adorns the truly courteous soul. It displays itself in our good manners. Edmund Burke claimed that manners are more important than laws, "Manners are what vex and soothe us, corrupt or purify us, exalt or debase us, barbarise or refine us," he said.

During the Christmas vacation a very edifying and consoling letter came to the College from the saintly Brother Brendan of the Marist Order. St. Patrick's College is grateful to Brother and we pray that God may continue to bless this good religious man. We give the text of Brother Brendan's letter in full. It may serve to remind us all that our little acts of kindness are not unnoticed.

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Dear Br. Superior,—

I derived great pleasure from an act of courtesy bestowed on me, yesterday, by Master Peter Ryan whom I had never seen or heard of before.

Having boarded at Macedon an over-crowded train for Melbourne, I found scarcely standing room in the passage; but I was scarcely five minutes in this predicament when Peter found a seat for me and conducted me to it in a most gentlemanly manner.

Sixty-four years in our schools and colleges have, in my mind, set a premium on such acts on the part of our students, and it is for this reason, and because you are the Principal of Peter's Alma Mater, whom he thus highly honours that I reveal the boy's act of courtesy to me in my 79th year.

Wishing your work God's continued blessing and a grand future in the true sense of the word, to Peter.

I am, dear Brother,

Yours very sincerely,

BROTHER BRENDAN.

[Congratulations, Peter B. Try to continue these courteous actions.  
—Ed.]

# The Forum

## SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Senior Literary and Debating Society commenced activities for 1949 when the inaugural meeting was held on 20th March at which meeting the executive for the coming year was elected. Mr. J. Bourke was elected Secretary by a unanimous vote, while Messrs P. Conway and D. George were elected committeemen from the five candidates nominated. In his opening address, the President, Rev. Br. Healy, stressed the importance of the Society in the College, and pointed out the good effect which it had upon its members.

The highlight of the term's activities was undoubtedly the address given on 24th April by Mr. J. Peters, F.R.C.S., one of S.P.C.'s most distinguished old boys. We sincerely thank Mr Peters for his helpful advice regarding University life and for his interesting description of existing conditions in America, England and on the Continent.

Thus far, activities have been somewhat limited and to date only two debates and a night of impromptu speeches have been held. The 1949 Society has followed the lead of Societies of other years in including on the agenda for meetings resumes of topical Catholic and World News.

The first of the debates—"Has Science Done More Harm Than Good"—saw the defeat of the Government, Messrs J. Greening and R. Caleo, by Messrs L. Lenaghan and W. Ley. Messrs B. Mills and B. Tobin and Messrs J. Shaw and N. Panettiere formed the Government and Opposition respectively in the second debate, "Has Federation Benefited Australia," which resulted in a victory for the former party.

From the outset of our activities it was evident that we had speakers of good ability. Our old members spoke confidently and our new recruits from the ranks of the Leaving Certificate Society shaped well. We have every reason to believe that our Purton Oratory Contest for 1949, which will be held towards the close of the Second Term, will be contested with that enthusiasm which has marked previous years.

—J. BOURKE, Secretary.

## LEAVING LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The election of office-bearers for the 1949 Leaving Literary and Debating Society held a few weeks before Easter resulted in the election of Leo Walsh (Secretary), G. Hackwill and R. O'Shannessy. Six prepared speeches were given each Sunday night and each night a different boy was elected to take the position of Chairman. The speeches covered a wide variety of topics and were received with much interest and enthusiasm.

The prepared speeches included: "Archimedes" by V. S. Strangio; "Macarthur," by W. N. Jubb; and "Communism," by G. Bolger. J. Grogan spoke on "Nationalisation of Medicine;" J. Kiely, "Black Death;" and M. Molan, "Cardinal Mindzenty." Other prepared speeches were given by Messrs Graham, Gallagher, Duncan, Drake, Hoare and Strangio.

To make the meetings more interesting, a small prize was given to the best speaker of the night. Under the guidance of Rev. Br. Kelty, the standard of the speeches improved considerably.

It is now time for us to say cheerio to our readers.

—LEO M. WALSH.

## Items of Interest

### REV. BR. C. A. MOGG.

Rev. Br. Mogg, our new Principal, is very dear to St. Patrick's College. Br. Mogg did grand work at the College during the years under our lamented Br. Purton, and the announcement that he was to return to the College as Principal was pleasing to all.

Coming as he did from the Christian Brothers' College South Melbourne, he was not unknown even to the present boys. We had seen him on several occasions, and we knew him through his nephews, Les and Kevin, who finished last year and Russell, who is still with us.

Br. Mogg has experienced the Educational System of most of the Australian States. He was previously Headmaster in Queensland, New South Wales, Tasmania and South Australia. Already he has endeared himself to all and the best traditions of S.P.C. are in safe keeping in the hands of this great man.

### IN THE GYMNASIUM.

Monday morning, again! Mr. Goldby is here already! Only fifteen minutes to nine and Mr. Goldby is here—stripped, ready and waiting. What a way to begin the day—pardon me, to begin the week. A full half-hour of back-breaking exercises and dare-devil stunts on parallel bars, or on the horizontal bar, or on the mats.

Yes! Every Monday, each class has its half-hour of physical training. Some boys dislike even the idea, but most of us enjoy Mr. Goldby's feats—and even our own and our pal's dismal failures. Mr. Goldby, by the way, is an ex-army physical training instructor, a former Queensland wrestling champion, a noted weight-lifter and, at present, he is the gymnastic instructor at the Ballarat Y.M.C.A. Mind you, he is a native of Ballarat and, as a boy, he astounded Ballarat audiences with his acrobatic stunts.

Some boys specialise in parallel-bar work while others prefer the horizontal bar. Others, again, keep to the ground and specialise in tumbling. You know—"terra firma. the more the firma, the less the terra." On the whole this half-hour does more for us than most of us realise. Obviously, gymnastics will develop the body, but, even while this development is going on, our minds also are quickened. We can perform an exercise, so we work in a variation of our own or we see an emergency and lend a hand to help a pal out of difficulties—all this helps us to sharpen our wits and develop our mind. It results in control of mind over body. Free exercises and work on the various apparatus help our bodies to become supple and pliant and to develop agility and all-round ability at sport.

Mr. Goldby introduced wrestling and there have been tournaments at the end of the last two years. This year he has introduced weight-lifting. Although it is not our present aim to lift heavy weights, we may, if standards of physique and knowledge of the science of weight-lifting are sufficiently advanced, hold a contest. At present the aim of the class is to build up our bodies and to get as near to perfect, symmetrical development as possible.

Our motto is: "Mens Sana in Corpore Sano."

—J. GREENING.

### THE CADET SUMMER VACATION TRAINING CAMP.

The College Cadet Detachment was awakened by the necessity of training new instructors by the notification that there was to be a training school at Balcombe Military Camp during the summer holidays for the training of Potential Cadet Lieutenants, Potential N.C.O.'s and specialists in Vickers Medium Machine Gun and Signals. Much speculation preceded the posting of names for the four courses. Despite the inevitable loss of Christmas holidays—the Potential Officers' course lasted three weeks and the N.C.O.'s, Vickers and Signals each took a week—those personnel selected were keen to go.

The Potential Cadet Lieutenants marched in on the 6th January for a three-weeks' course. Our representatives were Cpl. L. Griffin and Sgt. P. Davey. Their training included lessons in drill, Lee Enfield rifle mechanism and advanced handling, Bren L.M.G. mechanism and advanced handling, Austin Machine Carbine, 2-inch Mortar, Fieldcraft and Elementary Tactics. Visual training films used several times during the course proved a great aid to a thorough understanding of lessons. The students were taught methods of instruction and were given some interesting talks on army customs. Perhaps the most interesting of these was that given by Major O'Day on "The Customs of the Officers' Mess." The course was completed on 29th January.

January 6 saw the Potential N.C.O.'s also marching into the Balcombe Military Camp but their stay was to last only one week. Now we were represented by Cpl. J. Grogan, Cdt. J. McKinnon and Cdt. J. D. Kelly. Their course, though of the same kind as the Officers', was, naturally, not so comprehensive, owing to the shortness of time. However, a thorough training in drill and rifle and Bren L.M.G. mechanism was given these cadets to fit them for their future as N.C.O.'s at their respective colleges. They marched out on 14th January.

On the same day, 14th January the next wing marched in. This was the Vickers M.G. specialist wing. L./Cpl. B. Gleeson and Cdt. D. Grant represented St. Pat's. A week of training in this weapon and they had learned the mechanism and characteristics of the gun, and had additional training in application of fire and advanced handling. Their course finished on 21st January.

January 21 was the date for the march in of the Signals wing. St. Pat's was represented by Cdt. W. Cherry, Cdt. D. Fraser and Cdt. W. Robinson. In one week's work they had to learn, as well as the fundamentals of signalling, how to operate several new instruments, and the

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characteristics of these. They had a written examination in addition to the usual practical one. Practical exercises increased their understanding of and familiarity with the instruments they operated. Two of our representatives, Cdt. W. Cherry and W. Robinson, obtained distinguished passes.

The St. Patrick's College boys in camp distinguishable always by the green, white and blue of their pugarees, showed that her football was not all St. Pat's had to be proud of, and gave of their best always. None of those who went into camp regretted it. The officers, the instructors, the cooks and all the army personnel did what they could to make the cadets happy and gave fair treatment to all. The work of the Salvation Army in the recreation huts brought those who considered the matter to the realisation of the wonderful war service that is being done by the combination of A.C.F., Y.M.C.A. and Salvation Army. On most week nights there were training periods, but on Wednesday and Saturday nights the students could go to the pictures shown at the Camp. Sundays were free and leave passes to Frankston were available to those who desired them.

The acquiring of knowledge then, was not such an exacting task in the pleasant sea air and healthy surroundings of the camp, and the food was of a quality which left little to be desired. We hope, now, that those who have spent their time in camp will be able to pass on their knowledge to the other members of our Cadet Corps and so enable the College Detachment to remain at the high level of efficiency for which it is known.

—P. M. DAVEY.

#### SALVE ET VALE.

There is always an element of sadness at the commencement of a new school year. It is due to the absence of faces that were so familiar; the faces which we had grown used to, and now when they are no longer with us we miss them. Among those who did well last year and did not return, are Les Mogg, Kevin Mogg, Brian Conway and Peter Shelden. Les Mogg obtained a free place to the University, while Brian Conway gained a free place in science, a Donovan Bursary and a Veterinary Scholarship. Peter Shelden also gained a Donovan Bursary and a free place in Agricultural Science. He and Brian have just entered Newman prior to the commencement of the University year. Tony Keogh is still keen to do Medicine, while Geoff Guilfoyle is working in Melbourne. Terry Fraser is articled to a lawyer in Ballarat. Jack Leneghan visited us on his way to Newman. He, too, will study Agricultural Science. Another recent visitor was Jack ("Dyer") Clancy, who was down from Amphitheatre for a day. Last year's Head Prefect was down at the beginning of the term preparatory to going back on the land at Pakenham. At the time of writing, Dave's father is seriously ill. We offer our sympathy and hope that Mr. Bourke makes a speedy recovery.

A number of last year's Matriculation students have given their lives to God in the priesthood. All were present at a small function held in the College Hall. Dan Arundell, Henry Nolan, Damien Heath, Kevin Mogg and John Kelly were present. To these five boys go our best wishes and congratulations.

There are not a great many new boys in the Matriculation class, but those that are have made their presence felt. Kevin Warren, John Heffernan and Clem Healey are all aspiring cricketers, while Clem also shows promise in the boats. Gerald Walsh, who hails from St. Arnaud, has been seen on the tennis courts a lot and may be a possibility for the

tennis teams. Another new boy who only arrived recently is Gerard Dowling, and as yet he is an unknown quantity. However, he showed good form at the Villa Sports—and he wasn't running!

All good things must come to a close, and so it is with our "Salve et Vale." We wish our old boys who are now widely scattered, all the best in their new spheres of life; and to our new boys we extend a warm welcome. We hope that in years to come they will show themselves fit to take the places of those that have gone and will prove worthy representatives of S.P.C.

—P. CONWAY.

#### A MEANINGFUL WAR-CRY.

It was Tuesday, 1st March, 1949, and all the students of the College were gathered in the Assembly Hall.

Seven boys—Kevin Mogg, Dan Arundell, Damien Heath, Henry Nolan, John Taverner, John Kelly and Ivan Auchetti—were leaving S.P.C. to enter Corpus Christi Seminary, and they were being farewelled by the Brothers and boys of the College, and also by Bishop Stewart, of Bendigo, and by Fr. Fiscalini, the College Chaplain.

The Principal, Rev. Br. Mogg, made his address, as also did Bishop Stewart and Fr. Fiscalini, on the work that the boys would do later on in life and they, with all the students, hoped that the seven would keep up the marvellous record built up by some 200 students of S.P.C. who had been at Corpus Christi College previously.

The boys were then presented to Bishop Stewart by Br. Mogg.

When the party moved off the stage on its way out of the hall, it happened . . . the thundrous roar of 400 voices descended on my ears as the boys began to shout the School War-Cry.

I heard the word "Ero," but could distinguish no more till the words: "We are, we are S.P.C." came along. However, between the words I heard, the roar reached an overwhelming cry, and I experienced a thrill such as I had never felt before. I realised that each and every vocalist was heart and soul in his job. I'd have given worlds to have been able to join in. Next time, Deo Volente, I shall.

I felt very proud as I stood among the crowd of excited, yelling boys as they wildly thundered out the War-Cry. I thought of the immense thrill that the seven boys and the Bishop must have experienced, and then I said that if they were like myself, they would not be able to express themselves regarding their feelings should they have been asked to express them.

I asked a senior student of S.P.C. for the words of the War-Cry, and I put them here for those who may not know them. (I take no blame for any errors which may occur, but I put them down as they were given to me.) Here they are:—

"Ero! wero! wero Rum,  
Um stick a bubble on a zip-bang colliwobble,  
Stick to the Green, White and Blue,  
Ecka pecka wangi, ecka dora wiski,  
Chilla-loo, Chilla-loo, wah!  
Wigga wagga, wigga wogga, zip! bam! bah!  
St. Pat's, St. Pat's, yah! yah! yah!  
Who are, Who are, Who are we?  
We are, we are S.P.C.  
Ginger Beer, Ginger Beer, Pop! Pop! Pop!  
St. Pat's, St. Pat's, always on top.  
Hurrah!

—K. WARREN.

## THE BOATS.

Being told that a two-minutes' walk would take him to St. Patrick's College boatshed, the new-boy, at the conclusion of the school-day, joined in the usual throng, who daily frequented the shed. These fellows were aspiring rowers for the year. Crossing Sturt Street, the new-boy found himself being led down an avenue, and although seeing the usual mansions and houses that a person is accustomed to notice of a day, he was greatly surprised and delighted to catch his first glimpse of the Bishop's residence; a solid grey building, with a verandah circling the whole of the first floor. Moreover, it was a two-storied mansion, surmounted at different wings by gables.

Presently, the fellow was traversing the lake road, and the hind part of the shed appeared at different intervals between the trees. Stationed outside were two automobiles, both showing signs of better days past. One belonged to Brendan Scally, one of the coaches. The other was owned by Mr. Webster and was commonly called the "lunar vehicle," which was derived from her make—Moon. On entering the boathouse, our student was astonished with the din being created by the sound of running feet on wooden planks, orders being shouted, and frolicking of the coxes. The two most outstanding personalities were Br. Coyne and Mr. Blackie, who were surrounded by noisy, hopeful rowers. Along the left of the shed on entering, our fledgling perceived a literal wall of oars, the top-most four being the precious property of the First Crew. On his right he discovered stairs with the inscription at the side—"Rowers Only." Further down the shed rested the pride of the College's lake activities—namely the boats. There were seven clinkers in all, but a rumour prevailed that a streak would soon be added. Two of the boats were named after great men. The shells in question were the "D. G. Purton" and the "McCarthy." At the far left end a door opened on to a jetty to where the pleasure boats were moored.

History was written on the walls up in the dressing quarters. Way back since the 'twenties, one could decipher the winning crews of those years, carelessly painted, pencilled and chalked on the walls. Back on the jetty the sight was of Lake Wendouree's expanse. Directly in front were the Ballarat rowing club's boathouse, while nearer to our student was College's shed; in the distance to the right loomed Grammar's. However, it was easy for the fellow to deduct who had the best shed, as for the crews, he would have to wait until some weeks.

—J. HUTTON.

## A NEW BOY'S IMPRESSIONS.

As the electric tram turned the slight curve in the wide main road of Ballarat the red brick building of St. Patrick's College loomed in sight. At the tram stop adjacent to the College I alighted—a very sorry sight indeed—loaded with rugs, sporting equipment and baggage. Struggling up the magnificent drive where St. Patrick on his lofty pedestal looked down on the neatly arranged garden beds stocked with flowers. I was surprised to see the improvements which had been done to the College since I last caught a glimpse of it while passing through the city during my childhood. The foundations for the new chapel had already been laid and a bulge on the left wing told me that a new dormitory had been built.

When I arrived at the front door I was quickly ushered into a small waiting room. Then, after the usual formalities, I was escorted to a locker room where I placed my luggage. My first object after unpacking my bags was to make a survey of the School. Making my way along a large passage, I came upon the diningroom. The neatly arranged

tables with white tablecloths, bowls of raspberry jam and silver knives and forks, made the room look most colorful. Moving down the corridor, I encountered the classrooms with their antique desks, tables and large blackboards all very old but showing little for wear. Then hearing the thud of many balls against concrete I rushed from the classrooms and came upon six large brick structures called handball courts. Here boys of all sizes were feverishly hitting balls against the walls with their hands or tennis racquets. Then imagine my astonishment, when surrounded by a beautiful background of tall pines and picturesque shrubs, stood the college oval. The grass, freshly clipped, glistened in the sunlight, while the dark turf of the cricket pitch in the centre was in direct contact with its surroundings. No oval could have been placed in a more beautiful setting.

When I climbed up behind the fine grandstand overlooking the ground I was met with another pleasant surprise. Here were three more ovals, presumably for juniors. These, not as elaborate as the main oval, were tidy and most suitable for playing games. Emerging from some trees I beheld three tennis courts. These seemed to be made of a bitumen composition and, as I learned later, were most pleasant to play on. Skirting these were more pine trees and amidst these I found some long huts and by their khaki colour I recognised them as the cadet huts. Past these was a white statue of Our Lady mounted in a little grotto. Beneath the statue was a small pond, and as I gazed into it I saw variegated fish here and there enjoying the freedom of their home, and darting, in and out, of the miniature waterfall which came from a small crevice higher up in the rocks. Leaving this little beauty spot I came upon my classroom—a room which would often prove a joy and sometimes, maybe, a scourge to me. Here, also, were chemistry and physics laboratories and by their appearance they were comfortably stacked with all manner of bottles and apparatus.

Reluctantly I turned back to the main building to change my clothes, and I am wondering what use, if any, I shall make of this great establishment.

—J. HEFFERNAN.

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## MR. J. PETERS, F.R.C.S., VISITS ST. PAT'S.

Dr. Jim Peters, F.R.C.S., visited Ballarat last week and fulfilled a pre-arranged visit to the College. Immediately on arrival in Ballarat he presented himself at the College. He was met by his old teacher, Br. O'Malley, who accompanied him through the College, and he found much pleasure in his return to Alma Mater.

He had come to Ballarat to attend a meeting of surgeons whom he was to address. Another renowned surgeon and ex-pupil of S.P.C., Dr. W. T. Greening, was present at the meeting.

On Sunday evening Dr. Peters addressed the three Senior Literary and Debating Societies of the College. He was welcomed to this youthful audience by the President of the Senior Literary and Debating Society, Br. Healy, who after briefly outlining Dr. Peter's career since he left College, called on Br. O'Malley to introduce Mr. Peter's. Br. O'Malley paid tribute to the virtue and industry of Mr. Peter's and said he was not surprised to find him now at the very top of the surgical profession.

Dr. Jim received a remarkable ovation when he rose to speak.

He said he was embarrassed by the size of his audience and he hoped he would compass matter sufficiently interesting to all. He quickly touched on post-College studies and outlined briefly life at Newman and the University, here and there insinuating very sound advice. His post-graduate course abroad proved very interesting and all enjoyed his thumb-nail sketches of the European countries he had visited.

Hearty votes of thanks brought to an end a very interesting address.  
—B. HOGAN.

## THE MAGIC CLUB.

The Magic Club has enveloped in a mysterious silence so far this term but it has been learned on good authority that it is still functioning.

According to Mr. Sharpley, the most dangerous members are Noel Woodford, Frank Nolan, Brian Miller, Peter Murray and Don Fraser. These are capable of anything. Noel and Frank have made a name for themselves by their performances at St. Patrick's Hall. After one performance the audience left the hall holding money and valuable firmly in their hands.

On St. Patrick's Day Eddie Rosser went to the races with £1. Thrilled with the way he made it disappear, Eddie applied for membership of the Magic Club. Eddie, too, has made a name for himself as a budding magician.

Younger members of the Club are Brian Moylan and John Mason. Both are promising and very keen.

All members are preparing for another Concert which will be even better than last year's. So readers look forward to an evening of Mystery and Magic sometime before 1949 comes to a close.

## YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB.

The Young Farmers' Club is flourishing. There is a membership of over ninety, and the vegetable garden has never looked better. Beans, lettuces and silverbeet have been planted so far and in a few months a plentiful supply of vegetables should be assured.

Members of the Club are most grateful to Rev. Br. Cooke who spent several days in the garden putting in taps. The whole garden is now able to be adequately watered. We wish to thank also Rev. Br. Faud who so kindly cut name plates and stakes for the beds.

Each Monday evening a meeting is held in the Library. First of all the work for the following week is arranged and discussed, then follow

speeches on various aspects of farming life, etc., given by member of the Club in turn. These meetings have proved most successful and entertaining. Worthy of notice is Denis Fanning who though only twelve, gave an excellent speech on "Sheep Shearing." Denis spoke without a note.

Special praise to Des Nunn, Brian Unthank, Ray Carey, Roy Pan-grazio, Brian Maher (senior) and Group Leaders for their excellent work during the term. Though, with very few exceptions, great credit is due to all members of the Club.

A series of outings in connection with the Club has been arranged, the first of which will take place early next term. The weekly meetings and these outings will be the main activities of the Club after May, for then Nature will be looking after the watering of the vegetables for us.

## CAMERA CLUB.

Members of the Camera Club are very happy. They have a dark room fully equipped with press and water, thanks to Rev. Br. Cooke of St. Paul's Technical College.

Bill Gunther has been making a great job of things down in the dark room. That the Club has been functioning so well is due in great part to Bill's hard work and tenacity.

Most members can now develop and print their own films, and though these is still the tendency, so common to beginners, to snap anything, the quality of the photos taken is showing improvement. This year the display-board is the entire work of members of the Club, and on it have appeared photos of excellent quality.

John Mason is in charge of the display board. With the help of Brian Moylan he has prepared it regularly and with great success, too.

All look forward to some excellent work after the May holidays.

## SPEECH DAY—1948.

For many years now, the College Hall has been far too small to accommodate the parents and friends of the Brothers and boys at the Annual Speech Day and Distribution of Prizes.

On last Speech Day the Brothers introduced radical changes—they held the function on a Sunday afternoon and on the lawn near the Grotto. The plan proved highly successful and was commended by all. The elements were good to us, and the function was put through without a hitch. The Ballarat City Band, under Bandmaster A. E. Rowell, supplied an excellent programme of music during the afternoon. It is estimated that more than 1000 friends attended.

His Lordship the Bishop presided and he was accompanied by his Secretary, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini, the Inspector of Schools, Rev. Fr. Shelley, and many of the priests of Ballarat. At the conclusion of a very entertaining concert of music, song, gymnastics and magic scene, the Principal presented to His Lordship a report of the College, covering the activities of the past year. The report was comprehensive and flattering to the Brothers and their pupils. The year had been most successful and high hopes were entertained for record academic successes. Following the report, His Lordship distributed a very valuable assortment of scholastic and sporting prizes. In his address to the people, His Lordship said he was very proud of St. Patrick's College and its teachers and their pupils. He regarded it as second-to-none in the Commonwealth and he formed this opinion on what he saw as he visited every corner of his Diocese. Ex-pupils of S.P.C. were to be found at the top of the professional life of the metropolitan and urban districts. He found them too making a success on the land where they were shining examples of good Catholic

laymen. Mr. Gerald Caffey very suitably moved a vote of thanks to His Lordship for his great interest in the College and for presiding at the function that afternoon.

#### FINAL BANQUET—1948.

The last days of school at the close of 1948 were indeed full ones. From very early December each and every boy of our big roll-call was engaged in the Public Examinations, the Inter-Collegiate Examinations or for the very juniors, class tests which would determine their fate for next year. Class work finished on Tuesday afternoon, and the previous Sunday were held Speech Day and Prize Distribution. Monday was busy with exams, and on Monday evening at 6 p.m. a very enjoyable and most successful banquet was tendered by the Principal. The arrangement of the dining-room and the amount and quality of the foodstuffs are beyond description. Suffice it to say that Matron and her staff spared no expense nor labour in the preparation of the feast.

The Toast List was an imposing one and was opened by that College personality, Frank Drum. Frank proposed the toast "The Hierarchy and Clergy." in very unmistakable terms Frank reminded the College of its debt of gratitude to His Lordship the Bishop and to Frs. Riscalmi and Shelley and the Priests of the Cathedral. His Lordship's interest in College affairs marked him as a great friend of the College. All were grateful to His Lordship for his continued interest and support.

In his reply to Frank Drum's toast, Fr. V. Ryan expressed the pleasure of His Lordship and the Priests of Ballarat and of the Diocese at the work done at the College and at the good Catholic laymen, products of the College, who dotted the length and breadth of Victoria.

The toast to "Alma Mater" was given by the Head Prefect, David Bourke. David paid tribute to the work of the Brothers and the traditions of the College. He expressed the hope of continued success and concluded by urging those boys who like himself must leave College, to support the Old Collegians' activities and keep in touch with College doings.

The Principal, in reply, urged loyalty to a great College. For more than fifty years S.P.C. has done grand service and it might well be proud of its achievements. It must continue its good work and it relied on the support of its friends.

Henry Nolan proposed the toast of "The Visitors," and Rev. Fr. O'Shanessy and Br. Rahill responded. Father and Brother were classmates at the College in the early years of the century and their reminiscences proved very interesting. Br. Rahill briefly referred to our last football defeat in G.P.S. matches, in 1904. He remarked that St. Pat's won the return match in that year and won, too, the Premiership.

John Lenaghan was well supplied with matter for his toast "The Sporting Activities of the Third Term." We had won the double in the Aths—a win in Melbourne and in Ballarat—and we had won the B.P.S. Tennis with Kevin Mogg the McNeil Cup winner. Ray Tatchell (captain) and Frank Drum (vice-capt.) replied to the toast on behalf of the Athletes, and K. Mogg spoke for the Tennis players. Br. O'Malley after prolonged applause gave his usual rallying speech in which he reminded all of the high ideals of S.P.C. He said that if the harmony and co-operation and the obedience and simplicity which characterised the Champion sports of 1948 were features of the 1949 teams, St. Pat's had nothing to fear.

On his toast to Matron and Staff, Dan Arundell thanked Matron and the kitchen staff and Sister and the ladies in the laundry for their ready attention to our needs. The Principal replied on behalf of the staffs of all sections, and he, too, wished to record his own personal thanks to all for the untiring and loyal service.

Community singing interspersed throughout the toast list was enjoyed by all, and the singing of Auld Lang Syne concluded the social activities for 1948.

#### THE LITTLE GENTLEMAN.

I knew him for a gentleman  
By signs that never fail;  
His coat was rough and rather worn  
His cheeks were thin and pale;

A lad who had his way to make  
With little time for play.

I knew him for a gentleman  
By certain signs today,

He met his mother on the street  
Off came his little cap;  
My door was shut, he waited there  
Until I heard his rap.

He took the bundle from my hand  
And when I dropped the pen  
He sprang to pick it up for me  
This gentleman of ten.

He does not push or crowd along,  
His voice is gently pitched.  
He does not fling his books about  
As if he were bewitched.

He stands aside to let you pass,  
He always shuts the door,  
He runs on errands willingly  
To forge or mill or store.

He thinks of you before himself;  
He serves you if he can,  
For in whatever company  
The manners make the man.

At ten or forty 'tis the same,  
His manners tell the tale,  
And I discern the gentleman  
By signs that never fail.

## The New Chapel

There is great news about the new Chapel. The bricklayers have been at work for the past weeks and a substantial amount of work has been done. It is not difficult now to visualise the splendid edifice the Chapel will be and to appreciate its size. We are confident it will be an architectural gem and it is consoling to note the interest of the builders and the workmen and the pride they are taking in the work.

Even now remote preparations are being made for the grand opening. The Choir has begun to learn a Mass and Motets for the occasion. This will indeed be a gala day, and it has been suggested that the College boys should entertain their parents and friends at a concert in the evening. It is expected that many members of the Hierarchy will be present and it is hoped that big numbers of priests and ex-pupils of the College will attend.

Readers of the Chronicle are aware that a "Chapel Fund" has been in operation since early last year. Indeed many generous donations have been made to bring the fund to its present of £4,600. This very creditable sum is made up as follows:

Total result of Annual Efforts by the boys ..	£1,247	17	6
Result of Prefects' Effort last December ..	500	0	0
From His Lordship the Bishop ..	100	0	0
From the late Very Rev. Mgr. Goidanich ..	100	0	0
From Grateful Ex-pupil Chemist ..	500	0	0
Mr. Nicholas O'Donohue, LLB. ..	210	0	0
Messrs H. & M. Bourke, Packenham ..	120	0	0
Mrs. Jones, Ballarat ..	100	0	0
Mrs. McCarthy, Northcote ..	100	0	0
Mrs. Gerald Little, Melbourne ..	100	0	0
Dr. W. O'Loughlin, Melbourne ..	100	0	0
Dr. W. T. Greening, Ballarat ..	100	0	0
Misses Delany, Melbourne ..	100	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Sydney ..	100	0	0
Mr. Ed. Williams, Essendon ..	100	0	0
Mrs. Carey, Geelong ..	100	0	0
Messrs Oliver Davey, South Melbourne ..	100	0	0
Mrs. J. S. Allen, Melbourne ..	75	0	0
Mr. James Murphy, Melbourne ..	50	0	0
Mrs. Joseph Carroll, Ballarat, R.I.P. ..	50	0	0
Rev. Fr. J. Kirby, Colac ..	50	0	0
Dr. D. Podger, Ballarat ..	50	0	0
S.P.C. Ladies' Committee ..	45	0	0
Rural Convention held at S.P.C. ..	40	0	0
Mrs. Stafford, Melbourne ..	25	0	0
Mrs. M. McSteen, Melbourne ..	25	0	0
Mr. B. Hayden, Ballarat ..	25	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. Noy, Melbourne ..	25	0	0
Dr. and Mrs. Gibson, Melbourne ..	25	0	0
Very Rev. Fr. J. Little, Essendon ..	40	0	0
Mr. V. Gemmola, Ballarat ..	25	0	0
Rev. Fr. W. McMahon, Colac ..	25	0	0
Callahan Family, Ballarat East ..	25	0	0
H. S. Holmes & Son, Ascot ..	25	0	0
Sacred Heart Fathers ..	25	0	0
Mr. Angus, Melbourne ..	25	0	0
Amounts less than £25 ..	432	2	6

TOTAL .. .. . £4,600 0 0

## WE STILL NEED £40,000.

Now that the building is well under way, His Lordship the Bishop has sanctioned an Appeal for the Chapel. His Grace Archbishop Mannix has also approved of an appeal as has Most Rev. Dr. McCarthy of Bendigo.

Old Boys and friends of the College have pledged their support and all are convinced that without very great effort the necessary amount will be subscribed. Plans are now being considered as to ways and means of approaching our friends. The estimated cost of the erection is £40,000. With furnishings, fees and other expenses this amount soars to £45,000.

Two facts are evident from this figure:

- i. that a structure worthy of St. Pat's and Catholic Secondary Education in Victoria is being constructed;
- ii. that a big effort will be needed to raise sufficient money to meet this huge debt.

The Appeal has been recognised by the Federal Government, and all donations to the Chapel Fund are subject to Tax Concessions.

*What can you send to the College as your subscription? Amounts over £25 will be acknowledged by name in each issue of the Chronicle. Smaller donations will be acknowledged as a sum.*

*We appeal to our ex-pupils and friends to be generous to this Appeal.*

## COLLEGE SUCCESSES.

Highlights in our very successful academic results were:

BRIAN CONWAY: Newman Exhibition, Donovan Bursary, Government Free Place Scholarship in Veterinary Science.

LES MOGG: First Place State Public Services, Education Department Scholarship, Government Free Place, Commonwealth Cadetship (Geophysicist).

PETER SHELDEN: Donovan Bursary, Government Free Place.

KEVIN MOGG: Second Place State Public Service, Commonwealth Personnel Cadetship.

DON BLACK: Government Free Place.

JOHN LENAGHAN: Donovan Bursary.

The above results are most gratifying and were well deserved by these boys.

## RECENT GRADUATES.

We offer hearty congratulations to those men who graduated last year. S.P.C. wishes them well now that they have completed their courses.

LOY HENNESSY completed his Metallurgical Engineering with honours. He is now doing research work at the University.

BRIAN MASON and KEVIN LOUREY are two other graduates of the Engineering School. They are well equipped for Civil Engineering anywhere.

BASIL LYTHGO has graduated in Arts. He is continuing his studies and is studying for his Diploma of Education.

JOHN HISHON graduated after a very successful course in Agricultural Science. His name was among the University Scholarship list. He won the James Cuming Prize in Agricultural Biochemistry. He is engaged by the Federal Government in the Land Settlement Scheme.



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THE PREFECTS.

The important day for the election of Prefects having arrived, the Principal, Br. Mogg, assembled the Matriculation Class, and prior to issuing them with ballot papers, he pointed out to them the need for a good election. We congratulate all twelve on the confidence reposed in them by their classmates and we look forward with confidence to a year of fruitfulness and service.

**BRIAN JOSEPH HOGAN**, Head Prefect: This is Brian's second year as Prefect. He has been at St. Pat's since 1944 and is doing his second year Matriculation. He is a Councillor of Our Lady's Sodality and a Prefect of the Holy Name Society. He was a member of the First XI 1947-48, and Captain 1949, First XVIII 1947, 48, 49, Athletics 1944, 46, 48.

**JOHN MICHAEL BOURKE**: Fifth year at S.P.C., Prefect 1948, third year Matriculant, equal dux 1948, President Holy Name Society, President St. Vincent de Paul Society, Head Councillor of Our Lady's Soldaity, Secretary, for second year, of the Senior Literary and Debating Society, Bow First Crew 1949, Athletics 1946, 47, First XVIII 1948, 49.

**GALE GRAEME GALLAGHER**: Day-boy, entered College 1942, now in his eighth year. Doing his Matriculation. Gale is a Prefect of the Holy Name Society. Has represented S.P.C. in First XI 1948, 49 and First VXIII 1948, 49.

**JOHN GREENING** is in his tenth year at the College—he enrolled in 1939, was a day-boy for many years but is now a boarder and has been since 1948, is doing his third year Matriculation. John is an executive officer in the Holy Name Society and a member of the College Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. He won the Purton Oratory Contest last year. He was Dux of Inter A in 1945.

**JAMES MICHAEL SHAW**: Entered College in 1944, member of Holy Name Society, Our Lady's Sodality and St. Vincent de Paul Society. was Dux of Leaving in 1948 and fourth in Matriculation Class 1948, doing second year Matriculation. Representated College in cricket in 1947, 48, 49, member of Aths team 1946, 1947, played with Second XVIII 1948.

**LEO RICHARD LENAGHAN**: Entered College in 1944 is now in his sixth year. Has twin brother, Richard, and is brother to John, and Dan who was Head Prefect in 1943, is doing second year Matriculation. Vice-President of St. Vincent de Paul Society and a member of the Holy Name Society, rowed in the Fourth Crew in 1947.

**PETER MICHAEL DAVEY**: Peter is a day-boy from Ballarat North. He has been at St. Pat's since 1945 and is doing his second year Matriculation. He is a member of the Holy Name Society and is a Sergeant in the College Cadet Detachment.

**KEVIN YORK DOWSLEY**: Enrolled at St. Pat's in 1946 and is doing his Matriculation this year. Is Vice-President of the Holy Name Society and is a Councillor of Our Lady's Sodality. Secured first place in Victoria in the woolclassing test last December. Member of First XVIII 1947, 48, 49, Athletics 1947, 48, Stroke of First Four 1949.

**RICHARD JOSEPH CALEO**: Entered College 1945, doing his Matriculation. Councillor of Our Lady's Sodality, executive officer of the Holy Name Society, member of First Four 1948, 1949, played with First XVIII 1948, 49.

**CHRISTOPHER STEPHEN HAINTZ:** Entered College 1945, member of Matriculation Class, executive officer of the Holy Name Society, executive officer of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Played with Second XVIII in 1948, 49, and Second XI in 1949.

**DARYL STEPHEN GEORGE:** Entered College in 1944, doing his second year Matriculation. Member of the Sodality of Our Blessed Lady, the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Holy Name Society. Promote wrestling exhibitions in the College, is anxious for an officer's career in the Royal Australian Navy.

**WILLIAM JOHN McCARTHY:** This is Bill's third year at S.P.C. is a member of the Matriculation Class, Councillor of Our Lady's Sodality, executive officer of the Holy Name Society and of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, played in the First XI in 1949.

#### MR. M. J. BOURKE.

For many weeks Mr. M. J. Bourke, of Pakenham East, the father of David, John, Brian and Hughie, has been very ill in the Coonara Private Hospital. Only now is he considered off the "danger list." His illness was brought about by the excessive work which he had done over a period of years. Mr. Bourke is one of St. Pat's oldest ex-pupils. Already four of his sons have enrolled. John, Brian and Hughie are still with us. David finished last year.

Mr. Bourke has still a long way to go to good health and we ask the prayers of his many friends for his recovery.

#### COLLEGE QUIZ—No. 2.

Introduced in the last issue of the Chronicle this section proved an added attraction and here is Quiz No. 2.

- i. Why is the junior playing area called St. Roch's?
- ii. What is the motto on the shield outside the music rooms?
- iii. When was the Brothers' old residence destroyed and the new building erected?
- iv. What is the circumference of Lake Wendouree?
- v. Who was the hundredth boarder enrolled at St. Pat's?
- vi. Which of the Brothers whose names used for the College Inter-House contests is still alive?
- vii. How many Old Boy priests served as Chaplains in World War II?
- viii. In what year was the College Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society established?
- ix. Who was the first Head Prefect at St. Pat's?
- x. What family had the greatest number of sons to attend St. Pat's?
- xi. What year did the Christian Brothers take over St. Pat's?

—L. LENAGHAN.

(Solution on Page 43)

## Film News

Rated high among the entertainments provided for the boys of St. Pat's is the College Picture Theatre. Here, every Saturday evening, our boys go to relieve the pressure of constant study and to relax for a few hours in the enjoyment of their favorite film stars in action.

Perhaps the best picture screened during the term was "A Tale of Two Cities," a filmversion of Dickens' immortal novel. Ronald Colman was seen at his best in the role of the heroic Sydney Carton who gave his life that his friend, Charles Darnay, might escape the horrors of the guillotine. Another of the term's highlights was "The Bachelor and the Bobby Soxer," a delightful comedy, co-starring Cary Grant and Shirley Temple. Fred MacMurray and Claudette Colbert, the famous comedy team, were featured in yet another excellent film, "The Egg and I," which depicted the life of the American Hill-billy.

Western tastes were catered for in two Western pictures, well above the average. These were "Texas Ranger" and "The Plainsman," and as both were packed with thrills and excitement, they were well received.

Comedy films were by far the most numerous of the pictures screened. Space will not permit mention of all, but some of the more outstanding ones included: "Our Hearts Grow Up," starring Diana Lynn and Gail Russell; "Buck Privates Come Home," with that inimitable combination Abbot and Costello; and "My Brother Talks to Horses," in which the talented "Butch" Jenkins was the star.

Among the musical films shown were "Song of Scherzade," a tale of the music of the great Russian composer Rimsky Korsakov, and "Spring Parade," a story of Vienna and its beautiful waltzes.

The popular Alan Ladd was seen to advantage in "O.S.S.," a spy drama, and also in the detective story, "The Blue Dahlia," while another of the adventure films, "Tarzan and the Huntress," was enjoyed by the young and some of the not-so-young.

The short features were, as usual, of a very high standard. Up-to-date overseas newsreels and current newsreels kept all well-informed of world affairs, while "Pete Smith Specialties," "Passing Parades," "Sport-lights" and the like were universally enjoyed.

—J. BOURKE.

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## Obituary

REV. FR. J. F. McHUGH, P.P.



Some weeks after the passing of his fellow priest, his friend and College companion, Rev. Fr. J. Toomey, there passed to his eternal reward the soul of Fr. John Francis McHugh.

Fr. McHugh was an ex-pupil of St. Patrick's College from 1904 to 1906. During those years he was a prominent all-round athlete and throughout his life he was proud to claim S.P.C. as his Alma Mater.

At the time of his death he was Parish Priest of Armadale. His obsequies were a glorious tribute to the life and work of this servant of God. His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne paid the following tribute to this zealous and kindly priest:

"The hand of death has been laid very heavily upon this diocese even in the present year. We can badly spare a priest so efficient and zealous as Fr. McHugh, whose loss is very grievous for this diocese. His death is mourned not merely in this parish but in every parish in which he served. This gathering of the clergy is a testimony to the esteem and affection in which he was held by his fellow priests. This large congregation, too, shows that he had a place of affection and loyalty in the hearts of the people.

It proves once again that death often comes like a thief in the night.

"It is plain that the death of Fr. McHugh is deeply regretted. Death of course, is always sad even for those advanced in years, but Fr. McHugh was almost in the prime of life. A few days ago when I saw him in the hospital I thought that he might have 20 or 30 years more of life before him. He seemed to have shaken off the trouble that brought him to the hospital. He talked of leaving the hospital almost immediately and taking a holiday before he resumed his work in the parish. Yet a few days after, Fr. McHugh died in the twinkling of an eye without a moment's warning. It is a lesson for us all to take to heart—the uncertainty of life.

### *Zealous and Kindly*

"Fr. McHugh came of pious and good Catholic stock, and to those of them that remain our deep sympathy is offered. They will miss him in a personal way that is not shared by the rest of us; but they will have the consolation that Fr. McHugh did his work faithfully and well as a priest. Though he was called suddenly, Fr. McHugh was not unprepared, and when he went before his Master his hands were not empty. He was a humble, unostentatious, zealous and kindly man: he could always be approached with confidence by those seeking his advice and they could

rely upon his sound judgment and his deep sympathy. In sorrow or trouble he was ever ready to help his people.

"There is one thing for which I myself am very specially grateful to Fr. McHugh. I remember the years he spent at Kilmore and the work that he did there. I am specially grateful to him for what he did for the boys of Assumption College, which is conducted by the Marist Brothers. Many boys who went through that College are now priests, and they owe their vocation to the priestly example, sound judgment and guidance of Fr. McHugh. When he came to make his last will and testament—he had not much of the world's goods to dispose of—he did not forget the needs of Corpus Christi College and the needs of aspirants to the priesthood. For that I am very grateful to Fr. McHugh. His relatives, too, will have the consolation of knowing that though his own priestly life is over, there are others, through his good offices, to carry on his work, who but for him might never have entered the sanctuary.

"Fr. McHugh has gone before his Master. His hands were not empty. We may be confident that he has got a favorable judgment from his Master. No one, of course, is perfect, and even the best need help in this world and in the other. I know that Fr. McHugh will be remembered by priests and people in their Masses and prayers. May God have mercy upon his humble, gentle soul, and may He deal kindly with the souls of all the faithful departed."

REV. FR. J. TOOMEY, P.P.

The Brothers and boys of St. Patrick's College were grieved when news reached them of the death of Rev. Fr. J. Toomey, P.P., East Brunswick. Fr. Toomey was one of the early vocations from the College and we confidently hope, through his intercession to supply many more workers for the Vineyard of Christ. Ever a great priest and a devoted ex-pupil of his Alma Mater, Fr. Toomey saw to it that his young nephew, John, was enrolled at St. Patrick's College this year. We offer John and his parents and the other brothers and sisters of Fr. Toomey our sympathy and our prayers.

We are indebted to the "Advocate" for the following account:—

Six members of the Hierarchy, 150 priests, nuns, Christian and Marist Brothers and a crowded congregation were present at Solemn Requiem Mass for the late Rev. J. F. Toomey, P.P., at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church, East Brunswick, last Thursday.

