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EDITORIAL

THE VISIT OF THE PILGRIM STATUE

From far away Fatima in Portugal the famous statue of Our Blessed Lady visited St. Patrick's College. We had been reading about the remarkable scenes of devotion which the visit of the Statue had aroused in other parts of Australia. We had heard or had read the eloquent sermon preached by our distinguished ex-student Priest, Very Rev. Fr. D. Daly, P.P., Hampton, and we trembled at his warning that maybe it would later be said of us that "we had not known." We were determined that none would surpass us in loving devotion when our hour came.

In due course the Statue reached Ballarat. Round our hospitals and institutions it went, and on Saturday evening the boarders of Villa Maria made the most of their opportunity before the Statue was borne in triumph to the Convent of Mercy, Ballarat East, where an all-night vigil prayed unceasingly for spiritual and temporal favours.

The next day, Sunday, was Ballarat's big day. An exquisite Lady Altar had been erected on the Sanctuary of our Cathedral and Solemn High Mass and Pontifical Benediction marked the occasion. It was the privilege of the boys of St. Patrick's College to lead the out door procession on that memorable Sunday afternoon. As the procession wended its way through the praying thousands who had come from far and near to witness the ceremonies you could not but pray. Thousands with beads in hand, lined the route and all recited the rosaries and sang the hymns to the strains of the Cathedral Organ.

Into the Cathedral the processionists streamed and soon every available space in the kneelers, in the passages and on the Sanctuary itself was overtaken with earnest devotees of Mary Immaculate. His Lordship the Bishop recited the Rosary and he must indeed have been pleased and justly proud as he gazed down on the crowded congregation that packed the Cathedral. And then His Lordship gave Benediction. Here you could not but be struck by the fullness of the Church's ritual as His Lordship and the assisting Priests prepared for Benediction. The High Altar was ablaze with lights and high above the Altar mounted the Priest with the Monstrance on which was exposed the God of Heaven and Earth. The Benediction hymns were sung by the huge congregation. In fact many hundreds who could not gain admittance to the Cathedral devoutly sang the hymns on the footpaths of Sturt St., Lyons St. and Dawson St. There was a Old World touch about the whole ceremonial. Ballarat on that day might have been Fatima, or Lourdes, Fontaine or Lipa.

After Benediction a very orderly if an almost endless stream of suppliant passed by the Statue, paused and devoutly touched its base. True this was a remarkable day. Nor was it yet over. That night, the Cathedral was again full to capacity for evening devotions and Benediction. A special sermon was delivered and again an ex-student Priest, Very Rev. Fr. J. McInerney, P.P., Creswick, was the preacher.

We, at the College, had our own devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima on the Monday. The Pilgrim Statue came to the College from Bungaree. It was met at the College gates by the Sodalists of Our Lady wearing their medal. These boys led the Statue through lines of boys, through the corridor, down to the lawn near the Grotto of Lourdes, where a beautifully decorated Altar had been prepared. The Choir assembled in the library and from there, microphones carried the Rosary and responses and the hymns to the scene of the procession and the Altar.

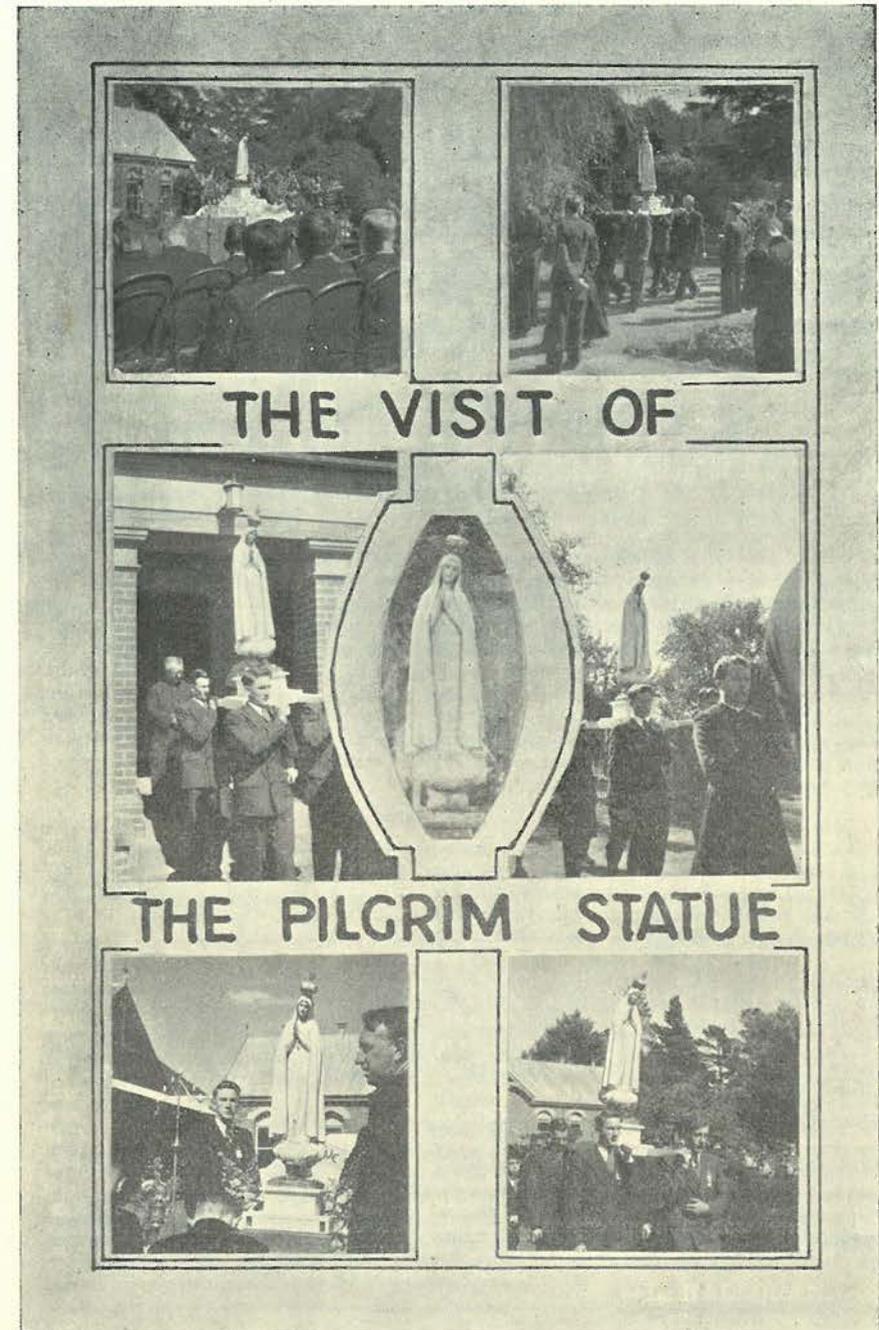
Seated in front of the Statue, boys from the College, Drummond St. St. Paul's Technical College, listened to a most inspiring address by Rev. Fr. Dimoutiez, O.M.I., Belgium. Fr. Dimoutiez traced the history of the Apparition at Fatima and he told us of the town of Fatima today. He urged all to heed the message of Our Blessed Lady who had asked for:

The Daily Rosary
Prayers for sinners
Penance.

Again our boys passed by the Statue, paused and touched it. These devotions occupied one hour, after which time the Statue was installed in the College Chapel until 2 p.m. All assembled at the front gate for our last look at the Statue.

St. Patrick's College boys of 1951 will never forget the visit of the Pilgrim Statue of Fatima.

Our Lady of Fatima: Pray for us.



GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE

JOHN ELLIOTT is Head Prefect for 1951. He was a Prefect last year under Chris Haintz. John comes from Derrinallum and has been here since 1947. He is a keen student and is set for a Commonwealth Scholarship at the end of this year. He is a Councillor of Our Lady's Sodality and a Prefect of the Holy Name Society. He is Vice-President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and is a diligent member of the College Altar Society. John is a very versatile sport. He has been Vice-Captain of the First XI for two years and last year he won the batting average. He repeated this feat again this year adding two centuries (and winning two bats). This will be John's third year with the First XVIII. He looks like being centre man again.

NOEL WOODFORD is a day boy. He has been at S.P.C. since 1947. He is in the Matriculation Class and should do well. He intends to repeat his Matric again next year. His brothers, Lloyd and Clarrie, attended St. Pat's. Noel is the day boys' representative on the Prefect Band. He is in charge of the College Section of the Cathedral Holy Name Society and is proud of his young charges.

BRIAN GLEESON is the son of Jim Gleeson, late of Willaura, now of Brighton, who with his brothers, Stan and Tom, attended St. Pat's from 1916-1924. Brian came to St. Pat's from Villa Maria in 1947. His brother, Gerald, came with him. Gerald is now with Dalgety's in Melbourne. Brian is a member of the Sodality of Our Lady and is in the Holy Name Society. He regularly makes his visits of charity as a Brother of the College Conference of St. Vincent de Paul and he renders valuable assistance to the Altar Society. He rowed in the three seat for the successful Third Crew and he has represented S.P.C. in athletics for the past five years. He played an occasional game with the First XVIII last year but he looks certain of selection this year.

WILL O'CONNELL is a boarder from Casterton. He entered College in 1947 and is a veteran stalwart and loyal pupil of S.P.C. Bill is doing his Leaving this year and gives promise of success. He is a Councillor of Our Lady's Sodality and an executive officer of the Holy Name Society. He finds much pleasure in the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and renders good service to the College Altar Society.

DON KEMP came to S.P.C. from St. Patrick's School, Drummond St., in 1949. Don is the midget of the Leaving Class—he's the good article in the small parcel. His brother, Bill, is an important officer of the E. S. & A. Bank in Lydiard St. Don is a keen student and should secure his Leaving this year. On the football field he uses every ounce of his six stone to advantage.

BARRY MCGREGOR is a day boy from Ballarat North. He came here in 1946. During his six years at St. Pat's he has been among the prize-winners on five occasions. He was Dux of First Year and Sub-Intermediate and second in Sixth and Second Year. Barry hopes to be Dux of Intermediate this year. He finds that his music lessons and his practice do not interfere with his lessons. He says he'll be happy when he brings Max to S.P.C.



THE SODALITY OF OUR LADY

With over twenty members of last year's Sodality returned to College, including the eight Councillors elected at the end of 1950 for this year, Our Lady's Sodality has functioned most successfully during the term. The eight Sodalists who were elected to the high position of Councillor were: G. Walsh, G. Hackwill, J. Elliott, L. Heath, K. Drake, W. O'Connell, V. A. Strangio and L. Halloran.

Undoubtedly, the highlight of the term for the Sodalists was the visit to the College of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The members of the Sodality led the procession, in which the statue was carried by four of the Councillors. We who have special devotion to our Holy Mother used this occasion to pay special homage and respect to her.

As the "Chronicle" goes to print, the time approaches when the first reception into the Sodality for the year will be held. We have every reason to be confident that present and future Sodalists will be faithful to their promises and keep Our Lady's Sodality the leading society in the College.

—G. WALSH.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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

Eleven of last year's members carried on the work of the Society until Easter, when five new members were elected to assist in the Society's activities. Those found worthy of admission were: W. O'Connell, V. A. Strangio, B. Sheahan, B. Gleeson and K. Murphy. J. Elliott was appointed Vice-President to assist Gerald Walsh in that capacity.

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 frequently by Society members.

As this article goes to press, negotiations are under way for a rabbit drive, from which we hope to boost the somewhat depleted funds of the Society.

The regular attendance, not only at the Conference's meetings each week, but also at the Festival and Particular Council Meetings, was another pleasing feature of the term's activities.

—K. DRAKE.

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Society began the year naturally enough with depleted numbers, however, after new boys had been taken into account and those on probation added to the list, we found that we had the grand number of 160 members with which to begin the year.

The running of the Society for 1951, under the guidance of the Spiritual Director, is in the hands of the Executive, elected at the end of 1950. They are: President, G. Walsh; Vice-President, K. Drake; Secretary, L. Heath; and J. Elliott, W. O'Connell, L. Halloran, K. Hogan and J. McCarthy.

We have had two meetings, and the numbers of members at Mass and Holy Communion, together with the regular attendance at the evening meeting and Benediction, suggests that the high tone of the Society will be maintained by present boys. Thus we hope that the College's largest Society will continue to flourish and that its members will continue to set the standard for the rest of the College.

—G. WALSH.

FAREWELL TO SEMINARIANS

In the early days of the term we were assembled in the College Hall to bid farewell to three of last year's Matriculation Class who were about to leave us for the various Seminaries of the religious orders they wish to join. John S. Martin, John McKinnon and Leo Donnelly, the two latter from Ballarat, the former from Bungaree, were soon on the stage in the company of Br. Healy and Br. O'Malley.

Br. Healy opened the proceedings by introducing to the new boys the lads who were on the stage with him. Leo Donnelly had spent eleven years at St. Pat's and had figured as a Prefect and a member of the First Crew. John Martin spent five happy years here and was noted as a Prefect, a member of the First Crew, the First XVIII and the athletics team. John McKinnon, who passed three years at the College, was also a Prefect and in the First XVIII. He was also a keen and prominent student and a Cadet Lieutenant in the College Corps.

Br. Healy then praised these youths and expressed the hope that they would persevere in their vocation to win souls for Christ. He then mentioned the other boys who have, this year, joined St. Pat's already large numbers at the various Seminaries, namely, W. McCarthy, G. Dowling, J. Graham, P. Malone, D. Fanning, R. Gipp and P. O'Reilly. George Schaefer and Des O'Loughlin have gone to join the Christian Brothers. Each of these boys had led an exemplary life at St. Pat's and their decision to join "the order of Melchisedech" had come as no great surprise to those who knew them. Br. O'Malley then rose and seconded the remarks of the Principal.

Then each of the three youths gave us a few words on his pleasurable stay at the College and the pain it caused him to leave old friends and acquaintances and his Alma Mater. However, what must be must be, and the three seminarians promised to remember us in their prayers.

Finally, since the Head Prefect had not been elected, there could be no representative of the boys to make a speech. However, take this as a guarantee, John, Leo and John, that all the boys of S.P.C. wish you well, hope that God gives you all the graces necessary in your new state of life and remember you in their prayers.

—G. HACKWILL.



AROUND THE ROOMS

MATRICULATION

Matriculation, the class of industrious students, has been striving to increase its mathematical, historical, scientific and linguistic knowledge. In fact, some students have begun late study already. School and study time is spent as it should be (? !!) but anything can (and usually does) happen at other times. To illustrate this point let us quote the case of Harry Gill. One night in the dormitory someone was heard yelling, "Kill, Gill!" Since then Harry hasn't dared to sleep and this, perhaps, accounts for his recent "attentiveness."

Geoff Torney came to school one Monday sporting a black eye which was referred to by the Brother as the best he had seen. Investigation revealed that it was not the result of another's superior fisticuffs but that it was caused by a cricket ball. John James and John Martin, our experts on frogs, revel in the outdoor life. Vincent A. Strangio should go in for Tatt's. With his luck he would "hit the jackpot" as he did one morning during the term. Our "giant" with the quiet way about him, Rimon Ashkar, has been seen running around the lake on several occasions. Rumour has it he is trying to get below twelve stone. However, no one knows for sure except Rimon, Vincent A., and perhaps Frank Nolan.

Our only newcomer is Kevin Murphy who has come to join his "twin," Laurie Halloran. Vincent S. came back a bit late, but that is neither here nor there for he quickly settled down to his old ways. John Dowling is absent at present to undergo an operation. Best wishes from everyone, John. Gilbert Medwell has also left our ranks to go as a representative in the Sun Youth Travel Quest. Congratulations, Gilbert.

John Bowman provided a sensation a few weeks ago when he had a crew cut. There was an instant craze on this type of hair-do, but, as yet, no one has ventured to follow John's example. This would be an ideal idea for Bill Foley, reputed to be Harry Gill's would-be assassin, and Gerald Walsh, the "white haired boy with curls." While on the subject of hair-do's, Bill Gallagher, our reading expert, has an ever popular style. John Simpson is in the Camera Club and, if anyone wants a photo of anything, John has it. Gavan Hackwill still has a race with Br. O'Malley in the lockers each morning but this year he has several rivals, notably Harry Gill and V. A. Strangio.

John McCarthy recently expounded an heretical doctrine concerning Moses. He also regards Australia as a land devoid of hope. Brian Gleeson is almost as tall as Gerald. Perhaps Melbourne will give him a run next year. Mick Scott is an expert at cleaning blackboards—when he finds the duster. He is also adept at a new type of musical instrument. John Elliott has a new nickname—"Skeeter." Whence it originated is known only to those arch villains, Leon Heath and Kevin Drake. This trio, together with John Martin, Rimon Ashkar and Vincent A. are becoming well known as card sharps. Bill Gunther, an ardent rower, received a hearty welcome one day when he arrived late for study (because of the rowing, of course). Basil Sheahan gave us a talk on wheat farming but forgot to harrow the soil. Jeff Zilles learns art at the School of Mines

and this accounts for Frank Nolan's loneliness. Noel Woodford and Gavan Breen share a desk. Adrian Joyce is thinking of sitting for Intermediate History. Ray Lilburne is an outstanding student. He was the only one to . . . , but that's a secret.

Congratulations to our First XI players, Jack Elliott (Vice-Captain), who headed the batting averages, Laurie Halloran, who headed the bowling averages, Leon Heath (hat-trick), John James and Basil Sheahan. Felicitations to the Second XI who defeated the First, of whom we have G. Hackwill (Captain), G. Walsh (Vice-Captain), K. Murphy, K. Drake, W. Foley and G. Torney. Best wishes to the rowers, namely, John Martin and John James (First Crew), and W. Gunther, R. Lilburne, B. Gleeson and J. Bowman.

This marks the finish of your insight into the doings of the Matriculation Class during the term. We trust that allusions are not too vague and that they are generally appreciated. Farewell, dear reader.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE

First a hearty welcome to newcomers Adrian Bieske (Horsham), Warren Constable (Mt. Gambier), Pat Gleeson (Colac), Jim Irwin (Sea Lake) and Bill Redmond (Preston). May their stay at St. Pat's be a very happy one.

There are forty-six of us in Leaving Certificate, a motley crew differing widely in mental and physical endowments. Our teachers have not yet succeeded in plumbing the depths of our scholastic abilities—fortunately these notes have to be in before the Term Tests—so you must excuse us if our main topic is sport.

We have in our midst "the most popular boy in the school" (quote from the leading provincial daily) in the person of Bernard Lamaro. Bernie was successful in obtaining Lindsay Hasset's wicket when the Australian captain visited the school recently. Kevin Hogan, captain of the First XI, has had a very successful year to date: may there be more triumphs in store. A large number of our members visit the boat-house each evening; of these Warren Constable, Vin Carey, Brian Unthank, Denis Bourke, Bill McDonald, Kevin Opie, John Hannasky are to represent S.P.C. on Boat Race Day. Brian Dowling's absence from night study has given rise to much speculation. However, Brian has shared the advantages of being "on the list" and is now settling down to study. Roy Pangrazio was inadvertently omitted from the above list of rowers; Roy has quite a reputation as an "Old Salt," at least he can spin the yarns. Gavan Murphy, Kevin Cranz, Brian Coffey, Peter Hackwill, Des Nunn and John Deany figured prominently in the victories of the Second XI. Gavan secured the bowling average, Brian was prominent in the batting and John gave a fine exhibition of wicketkeeping.

Con Smith, Pat Gleeson and Mick Kelly are the chief pedallers of the room. Mick and Pat have great reputations in the great cities of Warrnambool and Colac respectively, but most seem to think that Con will devote his life to other avenues of sport. Bookmakers are still feeling the effects on his onslaught at St. Patrick's Day races. Pat Flanagan was our champion (self-styled) chess player until some others learnt the game. Incidentally, somebody procured a rule book; we had, up till then, been playing "a la Flanagan." Denis O'Conner is now challenging Pat's supremacy at the noble game of chess. Brian Maher and Jim Irwin (dux of Sea Lake high school in 1950) are learning. All efforts to tear Kevin Ryan and Laurie Erwin away from Zane Grey have failed. Paul Callahan, prominent in College tennis last year, recently read how it should be done in Don Budge's book. Asked if he had learnt anything, Paul

said no! What chance have Shakespeare, Goldsmith and Co.? Paul and Barry McGenniss have lost their comfortable seat at the window. Barry has been very busy dropping subjects and asking questions since February.

Eugene Nihill seized the back seat in the room and, to date, is still in possession; he persists in his taste for Westerns. Now that Bill O'Connell has been forced to give up rowing (through illness) he has some spare moments for reading. Bill Holligan shares with Kevin Cranz the distinction of being our most avid reader. Their tastes vary somewhat. John Cotter has become very worried about Essendon's prospects in the coming season; it could be good politics, but John is a "true-blue" supporter of the red and black.

Among the day-boys John Burke is the humorist, and as some say, the fashion leader. John Ryan has perfected a method of removing stains from the class room wall. Pat Quinlan, Brendan Davey and Don Kemp have settled down to serious study; they have the example of elder brothers to follow, and are striving to emulate or surpass their performances. Pat was successful in the Labor Day Regatta on Lake Wendouree this year. He won two first places in his own dinghy. Lieutenant Jim and Sergeant Peter Murray, along with Sergeant Tom Laffey, are among the most efficient members of the Cadet Corps. In school Peter sits next to Doug Murphy, of Echuca; in true military fashion they take the watch in turns.

We must bring these brief notes to a close, and promise that we will know one another better by the end of the Second Term; there may then be some more interesting details to reveal.

INTERMEDIATE A

Well, here we are again back to old S.P.C. for 1951. This year we welcomed newcomers Brian Kavenagh, Don Bradmore (not to be confused with Bradman), William Howie, Don Stainsby, Peter Windsor, Kevin Stanley, Keith White, Joseph Natoli and Paul Smith.

Joseph Natoli has just arrived from Italy, and at first found it rather difficult to speak English, but he is now picking it up quite nicely, and we think he will do well at his studies. Our latest arrival, Paul Smith, hopes to go on for the Priesthood and we all wish him the best.

The contest for scholastic supremacy this term has been very closely contested between Barry McGregor and Brian Gibson. Kierce O'Loughlin, John Madden, Terry Sweeny, Kevin Bawden, Kevin Shea and Brian Kelly are also making a valiant bid for the top places in the class.

Lately we have seen Brian McEvoy and Kevin Carter in earnest conversation during school hours; no doubt they are discussing the latest political developments. William Howie has a great attraction for Latin, especially for the Latin author. He is so enthusiastic that he sometimes reacts them. Another lover of his studies is Len Meeny who has a peculiar love for History.

We had good sporting results this term. Unfortunately we had only one representative in the First XI cricket. He was Thomas McGill, who by his conduct and play on the cricket field, has kept up Inter A's good name.

Other boys to shine in various cricket competitions were: Kevin Shea, Peter Hayes, Darrell Grace, Frank Walsh, Joseph Tobin, Russell Mogg, Peter Brumby, Ron Matheson and many others. There are no oarsmen in our midst, but we have plenty of "Professors" to make up that missing talent.

Every Friday morning from nine o'clock till eleven, Brian Hanrahan,

Gavan Rice and Tom McGill are down at the School of Mines learning Wool Classing. Every morning, except Tuesday and Saturday mornings, you may perceive Paul Russo arriving to school at 9.40 a.m. No! he isn't late for school; he learns Italian in the first period instead of French or Geography.

Peter Fitzpatrick and Ron Matheson were very successful in their exams. They had it worked out to the last mark and are still sitting together. We have the makings of a very fine orator in our room in the person of Brian Grogan. He is very good at making speeches about doing his Latin homework.

Well, folks, that's all for this term. This is Inter. A signing off until next term. Cheerio!

INTERMEDIATE B

The 1951 Inter. B has many claims to fame, distinction and notoriety. Firstly, we are nearly all boarders, the day-boy being truly a "vara avis." Bill Dooley and Charlie Bolte are the only representatives of that select body that we can boast. Secondly, we claim three members of the champion First XI.—Brian Murray, the opening bowler, Ron Quilkey, the wicket-keeper, and Barry McLaughlin.

Thirdly, we have eight boys in College crews and no less than four of whom occupy the stroke seat in their respective boats. They are: Ray Carey (Seconds), John Cullen (Thirds), Ian Morrisson (Fifths) and Pat Rice (Sixths). The other rowers are Bill Gleeson (Seconds), Des Watts (Thirds), Les Plummer and "ex-Naval rating" Laurie Buck (Fifths). All these are looking forward to great success on Boat Race Day and to the quiet study and balanced diet which they will be able to enjoy thereafter.

In the Second XI we were represented by Hugh Bourke and Brian Gaffney, while Brian Phillips, Mick Bourke, Glen Rasdell, Kevin Kershaw, Alan Brady and Brian Gaffney all played in the unbeaten Under 15 team.

The "freshers" in Inter. B are John Wangeman and Michael Sharry (Horsham), Tony Peyton and Bill Hunter (Daylesford), Ken Johnson (Mt. Gambier), Laurie Buck (Bendigo), Brian Gaffney (Kerang), Brian Phelan (Beulah), and Brian Phillips (returned from Shepparton).

In the College Cadet Corps Ray Carey is a Sergeant and John Mason, Ron Quilkey, Graeme Bradford and Malcolm Baird are Corporals.

It has been suggested that "Governor" Hunter should display a notice on his desk, to read "Factorising done while you wait. Charges moderate." Hughie ("Alfonso") Bourke is finding some trouble in his efforts to keep the requisite pace when reading the history notes. Perhaps a recording played at fast speed would solve the problem.

Kevin Kershaw is very anxious to learn the art of rowing. He is often seen in the boatshed practising, with a broom for an oar.

Tony Peyton created a sensation when he stated that the only way to find a cube root is to go deep down with a post-hole digger.

Noel Moore often sighs for the days when he used to learn woodwork.

Gerry Rogers is going in for crooning in a big way. He hopes to get into Spike Jones' band as a whistle-blower or horn-tooter.

Mick O'Callaghan is one of the enthusiastic members of the Camera Club and spends much of the week-ends in the hidden recesses of the Dark Room.

Mick Sheehan, Jim McCarthy and Brian Kershaw had a "spell" in the Infirmary on the advent of the cold weather. We have a "gang" from Horsham which includes John Mason, Brian Moylan, Gavan Walsh, John Wangeman and Mick Sharry. Each afternoon after school they toughen

themselves up with a rigorous course of horse-riding, rowing, unarmed combat, judo, ju-jitsu and all-in wrestling.

Bill Gleeson came out at the top of the class in a recent test and won the most coveted seat in the room—next to the heater.

Gavan Walsh is still notorious for going out. He goes out every Sunday, very often after school during the week and even some times during the Mathematics period.

Inter. B now wishes all Chronicle readers au revoir and a very happy holiday.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE A

Greetings, gentle readers, from the hub of industry at S.P.C. We are a peaceful lot, industrious at times, and at other times just hard-working. We can be divided, roughly, into two groups—students and boys. The students—a noble band—include Des Brown, Michael Walsh, Stuart Cameron and Brendan Ryan, while Noel Morganti and Kevin Leitch sometimes co-operate with the intelligentsia. The boys, on the other hand, include those well-known (notorious) personalities, Bryan Ross, William Creati, Alan Ryan and Kevin Armstrong.

We welcome to our midst the newcomers to S.P.C.—Peter Sheehan, Paul Bourke (it wasn't long before he made his presence felt), John Smith, Maurice Sheahan, Vincent Colbert and Nikodems Serzants (a new Australian from Latvia), while Bernard Carey (we thought it was someone escaped from a native compound in the Territory when he first came) and William Creati returned to S.P.C. to further their studies, after being away for some time.

We are avid readers, on the whole, and our librarians, Ian Fairley, Desmond Brown, Anthony Kean and Michael Walsh, have a busy time changing books. Tales of adventure are the most popular, while the humour and classic sections are much used.

You will, no doubt, be anxious to make the acquaintance of many of our bright (and otherwise) specimens. Well, worthy of first mention is that outstanding personality of classroom and playing-field, the boy who never misses a trick, who is never stumped for a scorching reply to the critics—yes, you have it, it is no other than Paul ("the Brain") Bourke. He will discuss, at length, any subject you wish, from the Marshall Plan to the function of the contractile vacuole of the amoeba or the complete metamorphosis of the female anopheles. He recently amazed the class when he referred to Monte Cassino as a "famous gambling den in Europe."

Des Brown has been termed a walking dictionary. However he is keen on cricket and organises games amongst the local juniors. In one such game Michael Walsh, his companion in crime, is reported to have bowled bodyline with the result that Des was away from school next day. Pat Lannen, a quiet worker, also plays cricket with the locals. His rowdiness on the field sometimes upsets the opponents.

Dominic Cincotta is the College bell-ringer. It seems to be a good job. What does Dominic do during the four minutes prior to each ringing of the bell? Recently Dominic thought a change of scenery would do him good, so he applied for a position in the front of the room. He has improved at his work lately, too.

Stuart Cameron is a hard-working Scot from Finley. He looks forward, each term, to his return to civilisation, even though it is Ballarat.

Kevin ("Haven't done it") Armstrong delights in unravelling the intricacies of Algebraic problems. His companion in the front seat is "Desperate" Dan Duggan, who sometimes uses tactics employed by his namesake Darcy.

Vin Colbert is noted for his feats of strength. He is thus a suitable

companion for Trevor Smith, who is a member of the Superman Club. Ian Fairley is an aeronautical wizard, while Tony Kean is an artist of note. Tony draws the planes, Ian flies them. Bernard Carey likes to ask awkward questions. Bernard likes to play handball, but is a bit weak. Noel Morganti likes to throw spanners into works. He is a bit slow of understanding sometimes, especially when it comes to certain French verbs. He is very liberal in his views and would like to work the double dissolution Act in some way regarding school.

Norman Harris had one big difficulty to solve during the term—is it better to bowl an off-break with a leg-break action, or a leg-break with an offbreak action? Norman, of late, has been chock full of vitamins.

Bill ("I don't know") Creati is one of the most consistent in the Class at his lesson. He is encouraged in his efforts by Alan Ryan, who tries to adopt Eastern tactics in the school-room.

Thomas Lanigan is our military authority and has already decided on a career (is it Korea?).

Frank McCarthy sits next to a genius, but so far, he seems to be untainted. Both himself and M. O'Beirne are thinking of going in for the "Head of the Lake." Michael O'Beirne is Sub A's representative in the First XI. Some of the critics were worried as to how Mick used to stop the tops of the pads from brushing against his chin. However, he made a few runs and finished with a respectable average.

Joe ("Honey Voice") McDonald wears glasses. At least they make him look intelligent. He is in his element between half-past one and two o'clock on Thursdays when clear, mellow vowel sounds emanate from his section of the room. Bill Mahoney was one of those who put their feet under the roller to see what effect it would have. It had absolutely no effect at all—on the roller.

Bernie Matthews is an avid reader of adventure stories and is also interested in Super Snipes. Kevin Molan's chief interest, however, is in motor-bikes. He couldn't bring one to school, so he brought the next best thing—a leather jacket for riding on same.

We take a lot of notice of what Peter Morris says. His words carry much weight—and so does Peter. He has shown considerable talent of late at jerks. A question worrying us—Are all jerks good at jerks?

We have a very rowdy element in the room—almost incessantly the din goes on. If it is not Barry Podger arguing about the merits (and demerits) of golf with Pat Lannen, it is possibly John Phelan and Maurie

TASTE THE TASTE

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Sheehan vociferating about the respective merits of Ripon St. and Underbool. Maurie thinks there is no place like Underbool—we are inclined to agree with him. Jim Saunders, Leo Blood and Bernard Righetti are also a terrible trio. Whenever there is a lull in the room, one of these three is sure to start an argument of some sort.

John Smith and Bryan Ross form the nucleus of the St. Kilda gang. They are ably supported by Neville Rogers, who also is a member of the yellow sox brigade. Neville is busy collecting a list of names for some reason or other. Let us hope it is for some good reason.

Gerald ("Lolly-legs") Saunders has a good way of keeping his feet warm—he, too, wears hot sox. He sometimes rides a bike around the lake—it usually takes him about half-an-hour to go right round.

Peter Sheehan is perhaps the most maligned person in the room. He wants it known by all in sundry that there's no truth at all in it.—What's the "it"? Peter whiles away the leisure hours usually playing the flute at which he is adept.

Graeme Thompson and Kevin Leitch hail from the same street. They frequently break out into the local dialect, which we find hard to understand. Both are very fast runners—particularly about eleven o'clock and twelve-thirty.

Peter French likes the front desk so much that he refused to leave it in the recent reshuffle. Walter Noy was recently the subject of a first-class miracle—or what appeared to be. One day he came into class with a finger so swathed in bandages that it took on the appearance of a young turnip. Next day there was hardly a trace of the bandaging. We don't know if there was any connection, but his side was batting that day.

Brendan Ryan was assitant curator during the cricket season and a good job he did too. Brendan sits near the heater, but next term he is going to put in for a change—he thinks things will be hot enough for him.

Nikodems Serzants is a very keen student and is making great progress in the study of Latin and English. We would like to follow his good example but often the spirit is not willing.

Now, having introduced to you all the members of Sub. A, we must hurry back to our studies—at any rate the students will want to. So, cheerio till next term.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE B

We greet our friends, and other Chronicle readers, of 1951.

There are 32 enthusiastic, studious and gentlemanly boys in our class. Of these, eight (J. Forrest, H. Brown, R. Shepherd, A. Finnegan, P. Carr, V. Slattery, P. Makeham and J. Hogan) were boarders during 1950; five (D. Gipp, B. Scarff, T. Scarff, B. Macklin and K. Doherty) were day boys; seven (J. Coffey, E. Morgan, W. Goodwin, J. Ross, P. Taffe, B. Toin and K. Cleverino) are new day boys from C.B.S., Drummond St.; W. Jones is from C.B.S., Ballarat East; and the following eleven are new boarders: G. Walsh, B. Smith, J. Cappy, R. Dignan, B. Bailey, B. Rice, L. Schreenan, R. Start, P. Murphy, B. Houlihan and T. Clohesy.

We are a "Hive of Industry," and participate in as many College activities as possible.

Thirty are members of the Cadet Unit; twelve are in the College Choir; all are weekly patrons of the Sub-Inter Library; we are 100 per cent. strong at the Saturday night pictures in the College theatre as guests of Brother Coyne and his assistants; the most enthusiastic and successful cricketers in the Park Competition come from our class; our interest and enthusiasm are noteworthy on Tuesday afternoons when the Elocution Mistress visits us from 1.30 to 2.

On Monday, 9th April, we shared with the rest of the students the great privilege of honouring Our Lady of Fatima on the occasion of the visit of the Pilgrim Statue to S.P.C.; and what a glorious day it was (real Queensland type!). We were fully represented, also, at St. Patrick's Cathedral for the public devotions on the previous afternoon.

It was our further privilege to attend to the decoration of Our Lady's Altar during the May Devotions, and we were pleased that the Statue used was one of Our Lady of Fatima.

Mission Promoters are J. Ross, R. Dignan, B. Smith, P. Makeham and T. Scarff.

Scholarship winners to the College are B. Bailey, G. Walsh, W. Jones, W. Goodwin and J. Ross.

Most successful cricketers were B. Smith, R. Dignan, J. Forrest, R. Start, P. Murphy and P. Carr.

We are very proud of Alan Finnegan, our only Head of the Lake representative. He was cox of the victorious Second Four and the Old Boys' Four. Congratulations, Alan!

Judging by reputations made in 1950, the following should acquit themselves creditably during the football season: J. Coffey, B. Tobin, J. Ross, B. Houlihan, B. Bailey, R. Dignan and P. Makeham.

Table tennis is very popular—prominent players being R. Dignan, B. Smith, P. Makeham and V. Slattery. In addition to these, the following are reported to be outstanding tennis experts: G. Walsh, P. Carr, L. Schreenan and T. Scarff.

G. Walsh is our undisputed chess champion—as he is the only chess player in the class.

P. Taffe and B. Tobin will willingly supply all statistics relating to the big teams competition in study.

We regret the departure overseas of our zealous Chaplain, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini, and I take the opportunity to welcome his successor, Rev. Fr. Sexton, C.S.S.R.

For the present we say cheerio! Next term we promise you a bigger, brighter and better record of our activities.

SECOND YEAR

We, the students of Second Year, greet all readers of the Chronicle and invite them to read our deeds and misdeeds of the past term.

Our ranks have been filled to capacity by the arrival of many new boys. All seem to have lost no time in settling down to the regular routine of college life. Already some have shown great promise, and no doubt they will be featured in future publications of the Chronicle for their achievements in the realm of study, sport or features of the life at St. Pat's College.

No time was lost in settling down to serious work at the studies, and so we are able to report that our progress in this field has been excellent. Twenty boys from our class have generously sacrificed much of their spare time in order to prepare for the Junior Government Scholarship Examination to be held in December. We hope that success will crown the efforts of each and every one.

Every day a record of our lessons is taken and at the end of each month, places in class are allotted according to the result. Kevin Maher seems to be immovable as Class Leader for the month. However, Anthony Lewis, Richard McArthur and Terry Fitzpatrick maintain that they are ready to take over in the near future. Among our new arrivals we have seen some really good students. High on the list appear the names of Doug Anderson, Gavan Bourke, Terry Cain, Brian Godfrey, Terry Goss and Kevin Willey.

Minor ailments have made their presence felt amongst us. Des Williams, Paul Dowdell and Pat Hanrahan were obliged to spend a few days in bed. We are pleased to see them "on deck" once more. When Michael Martin was found prostrate in the Infirmary, somebody suggested that the night out with Jim O'Beirne had something to do with his indisposition.

After school hours, cricket has absorbed much of our attention. Among our Bradmans and Lindwalls we rank Gavan Bourke, Pat Irwin, Frank Hurley, Peter Butler, Bill Drake and John Groutsch. Pat Irwin has a century to his credit, while Peter Butler is our baby wonder. Our representatives in rowing crews are reported to be doing well. Barry Pedler and Frank O'Donnell have won their place in one of the crews, while Alf Broad and Michael Martin sit back and give them all the advice.

Frank Hurley is prepared to give advice to any person wishing to get rid of stray dogs. However, he himself has not met with much success up to the present.

Saturday morning school offers no difficulties for Bill Drake and Michael Martin. They simply enjoy every moment of it.

Terry Goss was indeed a proud man when a little boy, called Spencer, addressed him as uncle. He says that the burden of caring for his nephew is turning his hair grey.

Richard McArthur intends entering for the Stawell Gift after his brilliant race at Wendouree.

Joseph Gallagher seems to have swallowed a packet of gramophone needles. The result has not yet worn off. Gee! How some people can talk!

Strong objections were raised when John Gelder addressed Michael Hayes as "Lasy Hasie." He—Michael of course—certainly was right in doing so.

Kevin Maher and Peter Butler—both age ten—are the babies of the Class.

The First XVIII will not be short of ruck men with Brian Godfrey, Eamon Lenaghan and Barry Angus on the spot. Kevin Willey thinks he will be a good prospect for the position, too.

If you should be spending a Saturday afternoon at Pakenham be sure to have a talk with Gavan Bourke beforehand.

Terry Cain believes in spending his spare moments for the purpose of advancing his artistic ability.

It certainly was a tragic day for John Donovan when his name was mistaken for that of John Danaher.

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Our twins, John and Don Hoare, have taken to the long trousers and so have taken their place among the men of the room.

Robert Whitefield is now known as "The boy with all the curls."

With our budget of news and views exhausted, we say farewell to all our readers till next term.

FIRST YEAR

Ron Tardrew is starting his seventh year at St. Pat's. R. Dobson, G. Funston, P. Brown and F. Maloney are in their fifth year. Frank Moloney is a keen cricketer. He is a good all-rounder and is never far behind when the athletic season comes along. Brian Pekin is becoming the centre of a chin-wagging group. M. Fulton is a full time member but A. Foley finds it difficult to attend meetings. G. Trainor played the part of Prince Charming in a production of "Snow White" at Christmas. Tony Redmond no longer thinks a dog in the bed is worth two in the kennel. His motto now is "Once bitten, twice shy!" M. Shea can always be found, either on the handball courts or riding "Scotty" around the paddock.

Noel McArdle is very fond of archery and for a junior, performs well with the bow and arrow. R. Dobson gets great fun out of his collection of Dinky toys. Alan Pigott recently came from India. He is very keen on his school work and is interested in all kinds of sport.

Reg Haintz has shown good form at cricket. He has taken five wickets in an over and his highest score is 42. Irwin McGenniss must have an orange grove somewhere. John and Basil Threlfall, when not kicking football, can usually be found playing table tennis. Lynn Murrell is a keen player of "Jerks." He gets in much useful practice each evening with M. Dinley and K. Fraser.

New boys to S.P.C. in our class are: L. Murrell, Casterton; R. Haintz, Dean; M. Hanrahan, Bungaree; G. Trainor, Ballarat; M. Kelly, Ballarat; W. Crowe, Myrtleford; F. Lloyd, Sea Lake; T. Gillard, Junortoun; P. Deagan, Brunswick; D. Mahoney, Camperdown; T. Jess, Buangor; G. Mauldon, Ballarat; P. Collins, Ballarat; G. Cameron, Finley; J. Williams, Lismore; John and Basil Threlfall, Ballangeich; J. McKinnon, Beulah; J. Hurley, Kyabram; W. Jeffrey, Ballarat; B. Morgan, Ballarat; B. Joyce, Willaura; A. Pigott, Ballarat; J. Shanahan, Dennington; M. Fulton, Kirkstall; J. Coswello, Ballarat; G. Green, Dromana; O. Kehoe, Ballarat; M. McDonald, Waubra; B. Martin, Ballarat; P. Rasdell, Learmonth; F. Doherty, Ballarat; D. Hunter, Ballarat; F. Caulfield, Skipton; and C. Dooley, Learmonth.

FIFTH AND SIXTH

When school resumed in February, an all-time "high" was reached as regards numbers. In all, fifty-two pupils, some happy, many, alas, very sad and woebegone, scrambled for desks. After a lot of squeezing and manipulating, all were finally settled in.

The following are "brand new" boys to St. Pat's—Geoffrey Buttler, from Corindhap; Peter Harman, from Glenthompson; Geoffrey Harman, from Harcourt; John Hogan, from Wallan East; Eddie Lomer, from Balattum; John Molan, from Terang; Michael Stokie, from Glenthompson; Howard McNamara, from Melbourne; John Murphy, from Balranald; William and Kevin Bell, from Melbourne; John Sullivan, from Gippsland; Mario Russo, from Melbourne; Denis Wright, from far-away Nauru; Stanley Webb and Michael Mason, from Ballarat. We bid each and every one of these a very hearty welcome to St. Pat's, and hope that their

stay here is a long, happy and successful one. We hope, too, that they will distinguish themselves in some way or other, so that they will get many more references in these pages.

Cricket ruled the ovals this term, and we would like to congratulate the First Eleven on their great victory in the B.P.S. We were all very proud of them, especially Kevin Hogan and John Elliott, who made century making this year quite a common occurrence. The very best wishes of the class go to the crew which will represent St. Pat's in the Head of the Lake. At time of writing, the boat race is a week off. Quite a number of junior teams represented St. Pat's this year in games against the other schools. We congratulate the following Fifth-and-Sixthers who made the teams—Brian Maw, John Hogan, Bernie Elliott, Howard McNamara and Michael Smith. Congratulations also to John Murphy, Kevin Bell, Francis Doble, Bill Blayney, Garry Coutts, Bernie Elliott, Billy Bell and Garry Gemmola, who helped McCarthy House win the premiership on St. Roch's.

In Grade VI, tests held weekly resulted as follows: Bill Dobson, 24 points; John Bongiorno and Paul Rice, 17 each; Paul Kierce, 15; Michael Hutchison, 12; John Noonan, 10; Peter McDonald, 5; Tommy Evans and Peter Whelan, 3 each and Stan Webb, 1.

In Grade V, the results were: George Pell, 29 points; Paul Quinlan, 23; Robert Coutts, 17; Garry Gemmola, 10; Darryl Jenkins, 7; Warren McGenniss and John Sullivan, 5; Darryl Scarff and John O'Brien, 3 each; Laurie Bissett and Michael Mason, 2 each; and Michael Faulkner, 1.

Congratulations to all the above for gaining points, and let us hope that the thirty who, so far, have failed to score, will "pull their socks up" and do so before long.

Boys whose work for the Missions earned them a high place on the Honour Roll were: Warren McGenniss, Garry Gemmola, Francis Doble, Bill Blayney, Laurie Bissett, John Bongiorno, Paul Rice, Peter Whelan, George Henley, John O'Brien, Robert Scott, Brian Maw, George Pell and Geoff Butler.

We were sorry to hear that Michael Faulkner and Brian Sheehan had to spend so much valuable school time in hospital. Brian is back with us again minus an appendix, and we trust that Michael will soon be up and about again.

Well that just about completes our news items for this issue, so, until the next, we say "Cheerio!"

THE JUNIORS—1951

The Junior room grades are lower this year, being only 34 in number. With the exception of Tom Murphy, from Balranald, the Fourth Grade are the S.P.C. Thirds of last year. They can proceed without interruption. On the other hand, the present Thirds have only four of our S.P.C. Seconds. The rest are mainly boys from Convent Schools.

Happiness and progress are on their way. I noticed where a representative man recommended drilling games to make children army minded. I also recommend drilling, but my game is played with tables and not wooden ones, but 2 to 12 times tables. The more drill the greater the automatic control on the speedway. Parents are ideal "Cops" for these speedways. The irregular attendance of a few pupils put these children to an unfair disadvantage in trying to pick up what has been missed. Individual text books in all subjects this year make it possible for parents to assist the irregular pupil as it is not always possible for the teacher to hold back the rest of the class.

GRADE IV. Most of the Fourths have settled down to do their best.

When John Coughlan realises life is more than a joke he may do better work. The sooner the better. Selwyn Shore could be a little higher than he is and Joseph Sang could be top if he attended regularly. Denis Faulkner is passing through stage-fright at the fourth standard but we know he will cure himself soon. I'll be disappointed if not. Ron Burzacotti ties himself into the tightest knot I know, almost strangling himself in confusion. Calm attention to lesson given is easier Ron. Our Balranald Tom, shy and mannerly, would put up with anything rather than tell you he doesn't understand. Don't let the city put it over Tom. The Country Party often decides matters. John Byrne is trying harder to be a regular scholar. The spelling book would like a half-hour talk with you each night, John. It can tell you a lot you don't know, John. Kerry Anderson hasn't quite made up his mind whether he will try for top or not. The chance may pass, Kerry. Lindsay started off better but hasn't the sense to watch his actions to give him strength to pursue victory. The same can be said of Michael Duck. Brian Bongiorno, another irregular attender, could do some good work if more force were used. Robert McArthur has not yet come to his senses. He should be the best but so far is not even taking a pride in his writing. Noel Bortolin tries hard but is so easily upset by his playmate, John, who thinks of nothing else but play. Forget he is there, Noel. Geoffrey Bedford is trying to do better work. His tables are better but could improve.

THIRD. The last years, Denis, Brian, Maurice and Desmond, are trying to do good work this year. Maurice is still hopeless at spelling and composition. Less sport for you Maurice. Denis White is doing very good work and Brian Nolan is also trying hard particularly with his reading. Keep the spelling book near you after tea Brian. Des Bowd loses the best results of his work by his dreadful writing. Only practice will do the trick Des, and that out of school time. Of the newcomers, John Fitzpatrick won't be far behind with Peter Dobson and Tom Dickson running pretty close. Spencer Goss just reached the straight when he and Tommie collided with 'flu germs. Ian Slockwitch, who returned to have another look at us, is doing better work now his health has improved. Max and Tony pair are satisfied with one another's sympathy. They'll soon see that retreat is not worth the effort, when Peter passes them on skates. Brian Gallagher is finding how much he has lost, but he knows not where. He knows it should be in his head, but what cell I'm sure I don't know, says he! John Whybrow, a Melbourne boy, neat, calm and steady, plods the heavy track but soon he hopes to don the running shoes and then where will Denis be? The twins, Gavan and Michael Brown, such contrasts is so staggering. One right, one left, they make a siamese pair. With subjects the same. What one can do the other can't. Brendan Hickey, a local lad, finds a little exertion brings results, and in the Third he'll stay.

GRADE II. The baby grade has two first communicants—Daniel Hickey and Robert Sutherland. All steadily mount the tiresome ladder

RESULTS OF TERM EXAMINATIONS. Fourth: Christian Doctrine, Selwyn Shore; Class Position: 1, Kerry Anderson; 2, Selwyn Shore; 3, Joseph Sang; 4, John Byrne. Third: Christian Doctrine, Denis White. Class Position: 1, Denis White; 2, John Fitzpatrick; 3, Tony Brauer; 4, Des Bowd.

MISSIONS. The St. Peter the Apostle Mission Fund is £6/10/. This is lower than other terms. But our numbers are less, too. The St. Vincent de Paul's donation was only 15/-. I hope parents will notice this and spare an odd donation now and again to the Mission Fund. Christianity among the native races would be the strongest arm against the Communist armies. The St. Peter the Apostle Mission Fund trains native priests for native people.

SPORT. Cricket: The Thirds beat the Fourths on the cricket field at S.P.C. The Villa Match the Fourths had a win, whilst the Fiftths and Thirds lost. Wet weather prevented the return match. Football: The two teams will be in full swing before the term holidays commence.

MOTHERS' CLUB. Special thanks are due to the parents of the children who formed themselves into a club to entertain the teams on the sporting field. These include Mesdames O'Brien, Gemmola, Kennedy, Shore, Bedford, Coutts, White, Morris, Burke, Faulkner, McArthur, Bongiorno, Henley, Brown and Taranto. The other mothers and fathers, too, are welcome to join the club and spur on their lads in the field of healthy sports. Even a father coach would be welcomed by the teacher.

SALVE ATOQUE VALE

Kevin Murphy, from Mildura, stands alone—he is the only new boy to join the ranks of the Matriculation Class at S.P.C. Kevin is a keen student and is a member of the Second XI., in which he plays a conspicuous role. There are also rumours that he is a capable footballer. He hopes to become a priest after he leaves school. Best of luck, Kevin.

On the other hand, there are many to whom we must bid adieu. This is not any easy task for they were good companions, all of them imbued with the spirit of St. Pat's. Pride of place must, perforce, be given to our ex-students who have gone to study for the priesthood. John S. Martin, John McKinnon, Gerard Dowling and Bill McCarthy have commenced their training at Corpus Christi College, Werribee. John Graham, Peter Malone and Leo Donnelly have also entered a seminary. These unselfish souls have given up their lives to the service of God in the China Missions.

This year saw only two of last year's Matriculation class enter the University. Our congratulations and best wishes go to Gerard Joyce and Brian Meade. Both Gerard and Brian are doing First Year Medicine. St. Pat's is well represented in the Teachers' Colleges now, both in Melbourne and in Ballarat. Frank Fitzpatrick and John Heffernan are both studying at the Melbourne Teachers' College while in Ballarat we have, among others, Brian and Terry Nunan, Russell Gallagher and Laurie Wheelahan.

Does anyone require a pharmaceutical chemist? In a few years he will be able to choose from last year's crop of budding pharmacists—Chris Haintz, Bill Robinson, John Grogan and Brian Nunn. John Buckley is doing a Surveying Course this year. Brian Brewer, Brian Moloney (who figured in football training at Carlton recently) and Gerald Gleeson are helping their parents in their various businesses. Graeme Sweeney is spending 1951 on a farm in the Western District. John Morganti is pursuing his studies whilst he gains valuable experience in his father's office. Leo Walsh is going into a contracting business in partnership with his brother, Laurie.

Thus are our recent old boys employed in a diversity of occupations this year. They have our best wishes for the professions they have chosen and we hope they will be happy in them. By now we have almost become accustomed to their absence, but their memory lives on forever in the hearts of those that knew them, and once more, therefore, we bid them a heartfelt adieu.

—G. HACKWILL.

A LETTER RECEIVED FROM FR. ASKEW. M.S.C.

NAGOYA,
JAPAN.
January-March, 1951.

Right now, at the end of March, the sight of cherry blossoms replaces the snow, and the sound of the steel welder succeeds that of the pick and shovels on our new Monastery.

Our acquaintance with Nagoya began at 01.00 hours on the morning of January 15th—a Monday—after 12 hours in the express from Kure. We were met at Nagoya central by Rev. Fr. Martin Malloy, U.S. Army Chaplain, who introduced us to some of the nicest coffee this side of Cape York. Two jeeps took us and our gear through the dark cold to our nine acre block on the other side of the city. On rising we could get some idea of our new home-to-be. American bombs had blown up the former Imperial Weaving and Dyeing Works, to make way for the M.S.C.

Eight acres were in the process of being cleared. We were installed in a fine little house in the corner of the property—three bed-rooms, living room and kitchen. The spare room has been taken by Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and the two of us are comfortably installed until August in this cosy "Monastery." Fr. Bryson was with us for a week—seven whirling days in which he accomplished practically everything.

When he departed, he left behind him a real "home," complete with cook and curtains. On the way home from seeing him off, we saw our first snow-fall, since then we have got rather blasé about snow-falls.

January 29th was the day for the official blessing of the house by Monsignor Peter Matsuaoka, the Prefect Apostolic, and we had half a dozen clergy as our guests. Next day we got down to our main job—a complete two-year course in Japanese.

After five years of being a priest in the Islands, becoming a Japanese student for a minimum of five hours a day makes the old pastoral muscles creak and wince a little. The hardest thing we have to do is to sit still and study—Japanese language, people, customs, morals.

Miss Margaret Mary Ogushi is a trained teacher, and a fine product of the Sacre Coeur Convent, Tokyo. I guess her example of what her other 84 million countrymen could become, plus the efficient grace of God, helps one to stick at the bewildering maze of barely-related sounds that goes for the Japanese language.

February 8th—a welcome bit of Aussie, in the shape of Fr. J. Philips, O.Carm., A.I.F. Chaplain, just back from muddy Korea, and intent on spending a few days of his brief leave with us.

A week later we decided to do something about the juvenile swarms that hung over our concrete fences while we kicked a size four football after classes (to keep warm). One Sunday we had 70 youngsters; the next day, almost 100, turning up for a game of rugger, soccer, volley-ball. Shaven heads, shabby clothes, wooden shoes and wide grins. Those unable to enter these revisions of Rafferty's Rules through lack of size, strong feet or buttons, or being merely female—this section strung poles across cement blocks and see-sawed away in safety.

Gradually we have got, in our after class time, two or three acres to look like an oval, and gradually, too, once perfect (and cold) strangers have become acquaintances and friends. Fr. Molloy, a true friend, has got baseball equipment for them. Japan's national game as well as America's.

Maybe baseball bats and footballs can lead them to the Completely Unknown God more quickly than a lot of other things. In any case, as elsewhere, it would seem to be the key to YOUTH—and Japan is still a man's country. In this country the best sections to work on, as a body,

would appear to be young men between the ages of 15 and 25, old enough to be serious, young enough not to have been poisoned by war propaganda (when the Army controlled Japanese education).

One fine University product comes to us for instruction—he runs his own Young Men's Club, but in trying to give them ethical principles he has drained his own knowledge and wants us to show him if Christ has the answers. There are many like him who want TRUTH and MORALITY, but do not know where to turn for it. He says that he is afraid to stop being busy—otherwise despair begins to loom up and he would appear, on the surface, to be a contented and prosperous young man. If he, and others like him, cannot hold their milieu, the Communists certainly will take all, as they are trying to do to his group.

February 25th—our first "public" Mass was among our first Catholic parishioners: the seven Matsumi's with a Catholic lineage on the mother's side that goes back to Francis Xavier. In our area of 250,000 people, there are about twenty Catholics. This quarter-million are crammed in an area of six by six miles, pressurised poverty for the most part. The feverish struggle for the bare needs of animal existence does not give God much of a chance.

Two of the most interesting festivals we have seen were the DOLL'S FESTIVAL and the SUMO (Japanese wrestling).

The Doll's Festival is somewhat of a pageant and part in honour of the daughters of the house. But the emphasis is on the Puppet Guests, the Emperor and Empress. In an alcove of the main room is staged an elaborate palace, with King and Queen, attendants, male and female, furniture, food and gardens (all in miniature) with exquisite and elaborate detail, colouring and beauty. The little girls dance and offer food, first to the Royal Guests and then to the human visitors. The many trays of food contain delicacies loved by the Japanese, but I found it more prudent to munch the peanuts instead of the raw fish-rolls stuffed with pink rice.

The Sumo wrestlers are giants of men, even by our standards, six-footers with packed volumes of muscle and folds of fat. Each bout takes roughly ten minutes—eight of which are taken up with ritual of ablutions, bows, salt casting and crouches. About 90 seconds are spent in the real job, grappling and shoving to put one another over the roped boundary line. The rich gowns, headgear and trappings of the tiny satin-slipped referees are arc-lighted by the knotted hair-do and rope loin girdle of the levering, lumbering heavyweights.

One final thing is the contrast to a place like Australia. Here over 80,000,000 human beings struggle to exist on a barren chain of islands, only one-sixth of which is cultivatable. Australia, by Japanese standards, does not know poverty. Most of the cities are Western-modern in appearance. In these, as in the country, inoculation, not sanitation, keeps the dysentery incidence down. The villages are not, generally, inviting places. The thin-walled houses must be very cold. Poverty as well as hard labour makes farming faces. In the Islands, I used to wonder why the Japanese Army never built camps like our soldiers, but would use a native village. Now I realise that a normal native village would seem somewhat luxurious and comfortable to the ordinary Japanese.

In this city of one million souls there are less than 1000 Catholics. However, Holy Week means the same to them as to us—

"Dear Fathers, we shall be very pleased if you will come for the purpose of a ceremony in the Saint-Week at Chikaramachi Church. We are determine, as follows, Father who he will to perform a ceremony. We should like it very much indeed if you could manage to come also. I am glad to come with your surplice and cassock." Someone besides ourselves has language troubles too. But we shall be there, to learn, as we do, from their profound reverence for the REAL Presence; and with our

Japanese fellow-Catholics, to pray for you all, God's friends and ours. Please pray and make sacrifices for us and Japan—neither history nor geography mention the "Great Wall of Japan"—which Christ's priests have not yet broken down. This is a land which, even tho' it knows not, badly needs Christ, his truth, hope and help—and, maybe too, His most convincing miracles.

A Happy and Gracefull Easter to all.

FATHER MAHER'S VISIT TO HIS ALMA MATER

Old Boy priests are always made welcome when they return to their Alma Mater, whether they be regular visitors or priests who have had a prolonged absence from the College. To the latter category we are now able to include the name of Father Maher, who attended the College from 1924-28, and for the past few years has been serving on the mission fields in the Nth. Solomon Islands. At the present time Father is on a brief holiday back in his homeland before he once more returns to the Islands to propogate the Catholic faith among the natives. Unfortunately, his health has been troubling him and his Bishop, Most Rev. Bishop Wade, S.M., sent him to Australia for treatment.

When the boys returned from the Easter vacation they hardly expected to receive such educational and informative entertainment as they did from Father Maher on the first evening back. The announcement that Father would relate a little of what actually goes on at a mission station, and that he would support his little talk with coloured picture slides was greeted with great approval by all. It is not often that we are fortunate enough to have such first hand information of how a missionary conducts his campaign for Christ among the heathen natives; and this chance of listening to Father Maher's lecture was eagerly anticipated.

In the Hall that evening both Brothers and boys were held by the interesting and enlightening talk by Father. Some of us, perhaps, learned for the first time how the Solomon Island mission operates; how many Priests and Brothers are in charge of the now docile and amiable natives; and how many natives were under the missionaries' tutelage. These and many other queries were answered for us, either directly or indirectly by Father's films and comments. We also became familiar with the methods of teaching the rudiments of Christianity to there likeable natives. Unlike many white people who claim to be Christians, the natives gave the impression that they realised, although perhaps not with full understanding, that the clergy were God's ministers and should be treated with full reverence and sincerity. They seemed to be very enthusiastic towards their new faith which was something real to them, so they conscientiously devoted much of their spare time to the erection of chapels that were a credit to their primitive building capabilities and their absence of materials.

This was but one of the many impressions formulated in the minds of the boys as they left the Hall after Father's lecture on a topic not previously completely familiar. In educating natives, simplicity in speech and mannerisms must be the principle means used by the missionaries, and the attentive audience while listening to Father, could not fail to notice the manner in which he elaborated on the various slides. Informative as they were panoramic, the pictures helped to bring home to us the very sacrificing work to which these men have devoted their lives. When Father, at the conclusion of the expository, asked for our prayers and support of the Holy Childhood, we felt sure that in the future we would wholeheartedly improve our spiritual and pecuniary efforts that may have become somewhat lax.

—J. F. MARTIN.

For many days after that evening, Father Maher became a well known and appreciated personality throughout the College that he himself once knew so well. Moreover, he became an enthusiastic supporter of our victorious cricket team during his period convalescence, and when it came time for him to return about God's work, he must have done so with a feeling of reluctance to once again disassociate himself with his Alma Mater.

All of our prayers go with Father Maher in his work on the mission field, and may God increase the number of vocations to assist him in his work.

—JOHN F. MARTIN.

LAST YEAR'S PUPILS : NOW CLERICAL STUDENTS

In 1950 when the Junior Seminary was opened, there were four Matriculation scholars who were residents, namely, John Martin and Gerard Dowling who intended to go on to Corpus Christi College, and Peter Malone and John Graham aspirants to St. Columban's Missionaries. As well as these, it was commonly known, though it was not confirmed, that two day boys, John McKinnon and Leo Donnelly, were anxious to follow on to Corpus Christi and St. Columban's respectively.

However, at the commencement of 1951, all of the above six entered the respective seminaries which they had intended to enter last year, to pursue their higher studies for their noble vocations. To the surprise of all, those going to the Werribee Seminary were joined by Bill McCarthy, who had continued on at S.P.C. like any other student, although the Junior Seminary had opened. Other last year's pupils who left the College for clerical studies at a Seminary were Ron Gipp (Inter), Philip O'Reilly (Sub-Inter), and Denis Fanning (Second Year), all of whom went to the Redemptorist Training College at Galong, N.S.W.

Fortunately John McKinnon and Leo Donnelly live locally, and John Martin lives quite close to Ballarat—he is one of the few inhabitants of Bungaree—and on behalf of these we were able to assemble and to express, by the mouth of our Principal, Br. Healy, our feeling, our good wishes, and our hopes in their regard. Similar good wishes were also expressed for those who were unable to be present. Each of the three present students in turn expressed his thanks and appreciation of the work and help given by the Christian Brothers and Alma Mater. Each asked to be remembered in our prayers and each promised to remember us. As they were leaving the hall after expressing farewell, the College War Cry rang out, giving vent to our feelings of unrestrained joy.

Now that these so recent old boys have begun their clerical studies, we hope and pray that they will persevere and that they will continue to the end. May they receive every grace and blessing from Almighty God and may they labour with unending and unerring success in His vineyard of souls.

—BRIAN E. GLEESON.



The Forum

SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

The inaugural meeting of this Society was held on March 4th, when the executive for the coming year was elected. From the ten nominations, Mr. G. Walsh was elected Secretary, whilst to help him in arranging the activities of the Society, Mr. G. Hackwill and Mr. K. Drake were elected to the Committee. At this meeting the President, Rev. Br. Healy, pointed out the need for and great importance of the Society and emphasised the more important rules of public speaking.

The Committee then drew up the agenda for the year, including debates, prepared speeches, a mock farewell, a Gospel discussion, a Catholic Evidence Hour and a mock coming-of-age.

At the time of the writing of this article, we have had only one debate: "Should Compulsory Military Training be Introduced into the School Curriculum," in which second year members of the Society took part. The Opposition, led by Mr. R. Ashkar, supported by Mr. W. Gunther and Mr. R. Lilburne, narrowly won this debate from the Government team—Mr. J. F. Martin, Mr. G. Hackwill and Mr. K. Drake.

This term activities will be limited to debates and prepared speeches in order to give everyone an opportunity of thinking on his feet before an audience. However, in the second term, those various social evenings outlined above will take the place of the prepared speeches.

From the outset it has been evident that we have speakers of good ability, in fact, both the winner and runner-up in last year's Purton Oratory Competition and two other finalists have returned to College. Thus we have every reason to believe that our Purton Oratory Contest for 1951, which will be held towards the close of the Second Term, will be contested with the enthusiasm which has been so evident in former years.

—GERALD WALSH, Secretary.



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Items of Interest

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

Our senior student at Werribee gives us news of St. Pat's representatives at Corpus Christi.

He tells us that five ex-students of S.P.C. are in the final stages of preparation for Ordination. The date fixed for this memorable day is July 22nd. Those who will be ordained on that date are: Rev. John Cross, Rev. Max Jongebloed, Rev. Frank Hickey, Rev. Kevin Sweeney and Rev. Pat Farrell. These men were ordained Deacons on March 19th. Because of his poor state of health, Bill Walsh's Ordination has been postponed.

Jim Kierce and Bill Dwyer will be ordained Sub-Deacons at the end of this year. Others at present studying theology are: Bob Markey, Nick Stafford, Brian Long, Vic Crennan and Pat Crudden. Those studying Scholastic Philosophy include John Barker, Brian McCormack, John Ware, Bill Melican, Frank Monaghan, Henry Nolan, Dan Arundell, Kevin Mogg, Damien Heath, Bob Connolly, John Kelly and Dick Caleo.

There are five Rhetoricians from St. Pat's this year and all have settled down to solid work. They are Kevin Warren, Bill McCarthy, Gerard Dowling, John Martin and John McKinnon.

On the sporting arena St. Pat's also holds its own. The inter-faculty cricket afforded scope for the following: Rev. Frank Hickey, Brian Long, Vic Crennan, Pat Crudden and Bill McCarthy. Rev. Kevin Sweeney and Kevin Mogg played very well in the inter-faculty tennis. Kevin Mogg in particular played some outstanding tennis.

In these times when the shortage of vocations is a matter for grave concern, St. Pat's is doing her part nobly. At present there are 129 students at Corpus Christi. Of these, 30 are ex-students of St. Pat's.

May God bless the work of the Brothers and boys, and may He deign to call many more boys to His service in the Priesthood.

Congratulations to Rev. Fr. J. Molony ordained at Rome 21st December. In a recent letter to the Principal, Fr. John said: "Thanks very much for your cable. I assure you, I deeply appreciated the fact that my Ordination was of interest to St. Pat's. Your cable was, after that from home and the Bishops, the one that meant most to me."

CUTTING FROM THE BALLARAT "COURIER," DEC. 15th LAST— S.P.C. EX-STUDENT GETS BRONZE MEDAL: MINE SHAFT DRAMA

To see, hear and feel 80 tons of loose rock and earth crashing down while climbing up a rope in a pitch black mineshaft was the lot of First Constable Tom A. O'Halloran, 39, of Walwa, Vic., on September 16, 1949.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. O'Halloran, of Carlyon's Hotel, Sturt Street, Ballarat, Const. O'Halloran was on Wednesday presented with the Royal Humane Society's bronze medal for recovering the body of Edmund Ernest Murphy, 59, from a mine shaft at the Fluorspar mine, Walwa. Telling the story yesterday, Const. O'Halloran, an ex-student of St.

Patrick's College, Ballarat, said that he only did what any of the other four men with him would have done.

"I went down the shaft because I had to give Murphy a chance if he were alive." Going down the shaft almost cost Constable O'Halloran his life, for it was fate alone which saved him. The shaft was situated well inside the hill, there being a drive for a distance of 100 yards, and then another running at right angles for another 100 yards. At the end of that was the 100 ft. deep shaft, and 40 feet down it was Murphy, caught in some rocks, and with only one leg visible in the weak light from a hurricane lamp.

16 MILES, 15 MINUTES

"Murphy was working in the shaft at the time, and the only word I got was that he was trapped. Luckily I had my car outside the home, and with some friends we covered the 16 miles in about 15 minutes," Const. O'Halloran said.

"The shaft wasn't timbered, and as I went down one rope, with another to tie around his leg, I could see that the shaft was dangerous. There was a big overhang, and small rocks and dirt kept rolling down.

"That's why, after I had tied the rope around his leg, I went back for a shovel, bucket and more rope. I don't know why I went up, because I called out and told the men above what I wanted, but it's just as well I did," he continued.

"I was halfway up the shaft when the big fall occurred, and I was caught by the legs for a while. I went back again after about five minutes, but you couldn't do anything. Murphy was completely covered, and I think the fall killed him.

"We didn't get him out for three hours after that, and then it was necessary to come in through another old drive and shaft underneath," Const. O'Halloran said.

With 15½ years in the police force, Const. O'Halloran, who is married, has been stationed at Walwa for the past five years. He has never been stationed in Ballarat, the closest being at Trentham.

(Old Collegians of Tom's period at College will be very interested in the above newspaper cutting.)

LINDSAY HASSETT'S VISIT

Sunday, 18th March, was a memorable day for S.P.C., and in particular for the sporting enthusiasts of the College. It was the much awaited day on which Lindsay Hassett, Australian Test Captain and outstanding and most popular sportsman, visited us with a cricket team composed mainly of District XI. cricketers.

To most of us who had followed his outstanding deeds on the cricket field, Lindsay Hassett was almost an idol. It was therefore a great thrill for the supporters and a great honour for the First XI to be able to watch and play against this "giant." Even before he went on to the field, Lindsay was besieged by admirers, and at one time he had a big queue waiting for his autograph. Amateur photographers were also in their element and they kept the Captain continually posing.

As for the game itself, St. Patrick's batted first and made a reasonable total, Brian Murray top scoring with a well made 20 retired. A highlight of the innings was the fact Lindsay Hassett bowled, and actually he opened the bowling!

The opening batsmen for the visitors were both opening batsmen in their respective District first elevens. They were Ken Aldenhaven, a

former pupil of the College, and Solomons the St. Kilda opener, and these two batsmen soon passed St. Patrick's total.

Soon, however, the big attraction of the day, Hassett, came in to bat. Lindsay quickly showed us how he has become Australia's best batsman and probably the best batsman in the world, and so it was a great honour for slow bowler Bernie Lamaro when he had Hassett out caught.

After the game Hassett gave an address to the players, and congratulated our team on its splendid fielding, which, he said, was as good as he had seen anywhere, and so ended a day which will be long remembered by the boys of S.P.C.

—GERALD WALSH.

SPEECH DAY—1950

On Sunday, 10th December, the College once again held its Annual Speech Day and Distribution of Prizes on the lawn in the quadrangle, near the Grotto. The elements were kind to us, and the day was perfect with a warm sun beneath a cloudless blue sky. The Ballarat City Band supplied an excellent programme of classical band music during the afternoon. Many parents of the boys, and friends of the College, had accepted our invitation to be present, and with such glorious sunshine smiling on us, some 1500 to 2000 people had assembled on the green. People had journeyed from Melbourne and beyond, and from many country districts.

His Lordship the Bishop presided, and he was accompanied by his Secretary, Rev. Fr. Fiscalini; the Inspector of Schools, Rev. Fr. Shelley; the Administrator, Rev. Fr. P. O'Dowd; and many priests of Ballarat. At the conclusion of a very interesting concert of music, song, gymnastics and magic scena, the final of the Mrs. Jones' Vocal Solo Contest was held. The winner of the beautiful cup, presented by Mrs. Jones, was Master P. Morris, whose beautiful soprano voice was heard to excellent effect in "The Pipes of Pan." Then the Principal, Rev. Br. Healy, presented to His Lordship an exhaustive report of the College. This very comprehensible report lamented the fact that, owing to the cost of building the new Chapel, a grave problem had arisen concerning funds. There was not sufficient money with which to build the Chapel so urgently required. During the past few years the numbers of boarders had increased yearly, and in 1950 it reached a new record—the total number of boarders for that year being 280. Here, the report stressed the fact, that private and

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denominational schools, though they performed a very necessary national service, yet they, even now, existed without aid from the Government. The report claimed that the year had been a most successful one, and that high hopes were held for record academic successes in all classes at the forthcoming public examinations. The report finished, His Lordship distributed valuable scholastic and sporting prizes.

Then His Lordship delivered his address. In it, he referred to the words of the Principal concerning the right of non-State Schools to demand Federal aid, so generously given to State Schools. His Lordship also emphasised the fact that non-State Schools were important to Australia, because one brand of education, in fact, one brand of anything was not good.

When His Lordship's address was concluded, Mr. Con Whelan, ex-pupil dentist from Donald, very suitably moved a vote of thanks to His Lordship for his great interest in the College, and for presiding over the function that afternoon.

—V. S. STRANGIO.

THE FINAL BANQUET—1950

On Tuesday, 12th December, 1950, the boarders gathered for the final banquet of the year. This banquet would be remembered for years to come, as for many, it was to be their last banquet at S.P.C.

The priests present at the banquet were Rev. Frs. Fiscalini, Bohan, Morrissey, C.S.S.R., and Fr. Ryan, C.S.S.R. Rev. Br. Healy, the Principal, accompanied by Br. O'Malley and Br. Howard, was also present. Other visitors were Mr. Mullens, M.H.R., Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Hackwill and Mr. Halliburton.

After Fr. Fiscalini said grace we sat down to a delicious banquet and in no uncertain manner we set to work to demolish the good things on the tables. With most dishes bare, the speeches commenced. Br. Healy explained the importance of these terminal banquets and he stressed the significance of this final gathering for 1950. He welcomed us to the dinner which he said was tendered by the Principal and the Brothers as a token of good will with much gratitude to the boys for their co-operation during the year.

The first toast of the evening was proposed by John Martin, in honour and the priests for their loyal service to the College. He thanked especially Fr. Fiscalini, our Chaplain, and Fr. Shelley, Inspector of Schools, who are always eager to help. In his reply to this toast, Fr. Fiscalini remarked that in his nine years at the College he had not seen a finer senior class.

The next toast, the Alma Mater, was ably proposed by our Head Prefect, Chris Haintz. The Principal Rev. Br. Healy, replied to this toast. He, too, endorsed Fr. Fiscalini's remarks concerning the goodness of the senior boys. This was followed by Gavan Hackwill who proposed a toast to the sporting activities of the term. He congratulated the athletic team on its success in Ballarat and also its fine performance in Melbourne. He also congratulated the tennis champions, the tennis team and the hand-ball champions on their efforts. He referred to a new sport which had been introduced into the College in men's basketball. This American game, although difficult at first, has become very popular with the help of Br. Kely. The captain of the athletic team, Michael Molan, replied to this toast and he was supported by Br. O'Malley and Mr. Sheehan to whom much gratitude is due for their ceaseless efforts to mould a good team.

That evening we were honoured by having Fr. Morrissey, C.S.S.R., who recently celebrated his Silver Jubilee as a Redemptorist Father. Gerald Walsh proposed the toast, "Our Jubilarian." In his reply Fr.

Morrissey acknowledged the great debt he owed to S.P.C. He attributed his call to religion mainly to the Christian Brothers. In conclusion he thanked Gerald for his well-chosen words of congratulation.

Gerard Dowling then proposed a toast to Matron and staff for their untiring work in the kitchen. He also thanked Sister Durant, who was always ready to help in time of sickness. The good work of the staff at the laundry was also appreciated. Br. Healy replied to this toast from the chair, also endorsing Gerard's remarks.

The final toast of the evening, to the visitors, was proposed by Leo Donnelly. Although this was the last toast it was by no means the least important, and Leo made this point clear. He heartily welcomed the priests who are always welcome at S.P.C. In particular he greeted our jubilarian, Fr. Morrissey, on this happy occasion. He also named Br. Howard, Mr. J. Mullens, M.H.R., Mr. Hackwill, Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Halliburton all, as he said, staunch friends of S.P.C., and he was pleased to see them at this function. Br. Howard, an ex-pupil of S.P.C., but on this occasion a visitor from St. Kevin's, our friendly rivals, replied to this toast. He cordially thanked Leo for his words of welcome on behalf of all the visitors. Another Old Boy of the College, Mr. Mullens, M.H.R., seconded all that Br. Howard had said. Talented speaker as he is, he told in a somewhat humorous vein of his days at the College and his connection with the Brothers. He then inspiringly addressed the boys, especially those who were going out into the world. He urged them to be vocal when the need arose and not to take lying down what the enemies of God hurled at us.

This address was the final speech of the evening, and after which all joined in the singing of "Faith Of Our Fathers," Fr. Fiscalini said grace and the banquet was now over and another year at S.P.C. had closed.

—B. T. SHEAHAN.

THE SHOWER DERBY

What is the greatest sporting event of the year? What is the event which calls for speed, stamina and grit among the competitors? The Melbourne Cup you say, or perhaps the Boat Race? My poor disillusioned reader! You who have not dwelt within these College walls will not know and therefore you stand excused. However, all St. Pat's boys worthy of the name will acclaim with one voice, "The Shower Derby."

This classical event is backed by years of tradition and soap. Its name is almost obscured in a mellow mist of steam which has formulated through the ages. It is worthy to stand beside the original Olympic Games, where only honour was a laurel wreath, and perhaps a cold bath afterwards. The rules are contained in that authoritative publication, "Book of Rules" by Rafferty, in a special chapter on "Derbies," prefixed by an introduction from that eminent psycho-physiologist M. T. Cranium, who wrote that popular novel "Survival of the Fittest." In this contest, there is no place for him who cannot take it; who being knocked down and trampled on by half a dozen competitors cannot still leap up and stagger on shouting, "forward," even as his ancestors did at Waterloo—or, perhaps, was it Bath.

Let us watch the running of one of these historical events. The time is Friday at approximately 8.42 p.m. Quite possibly it is the thirteenth, and those born under Cancer the Crab could be more cautious in their actions today. The course is down the corridor past the refectory, around the clock corner and through the tuck lockers into the "seniors," where the field disperses into individual lockers. Like imprisoned waters which have burst their banks they surge out of the Chapel doors, down the



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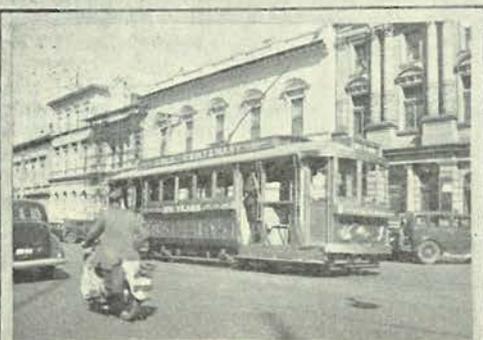


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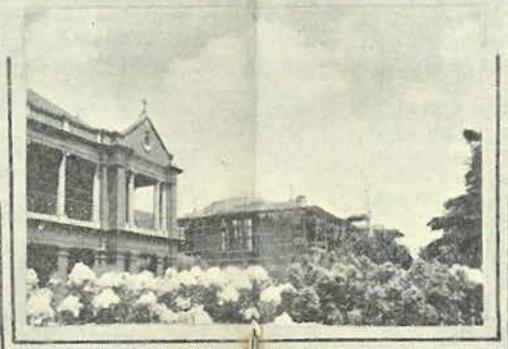


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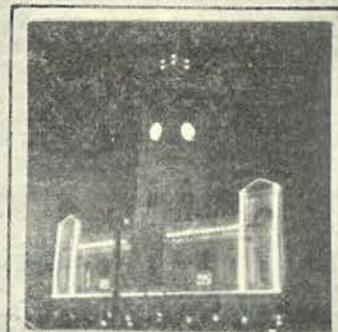
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refectory straight until the first hazard is encountered—the clock corner. The leaders check their speed and are promptly pushed in the back by those behind and are flung mercilessly on to the opposite wall, from whence they cannon off and return to the field as stragglers. At this juncture various garments, such as coats, ties and pullovers will be seen waving in the air like the banners of a St. Patrick's Day procession. It has been suggested that this corner be banked to make it more negotiable and to eliminate the danger that some day a contestant may proceed through the wall instead of turning the corner.

The entrance to the tuck lockers being narrow, causes some confusion and calls for cool-headedness and quick decisions if one is to stand on one's own feet. Generally, someone else is standing on them, and we warn newcomers against getting down on hands and knees to search for them. For those who do, the Infirmary is situated closeby, where Sister is always prepared for multiple fractures.

The tide sweeps on into the senior lockers, where we witness terrific acceleration as the leaders strike out for their respective lockers and prepare to shed their battle scarred uniforms. A singlet to the left, a shirt to the right, while a motley coloured shoe glides graciously from the frantic foot, rises majestically to the ceiling and, like a cloud of smoke, descends triumphantly to the floor below where it finds its owner has already departed. Like flashes of lightning figures dart forth from their respective lockers and rejoin the human tidal wave as it gathers speed to prepare for the final dash down the straight six (last six lockers) and the run to the judge. This is where that extra bit of speed tells, and those who are regular contestants in the event are experienced enough to know when to apply it.

The mass sweeps onwards, ever onwards. Suddenly there is a hideous cry of pain, a shrill call of delight, and then a direful lull as they slowly come to a standstill. We will now have a minute's silence for a junior who dared to walk through that ravenous horde of water worshippers! The leaders race for the finishing line and a dull thud followed by a gasping sigh signifies to the also-rans that somebody has chested the tape. The place-getters, quick to realise their defeat, discreetly resign themselves to the fact and quietly take their positions as they arrive behind the champion who triumphantly gazes down the long line of the vanquished. Perhaps you, my dear reader, may have had this feeling of arrogance and contempt for your defeated comrades, or were you one of those who fell by the wayside and were trodden underfoot.

And so another Shower Derby has been lost and won; to those who have won we extend our congratulations and hope its worth it—hot water in the showers. To those who lost we say, "bad luck," but don't be disheartened, a week in the Infirmary and you will be as fit as a fiddle to participate next Friday. As the Anzacs have been immortalised by their feats at Gallipoli, so the boys of St. Pat's have immortalised the event which will remain fixed in their minds long after they have left these protected walls—the Shower Derby.

—J. F. MARTIN.

THE COLLEGE CADET CORPS

Soon after we returned to our studies the first cadet parade for 1951 was held and many of the new cadets showed great eagerness to train. Once again the Corps is under the capable supervision of Captain Halliburton. His responsibility this year is somewhat increased as all, except one, R. Ashkar, of last year's Lieutenants have not returned to College. However, as well as the two Sergeants who attended the Lieutenants' Camp at Crow's Nest, Queenscliff, there were nine cadets attended the N.C.O.'s School at Lonsdale Bight during the Christmas holidays.

From these personnel, Captain Halliburton was notified of the following appointments: Sgt. J. Murray received a commission and is now a Cdt. Lieutenant, while Cadets F. Walsh, P. Brumby, J. Tobin, B. Gibson, J. Mason, J. Madden, B. Hanrahan, K. Bowden and M. Baird are now fully qualified N.C.O.'s. The last-named received an excellent report from the instructor and distinguished himself at the camp. Together with these, however, there are many experienced Sergeants back at the College including Sgts. G. Hackwill, K. Carey and B. Gleeson. Once again there are eight platoons in the regiment, each consisting of about 25 personnel.

Since our very capable Sgt.-Major, Brian Nunn, left school last year, it was necessary to appoint a new W.O.2. Sgt. W. Gallagher was selected. Although he has a big task ahead of him, he should be capable of it. Owing to the vacancies caused by the departure of St.Cpl. J. Fewster and the transference of St./Sgt. W. J. Bowman, the appointment of two new staff N.C.O.'s was necessary. However, with the announcement of the other new N.C.O.'s came the promotion of Cpl. V. G. Carey to the rank of Staff/Sgt. and the promotion of Cpl. G. W. Torney to the rank of Staff/Cpl. The Quarter Master's store is then in very capable hands.

As in previous years, bad weather and rowing have somewhat interfered with the parades. However, most platoons are making very steady but very pleasing progress. To the great satisfaction of the officers, most cadets are showing keen interest in their training and promise to live up to the ideals of St. Pat's and its Cadet Corps.

—STAFF/CPL. G. W. TORNEY.

FILM NEWS

The S.P.C. theatre still continues to be the Saturday night rendezvous of the students and in view of the excellent standard of the entertainment provided this term it should continue to be so for ages to come (or, maybe, until the machines break down). Settled in their warm, comfortable seats, the boys were pleased to spend a few hours each week before the "magic" of the Silver Screen.

So many good films were shown this term that it is difficult to choose the best, but "Joan of Arc," the portrayal of the life of the Saint, was acclaimed by many as the outstanding picture of the term. However, many others gave their vote to the M.G.M. masterpiece, "The Wizard of Oz," the film for the young and the young of heart. Nevertheless, there were others who preferred "In The Good Old Summertime," a musical starring Judy Garland and Gene Kelly.

There were many comedies, all of them good ones, presented. Perhaps most of us will remember Skyler in "Miss Tatlock's Millions." Bud Abbot and Lou Costello excelled in those hilarious comedies "Mexican Hayride" and "Meet The Ghosts." Another of the "Road" series was "Road to Rio," starring Bing, Bob and Dot. They were as entertaining as ever. "Isn't It Romantic" was probably the best support for the term. In fact, any film with Billy de Wolfe in it is good enough, in the opinion of our audience at least, to be a main picture. This film was absolutely a scream.

There was adventure a-plenty in those two great Westerns, "Fort Apache" and "Union Pacific." "They Passed This Way" was almost as good as and had a better story through it than the two mentioned above. Douglas Fairbanks was an admirable "Fighting O'Flynn." Alan Ladd starred in "Beyond Glory," one of his best films. Spencer Tracy and James Stewart excelled in "Malaya," the story of a valiant and successful effort to smuggle rubber from Japanese occupied Malaya. "Dynamite" was full of suspense from its tragic beginning to its very last scene. Other

good supports were "Shadow on the Wall," "Strange Bargain," "The Boy With The Green Hair" and "Inside Job."

"Emperor Waltz," a story set in the Alps and in the home of the waltz, was ably presented by Bing Crosby and Joan Fontaine. Bing acted the part of a travelling gramophone salesman and, of course, entertained us with his inimitable singing. "The Big Steal" and "The Sun Comes Up," a story of an orphan lad, were both films of a high standard.