Archbishop Mannix presided and with him were Coadjutor-Archbishop Simonds Bishops J. McCarthy, J. O'Collins, J. G. Vesters, M.S.C., and Coadjutor-Bishop B. D. Stewart, Mgr. J. Hannan and Dean P. O'Brien (Geelong). Mgr. A. F. Fox, V.G., Adm., and Dean Sexton representing Bishop Fox (Wilcannia-Forbes), a classmate of Fr. Toomey, attended Archbishop Mannix. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. T. McCarthy, P.P.; deacon, Rev. J. Fitzpatrick, P.P.; sub-deacon, Rev. P. O'Connor, P.P.; master of ceremonies, Rev. L. P. Moran, assisted by Rev. A. V. Creed and Mr. H. P. Cooney. Cantors were Revs. P. Jones, G. Coghlan, J. A. Kelly, B. Murphy and M. Rafter. In the representative congregation were Children of Mary, members of parish sodalities, Mr. W. Barry, M.L.A., Srs. J. Holbrook, H. A. Dennett and K. Parlon, and relatives and personal friends of Fr. Toomey.

Archbishop Mannix preached the panegyric and gave the Final Absolution.

Preaching the panegyric, Archbishop Mannix said:

"Your prayers are most earnestly requested for the eternal repose of the soul of Fr. John Toomey. We are all confident that another saint has gone to his eternal reward. Yet it is only human that grief and gloom have settled upon this parish and upon this diocese at the death of Father

Toomey. He was a very exceptional man and a very exceptional priest. It is no wonder, therefore, that the Bishops of Victoria and priests, not merely from Melbourne, but from distant parts of the Commonwealth, as well as people of this and other parishes, should have come this morning to pay a tribute of respect and affection for the memory of a great man and a great priest.

"Our sympathies are with his relatives, his brothers and sister, to whom he was so much attached and who returned his affection in full measure. They loved and cherished him. Now that he has gone to heaven he will still be close to them and help them there more than ever he could have helped them here. The priests of this diocese have lost one of their most loved and valued colleagues. Fr. Toomey never sought or received public applause. There was nothing spectacular about him, or his work. His name scarcely ever appeared in the press. Now it is mentioned only to announce his death. But he served God with great fidelity and generosity and we are confident his reward is assured and great.

*Shining Example*

"He was always quiet, gentle selfless and unostentatious. He never said an unkind word, and I cannot conceive that he ever had an unkind thought. He was the model of a great holy priest, deeply spiritual—an example to his brethren and a shining light upon this whole diocese. His end was like his life. His death, of course, has not been unexpected; but his fatal illness came as a shock to us all. He was comparatively young, but suddenly a fatal illness revealed itself, from which there was no human hope of recovery. During his illness Fr. Toomey suffered excruciating pain day and night, which no medical skill and no devoted nursing could altogether relieve. But through all his long agony never once did he utter a murmur of complaint. I saw him often, and each time he met me with his habitual genial smile. He was perfectly resigned to die and perfectly resigned to suffer any pain that God sent him, asking only for the prayers of his fellow-priests and of his people. Whenever I walked into his presence during his long illness, I felt that I was in communication with one of the saints, one who would soon go to receive from His Master the reward that he had so faithfully earned and well deserved. We have lost a perfect gentleman in the best sense, a great man and a great priest. His memory will be held in benediction by priests and people, who will not forget him in their prayers and Masses.

"May God have mercy upon his genial, saintly soul; and may God deal gently and graciously with the souls of all the faithful departed."

Melbourne.

23rd March, 1949.

The Editor the "Chronicle."

Dear Reverend Sir,—

It really hurt me to read of the death of Fr. John Toomey, who was a school-mate at St. Pat's forty years ago.

We never called him anything but John, and everyone at the College knew he was destined for the Church, and for Heaven.

Though we never met after school-days, I often heard of his grand parochial work in East Brunswick.

I am sure that all old boys of the years around 1910 will join with me in expressing a tribute to John's memory. To be sure he has no need of our poor prayers. He was a Saint from birth.

Yours respectfully,

—PHIL O'BRIEN.

CON CARRUCAN, R.I.P.

The world can ill afford to lose the service of laymen of the quality of Con Carrucan.

Con left College at the end of 1934 after having won a Newman Exhibition and a Government Free Pass. He became a Schoolteacher in the State Education Department and he joined the army during the war.

He married a Ballarat girl—Miss McArdle—Frank's sister. He was appointed to the charge of a Departmental School in the Echuca district.

Con was a favorite with his pupils and was highly respected by them and their parents. He was an excellent character and never did he allow those good qualities which were evident even during his College days, to weaken. He led a model Catholic life, and he was a loyal and loving husband and father.

His tragic death—he was accidentally drowned during the opening days of the duck shooting season—grieved his many friends. He was buried from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat.

To Mrs. Carrucan and her family we offer our sincere sympathy.

KEVIN FRANCIS DOOLEY, R.I.P.

Kevin attended College as a day-boy. He travelled in from Learmonth each day. In 1943 he passed his Intermediate Certificate and the next year he moved into the Commonwealth Bank.

He was a general favourite in the Bank as he had been at College. Kevin was a good young man. He was regular in the practices of his religion and though gentle and weak of stature, he lost no time in denouncing wrong doings.

In his last illness he displayed a courage and resignation seldom enjoyed by one so young. When the Brothers visited him about a week before his death he remarked that he though he was dying and that he was not afraid. He trusted in the mercy of the Master whom he had served faithfully throughout his life.

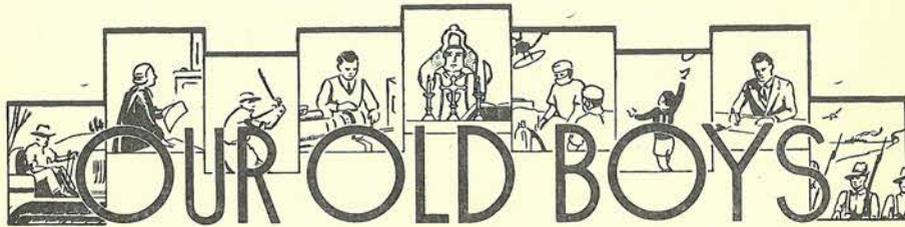
May his soul rest in Peace.

MRS. J. F. O'SHEA, R.I.P.

To Mr. J. O'Shea and his daughters, Mollie and Kathleen, we offer our sympathy on the death of Mrs. O'Shea. Mrs. O'Shea was well known at the College for she attended College functions and never missed the finals of our Oratory Competitions.

Few women have the organising ability of Mrs. O'Shea. She could fill an executive position and administer it with great success. Her watchword was "thoroughness." Whatever she had to do must be done carefully and well. No labour was too much in the execution of her duty.

She had been in ill-health for months, and had been several times in St. John's Hospital. When death approached she had no fears. She joined in the prayers for the Dying, till her last breath. May her soul



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It is now the practice of the Old Boys' Committee to have a copy of the Chronicle sent to all financial members of the Old Boys' Union.

The Old Collegiate Association has been very active during the term. Functions have been organised by the Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo branches. All three branches are very satisfied with the support given by the really loyal members. It is not too much to expect many more Old Boys to take a keener interest in the functions organised by the various branches.

The question is often asked by Old Boys, "Why should I join the Old Collegians' Association. What does the Association do for me?" These are logical questions for those who do not know the objects of the Old Boys' Union;

1. To foster a bond of fellowship between ex-students of S.P.C.
2. To promote the interest of Old Boys in the College.
3. To watch the interests of boys entering the University, the Professions, Commerce and industry.

From these objects you see that the Old Collegians' Association exists for your benefit and for the benefit of your Alma Mater.

The Association arranges Retreats and General Holy Communions and, where possible, Communion Breakfasts, Social functions, including an Old Boys' Ball, Old Boys' Dinner are organised. Sporting fixtures are arranged at the College against the present students.

Ex-students of S.P.C. are prominently represented in all spheres—clerical professional, commercial, technical, industrial. These men are always ready to assist their fellow Old Boys in a practical way.

**MELBOURNE BRANCH.**

We feel that much has been achieved in recent months in creating an interest in the Old Boys' Association, and we are sure that good support can be expected at future functions as there is evidence on all sides of a revival of that "Old St. Pat's Spirit."

At the time of writing, arrangements are well in hand for the Re-union in Ballarat on Boat Race week-end, 7th and 8th May. Accommodation has been reserved for all Old Boys who have sought it. Buses are to leave the City—Whytes' Booking Office—on Saturday, 7th May, and on Sunday, 8th May, at 9.30 a.m. They will return to Melbourne on Sunday night. A gratifying response has been received to the appeal, made to Old Boys in the metropolitan area for the additional amount required to launch the new College Four free of debt. The committee expresses its appreciation to one and all.

A very important date for Old Boys in the metropolitan area is Tuesday, 17th May, the date of the Old Collegians' Cabaret Ball to be held at Earl's Court, The Esplanade, St. Kilda. This will be a night to remember and we expect a record gathering of Old Boys. Don't miss it.

**ATHLETICS.**

Amateur Athletic facilities have been offered to members of our Old Boys' Association by the Old Paradians' Amateur Athlete Club. The club has two teams, a senior team and a junior team for lads under seventeen years of age. Headquarters are at Olympic Park where training is conducted on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

This generous offer should be borne in mind by any members who may wish to continue their athletics in the atmosphere of a Catholic Club.

**GENERAL.**

All Old Collegians are urged to help in the organisation of the Association. There are still numbers of Old Boys who have not joined up in the right way—by paying the subscription 10/-. The Hon. Treasurer's address is: 34 Eildon Road, St. Kilda—Alan Casey. Funds are required to carry on the activities of the Association with benefit to the old school and to members individually.

Items of information regarding Old Boys are welcomed for this column. If you have not the urge to write, and you are in the city, you may call on Phil O'Brien at Tony Barbetta's, Hotel Barclay, at 1.30 any day. If you are near Northcote, call on the President, Pat O'Neill, at his Pharmacy in Victoria Road.

**BALLARAT NEWS.**

Much enthusiasm marks the doings of the Old Boys at Ballarat. A big muster is expected at the Reunion on 8th May. Secretary Fred Webster and Assistant Secretary Brendan Scally are keenly interested and are making all possible contacts. Boat Race Ball in the College Hall is very popular and should be a great success. We are grateful to the Principal, Br. Mogg, for allowing us the use of the Hall for the ball and for the Reunion.

We are looking forward to meeting the Melbourne folk at the week-end.

## BENDIGO.

A fair sized contingent will travel from Bendigo for the Reunion. Members are very enthusiastic and Secretary Frank Byrne hopes to announce a function in Bendigo during the Second Term. Their Annual Dinner last year was a great success.

## PERSONAL.

Old Boys felt person pride in the great honour conferred on Professor Sir Bernard Heinze. Congratulations Sir Bernard, you richly merited this recognition.

Dr. Jim Peters is back from abroad. He is now Mr. Peters, F.R.C.S. Hearty congratulations, Jim.

We rejoice with those Old Boys who completed their studies at the Melbourne University—Brian Mason, Kevin Lourey, Loy Hennessy, John Hishon and Basil Lythgo. Loy is continuing for his Master's Degree and Basil for his Diploma of Education.

On the motion of Eddie Williams of Moonee Ponds, a fund was opened to equip the College Library in memory of Rev. Br. Purton, R.I.P. Thanks, Ed.

Mr. J. P. Noonan (1897-98), now living in St. Kilda, intends visiting Ballarat for the Reunion. Mr. Noonan must surely have strong claims in the "Who is the oldest Old Boy series"—see last issue.

Mick Maher and Lorry Brady, both of Minyip, and John O'Connor, of Horsham, were in great spirits at the wedding in Minyip of popular Marie Gaynor and Ron McIntyre, on last Easter Monday.

Two Sydneysiders seen in Melbourne recently, who attended S.P.C. in the early 1900's, were R. R. Smith and J. V. Cusack.

Official business brought Mr. F. J. Ryan, solicitor from Beechworth, to Ballarat and he paid a visit to his Alma Mater. He left St. Pat's in 1907. He had a son lost over France in 1943. He was in the R.A.A.F.



# ROWLANDS

## AERATED WATERS

## & CORDIALS

*"For the Man who Thinks before he Drinks"*

Ken Aldenhovner is to be married shortly. Good luck, Ken.

Laurie Larmer took the final step some weeks ago.

Jack Mooney is now the proud father of a daughter.

Jack Liston (Bayswater) is also preparing to do hand-springs.

Des Tooley and his wife and daughter have left Ballarat for Brisbane. Des has high hopes of success in Brisbane. A good position awaits him and a fine home.

Capt. Jack (Tek) O'Dea is waiting for more bricks (or mortar) for his house in Brighton. Jack is the proud father of two girls.

Alan Casey is still smiling in St. Kilda. Alan has two fine boys.

Terry Dwyer is back in circulation again. Terry was the backbone of the Melbourne branch pre-war.

Laurie O'Brien organised the first Sunday football match this season. He brought up the Thornbury Tramway team.

Oliver ("Bol") Daly is one of the Old Boys who have risen to eminence in the Public Service. He went from S.P.C. to the Commonwealth Treasury and is now in charge of the Note Issue Branch. His many mates of the early days of the century will remember his exploits on the handball courts. He had a doughty opponent, those days, in Harry Bambrick who is so helpful in arranging entertainment for functions of the Melbourne branch.

Lyle and Peter Barbeta were to have gone for a trip to Spain in January. Their father, "Tony"—donor of the Lyle Barbeta Cup for Handball—was to take the family to the old country. His medical adviser, Dr. Frank Harnett, General President of the Combined Old Boys' Association, ruled against this trip. Peter has recently been elected Captain of Camberwell Seconds. He is an energetic committee man.

We were pleased to welcome Don Walker to S.P.C. Don attended College 1928 to 1933. He has a dairy farm at Cranbourne, Gippsland. Don has two children, Lynette Marie and Robert Donald. He served in the 2/22 Intelligence Section, and since his discharge he has been very ill. He was recently fourteen weeks in Heidelberg Hospital. S.P.C. tenders Don and his wife and children best wishes.

Harold Balfe, now Melbourne editor of Smith's Weekly, was at S.P.C. at the break of the century. Years after, while attending a sporting function at St. Virgil's College, Hobart, he competed against two other S.P.C.'ites. One was Albert Ogilvie, a K.C. and later Premier of Tasmania. Harold hopes to be able to attend future Old Boys' functions.

## SOLUTIONS TO QUIZ NO. 2.

- i. For years the Infirmary was situated on the site of the present St. Roch's arena. The Infirmary was under the patronage of St. Roch. The name has remained.
- ii. "For when the one Great Sower  
Comes to write your name  
He writes—not how you won or lost—  
But how you played the game."
- iii. Br. J. K. O'Neill in 1933.
- iv. About four miles.
- v. Centum O'Brien.
- vi. Br. W. M. McCarthy, Eire.
- vii. Twenty-seven (27).
- viii. 3 : 10 : 43.
- ix. Rev. Fr. R. Sullivan.
- x. The Long Family from Knowsley.
- xi. 1893.

MATCH 3.

S.P.C.—1st Innings	
Lorkin, c and b Allen	19
Hogan, b Allen	14
Gallagher, stp Allan, b Carlyon	24
Hogan, c Ritchie, b Dunlop	17
Panettiere, run out	28
Ferguson, stp Allan, b Carlyon	0
Elliott, run out	16
Jubb, c Tinney, b Dunlop	0
Kenny, c Allan, b Healey	5
Gregory, not out	6
Shaw, lbw, b Healey	0
Extras	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>136</b>

Bowling: Leishman, 0/17; Healey 2/22; Allen, 2/30; Dunlop, 2/38; Carlyon, 2/15; Ritchie, 0/8.

B.C.—1st Innings	
Crawford, run out	12
Carlyon, b Gallagher	0
Tinney, stp Lorkin, b Hogan K	2
Ritchie, run out	2
Dunlop, b Gallagher	9
Caldwell, c Hogan, b Panettiere	4
Leishman, b Hogan, K.	6
Allan, b Gallagher	1
Clarke, c Gallagher, b Hogan K	1

S.P.C. won on the first innings by 88 runs.

MATCH 4.

S.P.C. v. C.E.G.S.

G.S.—1st Innings	
Lucas, b Hogan, K.	8
Nice, c Kenny, b Panettiere	17
Messenger, stp Lorkin, b Ferguson	11
Tunbridge, c McCarthy, b Gallagher	17
Pittard, stp Lorkin, b Ferguson	3
Stevens, lbw, b Ferguson	4
Pratt, b Gallagher, G.	12
Newsome, c Ferguson, b McCarthy	5
Howe, b McCarthy	11
McIntosh, lbw, b Hogan, K.	5
Cram, not out	0
Extras	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>

Bowling: Gallagher, 2/10; K.

S.P.C.—2nd Innings	
Hogan, c Caldwell, b Healey	42
Lorkin, c Caldwell, b Healey	2
Gallagher, c Leishman b Caldwell	16
Hogan, lbw, b Healey	49
Panettiere, c Caldwell, b Dunlop	17
Elliott, lbw b Healey	0
Jubb, stpd Allan, b Dunlop	0
Kenny, not out	16
Gregory, b Healey	3
Shaw, b Healey	4
Ferguson, absent	0
Extras	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>149</b>

Bowling: Leishman, 0/15; Healey 6/49; Carlyon, 0/10; Caldwell, 1/18 Ritchie, 0/12.

Allen, not out	1
Healey, b Hogan, K.	0
Extras	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>

Bowling: Gallagher 3/9; K. Hogan, 4/12; Jubb, 0/8; Panettiere, 1/2; Shaw, 0/6; B. Hogan, 1/1.

Bowling: Gallagher 3/9; K. Hogan, 4/12; Jubb, 0/8; Panettiere, 1/2; Shaw, 0/6; B. Hogan, 1/1.

G.S.—2nd Innings	
Lucas, lbw, b Jubb	8
Nice, lbw, b Jubb	3
Messenger, b Jubb	2
Tunbridge, b Gallagher	2
Pittard, b Hogan, K.	7
Stevens, c Panettiere, b Ferguson	17
Pratt, c Kenny, b Gallagher	2
Newsome, b Gallagher	0
Howe, b Gallagher	2
McIntosh, not out	4
Cram, b Ferguson	0
Extras	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>53</b>

Bowling: Elliott, 0/8; Jubb 3/13; Gregory, not out 14  
Gallagher, 4/11; K. Hogan, 1/7; Jubb, bowled Lucas 1  
Ferguson, 2/8. McCarthy, b Pittard 1

S.P.C.—1st Innings	
Hogan, b Newsome	1
Lorkin, b Tunbridge	86
Gallagher, b Pittard	7
Hogan, b Newsome	30
Panettiere, hit wkt, b Tunbridge	7
Ferguson, b Messenger	11
Elliott, c Nice, b Messenger	0
Kenny, c and b Lucas	28
Extras	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>197</b>

Bowling: Lucas, 2/46; Newsome, 2/38; Pittard, 2/34; Tunbridge, 2/34; Messenger, 2/31; Stevens, 0/4.

S.P.C. won outright by an innings and 44 runs.

MATCH 5.

S.P.C. v. B.H.S.

B.H.S.—1st Innings	
Whykes, b Gallagher	28
Colbourne, b Panettiere	2
Whykes, b Ferguson	15
Dowling, b Hogan, K.	2
Reid, b McCarthy	14
Kinnane, c Hogan, b McCarthy	1
Oaten, c Elliott, b McCarthy	6
Borack, lbw, b Hogan, K.	10
Saunders, b Panettiere	17
Nankervis, c Hogan, B., b Ferguson	6
Blackie, not out	1
Extras	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>117</b>

Bowling: Gallagher, 1/26; K. Hogan, 2/19; Panettiere 2/11; Ferguson, 2/31; Jubb, 0/3; McCarthy, 3/12.

S.P.C.—1st Innings	
Panettiere, run out	22
Ferguson, c Colbourne, b Whykes	3
Elliott, lbw, b Whykes, I.	0
Kenny, c Colbourne, b Whykes I	0
Gregory, b Dowling	0
Jubb, lbw, b Dowling	0
McCarthy, not out	0
Extras	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>111</b>

Bowling: B. Whykes, 1/14; Nankervis, 0/15; I. Whykes, 3/25; Colbourne, 1/14; Blackie, 1/17; Dowling, 3/14.

B.H.S.—2nd Innings

Reid, not out	11
Whykes, b Ferguson	1
Oaten, not out	2
Extras	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 for 16</b>

Bowling: 0/3; K. Hogan, 0/14; McCarthy, 0/3; J. Ferguson, 1/3; Panettiere, 0/1.

Bowling: Gallagher, 1/26; K. Hogan, 2/19; Panettiere 2/11; Ferguson, 2/31; Jubb, 0/3; McCarthy, 3/12.

S.P.C.—1st Innings	
Hogan, c Nankervis, b Colbourne	24
Lorkin, b Whykes, B.	17
Gallagher, b Blackie	6
Hogan, c Borrack, b Dowling	27
Extras	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>117</b>

Bowling: Gallagher, 1/26; K. Hogan, 2/19; Panettiere 2/11; Ferguson, 2/31; Jubb, 0/3; McCarthy, 3/12.

MATCH 6.

S.P.C. v. B.C.

S.P.C.—1st Innings	
Hogan, c Carlyon, b Byrne	15
Lorkin, c Carlyon, c Byrne	12
Gallagher, c Leishman, b Healey	8
Hogan, b Leishman	46
Panettiere, stp Allan, b Allen	14
Ferguson, c Allan, b Byrne	24
Elliott, c Allan, b Byrne	29
Kenny, c Allan, b Byrne	17
Gregory, c Ritchie, b Leishman	2
Extras	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>187</b>

Bowling: Carlyon, 0/31; Byrne, 6/35; Leishman 2/46; Healey 1/31; Allen, 1/13; Dunlop, 0/20.

B.C.—1st Innings		B.C.—2nd Innings	
Tinney, c Gallagher, b Panettiere	8	Tinney, run out	40
Caldwell, c Gregory, b Hogan K	0	Ritchie, b Gallagher	5
Crawford, c Hogan B, b Hogan K	0	Caldwell, run out	0
Allan, c Lorkin, b Panettiere	5	Crawford, stpd Lorkin, b Ferguson	10
Ritchie, not out	7	Allan, c Gallagher, b Ferguson	0
Leishman, stp Lorkin, b Ferguson	2	Leishman, c Hogan, K., b Panettiere	3
Dunlop, c Gallagher, b Hogan K	0	Dunlop, lbw, b Hogan, K.	16
Carlyon, c Hogan, B, b Hogan, K.	0	Byrne, b Hogan, K.	3
Byrne, stp Lorkin, b Hogan, K	4	Healey, not out	3
Healey, lbw, b Hogan, K.	0	Allen, stpd, Lorkin, b Ferguson	4
Allen, b Panettiere	0	Extras	10
Extras	2	Total	94
Total	28		

Bowling: Gallagher, 0/3; Hogan, 6/7; Ferguson, 1/15; Panettiere, 3/1; McCarthy, 0/0.

S.P.C. won outright by an innings and 65 runs.

Bowling: McCarthy, 0/18; Panettiere, 1/10; Gallagher, 1/22; Ferguson, 3/21; K. Hogan, 2/13.

#### BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES OF 1st XI.—1949.

BATTING :	Innings	Runs	Not Out	H.S.	Average
K. Hogan	7	199	—	49	28.43
B. Hogan	7	155	—	53	22.14
J. Lorkin	7	151	—	86	21.57
J. Elliott	7	107	1	58	17.16
J. Ferguson	6	84	1	30	16.8
M. Kenny	5	61	1	28	15.25
N. Panettiere	7	97	—	28	13.86
G. Gallagher	7	79	—	24	11.3
J. Gregory	6	35	2	14	8.75
J. Shaw	3	6	1	4	3
W. McCarthy	3	4	1	3	2
K. Jubb	6	10	1	8	2

BOWLING :	O.	M.	R.	W.	A.
N. Panettiere	30	11	34	9	3.78
K. Hogan	50.6	18	120	20	6
G. Gallagher	66	19	101	12	8.42
W. McCarthy	27	7	45	5	9.2
J. Elliott	5	—	10	1	10
J. Ferguson	44	7	157	15	10.4
K. Jubb	33	—	85	6	14.16
J. Gregory	4	—	15	1	15
J. Shaw	10	—	28	—	—

#### SECOND XI. COMPETITION.

Once again, as in former years, St. Pat's illustrious Second Eleven has gone through the season of B.P.S. matches undefeated. Only once were they seriously challenged, and that was when they were battling for runs against High School and received the tragic news of the collapse of the Firsts against the High School First Eleven. However, despite the

serious shock to their morale, they carried on and ran out winners with a couple of wickets in hand.

This was the first year in which there was a Second Eleven competition, and so there was an added keenness in the matches. The first match was against Grammar School on their oval. On this occasion, Bill McCarthy led the team, and on winning the toss he elected to bat. Bill himself opened with John "Redder" Donehue, but was soon back in the pavilion having inadvertently stopped the ball from scattering his stumps by use of his leg. Our "Worlty" Cherry then made his way to the crease and began to show us some classy cricket. Meanwhile "Redder" was slating the bowlers to such good effect that he had 46 on the board when he went l.b.w. The remaining members of the team then hit out and at time-up S.P.C. was 9 for 128. Then Grammar was in—and out—for a total of 19. Captain Bill then sent Grammar in again and at close of play they were 9 for 18. And so St. Pat's won their first game. The best bowler on this occasion was Capt'n Bill himself who took 3 for 7.

The next game was that against High School. St. Pat's were all out for 81 this time as High School turned on the fast attack. Nothing daunted, Bill sent High School in and turned on our own fast attack. So good was it that High could not score runs fast enough so that at close of play they were 8 for 59. Since it was a time match, St. Pat's were again victorious. On this occasion our best batsman was J. Buckley with 24. while bowling honours went to B. Tobin 1 for 3, and P. Sheahan 2 for 18.

Our last match in the first round was against Ballarat College, and this time we played at home. College won the toss and sent us in to bat. "Walter" (W. Cherry) opened this time with "Tallon" (P. Conway) at the other end. However, Walter was only two when the bowler ran him out. "Tallon" vengefully hit the next ball for four, and the following ball, he was clean bowled while trying to repeat the stroke. St. Pat's were 2 for 14. Calamity! However John Buckley was next in and he batted in good style until his leg stump described a graceful arc through the air. However, he had made 24, and St. Pat's were 3 for 42. Alf (Leg-stump) Treppo carried on, and when time was called, St. Pat's were 8 for 107. College then began a procession which ended at 10 for 28. Cap'n Bill sent them in again, and at stumps the score was 7 for 18. On this occasion the wreckers were P. Sheahan with 5 for 7, and our inimitable Captain with 5 for 9. Best batsman was John Buckley with his 24. And so the first round concluded with St. Pat's the unbeaten team.

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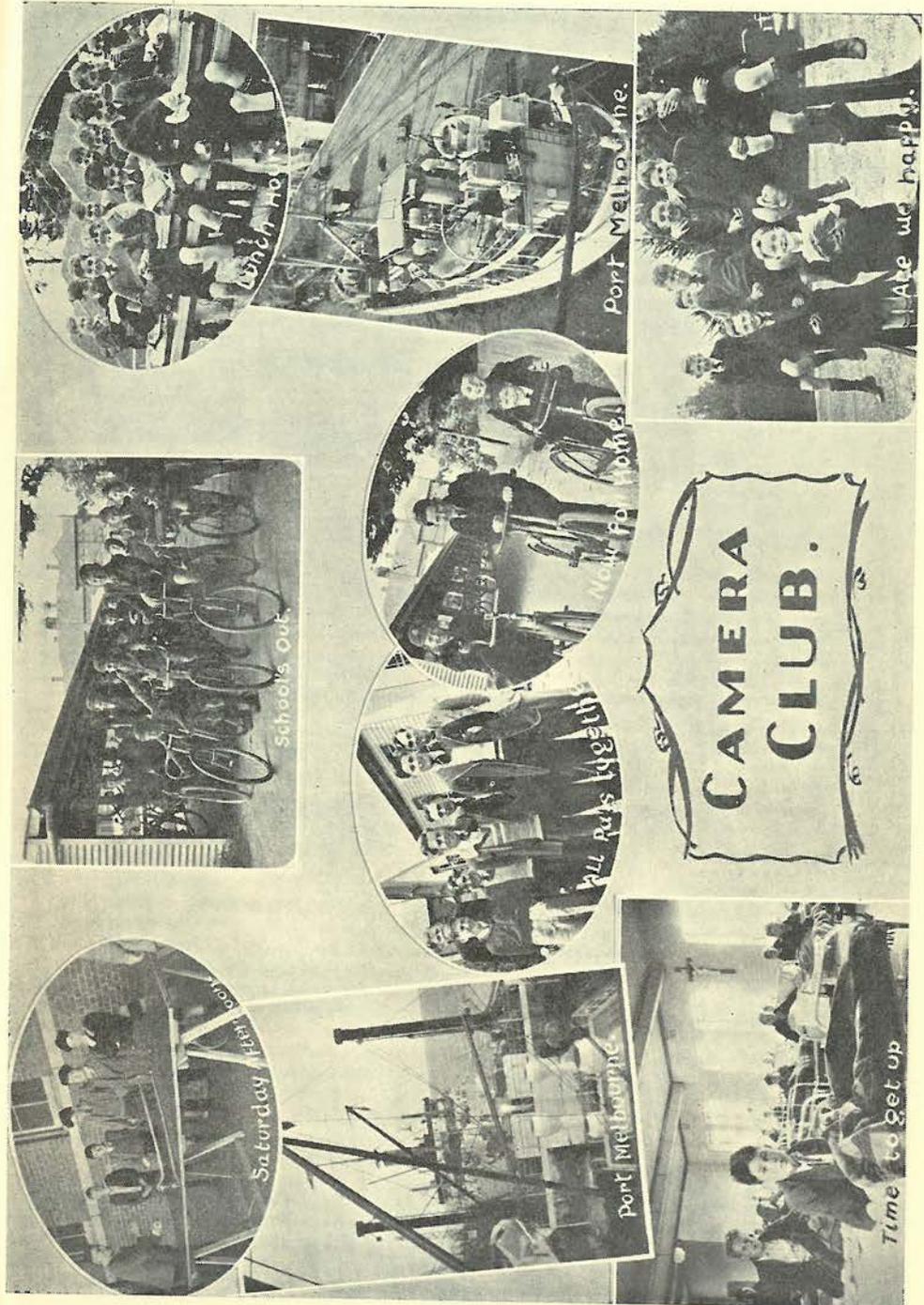
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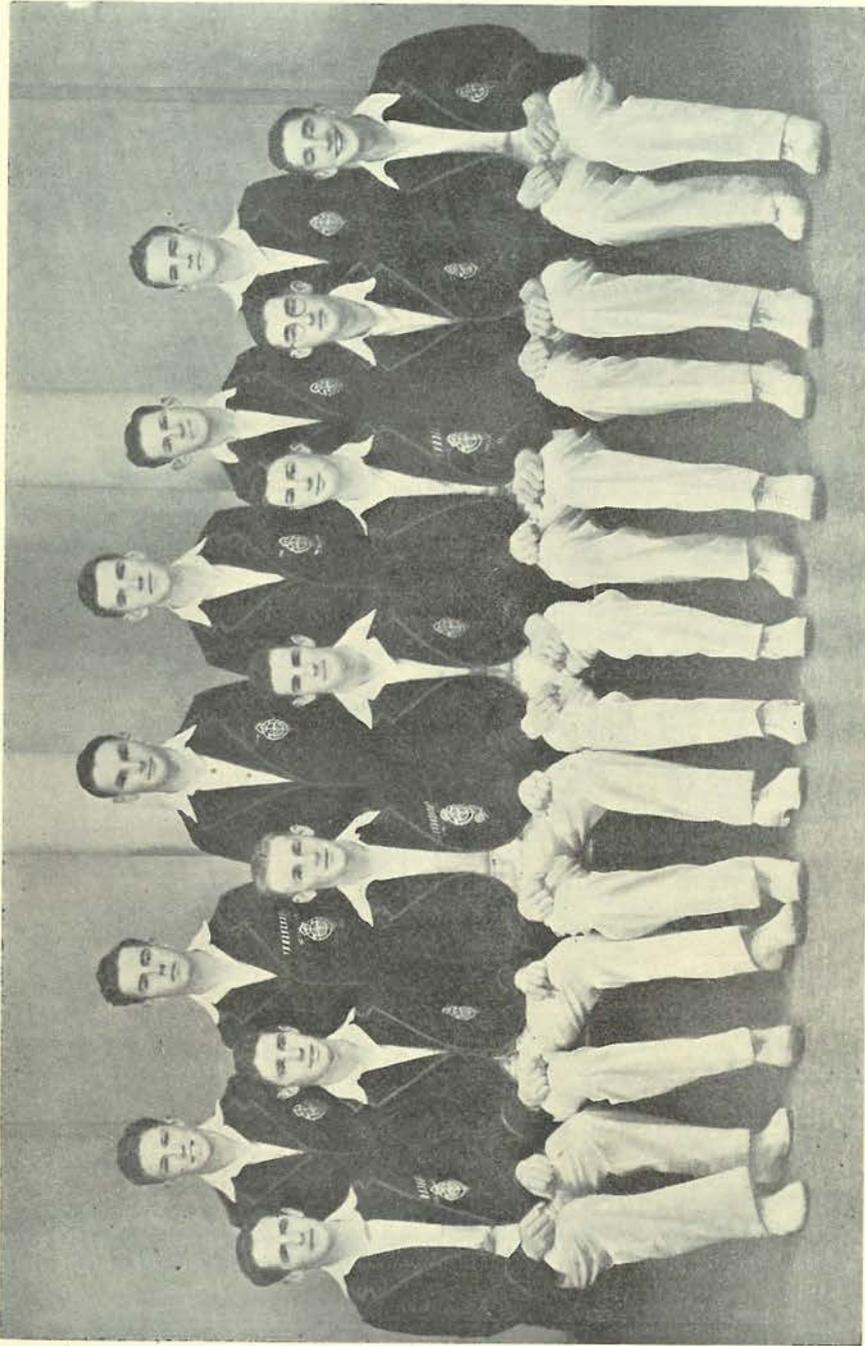
In the interval between rounds, the Seconds played the First in "the game of the year," on St. Patrick's Day. The Seconds batted first and when the last wicket fell the score was 64. The Firsts set out to double this score, very confidently too, I might add, but found trouble. "Killer" Hogan went with the score at 20—1 for 20. But then! The next wicket fell at 28, third at 34, fourth at 42, fifth at 53, sixth at 58, and seventh at 72. The Seconds had them worried. However, they came good and their last wicket fell at 138. They sent the Seconds in again, but the rain came and play was abandoned for the day. And so the First won on the first innings. The Seconds had suffered their first defeat. However, they had acquitted themselves well and had received the congratulations of Br. O'Malley on their fine game.

The opening match in the second round was S.P.C. versus Grammar School at home. We were without the services of Cap'n Bill this time since he and John James had been promoted to the Firsts. R. Price had been elevated to the captaincy with P. Conway vice. Grammar won the toss from our canny Scot's leader and we were sent in to bat. With the score 5 for 62, the long Scot went in. However, no sooner was he there than the score was 6 for 62, and "Tallon" went out to join him. It was then that Grammar brought on the slowbowler. Well! Two overs later with the score 5 for 94, the "Scotsman" and "Tallon" retired, with 16 each, as time was nearly up. A quarter of an hour later when time was called, St. Pat's were 9 for 111. Then Grammar's eleven surprised by making a stand against the fast attack. The first wicket fell when the score was 21—1 for 21. Things looked a bit grim. However the remaining nine wickets fell for 35 and Grammar were all out for 59. Another win for St. Pat's. The best bowler on this occasion was C. Healey, who took 4 for 11.

The next match was the hardest of the season and we were very keen to win. We played High School at High. As they were the hardest team to beat in the first round, we anticipated a hard game. Nor were we disappointed. High won the toss and decided to bat. They went for the runs in the limited time at their disposal and when their hour and a half was up they had made 73. They left us with a task ahead. We had to make 74 runs in an hour and a half against a very fast and accurate bowling side. The first wicket fell with the score at 18 and the second wicket fell at 29. At the end of an hour's play we were only 39. Alf (Leg-stump) Treppo collared the bowling then and began to hit out. Then came the stunning blow to our morale, with the news of the Firsts' collapse. Still we battled on and with five minutes to go Alf swept a ball to leg for 3 runs and we were 75—6 for 75. Alf retired and the remaining batsmen had a lash, and the innings concluded with 9 for 85. Alf Treppo top scored with 28 retired, while our best bowler was the "Scot" (R. Price) with 4 for 16.

The final match for the season was against Ballarat College at College. We won the toss and sent College in to bat. Their opening bats looked like settling down; but a good ball from B. Tobin skied the middle stump and College were 1 for 10. The fall of wickets was then rapid, and when the last batsman returned to the pavilion the score was exactly 50. St. Pat's opening pair were parted after the last ball of the first over, "Tallon" (P. Conway) having made his duck—1 for 1. J. Buckley was next in and blocked for the next two overs. Then the bowlers lost their length and "Buck" hit out. He made 16 off one over, and an over later when he was caught at leg, he had scored 32. St. Pat's were 4 for 49 as Clem Healey, the other opener, had made 14. With the game "in the bag," the remaining batsmen used the long handle, and the last wicket fell at 98. St. Pat's were unbeaten premiers; Champions in B.P.S. Second XI. On this final occasion the best bowlers were Clem Healey with 3 for 10 and





S.P.C. 1st XI, 1949. Runners-up B.P.S.  
 Front Row—K. Hogan, G. Gallagher, J. Lorkin (Vice-Capt.), B. Hogan (Capt.), N. Panettiere, J. Ferguson, J. Elliott.  
 Back Row—M. Kenny, K. Jubb, J. Shaw, W. McCarthy, J. Gregory, J. James.

N. Jubb with 2 for 6. Best batsman was "Buck" with 33.

And so we came to the end of the season with an unbelievable record in Public Schools' games. We had scored 721 runs as against 288, and only twice had we been all out. It must be remembered that these matches were time matches, with only an hour and a half's play to each team; in order for the comparatively high scores to be appreciated. We played only one other match, but it is hardly worthy of mention. The Thirds had the audacity to challenge us, and we accepted. I will not enumerate the scores—suffice it to say that the Seconds scored about 80 in the hour at their disposal, while the Thirds were hard put to reach double figures and were all out for 31 in about three-quarters of an hour! Hard luck, Thirds! Come again some time, but practice hard before you challenge the Seconds.

Well, now we must close. Glancing over the scorebook for the season we see many fine performances both in bowling and in batting, and anyone who saw the Seconds in action could vouch for their keenness and skill in the field. Such enthusiasm and ability in the Seconds augers well for future first elevens; and if a number of this year's Seconds are in next year's Firsts, as they sure will be, it will not be their fault if the S.P.C. Firsts fail to emulate this year's Seconds, and be unbeaten Premiers in B.P.S. for 1950.

—P. CONWAY.

#### THE SUNDAY CRICKET MATCHES.

At the outset I would like to express thanks on behalf of our coaches, Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Galvin, and on the part of the Captain and the First XI, for the assistance given by opposing teams in the Sunday matches throughout the season.

Preparation for, and practice throughout the B.P.S. Cricket Season was greatly hampered by lack of practice matches. At the commencement of the season several Sunday matches had to be cancelled because of the inclemency of the weather.

The announcement of a fixture with the Richmond H.A.C.B.S. team captained by Richmond's football team leader, Jack Dyer, aroused great enthusiasm among the boys of our team. However, Sunday, 20th February, was wet, and the match was cancelled after consultation with the Richmond officials. Their very generous donation of £1 towards the sports' fund is gratefully acknowledged.

On Sunday, 13th March, we were blessed with fine weather and the College team took the field determined to toss the Ballarat Railways' team in the annual game. Captained by Mr. Merv. Candy, the visitors fully extended our team. Unfortunately St. Pat's innings was cut short by the time limit.

Scores: Railways, 88; St. Pat's, 79. Bowling: Railways, W. Chibnall 1 for 12, Candy 1 for 13; St. Pat's, Gallagher 2 for 8, Hogan 2 for 8. Batting: Railways, L. Chibnall 33.; St. Pat's, Lorkin, retired 25.

On 20th March St. Pat's was challenged by a Kerang team under the leadership of Dr. Wally Moon, an ex-pupil of the College. It was truly a good team, and it was only through the superb bowling of our opening bowlers, Gale Gallagher and Kevin Hogan, that we dismissed them for a total trailing our own.

Scores: St. Pat's, 125—Lorkin 27, K. Jubb 3 for 10; Kerang, 93—Manuel 32, Moon 17, Cotton 2 for 8.

The match against the South Melbourne Y.C.W. team on Sunday, 27th March, held a novelty in store for us. Fr. Ryan, the visiting team's captain, had brought with him his 16 m.m. movie camera. Action shots in colour were taken throughout the match for the benefit of the

XI. On this occasion St. Pat's proved too strong. The scores were: St. Pat's, 126—K. Hogan 36, W. McCarthy 3 for 15; South Melbourne, 88—G. Moloney 26, G. Maloney 5 for 24.

The following Sunday—3rd April—Ballarat Y.C.W. matched their strength against ours. The highlight of the match was the punishment meted out to our slow and medium-paced bowlers by the hard-hitters of the Y.C.W. team. However the "slows" ultimately proved supreme, and the visiting team was dismissed for a total of 58 runs; this score falling short of our own by 59 runs.

Scores: St. Pat's, 5 for 117—B. Hogan 28, Lorkin 27 retired, Gallagher 22 retired, K. Hogan 4 for 12; Ballarat Y.C.W.: 58—K. Collins 20, Cunningham 2 for 17.

The most interesting Sunday match of the season was yet to be held, however. On Sunday 10th April, the St. Kevin's team from Melbourne, accompanied by many supporters, arrived at the College. This team by winning the 1949 Premiership had proved itself the outstanding Associated Catholic Schools' team in Melbourne. Everything pointed to a hard and keenly contested game. Nor were the onlookers disappointed. Although we dismissed St. Kevin's for 68, our supporters experienced some anxious moments when four of our top batsmen were out for the small score of 30 runs. However, the fighting spirit of St. Pat's prevailed, and we trounced the Premier Melbourne team. The scores were:

St. Kevin's: 68—L. O'Donehue 11, K. Gates 11, K. Gates 2 for 20; St. Pat's: 6 for 104—B. Hogan not out 52, M. Kenny not out 17, K. Hogan 2 for 23.

Though we failed to reach our goal—the Cricket Premiership of 1949—it was through no fault of the visiting teams who provided us with the best practice possible. Moreover each and every member of each and every team displayed an interest in the College XI. Though they wished to beat us, we feel certain that they hoped to give us necessary match practice. That we availed of such beneficial practice is evident from the manner in which we carried aloft the green, white and blue standard throughout the B.P.C. season. Not one bad defeat was sustained by the team. Once again we thank the visiting Sunday teams for their efforts to help. St. Pat's acquit itself meritoriously if not admirably, in the 1949 B.P.S. Cricket.

—N. D. PANETTIERE

#### SENIOR PARK

K. Drake, L. Heath, P. McEncroe and L. Walsh led the terms on the Senior Park. Galvin House were the premiers for 1949. The competition brought to light some very promising cricketers. Among the more successful were L. Heath and N. Elder who were outstanding with both bat and ball. K. Drake and B. Lamaro were both promising batsmen. P. Tardrew, B. Sheahan and S. Plummer were amongst the successful bowlers.

#### JUNIOR PARK.

P. Hackwill, B. Grogan, I. Murray and G. Murphy were the captains chosen to lead the teams on the Junior Park. Quite a few of the games developed into tense struggles with but a few runs separating the teams. Congratulations to Galvin, the premiers for 1949. Here, too, were some promising cricketers. H. Bourke and I. Murphy were outstanding with bat and ball, P. B. Ryan was a batsman who displayed plenty of aggression, while L. Plummer was a very successful bowler.

#### BOXING.

This year under the capable direction of Mr. Val. Stewart about seventy boys are learning the manly art of self-defence. The large number of learners is sufficient evidence to illustrate the great confidence all have in Mr. Stewart, both as a boxing master and physical instructor, for it is the aim of most of the boys to develop physically rather than to become boxers. Mr. Stewart has the various punches divided into simple exercises and he insists on perfection of execution of the simplest lead or counter. His method of tutoring is so effective that even the youngest enjoy his lessons.