In addition to these full length features there were many shorts. The weekly Cinesound News was very popular, especially that on the Third Test. However, all enjoyed the cartoons, Popeye, Tom and Jerry, and Barney Bear. All other shorts, notably the Pete Smith Specialties, were thoroughly enjoyed. In view of this fine programme it is likely that the St. Pat's theatre will be full every Saturday night next term, even though there may be occasional "break-downs."

—G. HACKWILL.

CAMERA CLUB

This year, due to the many interested amateurs of all ages and of varying degrees of skill, two Camera Clubs have been formed—a Junior and a Senior Club.

In the Senior Club we meet each Sunday at about 10.30 for a brief meeting when one or two of the basic facts of the game are put before us. Sometimes we even get around to learning about "trick photos" and how to make "nanoramas" (there's one in the centre page by John Simpson, our very capable and obliging Secretary).

We covered two important events this term, and recorded both with a multitude of photos. Firstly, Mr. Hassett's visit, and secondly the visit of the Pilgrim Statue.

Congratulations to the equal winners of our competition—N. Harris and J. Mason.

Our next venture is the taking of indoor shots. We are in the midst of creating a studio for portraits. If you desire your likeness recorded, visit us and we shall oblige (for a moderate fee, of course!).

DIARY — MEMORABLE DAYS

FEBRUARY—

Tuesday, 13th—St. Pat's offers a hearty welcome to both old and new.

Wednesday, 14th—The first school-day in the new year. All enjoyed the picture show of the evening, "They Passed This Way."

Thursday, 15th—First XI aspirants hard at training on the oval.

Saturday, 17th—Usual pictures in the evening—good show.

Sunday, 18th—Ballarat shows its true form—match against Richmond H.A.C.B.S. abandoned after heavy rain.

Monday, 19th—No cadets—rain.

Wednesday, 21st—House teams selected.

Thursday, 22nd—Cricket matches in progress on all ovals.

Saturday, 24th—Ballarat Regatta attracts many students. The film of the evening is "Mexican Hayride."

Sunday, 25th—Music for the People and the Centenary Train provide big draw-cards.

Monday, 26th—Cadet kit inspection—no parade.

Tuesday, 27th—Send-off to three Werribee students. Good luck, John Martin, Leo Donnelly and John McKinnon.

MARCH—

Thursday, 1st—Grand exodus to the drill hall for cadet kit.

Friday, 2nd—First B.P.S. match against College. S.P.C. in a winning position.

Saturday, 3rd—Match at College continues. Outright win for St. Pat's. Usual pictures in the evening, "The Boy with Green Hair."

Sunday, 4th—Ballarat Railways defeat First XI after exciting match. Monday, 5th—Prefects announced. Initial Cadet Parade.

Wednesday, 7th—Earnest rowers are seen on the Lake. Hopes are high for a win this year.

Friday, 9th—Second cricket match gets away to a fine start at Grammar. The highlight is John Elliott's century.

Saturday, 10th—Victorian Archery Championships on the main oval. S.P.C. win outright against Grammar.

Sunday 11th—Archery continues on the Hill. St. Pat's beaten by Kerang—Dr. Wally Moon's team.

Monday, 12th—No cadets. No holiday.

Tuesday, 13th—Weather very fine.

Friday, 16th—First XI play High School.

Saturday, 17th—St. Patrick's Day: High Mass in the Cathedral. J. Elliott misses century. Match won outright.

Sunday, 18th—Great day for S.P.C. Lindsay Hassett comes to St. Pat's. Boys become autograph and photo crazy.

Monday, 19th—All thoughts centred on the Easter vacation.

Tuesday, 20th—Holiday spirit pervades.

Wednesday, 21st—Easter holidays have begun—only fifteen boys remain at College.

Thursday, 22nd—Holy Thursday.

Friday, 23rd—Good Friday. Passing trains disturb the "sleep" of J. Martin and J. James at 4 a.m.

Saturday, 24th—Holy Saturday.

Sunday, 25th—Easter Sunday.

Tuesday, 27th—What do you think happened today?

Wednesday, 28th—Father Maher entertains us in the Hall with lantern slides of the Solomon Islands.

Friday, 30th—The second round commences with the match against College.

Saturday, 31st—Another outright win; J. Elliott, 168 not out, gives a brilliant display of batting.

APRIL—

Sunday, 1st—St. Kevin's defeated but K. Hogan misses his century at 96.

Monday, 2nd—Rain—no cadets.

Tuesday, 3rd—Roll-call and class photos.

Thursday, 5th—Rain, rain and more rain.

Friday, 6th—Match against Grammar abandoned.

Saturday, 7th—St. Pat's Day races. College almost deserted. All enjoy "Malaya."

Sunday, 8th—S.P.C. defeat St. Joseph's, Geelong. Kevin Hogan scores brilliant century. Many attended the procession at St. Patrick's Cathedral in honour of Our Lady of Fatima.

Monday, 9th—Our Lady of Fatima comes to St. Pat's in all her splendour. The statue remains for three hours. Solemn procession through the grounds. Half-holiday delights all.

Wednesday, 11th—House cricket abandoned after rain.

Friday, 13th—Pitch under water. No play.

Saturday, 14th—Match abandoned. S.P.C. are B.P.S. champions. The picture of the evening is "Union Pacific."

Sunday, 15th—Fete at St. Pat's Hall. Many attend.

Monday, 16th—Glorious sunshine—welcome respite after cold snap.

Tuesday, 17th—Farewell to Gilbert Medwell before his trip to England. Presentation of an inscribed wristlet watch from the College.
 Wednesday, 18th—Football again well to the fore.
 Thursday, 19th—Farewell concert to Rev. Fr. Fiscalini before his departure for Europe.
 Saturday, 21st—Boat Race Day. Old Boys' Dance in the evening.
 Sunday, 22nd—Old Boys' Reunion. Football match between old and present boys.

—V. A. STRANGIO.

SISTER H. DURANT

After very loyal and efficient service to the College for four years, Sister Helen Durant left us to nurse her sick mother. We trust that Sister Durant's mother will improve and will soon become well again.

Sister's work during her time here was most satisfactory. The hundreds whom she nursed and for whom she did so many kind acts join with the Brothers and the present pupils in a sincere "Thank you, Sister Durant, for many services."

We wish Sister and Mrs. Durant and Ian and Geoff an abundance of Heaven's choicest blessings.

FR. L. FISCALINI FAREWELLED COLLEGE CHAPLAIN GOES OVERSEAS

A few days prior to his departure for Rome and Europe, Fr. L. Fiscalini was farewelled at a most enjoyable entertainment in the College Hall.

For some weeks it was known that Fr. Fiscalini must go to Rome "on official business." He sailed actually on Boat Race Day, having left Ballarat on the Friday before. Travelling on the "Himalaya" with Fr. Fiscalini is Right Rev. Mgr. Galligan. The two are life-long friends and bosom companions and a pleasant time is ensured for both.

Our little concert commenced at 7.30 with a musical overture by Mrs. Olsen at the piano and Ken Johnson on the drums. This item was most enjoyable and sent the concert off to a good opening. The Junior Choir rendered its two songs from St. Patrick's Night Concert, viz., "Erin the Tear" and "Love's Young Dream." The chording here was delightful and the blend and tonal quality excellent. Rimón Ashkar next entertained with one of his many recitations. Rimón gave "A Deck of Cards." His sympathetic rendering of this stirring poem won his good applause. A vocal solo was next by Peter Morris. Peter sang "Stars are the Windows of Heaven" with good taste and he clearly demonstrated that he is a boy soprano of rare excellence.

Gerald Walsh was heard next in a pianoforte solo. Gerald played selected numbers and his rendering left little to be desired. He was followed by Peter Sheehan who treated us to a flute solo. Peter played Toselli's "Serenade" and for encore he gave the "Starlight Serenade." He gave a very rhythmic reading throughout and his playing was enhanced by Mrs. Olsen's faultless accompaniment. Frank Nolan, a baritone, was the next item. Frank won rounds of applause and he was compelled to sing several encore numbers. He rendered in masterly fashion "Old Man Ribber" and "Lucky Old Sun" and repeat numbers. The concert was concluded by the Matriculation Choir. These boys opened with that delightful number, "Love's Old Sweet Song." The resonant singing of these young men was very pleasant and their rollicking rendition of "Janathan Jones"

won them much applause. Geoff Torney sang the solo sections of this happy number and the item passed to the entire satisfaction of all.

Fr. Fiscalini was given a rousing reception when he followed the Principal on to the stage. He was accompanied by his old teacher and dear friend, Br. O'Malley, by Fr. Sexton who would be Chaplain during his absence and by the Head Prefect, Master John Elliott.

Br. Healy said that St. Patrick's College owed a very real debt to Fr. Fiscalini for ten years of loyal and unselfish service as resident Chaplain. Fr. Fiscalini was the first resident Chaplain. He was appointed in the Superiorship of Rev. Br. Mackey, now Provincial of the Christian Brothers, and Br. Mackey fully appreciated his worth. Year in and year out, from early morning till late at night, Fr. Fiscalini was at the service of the Brothers and boys of the College. No labour was too great no sacrifice too much if the interests of the College were at stake. The Principal referred to his own personal association with Fr. Fiscalini and with his good parents and his brothers. He knew them to be remarkably religious family, well respected in Ballarat and highly esteemed by the Priests because of their loyal service in their parish. Br. Healy expressed the wish that Father's departure would be but temporary. He knew no one better fitted for the work of Chaplain than the guest of honour that evening. Father's scholarship, his keen insight, and his fairmindedness make him admirably suited for his position at the College.

Br. Healy's remarks were supported by Bro. O'Malley who made favorable comments on Father's College days. Br. O'Malley knew none among his ex-students more conscientious than Fr. Fiscalini. He, too, expressed the wish that Father's time away from College would be but temporary. John Elliott paid glowing tributes to Fr. Fiscalini. He saw in him, he said, much to be admired, much for which we must respect him. The boys regarded Father as the ideal Priest and an ex-pupil of whom any College could be justly proud.

The Principal then made a presentation on behalf of the Brothers and boys. He gave Father what he himself would wish, a set of new Breviaries suitably inscribed. He then called on Fr. Fiscalini to reply. Prolonged applause greeted Father when he rose to speak. He very sincerely thanked Br. Healy for the dinner which he and the Brothers had tendered him and for the presentation which he had just received. He would cherish the breviaries he had just received and they would serve to keep alive his love for the Brothers and boys of St. Patrick's College. He had thoroughly enjoyed his ten years Chaplaincy at the College and he had tried above all to be just in any decision he had had to make. He expressed the hope that all would be well at the College and that year would pass most successfully. He owed much to the College. It was here that he received his secondary education, it was here he came under the influence of the late Br. Purton whose superior as a teacher he had never met. He would remember the Brothers and boys of St. Pat's at the Vatican and in the Holy City, at Lourdes and Fatima and wherever else he went to visit a holy shrine. Father struck a very happy note when he announced that he had asked the Principal to grant the boys a holiday on the morrow.

Br. Healy acquiesced in Father's wishes and a holiday was declared. The Principal thanked Fr. Fiscalini for his remarks and wished Father, *bon voyage!* He then tendered a warm welcome to Fr. F. Sexton, C.S.S.R., who was to replace Fr. Fiscalini during his time abroad. The College was fortunate in the selection of Fr. Sexton, Br. Healy said, and he was sure that all would continue as Fr. Fiscalini would wish.

Fr. Sexton, in reply, wished Fr. Fiscalini a very pleasant journey and a safe return. He thanked Br. Healy for his words of welcome and he thanked all for their generous applause. He hoped that he would, in some measure, continue the good work of Fr. Fiscalini. The singing of Faith of Our Fathers brought a very pleasant evening to a happy conclusion.



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VERY DEAN E. GLOWREY, R.I.P.

We tender to Mr. Harold Glowrey, brother of the late Dean Glowrey, deepest sympathy. We at St. Patrick's knew the late Dean Glowrey, of St. Arnaud, very well for the many years that he was in Ballarat he attended the College for Sunday's Mass and for our weekly Confessions. We knew the Dean to be a man of God. He was meticulously exact and exacting and his spirit of deep piety was most edifying.

Late last year we were shocked to hear that our friend the late Dean was suffering from alarming disabilities which were causing his physician and his friends much alarm. The Dean himself treated his frequent weaknesses lightly and hoped soon to be well again. Throughout his illness he was, as we would expect, an example of resignation and patience. God knew best. What He ordained must be accepted. To the end, Dean Glowrey was self possessed and brave. He was fortified by the rites of Holy Church and died a saintly death.

His funeral and obsequies were soul stirring and inspiring. His Parish Church at St. Arnaud was overtaxed as Church Dignataries, priests, religious and parishioners gathered to pay respects to their much lamented and highly respected Dean. St. Arnaud truly paid a fitting tribute to a pious man who had served its people well and whose passing has removed from amongst the people of St. Arnaud, a guide, philosopher and friend. All mourned a dear friend, a saintly priest and a most indefatigable worker.

May he rest in Peace

DR. LEO. CLEARY, R.I.P.

Readers of the Chronicle will be sorry to learn news of the tragic death of Dr. Leo Cleary. Leo finished College in 1943 and began his studies in Medicine at the Melbourne University in 1944. In 1949 he completed his medical course and in 1950 he accepted a position at the Broken Hill Hospital. It was at Broken Hill he met his death. He died as the result of a car accident after he had travelled to a sick call. On his return journey his car failed to take a bend and Leo was killed.

He will be remembered at St. Pat's as a College Prefect, a member of Our Lady's Sodality, an active executive member of the Senior Literary and Debating Society and a member of the First IV at tennis.

Leo did a brilliant scholastic course at St. Pat's and gave great promise as a medic.

However, he was not destined for a long life as a doctor, and those who knew him well at Broken Hill praise his skill, his willing readiness to help those who needed his assistance and his deeply religious spirit. Leo was a loyal son of St. Pat's and practised to the letter what he had been taught. To his parents, his brother and sisters we offer our deepest sympathy. He was buried from the St. Arnaud Parish Church the very next day after Very Rev. Dean Glowrey. Leo had been a personal friend of the Dean since he was a toddler. The family homestead is next door to the Presbytery and the late Dean found much pleasure in the company

of Leo and his little brother and sisters. It was indeed a sad coincidence which saw the funerals of these two friends, on two successive days. It would seem that even death was not to separate these bosom friends, that they would enjoy together the joys that "Eye hath not seen nor ear heard." May the soul of Leo Cleary rest in Peace.

MR. STAN FOWLER, R.I.P.

To Mrs. Fowler, of Willaura, and Stan, we tender deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement. Mr. Fowler died from a heart attack after very little illness.

We had met Mr. Fowler on only a couple of occasions but we knew him well enough to know that he was a noble soul of the highest principles. The world is the poorer by the passing of this just man.

May he rest in Peace.

DAN DOYLE, R.I.P.

Dan was one of our more recent Old Boys. He came here from Drummond Street and was a day boy until his family moved to Coghill's Creek. Formerly he lived in Drummond St. Nth. Dan was a good boy and this is the great consolation his parents now have. He died after the gun which he was carrying exploded.

He was well liked at St. Pat's both by Brothers and boys. He was transparently honest and most co-operative. We feel certain that earth's loss is Heaven's gain.

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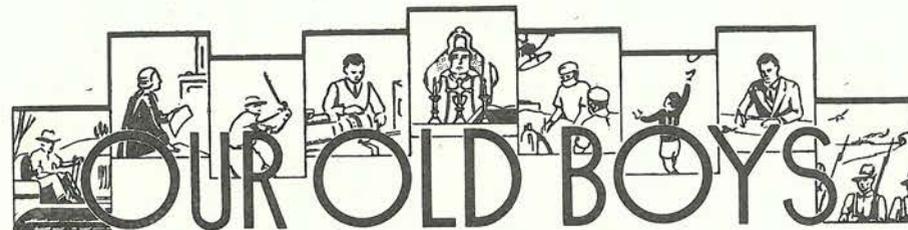
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Boat Race week-end saw many Old Collegians in Ballarat. Exstudents of all the B.P.Schools made their way to Ballarat to be present at the Head of the Lake and to attend their reunions. S.P.C. had gatherings which reflected great credit on the organisers and which gave much pleasure to those who were able to attend.

Scores of Old Boys gathered at our Boat Shed to wish well to the various crews before they set out for their stations. Cars decorated with green, white and blue streamers and flying College pennants were conspicuous. Unfortunately our First IV did not win the coveted Head of the Lake. College won in champion style. After being a length behind Grammar at the Point, they went on to win by a length. This was truly a meritorious victory. Well rowed, College. St. Pat's recorded three firsts and one second. We had easy victories with our Second and Third crews and our Old Boys' Crew was victorious. Our Fourths were second.

Boat Race night found a very happy gathering at the Dance held in the College Hall. The Hall looked its best on that occasion with its walls and ceiling decorated and its floors dancing very well. Nearly one hundred couples attended and all rated this dance the best yet. The supper served left little to be desired.

However, the big function of the Reunion took place on Sunday, 22nd April. About 140 ex-students attended the Reunion Dinner at the "Alexandra" in Lydiard Street. Cars and a bus brought many Melbourne Old Collegians to this Dinner. It was a great success. A beautifully served hot three-course meal satisfied all tastes.

Mr. Pat O'Neill, of Melbourne, the General President for 1950, presided and with him at the official table were Rev. Br. J. D. Healy (Principal), Rev. Fr. McMahon, C.S.S.R. (ex-student), Rev. Br. W. T. O'Malley, Rev. Br. R. P. Reid, Dr. D. Podger (President Ballarat Branch), Mr. L. Howard (President Melbourne Branch), Mr. E. Fisher and Dr T. Greening.

Other Colleges represented were Ballarat Grammar and Ballarat High. During the delightful meal, Mr. Pat O'Neill delivered his Presidential Address. He welcomed all to the Dinner and congratulated Mr. Fred Webster, Ballarat Secretary, on the completeness of the arrangements for the Reunion. Mr. O'Neill considered the attendance at the Dinner one of the best the Association had had and he thanked all for their attendance. He reported the several very fine functions held by the Melbourne Branch and expressed the hope that the Ball to be held on May 8th, the Smoke Night which was scheduled for the Second Term and the Combined Communion and Breakfast to be held in November would be well patronised. It was grand to see so many Old Collegians of St. Pat's attending the various functions arranged for the Association. It was encouraging to the committee and fruitful to the members themselves. With other Old Boys he said that he looked forward to a year of successful entertainments.

Moving on with the toast list, Mr. O'Neill called on Mr. Con Whelan, Donald, to propose the toast, Alma Mater. Mr. Whelan paid eloquent tribute to St. Patrick's College. He recalled his days at College and briefly traced the growth of St. Pat's since his own day. He claimed that he was second to none in love and allegiance to his Alma Mater and in an altogether beautiful speech he presented a very eulogistic toast which rung with sincere affection and downright fidelity. He briefly referred to the Centenary of the discovery of Gold and pointed out that it was because gold was in abundance in and around Ballarat that the then Bishop of Ballarat saw fit to bring the Christian Brothers from Ireland to Ballarat. He was, he said, the proud father of one son who attended St. Pat's. Mr. Whelan resumed his seat amid prolonged applause.

Rev. Br. Healy, in thanking Mr. Whelan, congratulated him on his spirited address. "Each year," Br. Healy said, "we are treated to oratorical excellence, soul stirring passages in the toast to Alma Mater."

Mr. Whelan today has given another splendid speech. Br. Healy congratulated the organisers on the success of the annual dinner. It is no easy matter to muster so many Old Boys and here again our combined Melbourne and Ballarat executive could claim victory. This was surely a wonderful Reunion. Br. Healy assured Mr. Whelan and all present that he and his Vice-Principal, Br. O'Malley, and the Brothers on the staff were striving to carry on the good work so efficiently done by their predecessors. "You Old Collegians," he said, "have set a high standard, morally and scholastically, and in the field of sport." It was not an idle boast, he said, if he claimed that the College was fulfilling the ends for which it was founded. Br. Healy gave a brief history of the new Chapel and said that very soon the roof would be completed and all the brick work finished. He said that about half the cost had been subscribed and he expressed the hope that those Old Boys who had not contributed, would do so. Expenses were being met by monthly payments and already the overdraft was considerable and the interest account was mounting. Br. Healy invited all Old Boys and their wives and families to visit the College, to inspect the Chapel, to enjoy the football match, Old Boys v. S.P.C., and to partake of the afternoon tea which was prepared.

Mr. Leo Howard, Melbourne Branch President, did justice to the toast to the Hierarchy and Clergy. Mr. Howard claimed that it was on occasions such as the present Reunion that Catholic laymen found occasion of offering to the Bishops and Priests a tribute of appreciation for the magnificent work they have done and are doing. He thought that the toast gained greater significance this year, from the fact that the Centenary which is being celebrated, marks also a centenary of Catholicity. He paid tribute to the pioneer Bishops and Priests who blazed the trail of Catholicity in the early years of the Colony of Victoria. He traced the growth of the Church from the first strivings of the Irish Bishops and Priests. He paid tribute to the colossal spiritual work of the Hierarchy and Clergy which had gone in with increasing zeal and fervour since those early days. "These good men," Leo said, "actually cleared the virgin bush with their own hands and, aided by the loyal laypeople, they built their first churches." It was not long before Catholic education became an urgent need. From Ireland were brought Nuns, Brothers and Priests to conduct schools, orphanages, hostels, hospitals. How this work of Catholic education has progressed we all know and soon our much lamented Bishop Moore, brought the Irish Christian Brothers to open our own St. Patrick's College in 1893. But for the foresight and wise choice of this good Bishop we would not now be celebrating this Reunion. We owe our Catholic upbringing, under God, to the Irish Christian Brothers and to the pioneer Bishops and Priests who brought them to Australia. And so, gentlemen, for all that the Hierarchy and Clergy have done for us we will always be grateful. With deep gratitude, I give you the toast: "The Hierarchy and Clergy."

This toast was replied to by Rev. Fr. McMahon, C.S.S.R., who thanked Mr. Howard for his well made toast. Fr. McMahon told the gathering that the Hierarchy and Clergy were proud of the ex-pupils of the College. They were to be found in every walk of life and they were doing their jobs well. Missionary Priests often referred to the splendid work done in their parishes by way of assisting their Parish Priest. Father said that he himself was an Old Boy of S.P.C. and he was grateful to the College for all it had done for him.

To Terry Fraser was entrusted the toast to kindred associations. Terry spoke of the bond of friendship which united Old Collegians of Grammar, College, High and St. Pat's. Ron Hall, of Grammar, suitably replied.

At the conclusion of the Dinner the Ballarat Branch held its Annual Meeting which elected officers as shown at the top of these notes.

THE FOLLOWING ARE INTERESTING RANDOM NOTES OF BOYS
IN AND AROUND THE UNIVERSITY:

Frank McArdle doing final Med. Still prominent in Union affairs and an outstanding Inter-Collegiate debater. Reg Groutsch completing Second Year Metallurgy—part time. John Greening doing Medicine, resident at Newman. Michael Saunders doing Ag. Science. Brian Conway doing Second Year Dentistry. Peter Conway doing First Year Dentistry. Greg Gibson doing First Year Science. Barry Mills doing Second Year Dentistry. John Lenaghan doing Second Year Ag. Science. at Dookie—won Commonwealth Scholarship. Leo and Richard Lenaghan doing Second Year Medicine at Newman—both won Commonwealth Scholarships. Kevin Tobin doing Third Year Law at Newman—won a Commonwealth Scholarship. Joe Vaughan doing Fourth Year Dentistry—won a Commonwealth Scholarship. Peter Davey doing Second Year Pharmacy—won a Commonwealth Scholarship. Kevin Baker doing Third Year Ag. Science—won a Commonwealth Scholarship. Peter Sheldon doing Third Year Ag. Science at Newman—won a Commonwealth Scholarship. Jim Spain doing Scientific Research work in England. Roy Harte at Hayfield State Rivers and Water Supply. Bob Bongiorno hopes to finish Law about mid 1952.

Jim Shaw studied First Year Medicine at honours—broke his right hand thumb and had to use a writer at the exams. Could not on that account sit for honours. Passed well and secured Commonwealth Scholarship. Doing Second Year Medicine. Joe Delany doing First Year Civil Engineering—obtained a Cadetship from C.R.B. Frank Lynch is with a firm of Solicitors in Melbourne—he can now attend lectures at the Uni. and is doing Law. Byrne Kenny finished Civil Engineering—working in N.S.W. Jim Kenny doing Civil Engineering at the Gordon Tech. Jim O'Neill finished Accountancy. Ray Ryan graduated in Engineering. John Chandler finished Pharmacy—congratulations and best wishes, John, in your married life. Tom McGrath, from Ascot, doing final year Arts. Kevin Currie doing Second Year Pharmacy. Brendan Scally doing final Pharmacy. Frank Nihill doing final Ag. Science—resident at Newman. Won Commonwealth Scholarship. Rows in Newman Eight. Jim Lannen doing Second Year Science. Murray Byrne just completed Second Year Law with honours. Won a Commonwealth Scholarship. Is doing Third Year Law. Has announced his engagement to Adele Coutts. Bob Bourke very successful year. Passed First Year Science and First Year Optometry. Doing Second Year in both. Won a Commonwealth Scholarship. John

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PERSONAL PARS

Les Coleman, now Lieut.-Colonel, is gradually creeping up to the high rank already borne by another Old Boy, General J. Locke. Les with his wife and family sailed on the "Chang Sha" on 7/4/51 for London. He will be missed from Old Boys' functions which he always patronised.

We were all grieved to hear of the serious illness of Tom K. Doyle. We trust, Tom, you will soon be restored to perfect health.

Mr. F. Gorman, who claims to have been one of S.P.C.'s earliest pupils, is a prosperous bookmaker at Casterton. His son, Jim, has inherited Dad's skill, while Jack is an insurance agent. All three claim S.P.C.

Jack Balkin also, of Casterton, is married and has two children.

Bill Strownix who left St. Pat's in 1947, is now working with a Dentist in Ballarat. He is a capable runner in the Ballarat Harriers.

One of last year's pupils, Brian Joyce, is working on the family farm at Tatyoon. He is also a stalwart of the local cricket club. Brian Bourke, who left in 1949, is now an established horse trainer at Pakenham East. His horse, "Disrupter," is reported to be a potential champion.

Another of last year's boys, who is reported to be doing well, is John Fitzpatrick who is working in the State Savings Bank in Kerang. Brian Schreenan, a 1949 old boy, is successfully studying engineering at the Ballarat School of Mines.

Leo Walsh, who ended his College life last year, is now residing with his family in Ballarat. The Walsh family formerly resided in St. Arnaud. Leo has a brother at the College—Greg.

We learn that 3HA has gained the services of Gerald Gunther who is training for the position of Junior Technician.

Brian Brewer, who left last year, has almost taken over the management of the "Store" at Koondrook, but he is reported to pay a lot of attention to his Fiat. His elder brother, Harry is becoming an expert tailor and hopes to commence his own business soon. He is also a keen footballer and is on the committee of the recently revived St. Patrick's Old Boys' team.

John and Jim Meeny are both doing well, one as a surveyor in Northern Victoria and the other as an employee of the State Savings Bank.

John Lorkin, who works at the Eclipse Motors, had the misfortune to break his ankle earlier this year.

Kevin Tobin is a temporary teacher at the Pleasant St. State School. Kevin finished his training last year and expects to be shifted soon.

Another of our Old Boys working as a bank clerk is Peter McEncroe from Bendigo. Peter is a keen fan of both cricket and football.

Les Mogg, prominent North Melbourne footballer, is also a recent Old Boy and we wish him the best for the coming season.

Another Old Boy to impress on the football fields in Melbourne is Brian Molony, a member of last years XVIII. A team mate, G. Gleeson, is training with Brighton and Melbourne.

B. Caneva also made himself conspicuous at Carlton in practice games.

Among our more experienced Old Boys is Des Hayes who is spending a holiday in England with his wife and family.

George Raphael, Jack Wise, Leo Dillon and Jack Irwin are all Old Boys from Sea Lake. George is a successful publican, while Leo is a practising chemist.

Bernie Leonard, one time sports champion, is now living with his brother, Kevin, near Mildura. Bernie broke up his own home to live with Kevin when Kevin's wife died in their first year of married life.

Mr. A. D. Broad, of Yarrawonga, who won his Intermediate Certificate in 1938, is now conducting a hairdressing business. He has a son, Alf, at the College.

Rod Price dropped in on his way to the Stawell Gift. Rod seems to have thrown off the illness that made him discontinue his studies for Matriculation. He says that life on a sheep station did the trick. He is back in Melbourne because of his father's illness.

Stan Fowler works in the State Savings Bank at Ararat. He boards at Cashin's, loyal S.P.C.-ites. Sympathy, Stan, on the recent sudden death of your Dad.

Richard Lamaro is in the Town Clerk's office at Kerang. Who knows but that Dick will one day be Town Clerk.

A newsy letter from Brian Cavanagh, of Ascot Vale, satisfies that he is doing very well. We remember Brian as a very sick boarder. He still hopes to study Medicine. God bless your efforts, Brian.

Delighted to hear that Tom Fleming is doing well again. He spent a period in the Heidelberg Military Hospital and is now quite well.

Mick White, of Illowa, has a son, Keith, at College. Mick is a successful business man.

We were pleased to meet Reg Fitzgerald and Pat McGenniskin, of Horsham, at College recently. Both looked well and each said a few words to the First XVIII who were assembled before a match.

A recent visitor to the College was Mr. Jim Montgomery. Jim was at College during 1914, 1915. For many years he worked his farm at West Wyalong, N.S.W. Here he knew and was a neighbour of Gerard Sheales. Jim, with his son, John, is now on the land at Ingleston. He was sorry to learn that this year's Reunion was over. He says he'll not miss the next.

Congratulation to Leo Rabl who was married in late January. Leo married Mary Smith, a very popular and most efficient executive officer of the N.C.R.M. Best wishes, Leo and Mary.

Jim Hickey, a recent acquisition as Committeeman, Melbourne Branch, has been elected to the Port Melbourne Council. Jim is a most earnest and attentive worker in collegiate affairs and we will watch his political career with great interest. He is President of the Port Melbourne branch of the A.L.P.

Clement Greenwood, 1926-28, was killed in World War II. when his plane crashed in the fogs of England after operational work over Germany. His mother, sending a donation to the Chapel fund recently, wrote: "I see by the papers that you are erecting a Memorial Chapel to the deceased scholars of St. Patrick's College. My late son loved St. Patrick's, and I want to contribute to the memorial. I ask your prayers for one who died for his country and who was always a credit to St. Patrick's College."

Glad to see Wal Clareborough at the Reunion. Wal went to U.S.A. last November on official business for General Motors. Congratulations on your selection, Wal.

Barry Lakeland since his marriage has brought a home at Ringwood. Barry has a son. Barry's sister, Joan, was recently married, with Nuptial Mass. Joan married Jack Fitzpatrick, Accountant for the "Advocate."

Frank Nihill was best man at his brother Vin's wedding. Vincent married Patricia O'Donnell, of Glen Iris. Vin's father and uncles were at the wedding. Vin's father, Bernard, and his six uncles attended St. Pat's.

Application from Thomas Moore, Hotel Chelsea, for his son for next year. Thomas attended St. Pat's.

Pleased to hear Geoff Hoare is doing so well. Geoff is employed at the Melbourne Law Courts,

A 1946 Old Boy, Tom Colgan, is now residing in Melbourne, and has recently announced his engagement to a nurse.

William Coffey, who lives at Sheep Hills, owns a Tiger Moth plane. He was an ace pilot in World War II.

Jack Hayes is now living at West Preston with his wife and child.

Mr. John Charleson, a '24 Old Boy, lives at Coghill's Creek and has five children. He has a son, Adrian, at S.P.C.

Noel Flanagan is working at Parliament House in Canberra, while Brenden Hurley is employed in the Ballarat branch of the Commonwealth Bank.

Kieran Hogan, who left in 1945, is living in Melbourne and intends to study surveying.

Geoffrey Ogolvie has a carrying business at Echuca.

Tim McCarthy, a 1931 ex-pupil, is now a dental surgeon in Warracknabeal.

Kevin Murphy is an Analytical Chemist at the Olympic Rubber Company, Melbourne. He is married and has one child.

Mr Phonse O'Loughlin is now teaching school at Caulfield.

Tim O'Sullivan is a farmer at Colac and one supporter claims him to be the best half-forward in the Hampden League. This could be so for Tim impressed at Richmond practice this year.

Kevin and Peter Raphael are in partnership in a business at Coburg.

Frank Gipp is a carpenter and foreman in Ballarat while Ron has gone to Galong to become a Redemptorist.

Dick Scott is now a racehorse owner-trainer at Koroit.

John Stevens, of Warrong, is at present employed by the Commonwealth Bank at Camperdown.

James Conway, of Crossley, works on his father's farm.

Mr. Vic. Batros owns his own shoe store in Warrnambool, while Mr. Joe Stapleton is the manager of another such store in the same city.

Another Old Boy from Warrnambool is Mr. Pat King who is a dentist.

Dr. Wally Moon returned to the College with a cricket team this season. Among the members of the team was Frank Howard, a Kerang Chemist, who, a few years ago was a senior Richmond footballer.

Frank Franzini and Frank Ryan are prominent business men in the same town. Frank Ryan owns one of the largest wheat farms in the district.

For a year and a half now Bill Cushing has been in charge of the Kerang branch of the Bank of New South Wales. John Ferguson, a recent Old Boy, is also a bank clerk and is at present stationed at Wangaratta.

James Soulsby, of Rheola, is now a married man living Melbourne. He is working for T.A.A.

James Mason, of Cochrane's Creek, near Bealiba, is farming with his father. Jack Mason, Jr., of Moligul, via Dunolly, is also farming with his father.

Here is more news of recent Old Boys from Ballarat:

Bill Kemp is working in the Bank of New South Wales

E Rosser is apprenticed to a Ballarat printer and is providing that paper with great service.

Another of our recent Old Boys to enter the printing business is Don Fraser, who is apprenticed to his father.

John Dooly, who attended S.P.C. in 1939, is employed by the Victorian Railways. John lives in Ballarat.

Kevin Curtain, an Old Boy of the twenties, has a very successful business in Ballarat. Kevin owns a delicatessen shop and has one son, John, who attends the College.

Keith Bolleman who, incidentally, married Kevin Curtain's sister, is

in the Air Force and at present he is stationed at Laverton Keith was the Senior Champion when he attended St. Pat's.

Tom Smith, who left in 1947, is a successful motor mechanic at a Ballarat garage. Tom has a brother at the College.

Peter Kennedy, another Old Boy, is a prosperous traveller. He has recently become engaged.

John Kehoe, who left S.P.C. in 1926, is married and has four children. John intends to go into the hotel business.

John Bren, a fellow student of John Kehoe, is a successful school teacher at Lang Warren Nth John has four children

Mr. Dan Ardagh is one of the most successful chemists in Ballarat. Another Old Boy, John Kennedy, is the nearest chemist to S.P.C. He has two children; one son, Martin, attends the College.

Peter Harris, who was formerly working in the E. S. & A. Bank, is very ill. At present he is in hospital where he has been for more than a year. Peter is married and has one child.

Mr. William Surridge, now living at Buangor, is the Station Master. He has two children and is doing well at his work.

Kevin Morgan, who attended S.P.C. as a day boy, is a very successful chemist. He was also a pupil at St. Alipius', Ballarat East. Kevin is married and is the owner of the Hollywood Boarding House, St. Kilda.

John Kiely, who left St. Pat's in 1949, is doing exceptionally well at his work in the "Argus" office. John lives at Bacchus Marsh.

Mr. Roberts, another staunch Old Boy, is working in the Shell Company of Australia Ltd. He has five children.

Mr. Ted Gallagher, of Hawthorn, attended S.P.C. from 1914 to 1916. He is the manager of a factory in South Melbourne.

John Donevan, of Learmonth, is a very successful farmer. John is married and has five children.

Another Learmonth Old Boy, Bill McCubbin, is doing very well on the land.

Kevin Carter, a recent Old Boy, works in the Edenhope Post Office. Bill Redmond, an Old Boy of the College, owns a hardware store in Preston. His two sons, Bill and Anthony, are at the College.

Dr. Mark O'Brien, of Jeparit, is a very successful doctor. Mark has five children.

12 GORE ST., NTH. FITZROY.
17th December, 1950.

The Editor, The Chronicle,

Sir,—Though Dick Morganti is constrained by natural modesty to deny me the privilege of including his life story in my Old Townies' column in the Ballarat "Courier," I know he will not mind a brief reference in this—our own—publication.

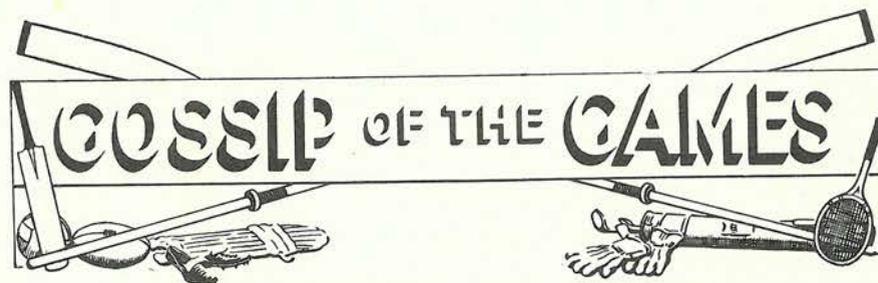
He is one of the staunchest members of the Melbourne Branch of the Old Collegians' Association. I have foregathered with him at all our functions, and could only wish that his example were followed by other leaders of the learned professions.

The Association is growing from strength to strength, but so far as your humble is concerned, nothing less than one hundred per cent. membership (and financial at that) and attendance at all our gatherings will be regarded as satisfactory.

We continue to get generous space in "The Tribune" and "The Advocate" with occasional snippets in the Daily Press, for which grateful thanks are expressed by—

Yours fraternally,

PHIL O'BRIEN, Press Correspondent.



CRICKET NOTES. FIRST XI—1951

For ten long years, S.P.C. has striven unsuccessfully to win the coveted B.P.S. Cricket Premiership. When classes commenced this year we felt more confident of our fortunes for this year's XI promised to be the most experienced for a number of years. K. Hogan, J. Elliott, L. Heath, J. James, B. Lamaro, B. McLaughlin and M. O'Beirne—all members of last year's team—appeared certain to form the nucleus of the XI. The appointments of Kevin Hogan and John Elliott to the respective positions of Captain and Vice-Captain were greeted with approval by all boys since both Kevin and John had successfully held the same responsible positions last year. Moreover, the excellent form of Laurie Halloran, Ron Quilkey, Brian Murray, Tom McGill and Basil Sheahan at the practice nets was recognised by their inclusion in the team to meet Ballarat College in the first B.P.S. match. The XI had been welded into a well balanced and experienced combination and it had won the confidence of all at S.P.C.

We commenced the season in a blaze of glory by gaining a meritorious outright win over Ballarat College. Kevin Hogan's brilliant century (122, including 14 4's), in which sizzling drives were a feature, and good all-round bowling, including a hat-trick by Leon Heath whose figures for the match were 3 for 2 and 3 for 3 and Laurie Halloran's 2 for 0 in College's second innings, paved the way for this comfortable victory.

A poor opening in our second match again Grammar School was redeemed by some grand courageous batting on the part of John Elliott (134 not out, inc. 11 4's) and John James (64, inc. 7 4's). These two boys were associated in an invaluable sixth wicket partnership of 133 in 120 minutes. Our bowlers were once again successful in dismissing the opposition twice for an innings' win. Full credit must be given to Brian Murray for his capture of 7 wickets for 35 runs in this match.

We emerged from our test with High School—also unbeaten in B.P.S. at this stage—with flying colours. A pleasing feature of S.P.C.'s colossal score of 365 was the fact that all batsmen proved themselves capable of making runs. John Elliott was top scorer with 99 and he received splendid support from John James and Kevin Hogan who scored 68 and 63 respectively. Our bowlers and fieldsmen again proved their worth by dismissing High School for 71 and 58. The opening bowlers secured valuable wickets in each innings, but those with the best figures were Bernard Lamaro (4 for 11 in H.S.'s first innings) and Laurie Halloran (3 for 10 in the second innings).

Ballarat College offered more resistance in their return match with our XI by scoring 70 and 133. Best figures were obtained by Kevin Hogan (6 for 17) and Leon Heath (4 for 28)—both in the first innings—while Laurie Halloran secured 4 for 24 in College's second innings. However, we were able to register another innings' win thanks to a solid opening partnership of 84 by Leon Heath and John Elliott, which incidentally was the highest S.P.C. opening partnership for the past decade, and a

masterly, unconquered 165 (inc. 12 4's) by John Elliott. In many aspects, John's innings was remarkable. It was his second century for the season, his third century in B.P.S. cricket, the second highest score by an S.P.C. batsman and the third highest individual score in the history of B.P.S. cricket.

The two remaining games of the season were abandoned due to rain. Perhaps Jupiter Pluvius had taken offence at the great run-getting orgy, and if that was the case, his efforts to prevent the repetitions of previous games were highly successful.

Thus ended another cricket season in B.P.S. and what an unfortunate termination it was. Nevertheless, we may be justly proud of the deeds recorded by our champion First XI. In the four matches played, they registered innings' victories on each occasion and consequently were undefeated Premiers of the Ballarat Public Schools' Cricket. For those statistically minded people, S.P.C. scored an aggregate of 1121 runs in 4 visits to the crease, while our opponents amassed 599 runs in 8 innings. Moreover, the average winning margin for each game was an innings and 130 runs. You may wonder where the overwhelming superiority of our First XI lay, so I'll endeavour to summarise the strength of the three essential departments of any cricket team—batting, bowling and fielding.

We were fortunate this year in having the services of two grand batsmen, namely, John Elliott and Kevin Hogan, whose technique was essentially in contrast to John's. However, their feats with the willow must have been a tremendous inspiration to their team mates and they have undoubtedly immortalised their batting in the memory of all S.P.C. During their entire career in B.P.S. cricket, Kevin Hogan and John Elliott scored 661 runs in 25 innings and 757 runs in 19 innings respectively. These figures speak for themselves. They were ably supported, though perhaps not consistently, by John James, Ron Quilkey and Leon Heath. Indeed, each member of the team proved himself capable of making runs on occasions.

Almost as strong as the batsmen proved to be our trundlers. An excellent opening attack, led by Kevin Hogan and Brian Murray, always managed to penetrate the defences of the opening batsmen and thus broke the back of the innings. When the shine was off the ball, Leon Heath, Laurie Halloran and Bernard Lamaro displayed their capabilities as spinners and each of them excelled at one time or another.

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Last, but not least, must be considered the fielding department. A good fielding team is invaluable in reducing the opposition's score and in giving the bowlers necessary confidence. Concerning the fielding of our First XI, it should suffice to say that Lindsay Hassett, Australian Test Captain and himself a brilliant batsman, considered our fielding to be outstanding for a school-boy team from what he saw in one match, and it would not be generalising to add that the fielding in that match was indicative of the fielding throughout the season.

THE PLAYERS—FIRST XI.

KEVIN HOGAN: Our Captain, and an extremely good one, too. The most capable all-rounder in B.P.S. cricket. An aggressive batsman, an intelligent and consistent bowler and a safe and alert fieldsmen.

JOHN ELLIOTT: A very able Vice-Captain. Most consistent and most prolific batsman in B.P.S. Solid or aggressive as the case demands—a real headache for opposing bowlers. A very useful change bowler and an active field.

LEON HEATH: An experienced and solid opening batsman possessing good, crisp shots. A devastating and an extremely successful leg-spinner. Safe field.

BERNARD LAMARO: A solid, but attractive batsman. A consistent heady off-spin bowler and responsible for capturing many wickets. A very fine slip fieldsmen.

JOHN JAMES: His batting has greatly matured in skill and concentration. A very powerful off and on driver. Good close-to-the-wicket fieldsmen, where he worried many batsmen.

BRIAN MURRAY: A particularly capable first year all-rounder. A hostile opening bowler and a neat left hand batsman. Good field.

LAURIE HALLORAN: Failed unfortunately as an opening batsman during the first round and was lowered on the list. However, he proved his worth as a very successful off-spinner. Varies his bowling with an occasional leg break.

RON QUILKEY: An attractive batsman possessing a great variety of strokes. Diminutive for a wicket-keeper, but, nevertheless, very capable.

BARRY McLAUGHLIN: A capable left hand batsman who compiled some very useful scores. An alert field, particularly at leg slip, where he took some fine catches off the opening bowlers.

MICHAEL O'BEIRNE: Diminutive right hand batsman with a wide range of strokes. Should develop into a really good batsman. A neat field.

T. McGILL: A useful left hand bowler possessing the natural spin of most left-handers. He lacks good control perhaps. A safe field who is capable of making some useful runs.

B. SHEAHAN: Perhaps his greatest attribute is his splendid fielding, whether in the outfield or in close. A useful batsman and can take his turn with the ball when required.

Before concluding this issue, mention must be made of the capable and tireless coaching of Br. Williams, in particular, and also Mr. Galvin. Their combined efforts were in no small way responsible for our numerous successes.

—K. M. DRAKE.

AWARDS FOR 1951

Trophies have been awarded to the following:—

BATTING	J. ELLIOTT
BOWLING	L. HALLORAN
BEST ALL-ROUNDER	K. HOGAN
FIELDING	J. JAMES
MOST IMPROVED	B. MURRAY

S.P.C. v. B.C. (2/3/51)

S.P.C. First Innings.—L. Heath, lbw, b Leishman, 8; L. Halloran, lbw, b Leishman, 3; J. Elliott, c Cameron, b Sutherland, 20; K. Hogan, not out, 122; B. Lamaro, c Crawford, b Leishman, 25; R. Quilkey, c Allen, b Leishman, 18; J. James, c Leishman, b Aitken, 8; B. Murray, b Aitken, 0; M. O'Beirne, stpd Cameron, b Sutherland, 9; B. McLaughlin, lbw, b Aitken, 8; T. McGill, not out, 0; Extras, 17; Total, 227. Bowling: Aitken, 3/59; Leishman, 4/74; Sutherland, 2/30; Allen, 0/23; Strickland, 0/37.

B.C. First Innings—Crawford, c and b Hogan, 17; Cock, c McLaughlin, b Murray, 0; Cooke, lbw, b Elliott, 18; Strickland, b Hogan, 9; Leishman, lbw, b Hogan, 10; Aitken, c McGill, b Heath, 3; Mayo, stpd Quilkey, b Elliott, 0; Cameron, b Heath, 0; Allen, not out, 0; Sutherland, b Elliott, 0; Extras, 3; Total, 61. Bowling: K. Hogan, 3/19; B. Murray, 1/25; J. Elliott, 3/12; L. Heath, 3/2.

B.C. Second Innings—Crawford, b McGill, 16; Cock, c McLaughlin, b Murray, 2; Cooke, b Hogan, 3; Strickland, b Lamaro, 12; Leishman, c

Murray, b Lamaro, 0; Aitken, c James, b Heath, 3; Hoskins, not out, 6; Mayo, b Heath, 0; Cameron, b Heath, 0; Allen, b Halloran, 1; Sutherland, b Halloran, 0; Extras, 8; Total, 51. Bowling: Hogan, 1/5; Murray, 1/27; McGill, 1/4; Lamaro, 2/4; Heath, 3/3; Halloran, 2/0.

S.P.C. won by an innings and 125 runs.

S.P.C. v. G.S. (9/3/51)

S.P.C. First Innings.—L. Heath, b Graham, 2; L. Halloran, b Graham, 0; J. Elliott, not out, 134; K. Hogan, b Newsome, 1; B. Lamaro, b Young, 1; R. Quilkey, lbw, b Young, 5; J. James, c Cutter, b Graham, 64; B. Murray, c Young, b Graham, 4; M. O'Beirne, b Newsome, 5; B. McLoughlin, lbw, b Young, 10; T. McGill, run out, 6; Extras, 12; Total, 243. Bowling: Newsome, 2/47; Graham, 4/45; Young, 3/68; Read, 0/8; Symons, 0/61.

G.S. First Innings.—R. Read, lbw, b Murray, 3; K. Graham, c Hogan, b Murray, 0; N. Howe, b Hogan, 2; N. Young, c McGill, b Murray, 19; V. Newsome, b Murray, 0; L. Baker, b Hogan, 1; B. Symons, b Murray, 21; R. Muntz, b Halloran, 11; J. Ross-Perrier, c James, b Halloran, 3; I. Schunke, not out, 1; Extras, 12; Total, 73. Bowling: K. Hogan, 2/14; B. Murray, 5/17; J. Elliott, 0/5; L. Heath, 0/9; B. Lamaro, 0/11; L. Halloran, 2/5.

G.S. Second Innings.—R. Read, b Hogan, 3; K. Graham, c McLaughlin, b Hogan, 31; N. Howe, b Heath, 17; N. Young, b Heath, 0; B. Newsome, stpd Quilkey, b McGill, 8; R. Symons, c Elliott, b Murray, 5; I. Schunke, not out, 15; R. Muntz, b Murray, 0; L. Baker, c Hogan, b Halloran, 0; J. Ross-Perrier, c McGill, b Halloran, 0; Extras, 2; Total, 81. Bowling: K. Hogan, 2/23; B. Murray, 2/18; L. Heath, 2/16; L. Halloran, 2/16; T. McGill, 1/6.

S.P.C. won by an innings and 89 runs.

S.P.C. v. H.S. (16/3/51)

H.S. First Innings.—Whykes, c Quilkey, b Murray, 12; Price, b Hogan, 3; McLennan, c and b Hogan, 3; Opie, b Murray, 5; Mason, b Lamaro, 13; Blackie, stpd Quilkey, b Lamaro, 12; Dyer, b Elliott, 2; Beadle, c McLaughlin, b Lamaro, 4; Hill, c Murray, b Lamaro, 7; McLennan, not out, 7; Medwell, not out, 1; Extras, 2; Total, 71. Bowling: K. Hogan, 2/18; B. Murray, 2/29; B. Lamaro, 4/11; J. Elliott, 1/11.

S.P.C. First Innings.—L. Heath, b Dyer, 2; L. Halloran, c McLennan, b Whykes, 4; J. Elliott, b Whykes, 99; K. Hogan, b Whykes, 63; B. Lamaro, c Opie, b Whykes, 1; R. Quilkey, c Mason, b Whykes, 27; J. James, c Dyer, b Blackie, 68; B. Murray, b Medwell, 22; M. O'Beirne, not out, 17; B. McLaughlin, lbw, b Opie, 15; T. McGill, run out, 4; Extras, 43;

Total, 365. Bowling: Dyer, 1 for 52; Whykes, 5 for 116; Hill, 0 for 33; Opie, 1 for 38; Blackie, 1 for 61; Medwell, 1 for 22.

H.S. Second Innings.—Whykes, c Heath, b Murray, 3; Price, b Hogan, 0; Opie, c McLaughlin, b Hogan, 5; Mason, c Quilkey, b Murray, 5; McLennan, b Hogan, 0; Dyer, c Elliott, b Halloran, 10; Boadle, c Lamaro, b Halloran, 11; Hill, not out, 9; McLennan, run out, 2; Medwell, c McGill, b Halloran, 11; Extras, 6; Total, 58.

S.P.C. won by an innings and 236 runs.

S.P.C. v. B.C. (30/3/51)

B.C. First Innings.—Crawford, c Elliott, b Hogan, 8; Cock, b Hogan, 4; Leishman, lbw, b Hogan, 1; Aitken, b Heath, 29; Strickland, b Lamaro, 6; Cooke, c James, b Heath, 11; Richardson, c James, b Heath, 3; Hoskins, b Heath, 2; Cameron, not out, 3; Allen, c McLaughlin, b Hogan, 1; Sutherland, lbw, b Hogan, 1; Extras, 2; Total, 71. Bowling: Hogan, 5/17; Murray, 0/8; Lamaro, 1/16; Heath, 4/28.

S.P.C. First Innings.—L. Heath, c Cook, b Aitken, 30; J. Elliott, not out, 165; K. Hogan, c Strickland, b Hoskins, 25; J. James, b Aitken, 8; B. Lamaro, c Allen, b Aitken, 15; B. Murray, lbw, b Aitken, 0; B. McLaughlin, b Aitken, 0; L. Halloran, lbw, b Crawford, 0; M. O'Beirne, c Leishman, b Hoskins, 0; B. Sheahan, c Allen, b Strickland, 0; T. McGill, b Allen, 7; Extras, 26; Total, 276. Bowling: Aitken, 5/57; Leishman, 0/41; Strickland, 1/44; Hoskins, 2/41; Allen, 1/34; Sutherland, 0/13; Crawford, 1/17.

B.C. Second Innings.—Cock, b Hogan, 7; Richardson, b Murray, 0; Leishman, b Halloran, 18; Aitken, c Murray, b Halloran, 4; Allen, b Murray, 5; Crawford, lbw, b Halloran, 2; Strickland, v Lamaro, b Elliott, 30; Cooke, lbw, b Halloran, 5; Hoskins, c Elliott, b Lamaro, 39; Cameron, b Hogan, 13; Sutherland, not out, 0; Extras, 10; Total, 133. Bowling: K. Hogan, 2/33; B. Murray, 2/16; L. Halloran, 4/24; L. Heath, 0/16; T. McGill, 0/13; J. Elliott, 1/16; B. Lamaro, 1/4.

S.P.C. won by an innings and 72 runs.

S.P.C. v. G.S. (6/4/51)

Match abandoned because of rain.

S.P.C. v. H.S. (13/4/51)

Match abandoned because of rain.

BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES

BATTING					
	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average
J. Elliott	4	2	165 n.o.	418	209
K. Hogan	4	—	122	211	52.7
J. James	4	—	68	148	37
L. Heath	4	—	30	42	10.5
K. Quilkey	3	—	27	50	16.6
B. Lamaro	4	—	25	42	10.5
M. O'Beirne	4	—	17 n.o.	31	10.3
B. McLaughlin	4	—	15	33	8.2
B. Murray	4	—	22	26	6.5
T. McGill	4	1	7	17	5.6
L. Halloran	4	—	4	7	1.7
B. Sheahan	1	—	0	0	—
BOWLING					
	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
L. Halloran	15.7	1	13	55	4.2
B. Lamaro	15.9	3	8	46	5.7
K. Hogan	53.5	13	20	144	7.2
L. Heath	21	1	12	88	7.3
J. Elliott	9.5	0	5	44	8.8
B. Murray	53	8	16	180	11.2
T. McGill	3	1	2	23	11.5

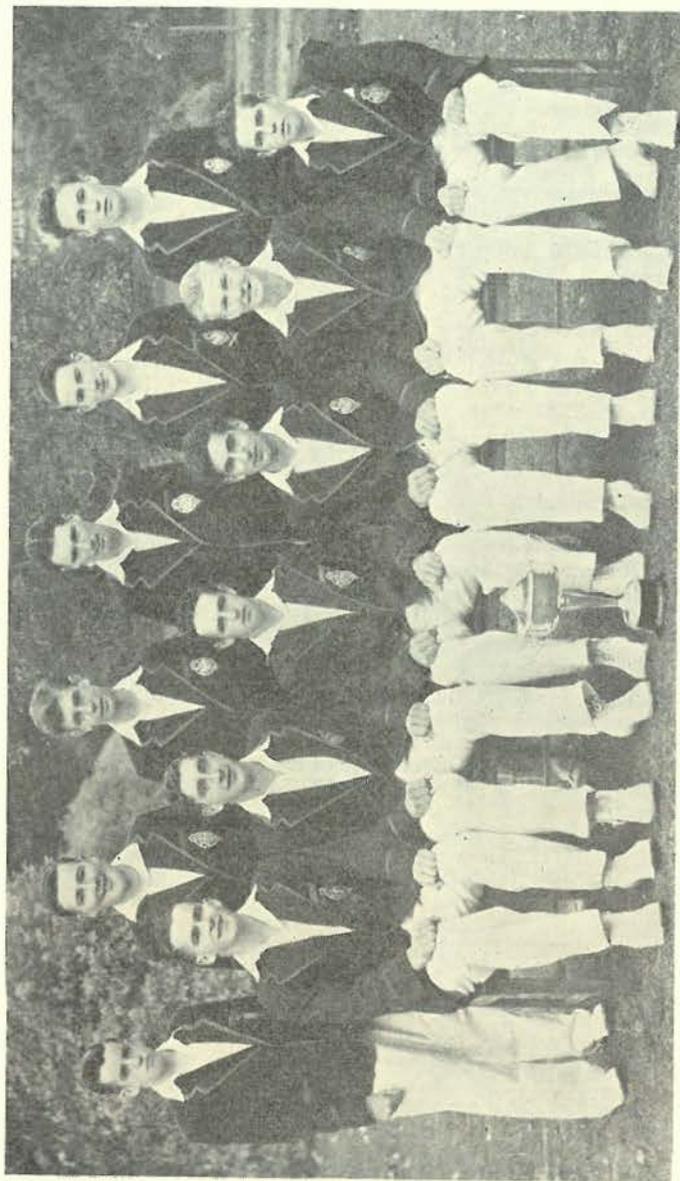
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FIRST XI.—B.P.S. CHAMPIONS, 1951.

Back Row: M. O'Beirne, L. Halloran, B. McLaughlin, B. Murray, L. Heath, T. McGill.
 Front Row: J. James, J. Elliott (Vice-Capt.), K. Hogan (Captain), B. Lamaro,
 B. Sheahan, R. Quilkey.

SUNDAY MATCHES

This season of cricket at St. Pat's was especially coloured by the first class Sunday matches in which we participated. Each Sunday teams from outside competitions visited our College and contributed greatly to the improving of the skill and experience of our First XI players. This series of matches began well for St. Pat's when they played an Old Boys' team led by Harry Elliott. The visitors batted first, scoring 70, in reply to which St. Pat's made 113. The bowling honours went to J. Elliott with 3/2 while Kevin Hogan top scored with 30. The next of these matches was against the Ballarat V.R.I. team, which won the premiership in Ballarat "B" Grade cricket and which will be promoted to "A" Grade next season. Some first class cricketers were included in this side and although defeated, our players gained valuable knowledge from their opponents' performances. Kevin Hogan scored 27 of our total of 82, while in dismissing the visitors for 100, Bernie Lamaro took 2 for 2.

On the next Sunday, one of our Old Boys, Dr. Wally Moon, brought down from Kerang a team of first-class cricketers. Although St. Pat's made only 97 in reply to the visitors 168, the match was played in the best spirit, many valuable points being given to our boys. In this match Leon Heath scored a nice double, top-scoring with 26 and taking 3 for 16.

Our next match against Lindsay Hassett's XI, is being treated elsewhere, so let it suffice to say that cricket at St. Pat's was given a great boost by the visit of the champion's team. The match in which St. Pat's defeated St. Kevin's, the co-premier team of the Melbourne Colleges' competition, is also being dealt with elsewhere in this issue.

The final Sunday match for the season was against St. Joseph's, Geelong, who were weakened by the injuring of their best fast bowler. This team was also unlucky in losing one of their best batsmen early, so that St. Pat's went on to an easy win of 142 runs. Kevin Hogan's dazzling 106 and four for thirteen were features of a great win.

I will conclude, therefore, by saying that the experience gained in these Sunday matches in no small way contributed to our splendid B.P.S. victories.

—J. F. ELLIOTT.

RESULTS OF SUNDAY MATCHES

- St. Pat's (113) defeated Old Boys' (70).
- St. Pat's (97) lost to Kerang (168).
- St. Pat's (68) lost to Lindsay Hassett's XI (131).
- St. Pat's (6/174) defeated St. Kevin's, Toorak (105).
- St. Pat's (82) lost to Ballarat V.R.I. (100).
- St. Pat's (227) defeated St. Joseph's, Geelong (85).

S.P.C. XI. v. ST. KEVIN'S XI.

Whether the sport be cricket or football, St. Patrick's College, Ballarat, and St. Kevin's College, Toorak, are the keenest of rivals. The annual clashes between the two Colleges are always keenly awaited and this year's match — scheduled for Sunday, 1st April — was certainly no exception. Towards the end of March, St. Kevin's had demonstrated their cricketing prowess by sharing with De La Salle, Malvern, the honour of Premiers of the Associated Catholic Secondary Colleges in Melbourne. Consequently, we realised that the St. Kevin's team would present a difficult hurdle for the S.P.C. XI., which had registered overwhelming victories in the first B.P.S. round, to surmount. Sunday, 1st April, proved to be ideal for cricket, although an occasional gusty wind may have given the bowlers a slight advantage.

St. Kevin's won the toss and sent the home team, in to bat on an apparently dubious wicket, which, however, later proved to be full of runs.

S.P.C. commenced disastrously, losing L. Heath's wicket in the first over. In addition, J. Elliott and R. Quilkey were back in the pavilion before the total had reached thirty. The fielding side was gaining the initiative—but not for long, as Kevin Hogan set about collaring the bowling in masterly fashion. At times during his scintillating innings, fieldmen were scattered very deeply on the drives even to the fast bowlers. Due mainly to Kevin's brilliant 94 (a century was never more richly deserved) and Brian Murray's well compiled 36, the S.P.C. total was 174 for 5 wickets when our batting time had expired. The visitors' bowling and fielding were, on the whole, good; but on occasions there was evidence of mediocrity in these departments.

Following the tea interval, St. Kevin's batsmen set about their huge task against good, consistent bowling and first-class fielding, which never wilted. Despite a stubborn innings of 30 by R. Stewart and three other double figure scorers, St. Kevin's were dismissed for 105 twenty minutes before stumps. The five bowlers employed by S.P.C. took wickets—the most successful being B. Lamaro with 3 for 28.

The match was a particularly interesting one and one which reflected great credit on the friendly, but fervent, rivalry that exists between the two Colleges. Without in the least detracting from St. Kevin's effort, let us take this opportunity of congratulating the S.P.C. XI on their very meritorious win.

—K. M. DRAKE.

THE SECOND XI.

The greatest accomplishment of the Second XI of 1951 was their defeat of the S.P.C. First XI—the B.P.S. champions. Admittedly, the Seconds were strengthened by the presence of Br. Kelty and Br. Williams. However, every player played right up to his best form and the Firsts were taken by surprise.

In the B.P.S. matches, as in former years, the Second XI won all its games during the season, and although there were some close shaves, most matches were won comfortably. The batting was as strong as ever, however, the bowlers had to work harder to dismiss the opposing batsmen.

Three of last year's players were again in the XI, and of these Gavan Hackwill was appointed Captain with Gerald Walsh as his deputy. Gavan proved to be a very successful and popular Captain. Here are a few remarks about each player:—

GAVAN HACKWILL: Captain of the team and a dashing opening batsmen always on the lookout for runs. Usually went out trying to force runs. A very accurate bowler who kept runs down and collected quite a few wickets. A good fieldman.

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GERALD WALSH: Vice-Captain and a very solid and successful batsman. In the five matches played he scored 97 runs, being out only in the last match. Winner of the batting averages. A useful slow bowler who picked up several wickets with his varied left arm deliveries.

KEVIN DRAKE: Opening bowler who was fairly successful, being unlucky on several occasions. A very useful batsman who scored runs when they were needed.

JOHN DEANY: New to the team but an outstanding member. A very stylish and attractive opening batsman and a reliable wicket-keeper. A good prospect for next year's First XI. Figured in biggest partnership of season—80 runs—with Gerald Walsh, when runs were needed against High School.

G. MURPHY: Very successful and promising opening bowler who won the bowling averages. A splendid fieldman—the best in the team—and a hard-hitting batsman.

K. MURPHY: Good all-rounder. Although he failed on a few occasions with the bat, he made his share of runs. Very accurate slow bowler, his length and spin gaining him many wickets. Good fieldman.

DES NUNN: A very handy man to have in a team. An excellent field and a useful change bowler and a forceful bowler.

G. TORNEY: A left hand batsman who hits the ball hard and is always looking for runs. Earned promotion in the batting order by his consistent play.

B. GAFFNEY: Hard-hitting batsman whose runs came mostly from powerful drives.

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B. COFFEY: A stylish batsman who made runs of occasions although not as successful in the Seconds as he was on the Hill.

W. FOLEY: Although not called upon to do much bowling, is nevertheless a capable bowler. Useful left hand batsman.

K. CRANZ: Useful bowler on a wet wicket. Capable of scoring quite a few runs by his hard hitting.

PETER HACKWILL: Although not as successful as his big brother, Gavan, still a useful cricketer. Capable of scoring runs and a change bowler.

BATTING AVERAGES

	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Total	Average
G. Walsh	5	4	32*	97	97
G. Torney	4	3	17	29	29
J. Deany	5	1	26	87	21.75
B. Coffey	5	2	23	57	19
K. Murphy	4	1	21*	38	12.6
D. Nunn	5	1	17	48	12
K. Drake	5	2	20*	32	10.6
W. Foley	5	4	7	10	10
G. Hackwill	5	—	14	47	9.4
G. Murphy	5	2	12	24	8
B. Gaffney	1	—	5	5	5
P. Hackwill	3	1	2	3	1.5
K. Cranz	5	5	7*	12	—

BOWLING AVERAGES

	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. Murphy	58	17	3.4
G. Walsh	48	10	4.8
K. Murphy	54	6	9
G. Hackwill	27	3	9
D. Nunn	9	1	9
W. Foley	10	1	10
K. Drake	62	6	10.3

UNDER 15 CRICKET

The Under 15 team had a most successful season, remaining unconquered in any of the five matches played. The team was ably led by Bill Drake.

The first game was against Ballarat College and this was won on the first innings by 61 runs. Outstanding performers were W. Noy who made 41 and G. Rasdell who took 3 wickets for 1 run.

The second match, against High School, resulted in an outright win by an innings and 56 runs. D. Grace (59 not out), R. Dignan (4 wickets for 0) and B. Smith (3 for 5) deserve special mention.

Our third game, the return match with College, brought a win by 93 runs. Best batsmen were Brian Grogan (68 not out), Walter Noy (39) and Brian Phillips (35), while the bowling honours went to B. Grogan (3 for 26) and B. Smith (2 for 10).

St. Joseph's, Geelong, were our next opponents, and the match was something of a sensation. Geelong made 55 and we replied with 91. In the second innings Geelong collapsed and made only 22 which left us winners by an innings and 14 runs. Best performers were K. Shea (22), B. Gaffney (19), B. Smith (15 not out), W. Drake (4 for 7), M. Bourke (4 for 10 and 2 for 3) and B. Smith (2 for 0).

The final match of the season, with High School, brought us another outright win. W. Noy made 59 not out and Mick Bourke took 5 wickets for 10. We won by an innings and 51 runs.

The following boys played in the Under 15 team: W. Drake (Capt.), M. Bourke, W. Noy, P. Brumby, B. Grogan, B. Gaffney, K. Kershaw, R. Dignan, G. Rasdell, B. Smith, K. Shea, D. Grace, B. Phillips, N. Morganti and F. Sharkey.

UNDER 14 CRICKET

The Under 14 team, captained by Noel Morganti, won both games played. The first match was against Grammar School who batted first and made 64 runs. Noel Morganti took 7 for 13 and Jim Forrest and Gavin Bourke the other wickets. We made 136 in reply. Best scores were N. Morganti's 41 not out and B. Hurley's 30 not out. Grammar were dismissed for 41 in the second innings, Jim Forrest taking 6 wickets (including the hat-trick) and N. Morganti 3. We won by an innings and 31 runs.

The second game was played against Ballarat College and resulted in a win by three wickets and eight runs. College batted first and scored 63. Our bowling figures were: J. Forrest, 6/18; R. Start, 3/7; N. Morganti, 1/28. Our first innings total was 78, of which B. Hurley made 27 and T. FitzPatrick, 16. College were all out for 53 in the second innings. J. Forrest took 5 wickets for 6 (including the hat-trick) and N. Morganti 2 for 20. In our second innings we were 7 for 48. R. Start (17 not out) and N. Morganti (10) were the best performers in this innings.

The Under 14 team consisted of: N. Morganti (Captain), J. Forrest (Vice-Capt.), G. Bourke, R. Start, T. FitzPatrick, J. O'Beirne, B. Carey, B. Hurley, P. Carracher, B. Mulquiny, J. Humphrey and G. Breen.

ST. ROCH'S OVAL

Champion team: McCarthy, 15 points; Second: Nunan, 10½ points; Third: Treacy, 4½ points; Fourth: Galvin, 3 points.

The following is a list of players who were outstanding during the season:—

MC CARTHY—Batting: P. Brown, B. Elliott, G. Gemmola, A. Foley, P. Williams. Bowling: P. Brown, K. Bell, M. Kennedy, B. Elliott, G. Gemmola.

NUNAN—Batting: B. Tellefson, B. Hickey, M. Hickey, W. McGeniss. Bowling: B. Hickey, J. Molan, B. Tellefson.

TREACY—Batting: B. Clinton, F. Doherty, M. Smith, B. Pekin. Bowling: B. Clinton, M. Smith, F. Doherty.

GALVIN—Batting: B. Maw, L. Bissett, L. Gleeson, H. MacNamara, G. Stockwick. Bowling: B. Maw, L. Bissett, H. MacNamara, T. Evans.

THE HILL COMPETITION

The Hill cricket competition was well contested this year between the four teams—Treacy, McCarthy, Galvin and Nunan, captained respectively by G. Hackwill, W. Foley, D. Nunn and G. Walsh. Most games were won and lost by narrow margins and the games in the second round were, on the whole, characterised by small scores. Nunan were the ultimate victors since they headed the list when rain stopped play for the season. The final points were: Nunan, 18; Treacy, 16; Galvin, 10; McCarthy 4.

Nunan won because of their all-round strength and the good bowling of G. Murphy in particular. Treacy, the only team to defeat Nunan, were hampered by the lack of fast bowlers. Galvin, on their day, were capable of defeating any team by reason of their many exponents of the long handle.

The best individual score went to M. Kelly 46, G. Hackwill (43 retired) and B. Coffey (43). G. Walsh was next with 42 not out. Others to make good scores were G. Torney, J. Deany, B. Gaffney, P. Hackwill and R. Ashkar. Bowling honours go to G. Murphy, K. Johnston, W. Drake, D. Nunn and W. Foley, who took the hat-trick in one game. Can anyone who was present forget M. Scott's devastating over when he tied the batsmen in knots and finally had him stumped?

Congratulations again to Nunan on their meritorious win in the struggle for the Premiership.

—G. HACKWILL.

UNDER 13

Under the captaincy of F. Hurley and ably assisted by T. Fitzpatrick, the Under 13 team won its only match played, the others being abandoned. The team's best performers were T. Fitzpatrick, K. Maher, R. Start and K. Casey.

S.P.C.—99 (K. Maher, 28; T. Fitzpatrick, 28; R. Start, 14) defeated B.C.—27 (R. Start, 4/12; K. Casey, 3/0—hat-trick).

UNDER 12

Following the good example of the First XI and all other St. Pat's teams, the Under 12's won both matches played. The team was led by K. Maher, with M. Younger his Vice-Captain. The stars of the team were K. Maher and M. Younger, together with J. Hogan, R. Haintz, B. Butler, B. Elliott and B. Maw.

S.P.C.—83 (R. Haintz, 27; P. Butler, 21) defeated G.S.—34 (J. Hogan, 5/12; K. Maher, 2/8).

S.P.C.—139 (P. Butler, 49 not out; J. Hogan, 20; B. Elliott, 17) defeated B.C.—32 (M. Younger, 4/6; J. Hogan, 4/8; K. Maher, 2/10) and 32 (J. Hogan, 5/6; M. Younger, 3/6; B. Maw, 2/2).

ROWING

Once again the Boathouse is alive with enthusiastic rowers who are feverishly striving to overcome the hoodoo that is associated with the possibility of a St. Pat's crew winning the Head of the Lake. Fourteen years have elapsed since we last won the coveted title. Will 1951 see the end

of our succession of defeats? Our rivals will say no, but if enthusiasm and willingness to learn is any criterion, our rowers can confidently reply in the affirmative.

This year we have discarded the orthodox system of rowing and, under the expert tuition of the new Ballarat City Rowing Club coaches, we have made good progress, thanks to their modern methods. As only six of last year's rowers returned to College, it was early thought that our prospects would not be too bright, but the boys soon rallied to the call for more rowers, and now we witness great rivalry to obtain and retain positions in any of the six crews. Despite their lack of experience, this year's crews promise to give good accounts of themselves on April 21st; while teamwork and co-operation, which are such marked features of the youthful contestants, should help greatly to send St. Pat's first across the line.

Under the expert guidance of Mr. Otto Hauser, the First Crew is being slowly welded into a potential Head of the Lake crew, and it now shows that it has all the qualities to make a winning crew. The stroke is Vincent Carey who was a member of last year's Second Crew. John James is the only newcomer to rowing circles, but if stamina and determination is needed, as it will be, his football and athletic ability will ensure that he will quite capably occupy the No. 3 seat. In No. 2 position is Jim Murray who stroked last year's Fourth Crew. To complete the crew is John Martin in the bow seat. John also rowed with the Fourth Crew last year.

Mr. Wilken's crew, stroked by Ray Carey, has high hopes of taking off the honours in the Seconds. As eager as their stroke, are Bill Gleeson in No. 3 position, Warren Constable in No. 2 and John Bowman in the bow seat.

The Third Crew is comprised of all new rowers, but the coach, Mr. Frank Beatty, himself an expert oarsman, has developed them into a powerful combination well to be feared by the opposition. John Cullen is the stroke, and he receives healthy support from Brian Gleeson in the No. 3 seat, Brian Unthank No. 2 and Des Watts in the bow.

An Old Boy of the College in Frank Moloney is coach of the Fourth Crew, who are bound to live up to expectations when that extra bit is called for. Stroke of these young enthusiasts is Kevin Opie, cox of last year's firsts. Behind Kevin in Barry Pedlar No. 3, Ray Lilburne No. 2 and John Hannasky bow.

For those aspirants unable to make the first four crews, there are the Fifths and Sixths who row on the Thursday before the Head of the Lake, due to the insufficiency of time on the actual day. As these crews consist mainly of young novices who will be returning to College next year, this year's experience will assure St. Pat's of good material for future Heads of the Lake. Mr. Hamilton is coach of these two crews and has blended them into promising rowers. The Fifths are Ian Morrison, Les Plummer, Laurence Buck and Roy Pangrazio. First crew to race this year are the Sixths, and with such keen recruits as Pat Rice, Des Bourke, Bill Gunther and Don McDonald in the crew, they may gain our first success for the Regatta.

Special thanks must be given to our five coaches—Messrs. Hauser, Wilton, Beatty, Moloney and Hamilton. Each of these men is either a coach or a rower with the Ballarat City Rowing Club, and apart from attending to their own club activities, they are able to find time to help coach our crews. We are deeply grateful for the interest they show in our preparations, and for the time and energy they expend on our crews.

Before closing this article mention must be given to our much abused coxes. These midgets venture forth with the crews in fair weather or foul, and unlike the rowers, are unable to keep warm by pulling an oar. To these, the crews look for guidance and the results of their efforts depend,

in no small way, upon the skill of the hand on the rudder. As yet the coxes have not been assigned to a crew, but they should come from the following whom we thank for their services: Bill Holligan, Alan Finnegan, Alf Broad and Peter McDonald.

—JOHN MARTIN.

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS FOR 1951

The cricket season is once more nearing its close, and quite a successful season it has been too, and the football season is in the air. This year, with nine of last year's champion side again attending College, prospects are indeed bright for the championship of 1951.

Last season's players include captain Kevin Hogan, our outstanding forward player of the last two seasons, and recently sought by the Richmond League side; John James, our robust centre half-back, who, with his dauntless dashes, saved the side from many dangerous thrusts by opponents last year; and John Elliott, who proved himself an invaluable asset to the team as centre man. Also returned is our tall forward, Brian Murray, who, with valuable experience gained last year, should shine at centre half-forward for the season of 1951. The other boys, namely, Barry McLaughlin, Des Nunn, Bernie Lamaro, John Dowling and Laurie Halloran, with last year's experience to strengthen them, should be the foundation stones of this year's champion side.

Players who were outstanding in last year's Seconds are most likely to make the final lists this year. Among these we see Gerald Walsh, who wore the green, white and blue on a few occasions last year. Gavan Hackwill, Bill Gleeson, his cousin Brian Gleeson, who is rapidly overhauling his brother Gerald in height, Jim Murray and Adrian Joyce. The performances of these boys last year with the Second XVIII should enable them to find a place in the 1951 senior side. Kevin Drake and Basil Sheahan, also notable members of last year's Seconds, have the speed and determination, which may win for them the green, white and blue jersey.

In the Under Fifteen team last year, players like Brian Unthank, John Cullen, Gavan Murphy, Ian Morrison and Les Plummer, who put up some brilliant performances, are very likely prospects for 1951. As happens every year, we have a large number of new boys from other schools, and from these "dark horses" some outstanding players come forward. This year we have Warren Constable from Mt. Gambier, South Australia, who is reported to be something really "out of the box," and should prove a valuable acquisition to our senior side. Then there is Kevin Murphy, a forward player of note from Mildura. No doubt other players of whom no report has been received will prove themselves at practice, which will commence on Tuesday, 17th April. This first practice will be in preparation for our match against the Old Boys' team on Sunday, 22nd April.

However, the first side for this year will be weakened by the absence of the rowers, who will be upholding the banners of S.P.C. at the B.P.S. Regatta on Saturday, 21st April. Nevertheless, this will be no reason for the Old Boys to slacken their pace in their match against us, because there will still be eighteen fighting players on the field to contend with them for the honour of the victory.

It is certain, that with the material mentioned beforehand, St. Pat's will be able to mould a team capable of winning another championship. Good wishes and best of luck to those lads who gain a position in the senior side, and may they bring the green, white and blue out on top for 1951, and for many more seasons to come.

—L. HALLORAN.

AMAZING RECORD OF S.P.C., BALLARAT

Essendon have been remarkably successful in post-war League football and followers of the Dons may justly be proud of their team's record in winning the last two premierships. However, St. Patrick's College, Ballarat, can lay claim to a far greater, though perhaps less famous, record. For the past 46 years, S.P.C. has been premier and champion team in the Ballarat Public School's competition. This phenomenal and continued success must surely be an Australian record and perhaps there is no other team in the world with such a remarkable claim. If someone should challenge us on this score, we have more astounding records to enumerate. Panned out, these games give an average winning margin of at least 20 goals each. One year, 1918 to be exact, S.P.C. were too busy scoring themselves to spare any time to their opponents. Consequently, their average of 30 goals or so a match was the only scoring registered that year. All that, too, in the days when scores were only half of present-day tallies. If your mental and physical capacities can possibly endure such seemingly incredible facts, you, my reader, will undoubtedly demand some logical explanation of this phenomena. This is undoubtedly a difficult task, but, from my limited knowledge, I will make an attempt by forwarding two reasons which have greatly contributed to our success.

Firstly, S.P.C. teams have always been imbued with an unswervingly loyal spirit. Players have subjected any off-the-field grievances, that may have existed, to the honour and glory of S.P.C.; and as a result, team spirit and co-operation have always been very noticeable. As the years passed and success was consistently ours, the green, white and blue jumpers came to possess a very real significance, and team after team took the field with the incentive and determination to uphold the glorious traditions of S.P.C. Over the 46 years of our momentous achievements, the XVIII has been coached almost incessantly by two men—Mr. J. Morrissey for the first period and Br. W. T. O'Malley for the more recent era. Admittedly, there must always have been excellent material over the years, but everyone realises that even the best material may go astray unless it is under the guidance of capable men. In this matter, S.P.C. has been most fortunate in having the services of the two very able coaches mentioned above.

Many keen followers of our prowess and, indeed, several of the students present in the College, may frequently wonder where the hordes of good footballers, who pass through S.P.C., disappear to when their College days are terminated. Naturally enough, a great proportion of our students are derived from country areas, whither the majority of these boys generally return on completing their schooling. However, a big number of S.P.C. Collegians have graduated successfully into the ranks of League football and some of those who quickly come to mind are enumerated here: Leo Seward (University), Charlie Baker (St. Kilda), Jack and the late Chris Fogarty (University), Phil McCumisky (Carlton), Basil Nehill (St. Kilda), Joe Shortill (Carlton), Harry Neate (Essendon), Maurice Connell (Carlton), Bert Gregory (Melbourne), Maurice Sheahan (Richmond), Bill Walsh (Essendon), Jim Keogh (Brunswick), Bob Johnson (Melbourne), Joe Nunan (Footscray), Syd Dockendorf (North Melbourne), Dick Kingston (Melbourne), Jim Whitehead (Pahran), Jim Condon (Captain of Queensland Carnival side), Reg Hickey (Geelong Captain and leader of Victorian State teams), Bob Thompson (University), Leo Little (Carlton), and Les Mogg (present North Melbourne player).

This is indeed a very impressive line-up and one which reflects great credit on St. Patrick's College, Ballarat.

—K. M. DRAKE.



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EDITORIAL

YOUR VOCATION

You are God's creation. He has placed you on this earth for some specific purpose. To know God's plan in your regard it is necessary that you should pray hard to be enlightened and that you should listen to his gentle voice urging you to serve Him as He wishes. You will be happy and successful in so far as you strive to follow God's will.

God has a plan for all of us. Hence everybody has a vocation. He wants one to work in the field, on the land, and another to labour in the factory or in the workshop. One will enter commerce, another will pursue one or other of the professions. Maybe God wants you to be a Priest or a religious.

Recently we have met several newly ordained Priests. God called these young men when they were boys studying at College just as you are now. Through their years of study at the Seminary, they remained loyal and when they finished their course they were recommended for ordination and were ordained by their Bishop. You and all at the College with you rejoiced with our newly ordained. We knelt to receive their blessings, we assisted at their first Mass in their Alma Mater. We were thrilled to know that one whom we knew at College, whose friendship we cherished had become a Priest. These heard Our Lord's invitation and they nobly followed it. They did not elect to follow their divine vocation but their Master selected them, "You have not chosen me but I have chosen you . . ." They had the right intention. They wished to save their own souls and to assist in the salvation of other souls. God was pleased with their good will and He blessed their efforts. You may not hear any interior whisperings calling you to serve God in the Priesthood or in the Religious life. If you are suitable and you are not aware of any obstacle that might prevent your entering such a life you ought seek the advice of your confessor or of some Priest or religious. He will tell you how to prepare to enter on the life you are contemplating. Such a vocation is a great blessing from God. Our duty in this life is to know, love, and serve God. By being true to one's vocation one carries out this triple duty more easily and more efficiently.

Then, death will have no terrors but instead the soul will eagerly await the reward promised to those who serve God faithfully and well, the reward abundantly generous in our heavenly home where "eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE

LEON HEATH has been at St. Pat's since 1947 when he came from Casterton. His family have since moved to Melbourne. He is a College Prefect and a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and of the Holy Name Society. He does good work as a member of the College Altar Society and is a Councillor in Our Lady's Sodality. Leon is a forceful speaker and a keen debater and is an entrant for the Purton Oratory Contest. A good sport, he rendered splendid service as a regular member of the First XI. He is Captain of Treacy House in the Senior Oval Competition and is a regular with the Second XVIII. He is doing Second Year Matriculation and intends doing Veterinary Science. His brother, Damien, is at Corpus Christi College, Werribee. Leon's two uncles, Bill and Jim Carrick, attended St. Pat's about 1911 to 1915.

BASIL SHEAHAN: Yes, Basil is a member of this family so well known at S.P.C. His uncles, Maurice and Frank, were at St. Pat's about 1919 and Din and Vesta were three or four years later. His brother, Paul, left St. Pat's in 1948. Basil entered College in 1949 and this year he is repeating his Matriculation. He hopes to win a Commonwealth Scholarship and to study Agricultural Science next year. Basil is a keen student and figures in almost all phases of College life. He is a Prefect, an Executive Officer of the Holy Name Society, a member of the Sodality of Our Lady and a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He is a good all round sport and was a regular member of the First XVIII and the First XI.

PAT FLANAGAN comes from Bendigo and has been at St. Pat's since 1944. He is a keen student in the Leaving Class and has been Dux of his class on five occasions. He is a member of the Holy Name Society and of the Sodality of Our Blessed Lady. He won a Junior Government Scholarship from Second Year and has won honorable mention from the Alliance Francaise examiners in French Dicté. Pat's pastimes are reading, chess and bike riding. He is at St. Peter's Seminary. Pat's brother, Ron, was at S.P.C. from 1936-38.

MICK KELLY comes to S.P.C. from St. Peter's Seminary. He is an enthusiastic member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, of the Holy Name Society and of the Sodality of Our Blessed Lady. Mick comes from Warrnambool where he worked for some years after leaving C.B.C. in that town. He is a studious Leaving Certificate student and last year he secured First Place in the Inter-Collegiate English Examination. He likes sport and plays a good game of football with the Second XVIII.

BARRY PODGER is the son of Dr. Des Podger, of Ballarat. Barry has been at St. Pat's since 1945. He is studying well in the Sub-Intermediate Class. He excels at golf and has won mixed doubles competitions on three occasions. He has seven trophies for successes in single events. At tennis, too, Barry more than holds his own, and his name appears on the College Ladder. He is proud of the fact that his Dad is General President of the Old Collegians' Association.

PETER BROWN, from Balwyn, has been here for five years. Last year he was Dux of Sixth Class and this year he is studying hard in First Year. He is Captain of Nunan in the St. Roch's Competition and he hopes some day to represent S.P.C. both at football and cricket. He learns music and loves it. Last year he went to Sydney to visit his brother, Barry, who is studying to be a Christian Brother.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

During the Second Term the Society has carried on as usual, and on the second Sunday of each month, the members have been present at their Mass and Holy Communion, and at the meeting in the evening.

Owing to the numbers of Holy Name members who returned to College at the beginning of the year, a reception was not held at the end of the First Term. However, about thirty boys were accepted into the Society on probation, and these boys will be received into the Society at a reception to be held before the end of the term.