This year there are two groups—Senior and Junior. The Junior class commences at 7.15 a.m. and continues for one hour. The Seniors commence work at 8.15 p.m. Although boxing is serious business, most of the lessons provide us with a fair share of amusement. The battles of Frank Fitzpatrick and Gerald Walsh show us the finer points of the game, whilst Peter Conway and John Greening usually manage to find the Hall large enough for their encounters. Now that Frank Drum, last year's College Champion, has remained at home, there is keen rivalry between the heavyweights J. Bourke, B. Maloney, C. Haintz and M. Molan, to take the vacant crown. In the lighter weights P. Conway, K. Jubb and B. Gleeson are displaying excellent form. Among the Juniors Kevin Hooper and Maurice Frawley shape promisingly.

—C. HAINTZ.

#### ROWING.

The usual enthusiasm pervades the boatshed. Br. Coyne as Boat Master has the able assistance of Messrs W. Blackie, F. Webster, W. Donnelly, B. Scally and B. Lourie as coaches of the five College crews.

Hopes are high for Head of the Lake this year, and by the time our supporters read these notes the event will have been contested and the results known. Our new boat, which the Old Boys have given to the College, is fine. It was made in Melbourne Dotterill and Fraser and is pacy and light. It should prove a great assistance to our First Four.

This year the College will be represented by the following crews:  
 1st IV.—K. Dowsley (stroke), J. Hutton (3), R. Caleo (2), J. Bourke (bow), W. Hancock (cox).  
 2nd IV.—W. Cook (stroke), B. Mills (3), G. Dooley (2), L. Donnelly (bow), W. McDonald (cox).  
 3rd IV.—J. Mulcahy (stroke), J. Morganti (3), J. Segrave (2), G. Joyce (bow), J. Lowrie (cox).  
 4th IV.—B. Moloney (stroke), J. Martin (3), J. Dalton (2), W. Clements (bow), W. McDonald (cox).  
 5th IV.—B. Nunan (stroke), M. Molan (3), B. Brewer (2), V. Carey (bow).

—K. DOWSLEY.



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## EDITORIAL

### ROMA DIXIT

The great Encyclicals which issue from time to time carry to the farthest parts of the world the soul-stirring appeals of the Vicar of Christ. These inspiring trumpet-calls to all the Soldiers of Christ seem directly addressed to youths and young men, bidding you close your ranks and stand four-square against the powers of evil. You cannot fail to find in the words of Christ's Vicar, inspiration, instruction and safe direction.

Never were the forces of infidelity so powerful as they are today. Never were young men exposed to so many or such insidious temptations. The evil influences of man's whole environment of the movies, of the current novels, of the newspapers, of a society that has thrown off all restraints—all these tend quickly and surely to undermine the religious foundations laid in the schools. On leaving school you will enter a world wherein religion and morality are held up to ridicule.

In one of his Encyclicals the late Holy Father said, "We see today, what was never before seen in history—the satanical banners of war against God and against his Church brazenly unfurled to the winds in the midst of all people and in all parts of the earth."

Recently our present Holy Father declared unmistakably against atheistic Communism. He left no doubt as to a Catholic's attitude towards Communism. One cannot enjoy Catholic privileges if he has any dealings with Communism. He may not approach the sacraments if he shows favour to that hateful evil. There must be no compromise. There can be no Catholic Communists. No Catholic can take part in any Communist organisation. He cannot read or distribute Communistic literature or doctrine. He incurs excommunication if he defends or spreads the materialistic anti-Christian doctrine of Communism.

There is no gainsaying the orders of this decree which was promulgated on 13th July, 1949, and though it is directed especially at European Catholics who, because of and in the face of brutal persecution, are tempted to support or compromise with Communism, it binds all of us, most rigidly, under pain of grave sin to have nothing to do with this infernal sect.

## Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola

FEAST DAY OF FOUNDER OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS.

### BISHOP O'COLLINS PRESIDES AT SOLEMN HIGH MASS.

The pupils of the four Christian Brothers' Schools in Ballarat assembled in St. Patrick's Cathedral on last Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock Mass to honour their Founder, Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice. His Lordship, Most Reverend J. P. O'Collins, D.D., presided, and Rev. Fr. L. Fiscalini, Bishop's Secretary and College Chaplain, sang the Mass. Rev. Frs. T. O'Brien and J. Smith were deacon and sub-deacon respectively. The Diocesan Inspector of Schools, Rev. Fr. J. Shelley, assisted His Lordship and preached the occasional address. Present on the sanctuary were Very Rev. P. O'Dowd, Administrator, Very Rev. Fr. Selleck, C.S.S.R., Superior, Fr. Packer, C.S.S.R., and other members of the Redemptorist Order, Rev. Frs. J. McInerney and P. Bohan. Rev. Fr. Boylan was Master of Ceremonies.

As His Lordship entered the Cathedral the combined choirs of St. Paul's Technical College, St. Alipius' Ballarat East, and St. Patrick's Drummond Street sang a three-part arrangement of the Ecce Sacerdos Magnus. These same boys, under the baton of Rev. Br. L. W. Cahill, gave a faultless rendition of Concone's Mass for equal voices. Perhaps the Sanctus with its grandiose passages of enchanting harmonies was their most effective number. Their enunciation was faultless and their pitch throughout was well maintained. Their final hymn as the Procession left the sanctuary, the hymn for the Church, though sung in English, was a most fitting ending to their splendid work.

St. Patrick's College Senior Choir, composed of the Matriculation Class, harmonised the responses in good style. They combined excellent balance, perfect chording and resonant tone and revealed rare quality. These senior students also sang the Proper of the Mass, and here again their rich tones were heard to effect. A pleasing feature of these prayers was their intelligent phrasing and their musical curves.

At the Offertory, St. Patrick's College Junior Choir rendered J. A. Delaney's Salve Regina. This was sung in unison and was marked with clarity of diction and the perfect ease with which the upper notes were sung. The final climax was excellent.

After the consecration, these same boys sang a beautiful two-part setting by W. A. Asprey of the Benedictus. Here again excellent chording and an easy graceful flow resulted in a gratifying rendition.

### THE SERMON

The sermon which centred round the life of Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice and the growth of the Congregation of the Christian Brothers was a thorough account of the salient points in the life of this first Brother of the Christian Schools of Ireland. Fr. Shelley's discourse was as follows:

"They that shall instruct many unto justice shall shine as stars for all eternity."

I have chosen these words from the twelfth chapter and the third verse of the Book of Daniel because I feel that they are an appropriate introduction to what I am going to say on this occasion when we are assembled at this Solemn High Mass on the Feast-day of St. Ignatius Loyola, to give honour to that saint and at the same time to keep fresh in our memories one who chose St. Ignatius as the special patron of his religious life. I refer, of course, to Edmund Ignatius Rice, the Founder of the Christian Brothers of Ireland.

I think we may see a certain similarity in the lives of these two men. They were separated in time by more than two centuries, but each was marked out by God for a very special work, and each responded nobly to the call . . . St. Ignatius to renounce a worldly life and establish a society of priests who would render such valuable assistance in repairing the ravages of the so-called Reformation . . . Brother Rice to forsake a business career and gather about him a company of men who would dedicate their lives to the Christian education of youth.

### HISTORY OF THE TIMES

But, if we are to appreciate fully the magnitude of the task undertaken by Edmund Rice—if we wish to follow him through his trials and triumphs—if, in a word, we would know the whole character of the man, we must first of all recall the time in which he lived. Nowadays, when we have come to take so much for granted it seems almost incredible that among the wealthy ruling class there could have been so much apathy towards those who were not so well blessed with this world's goods—the poor, particularly in the matter of education, for there really was no organised school system for any except the sons of the rich man. And when we remember that there were in existence harsh penal laws against Catholics, even in Ireland where they formed the great majority of the population, we have some idea of conditions existing there when Edmund Rice was born on 1st June, 1762. Just imagine that for the "crime" of professing the Catholic Faith a man could not hold any position of trust, could not own any property and was not permitted to teach in a school, and this was in Ireland, the country which had been renowned for Christian culture and learning.

### BROTHER RICE'S EARLY YEARS

Since Edmund Rice was the son of a small landholder, as he grew up he was expected to take his share of work on the farm, and there he learned to appreciate the reward of persistent effort and patient endurance, lessons which proved very valuable to him in after-life. It would seem that in the part of Kilkenny where he lived the penal laws against Catholics were less stringently enforced, because of the leniency of the local overlord, and so his parents were able to give to their youngest son an education equal to the best that was then obtainable. When this was completed, we find him, at the age of seventeen, setting out for the seaport City of Waterford, where he joined an uncle in a business which was mainly concerned with supplying provisions to ships which called at that port. The business was already flourishing and Edmund soon made his mark. He was a success, was given a position of trust and eventually, on the retirement of his uncle, he took over the business. Furthermore he was everything that could be expected of an excellent Catholic man, attentive to Mass and the sacraments, and, what was not known to many, he found time to devote to visiting the sick, the poor and those in prison. Indeed, such an exemplary life did he lead, so much was he in the world but not of it, that it is not surprising to find that he was considering whether there could not be some opportunity for him to turn his zeal to apostolic work.

### HIS VOCATION

As so often happens, Divine Providence intervened to help him make his decision. Just at that time there was in the Diocese of Waterford a far-seeing, forthright and fearless Bishop in the person of Dr. Hussey. This prelate lost no opportunity to denounce the social evils of his time, especially the state of education and Catholic education in particular. On one occasion he issued a pastoral letter which became famous, and in

which he appealed to all Catholics, both priests and lay people to do everything in their power to remedy this unfortunate state of affairs. With Edmund Rice the appeal did not fall on deaf ears. His experience had taught him that there was an opening for someone to undertake Catholic education of boys and he regarded the Bishop's letter as a direct vocation from God. Although he was already thirty-eight years of age, when most men are well set in life, after much prayer, and following the advice of those divinely appointed to guide him, he gave up what promised to be a successful business career to devote his life to the education of youth. It is not difficult to imagine how the news would be received among his business associates—it seemed so foolish for him to give up a position where he was eminently successful for the school-room of which he had no experience. But he knew exactly what he was doing and why he was taking this momentous step.

He willingly submitted to all the preparation necessary to fit him for his new work, the special vocation of teaching in school and he devoted his entire fortune, a rather considerable sum, to establishing his schools. Occasionally we hear of charitable persons who make available large sums of money after their death, when others must carry out their wishes, but while still in the prime of life, Edmund Rice gave his entire property to the cause of Catholic Education.

#### THE ORDER FOUNDED

Now we must not think that events proceeded so smoothly that there were no difficulties arising from this new venture. It would seem that God sometimes tries, and very severely, those who are nearest to him, and Edmund Rice was no exception. Besides the worry of obtaining or erecting suitable school buildings and accommodation for the Brothers there were also misunderstandings and disappointments, not the least of which was the sudden and untimely death of his great friend and patron, Bishop Hussey. However, he accepted these set-backs as inevitable, but temporary, indeed, rather than retard his efforts, they seemed to urge him to fresh achievements. He had faith enough to feel that if his word met with God's approval, as he knew it must, then it would finally prosper, and his faith was well rewarded. He was joined by others with the same spiritual outlook, and the Founder, with six disciples, took their first vows on the Feast of Our Lady's Assumption in 1808. In the following year the Holy See formally approved the society as a religious congregation allowing its members to wear a distinctive religious dress. Soon, other men, some young, some of more mature years, felt attracted to the apostolic work, and the number of Brothers grew. By 1835 it had spread to England and even as far away as Gibraltar. But by then it was becoming evident that the past thirty years of organising the congregation had at last affected his robust constitution and he was reluctantly compelled to retire from the position of Superior-General, but his interest in the work did not cease. Until the year before his death, six years later, he made frequent visits to the various houses, and it was his great delight to enter the class-room to listen or take part in a lesson, particularly if the subject was Christian

Doctrine.

#### PROGRESS OF THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS

Even during the life-time of the Founder the success of his work had exceeded all expectation. His boldest hope had been that it might extend to most parts of the Kingdom, and at the time of his death there were twenty-four foundations with two hundred Brothers in Ireland and England. At the present time, just over a century since his death, there are 250 communities firmly established in each of the five continents and the membership of the Congregation numbers more than two thousand.

#### AUSTRALIA

It was only natural that the pioneer Bishops and priests who came from Ireland should be anxious to introduce the Brothers to this country of the Southern Cross, and the first foundation was made in Sydney just sixty years ago. The large number of past pupils of the Brothers in every walk of life, religious, both priests and Brothers, men in industry, professional and business men, and men on the land, all bear ample testimony to the success of their efforts for Australian youth.

And all this sprang from the small beginning made by Edmund Rice in Waterford early in the 19th century. What was the secret of his success? Was it his business acumen, his organising ability, his fearless courage? Partly, perhaps, but the real key to his character lay in his transparent honesty, his sincerity of purpose, his firm conviction that with God's help, he and his Brothers could do much for youth.

All past pupils of the Brothers will remember the pious practices we were encouraged to develop—the frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament, especially before and after school, on coming in or leaving the buildings; and the particular devotion to Our Blessed Lady, but we did not realise that they had been handed down from the time of the Founder himself.

#### OUR PRAYER

We are grateful to Brother Rice and his spiritual sons for the education they imparted to us, because they gave us of their best. They seek no reward in this world, they only ask that we shall pray for them and the success of their great apostolate, and they know that we shall do so, and that we shall also pray with them that some day, in God's own plan, the name of Edmund Ignatius Rice will be among those raised to the altars of God in the list of canonised saints for "They that shall instruct many unto justice shall shine as stars for all eternity."

#### FOUNDATION STONE OF NEW CHAPEL.

##### PRIVATE CEREMONY AT COLLEGE.

At 3 p.m. on the same afternoon His Lordship, Bishop O'Collins, laid the Foundation Stone of the new College Chapel. This most impressive ceremony, at which His Lordship blessed and laid the stone, and blessed the rising structure, was performed in glorious sunshine on an afternoon which was anything but propitious. The stone itself, hewn from Norwegian granite, was beautifully faced and will bear for future generations the date 31 : VII : 49.

Assisting His Lordship at this ceremony were Frs. Fiscalini and Shelley and Frs. P. O'Dowd and J. Smith. Frs. J. McInerney, T. O'Brien and L. Carroll, C.S.S.R., were also present. The College boys attended and they were joined by many parents of the boys and well-wishers of the College.

#### A MEMORIAL TO THEIR GLORIOUS DEAD

More than 310 gallant sons of St. Patrick's College died in World Wars I. and II. It is to commemorate the lives of these loyal patriots that the new Chapel is being erected. This Roll of Honour, together with the more than 1000 who served in the forces, among whom were 26 Chaplains, ex-students of St. Patrick's, should be sufficient incentive to make all ex-pupils and friends of the College contribute generously so that the Memorial Chapel will be opened in the new year free of debt. One ex-student has generously contributed £1000. A fund has been opened and an appeal is being made. It will not be long before the Chapel is completed and it will indeed be a worthy place of worship and a fitting tribute to our fallen heroes.

## PONTIFICAL BENEDICTION

After the laying of the Foundation Stone His Lordship administered Pontifical Benediction. This ceremony was performed in the old Chapel of happy memories which looked more beautiful than ever. The Chapel was filled to overflowing; those who could not gain admittance participated from the corridor, and a most reverent congregation inside and outside the Chapel received the blessing.

## JULY 31st — AN IMPRESSION

Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice was no exception to the quotation from sacred scripture, "he that hath done great things for Me shall be called blessed," for who could have done a greater work than establish an order for the instruction of Christ's loved ones. This Order, scarcely in existence a century and a half, has now spread its men around the world to make history under the title of The Christian Brothers.

Thus on 31st July, the Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola, the patron of the founder, it was fitting for the boys all over the world to celebrate the day in an appropriate manner. St. Pat's were well to the fore in this respect for it had set aside this day for great things. The foundation stone of the long discussed Chapel was to be laid by Most Rev. Dr. O'Collins, Bishop of Ballarat.

But our primary objective throughout the years has been the beatification of Br. Rice and accordingly the boys from the four Brothers' schools assembled in the Cathedral to assist at Solemn High Mass that the Founder of the Order of Irish Christian Brothers may some day be raised to the dignity of the altar. A full report of the Mass and the Foundation stone and an account of Fr. Shelley's enlightening sermon is given on other pages.

The ceremonies provided much food for thought. We were very forcefully reminded of the importance of Br. Rice's work which has been since the inception and will continue to be such a vital factor for good to the Church. We will continue to pray with our teachers, the world over, that God will signify in a visible manner his approval of this work and that in the not far distant future Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice will be canonized.

—B. MILLS.

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JOHN S. MARTIN hails from Bungaree and came to the College nearly three years ago. He is a great favorite with his classmates in the Leaving and indeed with the whole school. All admire the manly and earnest way in which John goes about whatever he has to do. Typical of this is his play in the full-back position in the First XVIII., which is marked by fearless determination and perseverance. John is a member of the Sodality of Our Lady.

LEO GRIFFIN is a Ballarat boy and one of the senior day-boys. He is in the Leaving Class, is a member of the First XVIII. and has represented the College in Athletics, thus following in the footsteps of his record-breaking brother, Roy. Leo has worked his way to the top of the College Corps and has the rank of Cdt.-Lieutenant.

BRIAN MOLONY has spent three years at S.P.C. and is now in the Leaving. He is a member of the Sodality and of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society. He was a member of this year's Fourth Crew and is a regular member of the First XVIII. An injury to his finger kept him out of several matches and greatly reduced our ruck strength.

JOHN SIMPSON of the Intermediate Class came to St. Pat's three years ago, since then has won a Government Scholarship. He has always been among the leaders of his class. He is an avid reader and a keen student of ships and motor-cars in all their varieties. When not reading he will usually be found engaged in riding his bicycle.

NOEL PANETTIERE is a Matriculation boy and one of the giants of the College. He has a pleasant disposition and the ability always to come up smiling. He was a member of the First XI. and of the First XVIII. until an injury necessitated his withdrawal late in the season. He is a member of the Sodality and of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

RON QUILKEY came to the College four years ago and is now in Second Year. He is one of the outstanding figures in the junior sporting world. As Captain of innumerable cricket and football teams he has brought many victories to his House and to the College. On the football field he displays a knowledge of the game of which senior players might well be envious.

JOHN LORKIN of the Intermediate Class is one of the best "all-rounders" in the College sporting world. He has filled the position of wicket-keeper with the First XI. for two years and with great success. As a member of the First XVIII. for the last three years he has hardly ever played a poor game or even a game not deserving a special "mention." John was also a member of last year's Tennis Four and this year will be one of our big "hopes" for the McNeil Cup.

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# The Things that are God's

## ORDINATIONS

Do we realise fully the meaning of an Ordination? A Priest of God is raised in dignity far above the ordinary layman, and greater even, in the opinion of one of the great Saints, than an Angel. This thought urged our Saint to say that he would salute a Priest before an Angel, if he met both together.

There are many sacrifices entailed in the preparation for the priesthood—both on the young man's part and that of his parents. However, the Grace of God is ever present to assist those who make the necessary sacrifices.

This year S.P.C. claimed two more newly-ordained Priests. On 24th July Fr. J. Kelly was raised to the dignity of the priesthood in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, by His Lordship, Dr. O'Collins, Bishop of Ballarat, while Fr. Tom McDonnell was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, by His Grace Archbishop Mannix. Both will labour in the Vineyard of Christ in Australia, the former in the Diocese of Ballarat and the latter in Tasmania.

The Matriculation students of S.P.C. were privileged to attend the Ordination of Fr. Kelly. The ceremony was one of sublime beauty, and so impressive that it will remain the hearts and minds of the students for many years to come. May God bless all our worthy priests and their generous parents.

—B. J. HOGAN.

## A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Keep them, I pray Thee, dearest Lord,  
 Keep them, for they are Thine—  
 Thy priests whose lives burn before  
 Thy consecrated shrine.  
 Keep them, for they are in the world  
 Though from the world apart,  
 When earthly pleasures tempt, allure—  
 Keep them, and comfort them in hours  
 Of loneliness and pain,  
 When all their life of sacrifice  
 For souls seem but in vain.  
 Keep them, and O remember Lord,  
 They have no one but Thee,  
 Yet they have only human hearts  
 With human frailty.  
 Keep them as spotless as the hosts  
 That daily they caress—  
 Their every thought and word and deed,  
 Deign, dearest Lord, to bless.

—G. DOWLING.

## SODALITY OF OUR LADY

Membership has increased to twenty-six following the reception of five new members. Shortly before the end of the First Term, in a short but beautiful ceremony J. Elliot, J. Greening, J. S. Martin, W. Duncan and W. O'Connell took the vows peculiar to Sodalists.

The 1949 Sodality group is maintaining the high traditions established by groups of previous years. Though comparatively few in numbers, the present boys are sincere in their attitude towards the Sodality and are aware of their obligations towards students outside the Sodality and towards previous members. Indeed, they compare favourably with any group which has preceded them.

During the year the Sodality has been thriving due to the careful surveillance of the College Chaplain, Fr. Fiscalini. He has strongly advised all to develop a devotion to Our Lady and to strive to attain personal sanctity, which is within the reach of all. Moreover, at the weekly meetings, when the office of Our Blessed Lady is recited by the assembled Sodalists, he has emphasised the fact that the Sodality is a tremendous power for good among the remainder of the College boys. Non-members followed the lead of Sodalists and hence, if there is a good spirit in the Sodality, there will be a good spirit in the whole school.

—J. BOURKE.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Fiscalini, the Society has continued to function most successfully. Membership will total almost one hundred and fifty when thirty-eight boys, who will have completed their probation, are received on 21st August.

On the second Sunday of every month, Society members receive Holy Communion in the College Chapel and then attend the general meeting and Benediction in the evening. Thanks are due to Rev. Fr. Shelley who has deputised for Fr. Fiscalini on any evening when the latter finds it impossible to be present.

Throughout the year the Spiritual Director has emphasised that the Holy Name Society is a society for men and, to be worthy members, all must develop the qualities of a real man. He has lamented on many occasions that there are prevalent in the world today false principles of manhood. It is the duty of Holy Name men the world over to eradicate these false principles and, by their example, to raise manhood to the dignity which it should enjoy.

—J. BOURKE.

## THE VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Membership of the College Conference now totals nineteen, following the admission at the beginning of the term of seven new Brothers to the Society. Those applicants who were found worthy of entry were B. Bourke, J. Elliott, J. Mulcahy, G. Joyce, R. Price, J. S. Martin and C. Bolger. The Society, guided by Fr. Fiscalini, its Spiritual Director, has functioned most efficiently during the term and the enthusiasm evinced by members augurs well for its prospects in the future

The Base Hospital is still visited each Sunday morning, while Nazareth House and the Benevolent Home are visited each alternate Sunday afternoon. In addition to these outside activities, Conference members visit the College Infirmary daily, where the Library, installed several years ago by the Society, still retains its popularity.

Owing to financial difficulties it was necessary during the term to appeal to the classes for increased support. The Society would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone for their generous response and to congratulate all, especially the members of the junior grades, on the excellent work which they have done.

A highlight of the term's activities was the visit paid our Society on 22nd July by Mrs. Hamill and Mooney, two members of Senior Conferences of Ballarat. The Society thanks these men for the lively interest they have taken in its activities and for the helpful advice they are always prepared to give.

—J. BOURKE.

## PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

During the first two terms of 1949 the boys of St. Pat's have given over £75 for the Propagation of the Faith. Of this amount, £40 has been contributed by the two junior rooms. Heartiest congratulations and thanks are due to Miss Mullins and Mr. Halliburton for this effort.

The aim for the year—£100—is well in sight. This amount will be greater than any ever given by the boys of S.P.C.

Many people are ignorant of what is done with money collected for the Propagation of the Faith. All money collected in Victoria is sent to the Chief Collector for Victoria, who, in turn, sends it to the headquarters of the Society in Rome. From there the money is distributed among the needy dioceses of the world.

St. Pat's £100, then, may go eventually to any country from China to Alaska, but wherever it goes it will be helping in the salvation of more souls for God.

—G. JOYCE.

## THE ANNUAL RETREAT

The Annual Retreat opened on the evening of Tuesday, 21st June. The opening address before the assembled College was delivered by Rev. Fr. Green, C.S.S.R., the Director of the Retreat, and he exhorted us to make a good Retreat by keeping the silence and observing the rules which conduce to recollection and thus to prepare ourselves for the temptations of the world.

The school was divided into two groups. The senior group, consisting of Matriculation, Leaving and Intermediate pupils, was under the spiritual guidance of Rev. Fr. Green, while the junior group, Second Year, Scholarships and Sub-Intermediate pupils, had Rev. Fr. Triffle as their adviser and spiritual guide. The discourses of these two zealous priests were, at one and the same time, terrifying, consoling and enlightening—terrifying in their reminder of what would be the lot of those who negligently transgress the laws of God; consoling in the promises of the Heavenly Kingdom to those who hear God's word and keep it and, above all, were they enlightening, teaching us the commands and wishes of Almighty God, our Creator, and the ways and means of attaining Eternal Happiness.

Holy Mass was celebrated each morning by one priest while his colleague described for us the various parts of the Holy Sacrifice, explaining the special significance of each. The rest of the day was spent in prayer, contemplation and spiritual reading. During the afternoon the Rosary and

Stations of the Cross were attended by all in the College Chapel. The day closed with a lecture and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Throughout Friday there was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and continual silence was observed.

On the Saturday morning it was indeed an edifying sight to see three hundred boys receive Holy Communion, and after the Mass, kneel to receive the Papal Blessing from Fr. Triffle. The Annual Retreat of 1949 is one which will be forever remembered by all who were fortunate enough to listen to the words of Fr. Green and of Fr. Triffle. To both these priests we, the boys of S.P.C., extend our heartfelt thanks for the wonderful Retreat which they preached to us. Zeal and sincerity of thought and word were conspicuous characteristics of these men of God, and, if we but catch some small iota of their religious spirit, we shall be better sons of S.P.C., more loyal children of Mother Church, a credit to the parents who are proud of us and leaders in the community in which we find ourselves in after-life.

—J. GREENING.

#### LETTER FROM A ROMAN COLLEGIATE

Villa de Propaganda Fide,  
Castelgandolfo, ITALY.

24th July, 1949.

Dear Brother,—

I have been intending for such a long time to write to you for I have to thank you for so much. I regret not having been able to attend the Old Boys' Reunion for which you so kindly sent me an invitation. I have to thank you also for your thoughtfulness in sending so regularly the copies of the "Chronicle." I was ashamed every time a copy arrived for I always thought of my own ingratitude in not acknowledging that welcome arrival. Now that we are on holidays I have finally found the time to set things right.

As you probably know, the College consists of about 150 students of about 30 nationalities. The College in Rome occupies what must be the best position in the whole of the city for we overlook St. Peter's, the Piazza, and look across to the Papal Palace. It is a great inspiration for those aspiring to the priesthood to enjoy this position. We spend the extremely hot months of July, August and September in the Alban hills about 15 miles from Rome, but it is about 1000 feet above sea level and so much cooler than Rome. Our villa overlooks on one side the Papal gardens and further over we see the countryside stretching out to the Mediterranean. On the other side is Lake Albano, a volcanic lake surrounded on most sides by hills rising up from its shores with the result that it is very calm and is considered as the best Olympic Regatta course in Europe. Only last Sunday a Regatta was held and crews from all parts of Italy competed.

During the war the Villa was almost completely wrecked by American bombing with the loss of the lives of 1000 refugees who were sheltering in it. At the Pope's request it has been rebuilt and as it is so modern it is very comfortable. One thing for which we can thank the Americans is that one of the bomb craters gave the Superiors the happy idea of making a swimming pool, and the finished product is a very nice tiled pool of 25 metres in length and 8 metres in width. The tiles were kindly donated by Cardinal Gilroy when he came over here for the Consistory. With a one metre and four metre spring board we could hardly want more when the hot Italian sun is doing its best to reduce us to grease spots. Within the Villa grounds we also have a tennis court, a basketball court, a volleyball court and a soccer field so that we are well provided for sport. At the end of the grounds is a delightful wood which provides cool shade from the piercing sun.

Our scholastic year differs considerably from Australia for we start lectures in October and have our exams in June. All the old S.P.C. boys passed successfully. Des O'Hagan is still doing brilliantly and is a marvel the way he gets all his study done with all his other duties. He is now busily engrossed in the organisation of a Marian Congress to be held during the Holy Year. Although it was entirely due to chance, it is amazing that there are so many of the old boys of S.P.C. over here, and it has certainly made an impression on those from the other states. They seem to think that only Ballarat provides students for the priesthood.

During the year we were privileged to witness some stirring exhibitions of faith, and on two occasions that wonderful ceremony of Canonisation. There was a Mass offered on the steps of St. Peter's before the crowded Piazza for Cardinal Mindzenty in February. After it the Pope came out on the balcony and addressed the crowd; reports of the speech you have no doubt read. I was in a very good position and was sitting next to a huge Franciscan who told me in Latin, our only common language, that he had only escaped from Hungary two weeks before. The look of wonder and devotion on his face could never have been captured by an artist as he looked from the Holy Father to the huge crowd who were assembled to do honour to, and to protest for, his Cardinal.

All the students of the College formed a part of the Choir of 6000 who sang appropriate hymns and parts of the Mass during the two Masses celebrated by the Holy Father on the occasion of the anniversary (50th) of his Ordination. I wish I could adequately describe the thoughts that must course through the mind of every Catholic one such an occasion. Just to see the Holy Father himself is a great honour and I do not think that I could help admiring such a man. The only way I can describe it is that I have never known any other man who has so radiated Christ as the Pope. You just cannot help thinking that, and it is the prominent thought in everyone else's mind.

The wonders of a Canonisation would require pages and pages from the description of the Basilica itself with its myriads of lights twinkling in the chandeliers and all the red draping to the procession with all its magnificence being finally capped off with the appearance of the Holy Father wearing his tiara and being carried in his chair shoulder high on the shoulders of his guard and underneath a canopy; then there is the ceremony up to the declaration of the Saint which is most impressive; finally follows the Mass itself celebrated by the Pope himself and with many peculiarities such as the presentation of birds, bread, wine and water to the Pope at the Offertory, the tasting of the water and wine before it is given to the Pope, the elevation which is not only to the front but also to both sides. He receives the Precious Blood through a golden straw.

Space requires that I finish. Please give my kindest regards to Mrs. O'Malley, McCarthy and Williams. I beseech prayers for myself and all my companions for so many of them come from distressed countries. Very many thanks again for so many expressions of your thoughtfulness.

Yours very sincerely in Jesus Christ,

—FRANK LITTLE.

#### TWO MORE PRIESTS ORDAINED

##### S.P.C.'S TOTAL GROWS

Within the week of their Ordinations and while the Holy Oils were still fresh on their consecrated hands, two noble sons of S.P.C. returned to Alma Mater as Priests of God to offer Holy Mass in the College Chapel and to give their blessings to the Brothers and the present pupils.

On 26th July Rev. Fr. John Kelly said his second Mass at the College. After breakfast Fr. John gave his blessing to one and all. Words fail to describe the rousing welcome that awaited Father when he presented himself to the school in the College Hall. Prolonged applause greeting Fr. John and his party. Br. Mogg, Fr. Fiscalini and Head Prefect, Brian Hogan, accompanied our Reverend Guest on to the stage. Father's mother and his brother and sisters and close relatives were also present.

In a very touching address of welcome, the Principal, Rev. Br. Mogg, congratulated Fr. Kelly on his achieving his life's goal. Br. Mogg assured Fr. Kelly of our good wishes and presented him with a beautiful Pyx suitably inscribed. Rev. Fr. Fiscalini supported Br. Mogg's remarks. He recorded with pleasure the number of ex-students of the College who were studying for the priesthood. Brian Hogan very suitably tendered to Fr. Kelly greetings and good wishes from the boys. A thoroughly rousing "War Cry" at Brian's invitation, left no doubt as to the sincerity of the boys' good wishes.

When Fr. Kelly rose to reply he was greeted with thunderous applause. Visibly touched by the assembly and the proceedings, Fr. John recalled occasions during his College days when he gathered with the rest to honour and respect a newly ordained. He could hardly believe that now he himself was being feted. Not so long ago, he was a student at S.P.C. He received his vocation here. He attributed his call to the priesthood, in a great measure, to the sterling qualities of character and life of the Brothers who composed the staff in his term at College. He urged all to think seriously about their vocation and he assured them of a hearty welcome from their fellow S.P.C.ites at Werribee should they feel called to Corpus Christi College. Soliciting the prayers of all and promising to remember the needs of the Brothers and boys before the Altar of God, Fr. Kelly resumed his seat, again to a thrilling applause.

#### FR. TOM Mc'DONNELL RETURNS

Two days after Fr. Kelly's visit, Fr. Tom McDonnell said his fourth Mass at the College. Fr. O'Donnell has been ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral by His Grace Archbishop Mannix. He was to serve God in the Diocese of Hobart. After his Ordination he returned to his home town and then to the Marist Brothers' College at Mt. Gambier, which he attended before coming to St. Pat's. Late Wednesday night he arrived in Ballarat having left Mt. Gambier that morning. It was not easy to get to Ballarat from Mt. Gambier in one day, but Fr. Tom had promised us Mass on Thursday morning and honour that promise he would at all costs. And he did.

"Home Sweet Home. There's no place like Home;" these were the opening words of Fr. O'Donnell's address, when, after Mass and breakfast and after all had received the blessing of the newly ordained, he rose to reply to the addresses of welcome and congratulations made on his behalf by Br. Mogg, Fr. Fiscalini and Brian Hogan. Br. Mogg presented Fr. O'Donnell with a beautiful silver container for the Holy Oils. This, too, was suitably inscribed.

Continuing his remarks, Fr. O'Donnell said he wished all could share the joy he felt as a newly ordained Priest of God. Since his Ordination he had been receiving surprises and was being honoured by various bodies. No function gave him more pleasure than that arranged at the College. He longed for the day when he would return to S.P.C. and offer Holy Mass in the Chapel where his vocation was nurtured. He had spent happy and fruitful years at the College and under God and His Blessed Mother he owed his vocation to generous and kindly S.P.C. He paid tribute to

the Brothers and he hoped that God would bless their labours for the youth of Australia. St. Pat's had a proud record and with the help of God's Grace she would prosper in the future and would continue to turn our men who would do credit to S.P.C., to the Church and to Australia.

Fr. Tom left us to fulfil an appointment in Geelong.

May God keep Frs. John and Tom and may they work fruitfully and long in His Vineyard.

#### VISIT OF C.C.C.

On Tuesday, 26th July, S.P.C. was honoured by the visit of a football team composed of Corpus Christi College students who were on holiday. This event had no precedent as never before had C.C.C. played S.P.C. It was a splendid event and all at S.P.C. hope it will become a permanent fixture.

The students arrived about mid-day and had dinner at the College. On the termination of afternoon school we all adjourned to our main oval to watch St. Pat's do battle with the seminarians. Unfortunately, St. Pat's could not field its First XVIII. owing to the fact that there was a round of B.P.S. matches set down for the next day. However, the Second XVIII., strengthened by the inclusion of five players from the Firsts, represented us.

The match was played in a very friendly spirit, but our opponents were too strong and ran out winners by 9 goals 6 behinds, 60 points to 2 goals 2 behinds, 14 points.

After tea at the College, our visitors departed by bus for Melbourne, having provided us with a very entertaining day.

We consider it a great privilege to have been allowed to play football against our future priests, and we are sincerely grateful to the Corpus Christi seminarians for their visit.

—G. WALSH.

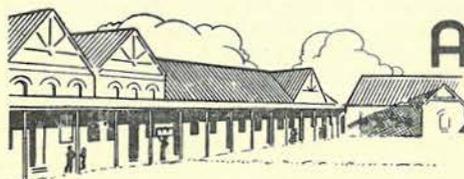


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# AROUND THE ROOMS

## MATRICULATION

Good morning, afternoon or evening, dear reader. Once again we of the Matric Class greet you. As you read these notes you will, perhaps, notice a great change in them. In the past I have often been guilty of uncharitable remarks in this section of our Chronicle. However, the Retreat has left me brimming over with charity . . . so this time nothing but kind remarks and compliments!

At the outset, in fairness to our class, I would like to dispel a very prevalent misconception. Recently there has been a lot of speculation as to the cause of the terrible noises that used to come from the Matric room every morning between ten to nine and nine o'clock. Many seem to think that murder was taking place. However, their fears are without foundation. Any Matric boy can tell them that it was only the Senior Choir in action.

The other day Gerard Joyce remarked how tired Jack Morganti looked. I venture to say that Gerard would be in the same position if he had to clean Jack's shoes every morning.

About a month ago we ran a "Mr. Matric Lockers for 1949" Competition. The judges finally gave the prize to Peter Kenny. Brian Tobin was well in the running until he took off his overcoat.

Speaking about Brian Tobin, he recently demonstrated that Physics and Chemistry were interdependent. Gerald Walsh afterwards remarked that he had never realised just how true this was, until Brian showed that Le Chatelier's Principle and Newton's Third Law of Motion were interchangeable.

It is rumoured that Daryl George has begun to play the clarinet. However, it is fairly certain that the rumour is without foundation for, as Bill McCarthy said, if it were true we would have known about it by now.

The Purton Oratory Competition is drawing near now and everybody is keeping wide awake lest any contestant might decide to practise on the nearest victim. The favorites for the competition seem to be Daryl George, John Greening, John Bourke and Barry Mills. However, if a certain person who sleeps near me talks as well during the day as he does during the night, then he should upset all calculations as to who will ultimately be the winner of this competition.

The latest craze in the Matric room is crosswords. The masters at this educational pastime are Piere Russo, Michael Saunders and Kevin Warren. We often see them strutting triumphantly around the room, waving a puzzle and letting all know, "I did it! I did it again. Another word!" Perhaps the day will come when they will complete a crossword. Then, "let joy be unconfined," as the great L.B. once said.

Now that we are coming near the end of our notes we must make mention of the Matric boys who represent us on the football field. Congratulations are due to Brian Hogan and Kevin Dowsley who were elected Captain and Vice-Captain of our 1949 team. Also to Gale Gallagher, Dick Caleo, Brian Molony, John Bourke, Noel Panettiere and Jim Shaw,

who, together with Brian and Kevin, are our representatives in the Eighteen.

In conclusion, we of the Matric Class offer our sympathies to Rod Price and express the wish that the illness which has compelled him to leave school for the moment will soon be overcome so that we may see his cheery face back in the Matric room. Until then we say to Rod, "Best of luck and may God bless you."

Now we must say good-bye to all until next term—Good morning, afternoon or night, dear reader.

## LEAVING CERTIFICATE

Welcome readers of the Chronicle for this second time this year. With two terms behind us, the October tests are already obscuring the horizon. Nevertheless we can pause for a few moments and look back over our doings for the term.

Congratulations are due to our First XVIII. representatives as we were honored in having nine stalwarts selected. They were: K. Jubb, J. S. Martin, W. Cook, N. Jubb, J. Elliott, W. Rogers, P. Sheahan, M. Molan and J. Gregory.

We have, too, in our class three up and coming artists in P. Sheahan, W. Gunther and T. Nunan, who attend an art school regularly. J. Gregory now accompanies them on their escapades as he attends a radio class.

The Cadets have caused a flow of mixed feelings throughout the school, but the majority of the "raw recruits" from the Leaving Class have adapted themselves to the life by now. Congratulations to those members of our class who received promotion in the Cadets recently. They were R. Ashkar and A. McGoldrick.

Bryan McCoy and Paul Quinlan were welcomed to our class this term. Some of us had heard of the latter before. Brian McCoy ("The Real McCoy") is from the noted place of Ararat. We will not say what it is noted for. Brian is very careful to hand up his physics experiments.

Brian Bourke, tired of school-life, took a mid-term vacation. However, he has condescended to rejoin our company once more. We hope his health has improved after his recent illness.

Ray O'Shannessy has, after a very long wait, had his leg taken out of plaster and is now able to walk around on two legs instead of three. Ray took a long time to recover from a 21st birthday party in St. Arnaud recently. Grave suspicions have arisen as to his deeds over that week-end. When a certain word beginning with "Z" is said to him, Ray becomes rather nasty.

Peter McEncroe has become quite expert at the art of "bus-missing," especially at the end of the term holidays.

Golf has become popular among some of our members this year, especially K. Jubb, G. Hoare, C. Bolger, B. Nunn and W. Clements. Keith Jubb holds the course record.

Gavan Hackwill has at last decided that his nationality is Scotch. The famous comedian, Roy Rene, has found a new rival in Vincent A. (Mo) Strangio.

Michael Molan was found weeping bitterly one Friday morning. Bill Twomey had been dropped from the Collingwood side.

John Graham has thought seriously of taking up umpiring as a career. No one, we hope, will argue with his decisions.

Cavan Bolger's feelings are somewhat hurt when his social activities are referred to.

Brian Nunn is noted for his casual manners in school. It has been reported that Brian is a famous trepan salesman. A trepan seems to be

a surgeon's cylindrical saw for making a circular opening in the skull. What an amazing business!

V. A. Strangio and J. Kiely are two up-and-coming crossword puzzle champions. Bill Gunther finds that making up crossword puzzles is a better occupation.

Geoff Hoare likes to spend the English period in the sunshine, but decides it is better inside while it is raining. "Be your age, Geoff" has become practically a part of the Leaving Class vocabulary.

Brian McKenna has now become a writer of poetry.

Geoff Durant has found his gymnastics very interesting of late.

Rimon Ashkar is an authority on the various churches in Ballarat. Ask him about the customs of the people of the seven churches round his home, especially those who take their dinner to church.

The recent actions of John Mulcahy and John F. Martin have been very suspicious. It appears that they are preparing an item for the terminal banquet.

Thanks are due from the class to Bill Robinson who has just completed another successful term in the "box."

Bill Duncan, from Meringun, has often been seen in the bicycle shed studying the works of his bicycle.

Terry Nunan and Basil Sheahan, the ruckman, and Gavan Hackwill, the back-pocket man, were our worthy representatives for the under fifteens.

The day-boys have found that it pays better dividends to come to school a few minutes before their usual arrival time.

Bill Gallagher brought forward a very forceful argument against Darwin's theory of Evolution. Bill suggests that less talk in study by John Buckley would be greatly appreciated.

During his long week-end holiday in Melbourne Brian Nunan was confounded by the many people. The reason seems to be that Brian lives in a town with a population of scarcely a hundred.

In the Second XVIII. our representatives include: A. Treppo, J. Buckley, J. Ferguson, B. Bourke, G. Sweeney and J. Mulcahy.

Br. McCarthy was surprised to hear that Keith Jubb was doing wool-classing. That explains why he arrived late for the Maths. I. period on Friday mornings.

The Infirmary has not been free from patients lately. Bill Rogers has spent a time there with mumps. John Grogan, Brian Brewer, Leon Heath have been there under the pretences of swollen glands.

Alf Treppo claims to be the former Leongatha marbles' champion, but so far we have not seen him engaging in this sport.

Clive Kelly has decided to take boxing lessons during the religion period.

The Leaving boys have been making great success at giving out the evening papers during the Second Term.

We now say good-bye to our readers till we meet again the next edition of the S.P.C. Chronicle.

#### INTERMEDIATE

Before proceeding with the various deeds of the Inter boys concerning this term we would like to mention that our genial friends Bill Hancock, John Gallagher, Norman Rowe and Brian Herbert have joined the working class. We sincerely hope that they haven't contracted the very popular strike disease as yet.

Soon after commencing school this term, we were honoured by the presence of Fr. Green, C.S.S.R., who was here for the purpose of giving the

senior boys a Retreat. We found his lectures most helpful and we thank him for all he did for us.

This winter, although mild, has its cold stretches and some fortunate ones (if we may call them such) enjoyed a few delightful days, surrounded by comfort and warmth in the Infirmary. Amongst those who did so were John Sheean, Keith Spong, Brian Gleeson and Adrian Rousseau.

Firstly we would like to congratulate John Lorkin, Kevin Hogan and John James on attaining the honour of being members of the First XVIII. Owing to a slight mishap in an early match, Martin Kenny was unable to offer his services for quite some time; but now, having recovered, he is well to the fore and training very hard. Also, Don Grant and Ian Bradford have been doing a fine job on the score-board as they did in the first term for the cricket.

In spite of the high standard of intelligence shown by the class some have done better at their study than others. Gilbert Medwell, acting as Prime Minister, is ably assisted by his fellow Parliament Members, Gavan Breen, Bill Kemp, John Bowman and John McCarthy.

Geoff Zilles, our somewhat bright student of Geometry, was quite thrilled when we welcomed newly-ordained Fr. T. McDonnell back to S.P.C. He also had the same trouble as Geoff during Geometry period in his day. In the same week we also welcomed Fr. J. Kelly back to his old school.