Our Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Sexton, has given us some interesting talks during the year, and like him, we express the wish that members of the Society on leaving school will become affiliated with the Senior Holy Name Society in their home parishes. Having joined the Holy Name Society at the College they have come to know the aims of the Society, and like so many millions of Catholic men the world over they will stand by all that is required of a true Holy Name man: "We stand for God and for His glory"

—GERALD WALSH.

THE SODALITY OF OUR LADY

The Sodality of 1951 is upholding those splendid traditions set by the members of Our Lady's Sodality in former years. Every Friday the members assemble in the Chapel to recite the Office of the Blessed Virgin, after which the Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Sexton, gives us a short instruction.

As a result of a reception held at the end of First Term, eight boys were admitted into the Sodality. They were: G. Torney, J. Deany, B. Lamaro, W. Holligan, R. Ryan, P. Flanagan, M. Kelly and G. Murphy. With these boys and those who will be admitted at the end of this term, the Sodality will have well over thirty members in the Third Term.

Rumour has it that our Chaplain, Rev. Fr. Sexton, might not be with us next term. If this is the case, all Sodalists will miss him, and we all wish to thank him for the interest he has taken in all the Societies in the College, and in particular for the way in which he has acted as Spiritual Director of Our Lady's Sodality.

—GERALD WALSH.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society, under the guidance of its Spiritual Director, Fr. Sexton, has functioned most efficiently during the past term. The seventeen active, with the occasional assistance of two honorary members, have been most enthusiastic in maintaining the highest traditions of the Society.

Throughout the term, the weekly visits have been made to the usual institutions. The Base Hospital has been visited every Sunday morning by five members, who distribute papers, magazines, cigarettes and sweets. On alternate Sunday afternoons, five members have distributed similar comforts to the inmates of Nazareth House and of our Benevolent Home. Charitable works have also been performed within the College, the Infirmary being visited regularly by the Society.

Other pleasing features of the term's activities have been the regular attendances at the weekly meetings of our College Society. Members have also attended the Ballarat Particular Council Conferences and the Festival Meetings, the last of which was successfully conducted in the College grounds. Senior members are very pleased with the work being done by our College Society.

—K. DRAKE.

THE NEW CHAPEL

Our Chapel nears completion. Slowly! Yes, indeed, but surely. Like Rome, it has taken time and with longing patience we have watched our daring tribute to God and to our fallen ex-students develop into a thing of beauty and a monument to the Glory of God and to our Faith in Him.

The external appearance of the Chapel pleases with its satisfying proportions of length, breadth and height. The brickwork is finished but for a few steps to the entrances, the ridging has been put on the roof and the insulation above the rafters, and very soon the dark red tiles which actually await erection, will be harmonising with the red brickwork of the walls, as yet unrelieved by the cement dressings round the windows and the entrances.

As we enter the narthex through the front doorway, our eye follows the two sweeps of elliptical stairways leading to the choir gallery which will accommodate 200. One side entrance leads in from the Sturt Street side and the other leads through the future tower, the foundations of which lie under the present Chapel.

On entering the nave, a feeling of vastness and grandeur can readily be tensed. The concrete foundations of the floors suggest solidarity. The dimensions of the windows promise ample natural light and the Romanesque semi-circular shape at the tops of the windows is echoed in the apse and the eight confessionals which are situated between the buttresses along the side walls. Indeed the semicircle is repeated throughout from the front wall, the choir gallery, the corners of the transept, the sacristies, above the side altars, but not into the ceiling, for the heavy character of the roof trusses is in strong contrast to the plain facade of the internal walls, which will in turn be linked with the richly moulded wood work comprising the Confessionals. The two sacristies are situated at either end of the transept and a passageway leads outside the transept to the apse or Sanctuary access to which is made by an external door.

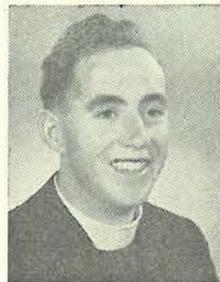
The spacious Sanctuary will be on strictly liturgical lines in every detail.

A feature of the Chapel will be the Holy Communion Table which will extend across the transept, the character of which will be a replica of the table of Leonarda de Vinci's Last Supper.

Bold Romanesque character softened by the curved treatment of the walls gives an air of quiet dignity.

HAEC DIES QUAM FECIT

Indeed Sunday, 22nd July, was a great day for S.P.C. On that day four more priests were Ordained for God's service. Setting out on the day before, Brothers had gone to the various ordination centres to represent St. Patrick's College on the big occasion. Brothers had journeyed to Melbourne and to Shepparton and from there they had gone to Castlemaine, to Nagambie and to Numurkah. One, of course, had represented the College in St. Patrick's Cathedral at the Ordination of Fr. Kevin Sweeney, and at St. Alipius' on the occasion of Father Kevin's First Mass. These ceremonies, the Prefects and senior students had attended. Fr. John Cross was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, and next day he said his first Mass at Castlemaine. Fathers Pat Farrell and Frank Hickey were ordained at Shepparton and Fr. Frank said First Mass at Numurkah, while Fr. Pat travelled to Nagambie for his First Mass. Br. Smith travelled to Castlemaine, Br. Mullin to Nagambie and Br. O'Malley to Numurkah. Br. Healy accompanied the Prefects to Fr. Kevin Sweeney's Mass at St. Alipius'. Rev. Max Jongebloed was to have been ordained with this group, but owing to the ill health of his mother, Max's ordination was postponed in the hope that in the near future, she may be able to be present at all the ceremonies—Ordination, First Mass, etc., etc. We pray that Mrs. Jongebloed will soon be well enough to attend Max's ordination.



Rev. Fr. P. Farrell.



Rev. Fr. J. Cross.

NEWLY ORDAINED VISIT ALMA MATER

On Friday, 27th July, all four newly ordained sons of S.P.C. visited the College. Rev. Fr. Pat Farrell said Mass for the Brothers and boys at 7 a.m. Then at 9.30 a.m. the other three newly ordained sang a High Mass. On this occasion Fr. Kevin Sweeney was celebrant, Fr. John Cross was deacon and Fr. Frank Hickey was sub-deacon. Fr. Pat Farrell was Master of Ceremonies and Fr. J. Shelley assisted.

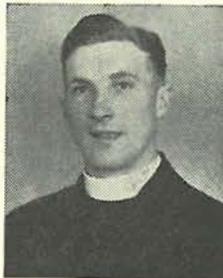
This was a glorious spectacle and it brought great joy to the Brothers and boys of St. Pat's and to the parents and relatives who occupied the front benches. The Mass sung by the entire College was *Orbis Factor* and the Matriculation students rendered the Proper and the responses. Nothing was omitted and the pageant of the High Mass was carried out in all its grandeur. After Mass the four Priests gave their blessings to the boys. This, too, was very impressive. Each boy received four blessings and every boy had reason to feel jubilant that he shared in the fruits of the recent consecrations and ordinations.

Soon we assembled in the Hall to vociferate our congratulations to our reverend gentlemen. Rousing indeed was the welcome accorded to the happy parents and friends, but characteristically warm and unmistakable

remarks and in happy strain he added intimate reminiscences of happenings was the acclamation that ushered the guests of honour on to the stage. After prolonged applause Br. Healy greeted the new Priests and expressed to them the congratulations of the Brothers, the boys and the ex-students of the College. "He knew all four at College," he said, "and he could testify to the sterling qualities of heart and head which each possessed: No one, of the boys who were at College at the beginning of 1944 when the batch left for Corpus Christi College, Werribee, was surprised to learn that they had gone. All were Prefects in 1943 and each set an example of serious study and earnest application which was to see them through their years of training and study at C.C.C." Br. Healy congratulated each and he offered to the families there present the hearty congratulations of all. He then called on Br. O'Malley to supplement his remarks.



Rev. Fr. F. Hickey.



Rev. Fr. K. Sweeney.

Rev. Fr. Dan O'Brien, ordained in 1950, endorsed Br. O'Malley's at S.P.C. and at C.C.C.

John Elliott, Head Prefect, then tendered to the four newly ordained the felicitous greetings of the present boys. John claimed that sincerity was a characteristic of those students, whom he knew to go to Seminaries. He expressed the hope that many more boys would follow the lead given by our ex-student Priests.

Rev. Fr. Pat Farrell was first up to reply. He received a rousing reception and his speech was one of thanks to all who helped him to reach the goal of the Priesthood. He exhorted his youthful audience to make the best of their College days and he expressed the wish that many boys present would enlist to do work in the vineyard of Christ, either as Priests or as Christian Brothers.

Fr. John Cross was enthusiastically greeted and he, in no uncertain terms, lauded the virtues of St. Pat's. He owed much to the College and he would pray that God would continue to bless the Brothers and boys.

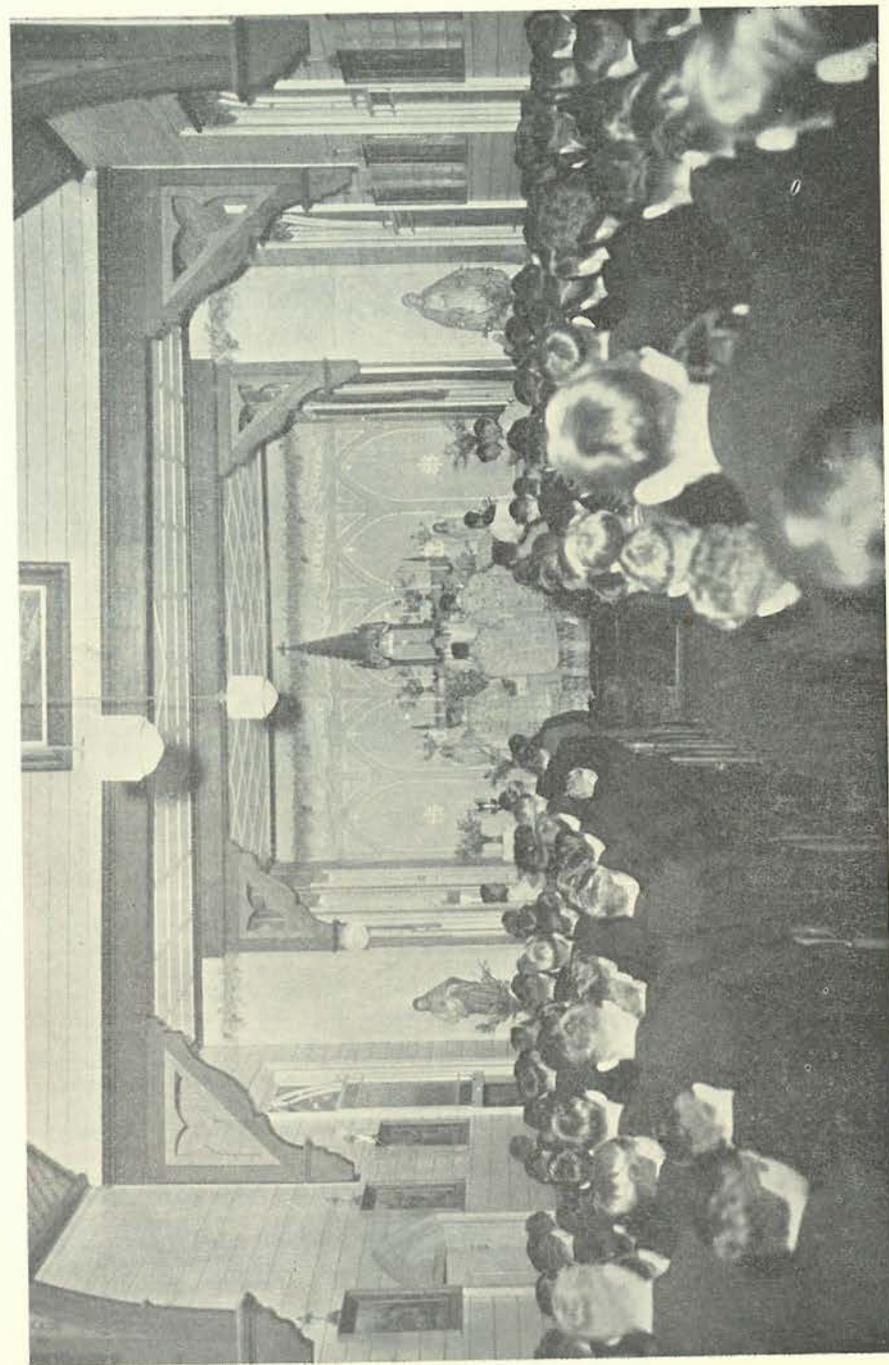
Fr. Frank Hickey had happy memories of his associations at S.P.C. He knew that during his eight years at Werribee his friends at St. Pat's were keenly watching the progress of each and every St. Pat's boy. He knew, too, that prayers were offered that his group would succeed.

Lastly came Fr. Kevin Sweeney who earnestly advocated prayer for vocations and many more vocations. Fr. Kevin said that he and his companions found their priestly studies comparatively easy because of the good grounding they had received at St. Pat's.

All four Priests then petitioned for that day free and for a free week-end. This was readily granted and was the signal for prolonged applause and a rallying war-cry.

And now we await the Ordination of Max Jongebloed. We trust that his good Mother will be soon well enough to take part in the ceremonies.

In December of this year Rev. Dominic Ebbs, O.P., will be ordained with the Dominican Fathers.



JULY 31st

FEAST DAY OF VERY REV. BR. EDMUND IGNATIUS RICE

FOUNDER OF THE IRISH CHRISTIAN BROTHERS

Through the courtesy of the Administrator of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Very Rev. Fr. P. O'Dowd, the feast day of our Founder, Very Rev. Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice, was celebrated with due solemnity.

High Mass was sung by Rev. Fr. J. Shelly, Inspector of Schools, and Rev. Fr. P. Bohan was Deacon, with Rev. Fr. D. O'Brien, Sub-Deacon. Rev. Fr. Boylan was Master of Ceremonies.

Boys from St. Patrick's, Drummond St., St. Alipius', Ballarat East, St. Paul's Technical College and St. Patrick's College filled to our flowing our beautiful Cathedral. The singing of the Mass was shared by the four schools and the ceremonies associated with High Mass were meticulously carried out.

Rev. Fr. Austin, C.Ss.R., from the Redemptorist Monastery, Wendouree, delivered the occasional address. Speaking to the congregation which consisted entirely of pupils from the Christian Brothers' Schools, Rev. Fr. Austin said:

"The 31st of July, the Feast of St. Ignatius, finds you gathered again within the walls of St. Patrick's Cathedral to do honour to the memory of Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice. On this day each year the boys from the Christian Brothers' Schools in Ballarat assemble here that the name of Edmund Ignatius Rice might be kept alive in their memory, and that by common prayer to the Throne of God, the day of his Beatification and Canonisation might be brought ever nearer."

"My Dear Boys,—

"But today I do not intend to speak of the life of Br. Rice. I am sure the details of his work on earth are well known to you all. You know how he was born in County Kilkenny in Ireland in 1762, and how, like most Catholic boys of his day, he received his education not in the comforts of a school-room but in the secrecy of a disused barn or behind the shelter of a hedge, for the only schools available were dens of perversion and strongholds of the enemies of the Faith. You know how on the death of his uncle, he became owner of a wealthy business in Waterford, but treasuring his Faith above all his worldly goods, sold his business and dedicated himself and what money he possessed to the welfare of the neglected boys of the town. You know how he rented a house and with the help of two hired teachers began a school which worked such a wonderful change in the conduct of the boys that overwhelming numbers flocked for instruction and soon a second school was required. His first two teachers deserted him, but he gathered more about him, and realising that the proper instruction of Catholic youth is a divine work which requires absolute dedication of oneself to God's service, he founded the Christian Brothers, and with six companions made his religious profession on the 15th August, 1808. For over thirty years Br. Rice guided the destinies of his religious sons, and saw Colleges staffed by Christian Brothers spreading over the face of Ireland, and then crossing the Irish sea to the industrial cities of England where many Irish had gone in search of work. In 1844, beloved by all and with zeal for the instruction and salvation of youth still burning bright in his saintly soul, he left this world of suffering to enter the Home of God. Twenty-four years later, four Brothers left Ireland, and in 1869 opened the first Christian Brothers' School in Australia at Melbourne, and thus brought to our Motherland beneath the gleam of the Southern Cross the work which Br. Rice had begun in the Emerald Isle.

"I do not wish to speak about the life of Edmund Ignatius Rice, but I do wish to speak about what he has done for you. The greatness of a man's life appears in the effect it has on the world—not only during his own existence but also in the years that follow. If this be true, as undoubtedly it is, the greatness of Edmund Ignatius Rice is beyond all question, for his influence has spread throughout the world and persists in a greater degree today than at any time during his own life. And it is not an influence that is far away; he has changed the life of everyone of you, your whole being has been stirred to its very roots by Edmund Ignatius Rice; you are what you are, I might say, because of him.

"And how is that? Because the fact that you receive the first class education that you are privileged to obtain in the various Christian Brothers' Schools in Ballarat is due to Edmund Ignatius Rice, for without him there would never have been any Christian Brothers at all, and if no Christian Brothers had come to plant the seed of the Faith in the hearts of young Australian men, where would be the Church today in this fair land of ours. Your life is being changed day by day by Edmund Ignatius Rice because of the Catholic Education you are now receiving.

"Education for us is a long and serious task. An animal can quickly be educated. All that it needs for life it quickly learns, and then goes on its way to fend for itself. But with us, it is a different question. Many years of careful training are required to fit a man to take his place in the modern world. To live as man ought to live, he has much to learn. But here precisely is where you are more fortunate than most other boys in this city. For the education you receive is a full one; it is the education of the whole of you, and not merely of a part. A complete education must train the intellect and train the will. But the education which the majority are receiving trains the intellect only in the part which least matters and as for the will, ignores it altogether.

"Secular education is very much concerned with what will attract the attention of the world; it summons up all its powers to instill a knowledge that will shine before the eyes of men, and an ability that will make one a success in the things of the world. It is very particular in such matters as these, but with these it thinks it has done all that need be done. And yet it has taught only half the truth, and that the least important half. It gives life and it gives it abundantly, but it is a life that is concerned only with the world. The other life, the more important—the infinitely more important life—the life of the soul—of that it knows nothing and cares less. And yet, says Christ Our Lord, 'This is eternal life that they know Thee the one true God and Him Whom Thou hast sent Jesus Christ.' This is the life that really matters, this is the life that as far exceeds that of the body as heaven exceeds the earth, and this life, says Truth Divine, is had through faith. 'This is eternal life . . . ' But with Faith and the things of God, secular knowledge has no part. It is concerned only with the secondary and least important things: how to be a successful business man, how to succeed in some trade, how to make a name for yourself in science or art or some such thing. But a man might know all about mathematics, law, the sciences and so on and know nothing about Him Who is responsible for them all. He might be a genius in his knowledge of the effects, but completely ignorant of their Cause, Who is God. And he who knows not God knows nothing.

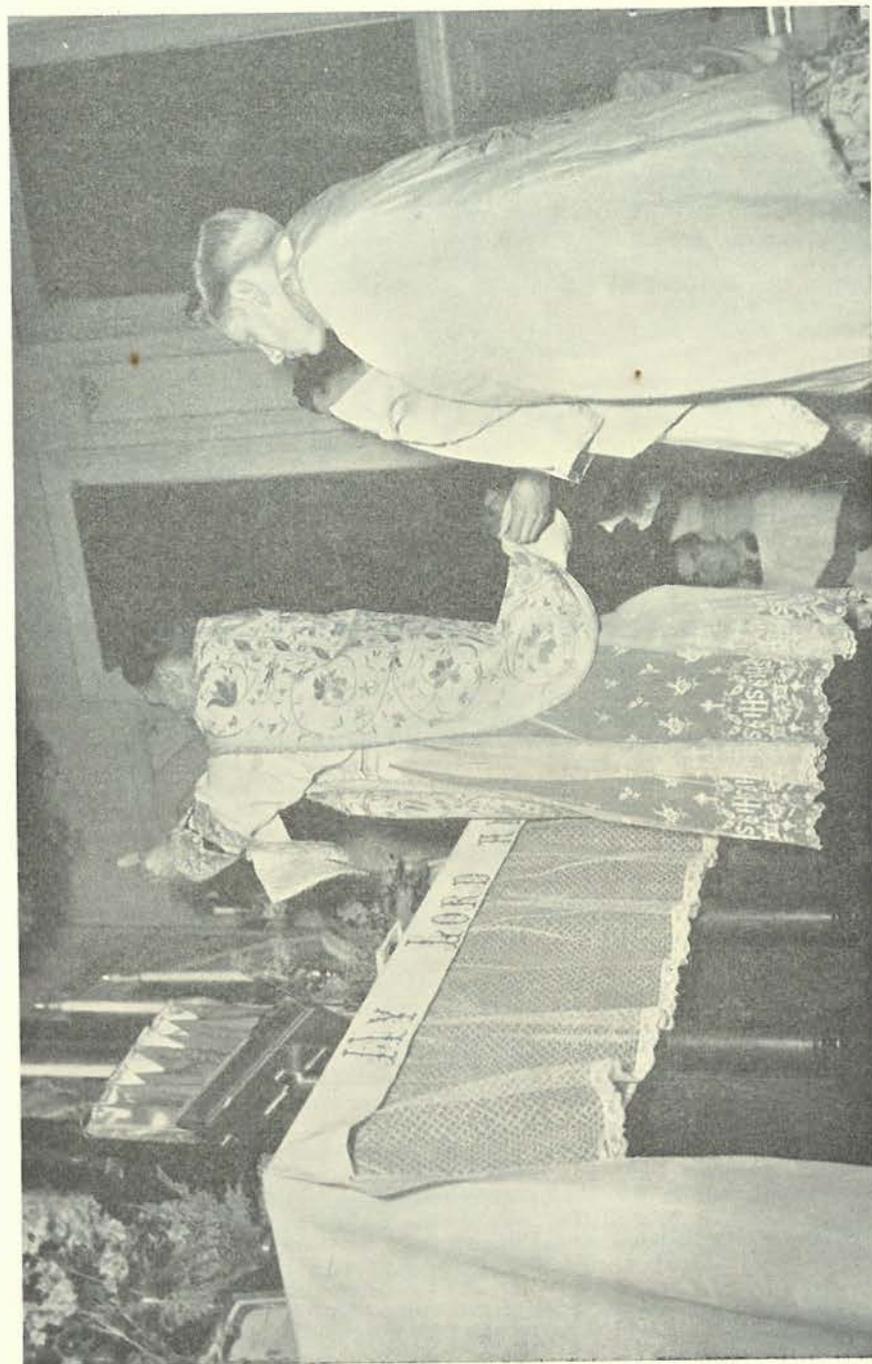
"But to know God and the things of God is not enough. To know how to save one's soul does not suffice. Faith without good works never saved anyone. It is not only the knowledge of what one should do that counts but the strength of will and the assistance of grace to do it. You know by the intellect but you act by the will: and as knowing and acting are both required in that work which is the chief task asked of every one of us—the salvation of our souls—both intellect and will must be attended to if education is to train the whole man and not produce a lop-sided monstosity.

And this it is that your Catholic education, for which you are indebted to Edmund Ignatius Rice, provides for you, and this it is of which your companions in secular schools are deprived.

"Your intellect is trained. It is trained in the things of the world: you are taught the arts and sciences as well as any other children in Australia: better indeed if we can judge by examination results. You are taught to take your place side by side with other Australian youths in all the branches of secular learning. You are mentally and physically equipped to fill any position in the land. But here your education does not cease. That is only the minor part. Edmund Ignatius Rice always insisted that of all the subjects studied at school, religion was the most important, and the Christian Brothers of today, faithful to the teaching of their holy Founder, insist on the teaching of religion from the first day at school to the last. Other subjects may come and go, begin late in school life or end early, but religious instruction is part of every day's curriculum. Edmund Ignatius Rice understood well the words of Our Lord: 'Seek ye therefore first the kingdom of God and the things of God and you know the important things, and enough of any other knowledge you need will be given to you. Edmund Ignatius Rice knew that although we must render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and know a lot about them, we must render to God the things that are God's and know even more about them. He realised that the world is a road leading to heaven, not a house to live in, and that the most important thing of all, then, is the knowledge of the place for which we are bound, and the means of getting there. He realised that Heaven is only found in heaven and not on earth, and that we are successes or failures in life inasmuch as we win or lose it. And so he provided an education which would for ever insist on the utter necessity of knowing God and the things that are God's. And that is the education you receive today.

"But more, he realised, too, that the will must be trained, that you must not only know but do: not only believe but act. And is not this provided for in your Catholic education also? Is not your whole day in school surrounded with the atmosphere of prayer to God that He might supply for what you lack? Are you not taught to make your whole day an offering to Him and is not His assistance so readily sought that reliance of His grace and realisation of His presence become second nature to you? Does not your education supervise your attendance at Mass where you may join your weakness with the strength of God and learn what the purifying fire of sacrifice means? Does not your education bring you regularly to drink at the fountains of God's grace in the sacraments, so that you may fight the enemies of your salvation with the strength of God Himself? Do you not see then, how well and truly your soul is provided for by your Catholic education; do you not realise how first things are treated first? And all of this you owe under the grace of God to Edmund Ignatius Rice, for by his foundation of the Christian Brothers, he has provided a veritable army of devoted men, who dedicate their lives to the service of God, that you and those who come after you, may be trained in the things that really matter and may be taught to know the things that first must be learned and do what before all must be done—to know God and to save your souls.

"By a religious education there is instilled into your minds from childhood that deep learning that makes you consider right or wrong, not merely as a choice between reward or punishment from man but as a choice between pleasing or offending God: that lofty feeling which considers virtue as an honour and sin as a degradation; which trains the soul from infancy to follow the straight line of duty, no matter how hard or difficult, without swerving to right or left from fear of opposition or ridicule. And it is such a deep sense of Christian and Catholic spirit that the sons of Edmund Ignatius Rice are striving day by day to form in you and thousands of other boys like you throughout the length and breadth of Australia and in



other parts of the world. They wish to prepare you in all things that you may be ready to face the examination of the Great Inspector whose Divine Eye can read every thought and emotion of your mind and heart.

"I ask you, then, this morning to turn your thoughts with gratitude to Edmund Ignatius Rice to whom you owe so much. Let your prayers go up to God that he might see fit to place the crown of Sainthood on the head of His worthy Irish servant: and let your prayers go up to Br. Rice too that his blessing and assistance be on all your work and undertakings.

"But above all, show your gratitude to him in the manner of your life. Be ever loyal to the teachings he will give you through the self-sacrificing labours of his worthy sons. The years of schooling will soon be over and then you must pass out of the shelter of college life and be thrust into a wide and treacherous world. And then will come the test of your fidelity and loyalty to your training. It will require great courage and unremitting sacrifice to live up to the ideals you have been taught at school. There is many a traitor to the Faith and to His God wandering over the face of Australia today, who has received the very best in the way of Catholic education but who has not had the moral courage to live up to the truths and principles he was taught at school. These cowards are a disgrace to their Church and traitors to their God. If you do not wish to follow in their footsteps, you must apply yourself now to reap all the benefits you can from the training you receive. Your parents are making great sacrifices for you: they are being forced to pay double for your education because the Government refuses to listen to the voice of Justice: the Brothers who teach you have left their homes and families and friends that you might be trained as you ought to be trained. But if you are not to be absolute failures in the things that really matter, you must do your part too. The test will come later on but unless you prepare well now, you will fail. The soldier is proved on the battle field, but unless he has been well trained, unless he has striven seriously to learn the lessons of the parade ground, he will never succeed at the front, but will be an obstacle to himself and a danger to everyone else. In the moment of crisis, when the big attack is on, he will fling away his flag and desert to the enemy. So you, too, if you do not strive to do your best now, you will fail miserably when the battle for your Faith begins, when it is a battle between the things you have learned at school that you ought to do and the things that a corrupt world will ask you to do, when it is a question of deciding for God or against Him, for His Church or against it. If you are loyal to the lessons that the sons of Edmund Ignatius Rice have taught you, and stand steadfast for principle in the face of a sneering and blasphemous world, you will be paying the memory of Br. Rice the highest tribute you could pay it, and by your adherence to his teaching, you will be doing what he would prefer above all things that you should do.

"But perhaps, for some of you, your gratitude to Br. Rice will not stop there. Perhaps some of you feel stirring within you a desire to carry on the great work for the Christian training of youth which he began. Perhaps the Holy Ghost is whispering to your heart and inviting you to follow in the footsteps of Br. Rice and to dedicate your life to His service. Or perhaps you feel the call of the Altar, perhaps you dream of taking bread into your hands and changing it into the Body of Our Lord Jesus Christ and wine and changing it into the Precious Blood of Jesus; perhaps you see the fields white for the harvest but the labourers pitifully few, perhaps the voice of God is saying to you: 'Come follow me.' If that is so, do not stifle the voice of the Holy Ghost: do not turn a deaf ear to the pleading of the Sacred Heart, but in prayer and prudent enquiry seek to learn what God wills of you.

"But in whatever field of labour God should call you, remember that the training that fitted you for it you owe to the untiring labours of the Christian Brothers, and through them, to Edmund Ignatius Rice. Show

always to the Brothers the respect that is due to Religious consecrated to the service of God, the obedience due to superiors and the energy and zeal in work due to those who are doing so much for you. And as for Edmund Ignatius Rice preserve those sentiments of gratitude and devotion which are due to one, who by his farsightedness and co-operation with the grace of God, has so significantly contributed to the preservation of the Faith in so many different lands. May his name be in benediction by you all and may God soon see fit to raise him to the dignity of the Church's altars, so that we may honour him as Blessed Edmund Ignatius Rice, For 'they that instruct many to justice shall shine as stars' and saints, we hope, 'for all eternity.'"

ST. PETER'S SEMINARY

This year—1951—marks the second year since the opening of St. Peter's Seminary. Situated only a few doors from St. Patrick's College, with its back entrance onto the College Junior Oval, St. Roch's, it is very easy of access to the College. The house is permeated with a sense of dignity, and peace and serenity are everywhere manifest. In the beginning St. Peter's could boast of some dozen members, but this year, the second of its long life, it can boast of a full house of nineteen members, ranging in class from Matriculation to First Year. St. Peter's is worthily represented in all the activities of St. Patrick's College.

Who are these boys we find in the "hermitage," and what part do they play in the affairs of the College? Giving preference to Matriculation students, we find from those ranks, Laurie Halloran, our worthy Prefect, Brian Gleeson, Bill Gallagher and Kevin Murphy. All good footballers, the first two are members of the First XVIII, playing with rare form in every game and usually being mentioned among the best players. "Leaving" can claim six representatives, Bill O'Connell, Pat Flanagan, Bill Redmond, John Hannasky, Mick Kelly and Bill Holligan. Here we have a mixed band, both big and small, but again these boys are loyal to all that S.P.C. holds dear. "Inter" produces three personages, by name, Joe Natoli, Kevin Shanley and Brian Kavanagh, and from Sub-Inter, Second Year and First Year, we find six more members: Nick Serzants, Kevin Kealy, Pat Hanrahan, Ray Dignan, Paul Smith and John Murray.

As far as sport is concerned, we can claim to have a representative in every sport, ranging from Rowing to Aths. But there is a more serious side to be noted. St. Peter's has a band of two Councilors and four other students in Our Lady's Sodality. Then there are members of the Altar Society and six representatives in the St. Vincent de Paul.

The Seminary is a well-kept and homely place, maintained by the boys who till and tend the gardens in their spare time. Br. Mullins keeps everyone in good order and he is ever vigilant and helps us wherever possible.

It is not difficult, then, to appreciate how life is spent at St. Peter's Junior Seminary. It is an integral part of St. Pat's and it shares with St. Pat's the credit of the fine spirit for which the older College is renowned. A last parting thought that will console us is that already we have started to send forth our representatives to the major Seminaries both in Victoria and New South Wales, and we hope St. Peter's will continue to keep up the flow of vocations.

—W. HOLLIGAN.



AROUND THE ROOMS

MATRICULATION

The Second Term saw the Matriculation Class settle down to serious study, a feature of the term's work being the copious supply of essays. The students, particularly those doing the Histories and Chemistry are wondering what it will be like when they begin their October Test preparations. Speaking of History reminds us that John McCarthy recently put forward an astounding solution to the overcrowding in medieval cities. He claimed that there was not enough room in them. In quite a different content, he said that the brightest speaker was the fullest. . . . Draw your own conclusions concerning John.

Matriculation Class contributed eight members to the First XVIII, namely, the Vice-Captain, John Elliott, and other prominent players, John James, John Dowling, Laurie, Halloran, Basil Sheahan, Brian Gleeson, Gavan Hackwill and Frank Godfrey. The Captain and Vice-Captain of the Second XVIII, John McCarthy and Kevin Drake, were both members of the Matric Class and Adrian Joyce, Gerald Walsh, Leon Heath, John Martin, Bill Foley and Bill Gallagher and V. A. Strangio were other Matriculants in the Second XVIII.

Kevin Drake, a notable conversion to the Qua(c)ker religion, together with John Martin and Leon Heath, were seen eating pies, soon after a deficit in the Propagation of the Faith funds had been discovered. Coincidence!!! Speaking of coincidences, Noel Woodford and Frank Nolan arrived at school on August 2nd very weary looking, and on August 1st there was a big Catholic ball. Vincent A. Strangio and Bill Gunther both went into the Infirmary after returning from a brief holiday, however Ray Lilburne and Vincent S. Strangio showed no ill effects. Since Gavan Hackwill has become a Day Boy his old friend, Gerald Walsh, has quietened down in lockers. In fact, the only time they are now seen together is when they are disrupting the class at free study periods. Gilbert Medwell will be back at College very soon after his trip to England. Rimon Ashkar's Latin is improving slowly but surely now that he has the seat to himself. Adrian Joyce is most definite in his desire to kick a football during the second period. Bill Foley was shifted from the seat near the heater for it was feared that the heater might set him on fire while he was in one of his trances.

Michael Scott has been termed a worthy successor to Caruso after recent splendid performances in the school-room. Michael, together with Laurie Halloran, would form an excellent duo, especially with Jeff Zilles at the piano and Frank Nolan at the Hammond—sorry, mouth organ. John Simpson is still not quite sure where Sebastopol Street is situated, in spite of many directions. One can never quite be sure when John Dowling is going to be at school. However, John has spent the last few weeks with us without a break. John Bowman and Geoff Torney here publicly thank those three comedians from the back seat for providing entertainment outside the Chemistry room window one morning. We welcomed Frank Godfrey back to College this term after an absence of five and a half months. Cavan Bolger, owing to illness, did not return to school after the long week-end, hope Cav. soon gets well.

Incidentally, John James has aroused suspicion by his frequent trips to the masseur. Kevin Murphy has decided not to sit next to Mick Scott—he's too studious is Michael. Harry Gill and Basil Sheahan have been rather melancholy lately, perhaps because Bill Foley deserted them. By the way, the Matriculation Class possesses some brilliant billiard players, and the skill they portray in manipulating their cues on the desks is remarkable. However, all such fun must soon cease for when next you hear from the Matric's they will have completed their examinations and will be expectantly awaiting the results. So therefore, until Christmas, we of the Matriculation Class say *Adieu*.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE

This is football term, so do not misjudge us for placing it first on the list. We were well represented in the First XVIII—would it be more correct to say we were the First XVIII?—by Kevin Hogan, Captain and scorer of some 50 odd goals, Bern Lamaro, full forward, Des Nunn, Pat Gleeson and Warren Constable. John Deany, Captain of the Under 15 team also played one game. Our Second XVIII representatives were Brian Unthank, Gavan Murphy, Jim Murray, Leo McMahon and Michael Kelly. Congratulations to Kevin Hogan on breaking the Ballarat B.P.S. goal-kicking record—25 goals—against High School. He has been fortunate (according to some), unfortunate and unwise (according to others) enough to be signed up with Richmond. Eugene Nihill and Denis O'Connor are Captains of teams in the Hill Competition. Eugene unfortunately broke his arm about half-way through the season.

Basketball is becoming very popular, too, and we have proved ourselves the champions of the School at this sport by defeating the Matriculation in hollow fashion. The parallel bars too have been quite an attraction for the class this term. Our regular "monkeys" are Roy Pangrazio, Brian Dowling, John ("Strong Man") Hannasky, Paul ("Suicide") Callahan, Denis Bourke and Doug Murphy. Doug Murphy has also proved himself in the front rank of the skipping experts.



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Debating is to begin in the near future and all are looking forward eagerly to hear Mick Kelly and Kevin Cranz tell what they know about today's big problem—Inflation. Pat Flanagan showed great interest earlier in the term in a physical fitness course, but has transferred his attention to the study of Gregorian Chant. Barry McGennis has decided to break with his old partner and study in future from the back of the room. It appears to have been a decision agreeable to all parties. Strong defenders of the Open Road, John Hannasky and Doug Murphy, cannot succeed in enticing Kevin Ryan out again. He has had enough. Con Smith should star in the Debating Society. He maintains his view-point against Brian Maher (football, of course) and against Brian Unthank (Great Lou, of course). There is a rumour that John Ryan and Pat Quinlan will not be sitting together next term. There was a suggestion about moving John nearer the front so he got glasses. Jim Irwin, promoted from the back to the front seat, complains that he has to do the crosswords in his own time now. Serious business, too, seeing he will soon be back on the parallel bar, "threading the needle!"

There is some story about ponies and tombstones going the rounds, too. Bernie Lamaro and Mornington are further clues in the riddle. Who knows what it is all about? And a further question—Who is the 15 stone day-boy bike-rider who swerved across the footpath in the city the other day endangering the lives of hundreds (literally) of people. Day-boys defend their class diligently and no information can be obtained. However a L.C. boy is suspected.

There are quite a lot of rumours going the rounds about Laurie Erwin lately. Why has he been down town so often? Dental appointments have been very frequent. Perhaps some of the table could tell, but they will not "split." Paul Callahan and Con Smith recently presented the classroom with a new feather duster—cane handle too, but rather thin. Another question—Why has Vin Carey taken such a liking to Milton lately? It is rumoured he has quite a few lines by heart, voluntarily. The gruesome twosome, the Horsham horrors, Bill Holligan and Adrian Bieske, are doing muscle building courses in the gymnasium; they have their own ideas about Horsham and we are prepared to let them keep them. Bill excels as a "rip" (that's a table secret) and Adrian has some original ideas about Commercial Law. And a final question—What is Brian Unthank doing with the military boot and nails? Is he building a new locker for himself or training for the future?

Readers will note very little information about our day-boys in this column. They are such an unassuming lot that we can find out very little about them. They assure us that you will see them featuring in the examination results later in the year. Peter Hackwill has lately joined their ranks but we still see a good deal of him. We promise that we will enquire diligently into the lives of these boys during the term and see just what we can tell you about them for the next issue of the "Chronicle."

INTERMEDIATE "A"

Well, here we are again right near the end of the "footy" season, and of course that all important Second Term. The first ten places in the class have changed a little since you last heard from us. Jumping up from third position, Kierce O'Loughlin now leads our list of "professors." The runners-up are B. Gibson, P. Windsor, K. Bawden, B. McGregor, D. Bradmore, K. Shea and D. Stainsby. With a little extra effort B. Kelly should be among our best for next term, so keep studying hard, Brian.

Once again honours go to Tom McGill for being our only representative in our School's "chosen few." Tom played on a half-forward flank, and

here with his clever and elusive play, made himself an important "cog" in our mighty and victorious football "machine." Though not permanent members of the First XVIII, Russell Mogg (brother of League player, Les), Brian Grogan and Kevin Shea, show prospects of being future champions. On the Oval and Hill Competitions we have many boys who have starred. They are: D. Grace, P. Fitzpatrick, D. Bradmore and P. Hayes from the Oval, whilst from the Hill J. Tobin, K. Bowden, J. Blaney, J. Carter, J. Kerrins, J. Madden and B. McEvoy, plus many others who played well.

This year we have two Seminary boys, they are K. Stanley and B. Kavenagh. L. Buck is anxious to enter the Augustinian Novitiate in Queensland as soon as he has passed his Intermediate and Leaving. To these boys we extend our best wishes, and hope that they do well in their studies. Recently, Frank Sharkey took over as instructor of the Intermediate Altar boys, and is doing excellent work. Terry Sweeney can well be proud of his cousin, Kevin Sweeney, because two weeks ago, Kevin (an Old Boy of S.P.C.) was raised to the dignity of the Priesthood, and is now Rev. Father Sweeney.

On 6th June the First Term holidays terminated and all the boys arrived back at school fresh and ready to start the Second Term. That is, everyone except W. Howie. Owing to sickness, that date slipped Bill's memory and unfortunately he arrived back at school a few days late. Nevertheless we're sure he will make up for the time he lost. Our powers of observation have not been idle this term, and it has come under our notice that J. Kerrins has constantly been an "early bird" this term, though not as early as P. Russo.

Recently Joseph Natoli and Paul Russo supplied the boys with an amusing exhibition of friendly sparring. Maybe they were imitating Eddie Miller and Vic Patrick. Brian Hanrahan should take his "death traps" to Africa. We're sure they would snare something better than human beings there. We also saw recently (during Latin time, too!) Laurie Buck and Len Meeny mimicing those famous Romans, the Horatii and Curiatii, engaged in a fierce battle. As yet, neither of them has decided who should walk under the yoke. For the past few weeks T. Sweeney and J. Madden have been engaged in many lengthy conversations during school hours. No doubt they are discussing the problem of Communism in Australian Trade Unions or some other such topic.

We believe K. White is popular during first period as he is a very apt French student. Never mind, Keith, keep at it and you will soon get over your difficulties. The boy who sits behind F. Walsh keeps Frank well informed as to the number of hours left before we break up for the

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Second Term holidays. The last bulletin we received was that there were only 600 hours to go. Cheer up, boys, that's only 3600 minutes!

We have two "socialites" in Inter "A." They are Peter Hayes and Gavan Rice. Gavan even had his photograph in the local paper recently. Traffic Inspector Sorrell gave us a lecture some days ago and Joey Tobin had a very intelligent question to ask the Inspector. Joe, we are sure, wonders where that intelligence gets to during school. "Daredevil" Matheson can perform some stunts on his bike. We advise Ron to take heed of Inspector Sorrell's wise words. Peter Brumby and Frank Sharkey, in addition to working hard in school, see to it that the Senior Oval is looking its best for all important football matches.

Before concluding these notes we would like to mention our Annual Retreat. This year it was conducted by Rev. Frs. Cruice and Gygar of the Redemptorist Monastery, Wendouree. All Inter "A" boys entered wholeheartedly into the exercises of the Retreat and all are most grateful to the two Redemptorist Fathers for all their help and advice.

Well that's all for this term. This is Inter "A" signing off until the Third Term. Cheerio!

INTERMEDIATE "B"

Those of us who have survived the icy rigors of the last few months are pleased to greet the reader of the "Chronicle" once again. Football has of course, after the studies, been the main subject of activity and conversation during the past term, and it is with pride and pleasure that we record that no less than seven Inter B-ites have played with the First XVIII. They are: Brian Murray (centre half-forward), Barry McLaughlin (first rover), Hugh Bourke (wingman), Bill Gleeson and John Cullen (followers), Ian Morrison and Brian Phelan. We congratulate these boys for the great work they did towards making the 1951 team the champion team it was.