Our wool-gatherers take a whole-hearted interest in their sheepy pastime, which takes place every Friday morning during school—but, of course. These are Geoff Dooley and Keith Spong.

The other occupation which takes up school time of a Saturday morning is Sloyd. Our representatives taking part in this are Ian Bradford, Terry O'Brien, John Sheean and Kevin Anlezark.

In passing we would like to welcome back to S.P.C. our old friend George Schaefer, who has been absent for the past few years and also Paul (Skipper) Shelton who has returned to school to pursue his studies—is to be hoped he won't be chasing them, too.

Noel Woodford, our budding magician, owing to unforeseen circumstances, has been absent for quite some time. We hope to see him back soon. J. Morris, at one stage absent, is back again studying hard.

It has been rumoured that our renowned artist, Frank Nolan, has recently offered his services to our esteemed promotor of concerts.

With regards to the Cadet Corps we are well to the fore in promotion, having three Sergeants—J. Kelly, D. Grant and D. Fraser—with A. Joyce, T. Laffey and B. Mills acting as Corporals.

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Our old friends John Simpson and Brian Maher are still to be seen gallivanting about the countryside on their two-wheeled conveyances.

The Under 15 have quite a few representatives from the Inter Class. These being Brian Frawley, Brian Gleeson, Keith Spong, Jim Murray and Jim Murphy; we also have one member in the Second XVIII—John Dowling. The scorers for these teams, Vincent Carey and Kevin Anlezark, are also members of this Intermediate Class.

John Bowman, John Ryan and Geoff Torney, our prominent golfers, have many yearns to spin pertaining to the week-end excursions concerning fores, when Monday morning arrives.

Pat Cantwell has been doing a fine job in the capacity of orange boy and oval marker, ably assisted by Geoff Dooley and Brian Frawley.

John Fitzpatrick, Merv Clohesy and V. O'Connell are studying well in their own subtle way.

Our authority on History—Harry Gill—is frequently to be seen about with his esteemed colleague, Jack Glennon, who hails from "Australia Felix."

Whilst a window was being placed in the back of our room recently, owing to the glass being unprocureable, some of our students objected to the occasional blasts of wind finding their way through the large opening. However, Tom O'Connor and Stan Plummer were affected more by the zephyrs than Kevin Cranz, for obvious reasons.

The Latin class was somewhat surprised of late when Gerald Ridsdale made history by arriving earlier than his usual 9.10.

The seas of Intermediate learning in the case of minute Pat Pekin and amiable Chris Ryan seem to be somewhat turbulent due perhaps to conflicting bloodlines—universally known to be for their greater benefit in later life—if they are so fortunate.

Noel O'Sullivan who, like Harry Gill, specialises in the study of History, is gradually working his way up in the class by ardent labour and concentration.

And so it is with deep regret that we, the Intermediate Class, do sign off now until next term.

#### SUB-INTERMEDIATE A.

We are glad to have once again an opportunity of introducing to readers of the Chronicle more of the brilliant intellects who grace our classroom.

If a visitor were to enter Sub-Intermediate A. room he would be ushered into its cheery interior by a ray of sunshine, who, having opened the door for him, would beam cheerfully at him from beneath a head of curly hair. We shall not mention this happy gentleman's name as he is shy. But he hails from Geelong, is very fond of Latin and can get Brian Unthank's eye whenever he desires—and when the reader takes into consideration that Brian sits well behind our curly headed friend and is awake so seldom, he will be inclined to respect the views of those who support the genuineness of Mental Telepathy.

Situated in the far distant corner of the room is another cheerful little gentleman. You know his name is Robert Roach for you can see it traced upon the dust on an adjacent window pane through which Robert sees so much of this world. Anyone who enters or leaves S.P.C. by the back entrance without being duly observed, scrutinised and mentally indexed by Robert Roach should apply immediately to the F.I.D. for a senior appointment.

Next to him there sits a shy and reserved lad by the name of Don Kemp. Don sees less of the outside world than his neighbour but far more than most others in the room. Faithful to the Kemp tradition Don drags

round with him his huge bulk of four stone. It is not true, however, that Peter Hackwill went about for a whole day with Don concealed in his inside coat pocket. "Precious objects are often contained in small parcels." Don says that when Shakespeare wrote these words he was referring specifically to him. Anyway Don is well up his class, has passed all his exams during the term, is captain of one of the football teams, has been cut in half several times without ill effects, has seen nearly as many people and vehicles entering and leaving S.P.C. as Robert Roach and like him has never thrown a paper out through the window—at least not when it was closed. Now anyone could be proud of a record like that.

Were our visitor to cast his glance towards the far western corner of the room, he would see seated in glory by the heater John Hanasky. John would probably be doing one of two things—working out yesterday's crossword by means of today's solution or pondering deeply over the problems of Euclid. Words cannot adequately express John's opinion of ancient gentlemen such as Euclid, Archimedes, Pythagoras, Hipparchus, Diophantus, Claudius, Ptolemaeus, Eratosthenes and a host of others from whose rich tables mathematicians still partake.

John has been known to pour the contents of a salt container into someone else's tea, while wholly absorbed in the staggering assertion of Euclid that every triangle which has three sides contains three angles. John tried once to demonstrate this theorem by means of a bed, but finding only two sheets he deftly made them into three. The sum total of his efforts amounted, however, not to three angles, but to three hours' hard labour.

From these lines the reader might gather that John's only interest in life is Geometry. Far from it. When John finds time to wrest himself from his studies he engages in conversation. He discusses politics with Murray Podbury, football with Laurie Whyte, classical music with Ron Gipp, marbles with John Barney, calligraphy with Roy Pangrazio, Kerang with Gavan Murphy and Bernard Lamaro, ornithology with Ian Murray, Ian Murray with Pat Flanagan, etc., etc.

Directly north of Mr. Hanasky is Adrian Ryan. Adrian believes that a school-boy should be first and foremost happy. He has heard too much of those hapless lads who have shattered their youth and maimed their gentle manhood upon the cobble-stones of worry and over-study. Since a recent birthday Adrian has learned to tell the time.

Not the least of Maurice Purcell's good fortunes this year has been the excellent company and charming conversation of Adrian Ryan and Fred Armstrong. Maurice has been known to fail a Latin exam one week and to get almost full marks the following week. But the noble skill of marbles is Maurice's forte. When others fumble and fluke their way along Maurice never misses. Unlike Fred Armstrong, Brian Maher, Des O'Loughlin and Ted Rankins, who in the face of defeat have to supplement their meagre ability with ear-bashing and threatened like happenings later, Maurice possesses pure skill. He can hit a marble from two inches away. He is the Lindrum of the marble ring. Like Persil, he cleans up anything that comes along! Brian Maher, Murray Podbury, Brian Unthank, John Dempster and Peter Murray are just a few of the crestfallen champions of the knuckle who have had to knuckle-under to Maurice.

On Saturday mornings streams of glorious music issue forth from the windows of the new dormitories. The explanation—Brian Maher and Des Nunn are polishing the top floor to the accompaniment of Bernie Lamaro's sweet tenor voice, while downstairs Bob Roach and Gavan Murphy slave away while Brian Dowling sits on a bed and emulates Bing Crosby.

Space is getting on so we must mention other members of our famous class only in brief.

Brian Joyce is a lover of nature. This love of nature has taken him at least on one occasion to the "hill." Brian is a marble player of repute, a member of the Young Farmers' Club, a footballer of note, a conversationalist of renown and a future radio announcer. Only Don Kemp has a record equal to that.

Eddie Rosser is a personality in the class. Barry McGennis and John Burke are others. When an ordinary person like Charlie Bolte or Pat Callaghan or John Ryan is absent or late nobody seems to mind—except sometimes. But when Eddie Rosser or Barry McGennis or John Burke is away a death-like hush comes over the whole room. Other dire consequences follow: people in their vicinity begin to get sums wrong, lessons are missed and a general depression hovers over the place. It is just as well that the people sitting next to Kevin Ryan and Kevin Rowe are not personalities.

Peter Clark has two regrets; the first that he is unable to be present on Saturday mornings, the other that the second term passed so quickly.

Sorry we have not been able to mention all our members by name. However, those we have omitted we shall mention especially in our next issue. Farewell, readers, now until next time, and best wishes from Mr. Podbury and Sub-Intermediate A.

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#### SUB-INTERMEDIATE B.

Ere this Chronicle is published we shall have played and defeated our old rivals, Sub-Intermediate A. We thank them for the game and extend to them our sympathy on their overwhelming defeat.

Though we are little slow in getting our Class Library going, we hope it will be the best one in the school. Already a few of our boys have brought along good books, but we need more co-operation in our class if we are to have the best library in the school.

Our five class leaders at the present are Maurice Frawly, Hugh Bourke, Peter Ryan, Bill Ryan and Bryan Murphy. Others that are doing well are Malcolm Baird, John Deany, Bryan Jess, Bernard Rogers and Bill Gleeson.

Of late our representatives in football have been very much in the limelight. These are: Noel Elder, Kevin Bryce, Bill Gleeson, Frank Molony, Graeme Sheahan, Carl Hickey, Bernie Rogers, John Deany and Hugh Bourke.

Recently John Lowrie gave a wonderful exhibition of bicycle riding in the park. Ask John all about it.

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Peter Allan arrived back from Euroa with a so-called picture machine, but it would do everything except go. Peter is thinking of offering his services to Br. McCarthy in the box on Saturday nights.

John Foott is the best lad we have for keeping the chapel clean, and as this is God's own house, the Almighty is sure to bless him. The "late" Bryan Mullins arrives at school regularly, strike or no strike. For this he deserves great credit, even though he has to come very late sometimes.

Now and again we see Jim Lysaght, Kevin Nestor and Paul Russo in class. The next of our class—Eugene Nihill, Anthony (many a time and oft) Strangio, Jim Richmond, Les Plummer, Leo Bellville, Phil Perrot, Laurie Erwin, Richard Walsh, John Fewster (the fat boy) and Neil Lourey—are a happy lot who pull their weight in Sub-Intermediate B.

Of course Sub B. is the mainstay of the Bishop's Choir, and it's no wonder the Choir has such a reputation when we have maestros in it like Frank Elliott, Ray Coutts and Brendan Davey. We are sure that the Bishop must be very grateful to Sub B.

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#### SECOND YEAR

We extend a very big welcome to our latest arrival, Kyran Fahey, and hope his time at St. Pat's will be pleasant. Since the last issue of the Chronicle we said "good-bye" to Jim Fowler, Brian Walsh, Bill Fitzpatrick and Brian Phillips. Pat Ryan has not returned since the long week-end, but may be back soon. Neil O'Loughlin has returned after an illness and is now a day-boy.

The second term brought a revival of ye ancient sport of marbles. Every available moment out of school hours is spent on the marble arenas and the school yard re-echoes with the familiar cries of "Kicks my way," "Chips down," "Kisses back" and "No dubs." Even during the Latin period recently someone was heard to say, "Socius, Socii, an alley!" Unfortunately some, being over anxious to gloat over their latest gains or to show them off to an admiring neighbour, have dropped them on the floor and have had them confiscated. In the near future we intend to stage a class competition, and when the champs like Bill Dooley, Darrell Grace, Laurie Batson and Leo Stevens start to fight it out there will be some hard shooting.

The Class Library which opened during the term has proved very popular and is well patronised.

The football season has brought to the light several promising players in this class. In the Under 8½ Stone team we were represented by Ron Quilkey, Tom McGill and B. J. Grogan. In the Under 7½ Stone team were P. O'Sullivan, R. Mogg and D. Grace, while R. Parker, F. Sharkey, V. Hedges and K. Pike represented us in the Under 6½ Stone. K. Kavenagh was in the Under 15 team and the Under 7½ Stone team, and Ron Quilkey was Captain of the victorious Galvin team in the Shed competition. We played a match against First Year and scored a decisive victory.

In John Toomey's hip pocket you will usually find the latest copy of a certain coloured newspaper which he takes out at regular intervals and studies with intense concentration.

If Michael Houlihan could reduce his weight by exercising his tongue, he would now be eligible for selection in the Under 5½ Stone team.

Len Meeney (recently named Minimus) shows some artistic ability. He received a consolation prize in a competition recently conducted by a Ballarat theatre.

Ray (Professor) Parker and "Norby" Moore often manage to snatch forty winks in spite of the noise made by the wash-tub fraternity in the two desks behind them.

Jim McCarthy and P. K. Ryan have become fast friends and are both very keen on their football, which they like to be hard and tough.

Robert Pemberton continues to amuse the class with his antics and his stories of Vite Vite.

Adrian Kavenagh has won undying fame in the College by having a door-step named after him.

Second Year now wishes all Chronicle readers a very pleasant holiday.

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### FIRST YEAR

Here we are once more to record the doings of another term. Pride of place is given to examination results. Here Des Brown carried off the honours of the day by four marks from Graeme Thompson. Pat Lannen followed in third position, with Michael Walsh and Barry Macklin next. John Sweeney, Paul Dean, Warren Mills, Dan Duggan, Ken Dunne and Peter Morris, besides several others, did well. We all offer our congratulations to these lads who have done so well at their studies. John Sweeney, John Fregon, John Phelan and John Cummins share the honour of being the most improved boys in the class.

In this issue of the Chronicle three boys make their first appearance. Ian Fairly has already shown that he is capable of big things in St. Pat's. Brian Ross is upholding the name of St. Kilda, his former school, and has displayed great interest in his studies. Joseph Talbot came to us all the way from China. His stories are really interesting. We extend to these three newcomers a very hearty welcome and hope that they will be happy with us at St. Pat's.

Monday, 9 a.m.: "Do I know my lessons? Why, of course; I always know them." This big statement was made by Norman Harris as Brian Scarff put the question to him. When the marks for the lessons over the past month were tallied up Des Brown regained his old position at the head of the class. The next three places also went to Day-boys—Graeme Thompson, Pat Lannen and Barry Macklin. John Griffin and Max Hetherington kept up the good name of the boarders.

A suggestion has been made that Denis Fanning should be presented with a "Speller," for he can be heard throughout the College shouting, "C - A - T spells dog!"

In the past few weeks some really good History Lectures have been given in First Year. Barry Podger, Michael Walsh and Stewart Cameron have certainly shown us how it is done.

As a result of a first-class essay on "A Day in the Life of a Swagman," the author, Charles Nihil, has decided to throw in his lot with the "Sun-downers."

Jim Saunders and Kevin Armstrong are long distance travellers, but both are an asset to our ranks.

The constant rattling and dropping of marbles in school necessitated an "alley drive," unfortunately for Bill Creati, Tob Scarff and Jim Ferrest. Never before has Geometry been so well known as when it was announced that a marble from the collection would be awarded to every boy who could do the theorem.

Kevin Doherty and Ken Dunne both look like students now that they have joined the glasses brigade.

Paul Dean and John Phelan seem to think that the Singing Master made a serious error in not including them in the Choir. However, they are making an effort to improve, for they sing a duet every morning before the Master appears—except when he unfortunately happens to be a little early.

John Meicklejohn thinks that school would not be a bad old place after all if home-work and lessons could be done away with, while his happy neighbour, Joseph Talbot, is a firm believer in having a spare comic or two at hand.

On the football field we have many a champion. We had a really high opinion of our talents in the field of sport until we rashly challenged Second Year. We offer our congratulations to the victors and leave further mention of it to them. However, Bernard Matthews is said to be a grand full-back, while Jim Forrest has no equal as "Voice Captain." Our other distinguished footballers are Charlie Nihil, Neville Rogers, Denis McSparron, Michael O'Beirne and Dominic Cincotta—the boy who really enjoys a spell on the side-line for questioning the umpire's decision.

Barry Podger had his name published in the daily paper as a future champion golfer. He complains of the difficulty of procuring balls for the game, and has found that it is better not to play with them in school.

Bill Love is still at work on his inventions, but they never seem to work.

With this news from First Year, we will say "Good-bye" till we meet again in the next issue of the Chronicle.

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### GRADES V. AND VI.

Well, another term has drawn to a close and once more it is time to tell you what has been happening over the past three months.

At the end of the First Term Harry Hackwill, Dale Ross and John Davis departed, but their desks did not remain empty long; their places being taken by Jim Mullins from Dunnstown, Robin Dawson from Ballarat and Anthony Pittorino from Melbourne. A hearty welcome is extended to these newcomers and best wishes for a long and happy stay at S.P.C. go to them.

The first of the term tests was very keenly contested. In Grade VI. the honours went to Antony Lewis with 1030 marks out of 1400, while Richard McArthur was close on his heels with 1025. Others who did well were Barry Breen 965 marks, Mel Creati 920, Eddie Noy 905, Fred Ryan 900, Bernard McKenna 895 and Alf Broad 865. In Grade VI. Robert Dobson ran out the winner with 935, from Irwin McGenniss 905 marks. Other good passes were obtained by Marshall Younger 900, Peter Brown 870, Paul Williams 863, Ian Priestly 830 and Frank Moloney 805 marks. Congratulations to all of these, and may they do as well in the Second Term tests.

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The Fifth and Sixth were very well represented in the various junior teams representing St. Pat's at football. M. Creati, D. Williams, I. Priestly, M. Martin, A. Broad, B. McKenna, R. Whitefield, V. Brandenburg, P. Brown, G. Funston, R. Dobson, P. Williams, K. Hooper, I. McGenniss, M. Younger, M. Kennedy and B. Clinton can now boast that they have played football for St. Pat's. Maybe, one day, they will be wearing the famous green, white and blue jerseys of the First XVIII. and keeping up St. Pat's unbeaten record.

Keener interest is being displayed in the Missions these days with the introduction of a new competition consisting of six teams instead of two as previously. The six captains of these teams are B. Clinton, B. Angus, P. Brown, D. Tardrew, I. McGenniss and M. Younger. The total to date—£22—is the best ever for Fifth and Sixth. However, it is nowhere near the effort of our young friends next door, to whom we offer our heartiest congratulations on their great effort.

Before closing, we must make mention of our choristers, who leave us every Wednesday after playtime for the Hall, where they exercise their vocal chords to good effect. Believe it or not, V. Brandenburg, F. Ryan, D. Williams, J. Mullins, B. McKenna, D. Tardrew, R. Dawson and A. Broad are the ones referred to.

Well that is all for this issue, so we'll say "Au Revoir" until December.

Yours,

THE FIFTH AND SIXTH.

### THE JUNIORS

The Second Term draws to a close with our numbers increased to forty. To obtain smoother working and more efficient work the grades have been divided into IV. a and b, III. a and b, and II. a and b.

There have been four promotions from III. to IVa. These are Warren McGenniss, Daryl Jenkins, Paul Quinlan and George Pell. Three more promotions from IIb. to IIIa. were Robert McArthur, John Byrne and Kerry Anderson. Our new boys include Master Dawson from Queensland who worked so industriously to master the fourth work he could not understand and succeeded so well that he was rewarded by promotion to the fifth. Vincent Pike is another new scholar from Essendon. So far he is a little thoroughbred. Though now in IIa. it will not be long before he will go to IIb. The last newcomer is Michael Skarcic from Yugoslavia. Though handicapped somewhat by speech difficulties, he is trying his best. He has the reading lesson of all six grades to help him in his task.

**TESTS:** The keen competition at the weekly and terminal tests warrants well the discovery and the most conscientious boy in the respective grades.

**POINTS:** Some boys have three points in, whilst one has four. To gain a point the boy must pass in every subject of the test and then top the passes. At the end of the year the Principal is giving a cup to the successful boys.

**FOOTBALL:** We are undoubtedly small, that we allow, but we have our ambitions too. And, though we like to know the College has an unbeaten team, you must not blame us if we decide to have a game ourselves. To have this game we give up early dismissal on Wednesdays and play our teams instead on Tuesday or Friday whichever day the weather favours us. So far Fatimas, under Kierce, are beating Pragues, under Burke.

**MISSION FIELDS:** This is a field where even the biggest giants of our school have to pass the honours to us. We gave to £20 to the St. Peter

the Apostle Fund last term and £2/6/- to St. Vincent de Paul's and £1 to St. Columban's. This term we have not quite got the £20 yet, but we are hoping. So far we have given £2/11/7 into St. Vincent de Paul this term.

**FEAST DAYS:** We had a special drive on St. Vincent de Paul's feast day and collected many books as well as cash. For the Feast of Mt. Carmel Rev. Fr. Fiscalini enrolled the whole room in the Brown Scapular. And of course Our Lady's Mother, St. Anne, was not forgotten.

**THE ROSARY:** We have the daily Rosary at school for the enlightenment of all the poor misguided Communists and the encouragement of all oppressed Christians throughout the world, particularly Prague.

**AIDS:** We hear with delight of the arrival of our long wished for blackboard. We hope some fairies will one day give us half a dozen more suitable desks.

**MISHAPS:** We little ones have not passed the baby illnesses and so measles and mumps have hindered the progress of some of us.

**WORKBOOKS:** Many of us have not been too proud of our work books. There have been a few presentable ones in Paul Kierce and Warren McGenniss, but as no one will object to the other 38 being on the same level we had better do something about it.

**DUX:** There will be a neck to neck finish. Three are in the running—Paul Kierce, Bill Dobson and Michael Hutchison. Michael must watch his step since the mumps absence as it has left him with lack of concentration.

Jack Bongiorno has not been at all well this term and this reflected on the results of his work. However, now that he is better we hope he'll do better work. Silly boy, John! Eat the food mummy gives you and Doctor says to have, if you want to get properly well.

Good-bye now readers for this term. Next time we will tell you of the Inspector's reports.

Oh, we nearly forgot our handball teams. We have three groups under J. Burke, M. Faulkner and Geo Henley. Geo Henley is also our leader in the Mission Field followed closely by F. Doble.

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## The Forum

### SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

Since the last bulletin in the June Chronicle, the Society has been progressing most favourably and the high standards attained in its functions reflect credit on both members and executive, headed by the President, Rev. Br. Healy.

The highlight of the year's activities—the Purton Oratory Competition—has yet to be held. However, entries have already closed, and the fourteen entrants will compete in three preliminary heats on 7th, 9th and 17th August. A full account of these heats and also of the final, to be held early in the Third Term, will appear in the December issue of the Chronicle. However, for the benefit of readers a list of competitors and their heats is included.

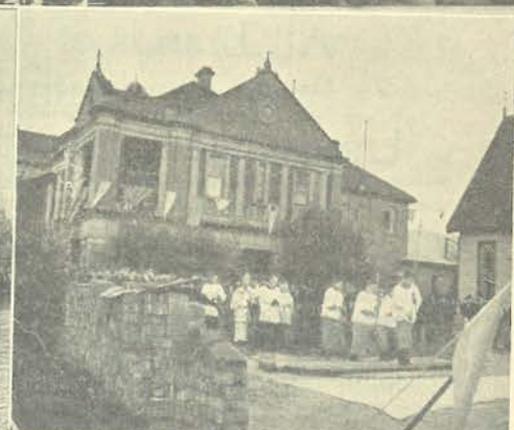
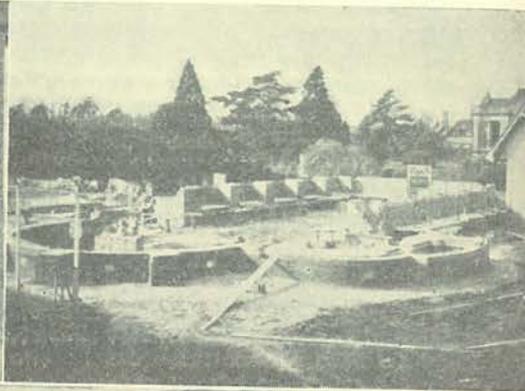
First heat, 7th August: 1, N. Panettiere; 2, G. Walsh; 3, D. George; 4, K. Warren. Second heat, 9th August: 1, R. Burke; 2, J. Shaw; 3, J. Greening; 4, P. Walsh; 5, G. Dowling. Third heat, 11th August: 1, C. Haintz; 4, J. Bourke; 3, B. Mills; 4, B. Hogan; 5, G. Joyce.

A most interesting year, which has revealed latent ability in many Society members, is about to draw to a close, and it might be well to give a brief resume of the activities of the Second Term. Contrary to general custom, S.P.C. debated only one outside team and, though the Gordon C.Y.M.S. defeated our team rather comfortably, our representatives, Messrs. J. Greening, L. Lenaghan and B. Mills, acquitted themselves quite capably, Mr. Mills being adjudged the best speaker of the evening. The title of the debate was "That the Australian Government is too strict in its application of the White Australia Policy," and S.P.C. formed the opposition.

One of the term's most enjoyable functions was undoubtedly the Mock Trial at which Mr. J. Shaw was proved guilty of theft and sentenced to six months' imprisonment by Mr. J. Morganti, who filled the role of Judge. Other principals in the trial were Messrs. J. Bourke and B. Tobin who played the parts of Crown Prosecutor and Defending Counsel respectively, while Mr. P. Conway was Court Crier and Mr. W. McCarthy the Associate. The Society followed a highly commendable plan of action in arranging for a Catholic Evidence Hour and for a Bible Discussion Group. Speakers on Catholic Evidence were Messrs. J. Bourke, P. Conway, W. McCarthy and L. Lenaghan, and the subjects treated by these speakers were in order "Purgatory," "Divorce," "Private Ownership" and "Education." Rev. Fr. Bohan acted as Spiritual Director and, in this capacity, cleared up any difficulties which arose. The Bible Discussion Group, headed by Mr. W. Ley, with Rev. Fr. Shelley as Spiritual Adviser, served a dual purpose for it proved both enlightening and entertaining. Space will not permit the mention of all programmes but perhaps the last function worthy of mention was the mock Coming-of-Age at which Mr. B. Lourey was the guest of honour.

It is to be hoped that the experience gained by members during the first two terms will enable the standard of the Purton Oratory Competition to remain at the high level which it has now reached, owing to the efforts of members of previous years. More important, however, it is to be hoped

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AND OF  
BR. EDMUND IGNATIUS RICE  
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that this experience will assist everyone on leaving school to assume his proper place in the world and to become a good, intelligent and useful citizen, capable of defending right and a thorn in the side of those who would disseminate false doctrine of religion, morality or conduct.

—J. BOURKE.

#### LEAVING LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

During the term we have continued our meetings and the first section of our activities has now been completed. To date each boy has been given the opportunity to display his ability as a speaker and to contribute to the entertainment of fellow members. Not all have found this task easy but all, without exception, have given much time to the preparation of their speeches, and as a result a number of excellent entertainments have been enjoyed. The most successful speakers of the term were Alf Treppo, Ray O'Shannessy, John Ferguson and John F. Martin. The list of subjects has been varied and a great store of general knowledge has been passed on by the various speakers.

A note of thanks is here due to Leo Walsh, Secretary for the year, and his committee; their arrangement of the speakers and the allotment of subjects was efficiently done and deserves commendation.

Cavan Bolger's team was successful in the team's competition held in conjunction with the entertainments, and they enjoyed a night at the pictures; "San Francisco" was the feature. On behalf of all other members I extend congratulations to Cavan and his team for their performance in winning the teams' competition.

—RAY O'SHANNESSEY.

#### COLLEGE QUIZ NO. 3

1. Where was the original site of the old handball courts?
2. How long is the new miniature rifle range?
3. Name last year's First XVIII. player who is at present playing football in the Melbourne League?
4. What was the year in which the ovals were levelled?
5. When was the new statue of St. Patrick placed in front of the College?
6. Who donated the last cup for sport?
7. What was Fr. Gleeson's last year as Chaplain at the College?
8. The Christian Brothers have only one building in Victoria on whose foundation stone there appears the name of their founder. Can you name this building?
9. What is the name of the new boat which was recently placed in the boat shed?
10. Name St. Pat's first Old Boy to be Knighted?
11. What was the year in which the recent Catholic Rural Conference was held at St. Pat's?
12. Name the boy who won the last Purton Oratory Prize?
13. In what year was the present picture projector installed?
14. What will be the approximate cost of the new Chapel?
15. Who is our furthest interstate boarder?

(Answers on Page 37)

## Items of Interest

#### OUR NEW SCHOOL SONG

For many years St. Pat's has been famous for the rousing War Cry with which her pupils applaud the efforts of her representatives on the athletic arena; but now a new inspiring "Victory Song" has been introduced to help give added encouragement to those playing for the Green, White and Blue. With patriotic verse, its tune is that of the world-famous "Victory Chant" of America's mighty Notre Dame. It is very fitting that St. Pat's, which holds a record unparalleled in Australian school-boy football, should have as its school song an adaption of the Chant of the school which is world renowned for its football (Gridiron) achievements.

Those boys who know—and will know—the Victory Song of S.P.C. will carry its melody in their hearts as a perpetual souvenir of their Alma Mater. The tune forever running through their minds should always recall for them the joys and excitements of life at S.P.C. The words of the verse and chorus will ever remind them of the spirit which St. Pat's desires of all her boys, and while singing it again they will renew their pledge to be loyal to their Alma Mater and all her teachings.

For the benefit of our interested friends the words of the song are reproduced below.

Sing her glory and her fame,  
Rally Sons of S.P.C.  
Raise her Green, White and Blue  
And cheer with voices true—  
Rah! Rah! for S.P.C!  
We will fight in every game,  
We will ne'er forget her,  
And will cheer her ever—  
Loyal to S.P.C.

#### Chorus:

Cheer! Cheer! for old S.P.C.  
Wake up the echoes cheering her name  
Send her volley cheer on high,  
Shake down the thunder from the sky  
What tho' the odds be great or small,  
Old S.P.C. will win over all,  
While her loyal sons are marching  
Onwards to victory.

Repeat chorus.

#### THE COMING CADET CAMPS

On Wednesday, 24th August, a group of cadets will arrive at the Ballarat railway station to board the train which will take them to their annual cadet camp at Puckapunyal. They will be the representatives of St. Patrick's College and will spend ten days in camp learning the essentials of foot-drill and infantry training. Only three sites are being used this year as a number of the schools attended in May. St. Pat's in former years on Site D, will be this year on Site C.

Since it is the most important event of the cadet year, the annual camp is being eagerly looked forward to by the more earnest cadets. It is a holiday for the virile youths of the College and provides excellent opportunities for recreation. The Australian is famous for his love of outdoor life, and camp provides a taste of this without the accompaniment of the danger of exposure or lack of food. The personnel sleep in solid army huts and are provided with stretchers, mattresses and blankets, while the food supply is truly most gratifying and satisfying. Prepared by expert army cooks and presented in great abundance, it is enough to belie all wartime reports of "army stew."

The cadets who go into camp will be first solidly grounded in foot-drill, then first-year cadets will proceed to lessons in rifle, bren and 2-in. mortar, while second, third and fourth year cadets will specialise in either Vickers L.M.G. or Signals.

The environment of the camp is such that a great spirit of good fellowship is bred, not only between members of individual cadet units or between neighbouring units, but also between the cadets and the army men with whom they come into contact. It might be expected that men would resent having to work for boys as these officers do, and yet the work is carried out with the greatest of cheerfulness.

This year's camp promises just as much as those of former years—one could not hope for a better "Rec hut," picture theatre or canteen than those to be found at "Pucka," and the cadets who wear the St. Pat's pugaree into camp will find that they will receive the utmost co-operation from the officers and N.C.O.'s, cadets who have learned that co-operation is the secret of all-round satisfaction. The march-out on Saturday, 3rd September, will surely find a great many making resolutions to return in 1950.

—P. M. DAVEY.

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#### "TO EACH HIS OWN!"

From the tuck shop down to the Matriculation room there is very little wall space to be seen. The classroom walls not taken up by large windows are literally plastered with notice-boards!

Leaving the corridor to pass the hall, what do you see? The first of the many—a notice-board. This small case between the tuckshop and bookshop is used by the Camera Club, and our school artists who portray their impressions of forthcoming features to be screened in the S.P.C. Theatre.

Walking on further, you do not come across another notice-board for a good distance—perhaps thirty yards. Then, staring at you with glassy eyes is another one. This is the latest addition to our long line of notice cases; it is the "Headmaster's Notice Board." Freshly painted green, white and blue, with the decorated name printed across the top, it is the brightest in the College. In it our Principal displays his own notices—congratulations to our footballers, examination bulletins, news of the new chapel funds, even instructions on "how to resuscitate a drowned person." (Who, in winter would swim in Ballarat?)

On turning away from Br. Mogg's space, you immediately bump into the oldest and most popular notice-board in the College. It is popular because Br. O'Malley has, since he has been at St. Pat's, little by little taken it over as his own, for news of his competitive sporting teams—scores, wins, comments and newspaper clippings. Every Monday and Thursday this board attracts crowds of boys, six or seven deep, eager to read our Sportsmaster's opinions of his players in the latest game.

A few windows further on we notice the "St. Pat's Pound"—where all lost and found articles are displayed. Next to this window is the largest board in the College. In it are featured items of interest from Catholic periodicals. The blue print plans of the Chapel have also appeared here.

Minor football fixtures are pinned in the next notice-board, for use chiefly by Intermediate students. With our head full of future College activities, and eyes weary from reading, we now come to the final one. This is employed for Cadet Bulletins and Holy Name Society meetings.

It is said that "variety is the spice of life." Running through our formidable list of notice-boards, the visitor would realise that from them the student can always get variety!

But—there are more to come yet! In each classroom there is at least one notice-board . . . one for each Brother of the teaching staff.

"To each his own!"

—PIERRE RUSSO.

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#### OUR FIRST XVIII.

(Tune: "The Marine's Hymn")

From the distant Grampian Ranges  
To the shores of Western Port  
We're the champions of the football field  
And excel at other sport.  
We're the glory of the State you know  
Good as ever there has been  
And we glory in the title of  
St. Patrick's College First XVIII.  
We're the wearers of the green white blue  
And unbeaten through the years  
When the game is hard we do not flinch  
But we play with all our speed.  
We will never let our College down  
No, we'll play as men who're keen  
And we glory in the title of  
St. Patrick's College First XVIII.

These words and tune have been submitted for consideration as a further song which may be sung during the football season.

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## DIARY FROM DAY TO DAY

## MEMORABLE DAYS

Tuesday, 31st May.—Once more, happy faces are seen at St. Pat's.

## JUNE:

Wednesday, 1st.—Many availed themselves of the class hours to dream of the past weeks.

Saturday, 4th.—The first picture show of the term. What a thrill! "Two Years Before the Mast."

Sunday, 5th.—A private screening of personal shots depicted some of the staff in classic roles.

Monday, 6th.—Excitement prevailed as the House football teams were chosen.

Thursday, 9th.—New stars were discovered in the various competitions.

Saturday, 11th.—The titles of the films, "Something in the Wind" and "As Tough as They Come," were very appropriate.

Sunday, 12th.—First XVIII. made their debut by defeating Armadale C.Y.M.S.

Monday, 13th.—Heard in the Matric room black-out, "My Kingdom for a light!"

Wednesday, 15th.—Rain persisted.

Saturday, 18th.—The Second XVIII. were hard pressed to defeat Grammar!! Scores were 41-20 to nil. Scientists were enlightened by the film, "The Beginning of the End."

Sunday, 19th.—Newman College proved a little too strong for the 1sts.

Tuesday, 21st.—A fall of snow gave added intertainment before the Retreat.

Wednesday, 22nd.—The Retreat is under way.

Thursday, 23rd.—All is quiet on the S.P.C. front.

FRIDAY, 24th.—His Lordship the Bishop celebrated Holy Mass in the Chapel.

Saturday, 25th.—The Retreat concluded at Breakfast. No school in the morning, but football instead. The pictures in the evening were "They Won't Believe Me" and "Great Day."

Sunday, 26th.—First XVIII and debators made their annual trip to Gordon. Gordon won the debate.

Wednesday, 29th.—First B.P.S. match against High School. The customary pictures were shown in the evening.

## JULY:

Friday, 1st.—"Water, water, everywhere."

Saturday, 2nd.—The weekly programme was again screened in our theatre.

Sunday, 3rd.—Our Firsts defeated St. Kilda after a hard and get game.

Monday, 4th.—The weekly cadet parade took place.

Tuesday, 5th.—Senior students attend Solemn Requiem Mass for Rev. Fr. Davis, P.P., an ex-pupil of S.P.C. R.I.P.

Wednesday, 6th.—We journeyed to Grammar to see the green, white and blue again victorious.

Saturday, 9th.—The pictures were again most enjoyable.

Sunday, 10th.—St. Joseph's, Geelong, were defeated by our champion First XVIII.

Monday, 11th.—Cadet parade.

Wednesday, 13th.—Ballarat College were defeated.

Thursday, 14th.—Excitement was intense as many prepared to journey to Melbourne for the long week-end.

Friday, 15th.—Melbourne, here we come.

Saturday, 16th.—St. Kevin's team fall to our stalwarts.

Sunday, 17th.—Melbourne was its usual self—rain, plus no transport.

Monday, 18th.—The dead-line was 5.25 p.m., when all again headed for Ballarat.

Tuesday, 19th.—The effects of the Melbourne trip were apparent—teachers understood.

Wednesday, 20th.—Ballarat weather gave us a cold welcome—the coldest day for many years.

Thursday, 21st.—Seen on the oval: Pat Walsh "enjoying" a game of football.

Saturday, 23rd.—The hall rocked as Bob Hope pranced about the screen in "Monsieur Beaucaire."

Sunday, 24th.—Most attended the Ordination of Fr. Kelly. Excitement in the match against Parade was tense.

Tuesday, 26th.—Fr. Kelly made his welcome return to S.P.C. Many Corpus Christi students visited the College.

Wednesday, 27th.—Our First XVIII. proved too strong for High School.

Thursday, 28th.—Fr McDonnell's visit was a memorable moment for us.

Saturday, 30th.—Laughs were the order of the day when "The Wistful Widow of Waggon Gap" was screened.

Sunday, 31st.—The Feast of Brother Edmund Ignatius Rice was celebrated by Solemn High Mass in the Cathedral. In the afternoon His Lordship, the Bishop, laid the foundation stone of the new Chapel. Pictures were shown in the evening to celebrate the events.

—W. J. McCARTHY.

## "OUR BOLD BOARDER"

Some boarders can get away with anything.

There is one in our College that does. Morals don't mean a thing to him. He follows any one of the female staff he takes a liking to. He is not discriminant, for he does not care what the Brothers say or think. Evidently he has not seen the last few pages of our diary; because if he had, his lack of regard for College regulations would not be so glaring. The duties of the so-called good schoolboy, in fact, are as immaterial to him as soap is to a small boy. This boarder never attends meetings of the students. He just doesn't care.

He never thinks of paying a bill. College fees would seem unnecessary to him. And, because his parents (hounds that they were!) deserted him at a very tender age, he is accustomed to eating anything. He takes no offence at devouring the scraps from the meals left by older boarders.

At school he will not work, he does not know what work means; work to him is a major cause in the failure of our civilisation. "Less work, more fun" might be his motto. He is so ignorant that if one asked him to add two and two together, he could not answer; he would pretend not to have heard you. In the mornings a thorough search in the Chapel would not find him in attendance at Mass—not even on Sundays. An inhuman, paganistic creature!

Cards, dancing, radios, musical instruments don't mean a thing to him. So far as known, he has no intellectual or cultural interests at all. He neglects his appearance terribly; for example, if (and I choose "if," because he obeys orders only IF he feels inclined) presenting himself at any school function or sport, he wears no cap, only his dirty, grey coat. He is so indolent that the school could burn down while he slept; the school bells can ring themselves to pieces and he would not bother to observe them. He follows the boys to the door and merely sits there grinning, with a smug expression on his face; for, this unfortunate boarder has no lessons to learn. Instead of being in school he lounges about in the sun, or gets his feet wet and muddy by paddling in every puddle in sight.

These actions often lead us to wonder whether he is civilised; because recently, in his usual excited mood, an innocent hen fell into his cruel hands—and was plucked ready for eating a half hour later!

Yet, in spite of all these faults, he is popular with the younger students who do not call him the "cur" that he is; they play football and "chasey" with him.

He is our mascot—that lamb-like, harmless black and white cocker spaniel!

—PIERRE RUSSO.

#### THE LONG WEEK-END

Despite adverse weather the Second Term of the school year is eagerly awaited, for it is during this period that the football supremacy of St. Pat's is again tested. Perhaps the foremost and most interesting match of the season is the annual fixture against St. Kevin's set down for Melbourne. Not only does it provide an opportunity to match our football ability against a champion College side, but it also creates a welcome and much longed for break in a difficult and nasty term. Three teams are sent to represent St. Pat's—the First, Seconds and Under Fifteens—and though many boarders return to their homes a big number travel to Melbourne as supporters of their school.

This year a succession of industrial disputes rendered doubtful "The Long Week-end," but in our endeavor to overcome such difficulties school broke a half-day earlier than usual, thus permitting the teams and supporters to leave by the early train. Transport in the capital likewise presented many difficulties, and the fact that all travel services ceased to operate soon after mid-day on Saturday caused the match to be played on Saturday morning and not on Sunday afternoon as in former years. Naturally the attendance was affected by the strike and comparatively few lined the fence. The match itself maintained the high standard set by previous years. It is a particularly difficult match for our boys as the throw pass is adopted, a rule to which the team is unaccustomed. The game, however, was closely contested throughout, both teams playing excellent football. At three-quarter time the scores were almost level with St. Pat's enjoying a slight advantage. However, a thrilling and hard played last quarter favoured St. Pat's and victory was theirs by the narrow margin of five points. The remaining two teams were not as fortunate and although they gave a good account of themselves they suffered defeat. They could not adapt themselves to the throw-the-ball rule as exploited by their opponents. The senior game was again ably umpired by the well-known ex-league player, Laurie Nash.

On the Saturday afternoon many of the boys, in spite of lack of transport, managed to see senior clubs in action. The remaining two days were fully enjoyed by all and in remarkably different manners.

At five o'clock on Monday afternoon a tired but happy group gathered on Spencer Street station. The Ballarat express conveyed to the "Garden City" its freight of human life, one hundred and fifty of whom were returning to S.P.C.

—K. DOWSLEY and J. MORGANTI.

#### YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

Things are in good shape down at the Young Farmers' garden in spite of two visits, one of which was highly successful, from the College dairy herd. One cow expressed its gratification at the exuberant growth round about by demolishing several beds of cabbages. Some time later she brought a few friends along and finished off the rest. So now when we see

a few dozen inmates from the poultry farm starting an open-cut mine among the lettuces we look at their size and just walk past them without deigning even to notice them.

The garden in spite of jealousy displayed by live stock round about has never looked better, thanks to the good work of our Young Farmers.

At a general meeting held in July, group leaders were chosen as follows: G. Dooley, J. Murphy, I. Bradford, D. Nunn, B. Maher, B. Unthank and R. Walsh.

At one meeting members were addressed by the Principal, Rev. Br. Mogg who congratulated the Club on the splendid work achieved.

#### CAMERA CLUB

During the winter term when opportunities for taking snaps are few, members of the Club became enthusiastic about the colouring of photos. Some excellent work was produced and displayed on the College notice-board.

A competition was held during the term. The winning snap was submitted by Peter Brumby. Second place went to John Mason and third to Brian Maher.

Arrangements have been made for members of the Club to visit a studio in town where they will be able to watch professional photographers at work processing and printing. A number of interesting lectures are in store for members of the Club in the third term.

#### ANSWERS TO QUIZ NO. 3

1. The old handball courts were originally situated behind the Hall. Another wall was added and now the Leaving Classroom occupies the site.
2. The Rifle Range is 30 yards long.
3. Les Mogg plays with North Melbourne.
4. The ovals were levelled in 1946.
5. In 1944.
6. R. L. Tatchell.
7. Fr. Gleeson's last year was 1942.
8. S.P.C. New Chapel.
9. The W. T. O'Malley.
10. Sir Hugh Divine.
11. The Conference was held in 1948.
12. John Greening.
13. The Projector was installed in 1931.
14. The New Chapel will cost approximately £45,000.
15. John Mulcahy from Casino, N.S.W.

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## The College Chapel

A very impressive religious ceremony was performed at the College by His Lordship Most Rev. Bishop O'Collins, on 31st July. It was the Feast Day of Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice and was the day set down for laying the Foundation Stone of the New Chapel. So long as St. Patrick's College stands the stone will bear eloquent though mute testimony to the fact that on this day 1949 a Chapel was rising on the College grounds to the honour and glory of God and to the memory of the gallant sons of S.P.C. who counted it not foolishness to die to preserve our way of life.

Though the day was most inclement, we enjoyed, during the ceremony, delightful sunshine. It would seem that Almighty God signified His approval of the work. Here was in course of construction a house of worship where would be offered a clean oblation and where thousands of loyal souls would find peace and quiet in intimate converse with their Heavenly King—the Prisoner of the Tabernacle.

It is a sheer delight to the Brothers and boys of the College today to watch the walls rise slowly but surely. Work has been delayed for the past five weeks because of the strike, and now that power restrictions are lifted and coal is being mined, we hope that the building will go on uninterruptedly.

The design, by Mr. Cyril Kelly of Geelong, is splendid. Indeed features have been incorporated in the plans, that will make our College Chapel unique. It will be costly but magnificent. Just what all ex-pupils and friends of St. Patrick's would have us build. No Chapel could be too grand for a College which cherishes the traditions of S.P.C. Our whole College life centres round the Tabernacle. From It radiates our inspiration and guidance. It is most edifying to see our boys at Holy Mass. Every Mass is a dialogue Mass and the piety and devotion of the boys could hardly be surpassed. Their decorum in the Chapel reveals a lively faith in the Real Presence.

And now the Brothers confidently appeal to their ex-students to find the money necessary for the building. It is estimated that £45,000 is needed. This is a huge sum of money and if we must borrow from the banks you can see that the interest bill will be very high. The payment of interest is crippling. To date we have paid our accounts from the money in the Chapel account. Now it is gone. We have spent £6000 to date. If you have not sent in your donation we would be grateful if you would do so. One ex-pupil has subscribed £1000, another 200 guineas, while fourteen have sent along £100 each. Five annual raffles by the boys yielded £1250. The Prefects' Effort, December 1948, realised £500.

Hereunder is published a complete list of all subscribers to date:— His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. O'Collins, £100; Mr. A. Horton Crundell, £1000; Mr. Nicholas O'Donohue, 200 guineas; Annual Efforts at College since 1944, £1250; Messrs. H. and M. Bourke, Pakenham, £120.

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10/6 each: Mrs Cochran Ballarat, Mrs Opie Melbourne, Mr W. Henderson Ballarat.

Subscriptions by the boys to the Prefects' Effort in December 1948 have been held over till next issue. The Chapel Fund has now reached £7000.

## Obituary

### REV. FR. WILLIAM DAVIS, R.I.P.

Our last issue of the Chronicle carried the obituary notices of two or our ex-pupil priests, viz., Frs. McHugh and Toomey, and now we record the passing of Fr. William Davis. Previously Fr. Joseph Davis had gone to his reward.

Both Fathers Davis had been educated at the College, Fr. William leaving S.P.C. for St. Patrick's Ecclesiastical College, Manly, in 1904. After ordination Fr. William went to St. Arnaud, thence to Swan Hill, and to Beech Forest as Parish Priest and he had to find a property and build. In 1916 he was appointed to the parish of Sea Lake where he laboured efficiently and well for thirty-three years. He planted churches in the outlying districts and these will remain as mute witnesses of his zeal and concern for the spiritual needs of his parishioners.

Though he had enjoyed poor health for some time, he remained at his post and he was mourned by a sorrowful people on his passing.

At the Solemn Requiem Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, His Lordship the Bishop presided and preached a touching panegyric. His Lordship stressed Fr. Davis' priestly qualities. His care for the people under his charge, his attention to his Churches—the Sanctuaries and tabernacles.

We offer our sympathy to Fr. Davis' sister who resides in Ballarat.

### REV. FR. JONES. R.I.P.

After being attached to the Ballarat Diocese for 55 years, Rev. Fr. Jones died in Ballarat on 19th July.

Fr. Jones was born in Ireland and he pursued his ecclesiastical studies in the Seminary of All Hallows. He came to Australia soon after his Ordination in 1894. He knew the Ballarat Diocese very well. He was Parish Priest at Nhill, Maryborough and Camperdown.

His Lordship the Bishop presided at the Solemn Office and Requiem Mass which was attended by many priests. He was buried in the New Cemetery. May he rest in Peace.

### REV. BR. J. B. BROPHY

Rev. Br. J. B. Brophy had been stationed at St. Patrick's College on three different occasions. He was transferred from Ballarat to Geelong in February 1948. We were grieved to learn of his death at the early age of 42 years. He died in the Mercy Hospital, Melbourne, where he was carefully nursed during the very trying illness which proved fatal. He had only thanks and admiration for his medical adviser, Dr. Frank Harnett and for the good nursing sisters.

Br. Brophy was a genial soul and though in later years he had grown very heavy, he enjoyed his vigorous exercise on the football field and the handball court. He was a good sport in every sense of the word.

In the class-room he was alert and keenly enthusiastic to such an extent that his class caught his spirit and their earnest application resulted in prize winning achievements. Wherever he went his lads shone at the Inter Collegiate Examinations. Some of our present Intermediate and Leaving lads had the good fortune to be taught by Br. Brophy in the Sub-Intermediate.

Br. Brophy was a New Zealander. After finishing his training at Strathfield, N.S.W., he was sent to Ballarat, and his first mission was the junior class at St. Alipius' School, Ballarat East. In 1929 he was transferred to New Zealand and he taught in the Brothers' College at Dunedin for six years. After these years he taught in New South Wales and Victoria. In 1946 he underwent a serious operation from which he recovered remarkably well. He had recurrences of his old trouble, however, and in June of this year he entered the Mercy Hospital. It was evident to his doctors and the Sisters that he would not recover. To the end he was happy and confident and he enjoyed the company of his many friends. Death claimed him on 16th June.

His Brothers in religion, his many friends among the clergy, and representative pupils from the Christian Brothers' schools attended his obsequies. He leaves behind him very many friends who will not forget him where remembrance is best. May he rest in Peace.

#### MR. JAMES O'CONNOR. R.I.P.

The world is the poorer by the passing of Mr. James O'Connor, of Shepparton, where he had been Head Master of the local High School. A daily communicant for many years, Mr. O'Connor was a model Catholic layman and was a powerful influence for good in the schools of which he had charge.

At the time of his death Mr. O'Connor was on his way to Ballarat to visit his son, Denis, at St. Patrick's College. Poor Denis was disconsolate at the tragic news and his teachers and his schoolmates felt equally sad.

Mr. O'Connor was buried in Melbourne after Requiem Mass at Our Lady of Victories' Church, Canberwell. We offer Mrs. O'Connor and her large family of sons and daughters our sincerest sympathy. They must be consoled by the thought that their husband and father was a pious, God-fearing man who spent himself in doing good to his fellow men. R.I.P.

#### FRANCIS DESMOND CONROY

Our deepest sympathy is tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Conroy of Ballan and to their family on the death of their son and brother, Francis Desmond Conroy.

We were not so well acquainted with Francis as we are with Ned, and yet we feel we have known Frank for years because of our intimacy with Ned. We pray for the repose of the soul of dear Francis and we ask Ned and his good parents and family to be assured of our prayers for the repose of the soul of their dear departed. The magnificent tribute of respect and affection shown at the Requiem Mass and at the funeral speaks volumes for the regard in which Francis and his family are held. May he rest in Peace.

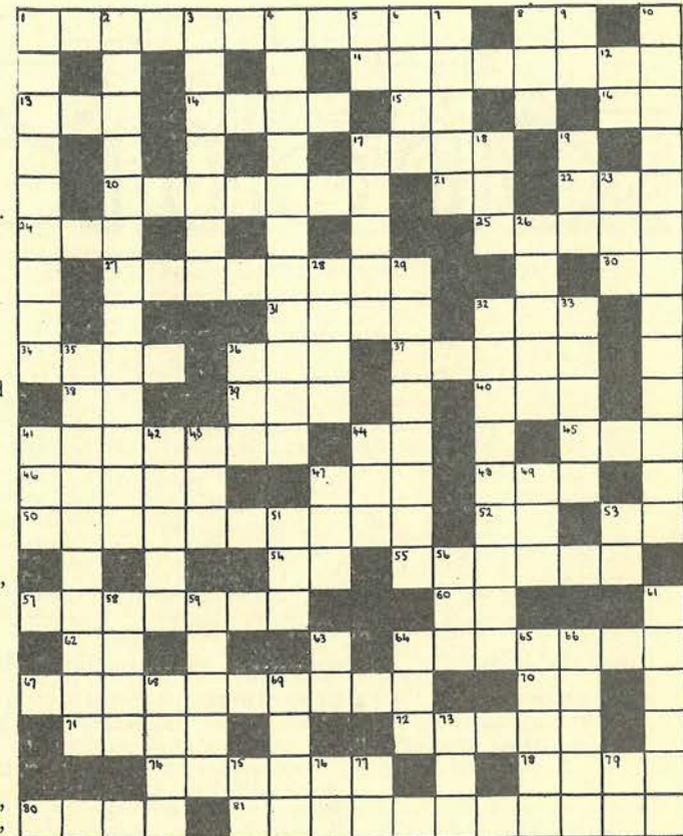
#### ACROSS

1. Dog.
8. Prefix.
11. Midday-tide.
13. Limit.
14. Skin irritation.
15. Roman Catholic.
16. Conjunction.
17. Rope.
20. Great achievement.
21. Editor.
22. Same as 8 down.
24. Poem.
25. Seized.
27. Speech art.
30. Prefix.
31. Venture.
32. Meat dish covered with pastry.
34. Distant.
36. Nocturnal insect.
37. Of the kindeys.
38. Prefix.
39. Devoured.
40. Final.
41. Cinema.
44. Part of verb 'to be.'
45. Fish.
46. Speak.
47. Frozen water.
48. Spoil.
50. Drug.
52. Prefix.
53. Prefix.
54. Suffix.
57. From Cathay.
60. French for 'neither'
62. French for 'of it.'
64. Having sense of touch.

67. Sacred journey.
70. Royal Navy.
71. Used on a car.
72. In the sky.
74. Newspaper chief.
78. Associated with window.
80. Small bred horse.
81. Obligation.

#### DOWN

1. Inflammation of the lungs.
2. Sea.
3. Building.
4. Adjust.
5. Adverb.
6. Mother-of-Pearl.
7. Relating to sky.
8. Consumed.



9. Same as 56 across.

10. Upright.

12. To perform.

17. Band of singers.

18. Insecticide.

19. Tibetan Ox.

23. A drink.

26. Of Asia.

28. Assessment.

29. Grave clothes.

32. Of air.

33. Of greater age.

35. British temperature measure.

36. Obstruct.

41. Summit.

42. Suffix.

43. Detective.

44. Army Cadet Instruction.

47. Sick.

49. Insect.

51. Town in New Guinea.

53. Æ.

56. Airway Company.

58. Inwardly.

59. Mistaken.

61. Used in sewing.

63. French definite article.

64. Same as 42 down.

65. Reliance.

66. Country in Asia.

68. A colour.

69. Small donation.

73. Boy's name.

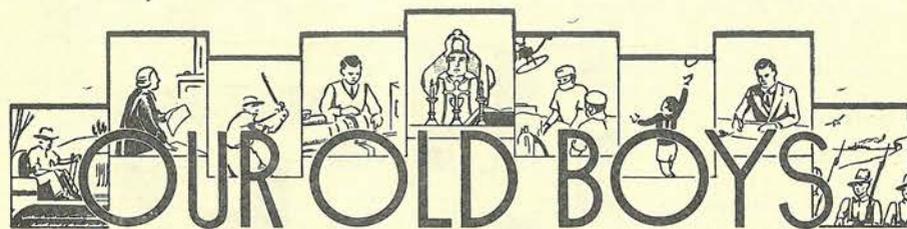
75. Preposition.

76. Prefix.

77. Concerning.

70. Lieutenant.

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It is now the practice of the Old Boys' Committee to have a copy of the

Chronicle sent to all financial members of the Old Boys' Union.

The triple aim of the Old Collegians' Association is:

1. To foster a bond of fellowship between ex-students of S.P.C.
2. To promote among Old Boys a keen interest in the College.
3. To watch the interests of boys from the College, entering the University, the Professions, Commercial and industry.

Become, then, a financial member, be interested in Association affairs. You assist your Alma Mater by being an active member of the Ex-students' Association.

The Association arranged Retreats and General Holy Communions. Where possible, Communion Breakfasts, Social functions, an Annual Ball, Dinner are organised. Sporting fixtures are arranged and the matches played at the College against the present students arouse much interest.

The Brothers give us a hearty welcome back to College and the boys enjoy meeting and playing against erstwhile S.P.C. representatives.

Now especially we must stand together and assist to the utmost of our ability in raising the money to erect the College Chapel. We all know the need for the new Chapel and we must realise that it is to us the Brothers look for financial assistance to enable them to meet the big expense they have undertaken. We must be generous when we decide to send along our donation. It is our concern and nobody else's. Only if every Old Boy does his utmost and subscribes to the best of his resources will the sum be raised. The Brothers have not called on us before. In fifty years this is their first appeal. We must respond. We owe it to the Brothers who taught us, to the present staff and the present students and we will perpetuate the memory of our mates of schoolboy days, noble souls all, who died to save Australia for us Australians. We are proud of the sons of S.P.C. who fell in World Wars I. and II. We hold their memory in reverence. Let us be whole-heartedly behind the Memorial Chapel Appeal. This is our chance to give honour to whom it is due.

A heartening feature of the latest Committee meeting of the Old Collegians' Association, S.P.C. Ballarat—Melbourne Branch—was the presentation of reports by representatives deputed to attend the Annual Balls of the kindred Colleges—De La Salle, Kilmore and Parade. These functions were all brilliant social and financial successes, and the various committees are to be commended on their organising ability. Apart from the spirit of solidarity engendered by the Combined Catholic Colleges' Association, these individual functions which are attended by representatives of all the kindred associations are a splendid rallying point in the social life of members. The inaugural S.P.C. Ball at Earle's Court recently was also a grand success, and is to be an annual event. A long agenda of sporting and social gatherings has been prepared by the Committee, and ample notice will be given members by circular and in these columns.

Association affairs are well in hand in Melbourne. It is pleasing to note that the Committee retains its enthusiasm and in spite of many disappointments and broken promises, our Committee pegs away encouraged by the success of past functions and by the hope of future success.

Through the good offices of Vice-President Thomas K. Doyle, Barrister-at-Law, the Melbourne Old Boys' Committee now meets at the centrally situated and well appointed premises of the Celtic Club, Howey Court, Collins Street. Previous meetings were held at the homes of the executive officers, and while the comfort of their residences and their hospitality were greatly appreciated, attendances have been more satisfactory with the city venue. On the night that Michael Grogan attended his first Committee meeting his father—Dr. P. L. Grogan—was playing in the club billiard tournament, and members had the pleasure of meeting him after his victory. The leaven of younger men which has been added recently strengthens the Committee in its bonds with the present-day trend of thoughts and is all for the better.

Old Boys who are not financial members should send along their subscriptions to Hon. Secretary Matt. Hyland, No. 4 Flat, 44 Eildon Street, St. Kilda. Seniors 10/-; Juniors 5/-.

Subscriptions may also be given to President: P. J. O'Neill, Chemist, Victoria Road, Northcote; Treasurer: Alan Casey, 34 Eildon Street, St. Kilda; Press Correspondent: Phil O'Brien, 321 Little Collins Street.

### PERSONAL

Congratulations to Dr. Don Spring on his recent success. Dr. Don has secured his Doctorate of Dental Science at the Melbourne University (D.D.Sc.) This is a rare qualification and Alma Mater rejoices in Don's success. For some time now Dr. Don specialises in orthodontures in Collins

Street. Don has been very busy since his return from England and America.

Don's father, Dr. W. A. Spring, of Ballarat, is now almost completely recovered from his accident of some months ago. We hope soon to see Doctor doing his usual round of visits.

Good luck to Kevin Callahan of Ballarat East. Kevin was the principal at a Nuptial Mass recently. His wife was Miss Ina Duffy from Ballarat East. Kevin resides in Canberra.

John O'Connor from Horsham paid a visit some weeks ago. He was visiting Ballarat doing business for Dennys Lascelles for whom he is the Natimuk manager.

We were sorry to read of a nasty car accident in Geelong when John Leatham and his brother David were injured. We trust both are well again.

John Todd called to say good-bye. He looked well in his Navy uniform and has left for England. He expects to be away about four years.

Bruce Noble had us puzzled when he called to S.P.C. Bruce was in Inter A in 1943. He still lives at Swan Hill.

S.P.C. is well represented at the Don Bosco Hostel in Brunswick. Frank Walsh is there from Trentham. Frank attends the Uni. and is studying Law. He is a live-wire and is on the football executive and is a committee man for the Literary and Debating Society. He also plays in the orchestra. Peter Callahan is articled to Mahony, O'Brien & Duggan. Peter is doing four subjects this year and we wish him well. One of his principals, Mr. Jim Duggan, is an SPCite. Jim is a nephew of Mr. J. D. Duggan, police magistrate, Ballarat. Jim ————— and Daryl Lewis live at the hostel and so does John Elder. I believe John is playing great football with the Under Nineteens. His brother, Noel, is a star Under Fifteen at College. John Meeney, too, is at the hostel. John is pursuing his Dunlop Rubber Cadetship.

Tom Hingston, of Ballarat East, will be ordained in December. Tom has almost finished his studies with the Dominicans and will be ordained for that Order. With Fr. John Kelly and Fr. Tom O'Donnell, Tom will make our third ordination this year.

Kevin O'Hager has been very ill for the past couple of years. He would welcome a visit from a friend of College days. Kevin's brother, Des, is doing well in Rome.

Les Mogg has played several games with North Melbourne's senior side. He may be a member of a premier side one year after leaving College. Les is studying Science at the Uni. His brother, Kevin is at Corpus Christi College, Werribee.

Murray Byrne is doing well in Melbourne. He is a Newman and attends the Uni. for Law.

Brendan Scally has enrolled for the Pharmacy College next year. He will be missed from Catholic groups in Ballarat. He is a most energetic Assistant Secretary.

John Scott, from Ballarat North, has left the Commonwealth Bank and is announcing for 3BA. He hopes to play in Macbeth with National Theatre performers. John is in charge of this play.

Eugene O'Donohue now has the key of the door. Eugene's majority was celebrated in good style at St. Arnaud. He is playing good football for his district.

John McSteen is accompanying his parents on a visit to Ireland. He intends to visit some of the Brothers' Colleges.

Ray Tatchell has left the Melbourne Sport's Depot and is now at a sports' house in Geelong. He plays with Geelong Second XVIII. He has been emergency for the seniors.

Dave Bourke is playing good football for Pakenham. Because of the ill-health of his father, Dave has plenty to do at home.

Maurice Sheahan has recently been transferred from Little River State School to Surrey Hills. Maurice has been coaching Werribee for the past few years.

Terry Shea was married to Miss Pat McHugh. We wish both every good wish. Terry is a farmer at Hopetoun.

Maurice Conway has announced his engagement to Miss Moira Todd. Maurice has a farm at Beulah. Congratulations Maurice.

John Morris, dispensing chemist at Shepparton, and Mick Morris publican at Numurkah, looked prosperous when they visited College recently.

Bernie Duggan has joined the Benedicts. His wife was formerly Miss Betty McCarten. They live in Melbourne. Bernie's brother, Kevin, sings very well. His rich baritone gives good promise.

Chris Jenkins, of Ballarat, has announced his engagement to Miss Betty Drummond. Chris will graduate as a dentist late this year.

John Quinlan, cadet deck officer aboard the s.s. "River Murrumbidgee," has completed his first-year apprenticeship exams in Mathematics, Navigation, Ship Building and Seamanship. Good luck John; we hope you pass in all subjects.

Colin Dodd, employed at the State Savings Bank, Ballarat, will probably win the trophy for "Best and Fairest." Colin plays for Y.C.W. B Grade.

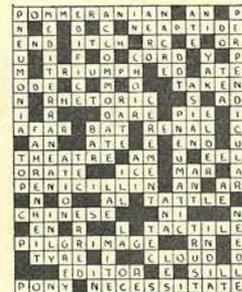
Brian (Mut) Molan was married at Nhill on 25th June. He is school teaching at Riachilla, near Stawell. He wore Stawell's colours during the football season.

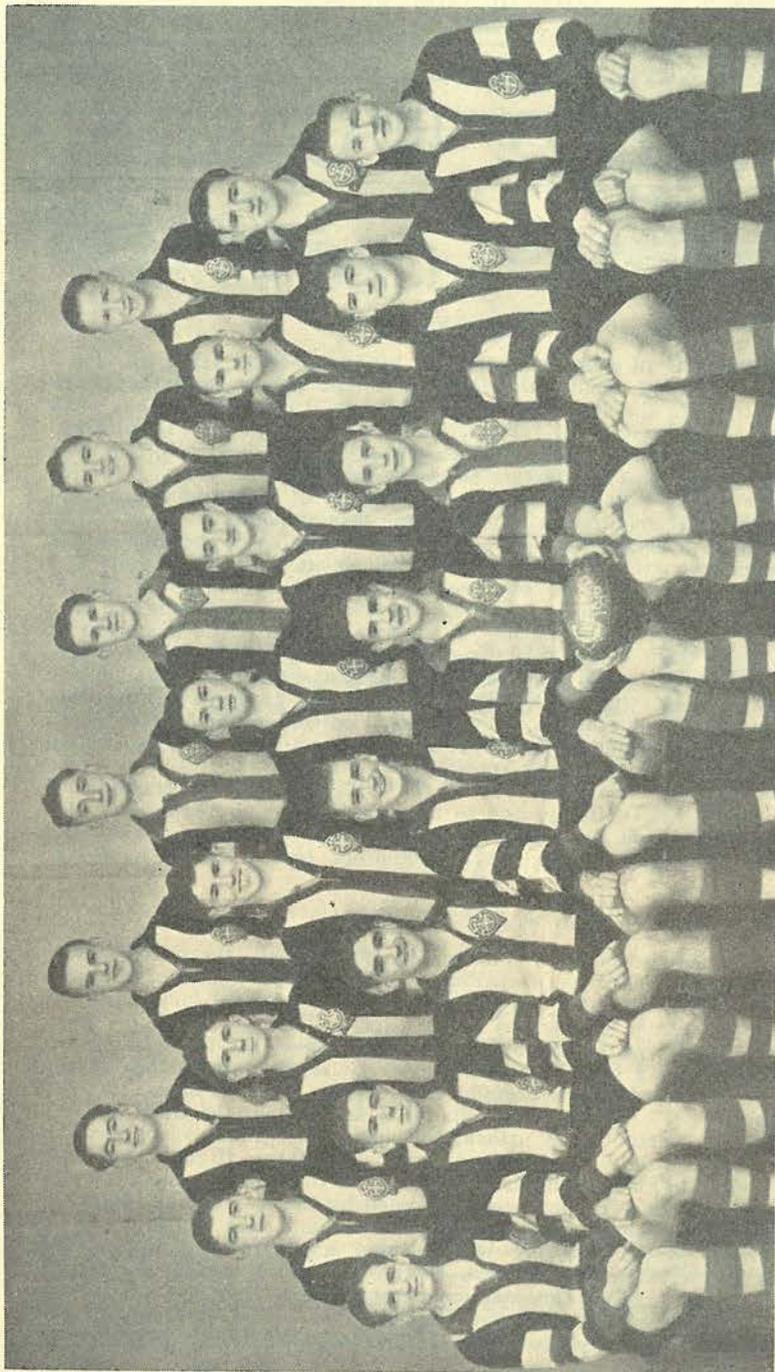
Vin Williams is in the Bank at Kyneton. He plays for Kyneton Club.

Tom Molan is a chemist in the laboratory of MacRobertson's.

Leo Hanley is engaged on his farm at Landsborough. He also manages a farm at Glenorchy.

## SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD





S.P.C. SENIOR EIGHTEEN—1949

FRONT ROW (Left to Right)—K. Hogan, K. Jubb, R. Caleo, K. Dowsley (Vice-Capt.), B. Hogan (Capt.), G. Gallagher, B. Molony, J. Lorkin.  
 MIDDLE ROW—J. Bourke, N. Jubb, J. Martin, N. Panettiere, L. Griffin, J. Shaw, M. Molan.  
 BACK ROW—W. Rogers, W. Cook, J. Elliott, J. Gregory, J. James, P. Sheahan.

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quarter and ran out winners by a margin of 103 points. The final scores were: S.P.C. 17-24 to B.H.S. 3-5.

Best players—St. Pat's: J. Lorkin, G. Gallagher, K. Jubb, W. Rogers, J. Bourke, L. Griffin. High School: F Borrack, Henderson, Howard, L. Borrack, Saunders, Oaten, Stout.

Goal kickers—St. Pat's: K. Hogan (5), J. Lorkin (4), W. Rogers (3), G. Gallagher (2), R. Caleo (2), N. Panettiere.

S.P.C. v. GRAMMAR SCHOOL — 6/7/49

In the second round of B.P.S. football met Grammar School at Grammar School. Once again conditions were windy and once again St. Pat's lost the toss. Grammar chose to use the wind in the first quarter but St. Pat's played so well against the wind that at the first change they had scored three goals straight to Grammar's one goal two points. Using the wind to good advantage and with Kevin Hogan as spearhead St. Pat's raced away to a commanding lead in the second quarter, kicking 7-3 to 1 goal. At the half St. Pat's led 7-3 to 2-2. In the third quarter Grammar held their own with the wind, but in the final term St. Pat's played all over their opponents and held them scoreless for that quarter. The final scores showed St. Pat's 77 points in front, having kicked 17-13 to their opponents 4-4.

Best players—St. Pat's: B. Hogan, J. Lorkin, K. Hogan, G. Gallagher, R. Caleo, N. Panettiere, W. Rogers, J. Martin. Grammar School: Lucas, Gibbs, Stevens, Pittard.

Goal kickers—St. Pat's: K. Hogan (8), B. Hogan (3), W. Rogers (2), J. Gregory (2), N. Panettiere, G. Gallagher.

S.P.C. v. B.C. — 13/7/49

The weather was good for the last match in the first half of the Public School's football when St Pat's met Ballarat College on the St. Pat's oval. In the first quarter College defended their goal well but finally St. Pat's broke through to lead by two goals to nil at the change. In the second quarter St. Pat's went further ahead, kicking 4-5 to their opponents 2 behinds, and at half-time St. Pat's led by 6-5 to 2 behinds. In the third quarter College kept St. Pat's down to 1 goal 3 behinds scoring only one behind themselves. In the last quarter St. Pat's were constantly in attack but the falling light made accuracy difficult and from eight scoring shots, they could only manage two majors while College kicked one goal only, their second for the match. The final bell saw St. Pat's victors by 59 points—the scores being 9-14 to 2-3.

Best players—St. Pat's: J. Lorkin, K. Jubb, G. Gallagher, J. Elliot, R. Hogan, W. Rogers, M. Molan. Ballarat College: Ritchie, Carlyon, Bryant, Christie, Leishman, Tinney

S.P.C. v. B.H.S. — 27/7/49

St. Pat's first game in the second half of R.P.S. football was against High School at High School. The day was windy with a promise of rain. As usual St. Pat's lost the toss and had to play into the wind. The play in the first quarter was very even, and at the first change both teams were on level pegging—2-1 to 2-1. In the second quarter, playing with the wind, St. Pat's forged ahead and against High's one behind they kicked 5-2 to lead by five goals one behind at half-time. In the third quarter, kicking into the wind, St. Pat's scored only 1-3, but held their opponents down to a behind. In the last quarter and once more with the use of the wind, the green white and blue were constantly in attack. Although they held their opponents scoreless they could only manage two goals from nine shots, so that on the final bell St. Pat's were victorious by 58 points—the final scores being 10-13 to 2-3.

Best players—St. Pat's: R. Caleo, K. Dowsley, P. Sheahan, K. Hogan, J. James, M. Molan, L. Griffin High School: F. Borrack, Dowling, L. Borrack, Howard, Stevens.

Goal kickers—St. Pat's: Gregory (3), Sheahan (2), Elliot (2), Lorkin (2), K. Hogan.

S.P.C. v. C.E.G.S. — 3/8/49

The weather for the second match against Grammar was good. The match was at St. Pat's and the oval was in good condition. However, just prior to the beginning of the match a light wind sprang up and grew stronger as the game progressed. Once again St. Pat's lost the toss and Grammar decided to attack with the wind. However the green white and blue were first to goal and they held their opponents to a point in the first quarter while they themselves kicked 4-4. In the second term St. Pat's used the wind poorly, and at half-time they had only increased their lead by 3-3, while Grammar School had registered another minor. Playing again into the wind in the third quarter, St. Pat's scored 3-3 while Grammar, attacking down the wing scored their first goal. At the last change St. Pat's showed a glimpse of their true form, and playing brilliant concerted football they rattled on three quick goals. The failing light made scoring difficult and only six behinds were added before the final bell. Grammar School failed to score in this quarter so that St. Pat's ran out winners by 85 points, the final scores being St. Pat's 13-16 to Grammar's 1-13.

Best players—St. Pat's: Kevin Dowsley, R. Caleo, B. Hogan, J. James, Paul Sheahan, K. Jubb.

Goal kickers—K. Hogan (5), P. Sheahan (3), J. Gregory, J. Elliot, B. Hogan, G. Gallagher, M. Molan.

S.P.C. v. B.C. — 10/8/49

The weather early in the day was windy, and heavy rain about mid-day did not improve conditions. However, by 3 o'clock the rain had stopped, although a strong wind still blew from the north. For the first time this season in B.P.S. St. Pat's won the toss and used the wind first. Attacking right from the bounce, St. Pat's put K. Hogan in possession with two kicks, to score the first goal. However, College fought back gamely and went upfield to score their first major. The green, white and blue really turned it on then, and played all over College to lead 10-7 to 1-1 at the first change. In the second quarter, despite the strong wind, St. Pat's again over-ran College and beating them in all departments, added another 6-2 to their score, to lead 16-9 to 2-4 at the half. At this stage K. Hogan had nine goals to his credit and looked like breaking Jack Hill's record of 20 for one match. In the third quarter St. Pat's were slow to get going and play swayed back and forth for some time. Finally St. Pat's broke through and had added 7-6 to their score to College's one goal when the bell went for the final change. In the last quarter College rallied and were constantly in attack. However the St. Pat's backs defended well and College again kicked a single goal, while St. Pat's kicked four goals straight to run out winners by 27-15 to 4-4. A feature of this game was the accuracy of the full forward, K. Hogan, and his attempt to break Jack Hill's record. From 21 shots he kicked 18 goals, an outstanding effort, made all the more meritorious in view of the conditions. Congratulations, "Killer!"

Best players—St. Pat's: Kevin Hogan, Brian Hogan, Kevin Dowsley, Keith Jubb, Brian Molony, Gale Gallagher, John James; Ballarat College: Tinney, Carlyon, Christie, Leishman.

Goal kickers—St. Pat's: K. Hogan (18), B. Molony (3), J. Gregory (3), J. Bourke, B. Hogan, P. Sheahan.

ST. PAT'S v. ST. KEVIN'S (Toorak) — 14/7/49

Conditions for the annual match against St. Kevin's were good. The match was played at Heyington Oval on the Saturday morning as lack of transport would have made it very difficult for a number of players to attend on the Sunday afternoon. Although the forecast had prophesied rain, the sun was shining, and except for a wind blowing down the field, the weather did not look like interfering with the game. The match was timed to commence at 10 o'clock. St. Pat's won the toss and chose to use the wind first. Attacking from the bell, St. Pat's raced away early to set up a lead of 2-1 to 3 points at the first change. However in the second term St. Kevin's rallied and bombarded the St. Pat's goal. However they only scored three majors from eight shots while St. Pat's kicked a single goal. At the half St. Kevin's led by seven points, the scores being St. Kevin's 3-8 to St. Pat's 3-1. Once more with the wind St. Pat's went into attack and registered the same score as they had in the first quarter—2-1. St. Kevin's scored two minors, so that at the final change St. Pat's had a lead of only four points while St. Kevin's had the advantage of a strong wind. Things looked bad, but the spirit which has made St. Pat's what it is was not lacking that day, and despite the strong wind, St. Pat's actually kicked a point more than their surprised opponents in the last quarter; so that St. Pat's ran out winners by five points on the final bell. An outstanding performance was that of St. Pat's full forward, Kevin Hogan, who kicked all of the seven goals scored by St. Pat's. The final scores were St. Pat's 7-7 to St. Kevin's 5-14.

Best players—K. Hogan, K. Dowsley, John Lorkin, Gale Gallagher, Keith Jubb, R. Caleo, Leo Griffin.

Goal kickers—St. Pat's: Kevin Hogan (7).

#### THE PLAYERS

**BRIAN HOGAN:** Our centre and captain. Very fast and clever. Good kick and always disposes to advantage. Best centre in B.P.S.

**KEV. DOWSLEY:** Vice-captain and centre-half-back. Fearless player in defence. Good mark and excellent long kick. Our best back.

**GALE GALLAGHER:** Did not strike his best form at centre half-forward until late in the season. A brilliant high mark and a beautiful kick either foot. A matchwinner on his day.

**JOHN LORKIN:** First rover. Brilliant evasive player and a good mark and kick. Can play a good game in any position. Best utility man in the side.

**KEITH JUBB:** Left footer. Played forward, back and centre this season and played well in each position. A beautiful kick and a brilliant mark.

**BRIAN MOLONY:** First ruck. Missed early games after breaking his finger in first B.P.S. match. A beautiful mark and kick, he would have been the best ruck in B.P.S. if injuries had not kept him out.

**KEVIN HOGAN:** Our full forward. A long leading high-flying player. Handles well and very accurate kick for goal. Best forward in B.P.S.

**RICHARD CALEO:** Change ruck. A good man in any side. Very solid and dependable. Never plays a bad game.

**JOHN MARTIN:** At his first year in team filled responsible position of full back. A good kick and very fast. Not afraid to go through.

**JOHN BOURKE:** Left-footer. Played a good game in the forward and back lines. A fair mark and a good kick. Excellent utility man.

**NOEL PANETTIERE:** First ruck. A brilliant mark and good kick. Played well when on the ball or resting on the half-back flank. Missed the last two games because of an injured back.

**BILL ROGERS:** Second rover. A fearless player who was never beaten. Very fast and marked and kicked well for a small man.

- PAUL SHEAHAN:** Played as rover and on centre wing. A beautiful kick and marks well for small man. An outstanding snap shot. Fearless and determined.
- LEO GRIFFIN:** Change ruck. An excellent mark and kick. Played well in the back line and in ruck.
- JACK ELLIOT:** Half-forward flanker. Heady player and a beautiful pass. Helped score many goals.
- MICHAEL MOLAN:** Played early games on half-back line, then went in ruck. A rugged player who was not afraid to go through. Fair mark and kick.
- JOHN GREGORY:** Forward pocket. Missed first game but earned his place in the side. Has good goal sense and was responsible for many goals. His father played in the team in 1904.
- JOHN JAMES:** Centre-winger. Very fast and determined. Always got his kick and was never beaten. A good mark and kick.
- JIM SHAW:** Half-back flank. A good mark and comes through hard. His father played in 1914.
- WALTER COOK:** Back pocket. Could have been one of our best backs. Has great pace and is a good, long kick.
- N. JUBB:** Played mostly on centre wind, but also played among backs. Filled each position well. A left-footer, he is a good mark and kick.
- PETER CONWAY.

#### S.P.C. FIRST XVIII. FOOTBALL RESULTS—1949

Date	Match	Won By	Scores
June 12th	S.P.C. v. Armidale C.Y.M.S.	S.P.C.	11-15—2-3
June 19th	S.P.C. v. Newman College	Newman	14-14—5-7
June 26th	S.P.C. v. Gordon C.Y.M.S.	S.P.C.	9-8—7-9
June 29th	S.P.C. v. High School	S.P.C.	17-24—3-5
July 3rd	S.P.C. v. St. Kilda C.B.C.	S.P.C.	6-11—4-5
July 6th	S.P.C. v. Grammar	S.P.C.	17-13—4-4
July 10th	S.P.C. v. Geelong C.B.C.	S.P.C.	6-8—4-6
July 13th	S.P.C. v. B.C.	S.P.C.	9-14—1-3
July 16th	S.P.C. v. St. Kevin's	S.P.C.	7-7—5-14
July 24th	S.P.C. v. Parade	S.P.C.	8-16—9-9
July 27th	S.P.C. v. High School	S.P.C.	10-13—2-3
August 3rd	S.P.C. v. Grammar	S.P.C.	13-16—1-3
August 7th	S.P.C. v. S.P.C. 2nds	S.P.C.	9-11—1-7
August 10th	S.P.C. v. B.C.	S.P.C.	27-15—4-4
August 14th	S.P.C. v. Warrnambool Old Collegians	S.P.C.	8-11—6-9
August 17th	S.P.C. v. R.A.A.F.	S.P.C.	12-4—4-11
August 21st	S.P.C. v. St. Kevin's	S.P.C.	10-7—8-5

#### FOOTBALL CUP WINNERS—1949

BEST AND FAIREST . . . . . BRIAN HOGAN  
 BEST BACK . . . . . KEVIN DOWSLEY  
 BEST FORWARD . . . . . KEVIN HOGAN

#### NEXT BEST

J. LORKIN — K. JUBB — G. GALLAGHER

#### THE SECOND XVIII.

For many years now St. Pat's Second Eighteens have enjoyed unchallenged supremacy in B.P.S. football, and this year's team lived up to this very high standard. In the early part of the football season, when the selection of the First Eighteen took place, it was obvious that the Seconds would be a champion team. This was certainly confirmed as the season progressed.

The first major function of the team was the election of a captain and a vice-captain. As a result of the election Chris Haintz was captain, and John Elliott was vice-captain of the 1949 Second Eighteen. Congratulations and thanks are due to these boys for the manner in which they carried out their duties during the season. They, together with Peter Conway, William McCarthy and John Gregory, formed a selection committee which played no small part in the team's success.

The first B.P.S. match was against Grammar, and a very confident S.P.C. team took the field. A few minutes after the start of the game it was obvious that St. Pat's were on their way to a record score. John Elliott at centre half-forward was unbeatable, and Treppo and Gregory had a day out on the forward line. Our backs did not have a chance to show their skill. On the final bell we had the colossal score of 41 goals 22 behinds on the board. Grammar, on this occasion, failed to score. The best players for St. Pat's were B. Bourke, Elliott, Gregory, Haintz and Conway. The leading goal kickers on this occasion were Gregory (11), Elliott (11), Treppo (7) and Conway (5). It was certainly a glorious start for the season.

The second match was against Ballarat College, and another record score was expected. However, College were much stronger than we had anticipated, and we were satisfied with a very decisive victory. This time we were without the brilliance of John Elliott, who had made good use of his chance to become a member of the First XVIII. However, with Bourke giving us great drive from the centre, and Healey and Haintz winning in the ruck, we soon established an unbeatable lead. Conway and Walsh roved very well and played no small part in the victory. On the back line Buckley, O'Dell and Dowling turned numerous College attacks. The final scores were St. Pat's 11-17 to College 1-1. Goal kickers for St. Pat's were Conway (5), Treppo (3) and Walsh (3). The best for St. Pat's were Bourke, Haintz, Healey, Conway, Treppo and Walsh.

In our next match at Grammar a strong cross wind spoiled what might have been good football, and thus the scores were low. Injuries caused us to be without three stalwarts in Treppo, Bourke and Gregory, but we were still confident of a big score. Grammar were much stronger than in the previous match but the consistent good playing of Nunan and Mills drove St. Pat's forward. Lenaghan and Walsh were always on top on the half-forward line, and Clohesy roved brilliantly. The final scores were St. Pat's 13-16 to Grammar 1-1. Leading goal kickers for St. Pat's were Conway (4), Clohesy (3) and Walsh (2). Best for St. Pat's were Mills, Nunan, Clohesy, Lenaghan and Walsh.

We now come to the most important match of the year. We were to meet St. Kevin's in Melbourne. We regret to say that illness prevented Brian Bourke from taking the field. We also lost John Gregory, whose services were required in the Firsts. However, the rest of us were fit and very enthusiastic, and no one envied the selectors their task. However, the strongest possible team was selected and we confidently journeyed to Melbourne.

St. Kevin's were a very big side, and they played excellent football. They established an early lead but St. Pat's fought back gamely and were only five points behind their opponents at half-time. The third quarter was even, and the spectators witnessed clever football by both teams. The consistent good play of McKinnon in the centre and the clever roving of Conway and Clohesy were features of the games. In the final term, however, the bigger St. Kevin's side finished with a rush, and were 29 points ahead on the final bell. We congratulate St. Kevin's on their victory, and thank them for their friendly hospitality on and off the field. There is no doubt that the better team, on the day, won.

On the Saturday after the long week-end we met College, and St. Pat's gained a very well earned victory. On this occasion our big score was due to the fine football of Merv Clohesy, whose five well earned goals were a credit to him. Conway, at centre half-forward, goaled cleverly on three occasions, while Alf (goal-sneak) Treppo put through his usual quota. Buckley, O'Dell and Mills shone on the back line, while captain Haintz and rover Walsh combined well in the ruck. Our back line was impassable, and thus College failed to score. Our score was due mainly to the goals of Clohesy (5), Conway (3), Treppo (3) and Walsh (3). The final scores were St. Pat's 21-17 to College nil. The best players for St. Pat's were Clohesy, Haintz, Treppo, McCarthy, Buckley, Conway and Walsh.

As we go to print the Seconds have but two more B.P.S. matches to play, and, if previous scores are any indication, then victory is assured in each. Our success during the season was due, in no small measure, to the outstanding leadership of our captain, Chris Haintz, who gave us encouragement and inspiration when we most needed it. We wholeheartedly thank Chris for his untiring efforts during the season. We also have to congratulate the outstanding players during the season. These were Chris Haintz, John Elliott, John Gregory, Peter Conway, Bill O'Dell, John Buckley, John Dowling and Brian Bourke. They enabled us to prove that St. Pat's can be equally proud of her Second Eighteens as she is of her First Eighteens, and we hope that future Second Eighteens will not lower the high standard which we have set.

—PAT WALSH.

#### SENIOR OVAL COMPETITION

This year the Senior Oval matches were played on Tuesdays and Thursdays because the First XVIII, required the oval's use on the other days. At the beginning of the season an election took place for the selection of captains and vice-captains. Those selected and their respective houses were: Galvin, P. Conway (c), J. Ferguson (v-c); McCarthy, J. Gregory (c), J. Buckley (v-c); Nunan, W. McCarthy (c), J. Elliott (v-c); Treacy, C. Haintz (c), W. O'Dell (v-c)

From the very first game interest was high and play spirited, because it was from these teams the Second XVIII. was to be chosen and also any vacancies in the Firsts were to be filled. Early in the season Nunan, ably served by J. Elliott, C. Healy, J. Dowling, W. McCarthy, B. Mills and B. Bourke, showed much superiority over the other teams. However, as the season progressed they came back to the other teams. McCarthy House, with J. Gregory, J. Buckley, J. Heffman and J. McKinnon as stalwarts, proved its ability by being the first to down Nunan. Treacy, although sluggish early in the season, are playing well and may easily be dangerous in the finals. W. O'Dell, F. Duggan, C. Haintz, D. Walsh and B. McKenna have served Treacy best Galvin, the only combination which failed to win a match in the first round, is capable of winning the premiership, as it has players like P Conway, K. Bryce, G. Sweeney, J. Ferguson and M. Cohesy, who could turn on match-winning performances.

The finals are but a few days off and all players are fully wound up. The positions of the teams prior to the playing of the first semi-final are:

Team	P	W	D	L	Pts.For	Pts.Ag.	%	Pts.
Nunan . . . .	6	5	—	1	273	116	252.6	20
McCarthy . .	6	4	1	1	180	110	163.6	18
Treacy . . . .	6	2	1	3	149	211	70.6	10
Galvin . . . .	6	—	—	6	149	311	47.9	—

#### HILL COMPETITION

The teams—Galvin, McCarthy, Nunan and Treacy—were well captained by Brian Gleeson, Bern Lamaro, Brian Schreenan and Peter McEncroe respectively.

Although it was thought that the teams were younger and smaller than in previous years the competition has been very keen, and some very good football ability has been displayed. Galvin were the undefeated leaders at the conclusion of the first round, McCarthy was second, followed by Nunan and Treacy.

Galvin suffered in the second round by the transfer of Adrian Ryan to the Senior Competition; yet, despite this loss and the poor form shown by some of their stars, Galvin still shared the lead with Nunan after the second round was completed. The improving McCarthy side were third and Treacy, having failed to win a game in the second round, were still last.

Nunan gradually established a good points lead in the final round and lead the list with 28 points. McCarthy followed with 20 points, Galvin 16, and Nunan 8, finished in that order.

With the finals still to be played there is sure to be a number of very interesting games, and at this stage it is difficult to forecast which team will win the premiership.

The competition for the best and fairest player was won by Bernard Lamaro, McCarthy captain, and very consistent centre player. Runner-up was Ted Rankins of Nunan. Des Nunn headed the goalkicking list with a narrow margin from Carl Hickey.