In the Second XVIII our representatives were Ron Quilkey, Pat Rice, Brian Phelan and Les Plummer, while the following found places in the Under 15's: B. Phillips, A. Brady, M. Bourke and G. Rasdell.

The October Tests now loom on the horizon and we expect a keen struggle for the honours of class leadership. Last term Charles Bolte and Bill Gleeson tied for first place with Alan Brady as third. However, with Mick O'Callaghan and Graeme Bradford lately showing signs of mathematical genius in the unravelling of geometrical knotty points—who knows?

Now that Brian Moylan has lost his membership in the "Horsham Horribles" by reason of residential disqualification, we are informed that there is no small amount of wrangling over leadership of the party. Gavan Walsh, we hear, is strongly supported by the radical Left-wing group, while John Wangeman leads the Moderates. Those in the know are confident that matters will quickly settle down and that the peace pipe will soon be passed around.

Special commendation must be made for the work of the Hon. Medicos to the First XVIII, Messrs Ray Carey and Malcolm Baird. The promptness and efficiency which characterised their ministrations were a credit to their profession. Their mere approach to the wounded player was often seen to cause immediate and complete recovery. Nor should we fail to record the loyal service of the orange boys—Michael Bourke and Kevin Kershaw. In the face of sneers and sarcasms of the "Don't-forget-yourself" variety, they conscientiously fulfilled their arduous duties at great personal inconvenience and even, once or twice, without the loss of study time.

Brian Gaffney generously gave up an Arithmetic period to effect the removal of ink stains from the floor. The poet has said that "Honest labour mears a lovely face" but "Gaff" discovered that H.L. is not at all at home in the company of square roots, consols and hollow cylinders closed at one end.

Bill Dooley's fondness for the quiet life far from the madding crowd, has been more than satisfied in his present situation in class.

We invite your answers to the following topical questions: Who broke the window—and how? Who makes the best effort to keep the heater warm? How can you tell the age of a horse? What's the best time for a music lesson? How do you multiply inches by feet? Who wouldn't learn wool-classing?

Inter "B" now wishes you all good-bye and a happy holiday.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE "A"

Greetings once again from Sub "A." We continue to drink deep from the well of knowledge and to be a model class—though of late the actions of some of our members have not been motivated by truly Christian principles. Of course all our time is not spent in hard study. We do relax occasionally (or is it the other way round).

A new group has arisen in the class. They are small but select, and hope to carry off scholarships at the end of the year. Our "scholars" are G. Thompson, P. Morris, P. Johnson, F. McCarthy and of course (we couldn't leave him out) P. Bourke.

Newcomers to the class this term were Philip Johnson, who hails from Ferntree Gully, and is happy when he's talking. He's nearly always happy! John Illott, formerly of Bendigo, now inhabits the wilds of Sebastopol, and shows an interest in football as well as school; Brian King, from Camperdown, soon established himself in the class, and he sometimes shows an interest in school work as well as football. He is Sub A's representative in the First XVIII; in the schoolroom he's in the firsts too—the first seat. Paul Smith is our other newcomer, and has swelled the numbers of the Smith gang in the class.

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Other members of this gang are Trevor, whose main interests, besides school of course, are fat lambs and very long week-ends, and John who shapes very well on a bike and at spelling.

Des Brown maintains the select position in front of the heater, chiefly on his reputation, while B. Matthews, B. Righetti, I. Fairley and K. Leitch are still in the back benches. Despite defections on all sides they have clung grimly to their privileged seats. What have the others done that these haven't been caught?

A sort of minor Renaissance is sweeping through the room at present. Leader of the movement is a real Bohemian, Tony Kean, who will sit down and paint at the slightest provocation. Kevin Molan has been dabbling in modern art for some time but the latest addition to the artistic ranks is no other than Peter Sheehan. Why Peter has taken up this form of the arts is not known, but he can illustrate his own short stories quite well, even though he gets little assistance from obliging admirers.

To counteract the artists are the militarists, led by Corporal Lanigan and W.O.2 McDonald. Joe was heard recently issuing orders in his sleep—we think he was asleep, while Tom is often seen poring over army regulations. Joe McDonald sometimes discusses tactics with Jim Saunders, and they are not always military. Jim is going to be Joe's batman.

Some of our students are a bit keen on the French. Dominic Cincotta is reported to have given advice on pronunciation to some members of the local Convent School last vacation. Dominic, by the way, seems to be a case for the psycho-analyst for he recently applied for a position up front. Graeme Thompson is also good at French. At any rate he infuses plenty of local colour into the Contes translations.

Table tennis experts in the room include Barry Podger and Walter Noy. Michael O'Beirne is interested also, but he has to wait a while yet until he is able to see above the table. Michael is reported to be making great headway at his studies.

Paul Bourke has been rather reticent this term. We miss his words of wisdom. Perhaps he doesn't like being quoted. Bernard Carey sometimes disappears from the room with a music book under his arm. His interest in the Fine Arts also includes photography (or photos, whatever you like). Bill ("I was going to say") Creati still haunts the front seat, while others who have no desire to lose their good view are Kevin Armstrong and Alan Ryan. They are looking forward to the bright and glorious future when there will be no front rows in school-rooms.

Brendan Ryan has become very keen on French lately. He will relate to you a story about the Three Bears. Noel Morganti startled the class recently and I am sure the ghosts of Pasteur and Newton shuddered when they heard his theory which shatters all the laws of light. However, Maurice Sheahan helped to disillusion him and he has gained his peace of mind again. The same Maurice is a keen gymnast and is going to show the locals at Underbool during vacation just how giant swings and double cut-offs are done.

Michael Walsh had the misfortune to break a leg early in the term and we have missed his rowdiness. However, Pat Lannen makes up for his absence by trying to create disturbances at every turn of the clock.

Bill ("Hoh") Mahoney denies that he has the brains of a half-witted earwig. Bill has been saving up during the term to buy some ice-creams to pay his lawful debts. Frank McCarthy is one of the spectacular players on the Shed. He pulls down marks from everywhere.

Peter Morris was recently described as a cylinder. Recently he tried to put over an excuse for not doing his homework that is almost as old as the Ballarat trams.

John ("Howaya") Phelan disappears at week-ends and other sundry times. We are not sure where he goes, but he returns to College looking rather dissipated. Another one to disappear, this time on Friday morn-

ings, is Stuart Cameron, who claims to go wool-classing. He is preparing for the day when he will be the squire of Langtry Park.

("Darcy") Dan Duggan is reported to be the head of a gang up Black Hill way. He has the locals absolutely terrified. He is looking for some strong-men recruits. We suggest Vin Colbert should take a stroll along and see if he would make the grade.

Gerald Saunders ("Just call me Sid") has a complete bike-riding outfit: at any rate he looks like a cyclist. He hopes to emulate a certain Mr. Patterson in a few years' time. Neville Rogers is also a cycling enthusiast but hasn't yet acquired all the regalia which a successful cyclist must have. The first essential, Neville, is a real bike.

Norman Harris' main past-time is reading "literature" to improve his English. We didn't know he spoke English. N. Serzants continues to conquer the intricacies of the Latin language. He recently embarked on Longman's II. Wake up, Sub., and catch up.

A few questions have been puzzling the critics:—Why has Peter Sheehan been concentrating on French pronunciation of late? How fast can Paul Bourke write? What do Gerald Saunders and Kevin Molan find so interesting at the White Swan? Where did George get the "free" catapults? What is wrong with chocolate coats?

Cheerio for now, from all in Sub. "A."

SUB-INTERMEDIATE "B"

We snatch a few moments of our busy life to put on record some of the happenings of the term, and to pass a few remarks on the members of this small but studious class.

We were pleased to welcome to the class-room a new statue of Our Lady, and within a few days it was placed on a newly constructed bracket facing the class.

We welcome to the class this term Bruce and Peter Dolan who have given up the cares of the city life for the peaceful life of S.P.C. Someone suggests they be shifted from their seat at the back of the class. They have already worn it out. Brian Scarff has taken up residence alongside big brother, Tob. He maintains he is studying better. How many times has Bob Shepherd been seen wearing his glasses? Someone says that they are only for periods of intensive study. During the recent snowfall Bob was considering an attack on a certain person. Seeking advice on the matter he finally decided that discretion was the better part of valour.

Congratulations to Brian Rice on gaining third place in the Open Competition in the judging of the Corriedale sheep on the Young Farmers' Jubilee Day.

Football is in full swing and, despite the rainy days, of which there were many, we have seen and have taken part in many games. We were excited barrackers when K. Hogan, Captain of the Firsts, kicked 25 goals in one match. With Sub-Inter "A" we tried our strength against Second Year. We found they were too strong for us on the two occasions we played them. Most of us play in the Hill and the Shed Competitions. Ray Dignan and Bernard Tobin are members of the Under 15 representative team. Ray was getting around on crutches until he heard he could go home for a week-end. The crutches suddenly disappeared. Vin Slattery, Jim Forrest, Rex Start, Brian Rice, Bernard Bailey and Leo Schreenan are members of the Under 7½ stone representative team. Wet weather has interfered with the competition and only one match has been played to date. John Coffey is the midget of the class and is the Captain of the Under 5½ stone representative team and has lead his team to victory. Some Richmond supporters in the class became rather excited one morning when

a big burly figure—Jack Dyer—passed by the room.

Joe Cappy has been heard muttering in his sleep: "28 to go," "27 to go," "26 to go." . . . We must be approaching the end of the term and so we finish with this little budget of news.

SECOND YEAR

Once more we come to the "Chronicle" with our deeds and misdeeds of the past term. In many respects this term has been very trying, particularly as Ballarat has turned on a very severe winter with its snow and rain, as well as the cold. The snow afforded us much pleasure in the form of snow-balling; but, oh, the coughs brought into the class-room! However, with our studies and football we were kept occupied, and some of us managed to keep out of mischief. With the Third Term offering us a little sunshine, we are all looking forward to a period of serious study in preparation for the final examinations.

Up to the present, Kevin Maher has had the monthly lesson test all his own way. Since the beginning of the year he has occupied first place in class—a tribute to his industry and ability. However, the month of July found him in second place to Des Papworth by half a mark. We congratulate our new leader, but advise him that intense application to his books will be required to hold the place of honour. Several other students came close to the winner and it is likely that some of them will head the list before the end of the year. To mention a few of these excellent students, we have: Tony Lewis, Richard McArthur, Frank Hurley, Brian Murphy, Kevin Willey, Don Hoare, Alf Broad and Graham Cardillo.

A hearty welcome goes out to our three new arrivals in Second Year. Victor Burko is a New Australian who has already displayed ability far above the average. Harry Hackwill has found his feet and seems to be an asset to our ranks. Michael Hanrahan was recently promoted from First Year. He has certainly been studying in earnest to make up for lost time.

When we speak of the various subjects, we immediately recall our star pupils. French offers no difficulties for Michael Martin till he is asked to conjugate the present tense of "aller." Pronunciation offers no difficulty to Michael.

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Eamon Lenaghan obtained full marks in an Arithmetic test some time ago. He announced that as he did so well, Arithmetic could be shelved for at least a week.

Pat Irwin and Des Williams have given us a noble example when it comes to solid study. Both were found in the class-room long after night prayers. Although various constructions have been placed upon their action, reliable authority states that they were working at their exercise of their own free will.

Second Term finds us spending much of our spare time on the football ovals. We, the members of Second Year, can justly claim outstanding success in this branch of sport. Early in the term we plucked up courage and threw down the gauntlet to Sub-Intermediate "A." The challenge was readily accepted, and so we went forth to meet our opponents. Suffice it to say that a comfortable win came our way, despite the fact that we were a much smaller and younger team. In an attempt to regain the lost prestige of Sub-Intermediate, Sub "B" said they would be ready to retrieve the lost honour. The final whistle found Second Year far superior for the opposition once more. Members from both Sub-Intermediate classes put their heads together and decided they must blot out their former disgrace. This resulted in a challenge issued to us to play a combined team from Sub "A" and Sub "B." We merely give the scores here, for our Class Leader tells the story elsewhere in the "Chronicle." Second Year, 23-3—141 points; Combined Sub-Intermediates, 7-5—47 points.

This opportunity must be taken to give most of the credit for our three victories to our Captain, Bill Drake, who kept all up to their best by his spectacular play and prompt advice. Other players who were outstanding for brilliant play were: Paul Doudell, Barry Pedlar, Pat Irwin, Terry Goss, Michael Martin, Gavan Bourke, John Humphrey. In concluding this account, we would like to tell any Sub-Intermediate boy who may have read the above, that it was written in no boastful or sarcastic manner, but merely with the idea that it would prove interesting reading to Second Year or anyone else who may peruse our Class Notes.

Football leaves us little time for other sports, but Des Williams finds time for a round of golf once in a while. When it comes to table tennis, Peter Carracher is a hard man to defeat.

Barry Angus is now about to leave us in order to make his name in the world. We have no doubt that such will be the case if we are to judge from the way he got out of many tight corners during the term. Best wishes, Barry!

Mel Creati tells us that school is not such a bad old place after all. Some of us wouldn't mind it either, if we could get a Doctor to free us from school at 12.30 each day.

Why is Peter Butler so popular? Gavan Bourke and Bill Drake will tell you that it is not so much Peter, as his hot water bottle.

Brian Tellefson still persists in calling John Humphrey by the name of Christopher Robin although nobody has followed his example.

Brian McMahon, Bill Arch and Jim Mullins are keen on the latest methods in Victorian Railways. Especially is this the case when they arrive at ten minutes past nine.

Time? 9.5 a.m. The late Mr. Hurley is now making his way into the room as silently as possible, lest his arrival be made a subject for comment. However, we have concluded that it is like pouring water on a duck's back.

The good Sisters at Gordon are looking forward to the break-up of St. Patrick's, for they have booked up Des Papworth to lend a hand in the Kindergarten. Des simply loves to be called "Sir" by the Gordon youngsters.

Des Joyce is always letting us know that Ararat football team is not worth bothering about. We do believe him!

Frank O'Donnell recently had an operation on his head. Some say he is looking ever so much better.

When it comes to marbles we leave it to the champions to fight it out. In this group we place Ray Wilby, Joseph Gallagher, Kevin Willey, Peter Butler and John Groutsch.

The "Terrible Twins," John and Don Hoare, are forever holding forth on the advantages of a Buick. Why they even go so far as to say that there is nothing like it.

Graham Cardillo certainly enjoys a little quiet reading, especially when he is sitting on the class-room heater.

Richard McArthur has just informed us that he is going to be a postman when he leaves school. For further information, read his composition, "A Day in the Life of a Postman!"

In conclusion, the writer hopes that every boy will thoroughly enjoy his term holidays and return to College hale and hearty for the final term.

FIRST YEAR

Marshall Younger and Brian Hickey have been sharing top lace in the class for a few weeks. They have been closely followed by Michael Dinley and Michael Hickey.

Pat Deagan and Frank Lloyd were surprised at seeing their photo in the paper after the Young Farmers' Field Day. Bill Crowe is much more musical than most think. A rumour has it that recently he included bird seed in his diet. John Burke is very fond of riding—on horses—not bikes. He entered the riding competition in the Donald Show and won the first prize. Even though it is winter, Michael Dinley and Anthony Foley can still be found at all times on the handball courts. Barrie O'Donohue is our golf star, while Con Fitzsimmons and Pat Deagan share the honours for bike riding. Who was the keen Latin student who translated—Discipuli, sum paratus as "Pupils, prepare the sums?"

We have some very good footballers in the class. Among them are Marshall Younger, Brian Mulquiny, Michael Shea, Brian Clinton and Lynn Murrell. John Threlfall and John Murray are table tennis champions. Frank Moloney has a collection of about 50 story books. His favorites are among the "Biggles" series. This term we have five new boys in the class. They are John Murray, Kevin Kealy, Max Arthur, John Van Suyler and John Lindsay.

FIFTH AND SIXTH

Once again it is our pleasing duty to bring to readers of the "Chronicle" an account of the activities of the term. At this time of the year we are happy at the thought of approaching holidays and of saying good-bye to the long, cold winter days.

Speaking of winter, brings to our mind the wonderful fall of snow during the term. For quite a few this was their first glimpse of snow and many and longing were the glances out of the class-room windows—longing for class to end, and hoping that when it did, the white visitor would still be there. And he was! Then the fun started as snow-balls hurtled in all directions. The Fifth and Sixth were in it up to their eyebrows. For Denis Wright, who hails from the island of Nauru, it was a red letter day and did he make the most of it. He was not alone in this as thirty others in the class had never seen snow before. Let us hope that it won't be their last experience of it.

Our class still continues to grow, and since the last issue of the "Chronicle," three new boys have joined our ranks, bringing our total to 55. Norman Lindsay was the first. He hails from Lismore, and has the distinction of being the tallest boy in the room. Bill Schofield arrived shortly after. Bill comes from Heidelberg. Our other newcomer, John Dawson, is from Frankston. We wish them all a very happy stay at S.P.C.

In the First Term tests, results were as follows—Grade 5: Laurie Bissett, 1st; George Pell, 2nd; Warren McGenniss, 3rd; Paul Quinlan, 4th; and Darryl Scarffe, 5th. Grade 6: Paul Kierce, 1st; John Bongiorno, 2nd; Michael Hutchison, 3rd; Tom Evans, 4th; Bill Dobson, 5th. During the term a new feature was introduced in the shape of a weekly test, known as the "Prime Minister Test." A test is held every Friday and the marks obtained in it, plus all the marks gained each day in the various subjects, are totalled up and positions in class obtained. Any boy who improves his position receives ten points. A record of this is being kept and a special prize will be given at the end of the year to the winner in each grade. To date the competition has been very keen and some boys with only average ability or even poor ability generally have, by their application, managed to keep up near the top of the list. Chief point scorers so far are Grade 5. Paul Quinlan 80, Denis Wright 70, Michael Smith, Darryl Scarff, George Pell, Philip McCumisky, Garry Gemmola and Laurie Bissett, all on 60. Grade 6; Garry Coutts 80, Bill Dobson, John Hogan, Michael Hutchison, Paul Kierce, Peter McDonald, Howard McNamara and Michael Stokie 70, Rae Burzacott, Brian Maw, John Nolan, Paul Rice, Robert Scott, Stan Webb and Phil Taylor all on 60 points.

In our work for the Missions the following have distinguished themselves: Warren McGenniss, Francis Doble, Garry Gemmola, Bill Blayney, Laurie Bissett, John Bongiorno, Paul Rice, George Henley, Peter Whelan, Michael Stokie, Paul Kierce, John O'Brien and George Pell.

One of the most important aids in the acquisition of knowledge, spelling and the art of expression, etc., is a good class library. We are fortunate in this respect. Our library contains nearly three hundred books ranging from the classics down to the not-so-classical, as it is realised that the really important thing for boys of fifth and sixth standard is not, so much, what they read, as long as they read something. The rest will follow as they grow older. Recently 26 new books, comprising chiefly the "Billabong" series, by Mary Grant Bruce, and the "William" series, by Richard Crompton, were purchased with library funds. Ten books in reasonably good condition were donated and our thanks are due to those

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who so generously gave them, namely Francis Doblle, whose gift of 10/- enabled us to pay for one of the new books; Michael Faulkner, Garry Gemmola, Robert Scott, John Noonan, John Bongiorno, Paul Rice, John Sullivan and Laurie Bissett. We hope that others will follow their example and bring along any suitable books that at present may be cluttering up cupboards, etc., at home.

In the realms of sport, the following distinguished themselves by gaining selection in teams representing S.P.C.—Bill Bell, Michael Smith, John Hogan, Bernie Elliott, Geoff Butler, John Nolan, Howard McNamara, Leon Gleeson, Norm Lindsay, Peter Harman and Michael Faulkner. Congratulations to them and may they, one day, wear the coveted guernsey of the First XVIII.

Well, that completes our budget of news for this season, so until the next, we bid you all cheerio!

THE JUNIORS

The Second Term draws to a close and we hope the cause of absenteeism goes with it. The weather has been too wet and stormy to permit inter-school matches between junior teams. We hope to get a few off early next term.

FOURTH GRADE. The upper sections of this grade have many keen contests. Rivalry between Kerry and Trevor runs red-hot, with Selwyn and John puffing so much in their eagerness to keep up that the red-hot glow shines like a beacon. Robert, ever watchful for an opportunity to push through, ties himself in some most intricate knots. Joseph's low attendance marks makes a more concentrated effort necessary. When he can boast of being a regular attender, his health will also improve. Tom has rightly decided that shyness does not help a boy who has a job to do and time to make up. The Lower Section: Brian B. is trying for honours here, with Denis F., Michael D., Lindsay B., Noel B., very watchful. Ron B., John C. and Geoff B. still refuse to give their best effort, though Ron is trying harder than before.

THIRDS. In the Upper Division John F. will more than likely pass Denis W. Tony B. is not ambitious enough to do more than he has to. He is too fond of fun. Tom D. in conquering a fit of nervousness and again opens up his bag of smiles as of yore. Brian N. must speed up his tables or his mental will pull him out of a place. John W. is realising his own effort is as good as the next one. Higher standard will now follow. Peter will do better work when other boys' distractions have less interest for him. Ian's work could be more slowly executed and a greater pride taken in it. Brian H. is mastering all methods and keeps a watchful eye on fourth grade work. Brian G. still has to be watched and is ever so pleased when teacher is busy elsewhere. Spencer Goss is content to be on the pass line. Max M. is perhaps the one who makes the most honest effort to succeed. In the Lower Division we meet the twins, G. and M., who are satisfied if they beat one another oblivious of standards gained or numbers above them. Brendan H. is not a keen student. I wonder is it laziness.

SPECIAL GRADE. In this grade are boys who, for various reasons, have not been able to keep pace. Anthony T., whose reading and spelling have been nightmares to him, is making headway and can now read for his own information. Maurice B's. difficulties are similar but for a different reason: Maurice tires too easily. Brian B. has had the upset of several schools. Boarding school is remedying this and Brian is making good progress. Bobbie S. is the ideal school-boy. He does all he is told to do and will soon be knocking at Grade 3. John H. is a new boy who will soon find out that those who waste time are left behind. Malcolm R. is another

little trier. He finds the Victorian standards higher and rather bewildering but his determination will overcome this. Darryl M. is quite unusual. He was weeks settling in. Now he is beginning to make progress.

THE MISSIONS. This is the one dark page in my records this year. With less than £3 for the term, we are far below our quota. Spencer Goss and Joseph Sang do their share. Our Miss Field is St. Peter the Apostle Fund which educates natives to the priesthood for their own country. I am sure some parents do not realise how important this work is to combat Communism among the world's masses.

FIRST FRIDAYS AND FIRST SUNDAYS. In these efforts of the boys I am very pleased. Also am I grateful for those parents and friends who join in with the Rosary at the Cathedral on First Saturdays.

FIRST COMMUNIONS. There are to be six First Holy Communions this year, probably in October.

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE EXAMINATIONS

ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE RESULTS

POETRY

GRADE I.—1st Prize, John Simpson; 2nd Prize, Gerald Walsh. Laurie Halloran and Vincent Strangio received Honorable Mentions.

GRADE II.—First Hon. Mention, Pat Flanagan. Paul Callahan, Peter Hackwill and William O'Connell received Honorable Mention.

GRADE III.—1st Prize, Brian Kelly. Kevin Shea and Frank Sharkey received Honorable Mention.

READING AND CONVERSATION

GRADE I.—1st Prize, Gerald Walsh; 2nd Hon. Mention, John Simpson. Gavan Hackwill, Vincent Strangio and Laurie Halloran received Honorable Mention.

GRADE II.—1st Hon. Mention, Pat Flanagan; 2nd Hon. Mention, Wm. O'Connell. Don McDonald received Honorable Mention.

DICTATION

GRADE I.—1st Hon. Mention, Gerald Walsh; 2nd Hon. Mention, Gavan Hackwill, Vin. Strangio. John Simpson, Francis Nolan and Laurie Halloran received Honorable Mention.

GRADE II.—2nd Hon. Mention, Brian Dowling. Wm. O'Connell, Don McDonald, Pat Flanagan received Honorable Mention. James Irwin, Don Kemp, Kevin Opie, John Hannasky, Doug Murphy and Wm. Holligan passed.

GRADE III.—1st Hon. Mention, Glen Rasdell, Laurence Buck. Hon. Mention, John Madden, Kierce O'Loughlin, Francis Sharkey, Tom McGill, Barry McGregor. Passes: Brian McEvoy, John Carter, Kevin Bawden, Brian Gibson, Brian Kelly, Pat Rice, Michael Bourke, Darrell Grace, Allan Brady.

The Forum

THE SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

Throughout the term the members of the Senior Literary and Debating Society have performed their various activities with great enthusiasm, and in doing so, many have shown outstanding talent as public speakers. This augurs well for our main activity of the year—the coveted Purton Oratory Prize—the heats of which will be held later in the term.

Of the various evenings conducted by the Society, probably the most outstanding were the Catholic Evidence Night, the Gospel Discussion, the Mock Farewell, the Mock Coming-of-Age and the debate between the members of the English Literature Class as to whether or not "Macbeth was intrinsically bad."

The first of the highlights was the Mock Farewell held on Thursday, 21st June. This was a novel and interesting feature of the Society's work, at which various members of the Society, representing local businessmen and officials, spoke in praise of their departing friend and colleague—Mr. R. Lilburne. This evening was enjoyed by all and produced some excellent speeches.

The Catholic Evidence Night was an unqualified success, as, in the presence of Fr. Shelley, four members of the Society gave prepared speeches on Catholic Evidence topics. They were then questioned as to the veracity of their statements by hecklers. The four speakers and their topics were:

Mr. R. Lilburne—"Miracles."

Mr. W. Gunther—"Infallibility."

Mr. J. Simpson—"Freemasonry."

Mr. G. Torney—"The Assumption."

Rev. Fr. Sexton attended our Gospel Discussion meeting, and he was very impressed by the interpretation of the Gospel given by the group. Mr. J. Elliott was the leader of the Group and he was assisted by Messrs. J. Martin, R. Ashkar, J. Bowman, A. Joyce, J. Zilles and M. Scott. Each one did his part splendidly and the evening reflected credit upon the Society.

Besides these special functions, we still had our debates, the most topical of which was that discussing whether or not price control is beneficial. In this debate the Government team of Messrs. G. Walsh, K. Murphy and G. Torney easily defeated the Opposition team of Messrs. F. Nolan, J. McCarthy and N. Woodford in what proved to be an interesting debate.

I had almost forgotten to record an account of our annual debate against the Gordon C.Y.M.S., this year, held out at Gordon. However, Rimon Ashkar, who captained our team—which, incidentally, proved to be a winning one—has not let me get away with that, and here enclosed is Rimon's account of the debate.

After an enjoyable social evening and a satisfying tea, we took our places in preparation for the debate. The team representing S.P.C. was determined to avenge the football defeat, while the Gordon representatives were equally keen to carry off the double. The subject for the debate was "Is Australia Over Industrialised?" St. Pat's, taking the affirmative, were represented by Messrs. R. Ashkar, G. Walsh and J. Martin. Gordon, as the opposition, were represented by Messrs. Conroy, Blood and Prendergast.

Councillor J. Duggan was Chairman and he explained the rules governing the debate. The leader of the Government, Mr. Ashkar, and the leader of the Opposition, Mr. Conroy, would each speak for ten minutes,

and give a rebuttal of five minutes. The other four speakers were each allotted seven minutes for their speeches. The three who composed the Gordon team had been well chosen and they put forth a strong case against the over-industrialism of Australia. They had good matter and ready quotations and an assurance which threatened defeat to the S.P.C. team. Their brilliance was matched, however, by the capable S.P.C. representatives, and their quotations were no less exhaustive and no less effective. After the final rebuttal by Mr. Ashkar, it was obvious that the adjudicator's task would not be an easy one.

Needless to say, when the adjudicator, Mr. J. Nunan, stepped forward to give his decision, all were in a state of suspense—"Summa Expectatio"—as we read in our Cicero. This suspense was soon banished when Mr. Nunan announced his allotted points with S.P.C. the victors by two points: S.P.C., 71; Gordon, 69. He then gave a most constructive and interesting commentary on the debate, which contained much sound advice for young speakers. Naturally we were pleased to have beaten our old rivals, and we thank the Gordon C.Y.M.S. for their generous hospitality as our hosts for the afternoon and evening. Next year, when Gordon once again visit S.P.C., for it will be their turn to travel, we hope to avenge our narrow defeat in the football, and to retain debating honours.

And so we come to the Purton Oratory Competition, and this year some really keen competition will be seen. In the record number of 24 entries, are included those of last year's winner and runner-up, and of two other finalists. These four will be well tested by other speakers who have improved out of sight as a result of the speaking they have done during the year. From the 24 entrants who form the three heats to be held on Sunday, 19th August, Thursday, 23rd August, and Sunday, 26th August, two speakers will be selected from each heat to contest the final, which will be held in the Third Term. The services of our distinguished ex-student, Mr. J. J. Sheahan, B.A., History and Language Master at Ballarat High School, have been enlisted for these contests. Mr. Sheahan, himself a keen debater, will adjudicate.

Finally, thanks are due to all members of the Society who put much work into their various addresses, and helped make a grand success of our 1951 Senior Literary and Debating Society. This article would not be complete without a word of thanks and appreciation to our President and Principal, Rev. Br. Healy. We thank him for the great interest he has taken in the Society as a whole, and in each individual speaker, helping all with his kindly criticism and advice.

—GERALD WALSH.

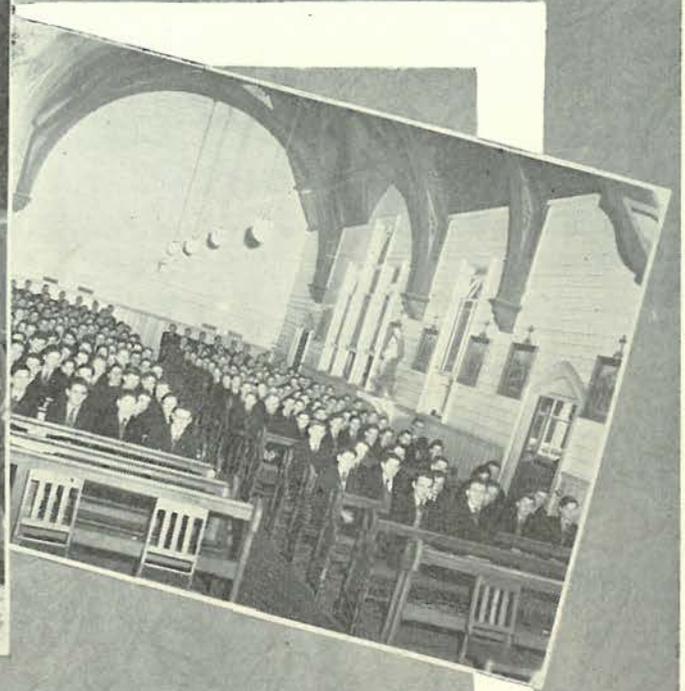
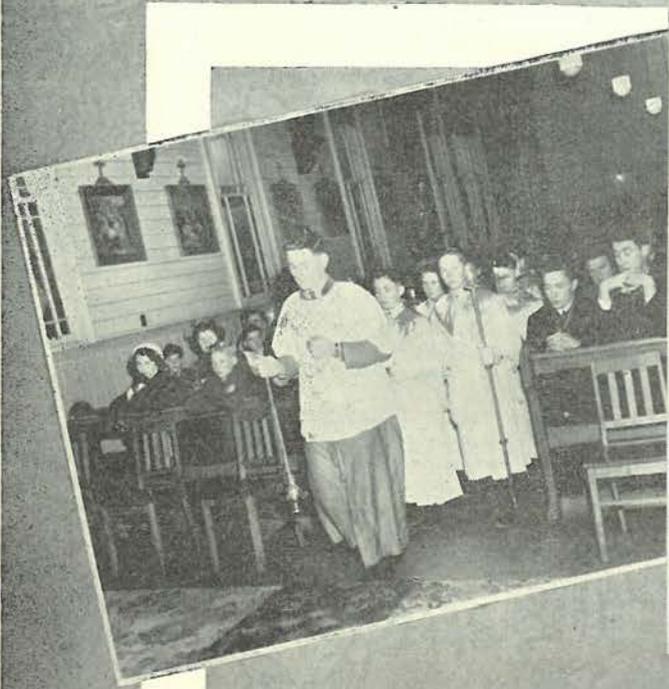
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DIARY—MEMORABLE DAYS

JUNE:

Tuesday, 5th—The doors of S.P.C. open wide to welcome the boys back for the Second Term.

Wednesday, 6th—The first day of school. House teams for football selected.

Thursday, 7th—First XVIII hard at training on oval.

Saturday, 9th—All acclaim the picture of the evening, "The Stratton Story."

Sunday, 10th—First XVIII trounces Beac soundly. Fine opening for season.

Monday, 11th—Public holiday. No cadets. Rain mars House football games.

Tuesday, 12th—Annual Retreat begins in the evening—7 p.m.

Thursday, 14th—Retreat continues. Amusing football match on a super-saturated ground—funny for the spectators at least!

Friday, 15th—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Some attend a literature discussion in the evening at the invitation of the Adult Education Group.

Saturday, 16th—Retreat concludes. Great "difficulty" experienced by the Brother to break up the retreat silence at breakfast.

Sunday, 17th—Convincing wins against St. Joseph's, Geelong, by First XVIII and Under 15's.

Monday, 18th—Cadets march again in the grounds.

Tuesday, 19th—First XVIII training intensifies.

Wednesday, 20th—Severe frost, but glorious sunshine.

Friday, 22nd—Cold snap hits Ballarat.

Saturday, 23rd—Wet weather continues. Whose favorite League team was decisively defeated today?

Sunday, 24th—St. Pat's team gives a fine display of football to win against Victoria Parade.

Monday, 25th—Heavy rain dampens hopes for a Cadet Parade.

Wednesday, 27th—B.P.S. football season opens with a handsome win after a hard match against Ballarat College—scores elsewhere.

Friday, 29th—Strenuous training in the Park for the greatest House match of the year.

Saturday, 30th—Junior football teams continue the First XVIII's example of outstanding wins.

JULY:

Sunday, 1st—Brilliant football by the First XVIII in one of the best wins over an Old Boys' team.

Monday, 2nd—Very heavy frost—new Cadet system comes into operation.

Wednesday, 4th—Kevin Hogan breaks record in the match against High School—25 goals.

Thursday, 5th—High School Captain presents Kevin Hogan with the football used to kick the record score.

Saturday, 7th—Heavy rain confines the boys to the College grounds.

Sunday, 8th—Best win against great odds when S.P.C. defeat St. Kilda. Under 15's also win.

Monday, 9th—Rain . . . No Cadets.

Wednesday, 11th—Very bad conditions do not hinder First XVIII in a great game against Grammar.

Thursday, 12th—Thoughts turn to the week-end.

Friday, 13th—S.P.C. transfers en masse to Melbourne.

Sunday, 15th—St. Pat's defeat St. Kevin's in all sections of the football. Best play seen in many a year.

Monday, 16th—Eager return to school.

Tuesday, 17th—Everyone in top form today; at least we hope so.

Wednesday, 18th—Ballarat really shows what it can do with the weather.

Thursday, 19th—Snow blankets S.P.C. grounds.

Friday, 20th—Brr! It's cold today, but we did have some fun with those snowballs!

Saturday, 21st—All enjoy "Holiday Affair" and "The Window."

Sunday, 22nd—No football owing to the very bad condition of the oval. Ordinations at the Cathedral.

Monday, 23rd—Weather conditions ease.

Tuesday, 24th—Brilliant sunshine a welcome change.

Wednesday, 25th—Second round of B.P.S. football. St. Pat's again defeat College.

Friday, 27th—Great day for St. Pat's. Four newly-ordained Old Boys celebrate High Mass.

Saturday, 28th—Alliance Francaise conducts usual annual competitions at the College.

Sunday, 29th—St. Pat's star in close win over North Melbourne.

Tuesday, 31st—High Mass in honour of Very Rev. Br. Edmund Ignatius Rice. Sermon by Rev. Fr. Austin, C.Ss.R.

AUGUST:

Wednesday, 1st—S.P.C. again trounces High School.

Thursday, 2nd—Rain prevents any football.

Friday, 3rd—Dreary day with little sunshine.

Saturday, 4th—Everyone comments on inspirational "Lost Boundaries."

Sunday, 5th—Football trip to Colac postponed till following week.

Monday, 6th—Fine weather gives promise of an enjoyable week.

Wednesday, 8th—B.P.S. football season ends with win over Grammar. Congratulations to the First XVIII on 47th Championship.

—V. A. STRANGIO.

YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

Congratulations to those members of our Young Farmers' Club who did so well at the recent Jubilee Field Day held in the Ballarat Show Grounds. Our successes showed that they were very much at home judging sheep and cows. We won three firsts, one second and two thirds. From a pen of dairy cows, Graeme Bradford was awarded First Prize for assessing points and selecting the best milker. Mr. H. C. Ludbrook, M.L.C., was very impressed with Graeme's knowledge and, with his ability to estimate values. Peter Makeham surprised by filling in the best card in the Fat Lamb Section (Senior Division) and Trevor Smith won a similar award in the Junior Section. Jas McCarthy, Brian Rice and Pat Rice won minor awards in sheep and lamb judging. The successes of these boys called forth high praise from Mr. Ludbrook who made the awards and who is himself a very skilled judge of dairy cattle.

The Club is very enthusiastic this year and interesting lectures have been delivered by John Mason, G. Bradford, P. Rice and J. McCarthy. Br. Healy presides at our meetings and his opening talks are always very helpful. Our "farm" activities are supervised by Mrs. Morphet and Gorman, and we expect to reap abundant harvests. For those who love farm life and who are keen on this work, our Y.F.C. is grand.

Items of Interest

MRS. QUINLAN HONOURED

Mrs. Lucille M. Quinlan was born at Newlyn, near Ballarat, and educated at Sacred Heart College. A Newman College Scholarship took her to St. Mary's Hall, Melbourne University, where she graduated M.A. in the combined schools of English and French. Since graduation she has done a variety of teaching work as well as journalism and broadcasting, but her most important job, she considers, has been her share of bringing up a daughter and five sons, three of whom have worn the S.P.C. cap. Coming of a family of Luxembourg origin which has been in the Ballarat district for one hundred years now, Mrs. Quinlan inevitably took to French. Journalism came naturally, too, for her maternal grandfather was J. T. Reilly, co-founder with Bishop Gibney and first editor of the W.A. "Catholic Record." For the past seven years Mrs. Quinlan has visited S.P.C. to help with oral French and for the past four years has been Ballarat "agent de liason" for the Alliance Francaise competitions. For her work in this connection the French Consul, Monsieur Gerard Sirot, recently decorated her, on behalf of the Alliance, with their bronze medal. The medal carries a ribbon—the French tricolor on an azure background—which can be worn as a decoration, and this is one of the first awards to be made.



GILBERT MEDWELL'S OVERSEAS TRIP

It was not so long ago, May 15th to be exact, that we assembled in the College Hall to bid adieu to Gilbert who would worthily represent both S.P.C. and Learmonth, his home town, abroad as a member of the Sun Youth Travel Contingent. Gilbert had come through every test, and had been chosen for the tour.

On that occasion our Principal gathered the whole College in order to express our hope and our confidence, too, that Gilbert would at all times live up to the high standards of S.P.C. All speakers at that little function were confident that Gilbert was worthy of the very best traditions of the College he was to represent.

In the course of his remarks the Principal said that Gilbert was one of the best boys to have passed through the College since Br. Healy had been Principal, and he expressed the earnest wish that Gilbert should take the fullest advantage of this wonderful opportunity, which was accorded to so few. Many would give much to be able to travel, but Gilbert has had this wonderful opportunity given to him, and he grasped it, so to say, with both hands. He was well advanced in his studies, being now a Matriculant, and he could stand the interruption to his studies which the trip would entail. John Elliott, our Head Prefect, ably congratulated

Gilbert upon his attainment of a place in the Sun Youth Travel Contingent. His remarks were supported by John Simpson.

Brother Healy then asked Gilbert to accept a small token of our good wishes, in the form of an inscribed watch, which would be a constant reminder of his days at S.P.C. and more particularly of his overseas journey.

In reply, Gilbert tastefully thanked Br. Healy and the Brothers for their good wishes, expressed in such a delightful manner. He went on to thank John Elliott and the boys for their part in the function. He expressed regret that his trip would not take him to Rome or to any of the shrines of Europe, though he was looking forward to seeing the English Cathedrals, of which he had read so much. Then he left us, and boarded the *Ormonde* for the first leg of his voyage.

During his weeks abroad, Gilbert has kept in constant touch with the College. He has written frequently to Br. Healy and the boys, and several of his letters were displayed in the Headmaster's Notice Board, and, as I write, yet another of these cheery letters awaits the school's perusal, written at sea abroad the *Stratheden*.

By the time this is in print, Gilbert will be with us once more, ready to relate to us his adventures. We look forward with eager anticipation to this meeting, and we trust that Gilbert will be able to tell us many interesting episodes from his travels.

—JOHN G. SIMPSON.

And now Gilbert is amongst us again. He re-entered College on August 12th and already he is trying to make up the leeway. We notice no change in Gilbert except that he has grown considerably. He has been too busy with his books to tell us much about the journey. That will come.—Editor.

BASIL HENNESSEY

Soon after the publication of the May "Chronicle," a letter from Basil told of his journeys till 21/4/51. At the time of writing Basil was in Turkey. I understand that now he is in Cyprus.

Basil's trip took him via Colombo to Port Said. Here he disembarked and remained five days before proceeding to Cyprus which took eighteen hours. Basil spent six happy weeks in Cyprus and was mainly occupied at the Museum at Nicosia. Nicosia is the capital of Cyprus and has a population of 60,000. The people are hospitable and sociable and their city's finest monument is the fine Cathedral of St. Sophia which is now the principal mosque of Cyprus. The Cathedral was helped on by St. Louis IX. who arrived on this island in 1248. The later history of the Cathedral is very interesting.

From Nicosia, Basil journeyed to Paphos, a distance of 100 miles. The bus journey cost him 7/-. The scenery here and throughout the whole of the island was magnificent and each and every town and village was brimful of archeological history and religious reference.