Other players who did well for their respective teams were: B. Shreenan (captain), Russell Gallagher, Des O'Loughlin and Hugh Bourke, of Nunan; John Grogan, Des Nunn and Gavan Murphy, of McCarthy; Bill Gleeson, Brian Gleeson (captain), Ian Bradford and Geoff Hoare, of Galvin; P. McEncroe, Tom O'Connor, Kevin Drake and Adrian Joyce, of Treacy.

There are others who displayed great improvement during the season, but unfortunately space does not permit mention of all. Congratulations and thanks are extended to all who helped to make the competition a success.

—KEVIN DRAKE.

#### ST. ROCH'S OVAL COMPETITION

With the finals close upon us the Nunan House has gone to the front with a total of 150. Treacy and Galvin are at present sharing the honours for second position with 80 points each. The McCarthy team, which has not yet shown us what it is capable of, has gained 30 points.

The Nunans have been fortunate in an enthusiastic captain. Don Kemp is a real tower of strength. Noel Morganti has proved himself a rover of good ability, and with his ruck, Neville Rogers, has done much to place his team in the lead. R. Parker, G. Thompson and P. Brown are deserving of a word of praise.

When it comes to full back, Bernard Matthews has few to equal him. A large measure of Galvin's success is due to his rugged play and strong kicking. John Phelan and John Cummins are the high markers in the Galvin team.

In the Treacy House, there are some of the best footballers in the Junior Competition. B. McKenna has shown by his hard, determined rucking and high marking that he will figure prominently in the sporting life of St. Patrick's. Dominic Cincotta is making a name for himself as a good full forward. Others who have done grand work for Treacy are N. Carter, P. Hedgers, J. Forrest and W. Noy.

The leading goal kickers are Ron Quilkey (19), P. O'Sullivan (11), G. Medwell (9), D. O'Connor (8). The points for best players in each match are R. Quilkey (19), J. Ryan (14), P. Hackwill (14), P. Brown (9).

### BOXING

Once again this term boxing continued to function as a principal sport of the College. Mr. Stewart was our able instructor, and he continued to illustrate to us new punches and movements as well as to develop those which he had taught in the first term.

At seven o'clock on each Friday night the usually big numbers of juniors made their way to the lockers to prepare for the weekly lesson. However, at eight o'clock when the senior group was supposed to be preparing for the lesson, one would be very lucky to find more than ten boys in lockers. This small muster of the senior group is very disappointing to Mr. Stewart and it would be well for those boys who caused this position to remember that they have an obligation both to Mr. Stewart and to the school. It is to be hoped that, with the arrival of warmer weather, there will be a full attendance.

This term has provided us with some bright and entertaining boxing, and although Ian Durant has left us, there have been many thrills. With the tournaments just around the corner the finals spars have been watched with great interest. Pat Walsh and Gavan Hackwill have been providing

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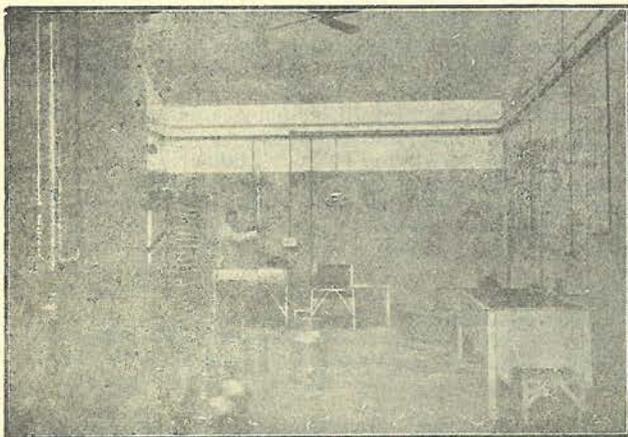
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us with interesting encounters and should these boys meet in the tournaments we are in for a feast of fighter-boxing. "Swinger" John James still persists with his haymakers although Brian Hogan usually manages to be well clear. John Greening's foot work leaves little to be desired, whilst John Murray claims fighting is better than boxing.

Among the juniors a newcomer, Ian Priestly, has been showing our paper-weights a few points. Ian is most promising. Bernie Matthews seems resolved to win his fights by one punch. John Hanrahan, from Bungaree way, should remember that bouts and spars are won by action. Neville Hooper finds it hard to find his opponent, it is said that he misses his glasses.

In conclusion we must again thank Mr. Stewart for his untiring efforts and for the pleasure and enjoyment his lessons afford.

—C. HAINTZ.

### NEWS FROM THE MAT WORLD

#### DON'T GO TO WEST MELBOURNE—COME TO BALLARAT!

It's on again! It has been announced by S.P.C. Stadiums Ltd. that Earl McGeorge has at last arranged a return bout between the present holder of the St. Pat's Heavyweight Wrestling Championship, Sammy Shaw, and the outstanding contender, Chief Little Rando. The bout is scheduled to take place on either the first or second Sunday in October, and should it be anything like their last two meetings would certainly provide excellent entertainment.

During an interview McGeorge stated that both Sammy and the Chief are in better form than ever before. Having seen both in training he feels confident that this bout will be the best ever, since they have gained in weight and strength without losing any agility, and have perfected many new holds. It is hoped that many of our readers will have the good fortune to see the bout.

From amateur circles comes news of the preparation for the 1949 Championships, the finals of which take place about the middle of the last term. The coach, Mr. Goldby, has introduced a weight-lifting class as a part of the training. This class is very popular and should do much towards the physical development of the pupils. Our thanks are due to Mr. Goldby for his untiring efforts. He gives much of his time to instructing the boys and is always ready to help them. The introduction of weight-lifting is just another of the many things that he has thought fit to do for us. We thank him most sincerely.

Our next issue of the Chronicle will contain an account of both the Amateur Championships and the bout between Shaw and Rando—until then, cheerio!

—D.G. and J.S.



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### EDITORIAL.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."—Psalm 115.

In recent weeks death has removed from among the Christian Brothers in Australia, a man of outstanding parts, one of those rare souls of distinctive merits, whom to know is to respect and admire.

On October 13th, Rev. Brother Patrick Jerome Barron died at Sydney at the age of ninety-two years. Within a few hours of his death, the entire Institute of the Christian Brothers racked at the news of his passing. The young had heard of this man of virtue, and those older in Religion knew well what the Institute and the Australian Province owed to the valiant man. For nearly fifty years he had, either as Provincial or Consultant, had a share in the guidance of the Australian Province. His is a record of achievements and success and for not one iota of this did he take any credit. His constant prayer was "Thanks be to God," and to his Eucharistic Lord he gave all the credit, while before the Tabernacle he left his cares and there he solved his difficulties.

He was an Irishman by birth, an Australian by adoption. The interests of both these countries were dear to him and when some twenty years ago or more he was about to leave Australia to go to the General Chapter to be held in Dublin, it was suggested that he might be appointed to one of the higher offices in the Institute and remain in Ireland, Br. Barron merely remarked that his years in Australia were as links that bound him to the Australian Province. He would remain in Ireland if obedience required it. He would return to Australia if he could. And return he did, bearing back to the Brothers of his Province messages of praise and commendation from the Superior General and from the General Chapter on the success of the work in the Brothers' schools. Thanks, in great measure to Br. Barron, the then Br. Provincial, the Brothers were loyal to the grand traditions of their Institute and they were striving earnestly to live the life of virtue and self-denial as Catholic Educators under the banner of their leader, Br. Ignatius Rice.

St. Patrick's College cannot forget this great man who, at the call of obedience, left his native land, his family, his friends, to journey to Australia to be one of the first community of Christian Brothers to open St. Patrick's College. In 1893, Br. Barron was here on the staff, blazing the trail and preparing the way for future greatness. We of later brew are reaping the benefits of the foresight and initiative of these pioneer Brothers.

Frequently he returned to the College in the capacity of examiner. Always he commended the Brothers on their unbounded zeal, and found the boys industrious and earnest. In 1943 he attended our Golden Jubilee Celebrations and he thoroughly enjoyed meeting the Old Boys whom he knew in the days of inception of the College fifty years before. He knew them; he remembered incidents of days gone by.

After a couple of years in Adelaide, Br. Barron was elected Provincial Consultor, and for the remainder of his life he lived at the house of the government. It was as Provincial he did his greatest work. He had gifts of rare quality. He was a man who might have filled with credit the highest offices in Church or State.



VENITE ADOREMUS

### GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE.

The CAREY Brothers, Vin and Ray, hail from Torquay and have been at St. Pat's as long as most of us can remember. Both have a very cheerful nature and are well liked by all. Ray is a member of the Sub-Intermediate, and Vin is in the Intermediate.

The GROGAN Brothers are John and Brian. John has been at the College for six years, and Brian for two. Their father, Dr. P. L. Grogan, of Richmond, is an Old Boy of the College, as is also their elder brother Mick, who is now studying Medicine. John is in the Leaving Class and Brian is in Second Year.

The MCGENNISS Brothers are three in number. Barry is the eldest, then come Irwin and Warren. They are in Sub-Inter., Fifth Class and Fourth Class respectively. Each takes a very active interest in the doings of the others. A familiar sight to visitors to the Green Lockers is that of Barry distributing largess from the "family" cupboard.

BRIAN and DES NUNN, from Skipton, both came to S.P.C. four years ago. Brian, the elder, is in the Leaving and is very interested in the mysteries of wireless and is prominent in the Sigs. division of the College Cadet Corps. Des is in the Sub-Intermediate and is one of the best all-round sports of the "middle" section of St. Pat's.

The BOURKES, from Pakenham, are now three in number—John, Brien and Hughie. John has seen five years at S.P.C., Brien three, and Hughie one. John has already matriculated, is Dux of the College for 1949, and hopes to do Veterinary Science next year. Brien is in the Leaving, and Hughie in the Sub-Intermediate.

The HACKWILL Brothers, Gavin and Peter, come from Welshpool in Gippsland and have been at the College since 1946. Gavan is in the Leaving Class and is, as usual, among the leaders. Peter has always been prominent in the sporting field, particularly in athletics, in which he has always been the Champion of his age group.

KEN and VIN PIKE are from Melbourne. Ken is in Second Year, is Dux of his class and hopes to win a Government Scholarship this year. Vin is one of the "tiny-tots" and indeed is the smallest boy in the College. His powers as an actor were proved when he performed as a jockey at a concert during the year.

PETER DAVEY and his brother BRENDAN are from Ballarat. Peter is doing the Matriculation, likes a game of tennis and gives a good account of himself in the boxing ring. Brendan is in the Sub-Intermediate and has been three years at the College.



### CHRISTUS REX.

A proud and happy gathering of Catholics from the parishes of Ballarat and nearby parishes gathered at the College on Sunday afternoon, the 30th October, to do honour to Christ their King. Though the weather was very wet, the ardour of these good people was not dampened. They came in their thousands to take part in this annual demonstration of love and loyalty.

The procession itself was a most imposing sight as, led by the College boys, thousands of men and women and the children from all the Catholic schools of Ballarat circled the oval chanting hymns and reciting aloud the Rosary of Our Blessed Lady. His Lordship the Bishop bore the Sacred Host in procession and he exposed it during the Solemn Benediction which was given from the beautifully prepared High Altar in the College Grand Stand.

The Preacher for the occasion was Rev. Fr. O'Brien, C.S.S.R., from the Redemptorist Monastery. In mildly persuasive language Fr. O'Brien insisted on a return to the following of Jesus Christ. Now, even more than ever before, a Christian way of life was necessary. To-day men had rejected God, as the Jews did of old. Calamity faced the world unless Christ became King.

At the conclusion of the Solemn Benediction, His Lordship in a few well-chosen words congratulated all on the success of the afternoon's ceremony. He urged all to strive for greater personal love for our Blessed Lord.

Thanks and congratulations to the ladies of the Cathedral Altar Society, to the band boys from St. Joseph's Home and their bandmaster, Mr. A. Rowell, and to all who in any way helped to make the ceremony such an unqualified success.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE.

Throughout the year the St. Vincent de Paul Society has been functioning efficiently under the guidance of Fr. Fiscalini, its Spiritual Director.

During the term, four new Brothers were chosen to carry on the work of the Society next year, as many of the present Brothers are not returning to College. The applicants who were found worthy of entry were K. Drake, J. Bowman, L. Heath, and G. Walsh. Furthermore, the new executive was elected. The appointments were: President, W. McCarthy; Vice-Presidents, C. Haintz and B. Molony; Secretary, G. Joyce; and Treasurer, J. S. Martin.

Weekly visits were made to the Ballarat Base Hospital, Nazareth House, and the Queen Elizabeth Benevolent Home, where newspapers, magazines, tobacco, cigarettes and sweets were distributed among the inmates. During the term two basket balls were given to the children of Nazareth House.

The Society sincerely thanks all those boys who so generously assisted in the works of charity undertaken.

—W. J. McCARTHY.

### SODALITY OF OUR LADY.

Following the enrolment of nine new members at the end of the second term, membership of the Sodality rose to thirty-four. Those found worthy of admission were: K. Drake, L. Heath, J. Grogan, J. Graham, G. Dowling, G. Walsh, G. Dooley, G. Gallagher, P. Davey. Moreover, eight more boys will be received at the final reception for the year, to be held on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lady. The following will be received on this date: R. Ashkar, J. Mulcahy, B. Bourke, G. Schaefer, J. James, F. Fitzpatrick, J. McKinnon, K. Warren.

Under the guidance of its Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini, the Sodality has functioned most successfully throughout the year. Indeed, the spirit which pervades the College and the piety which is an outstanding characteristic of boys of S.P.C. might be attributed to the example given by Sodalists.

The gratitude of Sodalists is due to Rev. Fr. Shelley who deputised for Fr. Fiscalini when the latter was unable to attend the weekly meeting of the Sodality.

—J. BOURKE.

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

The admission of twenty-eight new members to the College Branch of the Holy Name Society before the end of this term will bring the total membership for the year 1949 to one hundred and seventy-five—the largest membership since the introduction of the Society into St. Patrick's. Indeed, this year could be regarded as most successful for each and every member from this record number did all in his power to uphold the high standards set in former years.

A commendable spirit pervaded the group, and the regular attendances at the Society Hloy Communion, and at the evening meeting, both held on the second Sunday in each month, serve to demonstrate the fervour and enthusiasm of members, a fervour and enthusiasm which was reflected in the piety and excellent behaviour of the College in general.

Much of the credit for the success of the Society's activities should go to its Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini, whose zeal and interest were the driving force behind all its affairs. The valuable advice given by him to the assembled members at each Society meeting should stand all in good stead and help all, both at school and in the world, to lead good Catholic lives.

A word of gratitude is due to those priests, particularly Rev. Fr. Shelley, who deputised for Fr. Fiscalini when he was unable to attend.

The following boys have been elected to executive positions for 1950:—President, C. Haintz; Vice-President, W. McCarthy; Secretary, G. Joyce; Treasurer, B. Maloney; Consultants, G. Dowling, G. Walsh; Marshalls, J. S. Martin, J. Elliott, B. Moloney.

—J. BOURKE.

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MR. K. V. McENTEE RECALLS BROTHER PURTON.

"Perfect schools," said Pope Pius XI, "are the result not so much of good method as of good teachers." Mr. K. V. McEntee spoke of one such good teacher, the late Brother Purton, recently in the Catholic Hour session from 5KA Adelaide.

Upon the passing of a distinguished statesman, or man of letters, or member of the clergy, glowing tributes may be quite justly paid to his personality, his achievements or his sanctity; but you may notice that perhaps scant regard is given to those vital formative influences, the teaching and instruction imparted in youth, without which in many instances the one who rose to a place in the sun may have been a "mute inglorious Milton"; or in the case of a religious vocation, may not have reached that spiritual impetus which enabled his innate goodness to receive a higher call.

And, speaking of adolescent training, you may also have observed that the totalitarians and the atheistic Communists seize upon the fresh plastic mind of youth to fashion it to the ways and dictates of regimentation, hatred and godless philosophies; whilst at the other extreme are ranged the noble bands of Christian teachers, who reject such tyrannous usurpations of the Creator's purposes for youth; and who advocate instead the pure, unqualified doctrine that man made in God's image has as his primary aim to know, love and serve Him on earth; and consequently that all education and training of youth must necessarily proceed upon that fundamental premise.

#### SETTING THE ANGEL FREE

The great Christian Brother whose life-story I wish to tell to-night crystallised the latter thought in these words:

"It was a noble thought of Michelangelo when he spoke of the angel reposing in the unhewn block of marble, and that it was the master sculptor's aim to set that angel free; but immeasurably nobler was the daily thought of the Christian teacher, who, viewing his young charges, said: "The Divine Spark is present in each one of them; and my task is to kindle that spark, that it may light and shine and radiate eternally the reflection of its Maker."

Those were the words of Brother David Gabriel Purton, of the Christian Brothers, that "giant in the arena of Catholic education," as Archbishop Duhig fittingly described him last year in the nation-wide obsequies following his death.

#### MODEST, CULTURED MAN

Brother Purton was one of those noble disciples of Edmund Ignatius Rice, who through many years have exercised a profound influence in the training of the youth of this country. In the teaching of the humanities, of the secular subjects, in the round of public examinations, the formation of future careers and even in the manifold activities of the world of sport, these modest, cultured men have achieved glowing distinction and results.

But address the question, and each of them would answer that the totality of achievement in those realms were as naught in importance beside the great primary tenet of the training of their charges in the unchanging doctrines of our Faith, in the Christian ideals and the Catholic way of life.

Who are these Christian Brothers? Many of them were the flower of the youth of our land; giving promise at an early age in exceptional qualities and scholastic achievements of brilliant public careers, had they chosen a secular vocation. Many of them, too, abandoned the comforts and privileges of their homes and family ties to labor in God's vineyard, in a work as exacting and arduous as it was continuous; a disciplined existence, where on short notice one

or other might be told to leave Eastern Australia and go to the dust-swept Kalgoorlie goldfields, or a school in the virgin scrub of Bindoon; a life devoid of many of the amenities it is our custom to enjoy, accepted, nevertheless, with such a spirit of Christian cheerfulness and enthusiasm as stamps indelibly alike their qualities of sincerity and self-sacrifice.

They would shrink from publicity or individual praise—these humble men: accepting honor only where it might legitimately be turned to account in the furtherance of the aims and interests of their schools and colleges.

#### NEW ZEALAND ORPHAN BOY

But ever and anon there appears in great teaching Orders such as these, some man of such outstanding genius and talent who, despite any personal efforts to hide his light under a bushel, is so plainly recognised by his scholars and associates in his attributes of sanctity, culture, personality and ability, as to become famous even in the days of his years—as the master teacher. Such a man was David Gabriel Purton.

I am indebted to several factual matters upon his life contained in a brilliant article written recently by Brother Rooney, the present Principal of Rostrevor College.

His father, George Purton, was born in Hanley Castle, Worcestershire, England, and his mother in Tipperary. Both were fervent Catholics. They later settled at Saint Bathans, New Zealand, where the father had gold-mining interests. David, born in 1883, had four brothers and a remarkable sister, Docie, who after her death in 1935 was acclaimed as one of New Zealand's greatest lay women, chiefly because of her zealous work for the poor as a St. Vincent de Paul Secretary for upwards of 25 years. Her daughter, Monica now works as a Marist Sister among the natives of Samoa. David's father died when he was but three, and his mother two years later.

#### "NICE CHUBBY BOY"

A Brother Barron brought the 13-year-old orphan boy to the Novitiate at Sydney in 1897, where he was clothed with the habit of the Order on Christmas Day of the following year. He was later sent to Albany, where an aged Christian Brother remembers receiving the "nice chubby boy" at the front door, as a "pupil teacher." In 1903 he was transferred to Fremantle, and it is here that the career of the great tutor really begins.

Brother Rooney writes, "His ten years in Fremantle saw the blossoming—the fruition was to be life-long—of a talent in the art of teaching that amounted to genius. This is not an exaggerated claim. If the term 'genius' is used of those possessed of intellectual power, it is fitting to apply it to Brother Purton, whose achievements in the classroom have elicited from men in every walk of life spontaneous tributes that would savor of the fantastic, were they not paid to a man of extraordinary ability. He came to Fremantle uneducated, if we are to judge from modern training school standards. An avidity for knowledge and a phenomenal memory were adequate compensations. In 1908, when he was 25, the senior class was given to him. And for 40 years was to go on uninterruptedly his own acquisition of knowledge and its successful transmission to thousands of young students—a mission awe-inspiring in its tremendous import."

#### ADELAIDE DECADE

In 1914 he came to C.B.C., Wakefield Street, and for the next decade he was to perform in this metropolis a truly amazing series of achievements in the role of Catholic educationist.

There are many men in the professions and in all walks of life in this State who were his students in those golden years, and who even to-day, when he is dead, are haunted by grand and profitable memories of his teaching and inspiration.

From a distance you would observe his short and slightly rotund figure as he strutted along with purposeful strides and something of a swagger. As you came close to him you could not but observe the finely chiselled nose, the

putting chin, and his black curly hair, with natural tonsure. Nor would you forget the eyes, eyes that bored into you or twinkled mischievously as they heralded a rich peal of laughter, in which his whole face creased up harmoniously. In his presence you felt the glow and magnetism of a great personality.

But it was when he commenced to speak that you understood completely what manner of man he was. We listened to him fascinated by the outpourings of the master mind—listened with rapt attention, because we wanted to, not because we had to.

Here was the ace lecturer who lit up every topic discussed with sparkling wit and anecdote, with bright metaphor and epigram, with profound logic, with complete mastery of his subject, with a delivery and a use of vocabulary as enchanting as it was lucid and impressive.

That was "Purt" indeed as all his thousands of students remember him.

We forget the mundane sounds of a factory nearby, were altogether oblivious of the desks and forms about us. Away we soared with "Purt" on magic carpets to explore the four corners of the earth, past and present: or the calendar was rolled back to the earliest years and we probed into the cause and effect of every great milestone of movement in the history of mankind. At one moment we were with Caesar and himself thundering away on a chariot to refight the Gaelic wars; at the next we might hear him discoursing eloquently upon

"familiar matters of to-day.

Some natural sorrow, loss or pain

That has been and may be again."

No less delightful was his treatment of religious subjects. The mid-day instruction in apologetics was worthy of the best efforts of a great theologian. Passages from eminent Christian writers, the sorrows and the triumphs of Catholicism were expounded with a clarity and a charm so arresting that time sped unheeded.

When he spoke you never could be bored; and so you simply had to learn so much that was useful and good.

One afternoon he was "roaring" good-naturedly at the apparent inability of the class to perceive the rhythmic beat of galloping horses in the famous Latin line:

"quadrupedante putrem sonitu quatit ungula Campum."

"You great goats," he thundered, "repeat it aloud and you can't fail to hear the hoof beats," whilst he proceeded enthusiastically to thump the shoulders of the unfortunate nearest to him to drive home each metre stress.

Presently the clock struck. He put down the book. A different look appeared in his eye; and a humble Christian Brother began reverently to bless himself and devoutly to recite the Hail Mary.

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### ANOTHER EX-STUDENT READY FOR ORDINATION.

On Sunday, December 11th, Rev. Antoninus Thomas Hingston, O.P., will be ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. Tom has finished his studies and will be the first S.P.C. old boy to become a Dominican Priest. In 1928, Joe Duff, R.I.P., entered the Dominican Order, but he died in their Novitiate House in Dublin.

After leaving St. Pat's, where he is very well remembered, Tom worked in the Railways for some years, and in his spare time he completed his degree in Economics. At a rather mature age he entered the Dominican Novitiate, and with the help of God and his own earnest good will, he completed his courses of studies and bids fair to become an outstanding preacher and retreat master.

Tom came to S.P.C. from St. Alipius' School, Ballarat East. He is one of a large family of six boys and three girls. His youngest brother, Noel, is studying at St. Patrick's College, Manly, N.S.W. for the Diocesan Clergy. Three of the family attended the College, Jack who is employed as ration officer at the Ballarat Brewing Company; Tom, who is about to be ordained, and Dick, now officer in charge of the Shell Oil Depot at Charlton, an erstwhile member of the Melbourne Club premiership side. Tom himself had a colourful career after leaving College. Keen debater, as he was, he was elected Secretary of the C.Y.M.S. Society and later he became President. He was a foundation member of the C.Y.M.S. Harrier Club and was very successful in local centre events. He rowed with the Wendouree Rowing Club and was in the winning Maiden Eights at the Ballarat and Barwon Regattas. We congratulate Tom and his good mother, and his brothers and sisters. —Ad Multos Annos.

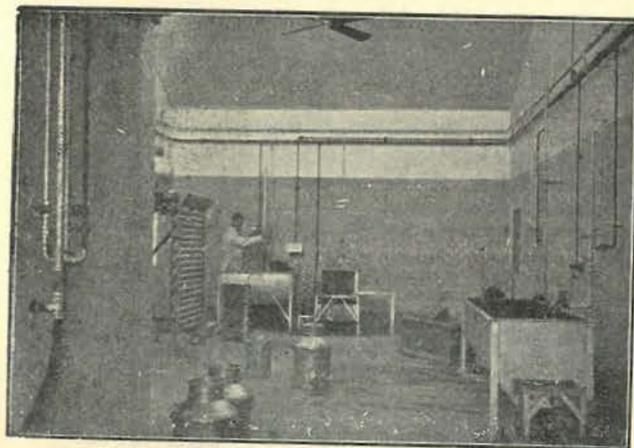
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## An Interesting Account

BY AIR TO LONDON AND GENEVA.

We are pleased to publish this interesting account by Jack Fogarty. Jack attended St. Pat's from 1932 to 1935. He joined the Commonwealth Public Service in 1936 and spent some years in the Department of Air, during which period he completed the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce and Diploma of Public Administration at the University of Melbourne. In 1947 he joined the Department of Civil Aviation as Assistant International Relations Officer. He attended the Second Annual Assembly Meeting of the International Civil Aviation Organisation at Geneva in May, 1948, as a member of the Australian Delegation. He was also a member of the Australian Delegation at the Annual Meeting of the South Pacific Air Transport Council in Wellington, New Zealand, in December, 1948. Jack writes:—

In May, 1948, the writer was fortunate to have the opportunity of visiting Geneva, in Switzerland, as a member of the Australian Delegation which attended the Second Annual Assembly Meeting of the International Civil Aviation Organisation.

The International Civil Aviation Organisation (I.C.A.O.) is an international body associated with the United Nations Organisation. It was established as a result of an international meeting of air experts in Chicago in 1945 and has a membership of 51 States—a notable exception being Soviet Russia. The Annual Assembly Meeting of 1948 was held in Geneva, in the historic Palais des Nations—once the headquarters of the League of Nations.

The journey to Europe was made by air. We left Sydney shortly before midnight on Saturday, 15th May, in a Qantas Constellation bearing the famous name, "Charles Kingsford Smith," expecting to reach Darwin after a night flight across Australia the following day. Sydney was a veritable fairyland of lights as we flew out over the Harbour and headed north-west. Luna Park on the foreshore stood out like a beacon.

Darwin was reached just before dawn. Travelling on the aircraft was His Lordship, the Most Rev. Dr. Grimshaw, Bishop of Plymouth, who was returning home from the Melbourne Archdiocesan Centenary Celebrations where he had made a great impression on the Melbourne people by his pleasing personality and ready wit. Also travelling was Father J. Cleary, of the Melbourne Archdiocese, who was returning to his native Ireland for six months. There were several Catholics on the aircraft and we took the opportunity of driving 12 or 14 miles from the airport into Darwin to hear Mass. Father Flynn, M.S.C., Parish Priest of Darwin, provided transport in his utility truck. The old Darwin church in which Mass was heard still bears marks of the Jap. raids on Darwin. Another interesting personality met at Darwin was His Grace, Archbishop O'Doherty, Archbishop of Momba, who was also on his way home from the Melbourne celebrations.

After several hours' stay at Darwin, we left Australia behind and set off for Singapore, over the Timor Sea and across the Netherlands East Indies. Most of the journey was flown at about 14,000 to 15,000 feet. By means of pressure-ization, a fairly modern innovation in aircraft, the cabin air pressure was maintained at the equivalent to 3000 feet, so that travelling was not uncomfortable.

After an interesting flight from Darwin we reached Singapore sufficiently early to enable a quick inspection of the town to be undertaken. It is a city full of humanity and is very cosmopolitan, Chinese being predominant. Shops were well stocked, but prices were high. English cars and bicycles were numerous and a modern tricycle carriage, which seated two passengers, has replaced the old rickshaw. Our night in Singapore was spent at Raffles Hotel of pre-war fame, which again appears to be getting back to the splendor of those days.

From Singapore we headed north up the Malay Peninsular of impenetrable jungle, and across the Bay of Bengal, direct to Calcutta, where we landed for refueling in the mid-afternoon, with the ground temperature intense and ranging well over the century. The flight into Calcutta over that intricacy of waterways, which is the Delta of the Ganges, provides a fascinating sight. The Delta extends for over 100 miles and appears to be as wide as the eye can see.

From Calcutta, across the sub-continent of India to Karachi, we swiftly flew that same afternoon. From a height of 12,000 feet India appeared to be a red bare land partly obscured by a red dust haze. On our return two months later it was a different story, for the monsoons were in full swing. As we landed late at night, only two days out from Sydney, Karachi impressed itself upon us by its oppressive heat. For another three days we had to endure the searing heat, because the following morning we awoke to find our aircraft unserviceable. So it remained for several days, until finally, on the third day, we managed to get away on a Dutch Constellation of the KLM airline bound for Amsterdam.

A visit to the city of Karachi itself, some 15 miles from the airport, revealed it to be a hot, dirty and quite unpleasant place, swarming with humanity. Although Karachi is at the mouth of the Indus River, it has the Sind Desert at the back door. It is not a very suitable place for Europeans. An interesting and little known fact regarding Karachi is that the only educational establishments of any standing in the city are conducted by the nuns, native and European. The children of many of the important political figures in Pakistan attend these schools.

The enforced stay in Karachi provided an ideal opportunity to become fully acquainted with the Bishop of Grimshaw. He proved to be a man of deep learning and charming personality.

The flight from Karachi to Amsterdam was very swift. After leaving Karachi late on Thursday night we arrived at Cairo early the following morning, having called at Basra en route. After a short stay for breakfast at Cairo we began the long flight to Amsterdam, passing over Italy and the Swiss Alps—a scene of grandeur from 22,000 feet. The flight culminated in that never to be forgotten panorama which is the country side of Holland, its multi-coloured fields traversed by canals and streams, and picturesque dwellings in distinctive Dutch architectural style dotted here and there.

After an interesting night in Amsterdam, we were off early the following morning for the short flight to England. The English countryside, seen from the air as one approaches London along the Thames estuary, is something of indescribable beauty. The fields are a green which one does not see in Australia, and the whole place has the appearance of having been laid out like some beautiful garden. The extent of London, with its seven million people, can be fully appreciated as one flies over it—an interesting feature was the presence of farm lands right in the midst of some of the outer suburbs of the great metropolis.

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London, particularly central London, has about it an air of glamour and grandeur, steeped as it is in history, which makes it a fascinating place in which to be. Such places of interest as Trafalgar Square, Nelson's Column, the Houses of Parliament, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Westminster Cathedral, Buckingham Palace, Hyde Park, Marble Arch, the Art Gallery, the British Museum, Brompton Oratory, the Tower of London, to mention but a few of them, make London one of those places that the visitor from the Antipodes never tires of exploring. Justice cannot be done to London in a few lines, but with space a limiting factor regretfully we must pass on.

Quite a different place is Geneva, situated close to the French border on Lake Lemman, at the head of the River Rhone, and our next port of call after an interesting flight across France. Geneva has a different air about it, probably associated with the character of the French Swiss who inhabit it. The Common language in Geneva and that part of Switzerland is French. Further north, in Berne, German is the spoken language, while in the south-east of Switzerland, adjacent to Italy, Italian is predominant. None of these languages has precedence, and Government orders and documents are printed in all three languages.

The historic city of Geneva is very picturesque and quaint. Lake Lemman flows into the Rhone River at Geneva and divides the city into two parts. The old part of the city is one side of the Lake, is joined to the other side, built later, by a series of fine bridges spanning the swirling head waters of the river Rhone which commences here its long journey south to the Mediterranean.

Noteworthy things about Geneva are its cleanliness, its picturesque street cafes, which encroach upon the footpaths so that you have to walk round the tables to get past, its numerous bicycles all beautifully built and ridden by both sexes of all ages and stations in life, the apparent prosperity of the city typified by the smartness of dress evident, the dangerous way cars, mainly very late models, were driven at breakneck speed through busy thoroughfares and, of course, the watchmakers' shops loaded with beautiful gleaming wristlet watches fascinating to gaze upon, but quite expensive to buy.

Geneva is a city of international conferences, and particularly during the summer months conferences follow each other in quick succession dealing with such matters as international civil aviation, world health, world labour problems, international trade, frontier penalties and so on.

The venue of these conferences, and the place where our meeting on international civil aviation was held, is the historic Palais des Nations to which I made reference before. What thoughts one conjured up as one sat in the lofty main assembly chamber, capable of seating 800 or 900 delegates, which was once the meeting place of the ill-fated League of Nations, and tried to imagine what important international figure may have sat in those days in the very seat which one occupied.

Space will not permit me to dwell on the proceedings of an international conference. I would just like to mention the intriguing system of simultaneous interpretation provided, as a result of which each delegate is able to hear in his own language the speech being given at that time. Each delegate is provided with head-phones and a switch on his table which enables him to tune into one of three languages—English, French or Spanish. As the speaker at the rostrum speaks into the microphone in one of the three languages, his remarks are simultaneously translated into the other two languages by skilled interpreters and relayed to the head phones provided for each delegate. Interpretation is so efficient that the interpreters are never more than three or four words behind the speaker.

Switzerland is, of course, a place possessing magnificent scenery and, although opportunities for sight-seeing were limited, it was possible to see a fair sample of Swiss scenery during our stay. Very interesting, particularly to an Australian, were the funicular railway (which ascends quite steeply with the aid of a special cog attachment) and the teleferique railway (closely akin to the flying fox).

Teleferique railways traverse almost impossible terrain. On one occasion we travelled by teleferique railway from ground level to a level of 5,000 feet and then from that point across a ravine some thousands of feet deep to a peak about 9,000 feet well above the snowline. To the unaccustomed, a journey by teleferique proved quite an eerie experience.

With abundant water power, which the Swiss have harnessed for their own use, electricity is a cheap commodity in Switzerland. All train services are electrified and the development of the rail services in such mountainous country reveals feats of engineering little encountered in Australia. Trains are comfortable and fast, maintaining speeds of over 50 miles an hour on ordinary services.

With such scenic beauty as a background, Swiss cities and villages are very picturesque. Many, dating from the Middle Ages, possess a special medieval charm.

Switzerland is indeed fortunate. Untouched by two wars, it is a land flowing with milk and honey, an oasis in the desert that is starving war torn Europe.

The cost of living is very high, but the people appear to be prosperous—in marked contrast to the state of things in France, which a journey to the French town of Chamonix at the foot of Mont Blanc, only 60 miles from Geneva, revealed.

Without question, a visit to Switzerland should be listed as a "must" for anyone fortunate enough to have the opportunity of visiting Europe.

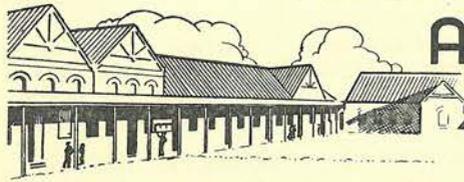


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# AROUND THE ROOMS

## MATRICULATION CLASS NOTES.

It is fitting, that in our last edition for 1949, we should convey congratulations to our deserving members. It is with pleasure that we heard that popular Dick Caleo had been selected as Ideal College Boy for 1949. John Bourke is Dux of Matriculation for this year, with Jim Shaw runner-up. Other place-getters were J. Greening, Bob Bourke, Bill McCarthy, Mick Saunders, in that order. John Bourke had another major success when he defeated Gerald Walsh, Jim Shaw, Daryl George, Barry Mills and John Greening, to win the final of the Purton Oratory Competition.

Despite the fact that inter-College sport had been suspended for this term, on account of the polimyelitis, many Matriculation boys were well to the front in S.P.C. sporting events. Brian Hogan gained major honours by winning the Open Championship, while Brian Molony, Peter Davey, Peter Kenny, Noel Panettiere, Clem Healey and Barry Mills were noteworthy representatives in the athletics. Kevin Dowsley, our champion miler, could not take part in the sports, but lately gained distinction by fighting his way to the final of the Open Tennis Championship. Paddy Walsh was our successful representative in the College Boxing Championships, whilst both Kevin Dowsley and Peter Davey reached the finals. Jim Shaw and Daryl George, with ex-pupil Jack Rando, are still providing wrestling thrills.

Bill Ley, the cross-country runner, coached by Bernie Lourey and Clem Healy, is marked as a rival for America's flying parson, Gil Dodds. Brian Tobin, despite opposition from Mick Saunders and others, still maintains that all handsome men aren't conceited—his example "Ego." Some Matriculation students are seeking publicity in the controversial column of a Melbourne paper, as budding reformers. Their articles are usually very apt, but pen-names not so apt. Falling hairs are the worry of many matriculants, who fear baldness before forty. One was so worried as to seek advice from a chemist, and received the reply, "Hair tonic at 15/-, or dog soap at 1/6." Dog soap won the day and is supposed to be doing a good job. However, time will tell.

Chris Haintz's plaster cast should be a rare item for autograph collectors in future years. To avoid, or create, more confusion the Lenaghan twins, Richard and Leo are both going to answer to the name of Harry.

When our five Newman Scholarship contestants were leaving, Noel Panettiere was so excited that he jumped in the air and fell on his head. We hope that this is a good omen and wish Noel and his four companions, John Bourke, John Greening, Peter Conway and Jim Shaw the best of luck.

In conclusion, we want to wish our readers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year.

## LEAVING CERTIFICATE

With only a week to go before the examinations commence we are all very busy making up for lost time; it is just as well, after all, that the exams. were not put forward. The exam. fever is on—even our usual press correspondent has pleaded to be excused from his onerous duties. We must here record a vote of thanks to Bill Gunther for his assistance in the past.

Congratulations to the prize-winners in the recent examinations—to Vincent A. Strangio, Dux of the class, and to place-getters, Gavin Hackwill, John McKinnon, Geoffrey Hoare, Paul Sheahan, and Leo Walsh. John McKinnon and Rimon Ashkar secured the class prizes for Christian Doctrine.

Some who were not so successful in the classroom made names for themselves in the athletic field or in the gymnasium. Paul Quinlan proved himself the outstanding distance runner for many years. Michael Molan showed himself a good mud-runner in winning the Open Hurdles; he also shows great promise as an orator. Leo Griffin, Leo Walsh, John Mulcahy, Bill Rogers, Terence Nunan, John S. Martin and John Buckley were all good point-scorers for their respective teams. Peter McEncroe annexed another boxing championship this year. Our gymnasts in the special squad for the concert include Brian Nunan, Bill ("Killarney") Gallagher, John Dalton and John Mulcahy; they say John B. Mulcahy will provide the background music and "Killarney" the colour. Finalists in the Galvin Public-Speaking Contest were Cavan Bolger, Geoff Hoare, Leon Heath, John Grogan, Bill Clements, John F. Martin and Bill Gallagher. The adjudicator, Rev. Fr. L. Fiscalini, praised all the speakers and commented on the excellence of Cavan Bolger's discourse on Communism and the means of combating it.

John Gregory and Peter McEncroe have taken up a course of Physical Training. Peter says he is getting John in trim for the "Rabbit Cup" at Bendigo later in the year. John Buckley joins in now and then, but does better on a bike. Michael Molan, our champion boxer, usually wins any events he runs in. Terence Nunan, Paul Sheahan, and Bill Gunther attend Art classes every Tuesday and Thursday; at least they are not in study. It was noticeable that on a recent Tuesday night—All Saints Day, when we had pictures—they all managed to sacrifice their night at the Technical School.

Brien Bourke was a very popular official at a recent sports meeting. Brien says the afternoon tea was the best event of the day. It is a pity he is not returning to school. Alf Treppo and Leo Walsh have put themselves in the "leaving class" too. Alf hopes to do Pharmacy, but Leo is not decided yet. We may see them back again next year.

Brian (the Real) McCoy returned to school after an extended holiday. Most punctual of the day boys must be John McKinnon, Brian Schreanan, Graeme Sweeney and Jim Meeny; but the prize for regularity must surely go to Leo Griffin or Doug. Morgan. We can always depend on Leo's arrival—late, of course. We can always depend on Doug. to be late—or away. Frank Duggan received some publicity recent'y when his photo appeared in the Australian Post; but he has received no fan-mail to date; Walter Cook was simply flooded with letters when his photo appeared in the "Weekly Times"; other members of the first Eighteen say they must have used a pin. Jealous, of course.

Cavan Bolger and John F. Martin have both spent week-ends in Melbourne recently. Apparently both had enjoyable outings; but Cavan still wants to get back to Horsham. Brian Brewer is impatient to get back to Koondrook and the Cable Tram.

Gavan Hackwill and Bill Robinson have gone into partnership in the projection box. We do not blame them for the programmes, nor for all the faults in the screening; there are others in the box too. Thanks to all.

Geoff Durant and Ray O'Shannessy are among the most popular boys in the room—that is, when anybody wants the Tuck Shop opened after hours. Leo Donnelly, Rimon Ashkar and John McKinnon will attend the lieutenants' camp at Christmas; Gavan Hackwill and Brian Nunn are to attend camps for Vickers instructors and Signallers respectively.

Some of our class have spent several days in the Infirmary during the term. Who were those who rose quietly, but not quietly enough, one midnight to enjoy buttered toast? Did they have a relapse? Bill Rogers may be able to tell you; or perhaps Leon Heath or John Grogan will confess.

Bill Gunther from Casterton, and John Graham from Melbourne, have volunteered for the duties of Assistant Sacristans next year. They consider themselves privileged to be allowed to prepare the Altar for Mass and Benediction. The whole College is grateful, Bill and John.

Kevin Drake has a better idea; he prefers to keep something under his pillow; one for himself and one for Leon Heath—birds of a feather—but he sometimes forgets to wake. Jack Elliott is returning to school to knock up some big scores during the cricket season. Clive Kelly heard that the Brothers were going to Portland for holidays, so he has decided to spend some weeks away from home over the vacation.

If there was a prize for industry in the class, Ted Cotching would be a hot favourite to win it. He and Bill Duncan should certainly uphold the reputation of Mildura and Meringur (60 miles west of Mildura, they say) in the examinations. Basil Sheahan has promised to return on the correct day next term. He and Paul were late returning this term and there seems to have been some difference of opinion. Alex. McGoldrick has begun to take more interest in his Latin studies these days; John Kiely made the change from day-boy to boarder during the year. He is now a resident of Bacchus Marsh.

Ray Collins and Brian Ethridge have had a great competition for the honour of being the "Darcy MacFyshe" of the French Class. There are some other competitors too.

We must bring these notes to a close and get back to our books. If in passing our classroom you hear the steady buzz of work interrupted by the "Quack! Quack!" of a duck, of the giddy cackle of a hen, or the raucous "Caw-Caw" of a crow, do not be alarmed; it will probably be only a minor disturbance in the farmyard; perhaps a ferret chasing a bunny; or perhaps our feather friends are just expressing their disapproval of some caustic remark or other; rest assured that the upse: will be brief and you will soon hear again a steady buzz to indicate that all is well and that at least some are awake.

Best wishes to all for a Happy Christmas and New Year.

#### INTERMEDIATE

Here we are again, readers, and it is with great pleasure that we give the news of the Third Term of 1949. To those who are leaving school this year we offer our best wishes and hope that the world will be kind to them.

Most boys acquitted themselves well in the October tests. However, some did better than others. Gilbert Medwell took first place, hotly pursued by John Simpson, Gavan Breen, Terence O'Brien, Frank Nolan and Brian Maher.

Although the Combined Sports were postponed this term, the reason being poliomyelitis—any excuse will do—our own Sports were held. There resulted in much success for our Intermediate pupils, namely B. Frawley, N. O'Sullivan, J. James, K. Hogan, and our champion distance runner G. Schaefer.

As these few words are penned we have received reports that a few of our representatives are to attend the Specialists' Course at Christmas. Those to attend the Lieutenants School at Crow's Nest, Queens liff, are D. Grant, J. Kelly, D. Fraser, T. Laffey, B. Gleeson and B. Miller. We wish these boys best of luck and may they all pass with flying colours.

In the early part of this third term we had the privilege of serving Mass. Although a few mistakes were made, most of us served excellently, mainly due to the good work of J. Lorkin.

The handball competitions are taking place at the moment and we have amid our ranks a few flourishing champions. These are John Dowling (late of Malvern), John James and Brian Gleeson. Also in the tennis competitions we have good representatives in the persons of John Lorkin, Kevin Hogan and Adrian Rousseau.

Recently, our veteran snorers, Vincent Carey, Chris Ryan and Martin Kenny have bene suffering cerebral haemorrhages owing to the midnight barrages of Adrian Joyce, John Bowman and Don Grant.

Harry Gill, our he-man, G-man and remarkable bee-man, is ably assisted in his work of scientific unpollinization by B. Frawley and J. Bowman. We are pleased to see P. Tardrew back at school again after his illness, and also the remarkable improvement in punctuality of G. Ridsdale.

Stan Plummer, as our trigonometry expert, always succeeds to astound all and sundry.

G. Dooley has recently acquired his driver's licence and is now the sole proprietor of the new mower—hands off! Pat Cantwell, his mechanical assistant, is quite capable of taking the wheel when Geoff is absent.

G. Zilles, our aeronautic fanatic, has recently introduced an equally fanatical mania into the school, namely, flying wooden figures of planes on the ends of strings.

D. Grant, our infamous poet, manages to keep all the local tidings up to us in verse. We are sure he could obtain a job with any "journal."

T. O'Connor proved himself a dark horse by taking first place in Maths. B.

Whilst crocodile shooting, our dear friends J. B. Ryan and W. Kemp, were immersed in the turbulent waters of Lake Wendouree. Owing to the powerful shrinking properties of the aforesaid waters we are finding it hard to even see Willian, of late.

P. Shelton and W. O'Connell, our celebrated Latin students, are apparently feeling the strain of overwork. This statement comes from reliable sources.

Amongst our musicians we have J. Fitzpatrick and K. Cranz. Both have improved out of sight.

Ian Bradford, acting in the capacity of our Digest Devourer, keeps us up to date with all international news.

John McCarthy, our excellent history student, recently gave us a magnificent answer on a certain Governor. It appears he has a great knowledge of ancient affairs.

J. Murray and J. Murphy, although at times not harmonizing with the class, are at heart good students.

Flash!!! We have just received the results of the Christian Doctrine exam. Francis Nolan took first place, followed by Gilbert Medwell, Harry Gill, John Bowman and Noel O'Sullivan.

Well, readers, as the call of study is upon us, we must leave you, wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—D. M. Grant.

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## SUB-INTERMEDIATE "A"

Have you read the latest prize-losing novel? It is called "The Ragbag of Raglan Street," and has taken Sub-Intermediate A class by storm. It relates with heart-rending pathos the story of a bespectacled and somewhat freckled youth ascending the ladder of fame, going up two steps each day only to slip back three each night. Depressed by this acceleration into the realm of infamy, he sets his foot (the book doesn't say which one) firmly in the opposite direction and eventually finds himself on the threshold of Fame. He goes in and has a look round, but not finding much, becomes a newspaper reporter and goes to live in Raglan Street. We won't tell you any more for fear of improving a thoroughly poor story for those as yet unfamiliar with "The Ragbag of Raglan Street." But this story is the only one of its kind and is ably illustrated by artist Bryan Joyce.

Encouraged by the above, Brian Unthank is writing a story in his spare time (usually night study time) which he hopes will rival all other 1949 publications. Brian is always optimistic. Being based on fact and telling of living and well known personalities, it should reach a first edition. One chapter describes the consternation at a certain boarding college when one morning the axe from the boiler-room and the carving knife from the kitchen are found—missing. As usual, detectives are called in, are duly bewildered, and the mystery thickens to a consistency of weak tea. It transpires (not the tea) in a later chapter, when two bleeding victims emerge from the lockers, that two of the most nefarious characters in the story, Murray Podbury and Ray Carey have been having their first shave.

So much for the books, now for the bookmakers. Soon after the running of the Melbourne Cup, Denis Bourke, Roy Pangrazio, Brian Maher and Brian Unthank were observed to be lavishly dressed and living a life of luxury and opulence. As far as can be gathered, their sudden gambol into the fields of prosperity came about as a result of an occupation called by some people "making books."

The handsome youth with the part in his hair and a spectroscopic tie, whom Br. Mogg took for a new boy, has been identified as Barry McGenniss. Barry's great readiness to oblige, and his fatherly care of his younger brothers, have been admired and commented on.

John Burke has formed the habit of catching up on a little sleep during school hours. If people would only stop asking questions he could sleep all day.

Ron Gipp's bike went on strike early in the term. It took seven weeks before it returned to work, during which time Ron rehearsed what he intends to do during the coming holidays.

Laurie Whyte looked in after school had been in session for several weeks and liked it so much that he decided to stay. Laurie is still as shy and silent and quiet as ever.

Dux of the class was Pat Flanagan. Pat is a great worker, work being one of his chief hobbies. Another is talking, although he calls it "the art of conversing." John Burke, on one of the occasions when he was awake, said of Pat that he doesn't argue, he only talks.

The other places in the class were filled by Kevin Ryan, Ted Rankins, Des Nunn, Bob Roache, and Brian Dowling. Congratulations to these boys, for places were gained not so much by brains as by hard work. Congratulations, too, to those whose improvement during the term was so noticeable, especially to John Yandell, Brian Coffey, Paul Callahan, John Cotter, John Burke, Ian Murray and Maurice Purcell.

We are proud of the success of our music students. Des O'Loughlin gained credit pass (over 75%) in Grade II, Kevin Opie a pass in Grade V, and Brian Dowling a pass in Grade IV.

In the realm of sport Sub-A has done exceptionally well (as usual). Des O'Loughlin carried off the Under 15 Cup, with Ted Rankins a close second just to make sure of its going to Sub A.

Peter Hackwill won the Under 14 Cup. Kevin Rowe obtained third place in the Under 16 Cup. Places in individual races were gained by B. Maher, B. Brown, B. Unthank, B. Coffey, B. Lamaro, A. Ryan and E. Rosser. E. Rosser won the Obstacle Race. Anyone who would enter an obstacle race against Eddie Rosser must be contented with no higher place than third. Eddie usually takes the first two.

B. Lamaro won the "one-leg" race. Murray Podbury says he got round the course using one leg and his tongue. Bernie's tongue moves so fast that not even a teacher's eye can detect its motion.

And now we must say good-bye to our readers, though there are many other things we could relate in praise of Sub A, such as John Cotter's scientific explorations. John has discovered that if you turn a camera round an upright image will be formed on the film!!! But we must stop.

Sub A wish a Happy Christmas and a very pleasant holiday to all at St. Pat's and to all readers of the Chronicle.

## SECOND YEAR

Our congratulations go to Ken Pike who is Dux of the Class for 1949, and also to the other prize-winners—B. McGregor, D. Madden, K. Bawden, B. J. Grogan and J. Mason. The winners of the Christian Doctrine prizes have not yet been announced. The final exams. are now fast approaching and the prospect of spending another year in the same class has at last urged some of us to action. Our Scholarship boys have already been through one of their ordeals, and we hope they have been successful.

Many boys were treated to their first sight of real snow some weeks ago and we all revelled in the snow fights and the making of snow-men.

In the sporting sphere we have had fairly good representation this term. Russell Mogg, Ray Parker, K. Ryan and Pat O'Sullivan did well in the boxing tournament. R. Mogg, R. Quilkey, P. Hayes and K. Pike are our tennis stars, while Vin Hedges and R. Mogg were prominent in the handball comps.

Several boys returned late this term owing to mumps and other troubles. Mick Houlihan has had two periods in the Infirmary, but continues to keep his condition. Noel Moore seems to be determined to have a broken leg, for he has broken the same bone twice this term. Naturally, he had been dubbed "Peg Leg." Brian P. Grogan disappears behind a pair of spectacles. John Murphy has been raised to the office of Secretary of the Young Farmers' Club. We hope he won't have to do too much back-breaking work.

Terry Walsh had a nasty accident which caused injury to his eye. Peter Hayes captured the headlines in all Victorian papers when his fox-terrier was judged best dog in the Melbourne Show this year.

During this term a craze for making wooden aeroplane models suddenly developed, and timber prices soared. However, when one or two casualties were reported a ban was imposed. Des Watts produced a high powered model which took the eyes of the critics and almost took the eyes of one or two passers-by who weren't looking in his direction.

Len Meeny doesn't argue with the Brothers any more now. Adrian Kavenagh is now called Darcy for short, so the following verse, composed by Tom McGill, must refer to someone else.

There is a lad whose name is Boo,  
When we do French, he's nothing to do.  
He dodges Latin when he can;  
He says he won't need it when he's a man.  
Boo had a dog whose name was Bim,  
He put him in the bath to see if he could swim.  
Bim drank all the water and ate all the soap;  
Boo took him to the doctor, who said "No Hope."

Well, that is all for now. Second Year wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a very pleasant holiday.

—By T. MCGILL

## FIRST YEAR.

Once more we bring you the news of the Term from the First Year Room. We have all worked well at our studies and great was the sorrow when we packed up our books for the holidays.

Rev. Fr. J. Shelley held the annual examination in Christian Doctrine a few weeks back. A high standard of knowledge was displayed, due to consistent application to Religious Studies throughout the year.

We all claim to be intelligent students, but recent examinations discovered our prize-winners. The Religion prize was awarded to Pat Lannen. Our Dux is Des Brown who has proved himself a grand student. Other places in order are: Michael Walsh, Bernard Mathews, Robert Hutchison, Kevin Leitch, and Noel Morganti. To these seven boys we offer our hearty congratulations on their success in the field of studies. Other boys who worked consistently and did well in their examinations were Stewart Cameron, Peter Morris, Max Hetherington, Barry Macklin, Ian Fairley, Tom Lannigan, Graeme Thompson, Peter French, Warren Mills and Barry Podger.

Dennis McSparron has moved his sleeping quarters from "Sleepy Alley" to a more prominent position in the room. His snoring tended to keep the rest of us awake.

Bob Hutchinson, Gavan Etheridge and Dennis Fanning were loud in their protests when they considered that French was overlooked from the homework list.

First Year seems to have caught the glider fever. As a result, pencils and rulers are disappearing while more and more model aeroplanes have appeared. Bill Love, Walter Noy, Max Hetherington, John Fregon, Kevin Humphreys, Peter French and Bob Shepherd are some of the enthusiasts.

Now that the holidays are upon us, Jim Forrest and John Meiklejohn are sadly disappointed that there will be no more lessons for the year.

Dominic Cincotta believes in bringing a little nourishment to night-study, even if it is only a packet of cheese.

With the last fall of snow our spirits rose to great heights. Snow-balling occupied our time before school, much to the misfortune of many. Our cheers resounded when Tom Lannigan aimed one successfully at the "magistre."

Kevin Doherty and Joe McDonald wish to welcome Dennis Fanning to the ranks of glasses brigade. Glasses certainly do hide much.

We are pleased to see Ken Dunne "on deck" again after his operation. He certainly has made up for what he may have lost at his studies by his hard work since returning.

Bernard Mathews is a real expert at sword-fighting. Why, he can break a full pane of window glass without any trouble!

John Meiklejohn has informed us that he and Charlie Nihill are determined to be professors at the University. To these we offer our best wishes for future success.

Joe McDonald has taken a real interest in Cadet life. He hopes to take over from General McArthur in the near future.

If you ever want to hear a really good ghost story, go to Charlie Nihill.

Neville Rogers and his St. Kilda friend, Brian Ross, are firm believers in a good joke during school-time.

Kevin Armstrong, Peter Morris, Tom and Brian Scarff and Kevin Doherty were stalwarts while the Mission was in progress. We are sure that any concession in the homework had nothing to do with their regular attendance.

Jim Saunders (10 stone) said that if he can reduce to Peter Morris' weight (4 stone nothing) he will take him on.

Michael O'Beirne and Dominic Cincotta are our tennis stars. When it comes to running, James Duggan, Kevin Humphries, Bob Hutchison, Bernard Mathews and Michael Walsh simply leave us standing.

Before signing off we must welcome to our ranks Frank McCarthy and Allan Ryan. Frank has already become a great friend of His Lordship, Bishop O'Collins. Allan has not gone quite so far.

In conclusion, we would like to offer all the joys and blessings of the Christmas Season to all members of First Year, and we tend these same felicitations to their good Mothers and Fathers.

## GRADES V AND VI.

Time marches on,

The year is at the close;

"Examinationitis"

Has got us in its throes.

These lines sum up the situation as we pen these notes on the activities for the term of the Fifth and Sixth Grades. The Sports are a thing of the past, and tennis and handball tournaments are almost over. Between us and glorious freedom remains one thing only—Exams.

Speaking of exams. reminds us that positions in the class for the year were determined during the term. The coveted position of Dux of Grade VI was won by Tony Lewis. Fred Ryan was second, Richard McArthur third, and Mel Creati and Barry Breen equal fourth. The Christian Doctrine prize was divided by Mel Creati and Vin Brandenburg. In Grade V the position of Dux, and winner of the Christian Doctrine prize, went to Marshal Younger. Robert Dobson was second, Brian Pekin third, Frank Maloney fourth, and Paul Williams fifth. We congratulate all these boys on their success and trust that they will continue the good work.

In the field of sport, too, some special mentions have to be made. First of these goes to Bern McKenna for winning the College Mile Handicap; then to Fred Ryan for his win in the Under 13 High Jump and also for sharing the Under 13 Cup; Richard McArthur for winning both the Championship and the Handicap Under 11; to Frank Moloney the Under 10 Champion, and Pat Irwin who, with Bernie Mathews, won the Under 14 Siamese Race.

We have made £40 our objective for the Missions this year—just double that of previous years. With three more weeks to go, we have good prospects of reaching that objective, as the total at present is £38/15/4. At the head of the Mission Honour Roll is Irwin McGenniss, followed in order by Barry Angus, Frank Maloney, Marshal Younger, Brian Clinton, Anthony Pittorino, Brian Dow, Peter Brown, Donald Tardrew, and Martin Kennedy.

Well, that is all for 1949, but before closing, we wish all our readers the Compliments of the Season.

Cricket.—We have just commenced our three cricket teams — Pragues, Fatimas, and Banneraux. We expect many keen contests in this field before the final match. The teams are captained by M. Hutchison, P. Kierce and G. Coutts.

Boxing.—This art of dodging is upheld by Tommie Evans and Warren McGenniss in quite professional-like bouts. The honours so far to Tommie.

Handball.—We have three teams in this line of sport, but the winner has not been decided yet.

Running.—In the running events of our Sports meeting, Bob Scott won the Under 10 event, Robert McArthur Under 9 event, Warren McGenniss the half-mile handicap. In the Obstacle Race third place was gained by Robert Coutts. Michael Faulkner won a heat, but was outclassed in the run-off by J. Tobin, of First Year.

Music.—Only three of our boys have taken up this study. Tommie Evans, of boxing repute, Darryl Jenkins, adouble promotion boy, and Phillip McCumisky our ideal dreamer.

Drawing.—Miechael Skarcic, a Yugoslav, shows outstanding ability in this direction. His rapid sketches and by-passes behind teacher's back makes him a great favourite with his playmates.

Lucky Envelopes.—For these, special thanks are due to Mrs. Clairmont, Mr. Armstrong, Master Francis Doblle, Master George Henley, Master John Burke, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Jenkins.

Progress.—Much of the spurt put on in the last term is due to the convenience of the new blackboard and simplified text books provided by our Principal. Our Chaplain.—Days of happy memories are those when our Chaplain, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini has a few minutes to spare, and he gives them to us. He enrolled all of us in the Order of the Brown Scapulars this year.

Four of us, who had not made our first confessions, were prepared for same, and we had the added privilege of making our First Holy Communion in the College Chapel, our parents also receiving Holy Communion with us.

These were Denis Ross, Kerry Anderson, Denis White and Michael Duck. Fr. Fiscalini then provided us with a Communion Breakfast. A cherished memory for after years.

We placed ourselves under the protection of St. Joseph, whose Feast Day it was, and whose medal we wore.

### THE JUNIORS.

Greetings from Teacher.

A Happy and Holy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year to Parents, boys, and well-wishers.

The boys have made headway during the year. There were a few stubborn "mules" and a few heartaches in the first term, but the last term dispelled this atmosphere, giving place to one eager keenness to excel.

My heartfelt thanks to all co-operating parents, particularly in the Mission Funds and Home Work.

Inspections.—This year we had the Rev. Br. Young as the Inspector and were fortunate enough to gain further successful reports.

We also had the Rev. Fr. Shelley's examination in Christian Doctrine. He did not tell us what he thought, but as he left us with a smile we hope for the best.

Missions.—We are proud of our achievements here. First Term: £20 to St. Petre Apostle Mission; £2/6/- to St. Vincent de Paul; £1 to St. Columban's Mission. Second Term: £20 to St. Peter Apostle Mission; £2/3/- to St. Vincent de Paul; £2/5/- Presentation New Ordinations. Third Term: £20 St. Peter Apostle Mission; £2 St. Vincent de Pauls; £2/16/- Lucky Envelope Trophy.

A grand total for year of £72/10/-.

Inspection of Mission Cards shows George Henley and Francis Doblle with over £7 each to their credit, Michael Hutchison over £5, John Burke over £3, J. Bongiorno, P. Kierce, G. Gemmola, J. O'Brien, D. White, and V. Pike over £2 each; whilst B. Armstrong, D. Jenkins, B. Scott, W. McGenniss, M. Faulkiner, D. Faulkiner, K. Anderson, D. McArthur and M. Burke have well over £1 each.

Novenas.—Many of us succeeded in making a Novena of First Fridays in Reparation to the Sacred Heart. Very many more succeeded in making separate groups of First Saturdays for our friends in Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Tests.—Week and Term tests kept us on our toes for the whole year. An added bait was Our Principal, Rev. Br. Mogg's promise of a cup for Dux of each grade. All tests throughout the year carried marks. Weekly tests, 1; Term tests, 2; Dux test, 5. The highest score at the end of the year was declared the winner. A failure in any subject brought disqualification for that test.

The place-getters for the prize lists are:—Grade IVb: M. Hutchison, Dux; P. Kierce, 2nd; B. Dobson, 3rd; T. Evans, 4th; G. Coutts, 5th; J. Bongiorno, 6th. Grade IVa—D. Jenkins, 1st; W. McGenniss 2nd; P. Quinlan, 3rd; G. Pell, 4th; D. Scarff, 5th; M. Faulkiner, 6th.

Grade III.—H. Gartlan, Dux; R. Coutts, 2nd; R. Russell, 3rd; F. Doblle, 4th; D. McArthur, 5th; B. Sheahan, 6th.

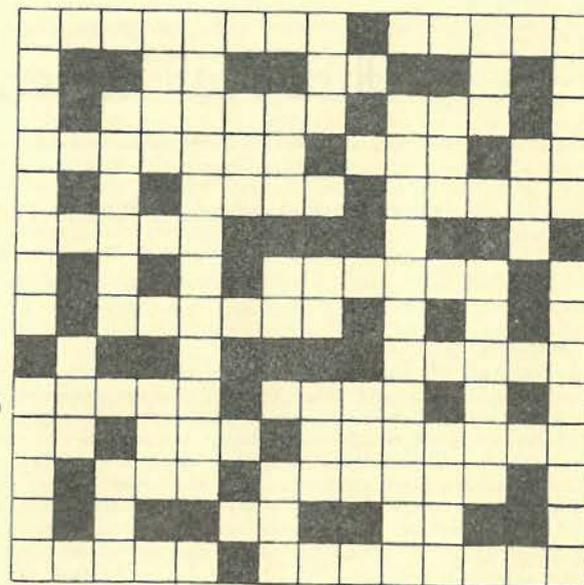
Grade IIb.—S. Shore, Dux; K. Anderson, 2nd; J. Byrne, 3rd; D. Faulkiner, 4th; L. Bradley, 5th; R. McArthur, 6th.

Grade IIa.—V. Pike, 1st; D. White, 2nd; G. Bedford, 3rd; M. Newin, 4th; M. Duck, 5th; P. Hayden, 6th.

Sports.—Football: Our two teams, Pragues and Fatimas, had some willing matches. Final victory was carried off by Fatima, under Captain Kierce and vice-captain McGenniss.

### ACROSS.

1. Withdraw
5. Christmas Hymn
8. Preposition
9. Indefinite article
10. All but
13. Conclude
15. Thatch work
16. Tennis stroke
17. Like
18. Pierce
19. Terminate
20. Absurd
21. Electrical unit
25. State in U.S.A.
27. Notions
28. Vertical
30. Peruvian capital
33. Political party (abbr.)
34. Beverage
35. French scientist
37. Poem
38. Learned man
39. Exist
40. Two vowels
41. Poor
42. Bonds



### DOWN.

1. Tonic
2. Foal
3. Obvious
4. Consume
6. Metal bar
7. Rent
10. Be present
11. October (abbr.)

12. Expanse of water

13. Clergyman

14. Family name

17. Residue

21. Preposition

22. Master of arts (abbr.)

23. English Cathedral

24. Keeps

26. Peak

28. Homely

29. Excited beyond control

31. Vowel—consonant  
—vowel

32. Scottish prefix

36. Seized

37. Mineral

38. Boy's Name

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## Items of Interest

COPY OF LETTER RECEIVED AT COLLEGE FROM JIM GROUTSCH.

Collegio di Propaganda Fide,  
via Urbano VIII, 16,  
Rome, November 3rd.

Dear Brother,—

I think that some people say that about Christmas time we begin to make good resolutions and put old ones into practice; well, it's a fair way from Christmas yet, but it is getting close, and so I suppose that I could expect one of my old good resolutions to begin to come to the surface again—and that is to write to you. I had intended to write to you ages ago and had settled on our holiday period as the last line of retreat—I soon found out, however, that holiday time is no time to do any work, and that almost includes letter-writing; so here I am at last. Thank you very much for sending on those College Chronicles; even though the names that we recognise among the present students are gradually becoming less, it does not mean that we are less interested in the doings of S.P.C. In fact, for my own part my interests in St. Pat's becomes greater, the longer I am away from it, and I think that applies to all the ex-St. Pat's students here equally as much. Congratulations on the progress which is being made on the building of the new chapel. I know how interested you were and are in building that chapel, and, now, after a long struggle all along the line, your hopes are finally being realised. Father McCunnie gives us the news of the progress being made, and only recently I saw in a rather old Advocate that Dr. O'Collins had laid the foundation stone. I will remember that Chapel as a special intention in my prayers. I cannot give you much news about our doings here as I am rushed for time just now.

Fr. McCunnie arrived back here in Rome about a fortnight ago after spending his holidays travelling about Europe. A lot of his time was spent in Ireland, and then he has some interesting stories to tell about Northern Italy, Switzerland and Lourdes. He is studying at St. Peter's College, which is a college for priests in Rome, and it is about a quarter of an hour's walk from Prop.; there are student priests there of all nationalities (almost!) and I think there must be about seven or eight Australians there now.

All of us are now veterans after spending from twelve months to three years in Rome—Des. O'Hagen is the true veteran. At the moment he is having holidays in Ireland owing to not very good health and he may return home to finish his course there. We will be sorry to lose him, and the College, too, will feel his loss very much as he was one of the most active students here and had a hand in practically every organization in the College. He has been making the most of his holidays and the letters that come from him have been written in the bright and lively style of the only one Des.

At the moment I am beginning 2nd Philos. and really looking forward to the coming year. It makes a tremendous difference having one year up your sleeve. We have already begun work again and we are getting stuck into it right from the start. It is strange to think that you at home are getting ready for the last lap while we are just starting off again; but of course they work things out the right way down in the Southern Hemisphere, having the end of the scholastic year coincide with the end of the solar year; it does not happen like that here.

We are looking forward to big things for Holy Year next year. Last year we were present for His Holiness' Mass in St. Peter's three or four times, the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood, and two Canonisations and we also saw him speak from the balcony outside of St. Peter's on several occasions. We can never forget those first occasions when we saw him celebrate Mass in St. Peter's, and when we first saw him speak to the people packed in the square of St. Peter's. One could never imagine the enthusiasm with which the Italians greet their own Holy Father; even in St. Peter's itself when His Holiness is carried down through the basilica before and after Mass he is greeted with terrific shouting and clapping and cries of "Viva il Papa." I think that must be His Holiness' war-cry.

Next year there will be a good number of Canonisations and I believe His Holiness will celebrate Mass at least once a month in St. Peter's out of special consideration to the pilgrims. Rome is very busily being dressed up for the Big Event and certainly should look her best when the pilgrims arrive—new buildings are going up everywhere, streets are being relaid, old buildings are being taken down, and even now they have new trams running on many of the lines. We are bound to have a good number of Bishops and Priests, ex-students of Prop., coming to visit us. Scarcely a fortnight seemed to go by that we do not have some Bishop pay us a call and celebrate Mass here in our Chapel. As most of our Bishops are to make their ad limina visits next year we should be seeing something of them. Last year many American Bishops were paying their ad limina visits and that is why we saw so many of them here.

At the Villa we arrange competitions in practically every kind of sport we play—soccer, tennis, basketball, volleyball, running, etc., and also swimming. Right from the start of the holidays the different cameratas fight it out in the various sporting activities and there are prizes for the "lucky" ones at the end of the whole competition. We have a very fine swimming pool at the Villa, about 30 yards by 15, built with the money donated by Cardinal Gilroy; it is located in what was once a bomb crater, the relic of a tragic bombing which the Villa suffered during the war, in 1943. Over a thousand refugees were killed in that bombing—they were refugees looked after at the expense of His Holiness, and the bombs were meant for either the German headquarters or a group of German tanks on the road just beside the Villa. Unfortunately the Villa got more than its share of bombs and the number of fatalities among the refugees was tremendous—they were at dinner when the bombs fell, and as the bombs fell on that part of the building very few survived. There were no students at the Villa at all during the war; they either stayed at Rome or went away to spend the holidays at an Italian seminary.

After the war the Villa was almost completely rebuilt and so we are fortunate in having a new Villa for our holidays. Now, I am getting off the track—I began to say something about our sporting activities.

The Australians generally figure rather prominently in our sporting activities—in our swimming sports one of our three Japanese students did very well, he is a great swimmer; one of our two Irishmen gained the highest number of points for the athletic events, and he also won the tennis. Gerry Moylan, a Werribee student (and also an old boy of Kilmore) won the big event of the Sports Day—the 100 metres; an African student who won the event last year was a close second this time. Gerry also won the High Jump.

Here, at Rome, we are very fortunate in having any amount of playing fields, i.e., compared with what other Colleges have over here—one football field, four handball courts, and one volleyball court. The big events, however, in our sporting world are, first, our cricket match against the English College, our Rugby match also played against the Englishmen, and most important of all, the matches of Australian rules. Last year we played one match (on a Rugby field) in typical Ballarat weather. We claim that as the first match of Australian Rules ever to be played in Rome.

At the moment there are about a hundred and fifty students here; with Chinese (about 35), Indians (about 27) and Australians (about 28) as the three main National groups. I understand that there are twenty-eight nationalities represented here. Of our dozen or so African students there is not a larger group than four who hail from the same district or tribe, and so we count them as representing about five nationalities. Besides the Chinese, Indians and Australians, there are students from Ireland, Scotland, Norway (1), Yugoslavia, and, I forgot about two New Zealanders, then students from Egypt, Syria, Greece, Ceylon, Siam, Indo China, the Seychelles Islands, South Africa, and the United States. I write a mixture, and at the beginning it is rather baffling to try and make yourself understand to each student you meet, but fortunately, if you are an English speaker you need have little worry about that, as I would say that about seventy per cent. of the students speak English. Italian is our official language, and after a few months we more or less become proficient enough to make ourselves understood in it and be able to understand it.

I had better come to a close now or I will be taxing your patience too much. I trust that you and all the Brothers are very well; no doubt you will be looking past the exams, to the well earned holiday afterwards. We hope to hear that all went well for the Feast of Christ the King and also for the Melbourne Sports. All of us are very well over here and certainly, if we don't work too hard (?) we have every reason to be—with good food, a fair climate, and no lack of sleep, we can ask for nothing more to keep us well—in fact, the more I understand of Rome the more I appreciate all that it means, and how fortunate we are.

Wishing you all the best of God's blessing.  
I remain, very sincerely yours,

Jim Groutsch.

#### RECENT GRADUATES.

J. FITZGERALD has completed his degrees of Medicine and Surgery, and was awarded the Ryan Scholarship for surgery. He is now on the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital. His brilliant career at the University was foreshadowed by his scholastic record at school when he gained three first class and one second class honour.

DANIEL LENAGHAN, now at St. Vincent's Hospital, is another who has brilliantly completed his degree in Medicine and Surgery. Those who were at school with him will remember him as Head Prefect of the College and of Our Lady's Sodality, and as Dux of the College.

LEO CLEAREY, the other of the trio to complete his degree in Medicine and Surgery, is now at the Broken Hill Hospital gaining experience.

To each of these we offer our heartiest congratulations.

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## Obituary

VERY REV. C. J. KELLY, V.F.—R.I.P.

Very Rev. Dean Cornelius Joseph Kelly was born at Wangoom, near Warrnambool, in 1879. One of a family of ten, he was educated at St. Patrick's College, Ballarat, first by the Holy Ghost Fathers, and later by the Christian Brothers. He completed his ecclesiastical studies at St. Patrick's, Manly, and was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, in 1901.

After spending some time at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, he was sent to Woomelang where he braved the difficulties of the Mallee. Here he built St. Patrick's Church. In 1918 he was sent to Charlton and for the next thirty-one years he laboured long and loyally in this parish. He continued to build where necessary, and the churches at Boort and Wooroonook are his work, as is also the School and Convent at Charlton.

He had a fine intellect, read an exceptional course of philosophy and theology, and was ready for the priesthood three years before he had reached the canonical age for ordination. While he waited he professed theology at Manly's St. Patrick's College. To the end he was scholarly, and read widely. Above all, he was the father of his flock, kindly, great-hearted, simple, with the simplicity of the single-minded.

"Many times over," said His Lordship, Dr. O'Collins, in his panegyric, "he was invited to come to less arduous or more dignified parishes, but he steadfastly declined. These were his people, and he would die among them. This great assembly overflowing into the church-yard to-day is testimony of how warmly that devotion has been reciprocated." Well might they mourn their dead pastor, he said, as his fellow priests farewelled a wise and venerated friend, and he himself mourned the loss of a trusted counsellor and one who was indeed a faithful servant of God.

The memorable scenes of his obsequies and funeral testify to the love and affection of the people of Charlton for this pastor. The whole town was in mourning, and at the Requiem and in the Cemetery were men and women of all creeds who had come to pay their final respects to their departed friend. Shopkeepers closed their shops as the funeral procession, the organization of which reflected much credit on the organizing of Rev. Fr. Harney, wended its way through the streets of Charlton to the public cemetery.

To the Dean's sister, Mrs. J. O'Hanlon, of Glenhuntly, and members of her family, and also his sister of Terang, we offer our sincerest sympathy.

ARCHDEACON T. J. O'DONNELL, P.P.—R.I.P.

Archdeacon Thomas Joseph O'Donnell, P.P., Sandy Bay, Tasmania, died suddenly in Hobart on September 3rd last. His life was a full one; for, whenever he worked for souls, he found much to be done for God and for Tasmania. He was a fearless defender of the right, and for a brief period of his colourful life he was imprisoned in the Tower of London. Nothing dampened the ardour of this dramatic soul; neither threats nor abuse, nor even ill health. He is known to have carried on a fierce newspaper battle from his sick bed. Of late years he enjoyed moderately good health and on the last occasion of his visit to the College he surprised us by his vigour and apparent good health. At the time of his death he was prosecuting High Court action against "The Rock" for libel.

He was a native of Ballarat, and after passing from the Christian Brothers' Schools he studied at All Hallows College, Dublin. He was ordained for Tasmania and he began work there in 1908. Till his death he figured very prominently in Catholic life in Tasmania.

He leaves behind the memory of a man of God, who did much to spread the word of God in this island State.

We offer Miss E. O'Donnell, of Ballarat, and all his relatives our deepest sympathies.

#### MR. STAN. SHERRY, R.I.P.

To Mrs. Sherry and her two sons, Peter and Paul, we offer deepest sympathy in their recent sad bereavement. Death has robbed them of a husband and father and has removed an influence for good from their lives.

Mr. Sherry had transferred to Melbourne from Ballarat some years ago where he was employed at the Elizabeth Street Post Office, clerical engineering section.

Prior to his transfer he was Secretary of the Christian Brothers' Old Boys' Association in Ballarat East. Indeed, he was a worthy ex-pupil of the Christian Brothers, and during his many years as Secretary, he did much to spread a loyal regard among the Old Boys for their Alma Mater, being ever assiduous to have social functions a success, so that the Bursaries might be financed which were making it possible for boys from St. Alipius to continue their studies at the College.

He was a man of simple tastes and noble ideals. Devout in the practice of his religion he was an example to us all, and none who knew him, even his closest friends, ever heard him use a doubtful expression or say an unkind word. One's character was safe in his hands. If he had any enemies, they were not of his making. The world is poorer for the death of this just man.—R.I.P.

#### MR. JACK O'BRIEN, R.I.P.

Entering the employ of the Post Office just prior to World War I, Mr. O'Brien proved a trusted servant in this Department. For almost the next thirty-five years he worked in Ballarat—for some few years he was attached to the Post Office at Geelong. If any man found pleasure in his work, he did. Day after day, and twice a day, his cheery whistle could be heard announcing his presence. Even if he had no mail for the anxious ones, he did have that cheery smile, that interesting item of news, that pleasant anecdote. Hundreds of thousands of letters for young and old, Masters and pupils, he delivered to S.P.C., and to the Brothers who knew him so well, respected his views on sport and politics and on world affairs generally.

An ex-pupil of St. Alipius' School, he had inherited from his Irish Catholic parents and from his teachers a vibrant Catholic Faith and a love for Ireland. In both these matters he brooked no interference. There were no half measures when either question arose.

He had been a keen sport and played a prominent part in the old C.Y.M.S. Associations. He was of a big frame and of apparently robust health, and when heart trouble warned him to ease down he treated the matter lightly. He was seriously ill and was forced to withdraw from active life. Soon his heart became affected and in a matter of months he died a death fortified with all the rights of the Holy Church.

A large and representative gathering paid their last tribute to his remains. To his wife and his brothers and sisters, we offer our deepest sympathy.

#### MR. WILLIAM MONK—23/10/49.

#### MISS ALICE LEA MONK—26/10/49.

To Rev. Fr. Leonard Monk, a distinguished Old Boy, we offer our deepest sympathy in the loss, in the brief space of three days of his father and his sister. Mr. Monk was in his eighty-fourth year, but until a few months before his death he was hale and hearty. Requiem Mass was offered in the presence of a large congregation, by his priest son, Fr. Leonard, at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Absolution was given by His Lordship Bishop O'Collins, and boys from St. Patrick's College formed a guard of honour as the remains were carried from the Cathedral to the hearse. Fr. Monk officiated at the graveside. His Lordship and a big number of priests were present.

#### MISS ALICE MONK.

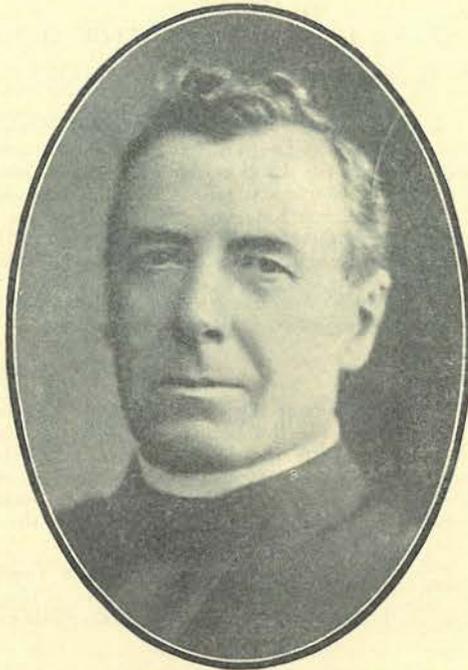
Two days later the sad scene was reenacted when Requiem Mass was offered by Fr. Monk for the happy repose of his sister's soul. Miss Monk taught for many years with the Loreto nuns at St. Joseph's School. Her death after many months of suffering patiently borne, occurred in St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne. Of an extremely kind and charitable disposition, the deceased lady was greatly loved by all with whom she came in contact. Her death is a sad blow to her family.

Her remains were interred in the family grave which but a few hours before had received those of her father. The prayers were read by Fr. Leonard, her brother, with assisting priests responding.—R.I.P.



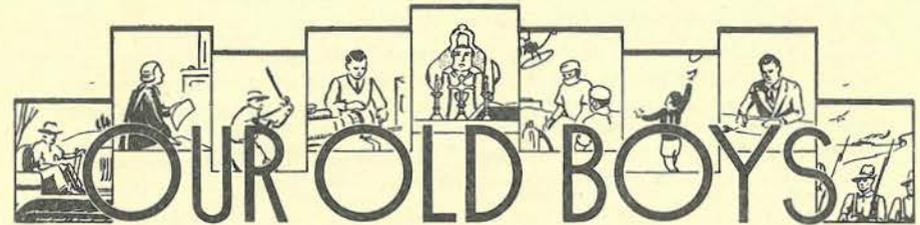


## A Poem



Poem by the late Mr. Roderick Quinn, of Sydney, on the occasion of the late Br. Barron's Diamond Jubilee in 1934.

Brother, at times when you recall  
 The past in calm and pensive mood,  
 How fair must seem your sixty years  
 Of service in the Brotherhood.  
 Reviewing all those crowded years  
 Of work and prayer and sacrifice,  
 How else than beautiful could be  
 The retrospect that meets your eyes?  
 How fruitful have your labours been  
 Since long ago, a zealous youth,  
 You left the world, and chose the path  
 That leads alone to Perfect Truth.  
 Such souls as yours are all too few—  
 Souls purposeful, by Faith made strong—  
 Not failing when the task is hard,  
 Nor tiring when the day is long.  
 Think over what your life has meant  
 To many lives, our wide land through—  
 The many minds, the many hearts,  
 Made wise and just and kind by you.  
 Think this, and know that night and day  
 Some thought of you for ever lives  
 In those to whom you gave the light  
 That only zeal, unselfish, gives.  
 Regarded so by those you've taught,  
 A rich repayment you have won,  
 Requit for unailing care,  
 And recompense for work well done.  
 Though still the selfish world rolls round,  
 Made sad by shame and tears and fears,  
 Sweet be the twilight of your life,  
 And calm the autumn of your years.



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It is now the practice of the Old Boys' Committee to have a copy of the Chronicle sent to all financial members of the Old Boys' Union.

The triple aim of the Old Collegians' Association is:—

1. To foster a bond of fellowship between ex-students of S.P.C.
2. To promote among Old Boys a keen interest in the College.
3. To watch the interests of boys from the College, entering the University, the Professions, Commercial and Industry.

Become, then, a financial member, be interested in Association affairs. You assist your Alma Mater by being an active member of the Ex-Students' Association.

The Association arranges Retreats and General Holy Communions. Where possible, Communion Breakfasts, Social functions, an Annual Ball, Dinner are organised. Sporting fixtures are arranged and the matches played at the College against the present students arouse much interest.

The Brothers give us a hearty welcome back to College and the boys enjoy meeting and playing against erstwhile S.P.C. representatives.

Now especially we must stand together and assist to the utmost of our ability in raising money to erect the College Chapel. We all know the need for the new Chapel and we must realise that it is to us the Brothers look for financial assistance to enable them to meet the big expense they have undertaken. We must be generous when we decide to send along our donation. It is our concern, and nobody else's. Only if every Old Boy does his utmost and subscribes to the best of his resources will the sum be raised. The Brothers have not called on us before. In fifty years this is their first appeal. We must respond. We owe it to the Brothers who taught us, to the present staff and the present students and we will perpetuate the memory of our mates of schoolboy days, noble souls all, who died to save Australia for us Australians. We are proud of the sons of S.P.C. who fell in World Wars I and II. We hold their memory in reverence. Let us be wholeheartedly behind the Memorial Chapel Appeal. This is our chance to give honour to whom it is due.

A feast of functions was arranged by the Melbourne Branch of the S.P.C. Ballarat Old Collegians' Association on 17th October, 1949. Press correspondent Phil O'Brien reported having, with President Pat. O'Neill, attended the annual dinner of the Combined Colleges Association, and read a comprehensive report of the proceedings, including a verbatim record of the address of the Guest Speaker, Mr. Justice E. A. Dunphy of the Arbitration Court. A vote of condolence with Committeeman Bert Caneva on the death of his mother was recorded. The sub-committee reported on the success of the recent smoke night, and thanks were passed to Tony Barbeta for the contribution of certain amenities. The General Holy Communion of the Melbourne Branch will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, 13th November at 8 o'clock Mass, followed by breakfast at the Cathedral Hall. This is a "must" for all Old Boys. An active sub-committee has arrangements well in hand. Rev. Fr. Aquinas, O.F.M.—an Old Boy—will be the Celebrant. Members are invited to attend the Eucharistic Festival at Sunbury on 6th November, 1949. Some gifts of discarded jewellery for the construction of a Ciborium for the Memorial Chapel have been received, but many more are required to carry out this laudable intention. Laurie Larmer was appointed to the committee in place of a retiring member. It was arranged to get a list of boys leaving the College this year, so that they might be enrolled as members of the O.C. Association. A cordial invitation was received from the Xavier College for members to use their training grounds for football practice. The attendance at the committee meetings is most heartening, and augurs well for the future of the newly re-constituted Melbourne Branch.

An excellent muster of Old Boys attended the annual smoke night of the Melbourne Branch Old Collegians' Association S.P.C., Ballarat, on 4th October, 1949, at the Victoria Palace. Rev. Brothers C. A. Mogg (Principal) and Rahill

made the journey, and were heartily welcomed by President Pat O'Neill. In his reply, Bro. Mogg claimed that St. Pat's was the greatest Catholic College in the State. He referred to the progress made with the New Memorial Chapel, which will cost £50,000 when completed, and thanked members for their grand support. This should be continued, and all should combine to let other Old Boys in outlying districts and interstate know that further contributions to the cost would be welcomed. Dick Morganti eloquently moved the toast of The Association, and Laurie Larmer did the honours with Alma Mater as his subject. An enjoyable programme was arranged by Old Boy entrepreneur Harry Bambrick. Artists were: Pianist, G. Herkes; Ron Broadway, juggler; and Phil O'Brien contributed a comic song and a monologue by C. J. Dennis respectively. Representatives of kindred associations were J. J. May, De La Salle, Malvern; P. V. Branigan, Assumption College, Kilmore; D. J. Ryan, St. Joseph's, North Melbourne; J. G. Gorman, Parace, East Melbourne; T. W. Martin, St. Patrick's, East Melbourne; T. Fanner, St. Kilda Collegians; and Ern Conway, St. Kevin's. Oldest "Old Boys" were Lt. James Rowan (1898-1904), Tom Fieming (1899-1903), A. Beveridge (1899-1900), and R. F. Reynolds (1900-1905).

A vote of thanks was passed to Tony Barbeta, Hotel Barclay, who provided certain amenities, and also to the President and Hon. Secretary Matt Hyland for their organising work. It was announced that the General Communion was to be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, 13th November, at 8 o'clock Mass.

#### GENERAL HOLY COMMUNION.

Rev. Bro. C. A. Mogg (Principal), with Bro. W. O'Malley made the trip from Ballarat to be with the Melbourne Branch Old Collegians Association S.P.C., Ballarat, at the second annual General Holy Communion on 13th November at the Cathedral. Rev. Br. P. A. Rahill was also present. Mass was celebrated by Old Boy Rev. Fr. Aquinas Howlett, O.F.M. Old Boys from 1900 to 1948 attended, and afterward adjourned to breakfast at All Saints Hall. After the prayer for the Pope had been recited by Fr. Aquinas, Melbourne President Pat O'Neill, in his usual felicitious style welcomed the Reverend Gentlemen and representatives from other Colleges, and gave the toast of "The King." "Alma Mater" was proposed by Leo Howard, who reminded members that the Old School had indeed proved a kindly Mother. He regarded the presence of the Brothers as an indication that their interest in their charge did not end with their school days. The training given by the Brothers was reflected in the useful successful lives of Old Boys, who were strongly empowered for the battles of life and conflict with such menaces as Communism. Jack Moore proposed the Hierarchy and Clergy, and expressed admiration for the devotion of their lives and service, which played such a supreme part in the propagation of The Faith. He asked members to pray that they might be given strength to carry on their self-appointed duties. The Association was most fortunate in having Old Boy Fr. Aquinas as Celebrant. He congratulated Bro. O'Malley in attaining the 22nd year of his service at St. Pat's. Fr. Aquinas responded, and expressed his personal gratitude to the Old School, which, he said, "was on its own." The College was doing a splendid spiritual job, and they should pray for its success. He understood that over 200 priests had been ordained from St. Pat's, and some 20 Christian Brothers. Surely a worthy record. Bro. Mogg had a message for the Branch—"Well done, St. Pat's is proud of you." He said the aim of the College was to send boys from S.P.C. as ideal Catholics and other things would follow. Old Collegians were to be found in the forefront of all vocations and callings. Members should help younger Old Boys when they found the opportunity. He prophesied a muster of 200 within three years. For the next General Holy Communion he suggested 9 o'clock at St. Francis', and urged all present to start organising right away. Old Boys were invited to attend the break-up at the College on 4th December. Hon. Secretary Matt Hyland moved a vote of thanks for the catering service, which was excellent. Phil O'Brien reported having commenced a weekly column in the Ballarat "Courier" entitled "Townies in the Metropolis." He invited members who wished to appear to

let him have thumbnail career sketches. Members stood in silence, after prayer led by Fr. Aquinas, in memory of Rev. David Gabriel Purton, who died on 20th September 1948, at St. Patrick's, in his 65th year and the 52nd year of his Religious Profession.