One of the most interesting cities he had visited was Jerusalem. Writing of the Holy City, Basil said:

"Jerusalem, at the moment, is a very big mess. We stayed in the Arab quarter of the old City, which is very much overcrowded by people who have no work, and consequently are in a sad state. It really is, or could be, a beautiful city, the skyline when seen from the Modern Museum tower outside the old walls is superb, and the character and atmosphere of the city within the walls is without doubt. The streets are very narrow, 7 to 8 feet at a guess, almost built over (it would be possible to walk across the old city on the rooftops with little exertion), roughly cobbled, winding and uneven. We followed the Via Dolorosa along such streets. Today,

due to obvious reasons, they are so filthy as to be physically nauseating. I spent some time in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, which rather overwhelms by its obvious wealth. I am very sorry to have to write this, I was extremely pleased to have seen all that church contains, Calvary, the Holy Sepulchre, etc., but I wish I had not. That is a little too severe, but after all these matters do mean much to many millions of Christians in this world, and it is a great pity to see them degraded as they have been. I have been reminded that P. C. Wren once said that "the holier the city, the greater the supply of local vice, filth and intrigue." On all three points I think Jerusalem must be well to the front. The home of the Rock is a magnificent building, but really one does like to see these places of advantage, and this cannot be done when one reaches the stage of wondering just how one is going to be taken down next. The piece de resistance is to be tapped on the shoulder when viewing Jerusalem from the Garden of Gethsemane, and on looking around to find a scraggy character with paw outstretched, saying 'this is my garden where Christ wept over Jerusalem, give me 50 piastres.'

Leaving Jerusalem, he motored through Jericho and Amman and on to Damascus. Here he saw the tomb of St. John the Baptist, a huge monument 420ft. x 120ft. and about 70ft. high. From Jericho, Basil journeyed to Jalmgra, in which he found very much of interest.

He has very pleasing reports of Turkey, where he liked the people and the country immensely. He spent some time with the American Excavations and at the time he wrote to S.P.C. he was just about to join an expedition and later another which would occupy about four months.

Basil is in his element. He has his heart and soul in the work of excavation and investigation. We appreciate very keenly his most interesting letter to St. Pat's which the boys have read with interest and of which the barest outline is given here. We look forward to further interesting accounts and we promise Basil the remembrances for which he asked.

SNOW

To the early rising boarder, June 19th seemed to be just another ordinary day. Br. O'Malley was manfully maintaining order in the lockers as usual, but out-doors one notable change had come over the landscape. The ground was covered with a blanket of snow!

Miraculously, the boys restrained themselves until after breakfast, but then anything could, and some things did happen. From Matriculation downwards, all indulged in the game of snow-balling, and nobody seemed to mind not knowing their lessons. The Mallee boys at first did not fully grasp the situation but the old hands who recalled the blizzard of 1949 set an example and a few snow-balls in the rear of the neck soon taught even the Malleecites what snow really was.

School soon brought an end to the fun however, and the boys sadly left their snow to melt while they suffered the consequences of their folly in neglecting their memory work. During the day snow fell at regular intervals and although it did not stay long on the wet ground it served to distract all aspiring students.

The school retired to bed early that night and everyone hoped for a bigger and better fall on Friday. They were not disappointed, for when we arose the ground was covered by seven or eight inches of snow. The previous day's fall was put to shame by this wonderful sight and everyone looked forward to the fights that would ensue.

The battles that occurred on that memorable day will go down in history. The foremost clash was between first and second year Matriculation. It was waged on the handball courts where both sides had easy access to ammunition. At 9 a.m. the battle was still raging but Br. Smith

mediated and a truce was declared. On the various ovals other battles were in progress but the bell summoning us to school prevented any decisive victories.

During the morning, guerillas from High School, male and female, made a lightning attack on the College, but S.P.C. declined battle and continued school. At this point we would like to repudiate the insinuation or accusation that S.P.C. declined battle for fear of defeat. St. Pat's is prepared at any time it snows, out of school hours, to do battle with friendly rivals.

Although snow fell several times during the day it gradually melted away and those who did battle at lunch-time found a scarcity—demand exceeded the supply. By the time we retired to bed, snow was but a glorious memory—except to Geoff Torney who took a bag full home as a memento. So closed a historic day in S.P.C. life.

THE CAMERA CLUB

During the Second Term the S.P.C. Camera Club has continued the good work begun in the First Term. Br. North, our Director, complained once or twice that meetings were not as regularly attended as they could have been but, on the whole, all went smoothly.

Our Club Room is undergoing a process of transformation. Br. North, helped by Br. Smith, has installed an enlarger and a miniature switch-board, which collects our formerly scattered switches into one place. The enlarger is not yet operative, but it should be ready for use in the Third Term.

We have not had a day's outing this term as we did last term. However, this should be rectified next term. We look forward to a prosperous term and we wish our members, and others too, a very happy holiday.

—JOHN G. SIMPSON, Hon. Secretary.

CADETS

Owing to the inclemency of the elements, our contingent has not enjoyed its usual high standard of activity. However, this fact has not affected the high standard usually attained by our Cadets. Under the able supervision of O.C. Halliburton and his two right hand men—Lieuts. J. Murray and R. Ashkar—the Cadets have been ably "put through their paces."

This term has also marked a most important change in the formation of our detachment. This deviation has been precipitated by the recent introduction of National Service Training which requires all youths who have attained the age of eighteen to attend three months' continuous training in one of the Services. Mr. Halliburton and his advisers decided that it would be an excellent idea to form a separate platoon of those boys who will be affected in the immediate future by this legislation. These boys are being instructed by one of our visiting Regular Army officers and are being schooled as potential N.C.O.'s. In this way, boys are assured of a solid basic knowledge in military instruction and are set for rapid promotion in the course of their training. We sincerely thank Mr. Halliburton for this foresight and we feel confident that our Cadets will make good use of the opportunities afforded by such a system of training.

This term has seen no activity on our miniature range, but groups have been taken down to the indoor range at the Ballarat Drill Hall. Here our Cadets have been ably instructed in the rudiments of accurate

shooting. Some have been particularly successful and are able to exhibit some excellent targets. Indeed, some of them have aroused our suspicions as to whether the holes have been inserted by bullets or by pencil points.

Finally we should like to thank Br. Kelty for the active interest he has taken in our Cadet Unit. Moreover, we are looking forward to a very active Third Term during which we may even embark on some of our long promised bivouacs.

—J. BOWMAN.

CONGRATULATIONS

Rev. Dr. W. McCunnie—Securing Doctor's Degree.

C.B.C. Fremantle—Golden Jubilee, 6th August.

Rev. Br. W. A. O'Connell—Golden Jubilee, 8th August.

Rev. Br. P. Bowler—Golden Jubilee, 24th December.

S.P.C. EX-STUDENT COMMEMORATED

A very prominent photo on the photo gallery at the College is that of the late Dr. Joseph Joyce, R.I.P. Dr. Joyce was one of five boys, Pat, Mat, John and Eddie, who came from Willaura. Indeed before his day the family name was well known at the College, for two of his Uncles had attended, years before and had become Redemptorist Fathers—Fr. M. Joyce recently deceased and Fr. W. Joyce at Penant Hills, N.S.W.

Recently a memorial plaque was unveiled at the Ararat and District Hospital to commemorate Dr. Joyce's name. Doctor is well remembered at St. Patrick's College. After a brilliant scholastic career at College, the late Dr. Joseph Joyce went to Melbourne to commence Medicine at the University. He was the first student enrolled at the then newly opened Newman College.

His son, Gerald, is following in Father's footsteps and last year he was awarded a Senior Government Scholarship and he entered Newman and began his medical studies. Adrian, the second son, is in our Matriculation Class.

DR. TOM CAPELL

Dr. Thomas Capell, M.R.C., O.G., son of Dr. W. A. Capell, of Ballarat, has received his Degree in Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the Royal College of Surgeons, London. At a recent Rotary luncheon, Dr. Capell, Snr., was asked to convey Rotarians best wishes to Dr. Capell, Jnr., on his success. Dr. Capell, Jnr., is expected back in Australia early in October.

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Obituary

MRS. HONORA TRESSIDER, R.I.P.

We tender our deepest sympathy to Rev. Fr. J. Tressider, P.P., of Manifold, Geelong, on the death of his venerable mother. Mrs. Tressider passed away at "Villa Maria," Boronia, on June 29th. Living to the ripe age of 81 years, Mrs. Tressider had the consolations afforded by her son the priestly Fr. Tressider. Indeed this good Catholic mother had given two children to God—one, our own ex-pupil Fr. John, and one a Sister of Mercy to Ballarat East Convent.

May the dear Lord grant her the reward of her generosity.
May she rest in Peace.

MR. JAMES HENRY FORREST, R.I.P.

The sympathy of the whole College was extended to Mrs. Forrest, of Wycheproof, and to James of Sub-Intermediate "B" and his brothers, John and Kevin, when we learned the sad news of the sudden death of Mr. James Henry Forrest.

In apparently good health, Mr. Forrest carried on his active life as a businessman, in Broadway, Wycheproof. He had finished a rather strenuous day and during his evening meal he felt overcome. In his effort to retire, he collapsed and died. His devotion to his family and his kindness to all, won for him the admiration of his friends. To his sorrowing wife and children we offer our deepest sympathy.

May he rest in Peace.

MR. PETER HARRIS, R.I.P.

Records at the College show that as late as 1944 Peter Harris attended St. Patrick's College. In that year the Manager of the E.S. & A. Bank, Ballarat, rang the College in quest of a good boy. He interviewed boys from St. Pat's and from other Colleges and Peter was selected.

His first appointment was to the Cressy branch and after serving a short time there, his worth was recognised and he was brought to Melbourne to Head Office. All looked roseate for Peter. It seemed that he must advance and succeed as a banker.

About two years ago he became ill and spent much time in hospital in Ballarat, both at St. John's and in the Base Hospital. In spite of the good nursing of the Sisters and the skill of his Doctors, Peter was not getting well, instead he was weakening. During his anxious and wearying months, Peter fought manfully, was never heard to complain, and was perfectly resigned to God's Holy Will. His resignation was remarkable and was commented on by all his friends who visited him. We, at the College, prayed that God would continue to sustain Peter's confidence and his resignation and that if He so willed Peter would be cured.

The news of his rapid decline and of his removal to Melbourne alarmed us greatly. In God's good time he called Peter to Himself. The Master found a very faithful sufferer ready and eager to answer His call. The large number of relatives, of ex-students of S.P.C. and of Y.C.W. boys and girls, bore ample testimony to the kindly nature of Peter and to the respect in which he was held.

May he rest in Peace.

MR. JOSEPH E. SANG, R.I.P.

Residents of Ballarat are very familiar with the name of Joseph E. Sang because for the last half century Mr. Joseph Sang had been a leading Chinese Herballist and a very kind and generous man. A convert to Catholicism, Mr. Sang was an example of simple faith and fervour. His good wife and he chose St. Patrick's College for their son, Joseph, and we offer to Joseph and to his mother our deepest sympathy on the loss of their dear deceased. Mr. Sang was an admirer of the College and he rejoiced at our successes and at our improvements. He was ever ready to help on the cause of the College. We now pray for his eternal repose. R.I.P.

MR. WILLIAM LUKE FAY, R.I.P.

A pioneer of the Skipton district, Mr. William Luke Fay died in St. John of God's Hospital, Ballarat, on June 7th of this year. At this hospital is Mr. Fay's daughter, Sister M. Emmanuel. He was attended in his last illness by Rev. Fr. Luke Fay, C.Ss.R., an ex-student of S.P.C. Mr. Fay with his wife and large family lived at Carranballac. No better Catholic home could be found than this, where the good parents exemplified for their children the virtues of pious Catholics. One could not but be struck by the faith of these good people. The obsequies for the late Mr. Fay were very impressive. It was our privilege to form a guard of honour as the funeral cortege passed the College. R.I.P.

MISS ROSE FARLEY, R.I.P.

"Blessed in the sight of the Lord is the death of the just." These words could truly apply to the death of this holy lady. With her sister, Miss Mary Farley, Miss Rose Farley lived her whole life in their home in Ballarat East. Both ladies led thoroughly edifying lives and they each found great pleasure in assisting at Holy Mass and in making visits to the Blessed Sacrament. Nothing was allowed to hinder this devotion. After a brief illness, Miss Farley passed away in St. John's Hospital and she was buried from St. Alipius' Church after a Requiem Mass. We tender to Miss Mary, and to Mrs N. Sherry and her two sons and their families our deepest sympathy. R.I.P.

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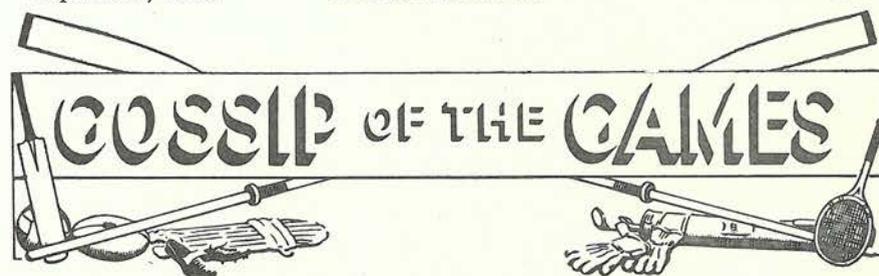
We are pleased to be able to report well of Mr. T. K. Doyle and of Mr. R. V. Monahan, K.C. Both these learned gentlemen have been very ill for a long time.

Contemporaries at College each distinguished himself at the Bar and both have been prominent in recent years in legal circles.

Mr. Tom Doyle was first of the two to become ill. In fact it was from Mr. Rob Monahan that we, at St. Pat's, learned of Tom's illness. Now, we are grateful that Mr. Doyle is well on the way to recovery.

Mr. Rob Monahan was fortified by all the rites of Holy Church and to the joy and delight and the surprise too of his wife and family, Rob began to improve. He had a panel of Doctors attending him, among whom were two ex-students of St. Pat's, viz., Dr. John Hayden and Dr. Phil McCumisky. It is grand to know that Mr. Monahan is getting well again.

Another who has been very ill is Mr. Maurice Kavenagh. Maurice is still at Noorat and word reached College only last week that he was very ill and that he had been ill for several weeks. Maurice, with his brothers, Alf and Des, is well remembered at St. Pat's. He sent his three sons, Brian, John and Kieran, to College and he himself loyally supports all efforts on behalf of the College and he visits us often. Old Collegiate friends of Tom, Rob and Maurice join in the hope that soon all three will be well again and that we will see their cheery smiles at our next Reunion.



FIRST XVIII.

This season, as in every other season for the past 47 years, the S.P.C. First XVIII has reigned supreme among the Ballarat Public Schools and the team has gone through the season once again undefeated by any B.P.S. team. From the beginning of the season, the XVIII has been hampered by injuries to many key men, and it is therefore a tribute to the spirit of the players and to the skill of the Coach, Br. O'Malley, that they have been able to maintain their reputation, which previous teams have established, and to uphold it so well that the lowest winning margin was 59 points.

A presentation of statistics will probably provide readers with the truest indication of the potentialities of this year's team. On an average, St. Pat's scored 21 goals 17 behinds to our opponents 1 goal 3 behinds each match. Taking the aggregate for the six games, S.P.C. kicked 128 goals 91 behinds to 7 goals 12 behinds by the opposition; consequently, the team can claim a percentage of 1590. Truly a remarkable record and one which demonstrates our marked superiority in 1951 B.P.S. football. Indeed, keen judges have been comparing this year's XVIII with the very best of past teams. Our forwards, whose aggregate of 128 goals 91 behinds falls only 13 goals 26 behinds short of the all-time record aggregate, were undoubtedly a champion group of brilliant, systematic players. Our safe, bustling and, at times, brilliant defence can go a step further, because the total number of points scored against them—54—is the lowest aggregate on record. Although statistics need not be a conclusive proof when making comparisons, there will be many who acclaim this year's team as the greatest they have seen.

And as concludes another season of B.P.S. football, our heartiest congratulations go to our highly esteemed Coach, Br. W. T. O'Malley; to our Captain and Vice-Captain, Kevin Hogan and John Elliott, respectively; to the entire team; and to Kevin Hogan, once more, for his record aggregate of 71 goals in a season and for his marvellous record of 25 goals in one match. Our best wishes for another bumper season are also extended to Br. O'Malley and his 1951 First XVIII.

S.P.C. v. B.C. at S.P.C.—June 27th

The St. Pat's XVIII took the field for their first B.P.S. match of the 1951 series without the services of three of their stars, Kevin Hogan, John Elliott and John James, who were on the injured list. Heavy rain previous to the game rendered the ground treacherous and the ball difficult to handle. The first half witnessed some congested play and patches of good play were infrequent. However, by means of a smoother working forward line and the almost impregnable back line, S.P.C. had scored 3 goals 11 behinds to the opposition's 1 goal 1 behind at half-time. After the interval, play opened out and clever handling and better passing were

the result. Although the College rucks were slightly superior to our more slightly built followers, our rovers seized upon any "crumbs" and, attacking through Halloran and Murray, we were able to add 4 goals 4 behinds to 3 points by College. S.P.C. attacked continually throughout the last term, but solid play by the College backs limited our scoring to 2 goals. However, isolated College attacks were swept aside by our virile defenders, led by Dowling, and the opposition failed to score during the final quarter. This decisive victory by weakened S.P.C. side augured well for our future games.

Best players—S.P.C.: J. Dowling, B. McLaughlin, B. Murray, L. Halloran, B. Sheahan, D. Nunn, H. Bourke, W. Constable. B.C.: Hoskins, Leishman, Cook, Cameron, Tarrant, Crawford.

Goalkickers—S.P.C.: K. Shea (3), D. Nunn (2), B. McLaughlin (2), B. Murray (2). B.C.: Leishman.

S.P.C. v. H.S., at H.S.—July 4th

We journeyed to High School for our second match of the series and the weather was fine, although a stiff breeze was blowing and the ground was conducive to good football. From the first bounce S.P.C. were in the attack and, although the wind was disconcerting, our marked superiority in almost every position was demonstrated by the half-time scores: S.P.C. 15 goals 3 behinds, to H.S. nil. A feature of the St. Pat's forward work had been the brilliant play of Kevin Hogan, our full-forward, who had scored all but two of our goals. Consequently, main interest in the game after the interval centred with Kevin's attempt to shatter Jack Hill's 11-year-old record of 20 goals in a match. The third quarter, in which we scored 2 goals 3 behinds to H.S.'s nil, was disappointing. Our forwards had used the wrong attacking wing. However, due credit must be given to the ruck work of H.S.'s Captain, Mason, and to the bustling H.S. defenders. Our display in the last quarter, however, was a vast improvement. Good position play and systematic work by our centres and forwards resulted with S.P.C. kicking 11 goals 2 behinds to nil. Due to his own brilliance and to the unselfish play of his team mates, Kevin Hogan kicked 25 goals from 30 shots and thus he established a record which should endure a long life. The effort of our back line in preventing a single High School score was most praiseworthy. Final scores were: S.P.C. 28 goals 8 behinds to High School nil.

Best players—S.P.C.: K. Hogan, J. James, J. Elliott, L. Halloran, J. Dowling, F. Godfrey, B. Lamaro. H.S.: Allen, Mason, Walker, Hamilton, Coad

Goalkickers—S.P.C.: K. Hogan (25), J. James (2), L. Halloran.

S.P.C. v. G.S., at S.P.C.—July 11th

We continued our winning run by overwhelmingly defeating Grammar School on the S.P.C. oval. Recent rain made the ground muddy and the ball greasy. Despite these conditions play throughout was surprisingly fast and the team work and the goal kicking, particularly by our XVIII, were extremely well directed. Grammar were quickly into their stride and they soon had our back-line defending. Our forwards were slightly lethargic at the start, but brighter play just before the interval resulted in St. Pat's having 13 goals 7 behinds to Grammar's 2 goals at half-time. Play throughout the third quarter was comparatively even, with both back-lines offering stern resistance. The last term was all St. Pat's. Our play during this quarter was probably the most sustained burst of brilliant football throughout the entire season. Our 12 goals in this period from good all-round play, particularly by Kevin Hogan, who scored another

20 goals, and John Elliott whose centre play was faultless. Final scores were: S.P.C. 31 goals 14 behinds to G.S. 3 goals 2 behinds.

Best players—S.P.C.: K. Hogan, J. Elliott, J. Dowling, J. James, B. Gleeson, L. Halloran, B. McLaughlin and B. Lamaro. G.S.: Newsome, Read, Bygrave, Muntz, Ross-Perrier, Graham and Howe.

Goalkickers—S.P.C.: K. Hogan (20), J. James (6), B. Murray, T. McGill, L. Halloran, B. Gleeson, B. McLaughlin. G.S.: Keane (2), Graham.

S.P.C. v. B.C., at S.P.C.—July 25th

This game was played on our oval due to the unplayable state of the College oval, where the game was to have been played. Once again a weakened S.P.C. team took the field against their strongest opponents. However, our 73 points win indicated that we were never in danger of defeat. Winning in all key positions and securing support from the flanks, S.P.C. were able to establish a comfortable lead of 39 points by half-time. The outstanding features of our play had been the dashing play of John Elliott who was substituting for John James at centre half-back, and the continuously good play of Brian Murray, Kevin Hogan and Laurie Halloran. After the interval, College were more successful by closing the game up and by preventing our boys from playing their usual play-on, systematic style. However, our more direct method of attack enabled us to increase our lead an dto run out winners by 73 points. S.P.C. 12 goals 12 behinds to B.C. 1 goal 5 behinds.

Best players—S.P.C.: J. Elliott, B. Murray, K. Hogan, L. Halloran, W. Gleeson, B. McLaughlin, B. King, F. Godfrey, H. Bourke and T. McGill. B.C.: Leishman, Allen, D. G. Cooke, Langdon, Bird, Maxwell and J. Strickland.

Goalkickers—S.P.C.: B. Murray (5), K. Hogan (3), B. King (2), F. Godfrey, B. McLaughlin. B.C.: Strickland.

S.P.C. v. H.S., at S.P.C.—August 1st

Our return match with High School resulted in another easy win for our XVIII, which had thus clinched another B.P.S. Premiership. Good ball handling was the feature of the match which, however, was at times congested due to the heavy state of the ground. The High School backs could find no counter to the brilliant system which was operating between Kevin Hogan, Brian Murray and John Elliott. At the other end, isolated High School attacks were swept aside by the strong, determined play of our defenders among whom John James and John Dowling were outstanding. High School, led by Hamilton and Watson, struggled valiantly to the end and they deserved their two goals. Final scores were: S.P.C. 25 goals 19 behinds to H.S. 2 goals 1 behind.

Best players—S.P.C.: K. Hogan, B. Murray, J. Elliott, J. James, B. Gleeson, L. Halloran, J. Dowling, F. Godfrey and B. King. H.S.: Hamilton, Mason, Allen, Walker, Murphy.

Goalkickers—S.P.C.: K. Hogan (13), B. Murray (3), B. Lamaro (3), W. Constable (2), B. King (2), L. Halloran, J. Elliott. H.S.: Mason, Walker.

S.P.C. v. G.S., at G.S.—August 8th

Requiring 37 goals to create a new aggregate record for the B.P.S. series, the S.P.C. XVIII were confident of achieving this feat, when they travelled to Grammar School for their final match. However, just before half-time a heavy hail-storm made conditions appalling and our ambition an impossibility. From the bounce, the S.P.C. team displayed most

business-like football. The home team was unable to pass our superb centre half-back, John James, and he was largely responsible for Grammar's failure to score throughout the match. Our forwards on the other hand outplayed their opponents, and despite a little inaccuracy in kicking for goal, we had scored 8 goals 6 behinds at quarter-time. The record appeared within our grasp, when the elements intervened and prevented the desired achievement. However, the team showed what a brilliant combination they could be by adapting themselves to the conditions and by playing clever, cohesive football. The final scores were a true indication of our marked superiority. S.P.C. 23 goals 23 behinds to G.S. nil.

Best players—S.P.C.: K. Hogan, B. Murray, J. Elliott, B. Gleeson, L. Halloran, B. McLaughlin, F. Godfrey, B. Lamaro. G.S.: B. Newsome, Fawell, Read, Symons, Muntz, Baker, Graham.

Goalkickers—S.P.C.: K. Hogan (10), B. Murray (4), B. McLaughlin (3), L. Halloran (2), B. Lamaro (2), B. Gleeson, B. King.

THE PLAYERS

K. HOGAN: A most inspiring Captain. A very clever footballer, whose marking, kicking and ground-play are first-class. His outstanding play stamped him as the best forward in B.P.S. and it gives evidence of a marvellous future.

J. ELLIOTT: A very able deputy. His talented play in the centre initiated numerous forward moves. A fair mark, while his position play, ground-work and ball disposal were faultless.

J. JAMES: A stalwart centre half-back, whose tremendous speed, high marking and long kicking rendered him ideal for that position. Also a capable utility player.

B. MURRAY: Capably held down the centre half-forward position. A very elusive player, a grand mark and always disposes to advantage.

J. DOWLING: Gave great service in the two key back positions. Fearless and tenacious, he displayed judgment, marking and kicking ability above average.

L. HALLORAN: Though capable of filling many positions, he played mostly as a rover. His excellent disposal and clever position play made him one of our most serviceable players.

B. McLAUGHLIN: A great first rover, whose courageous and dashing play always earned him a place among our best players. In fact, he was never beaten.

D. NUNN: Change rover and forward pocket player. He seemed assured of a marvellous season, because he displayed great form early. Unfortunately, a severe injury kept him out for most of the season.

B. GLEESON: As the season progressed, his rucking continued to improve. His hitting out was always well directed and his mobile play was of great value when he was resting.

B. LAMARO: He possesses all the attributes of a good footballer. Served mostly on the forward line, where his safe marking, good ball control and judicious leading were of great value. Kicking, however, was often ill-directed.

B. SHEAHAN: A tireless follower, who never stopped trying. His marking, kicking and dash were noteworthy and they repelled many an opposition's attack.

W. GLEESON: Another capable follower who, though slightly inexperienced in that capacity, produced some valuable performances. Sound marking and good kicking were his greatest assets.

P. GLEESON: A most dependable player, who restricted many half-forward flankers to limited opportunities. A fair mark and a good kick, Never beaten.

G. HACKWILL: His timely interceptions on the half-back flank frequently relieved the pressure on our back line. General all-round play was sound.

W. CONSTABLE: Held down the responsible full-back position for most of the season. A fair mark, comes through well and his kicking was particularly good.

R. MOGG: Though a little slow, his play on the centre wing was reminiscent of Les' style. A clever player, whose marking was particularly safe and his kicking always well directed.

H. BOURKE: A most improved player, whose dash and evasiveness on the opposite wing were outstanding. A fair mark and a good kick.

T. MCGILL: Was a devastating player on his day. His marking, kicking and left-hand turn were of great service on the half-forward flank.

F. GODFREY: A diminutive, but a very versatile player. Whether roving or on the wing, his tremendous dash, clever turning and unselfish play were always evident.

J. CULLEN: He played mostly in a back pocket, but he could also do his share of ruck work. He displayed good judgment in adopting spoiling tactics; marked well and kicked consistently.

B. KING: He overcame a lack of pace by good position play. A most polished footballer, whose marking and kicking were very confidently accomplished.

—K. DRAKE.

HIGH SCHOOL'S FINE GESTURE

All appreciated very much High School's gesture in sending their Captain and Vice-Captain to the College to present to our Captain, Kevin Hogan, the football he used to kick his 25 goals against them the day before.

Our team was assembled in the Matriculation Room, and after a word or two by our Principal, the High School Vice-Captain spoke. He said that he and his Captain had come to represent High School and to congratulate Kevin Hogan on his record breaking success in the recent game against High. "We are not sorry," he said, "that Kevin made his record against us, because we witnessed his amazing accuracy with the ball. When we realised that Kevin was 'on the target' we tried our best to hinder him. That he kicked 25 goals against our backs was an achievement." He then asked Kevin to accept from High School, the ball used in the match. John Elliott, Vice-Captain of St. Pat's, added his congratulations on behalf of S.P.C. John said that Kevin's consistently good play for a couple of seasons deserved the record and he paid tribute to Kevin as a Captain and leader. In reply, Kevin thanked High School for the fine gesture and he thanked his team mates for the assistance they gave him to achieve the record.

SECOND XVIII

This year our Second XVIII is under the capable leadership of John McCarthy (Captain) and Kevin Drake (Vice-Captain). We are fully confident that this year's team is the best for some time, and this claim is certified by the scores. As the "Chronicle" matter goes to press, we have one game remaining to be played. However, our previous defeat of Ballarat Grammar indicates an easy victory in the return match.

Our first game for the season was played against Ballarat College in typical Ballarat conditions, and although deprived of the services of



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our brilliant centre-man and Vice-Captain, K. Drake, we had a good win. The final scores were 17 goals 25 behinds to 1 behind. Goal-kickers were A. Joyce (7), R. Quilkey (4), P. Hackwill (3). St. Pat's was best served by J. McCarthy, B. Grogan, A. Joyce, R. Quilkey and R. Mogg.

We travelled to Melbourne for our next game, which was against St. Kevin's. As expected, we encountered a very big and forceful team. However, St. Pat's finally triumphed because of their fast, open football, after a very hard game. The final scores were 5 goals 3 behinds to 3 goals 5 behinds. All players excelled themselves, however, those worthy of special mention were R. Quilkey, K. Drake, J. McCarthy, L. McMahon, I. Morrison and B. Unthank. Many thanks to St. Kevin's for a most enjoyable game.

We next played Ballarat Grammar. Although they fielded several of their prominent senior footballers, they were not successful in penetrating our sterling defence. The rucking of Les Plummer and John Martin, a feature of play throughout the season, again proved invaluable against Grammar's bigger better-experienced men. L. Heath and W. Foley combined well with J. McCarthy to form our impenetrable back line. St. Pat's best were: A. Joyce (7 goals), J. McCarthy, K. Drake, B. Unthank and R. Quilkey (6 goals). Ron Quilkey displayed his superb roving once again with the consistency which rendered him a match-winner throughout the season. The final scores at Grammar were 17 goals 15 behinds to nil.

Other highlights of play during the season were: Gerald Walsh's startling left-hand turns and dashes and Michael Kelly's clever manipulation of the ball and "heady" disposals. Brian Phelan distinguished himself by his safe marking. Although Jim Murray had little chance to show his true form, the chances he did get showed him a worthy member of a St. Patrick's Second XVIII.

UNDER 15 TEAM

About fifty hopefuls sought admission to the College Under 15 Team. Teams were chosen and replacements were frequent and in a short time it was evident that our Under 15 team would be very strong. Plenty of trial matches gave us the desired practice and a very confident team took the field against St. Joseph's, Geelong. We beat St. Joseph's by eight goals. Victoria Parade, East Melbourne, came next, and we increased our margin to win by ten goals. We were without the services of our Captain, John Deany, against Parade. John had a leg injury. In this game our skilful full forward, Kevin Shea, kicked nine goals. Kevin's success in this match gained him selection with the First XVIII for the next Wednesday's B.P.S. match. In this game, against very big backs, Kevin kicked three goals.

St. Kilda visited us next and this team of champions from Melbourne appeared confident of victory. Our team played fine football and we won by fourteen points. The following Sunday we played and beat St. Kevin's on their Heyington Oval. Bill Drake was our star that day. His anticipation and sure marking and kicking won him rounds of applause.

And now comes defeat. We lost to St. Joseph's, North Melbourne. Injuries kept out some of our good players but we congratulate North Melbourne on the five points win. We are looking forward to our return match against St. Kevin's in Ballarat and we eagerly await our match against C.B.C., Warrnambool.

I hesitate to mention the names of our best players. However here are those who did consistently well: Bill Drake, Michael Bourke, Pat Irwin,

Ray Dignan, Daryl Grace, Peter Fitzpatrick, Kevin Shea, Don Bradmore, Brendan Ryan and Bernie Tobin.

—J. DEANY.

Captain J. Deany was an inspiration to his team. John is a natural footballer and he worried the opposition whenever he got possession.

—EDITOR.

SENIOR OVAL FOOTBALL

As in other years, the Oval football competition was the senior competition in the School. From the outset the standard of football, in both wet and dry conditions, was excellent and according to our Principal, has been the highest in the past ten years. About a week after our return from holidays, the teams were picked and there resulted the usual burst of enthusiasm. However, this keenness did not fade away but even as this article goes to press, enthusiasm is a feature of the Senior Oval competition. Players and spectators alike agree that teams made history by training in the Park prior to the commencement of the home and home games.

Under the leadership of the four Captains—K. Drake, J. McCarthy, G. Walsh and L. Heath—all teams looked like making showings, and after the termination of two rounds McCarthy (McCarthy), Galvin (Drake) and Treacy (Heath) had obtained an equal number of premiership points. The third round, which is yet unfinished, has shown that Nunan (Walsh) must be brought into calculations for the "final four." After being narrowly beaten by McCarthy, Nunan defeated Galvin, and on these showings should play a major part in the finals.

As might be expected by one who knows the Ballarat climate, many games have been played in terrible conditions. Even on these occasions the standard of football has been high. At various times Br. O'Malley has had little trouble in replacing injured First XVIII players as he has class reserves in the stars on the Oval. Besides, the Second XVIII, which consists entirely of Oval players, is yet unbeaten and this proves further the high standard set on the Oval.

It might be fitting to mention a few of the outstanding players on the Oval during the season. McCarthy House has been well served by Captain John McCarthy, Adrian Joyce, Gavan Hackwill and Ian Morrison, whilst Galvin has had stalwarts in Captain Kevin Drake, Bill Drake, W. Gallagher and Daryl Grace. Best players for Treacy House have been Brian Unthank, Ron Quilkey, Les Plummer and Vincent A. Strangio, whilst Gerald Walsh, John Deany, Russell Mogg and Leo McMahon have proved themselves stars for Nunan.

With Nunan improving with every game, it seems impossible to separate the winner of the competition as all four teams have equal chances of being premiers. As one looks back over the results it seems that the weather will play an important part in the games to come and hence in determining the winners. But no matter which team wins, the fact remains that all teams have produced players capable of taking their place in the First XVIII in years to come. After following the Oval football this season one must come to the conclusion that the day when St. Pat's will suffer defeat is very far away.

—L. HEATH.

SECOND YEAR AND COMBINED SUB-INTERMEDIATE

After being successful by defeating Sub-Inter A and Sub-Inter B separately, Second Year took on a bigger target and issued a challenge to a Combined Sub-Inter team.

The conditions for play were fairly good on the morning of the big match. The ground was slightly damp and the sun shone, much to the delight of the two teams.

The game started, Second Year getting the ball to the forwards almost straight after the bounce, but Sub. defended ruggedly. It was to no use, for Second Year soon scored through the agency of W. Drake. Second Year scored time and again.

During the second term, Second Year kept up their comfortable lead, while Barry Pedlar, at full back, held Sub at bay. Paul Dowdell was a tower of strength in the centre, ably helped by his wing-men, Chris Humphrey and Brian Murphy.

D. Cincotta played a grand game at full back for Sub until transferred to the ruck where he was somewhat upset. Bill Drake, Second Year, played a lone game at half-forward, kicking nine goals and gaining the honours. Michael Martin did a great job in the ruck for Second Year. He got the better of his opponent nearly every time. Terry Goss filled the position of full forward with credit after changing with Des Williams in the second quarter. His good leading, marking and accurate kicking brought many goals.

In the third quarter Sub. quickened the game and ran up a few goals. M. O'Beirne, Sub's full forward, obtained a few goals by his good leading out. It appeared as if Second Year were taking the game too lightly. Gavan Bourke played a good game on the half-forward flank, sending the ball through for a major score on five occasions.

Then, in the final quarter, opposition weakened and Second Year scored again and yet again. The scores when the final whistle blew were: Second Year, 24-9 153 points, defeated Combined Sub-Inter, 7-5 47 points.

Goalkickers for Second Year: Bill Drake (9), T. Goss (6), G. Bourke (6), P. Irwin, K. Maher, D. Williams.

Congratulations to all on a grand victory.

—K. MAHER.

THE GORDON TRIP

On Sunday, 13th May, it was our turn to journey to Gordon for the annual football match and debate against Gordon C.Y.M.S. The match was played on the Ballan Recreation Oval between two keenly contesting teams.

Despite the wet conditions, a good game was witnessed. Councillor J. Duggan had charge of the game and later he occupied the chair at the debate. At the end of the first quarter Gordon were leading by two points and by half-time they had increased this lead to four points. In fact, at three-quarter time the game appeared to be almost won by Gordon who took the lead by more than two goals.

However, the traditional S.P.C. finish was yet to come. St. Pat's kept attacking but too many behinds and insufficient goals were registered. St. Pat's were only one point behind and about to score again when the final siren sounded, leaving Gordon the victors by one point.

The final score of the match was: Gordon C.Y.M.S. 6-12, defeated St. Patrick's College 6-11. Congratulations, Gordon, on a meritorious win.

However the St. Pat's side was still unsettled as the final training list had not yet been announced. Those who served St. Pat's best on this occasion were John James, Kevin Hogan, Warren Constable, John Elliott, Barry McLaughlin, Brian Murray, Des Nunn, Basil Sheahan and Laurie Halloran. The Captain, Kevin Hogan, kicked three goals, while Barry McLaughlin kicked two and John Elliott the remaining one.

After the match we returned to Gordon where we dined to our entire satisfaction in the Catholic School, one room of which had been converted

into a temporary refectory. After this enjoyable meal we took our places for the debate. A detailed description of the debate is given in the Senior Literary and Debating Society notes. Here St. Pat's avenged their defeat in the football by a close victory.

We then returned to the College by bus. Many thanks are due to Gordon for their hospitality and good sportmanship. Perhaps next year when we are hosts we will do even better by gaining a double victory.

—B. T. SHEAHAN.

SHED FOOTBALL

The Shed Competition this year was played with its usual amount of keenness. During the season there were some real "finds." In a few years time we might find some of them being installed in Richmond's latest milk-bars. The teams were led by: Nunan, Kevin Mullins (Capt.), J. Humphrey (Vice-Capt.); Treacy, Michael Shea (Capt.), K. Maher (Vice-Capt.); Galvin, Frank Hurley (Capt.), J. Phelan (Vice-Capt.); and McCarthy, Terry Fitzpatrick (Capt.), N. Harris (Vice-Capt.).

As we go to print the competition is very open and some exciting final matches should be witnessed. The leading team is Nunan (32), followed by Galvin (24), McCarthy (12) and Treacy (11).

Among the outstanding players are: J. Humphrey, B. Mulquinny, B. Murphy and Kevin Mullins (Nunan); M. Shea, K. Maher, B. Tellefson and F. Maloney (Treacy); J. Phelan, F. Hurley, J. Ross (Galvin); N. Harris, J. Coffey, T. Fitzpatrick and B. Rice (McCarthy).

Leading goalkicker of the Competition is Brian Rice, who is closely followed by Terry Fitzpatrick and John Phelan. Leader for Best and Fairest is John Phelan, followed by T. Fitzpatrick, J. Coffey and N. Harris.

THE ST. KEVIN'S WEEK-END

For weeks beforehand the boys of S.P.C. had been looking forward to Friday, 13th July. Why was this day different from any other day? Because at 11 a.m. school ended and the long week-end began. Everyone was cheerful and hopes ran high for a good win over St. Kevin's. The boys living in Melbourne went by the mid-day train, and after being late off the mark, the train was one hour late, they had a very pleasant trip down to the "big smoke." The remainder of the boys were to go by bus at 1.30 p.m. After much juggling of luggage and small boys, all were seated and the journey commenced. It was very pleasant travelling and soon Br. O'Malley was lulled into slumber by the melodious strains of the serenaders. On their arrival in Melbourne the boys all dispersed to their various places of residence, until Sunday when all were to meet for the football at the Heyington Oval. Most boys spent Saturday afternoon at the various League football matches, while all were advised to get a good night's rest in preparation for the big games next day.

Sunday, the 15th, was fine and success crowned the opening matches, with our Seconds and Under Fifteens victorious. The senior game commenced with St. Pat's having the strong wind advantage, but at quarter time they had only kicked 4-1 to 2-0. They fought back well against the wind but were hard pressed to hold their slender lead against the strong and determined St. Kevin's team. Half-time scores were St. Pat's 6-2 to St. Kevin's 5-1. In the third term the Green, White and Blue's again failed to press home the wind advantage and at the beginning of the final quarter were only two goals ahead. St. Kevin's strived desperately to overhaul our total, but time and again they were repulsed by our tenacious backs. The final bell saw St. Pat's one goal in front after a spectacular and exciting game. The match was umpired in grand style by Laurie Nash, whose

timely advice was welcomed by the players. Final scores being: St. Pat's 10-6 to St. Kevin's 9-6.

Best players—St. Pat's: K. Hogan, J. James, J. Dowling, J. Elliott, B. McLaughlin, B. Lamaro, H. Bourke, L. Halloran, B. Murray.

Goalkickers—St. Pat's: B. Lamaro (5), K. Hogan (2), B. McLaughlin, B. Gleeson, B. King.

—J. F. ELLIOTT.

THE COLAC TRIP

Following the termination of the St. Kevin's week-end, all members of the First XVIII turned their eyes to August 5th when a trip to Colac was to take place. Greater interest centred around this game because of an inglorious defeat suffered by S.P.C. in 1928, and the 1951 champions were out to avenge the loss. Our spirits received a set back, however, when owing to inclement weather the trip was postponed. Nevertheless our enthusiasm was once again aroused when we learned that the match was to take place on the next Sunday.

Sunday, 12th, dawned brightly and prospects were agreeable. We left the College gates at 9.30 a.m. for our first stop at Cressy. Here we all enjoyed a short run, and after some refreshments we continued the journey. About 12.30 p.m. we arrived at St. Mary's, Colac, where a band of kind and hospitable Colac folk led by Mr. Halloran received us with open arms and took us to their homes for the mid-day meal. After a most enjoyable dinner we journeyed to Coragulac where the game was to take place because of the unsuitable condition of the Western Oval at Colac. A large crowd was already in attendance despite the uncertain weather conditions.

The main match was preceded by a curtain-raiser between the Extra Old Boys of St. Mary's and St. Brendan's which resulted in a two point victory for the former team. Our opponents were led by a former S.P.C. First XVIII player and present Hampden League representative, Tim O'Sullivan. The team included several Colac senior players as well as some stars from district clubs and hence a sterling struggle was expected.

St. Pat's won the toss and elected to kick towards the Warrion end. The game was in the charge of retiring coach of the Colac Tigers, Jack Cassin, and despite heavy conditions underfoot, it opened in good style. The locals were the first to score, but St. Pat's soon replied with two quick majors which put them in the ascendancy. The first term ended with the scoreboard reading St. Pat's 3-2 to Colac 1-1. At the long interval St. Pat's had forged further ahead, the scores reading St. Pat's 6-3 to Colac 1-5. The match was far from won, however, and in the third term the home team made a valiant attempt to retrieve the position. St. Pat's held them however, and at the last change we had a commanding lead of 9-5 to 3-5. The last quarter saw little change in the scores and at the final bell the scores read St. Pat's 10-6 to Colac 3-7.

Following the match we returned to the Western Oval where hot showers soon dealt with the mud. After again partaking of the hospitality of the Colac people we returned to St. Mary's where our bus waited us. A few big eaters delayed our departure but about 8.45 p.m. we drew out of Colac on our homeward journey, and 10.30 saw a bunch of tired but well contented boys arrive back at the College after a most enjoyable day. Our sincerest thanks go to Mr. Halloran and his good folk who did so much to make the trip possible and we can only hope that our effort brought some success to their appeal.