#### PERSONAL.

Bert Gregory, who was Head Prefect of the College and Captain of the 1st XVIII in 1905, is still in business in Pyramid Hills. Frank, who played in the 1st XVIII in 1933 and 1934, works in the Taxation Office in Melbourne.

Fr. F. Martin has resumed duties as Secretary to the Bishop of Johannesburg.

Fr. S. Crowe, until recently Parish Priest of Orbost, is now in charge at Yarram.

Mr. Michael Redmond, who attended S.P.C. in the early part of 1920, is now Head Master of the newly-formed Consolidated High School at Quambatook. Michael is highly respected in the district and has proved himself a most successful teacher. He is married and has a baby daughter.

Congratulations to Jack Eckle, Vincent Brennan and Maurice Conway on their recent wedding. Jack was married with Nuptial Mass at St. Alipius' Church, Ballarat East. He married Miss Eileen Thorp. Vincent married Miss Joan Mulquinny with Nuptial Mass celebrated by Fr. Fiscalini. Maurice married Miss Moira Todd.

Alma Mater wishes these couples health, happiness and prosperity.

Basil Lythgo, B.A., Dip.Ed., is preparing for his final exam., which will give him his Diploma of Education with Honours. Basil is to go to Kooweerup Higher Elementary School next year.

Congratulations to Dan Lenaghan, Geoff Fitzgerald and Leo Cleary on their recent success at the University. All three are now doctors.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Jim Fitzgerald, of Harrow. God bless you, Jim, we pray for your recovery.

News from Kerang reports well of Dr. Wally Moon, Frank Ryan, Frank Franzini, Richard Lamaro. All these gentlemen are prominent men in the town and staunch Church workers.

Mr. Michael Bourke and Mrs. Bourke are holidaying in South Australia, and all their friends are happy to learn that Mr. Bourke is getting well again. He and his brother Huhgie were at St. Pat's 1905-6-7-8. Mr. Michael's three sons, John, Brian and Hughie are present pupils. John is Dux of the College this year. David is at home and is Secretary to the Pakenham Racing Club.

John Croft is with the S.E.C. Commission in Melbourne. Glad to see you at College recently, John.

Tomy Molan, champion College athlete of a couple of years ago, has gone to Western Australia. All the best, Tom.

Robert Caleo, who was at St. Pat's 1941-42, hopes to finish his Electrical Engineering course this year.

Les. Mogg bids fair to be the regular centre for North next year. His friend, Maurice O'Malley, is with the Seconds. Jim Brady is with Fitzroy Seconds, and Ray Tatchell looks like making Geelong Firsts next year.

George Groutsch is at the Melbourne Uni. taking out a Scholarship in Arts. Michael Grogan is doing Second Year Medicine at Melbourne University.

His brothers, John and Brian, are still at St. Pat's. Dr. Tom Seward, Ortho. Dentist, Collins Street, is half through a trip round the world. Tom was a champion athlete at St. Pat's. His father was licensee of Craig's Hotel. Doubtless, Tom will return with the latest development in his profession.

Congratulations to John O'Brien, of Hawkesdale, who was married at Warrnambool last October.

Dr. Bryan Ryan is practising at Romsey. Hope to see you at St. Pat's soon, Doctor.

Roy Griffin has been transferred from the Hamilton Branch of the Commonwealth Bank to Head Office. His brother Jack has returned to the Islands after four months' holiday.

Jack Davis, winner of the College Mile Championship, 1940, was captain, this year, of the Ballarat Y.C.W. Harriers Cross-Country Club. Wally Brown, V.C., was two mile and five mile champion for the third successive year. Bill Davey, Brian Foley, Ron Morgan, Frank Hutchinson, and Frank Davis are also keen.

Brendan Scally narrowly defeated John Ballinger by one point for the Senior Cup at the Y.C.W. Annual Sports.

Frank Murray, Kevin Tobin, and John Segrave are in the Education Department. Frank is at Purnham, John at Eureka Street, Kevin at Humffray Street.

Alan Casey, who recently resigned from the Treasurership of the Melbourne Branch on account of his Law studies, was co-opted by the Department of the Navy recently to set an examination.

Phil O'Brien has been engaged by the Ballarat "Courier" to write a weekly column entitled "Townies in the Metropolis." First appearance was on 2nd November, 1949, when one of the "Townies" was Gerry Scarff. Other Old Boys will be included from time to time and Phil is confident that his column will go on like Tennyson's Book.

John Lenaghan, Murray Byrne, Bryan Conway, Peter Shelden are doing well at Newman. John McGoldrick has entered on his final year Medicine.

Des Slattery, 1945-48, was a century-maker at College. He is now playing with Prahran Fourths. Rattle the pickets, Des.

Present at Eugene O'Donohue's coming-of-age party were Jim Hoyne, Ray O'Shannessy, Gerald and Neil Feeny, Laurie Walsh, Pat and Justin Driscoll. Congratulations, Eugene.

#### THE NEW ROOMS.

Have you ever seen a boy with a new bike. Have you seen the envious glances he gets from his not-so-fortunate schoolmates? At St. Pat's now we have two whole classes who may be compared with this little boy—they are the Matriculation and Leaving classes. The rest of the school may be compared to the not-so-fortunate school-fellows.

Owing to the August and September holidays, there were probably quite a number of renovations and repairs effected about the College, but the outstanding change in the surroundings was the "new look" of the Matriculation and Leaving Certificate Classrooms. These two rooms bore a startling change of appearance, because during the vacation they had received more than their usual scrubbing.

A little paint can work wonders. (Where did I hear that before?) Where formerly a coat of dark green paint had been, there was a fresh coat of light green, and where there was formerly a light green kalsomine we now found a beautiful cream. The whole colour scheme combined to produce a pleasant, fresh appearance which was most conducive to the hard study necessary in the last term. The book presses, too, were freshly painted, and they harmonised with the colour scheme generally, while the notice boards were newly varnished. Ah! those fateful notice boards! On them are placed the results of our October Tests, and, while some fellows eye them with pride, others are far from proud of their results. Poor examination results, however, do not seem to darken the lives of the inhabitants of these bright rooms, the environment forbids it, all is fresh and bright.

The remaining schoolrooms are to receive similar treatment during the Christmas holidays. This should effect an abatement of the covetous glances of the lower classes whose jealousy at the sight of the "sancta sanctorum" is amusing and is much appreciated by the senior boys. However, until next year the senior classes have the most inviting of the rooms and they will willingly display their beauty and enlarge to visitors on the hygienics of the colours if, of course, they may spare the time from their study; senior students detest distractions—sometimes.—P. M. DAVEY.

## FROM DAY TO DAY.

## DIARY—MEMORABLE DAYS.

## SEPTEMBER:—

- Tuesday, 14th—All return for the last memorable term.  
 Wednesday, 15th—The Matriculation and Leaving classrooms appeared brighter than the students—they had been painted.  
 Friday, 17th—By now everyone is occupied; study goes on apace.  
 Saturday, 18th—The first picture show of the term, "Till the End of Time," bore a remarkable significance for some.  
 Sunday, 19th—The virtual athletes were to be seen in action.  
 Monday, 20th—First cadet parade.  
 Tuesday, 21st—Frantic preparations for the Tests took place.  
 Wednesday, 22nd—The "October" Tests began.  
 Saturday, 25th—The pictures were "Safari" and "California."  
 Sunday, 26th—The athletes prepare to the accompaniment of earnest bandmen.  
 Monday, 27th—Some found difficulty in recognizing the exam-papers—Mondayitis.  
 Thursday, 29th—A certain student went into the Infirmary from a "serious pain"—appendicitis. But when he got in there he could not find the pain, and it was diagnosed as immaginitis.  
 Friday, 30th—Rev. Br. Young, Provincial Consultor, addressed senior students in the Chapel.

## OCTOBER:—

- Saturday, 1st—"The Falcon's Alibi" and "Trail Street" afforded splendid entertainment at the S.P.C. Theatre.  
 Monday, 3rd—The tests have concluded—We await results!!!  
 Wednesday, 5th—Three Leaving students, B. Bourke, J. Grogan and W. Robinson, were seen training, 'keenly and vigorously' at the athletic meeting on the Hill Oval.  
 Thursday, 6th—The executive of the new society, the "Short-Hair Cut Cult", were D. George and W. Ley.  
 Saturday, 8th—The weather has begun to pick up. The usual pictures were screened in the evening.  
 Sunday, 9th—The Purton Oratory was won by John Bourke. All speakers splendid.  
 Monday, 10th—Cadet Parade.  
 Tuesday, 11th—Rain.  
 Wednesday, 12th—When is the rain going to stop?  
 Thursday, 13th—Not to-day, anyhow.  
 Friday, 14th—Many were unable to recognize the sun, which appeared occasionally.  
 Saturday, 15th—The S.P.C. Cinema rocked with laughter at the pranks of "The Show-Off."  
 Sunday, 16th—The track is under water.  
 Tuesday, 18th—Paul Quinlan wins the College Mile in excellent style from Peter Davey.  
 Thursday, 20th—Preparation for the Sports is in full swing.  
 Friday, 21st—The good weather continues.  
 Saturday, 22nd—Sports Day. The rain in the morning did not deter the anxious athletes in the afternoon. Brian Hogan was Open Champion.  
 Sunday, 23rd—The College Boxing Tournaments were concluded. Following them, the wrestle, in which Earl McGeorge disqualified Sammy Shaw and Chief Little Rando for their unlawful rough tactics, gave added entertainment.  
 Monday, 24th—Rain.  
 Tuesday, 25th—More rain.  
 Wednesday, 26th—Still more rain.

Thursday, 27th—The weather has begun to improve. The sun made a welcome reappearance.

Saturday, 29th—"The Phantom of the Opera" thrills and chills all.

Sunday, 30th—The Feast of Christ the King was celebrated with the annual procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

## NOVEMBER:—

Tuesday, 1st.—All Saints' Day brought "Good News" to the S.P.C. Theatre, whilst the Melbourne Cup brought sad news to most.

Wednesday, 2nd—All Soul's Day—Big General Holy Communion.

Thursday, 3rd—Everyone revelled in the heavy snowfall. Snow fights were the order of the day. Passers by stop to inspect our snow-man on the front lawn.

Saturday, 5th—All in the dormitory awoke early—to catch a glimpse of the sun.

Sunday, 6th—The remaining events of the sports were held. Brian Frawley and Les Plummer made new High Jump records.

Wednesday, 9th—Some claim another record—five consecutive days of sunshine.

Friday, 11th—Dick Caleo received the coveted Gold Watch for Ideal College Boy, with Kevin Dowsley the runner-up.

Saturday, 12th—"Welcome Stranger," with Bing Crosby and Barry Fitzgerald was adjudged by some as the finest picture of the year.

The bush-ranging days are back once more, as Kevin Dowsley held up several Matriculation students in Sturt Street in broad daylight.

Sunday, 12th—A burst of good weather brings many visitors to St. Pat's.

—W. J. McCARTHY.

## AN S.P.C. CUSTOM.

At St. Pat's we have many old customs and habits which have been practised in the school for many years. These traditions have been passed from generation to generation by the example and leadership of the senior boys. They are now just taken for granted. It is as a result of these habits that the S.P.C. "school spirit," of which we are justly proud, continues and flourishes. Of course, one finds lighter customs such as the annual learning of our College war-cry by the Prefects, and the penalty imposed on failure. Then we have our habits in sport. A school representative always gives his last ounce for his "Alma Mater." But I refer especially now to customs which order our spiritual life and which do so much to keep the morale of the school at a very high level.

A remarkably pious custom at S.P.C. is the visit to the Blessed Sacrament made after meals. After every meal, the boarders of the College file into the Chapel to spend a few minutes in private prayer. The visit is not confined to any section of the school—big and small drop in for a few moments to converse with the Prisoner of Love in the Tabernacle. This beautiful custom has existed in the College for many years. Our fathers did as we do in the matter. College boys have their God very near them. He is the secret force controlling their every action.

These few moments spent regularly in the Chapel bring us closer to God and do much to develop a personal love for Christ. These are moments of grace and inspiration, they afford opportunities for gratitude for graces already received, they ensure that God will always be with us to help us in all we do. In this way we learn to unite ourselves in all we do with God and to bind our lives up intimately with the Divine Master. If the student carries into the world with him this personal friendship and intimacy, be he a labourer or a professional man, then he will be a credit to his Alma Mater which will have succeeded in its most important function. It has sent out a good Christian, one who will not be too busy or too tired or too lazy or too ashamed to pay frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament, to Christus Rex.

—J. MORGANTI.



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## The Forum

### PURTON ORATORY COMPETITION—1949.

Due in no small manner to the efforts of its executive, headed by Rev. Br. Healy, and the enthusiasm of its members, the Senior Literary and Debating Society enjoyed a most successful year during 1949. In the embracing syllabus formulated by the committee early in the year, programmes were so chosen as to give all members an opportunity to cultivate ability in the various avenues of public speaking.

As a consequence, a high standard of eloquence was attained in the last and most important, activity of the Society—the Purton Oratory Competition. The contest attracted fifteen entrants, and, of these, only six survived the preliminary rounds to compete in the final which was held on Sunday, October 9th.

An account of the heats has already been given in the September issue of the Chronicle, but for the benefit of those who have been unable to secure that issue, a list of contestants and their subjects is here included.

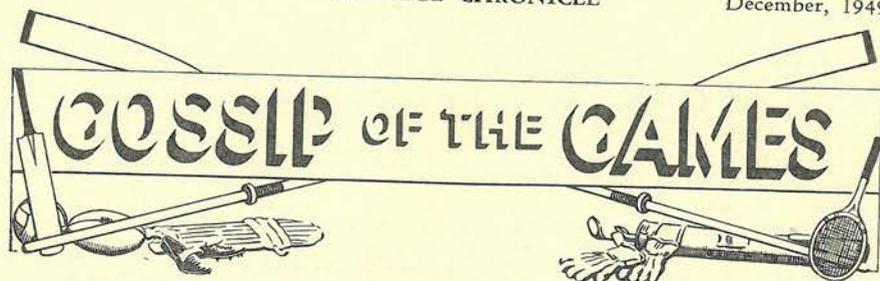
- Mr. N. Panettiere—"What of this Man, De Gaulle"
- D. George—"In Defence of Richelieu"
- Mr. K. Warren—"St. Aloysius"
- Mr. R. Burke—"What shall we do with Japan"
- Mr. J. Shaw—"Winston Churchill, Britain's Wartime Leader"
- Mr. J. Greening—"When Standards Fall"
- Mr. P. Walsh—"Hiroshima and the Future"
- Mr. G. Dowling—"The Truth about Freemasonry"
- Mr. J. Bourke—"Is Stalin Another Hitler?"
- Mr. B. Mills—"The Press Should it be Reformed"
- Mr. B. Hogan—"A Little White Flower"
- Mr. G. Joyce—"Evolution, Darwinism, and the Church"
- G. Walsh—"Candid Comments on the Coal Crisis"
- C. Haintz—"Is Professionalism injurious to Sport"

Rev. Fr. J. McInerney, who acted as adjudicator, in both the preliminaries and the finals, selected the following boys to compete in the final:—Messrs. G. Walsh, D. George, J. Shaw, J. Greening, B. Mills, and J. Bourke. Fr. McInerney is the editor of the Diocesan Monthly, "Light," and though we knew of his facile pen from editorials and commentaries, we had not had the pleasure of hearing him speak. Himself, an executive in years gone by of the College Senior Literary and Debating Society, Fr. McInerney delighted us with his interesting summaries of each and every speech. His adjudications were a highlight of the competitions.

The inclemency of the weather kept many away from the College on Sunday, October 9th, but nevertheless a large audience, consisting of friends of the school, parents of many pupils, and members of the other College debating groups gathered in the school hall to hear the final of the competition. Nor were they disappointed, for all the finalists excelled themselves, and provided a night of fine entertainment. There was little between all six speakers, and the adjudicator had an unenviable task in choosing the winner. However, his choice fell upon Mr. Bourke, who scored 170 points out of a possible 200. Mr. G. Walsh was second with 168 points, and Mr. J. Shaw third with 166 points. Fourth place was shared by Messrs. Mills and George, each of whom scored 165 points.

A brief extract is here given with the title of each speech in order to show the nature of each oration.





## S.P.C. SPORTS RESULTS—1949.

## OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 Yards.—B. Hogan, 1st; W. Cook, 2nd; J. S. Martin, 3rd; K. Hogan, 4th; N. Panettiere, 5th. Time, 11 secs.  
 220 Yards.—B. Hogan, 1st; J. S. Martin, 2nd; W. Cook, 3rd; L. Griffin, 4th; N. Panettiere, 5th. Time, 24.9 secs.  
 440 Yards.—P. Quinlan, 1st; W. Cook, 2nd; G. Schaefer, 3rd; B. Hogan, 4th; K. Hogan, 5th. Time, 58.5 secs.  
 880 Yards.—P. Quinlan, 1st; G. Schaefer, 2nd; C. Healey, 3rd; K. Hogan, 4th; J. Mulcahy, 5th. Time, 2 min. 15 secs.  
 Mile.—P. Quinlan, 1st; P. Davey, 2nd; G. Schaefer, 3rd; J. Bourke, 4th; J. Greening, 5th. Time, 4 mins. 53.5 secs.  
 Hurdles.—M. Molan, 1st; K. Hogan, 2nd; L. Griffin, 3rd; N. Panettiere, 4th. Time, 17.5 secs.  
 High Jump.—L. Griffin, 1st; B. Molony, 2nd; B. McKenna, 3rd; J. Mulcahy, 4th; W. Cook, 5th. Height, 5 ft. 8 in.  
 Broad Jump.—B. Hogan, 1st; B. Molony, 2nd; L. Griffin, 3rd; K. Hogan, 4th; G. Gallagher, 5th. Distance, 19 ft. 5 ins.  
 Weight Putt.—P. Kenny, 1st; N. Panettiere, 2nd; J. James, 3rd; J. S. Martin, 4th; K. Hogan, 5th. Distance, 37 ft. 7½ ins.

## UNDER 16 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 Yards.—B. Frawley, 1st; K. Rowe, 2nd; N. O'Sullivan, 3rd; J. James, 4th; W. Rogers, 5th. Time, 11.1 secs.  
 220 Yards.—B. Frawley, 1st; K. Rowe, 2nd; N. O'Sullivan, 3rd; W. Rogres, 4th; J. James, 5th. Time, 25.5 secs.  
 Hurdles.—B. Frawley, 1st; N. O'Sullivan, 2nd; J. James, 3rd; W. Rogers, 4th; B. Gleeson, 5th. Time, 14.7 secs.  
 High Jump.—B. Frawley, 1st; J. James, 2nd; N. O'Sullivan, 3rd. Height, 5ft. 5ins. (equalled record.)  
 Broad Jump.—B. Frawley, 1st; J. James, 2nd; T. Nunan, 3rd; I. Murray, 4th; J. McKinnon, 5th. Distance, 18ft. 6½ins.  
 Weight Putt.—J. James, 1st; T. Nunan, 2nd; K. Cranz, 3rd; B. Frawley, 4th; W. Rogers, 5th. Distnace, 34ft. 2½ins.

## UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 Yards.—E. Rankins, 1st; D. O'Loughlin, 2nd; J. Sheean, 3rd; J. Quinlan, 4th; M. Frawley, 5th. Time, 12 secs.  
 220 Yards.—D. O'Loughlin, 1st; J. Sheean, 2nd; P. Quinlan, 3rd; M. Baird, 4th; E. Rankins, 5th. Time, 27.5 secs.  
 Hurdles.—B. Gleeson, 1st; E. Rankins, 2nd; D. O'Loughlin, 3rd; P. Quinlan, 4th; M. Baird, 5th.  
 High Jump.—D. O'Loughlin, 1st; L. Plummer, 2nd; B. Gleeson, 3rd. Height, 5ft. 2ins. (equals record.)  
 Broad Jump.—D. O'Loughlin, 1st; E. Rankins, 2nd; J. Sheean, 3rd; M. Baird (equal 3rd); B. Gleeson, 5th. Distance, 17ft. 8ins.

## UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 Yards.—P. Russo, 1st; P. Hackwill, 2nd; B. Maher, 3rd; J. Deany, 4th; J. Duggan, 5th. Time, 12.1 secs.  
 220 Yards.—P. Russo, 1st; P. Hackwill, 2nd; J. Deany, 3rd; B. Maher, 4th; L. Plummer, 5th. Time, 30 secs.  
 High Jump.—L. Plummer, 1st; P. Hackwill, 2nd; B. McKenna, 3rd; W. Gleeson, 4th; P. Russo, 5th. Height, 5ft. 1in. (new record).  
 Broad Jump.—L. Plummer, 1st; P. Hackwill, 2nd; P. Russo, 3rd; P. Fitzpatrick, 4th; B. McKenna, 5th. Distance, 16ft. 0½in.

## UNDER 13 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 Yards.—R. Hutchison, 1st; K. Pike, 2nd; F. Ryan, 3rd; N. Morganti, 4th; N. Harris, 5th. Time, 13 secs.  
 High Jump.—F. V. Ryan, 1st; N. Rogers, 2nd; R. Hutchison, 3rd; J. Mullins and P. Fregon, equal 4th. Height, 4ft. 4ins.

## UNDER 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 Yards.—B. Matthews, 1st; M. Walsh, 2nd; J. Burke, 3rd; G. Funston, 4th; B. Brown, 5th. Time, 13.9 secs.

## UNDER 11 CHAMPIONSHIP.

100 Yards.—R. McArthur, 1st; M. Younger, 2nd; F. Moloney, 3rd; K. Hooper, 4th; R. Dobson, 5th. Time, 14 secs.

## UNDER 10 CHAMPIONSHIP.

75 Yards.—F. Moloney, 1st; J. Bongiorno, 2nd; W. McGenniss, 3rd; D. McArthur, 4th; R. Scott, 5th. Time 11 secs.

## RELAY RACES.

Open.—Treacy House, 1st; McCarthy, 2nd; Nunan, 3rd.  
 Under 16.—Galvin House, 1st; Nunan, 2nd; Treacy, 3rd.  
 Under 14.—Treacy House, 1st; Galvin, 2nd; McCarthy, 3rd.  
 Old Boys v. Present Boys.—Old Boys, 1st (B. Scally, W. Delany, F. Drum, and F. Godfrey); Under 16, 2nd; Senior Boys, 3rd.

## HANDICAPS.

## OPEN.

100 Yards.—J. S. Martin, 1st; B. Mills, 2nd; M. Molan, 3rd.  
 220 Yards.—G. Sweeney, 1st; M. Kenny, 2nd; K. Anlezark, 3rd.  
 440 Yards.—B. Mills, 1st; P. Sheahan, 2nd; K. Anlezark, 3rd.  
 880 Yards.—W. McGenniss, 1st; R. Scott, 2nd; J. O'Brien, 3rd.  
 Mile.—B. McKenna, 1st; P. Devoy, 2nd; B. Clinton, 3rd.

## UNDER 16.

100 Yards.—L. Walsh, 1st; G. Hackwill, 2nd; P. Ryan, 3rd.  
 220 Yards.—L. Walsh, 1st; J. Fitzpatrick, 2nd; D. Grant, 3rd.

## UNDER 15.

100 Yards.—E. Rankins, 1st; B. Brown, 2nd; B. Unthank, 3rd.  
 220 Yards.—N. Lourey, 1st; B. Coffey, 2nd; K. Kavenagh, 3rd.

## UNDER 14.

100 Yards.—J. Duggan, 1st; P. Fitzpatrick, 2nd; P. Russo, 3rd.  
 220 Yards.—J. Duggan, 1st; P. Fitzpatrick, 2nd; J. Madden, 3rd.

## UNDER 13.

100 Yards.—K. Pike, 1st; N. Harris, 2nd; T. Sweeney, 3rd.

## UNDER 12.

100 Yards.—B. Matthews, 1st; M. Walsh, 2nd.

## UNDER 11.

100 Yards.—R. McArthur, 1st; M. Younger, 2nd; M. Faulkner, 3rd.

## UNDER 10.

75 Yards.—R. Scott, 1st; W. McGenniss, 2nd; J. Bongiorno, 3rd.

## UNDER 9.

75 Yards.—R. McArthur, 1st; J. Byrne, 2nd; J. O'Brien, 3rd.

## NOVELTIES.

## OPEN.

- Obstacle Race.—E. Rosser, 1st; A. Ryan, 2nd.  
 Sack Race.—W. Rogers, 1st; P. McEncroe, 2nd.  
 Siamese Race.—P. Cantwell and B. Lourey, 1st; E. Cotching and V. A. Strangio, 2nd.  
 Musical Chairs.—J. Buckley, 1st; T. O'Connor, 2nd.

## UNDER 16.

- Obstacle Race.—B. Maher, 1st; A. Joyce, 2nd.  
 Sack Race.—B. J. Grogan, 1st; R. Coutts, 2nd.  
 Siamese Race.—J. Glennen and T. O'Brien, 1st; B. Lamaro & P. Ryan, 2nd.

## UNDER 14.

- Obstacle Race.—J. Tobin, 1st; P. Irwin, 2nd.  
 Sack Race.—B. Matthews, 1st; P. Irwin, 2nd.  
 Siamese Race.—B. Matthews and P. Irwin, 1st; N. Morganti and J. Cunningham, 2nd.

## PROSPECTIVE VIEW OF TERM'S SPORTING PROGRAMME.

On arrival at College for the final term—always an interesting but strenuous one—we straightway smacked into a solid wall of disappointment. As a precautionary measure against the further spreading of Poliomyelitis, the epidemic ravaging Victoria at present, the Melbourne Combined Catholic Schools' Sports had to be cancelled. Severed was our last link (the mid-term athletics trip to Melbourne) with the outside world for almost twelve long weeks—do I hear an uncomplimentary remark hurled at me by one of our illustrious day-scholars? Surely you don't rate the township of Ballarat on the same footing as the great city of Melbourne!

However—letting the merits of Melbourne and Ballarat be—having had one cheek severely slapped we turned the other, only to be smitten again. To add to our disappointment and sorrow we learned of the likelihood of the cancellation of Ballarat Public Schools' Sporting activities for the term. Such a measure if adopted will postpone not only the B.P.S. athletics, but also the Tennis Tournament and the McNeil Cup. A final decision has not been reached to date—5th October—but the matter is pending and will be given due consideration on the 24th October. The decision arrived at, at the Headmasters' meeting on that day, will determine whether St. Pat's is to be challenged for possession of the McNeil Cup—won for the College last year by that great player Kevin (Mel) Mogg who, incidentally, tops the tennis ladder at present at Corpus Christi, Werribee—and the "Courier" Cup, recovered by our splendid athletes of 1948. Full of expectancy we await the decision.

In the event of the B.P.S. sporting fixtures' cancellation, the term will not be entirely devoid of sport, for we have on good authority (the Sportsmaster himself) that S.P.C. Sports will be held unless an order to the contrary is issued by the Health Department.

In the hope that the inter-College contests will not be cancelled, the College has its athletic team already well advanced in its training programme. As in past years, its coaching is once again in the able hands of Mr. Ted Sheehan, with Bro. O'Malley keeping a watchful eye—yea, a paternal eye—on those "inclined to be a little frisky" at training.

If perchance you happen to be passing our training arena, look in. In all probability you will be treated to a worthy spectacle, such as "Killer" flashing down the hundred track in 9.7; Leo (the Antelope) Griffin sailing over the high hurdles with all the accompanying grace of his species, or "Dowser" and "Quinney" completing a 47 sec. quarter mile jog. Seriously, however, we may claim a prospective team of considerable merit.

If you glance at the broad-jump pit some evening you may be fortunate to catch a glimpse of our bird-man, Brian Molony, in action. His leg motion whilst in flight closely resembles the opening and closing action of a GIANT clam. Hold the line, please! Excuse me a moment! What's that meteoric white body flashing round the circuit? Here it—there it goes—John (Doc.) Greening. John is an ardent and enthusiastic trainee and we all wish him the best of luck. His earnestness shames many of us.

Then, of course, there are the boxing tournaments. I almost forgot these. Perhaps later I shall have occasion always to remember them. And then again there are the handball contests. The Open tussle for the "Barbeta Cup" appears to be a struggle "confined to the males of the Lenaghan household," as Cicero would put it. Who will the champion be, Richard or Leo? No, Leo or Richard.

Well, enough for now of recreational matters, and in wishing our future representatives in athletics and tennis the best of luck, I sign off. Cheerio for 1949.—N. D. PANETTIERE.

## TENNIS.

Tennis, the world over, attracts big entries. It is the one international game and offers much that neither football nor cricket can give. It is a game for rich and poor alike, for the young and the not too old. It is a game of skill and athletic stamina, and one that can become quite social if all players decide on a social afternoon. It can be played by men only or by women only, while mixed sets offer opportunities for family games and inter-club exchanges. Hence, Colleges like ours foster this sport, and all are more than pleased when a great many take part in the College championships.

Although there were no B.P.S. Tennis competitions this term, great enthusiasm was shown by all, in preparation for the College tournaments. Entries were many in all competitions, and a total of one hundred and eighty-six competed in the championships. All championships were very open this year, any one of four boys was capable of winning this competition. The defeats of ranked players by some of the "lesser lights" added further to the tenseness of the competition.

The Open Championship provided us with an excellent standard of tennis, and the form of leading players was so good that we were very disappointed that there was no inter-College tennis. The first sensation of the championship came when unrated Noel Elder defeated our second rated Gerald Walsh in a marathon battle. John Buckley was hard pressed to defeat little-known John Elliott in the quarter-finals. John was the most improved player in the Open this year. John Lorkin and Kevin Dowsley played very good and consistent tennis throughout the tournament, and they met John Buckley and Kevin Hogan respectively in the semi-finals. John Lorkin defeated John Buckley in a thrilling game. The scores were 6—1, 6—5. In the other semi-final Kevin Dowsley proved too strong for Kevin Hogan and he ran out winner, 6—2, 6—5. Kevin and John now meet in the final, and a close entertaining game is expected. Both boys are playing at their best, and either could win. As we go to print this match remains unplayed.

The junior competitions this year provided the best tennis seen for a long time in these games. There was a wealth of talent in the Under 16 games, and four brilliant players reached the semi-finals. In the first semi-final Ted Rankins defeated Leo Walsh after a gruelling struggle, which lasted for two hours. This was a game of changing fortunes, and it was only in the last two games that Ted broke away. The scores were 6—4, 4—6, 6—4. The second semi-final between Noel Elder and Paul Callahan gave us the most brilliant tennis seen in the Under 16 Championship for many a day. In the match which thrilled the big crowd of spectators, rallies were the tune of the day. Neither boy showed any weakness, and it was only at the end of the eighteenth game of the third set that Peter gained control, and ran out winner, 6—4, 5—6.

The first semi-final of the Under 15 Championship is virtually a warm-up for the Under 16 Championship, as the two competitors, Ted Rankins and Paul Callahan are to be the finalists in this division. The other semi-finalists are Russell Mogg and Bob Roache. The first semi-final of the Under 14 section was won in brilliant style by the consistent Barry Podger. He defeated John Deany 4-6, 6-5, 8-6. The other semi-final will be played between P. Hackwill and Michael O'Beirne. The finalists in the Under 13 Championship are J. Phelan, N. Rogers, P. Irwin and K. Pike.

Open Final.—J. Lorkin d. K. Dowsley, 8-6, 6-4.

Under 16 Final.—P. Callahan d. E. Rankins, 6-0, 6-4.

Under 15 Final.—P. Callahan d. R. Roache, 6-1, 6-2.

Under 14 Final.—B. Podger d. M. O'Beirne, 6-4, 6-5.

Under 13 Final.—P. Irwin d. N. Rogers, 6-1, 4-6, 7-5.

#### ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING EXHIBITION AND COLLEGE BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

On the afternoon of Sunday, October 23rd, an open-air boxing and wrestling afternoon was presented for the pupils and friends of S.P.C.

Of great interest to all were the finals of the 1949 boxing contests. The many fine bouts will be described to you in another section. But we would like to include our congratulations to all contestants, winners, or those who did not succeed.

The programme was lightened by some splendid musical items from the choirs of the four Christian Brothers' schools in Ballarat. Whilst the Returned Soldiers' Band presented some fine interludes between bouts. One of the highlights of the day was a grand exhibition of gymnastics by Mr. Golby and companions. The performance was carried out in a truly masterful manner, and was concluded with some very interesting exhibitions of Olympic weight-lifting. Our sincere thanks are extended to Mr. Golby and his willing helpers.

The afternoon was completed by a wrestling bout between the two favourites, Sammy Shaw and Chief Little Rando for the S.P.C. Title. Earl McGeorge, ex-champion, was third man in the ring. The bout showed glimpses of both perfect wrestling and rough and ready tactics. Rando was the better wrestler, but Shaw was at home when rough tactics were used. Referee McGeorge had a hard task and benefited by his own past experience. The bout ended in the seventh round with both men having gained one fall. After appealing to both contestants. At first he acquitted himself admirably, but soon fell to the combined efforts. After being thrown forcefully from the ring, he returned from the crowded arena and disqualified both. Then a free-for-all developed between the three, with Shaw ultimately being knocked out and the other two leaving in a dazed condition.

Interviewed before his return to Melbourne that same night, Rando said that it was the roughest fight he had ever wrestled. Both McGeorge and Sammy Shaw were of the same opinion. However, our thanks are due to these leading professionals for making such a splendid bout for us.

—J.S.—D.G.

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#### A PERSONAL LETTER.

The Editor and Committee of the Chronicle print with pleasure this personal letter which Mrs. Leo Little, wife of our distinguished ex-pupil, Mr. Leo Little, Crown Prosecutor sent to the Chronicle at their earnest request.

"When Father Connelan asked me to give a talk at the Catholic Library on why I became a Catholic, I was horrified to find that I would have to speak for half an hour, as I had never spoken in public before. I told my husband, and he laughed—"Talk for half an hour," he said, "why you could talk for an hour!" Well, when asked to give the talk, I told Father I really became a Catholic to get married; but on looking back I see two other signs that must have helped me. I was born in London, and as a child do not remember going to church or any religious instructions. I must have said my prayers sometimes, for asked once by a friend of the family did I say my prayers, I answered, very pleased with myself, "Oh yes"—and "what do you say, dear?" "Oh", I answered brightly, "I don't know—I say them in German." We had a German nurse at the time. I was ten years old, when we all went to live in Saxony, near the Bavarian border. My father had bought a property there, and we all lived there for five years, when my father died. We'd go to the Lutheran Church on special occasions—Easter and Harvest Festival, but again had practically no religious education. I had a little girl friend there, a Bavarian, and therefore, a Catholic. One day she showed me a holy picture. I said, "Who is that" and she answered, in astonishment, "The Holy Mother of God, and all I knew about her was that she was the Mother of Jesus—an historical figure never mentioned by us, dead so long ago." Of no interest to us at all. I wanted to love her, too. I can remember that, but I knew, or thought I knew, that I never should—as my father was very bigoted. We had a Catholic governess at the time, but she was never allowed to speak religion to us. When she left, I found a pair of rosary beads in her room, and came downstairs very excited, but they were immediately taken from me as if they were something terrible and superstitious. I remember crying, and so you see the Catholic Church came into my life; first Our Lady, and then her rosary. I can honestly say I cannot remember anything else about Catholicism entering into my life, until I met my husband. When my father died we all came back to England and I was sent to a big public school for girls, Roedena. This school was built and run by three very wonderful women, very good church women. We had a magnificent chapel, supposed to be the most beautiful in the South of England. It was all white marble. We had the usual religious teaching, once or twice a week. I'm not sure, but it was just like an ordinary lesson to me; in fact, I liked the lessons, as we never had to do any work for them! But they never meant anything to me, as far as religion was concerned. We had chapel twice on Sunday, but I was never very spiritual. I was 18 when I left, and we leaving girls were told if we had any problems we could see the vicar. Well, as I suppose you know, Protestants don't talk about religion—it simply isn't done, and yet I did want to know more. I badly wanted to see the vicar, and so, although terrified, asked another girl to come with me. We knocked at the door of the vicar's study, which was just behind the chapel, and were told to come in, asked to sit down by the vicar, and then he asked us what our trouble was. I summoned all my courage and said I was leaving and felt I didn't know anything about religion. Were the miracles really true? Did we have to believe them all, or only some. Was the Old Testament true? And so I stumbled through my poor questions. The vicar looked at me and asked, "Do you drive a car?" I, thinking it had something to do with my questions, said "No." "Well," he said, "I would advise you to learn; it's great fun; I've just bought one, and over the week-end I pulled it to pieces and put it together again. When you leave, join the Ambulance Corps (the 1914-1918 war was on), you'll love it." etc., etc., and he never mentioned a word of religion. I left that room feeling dreadful. It had taken such courage to ask these questions, and I felt he thought, "here's a young sentimental girl, might become a religious maniac; I'd better switch her off into normal channels." It was very humiliating.

and I didn't ask any more questions for a while. I left school, and don't remember going to church. Then I met my husband. He had been three years in the front line trenches, in the Infantry, had just won the M.C., was very tall and good-looking, and one of the most popular men I'd ever met. We became engaged. He told me he was an R.C. "What's that?" I said. I'd never heard the expression, R.C., but of course knew what he meant when he said Catholic. "Do you want me to become a Catholic?" I said. "No," he answered, "not unless you are sure it is the true church"; and I thinking all religion were the same, said, "Well, would you become a Protestant for me," and he said "No." And I, feeling rather indignant at his refusal, said, "Well, supposing I said I wouldn't marry you if you didn't." He answered, "Well, I wouldn't marry you." Instead of feeling hurt, I thought that a very manly answer, and later told my mother. "Leo," I said, "is the most wonderful man I've ever met; he loves God more than he loves me." My mother, a very sensible and clever woman, told me I would have to take instructions if I were to marry Leo, as mixed marriages were so often a tragedy. "And, what's more," she said, "I will come with you; I've always wanted to become a Catholic." It appears she had a Catholic girl friend when young, and was almost a Catholic when she met my father, and he was, as I said before, rather bigoted, but one of the kindest and most loveable men in the world. Next day, Leo, who had made enquiries, took me along to the parish priest, Father Coventry, a Servite Father—himself a convert—son of an Anglican minister who, after his wife's death, became a priest also. We made arrangements for instruction and my mother came next time. The following week Leo went back to Australia, and I didn't see him again for two years. My mother and I took our instructions, and I can honestly say these were the happiest days of our lives. It was winter time, and we'd walk home from that little Servite church in the Fulham Road after our instructions, so happy, almost ecstatic, and felt we wanted to touch people and tell them of our happiness, and that they too could have it if they just went along to see Father Coventry. He opened a new world for us. We never knew such beauty existed, and we hung on to every word that fell from his lips.

In due time we were received into the Church and it was a very wonderful time. Both my mother and I were very impressed by the confirmation at Westminster Cathedral. The women sat on the left and the men on the right. We noticed men in morning suits, black coats and striped trousers, with their top hats under their chairs, sitting alongside poor men, in poor clothes, "no class distinction in the Catholic Church," we said. The humble devotion of all was so striking, we felt near to tears of gratitude. Well, time went on; I was at the time a ward in Chancery, and it was thought wiser that I wait till I was 21 before I came out. Two years is a long time to wait, and I was getting worried. How did I know I was doing the right thing. To come out to a foreign land, no friends over there, all so new. We had a very happy time in London, and I was leading a carefree life. I couldn't make up my mind, and was worried, so decided to ask the priest in confession. It was Father Corato, an Italian Servite, and he asked me were they a good Catholic family I was marrying into, and I said O, yes, Father, a priest and a nun in the family. "Well," said Father, "I want you to make a novena to Our Lady, and always remember throughout the novena you might be the means of rearing a good Catholic family." When he said these words, my heart leapt. I thought nothing could be so wonderful as rearing a good Catholic family. The Novena was made and I went back to Father and told him I was going. He was delighted. I came out to Australia and was married. Well, to end this story, God blessed us with seven children, one little son an angel in heaven; he died an innocent. Our eldest son a Jesuit, who, please God, will be ordained in January twelve months. Our eldest daughter a Presentation Nun, and the rest of the family, well, I can truly say, they are as good a Catholic family as you could find anywhere. The youngest, John, aged 7, cannot make up his mind whether to be the Pope or a Missionary Priest!—D. LITTLE.

During the term the hall has been, as usual, the popular rendezvous each Saturday evening. Here we gather to enjoy the relaxation from the mental effort which is inseparably connected with the arduous study of the third term and to forget for a few hours the toils, and also the trials, of school life while we become captivated by the doings of our favourite film stars.

The highlight of the term was a technicolor drama "The Phantom of the Opera." Claude Rains, a film veteran, played the title role. He was a composer in love with his music and the secret benefactor of Susan Foster, an operatic soprano. When he was led to believe that a publisher had stolen his Concerto he promptly strangled the publisher. On turning to attack the wife, this woman defended herself by throwing acid into his face. This affair turned him into a maniac whose sole aim was to establish Susan as the greatest Operatic Soprano in Vienna, even at the cost of a few lives. Nelson Eddy played his usual part of the singing hero.

Another high ranking film was "The Welcome Stranger," which had as its stars Bing Crosby, Barry Fitzgerald and Joan Caulfield. Barry Fitzgerald, a genial old soul, played the part of the eccentric old country doctor, while Bing acted as his not-so-bashful city-bred locum who was charmed by the beauty of the aloof village school-mistress, namely Joan Caulfield.

A third outstanding film came under the title of "The Enchanted Cottage," starring Robert Young and Dorothy Maguire. This film enchanted the audience by the simple love which a married couple had for each other. Both were ugly, but while living in the enchanted cottage they lived in a world of their own where all things were beautiful, including themselves.

As usual, Western tastes were well catered for in two Western pictures over and above the average. "California," starring Ray Milland and Barry Fitzgerald, provided an action packed film from start to finish. In "Trail Street," Randolph Scott played the part of the fast shooting County Marshall."

The lovers of detective yarns were given "Dick Tracy versus Cueball," starring Morgan Conway as the Great Dick Tracy, and "The Falcon's Alibi," starring Tom Conroy as the tough notorious Falcon.

Another he-man of the screen in the person of Alan Ladd appeared in "Calcutta," an entertainment which provided us with much suspense and many thrills.

The great comedy team, Abbott and Costello, provided all with hilarious entertainment in "The Little Giant." A delightful musical comedy, "Good News," starring June Allyson and Peter Lawford, added still another to the high ranking films of this term. Whilst still another comedy was "The Show-Off," in which Red Skelton was always bungling everyone's affairs, including his own.

The short features, which are always popular, were of particular interest. However, the News, the Paramount and Cinesound, held the highest place in short feature entertainments. Other shorts which were much enjoyed included "Speaking of Animals," "Spotlight," and "Personnoddities."

Hoping you, my readers, have enjoyed my film review I bid you "Au revoir" and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—WILLIAM ROBINSON.

## Dates to Remember

<i>Boarders enter College</i>	-	<i>14th February, 1950</i>	
<i>Classes Resume</i>	-	<i>15th February</i>	„
<i>B.P.S. Cricket Opens</i>	-	<i>3rd March</i>	„
<i>Easter Vacation</i>	-	<i>5th--11th March</i>	„
<i>Boat Race</i>	-	<i>22nd April</i>	„
<i>Old Boys' Re-union</i>	-	<i>22nd April</i>	„
<i>First Term Ends</i>	-	<i>17th May</i>	„



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