Best players—St. Pat's: J. James, J. Elliott, K. Hogan, L. Halloran, B. Murray, H. Bourke, J. Dowling, B. Gleeson, B. Sheahan.
 Goalkickers—St. Pat's: K. Hogan (4), L. Halloran (3), F. Godfrey, B. Murray, B. King.

UNDER 6½ STONE

Unfortunately our champion 6½ stone team has not had much opportunity to show its prowess on the field this year. So far one match has been played and two abandoned.

In the only match played against Ballarat College, S.P.C. showed itself to be a well balanced team and too strong for the opposition. The final scores were S.P.C. 15 goals 16 behinds defeated B.C. 4 goals 6 behinds. M. O'Beirne kicked 9 goals.

Best players in the team were: B. Mulquinny, M. O'Beirne, B. Matthews, M. Younger, J. Phelan, F. Hurley, W. Morganti, J. Humphrey and B. Murphy.

The team was ably captained by Michael O'Beirne, assisted by Bernie Matthews.

TENNIS PROSPECTS

As the Second Term draws to a close everyone is looking forward to the holidays. It is during these holidays that the first thoughts of the tennis season creep into our minds and, for those at S.P.C., these thoughts should be extremely pleasant. Although the S.P.C. team did not win the B.P.S. competition last year, one must review this year's prospects with the utmost optimism for many of our star performers are back at St. Pat's for another season.

Last year, as you might remember, the College final was contested by the "midgets" W. Drake and P. Callahan. Both these finalists have returned to College and they should, once again, form the nucleus of our tennis team. Both these players are young and it is hoped that with a year's experience in B.P.S. tennis they will rise to great heights and help to place S.P.C. back on the top of the list. The other two places in the first four could be filled by two of four players. Such an assumption does not make allowance for any new pupil who may be able to reach the top of the ladder. These four players, K. Hogan, G. Walsh, J. Elliott and R. Mogg all filled major positions on last year's ladder and, at present, it seems difficult to decide which of these players will make the grade. However, K. Hogan, for two years a member of the Second IV, is a logical choice for one place and he should improve on last year's showings.

The Second IV should once again remain supreme in the B.P.S. competition. This year there are perhaps ten players capable of playing in this team and all should make excellent showings. Those mentioned above who do not make the Firsts will, of course, be the backbone of the Seconds. There are sure to be many challenges when the ladder is put up, and it seems only time will decide the Second IV.

There have been whisperings around the school that two new pupils, B. King and W. Constable, are accomplished tennis players, but we must wait and see their form before passing judgment. Let's hope they prove a success. As in years past, under age competitions should be of a high standard and, once again, there should be little separating the finalists of the competitions. However, it seems certain that W. Drake will dominate the final of the Under 15 Tournament, whilst he and P. Callahan should fight it out in the Under 16.

With the warm weather approaching rapidly, it should not be long before the nets are up and play started once more. For all at S.P.C. this tennis season of 1951 should be a pleasant and eventful one. We are looking forward to the McNeil Cup, when the best boy player in B.P.S. is decided. This competition should be keenly contested but we hope that one of our players will be able to win back the Cup despite the fact that last year's winner is still eligible. Because of all-round strength our First IV should win back the trophies which we lost last year.

—L. HEATH.

ATHLETIC PROSPECTS 1951

With the advent of the Second Term holidays and the conclusion of the football season, the Green, White and Blue guernseys put away and our thoughts turn to the lighter sports of summer. Once again the spikes and athletic attire will adorn those who are anxious to gain a place in the S.P.C. athletic team, which has the responsibility of retaining the "Courier" Challenge Cup, so easily won by the 1950 representatives.

This year will probably witness the inauguration of the Catholic Country College Championship of Victoria, which replaces for St. Pat's the usual A.C.S.S. Sports held in Melbourne. This is the first year since the A.C.S.S. was formed that S.P.C. will not compete. We were one of the inaugural schools and we were shocked to know we could no longer compete in the A.C.S.S. However, there you are. The B.P.S. Sports, however, are the main concern of the Sports Master, Rev. Br. O'Malley, and our Coach, Mr. E. Sheehan. Unfortunately, on present records the 1951 team will not contain very many members of former years, but what we lack in quantity we hope to make up in quality.

Boys with brightest prospects for the track events in the open division are Kevin Hogan, Frank Godfrey, Brian Murray, Brian Unthank and John James. Last year's cross-country champion, Barry McLaughlin, should be an asset for the distance events. The field contests will attract keen competition with Kevin Hogan and John James vying for honors. Other boys with decided prospects are Brian Gleeson, in the hurdles, Kevin Cranz in the weight putt and Bill Gleeson in the high jump.

We look hopefully to our under age divisions for much of our strength this year. The Under 16 division will have the services of Les Plummer, who should dominate the field events. He will meet stern opposition, however, in the sprints from Peter Hackwill, Paul Russo and John Deany. Others with excellent chances of selection are Kevin Shea, Brian Maher, Daryll Grace and Peter Fitzpatrick. Our outstanding Under 14 champion of last year, Frank O'Connell, is still with us and will most likely be responsible for more re-writing of records in the Under 15 division. In the Under 14 events, Bernie Matthews, C. Fitzsimons and B. Murphy should stand out far in advance of other rivals. Bernie Matthews, especially, had magnificent performances at last year's sports. Prospects in the Under 12 and Under 13 events are always doubtful, but boys with strong recommendations are Richard McArthur, Marshall Younger, Frank Moloney and Leon Gleeson.

But the team will not be composed entirely of old boys, and watchful eyes will be focused upon the form of new boys when they train for the first time. Each boy in the College should strive to gain the honor of representing St. Pat's on the athletic field. It is truly a great thrill to wear the green, white and blue colors which have been the insignia of past champions. We wish the future representatives, whether they be in the open or under age divisions, the very best of luck for another successful season.

—J. JAMES & F. GODFREY.

BASKETBALL IN S.P.C.

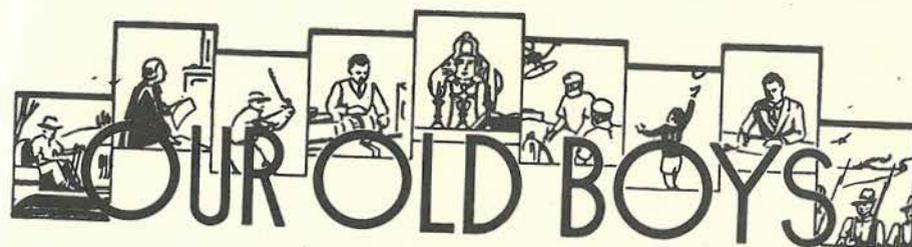
This year another new competitive sport has been introduced into the College, which tends to rival the popularity of our football or cricket. This sport, basketball, has greatly appealed to the boys mainly because of three factors—firstly, it provides all the limbs of the body with an excellent form of necessary exercise; secondly, it gives every player the chance of actually participating in the play while in such a sport as football one might not even get a kick throughout a whole game; and thirdly, being a fast and exciting game, it provides both the spectator and players with many spectacular thrills.

Basketball is played on our three tennis courts which are not in use during these winter months. Because these three courts are the only ones available at present, the basketball competition has been restricted to those boys playing on the Oval and the Hill Competitions. Later it is hoped to cater for the boys from other competitions. The two teams not occupied by football on the Oval competition each field three teams of five a team, while the two un-occupied teams on the Hill competition each field two teams of five. Rivalry between the teams is keen and, even if the scores do not indicate it, the play has been remarkably even, an example of this is found in the first inter-house game played this term between Treacy House and McCarthy House from the Oval competition, when the whole three matches were fought to three draws.

Many brilliant players have starred in this new game, but because printing space does not permit mention of all, I will merely give three of the best players from each House. From the Oval competition, three from Galvin are K. Drake, W. Gallagher and W. Drake; from McCarthy, J. McCarthy, A. Joyce and I. Morrison; from Nunan, G. Walsh, J. Deany and R. Mogg, whilst from Treacy are L. Heath, R. Quilkey and B. Unthank, thus omitting such good players as W. O'Connell, J. Martin, K. Shea, W. Foley, B. Grogan, M. Kelly, L. Plummer, V. and R. Carey, B. Phillips, A. Brady and J. Bowman. The Hill competition also has many star players especially P. Makeham and N. Moore from Galvin, H. Nihill (until injured) and B. McGregor from McCarthy, D. O'Connor and N. Cincotta from Nunan and J. Tobin and P. Brumby from Treacy.

The Oval Basketball Competition has finished the last round before the finals. At this stage Treacy has the position at the head of the ladder with 18 points, very closely followed by Galvin with 17 points and McCarthy and Nunan with 15 and 10 points respectively. With the final round yet to be played on the Hill Basketball Competition as this goes to press, the Galvin House, 13 points, have attained the lead by 2 points from the next team, Treacy. The third and fourth positions are held by McCarthy, 8 points, and Nunan, 4 points, respectively.

So it can be seen that during this season the College has seen a successful start with yet another sport. Before ending, I am sure the boys would like to thank Br. Kelty and the players of the First XVIII for helping to make this game possible. Br. Kelty went to no end of trouble to make the game the success that it is and, by his keen observance and umpiring, he has given many of the players much helpful advice and has kept the game as interesting as it is. The First XVIII also did very fine work in the official capacity of umpiring. Many competition matches were most efficiently umpired by members of the First XVIII. All are grateful to Br. Kelty and the boys of the First XVIII for their expert and impartial umpiring.



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MELBOURNE BRANCH

The address of the Melbourne President, Mr. Leo Howard, at the Annual Meeting of the Melbourne Branch of the Old Collegians' Association, S.P.C., Ballarat, was of an epic nature.

He recounted substantial successes in the various phases of the Association life. Among first things was the annual general Holy Communion, this year at St. Francis' with Rev. Fr. Bruce Crealy as Celebrant. Members were urged to keep this most important function in mind for next November. The Annual Reunion at Ballarat was also an outstanding success. Old Boys travelled from all parts of Australia, and the dinner held in the City was an enjoyable gathering of old mates. This was in April, but the geniality of the Reunion compensated for the frigidty of the climate. The Smoke Night in September was most enjoyable, and was marked by an address from the Test Captain, Lindsay Hassett. This very worthy Australian proved that his oratory is as scintillating as his batting. Held again at Coconut Grove, the Annual Ball was a brilliant social success. The weather was shocking, which interfered with the attendance, and the financial result, but a good time was held by all who attended.

A Football Club had been organised with Jim O'Neill as President and Pat Arundel as Hon. Secretary and Captain Frank Kenealy. It is affiliated with the V.A.F.A. and training and playing on the Heyington Oval, kindly provided by grace of St. Kevin's.

The Combined Colleges' Association was functioning well in cementing matters of common interest.

The progress of the Memorial Chapel at the College was satisfactory, and plans for augmenting the funds were in hand. Members were asked to consider personal donations.

The President reported that he had visited the College last December and addressed the boys leaving school on the aims of the Association.

Plans were also in hand for the consideration of a Vocational Guidance Committee in liaison with the College authorities, and for the establishment of a Bursary Fund.

Members were asked to send to the College any golden trinkets or jewellery suitable for the construction of a Ciborium for us in the Memorial Chapel.

Election of office-bearers appears on the first page of these Old Boys' Notes.

Felicitations were extended to the retiring Hon. Treasurer, Tom McCormick, on his wedding at St. Ignatius, to Patricia Stalwell from Swan Hill.

BALLARAT BRANCH

This year's executive is energetic and committee meetings are well attended and fruitful. At the present time they are busy organising the Commerorate Football Dance which will be held on the Saturday following the last match in the B.P.S. competition. Preparatory arrangements for other functions before the close of the year are under way.

PERSONAL PARS

It was good to read of the safety of Fr. Leo Baker. He is on the island of Kyushu, Japan, and is acting Parish Priest.

Fr. Chris has obtained his Degree in Theology. He is at present touring Europe and Ireland.

John Ware is to leave Corpus Christi for Rome in a short time. At Rome he will meet Frs. Leo Little and John Moloney and Mr. Jim Groutsch. He will not meet Rev. Dr. W. McCunnie who will return to Australia before the end of this month.

We are delighted to know that Tom Doyle and Rob Monaghan are getting better. We hope for better news of Morry Kavenagh.

S.P.C. is well represented in Horsham, especially among the clergy. The Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. D. O'Donnell, and the two assistant Priests, Frs. J. Kirby and T. Grady, are loyal S.P.C.-ites.

Dr. Tom Greening, of Ballarat, is not enjoying good health. We wish him better health in the future.

Len Stainsby is a banker at Coburg. The family live in Melbourne now.

Brian Moloney, last year's champion ruckman, is doing well with Carlton Seconds. Gerald Gleeson, his associate ruck last year, is playing with Melbourne Thirds.

John Croft appeared at the St. Kevin's match in Melbourne. He hasn't changed an iota.

Brian Kelly and John Robinson are resident at Newman and studying hard. John has his Bachelor of Science Degree and is now studying Medicine.

John Ferguson is in the bank in his home town, Wangaratta.

Vin Williams played in the combined Castlemaine District team against Carlton. We remember Vin's skill.

Congratulations to Vincent Sheahan who was married with Nuptial Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. Vince comes from Dumosa. He married Miss Carmel Hayes of Culgoa.

Bill Davey is in the Premier's Office with the Department of Development. He married during the war and lives at North Balwyn.

Paul Sheahan is doing a Manual Arts course in the Bendigo Teachers' College. His uncle, Frank Sheahan, is a Manual Arts teacher at Hampton.

Sam and Vince Bongiorno are both engaged to two Melbourne girls. They are partners in a cordial factory in the Wimmera. Bob hopes to finish Law this year.

Clarrie Woodford is doing well in the Nelson Hotel, South Melbourne.

Kevin Sanetow still lives in Warrnambool. He works at Nestles.

John Clancy has gone to Queensland for a short holiday—twelve months.

Rod Price called in a short time ago. He is well again now and because of his Dad's illness he is back in Melbourne.

Kevin Dowsley is wool-classing at Hay in the Riverina. He is doing exceptionally well.

Brian Hogan works with his Dad at Wallan East. He is still nippy but small.

Gerald Gunther is with 3HA Hamilton. He is training to be a radio technician.

Alan Sykes is high up in the Public Service. He is married and living in Melbourne.

Keith and Martin are happy to know that their brother is enrolled for next year. Both boys play good football for Lancefield.

Congratulations to Kev Smith of Benalla, who recently became the proud father of a baby boy (already enrolled at S.P.C.)

Newman and Eugene O'Donohue have again gone north to Queensland in search of a farm.

Reg Hickey deserves his success with Geelong. Reg is always so earnest.

Peter Callahan is now doing Third Year Law. He is doing five subjects this year. He did exceptionally well last year.

Wally Constable, St. Pat's 1924-25, has called several times this year. Wally's son, Warrie, is in our Leaving Class.

Don Grant is a student teacher at Taylor's Business College. Don is also Assistant Secretary of the football club.

Gerald Ware and Bill are farming outside Shepparton. Gerald recently announced his engagement to Miss Marie Woods.

John Flynn is teaching at the Casterton High School.

Joseph O'Donohue was recently married at the Immaculate Conception Church, Hawthorn. Joe is a prominent player for the Hawks.

Tony Keogh is a Government Administration Officer in New Guinea.

The McGrath Bros., Frank, Maurice and Basil, are doing well at Lake Mormal. Frank is Captain of Charlton Football Club. Con Fanning is his full forward.

Maurice Mullane, recently married, is Chief Postal Official at the Boort Post Office.

Noel Panettiere, Peter Conway and Barry Mills were at Mass at the College recently. Mass was celebrated for the repose of the soul of Noel's father.

John Mulcahy, now at Casino, N.S.W., visited us recently. He is making good progress at Accountancy.

Frank Fitzpatrick and John Heffernan are together at the Melbourne Teachers' College.

Dr. Tom Seward, of Collins Street, was at St. Pat's about 1904-06.

Bill Bowfell, who now lives at Albert Park, is to be married to Miss Marie Adams on October 6th. His brother, John, is married and lives at Heidelberg.

Phonse O'Loughlin teaches at North Caulfield. He has bid adieu now to active sport.

Noel Dooley is teaching at Ruffy, near Euroa. Max is also a pedagogue.

Maurice O'Malley lives in Brunswick. He plays for North's Seconds.

Walter Cook officiates at Ballarat League matches as boundary umpire.

Colin Dodd is perhaps the best rover in the Ballarat League. Small as he is, Melbourne teams are after him.

Michael Molan pops in often. He was a keen supporter at the St. Kilda match.

Many S.P.C. boys are attending the Ballarat Teachers' College. Leo Griffin, Paul Quinlan, Ron Morgan, Leo Walsh, Brian and Terry Nunan are some of them.

Adrian Rosseau and Brian Maher are with Paddle Brothers. Adrian has a cadetship. Brian is time-study engineer.

Terry Brown, whose name goes down in the annals of the College as an energetic Secretary of the O.B.U., has just left Heidelberg Hospital. We are glad to report that Terry is very well again. Terry is head man at the Social Services organisation in Geelong.

Brian Sweeney, Ararat, and John Cooney, Melbourne, are making a name for themselves in the Air Force. They are passing exam after exam with credit.

Kevin and Peter Raphael have a grocery business in Coburg. George is about to go on the land at Bacchus Marsh.

Pat Cashin has a flourishing Pharmacy at Ararat. His two brothers, Mat and Laurie are with Dad in the Shire Hall Hotel.

An interesting visitor from kindred Colleges at the Football Club House Party was Terry Grabau, from Kilmore College. He is scratch man for the Carnegie Amateur Cycling Club, and takes his sport very seriously,



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Greetings

We wish

Our Readers and Well-wishers

Our Parents and Friends

A Happy and Holy Christmas

and a Prosperous New Year.



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CATHOLIC LEADERS OF THE FUTURE

Where will future Catholic leaders come from? From the Catholic schools. From Colleges and Schools like St. Patrick's College and the other Catholic Schools of Ballarat. From among your ranks and from among the ranks of boys like you, will come priests and religious, professional and business men, men for the land, and the nation's leaders of the next generation. You will carry into your future lives precisely that love of Christ and of His Church which you cherish and develop now, while you are at College. The leaders among you are recognisable even now. They are known among the senior students by their ability as public speakers, or debaters, by their efficiency as executive officers of our various Sodalities and Societies, and by the thoroughness with which they control their teams in the sporting competitions that brighten our out-of-schools hours. Junior boys, too, display leadership, in class room activities, as group leaders or assistant leaders for the Missions and as captains and vice-captains of various sporting bodies. All types of leaders are very important, and if you are appointed or elected to any such position as is mentioned above you should not hesitate to accept the position and endeavour to bring success to your group. Not that success is the be-all and end-all of our endeavours, but it is worth striving for. If we fail, we have the satisfaction of knowing that we did our best and that those for whom we were responsible tried their hardest, too.

It is very important that we develop this germ of leadership. Side by side with this growth of our ability to take the lead, to give the lead, to show the way, must grow our knowledge of and love for our Catholic Faith. In this way, we will be forthright and fearless whenever and from whatsoever source the challenge comes. Whether it will be in our homes, or in the factory or business house, or in the Continuation School or the University, we will have the knowledge and the ability to argue enthusiastically about the dogmas and practices of the religion of which we should be so proud. If, when the challenge comes, we cannot accept it because of lack of knowledge or courage, then we have not succeeded in preparing while at St. Pat's, for our life in the world.

If we do not value our daily Religion period more highly than we do our History, or Maths, or Science periods, if we attend Mass and receive the Sacraments merely because such is a custom in the College, then we most certainly will not grow to be Catholic Leaders. At best we will become Catholics of the type who confine their religion to a small portion of Sunday morning, dodging serious sin maybe, but certainly displaying no zeal for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom on earth.

You must not be satisfied to follow the leader. In too many cases you will follow, while those who hate Christ, lead. You need not apologise for accepting this lead in any walk of life. You will lead because you are a Catholic and because you have the only solution for the problems that confront this distracted world.

Our Bishops and Priests and our Catholic people too, look to you, products of a Catholic College, to take the lead. You must not step down into the rank and file of the nation. You must show an eager desire to be apostles in whatever profession or walk of life you enter. This point emphasizes the need for you continue at College right up to your Matriculation year, even if Matriculation is not a prerequisite for your calling. You are developing that something which you need so urgently and which will prove of inestimable value in your after College years—Leadership.

Herein lies the meaning of our Holy Father's summons to Catholic Action: "Catholicity dominating every action of man's life, and influencing every important movement in society. Catholics as leaders, guiding not following, striking the intellectual keynote, and setting by example and active work the moral standards of the world."

This then should be your aim and those of you who are contemplating leaving College of your own accord and only partially educated and in no sense ready to become leaders in a floundering world, you who do not feel capable of promoting, both privately and publicly, the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, you must think seriously of your inadequacy and be prepared to return to your studies and to the opportunity of preparing yourselves to be real Catholic Leaders.

JOHN WARE LEAVES FOR ROME

S.P.C. is very proud of the fact that another of her old-boy students for the Priesthood, has been deemed worthy by his Bishop to continue his clerical studies overseas, at Propaganda College, Rome. We speak of John Ware who attended St. Pat's between 1945-47 and left behind him a very worthy record. He was a credit to the College in every sphere and we were not surprised to hear in 1948 that John was studying at C.C.C. Werribee. From 1948 until July this year John attended Corpus Christi College and has completed his studies up to Third Year Philosophy.

Before leaving Australia, John spent a few days at S.P.C. to bid adieu to his Alma Mater. During the brief period that John was here, the chief attractions were the second St. Kevin's football match, and the finals of the Oval Football Competition. Besides watching these games with interest, John found much pleasure in mixing with the lads he knew at school. Before he left, he gave a little talk on the happy times he himself had at S.P.C. and the life of a student at Werribee. He told us also what he had been told to expect in Rome, and lest he had omitted anything, John held a question time. He hopes to complete his theological studies at Rome, where he will be ordained.

John left us on August 23rd and was scheduled to sail for Rome in September. We may presume that by now he has commenced studies at Propaganda College. John will not be lonely in Rome for he has the Frs. John Moloney, Frank Little and Chris Baker, and as a student Jim Groutsch, all loyal sons of S.P.C.

All the best to John Ware and every grace and blessing assist you to obtain your aim in life—to be a Priest of God.

—BRIAN GLEESON.

GREEN, WHITE AND BLUE PAGE

Frank Godfrey is a day boy from Ballarat North and he is now finishing his Matriculation year. He came to St. Pat's in 1946 from St. Columba's. He is a splendid character, guileless and true, and has been prominent in all sporting activities. He has represented St. Pat's at football as a regular member of the 1st XVIII in 1950 and 1951 and has been a member of the Aths. team since 1948.

John McCarthy has a brother, Frank, in Sub. A, and a big brother, Bill, in C.C.C., Werribee. John has been here since 1947 and he is now doing his Matriculation. He is a keen student and takes an active part in all College activities. He is a member of the Holy Name Executive, a member of the College Altar Society and of the Sodality of Our Lady and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He was captain of McCarthy House football teams and was captain of St. Pat's 2nd XVIII.

Kevin Opie came to St. Pat's in 1949 from C.B.C., Clifton Hill, with his mate, Des. O'Loughlin who is now studying at Strathfield. Kevin is doing seven subjects in his Leaving this year, one of which is Music, theory and practice. He was stroke of the 4th crew last year, but on the sudden illness of Ray Carey he was promoted to stroke of the Seconds. He stroked the crew to victory—a most remarkable achievement. Kevin plays a good game of handball, but he will meet stout opposition in the Open Division.

Brian Gibson.—Brian's people now live at Mansfield, but when Brian enrolled three years ago he lived at Daylesford. He is this year's Dux of Inter A, and he should do well in the final University examinations. The sport he likes best in rowing and he hopes to make one of the 1952 crews. Who knows, he may not some day stroke the St. Pat's first crew to victory.

Laurie Halloran came to S.P.C. from Colac in 1950. He has been here two years. He is senior boy at St. Peter's Seminary, in succession to John S. Martin, now at Werribee. Laurie is a model student and a delightful character. Though small in stature, Laurie won a place in the 1st XVIII his first year at St. Pat's. He is studying for his Matric. this year and has been prominent as a Councillor in Our Lady's Sodality, an executive officer of the Holy Name Society, a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and of the Altar Society. Good at all sport, he also starred in the 1st XI, winning the bowling average.

Denis Bourke has a brother, Paul, in Sub. A and is a nephew of Mr. Martin Bourke, ex-S.P.C., and Town Clerk of Koroit. Denis shares with redoubtable Pat Flanagan the honour of being Dux of Leaving. Like Pat, Denis is a tireless student and he gives bright prospects of future academic achievements. He rowed No. 3 in the Sixths last year and he has hopes of making one of the representative crews next year.

The Things that are God's

CHRISTUS REX

Come with me, and gaze upon a scene which will not only thrill your heart with its gay pageantry, but which will also make you thank God that you are a Catholic, or at least a Christian, who is able to appreciate this brilliant spectacle. The occasion is the Feast of Christ the King, and it is indeed an occasion, which merits all the beauty and brilliance, which can be seen here, to-day.

Firstly, let us gaze upon the procession which is a fitting replica of former years. To-day, about five thousand people, from the Colleges, Convent Schools and Societies of Ballarat and district, dressed in a manner befitting the occasion march around the St. Patrick's College Oval, which has been adorned with banners bearing greetings and petitions to Our Lord—Jesus Christ, The King. Once again the St. Patrick's College boys lead the procession with their heads held high, and mindful of the honour which has been bestowed upon them as leaders. They are followed by the boys from the Christian Brothers' Schools, who are in turn followed by the Convent girls and by the various Societies and Sodalities. Then the Clergy, conspicuous in their black and white garments, paved the way for the Blessed Sacrament which is preceded by several flower girls, dressed in white, and by several torch-bearers, decked in gold and white.

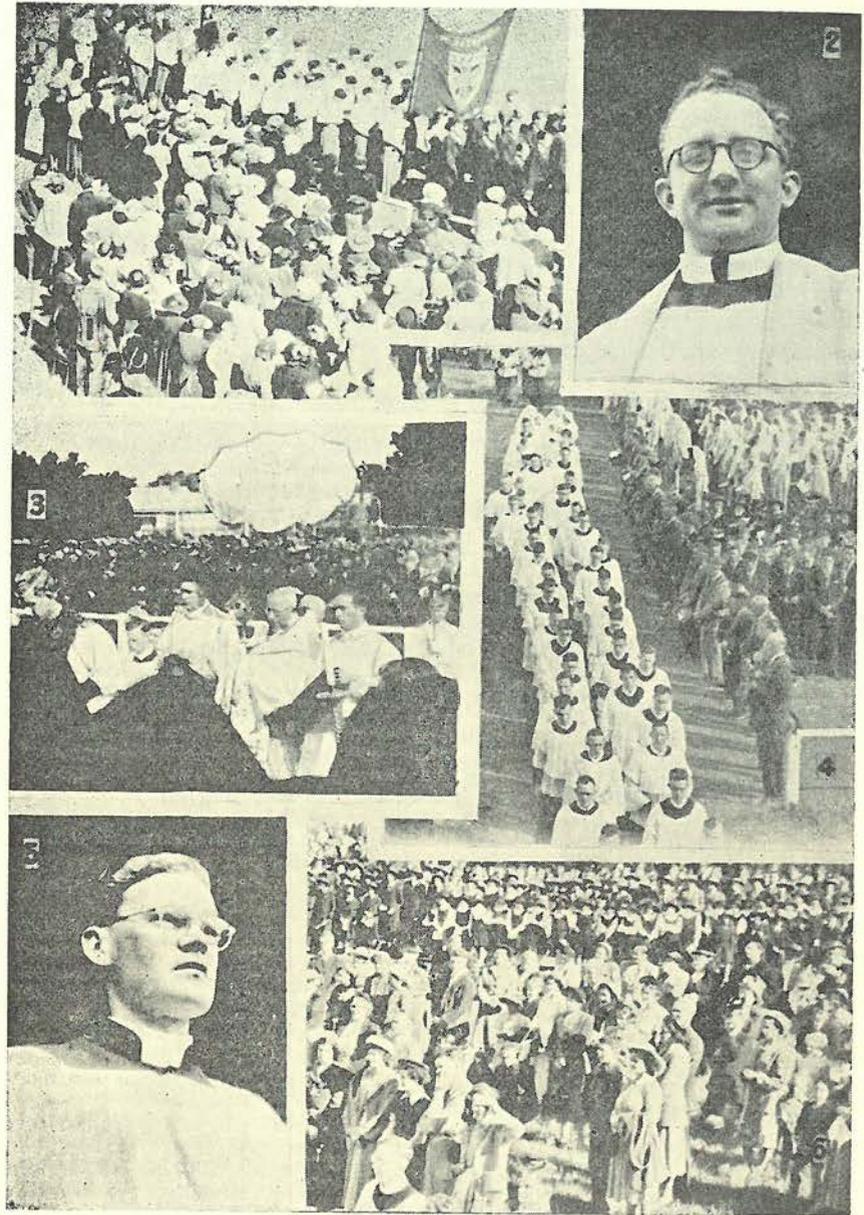
To-day, the Blessed Sacrament is borne by Dean Conway, in the absence of His Lordship, Dr. O'Collins. As the procession wends its way around the Oval, the Rosary of Our Blessed Lady is announced by Rev. Fr. P. Bohan and answered by all present. Between each Mystery hymns are sung to the accompaniment of St. Joseph's Home Band. The Blessed Sacrament is placed on an altar which had been specially erected in the grandstand. Indeed our erstwhile grandstand had taken on the look of a real High Altar. Multicoloured flowers, artistically arranged in brass vases tastefully placed, brought forth well merited praise for the ladies of the Cathedral Altar Society, who had succeeded in turning the grandstand into such a sanctuary of loveliness and devotion.

The sermon was preached, in an outstanding manner, by Rev. Fr. O. Austin, C.S.S.R., who expressed most emphatically that, before the world could return to peace, Our Lord must be hailed as King, and that a strong love for Him must be ever present in our hearts.

At the conclusion of the sermon, Benediction was given by Dean Conway, who afterwards congratulated the Catholics for their marvellous devotion. The day was brought to a successful conclusion with the singing of Faith of Our Fathers.

Thanks are due to all those who helped to make the day the success that it was.

—N. M. J. Woodford.



FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING.

- 1.—Section of vast procession.
- 2.—Rev. Fr. Austin, C.S.S.R., who delivered the occasional sermon.
- 3.—Rev. Dean Conway carrying the Blessed Sacrament.
- 4.—Students from the Redemptorist Monastery.
- 5.—Rev. Fr. Bohan who conducted the recital of the Rosary.
- 6.—Section of the large crowd during the sermon.

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

This Society, as of other years, has had a most successful year.

The College branch of the Society claims no fewer than one hundred and eighty members, and with the twenty-five boys to be admitted to the Society at the next meeting, the Society will have a record membership.

It is to be hoped that the members of the Society, when they leave College, will attend the branch of the Holy Name Society in their own parish and will take part in the affairs of the Society there, with the same zeal they have displayed here.

Finally, a word of thanks to our Chaplain and Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Sexton, for the interest he has taken in the Society, and in all the Societies of the College, during his stay here.

GERALD WALSH, President.

THE SODALITY OF OUR BLESSED LADY

This year of 1951 has truly been one of the greatest in the history of the Sodality since its inception here.

Through receptions held during the year, the number of Sodalists has risen to thirty-six, and every one of those thirty-six has proved himself worthy of the trust placed in him by the Councillors.

Every Friday we have recited our office and listened to an address from our Spiritual Director, Fr. Sexton, and it is certain that all Sodalists have gained much spiritual benefit from the carrying out of their various duties as Sodalists. Not only have the Sodalists gained from their association with Our Lady's Sodality, but their example has given a lead to the rest of the College, and has resulted in the fostering of a better spirit amongst the boys.

A reception will be held shortly for boys who are returning to College, and the Councillors for next year will also be elected.

Though many outstanding Sodalists will not be returning to College, we pray that God will bless the labours of Our Lady's Sodality here at S.P.C., and keep it the outstanding Sodality in the College, that it is to-day.

GERALD WALSH, Head Councillor.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The final term of 1951 marks the close of another most successful year for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Throughout the term the Society has carried on its work of charity and zeal by the distribution of comforts, both spiritual and material, to the inmates of the Base Hospital, Nazareth House, and the Queen Elizabeth Home.

The success of the Society has been due in no small measure to the generosity of the students of S.P.C., and we would like to thank them accordingly. Indeed, the support rendered to this Society is most gratifying.

This term has also realised an extension in the work of our Society. Members have been appointed each week to visit Br. Eastmure, on his cross of pain, who for many years now has been an exemplary sufferer of the community. It is intended that this visitation should become a regular work of the Society. This is a privilege we greatly appreciate.

As many members of our executive will not be returning next year, a new panel has replaced the old group. Our new executive consists of W. O'Connell and M. Kelly (Vice-Presidents), A. Joyce (Secretary), B. Gleeson (Treasurer) and J. Bowman (President). We thank most sincerely those boys who have served the Society throughout the year and wish them well in their future lives.

In conclusion, we would like to thank our Spiritual Director, Fr. F. Sexton, C.S.S.R., for the invaluable aid which he has rendered the Society during the year.

—J. Bowman.

ST. PETER'S MINOR SEMINARY

St. Peter's is now nearing the end of its second year, and all Seminarists are preparing for their examinations, the success of which will send them nearer to their glorious goal.

Since our Chaplain, Fr. Fiscalini, has been abroad for most of the year, the all-important aim of the Seminary, namely, the fostering of the priestly vocation and a preparation for the Priesthood, has been in the capable hands of Fr. Shelley. Under his supervision, and with the assistance of his very instructive chats every week, the boys are progressing well and hopes are high that St. Peter's will produce more students, as it did last year, to go down in the annals of S.P.C. as priests of God. Br. Mullen, as Brother in charge, has also been very helpful to the boys and he is ever ready to assist Seminarists by his good advice. The gardens, too, have progressed noticeably since last year, as a result of Brother's strict supervision, and their maintenance has given the boys added interest after school.

Already the ex-students of St. Peter's have taken their places in the different Major Seminaries, and, we hope, this year that another group will leave St. Peter's to pursue their studies at Corpus Christi College, Werribee. We wish them all the best of luck and blessings in their endeavour and pray that, one day, they too may be ordained "other Christs."

—L. Halloran.

NOTES FROM CORPUS CHRISTI

Good wishes to all readers from Corpus Christi College.

Our five newly ordained priests are completing their course and will take up their parish duties about Christmas time. Frs. John Cross and Kevin Sweeney will go to the Archdiocese of Melbourne, Rev. Fr. Mox Jongebloed to Ballarat, and Rev. Frs. Frank Hickey and Pat Farrell to the Bendigo Diocese.

Bill Walsh, Jim Kierce and Bill Dwyer will receive Subdiaconate on 8th December and will be ordained Priests in July of next year. In September we farewelled John Ware, who has gone to Rome to complete his studies. All our good wishes went with John and we sincerely hope that he has a very enjoyable stay in the Eternal City.

Outstanding Old Boy competitor in our recent sports meeting was Dan Arundell. Dan was runner-up for the championship sash. Bob Connolly also showed a good turn of speed. Fr. Kevin Sweeney started throwing his weight about and succeeded in setting up a new record for the sheaf toss.

Cricket brings some more names to our notice—Fr. Frank Hickey, Brian Long, Fr. Kevin Sweeney, Bill McCarthy, Vic Crennan. In recent roadmaking operations at the College several Old Boys were seen wielding and effective shovel. Among these we saw Vic Crennan, Henry Nolan, John McKinnon, Kevin Warren, John Martin, Dick Caleo and Fr. Pat Farrell.

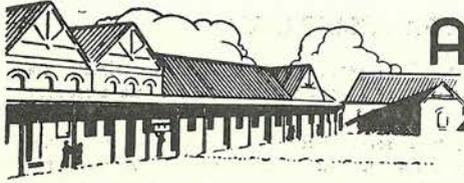
Some of our students recently visited their Alma Mater. On arrival, they enjoyed the hospitality of the Brothers at morning tea, and their visits to the class rooms revived happy and not-so-happy memories. Some were prevailed upon to address a few words to the various classes. Most of us enjoyed the visit to St. Pat's all the more because we did not have to speak.

We were amazed at the progress of the Chapel. It certainly will be unique as College Chapels go and in a brief space of time it should be able to be used.

Those who enjoyed the trip on the occasion referred to were: Bill Walsh, Brian McCormack, John Barker, Vic Crennan, Bill Melican.

Floreat St. Pat's.

Blessings for each and every one of you.



AROUND THE ROOMS

MATRICULATION CLASS NOTES.

Greetings, dear reader. Unfortunately all good things come to an end, and this is the last time that this Matric. class will be recorded in this section of the Chronicle. The next time that the Chronicle goes to print many of us will be Old Boys in our various occupations. Many of these hope to go to the University, and eight boys recently sat for Newman Scholarships in Melbourne. Gerald Walsh managed to miss the train by two minutes on the way back. Of course, it was an accident—but Gerald never seems to be able to pick a winner. Ray Lilburne and Bill Gunther gave the rest of us a chance in the Sports by going to Melbourne on the Saturday morning. "Thanks very much, Ray and Bill," say Adrian Joyce and John McCarthy who registered wins during the afternoon. Harry Gill means to see that John's success is recorded in the Annual.

Since his photo was put in the paper, John James has not come down to earth. He is still swinging about the rafters in an amazing fashion, singing "Abba Dabba." Congratulations to John, Frank Godfrey, John Elliott and Jeff Zilles who represented S.P.C. in the Combined Sports.

Mick Scott has turned his hand to impersonations and, in appreciation of true art, Geoff Torney means to take Mick out to tea. Frank Nolan and Gavan Breen recently entertained a very popular member of the class in their homes. Latest reports from the back desk state that V.S. Strangio and Bill Foley enjoy morning and afternoon tea. At least the rattling of crockery and the crinkling of paper seem to suggest so. Rimon Ashkar sometimes joins in when he has time to spare from his arguments with the teachers. Rimon's "favourite" subject is Latin. As the peaceful strains of V. S. Strangio's music float gently in through the open windows, Basil Sheahan suddenly revives to listen rapturously to the tune. Laurie Halloran imitated Morse Code, taking a fall in the 440 handicap, but has now begun training for a special challenge race over the distance of one mile. Kevin Murphy has evacuated his seat next to John Simpson and Gilbert Medwell. Someone claimed that a kookaburra was annoying him.

Bill Gallagher has had a bad time with sickness during the term, and Brian Gleeson tried to emulate this by breaking his arm. Both are now better. Noel Woodford's favourite colour is red, with blue a close second. John Bowman disappeared for a few days after the sports. Subsequent investigations proved that he had been injured in the Siamese race and was convalescing in the Infirmary. We are pleased to note that John's hair has grown to its former length.

Leon Heath has shown a marked tendency to study outside during this term. There is also something about a "key" in this respect. John Martin recently leapt into the limelight by clearing 4ft. 9in. in the high jump. Kevin Drake was so surprised that he ran fourth in the mile before he got over the shock. John Dowling has joined the select band of students who spend the first period in hard study. Gavan Hackwill has recently become an adherent of the Stoic philosophy. If there is anything else that anyone would like to know, the person to ask is Vincent A. Strangio, who knows everything. A good substitute for him would be Jack Elliott who can do anything "elephants does." The thanks of the class go to Rev. Brs. Healy, Kely and Smith for their labours on our behalf during the year. That is all for 1951, and so to each and every reader we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE

October tests are over and we are all hard at it—whatever "it" might be. The L.C. room is one hustle and bustle from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., and believe it or not, quite a deal of the hustle is study. Brian Unthank has had several warnings about the result of too much study, others persist in doing an hour or so on Sundays (entirely voluntary) and there are rumours that Tom Laffey and the Murray brothers are going to start on the 1st of December. Congratulations to the place-getters in the October tests—Denis Bourke and Pat Flanagan, Duces; Brian Maher, 3rd; Warren (Birdie) Constable, 4th; Kevin Ryan, 5th; and Kevin Craz, 6th.

Paul Callahan is "the man of the hour," having won the McNeil Cup, i.e., the schoolboy championship of Ballarat. Paul assisted St. Pat's to victory in the inter-school tennis also. He is a worthy and popular champion; may he win again in 1951. Others who represented the College in the tennis were Kevin Hogan and John Deany. Our athletic representatives were Kevin Hogan, Brian Unthank, Pat Gleeson and Brian Maher. Congratulations to Kevin Hogan on winning the Open Championship.

Barry McGennis has applied to the "Sun" for a position of Crossword composer. (Overheard in school. "Barry, is that English you are doing?" "No, sir, the Sun Crosswords). Bernie Lamaro seems to have caused some upset in the dormitory this term. Was it all a dream, Bernie? They say revenge is never sweet. Could John Cotter's parents complain that they rarely see him? The only time he stays at home is when he is ill. It is rumoured that he is taking a Don Athaldo course along with Jim Irwin and some others. Pat Gleeson (The Flying Parson) has astounded the critics with his consistent middle-distance running.

There is a new organisation in the class. Y.C.S. are the letters representing the Young Christian Students movement. It could hardly be that some have decided to do "something about it at last." The teachers have tried every means; a movement from among the "working class" might be more successful. Brendan Davey and Brian Coffey are the two most consistent students among the day-boys. Peter Hackwill is a close third. It might be more charitable not to place the rest in order. Pat Quinlan was strolling around with some Egyptian Hieroglyphics on his blue coat. Investigations failed to find the perpetrator, but John Ryan was under strong suspicion for a few minutes. John has shown consistent improvement in the Maths. 1 tests held on Saturday morning. Others who have been most consistent are Jim and Peter Murray, Tom Laffey and Barry McGennis.

Gavan Murphy deserves a vote of thanks from the class. He has given us entertainment every Saturday night during the year. When the picture is not so good, there is always something to talk about next morning, even if it is only trying to figure out "How it was they went up the hill first and then talked of how they would do it" (Heard the Sunday morning after the Overlanders. Only a technician would know the answer to that one). What will Denis O'Connor talk about after Xmas? Will he realise that football is over? Or is he going to Xavier next year? There are rumours among his best friends John Deany had a special trip to Melbourne recently. It is rumoured that Aspro Pty. Ltd. are seeking his services. Some say it as an industrial chemist; others Mick Kelly and John Hannasky have been seen running through the Park of late. They speak only Latin and French during their outings (at least we have it on good authority that it is not English). Bill O'Connell and Jim Irwin have become very rowdy in the class room of late. What is it all about, Bill. Doug Murphy, Des Nunn, Gavan Murphy, Roy Pangrazio, Peter Hackwill, John Cotter, Denis Bourke, Jim Irwin and Kevin Opie are preparing a concert item. (Title, "In, through, over or behind bars). Bill Holligan's handball is improving rapidly. Bill O'Connell and Kevin Opie are others who spend a lot of time on the courts. By the way, if you want to know the secret of getting a tennis court for the afternoon, ask Laurie Erwin or Kevin Ryan.

Apparently Laurie doesn't sleep as soundly as his snoring would indicate. Don McDonald should be a good judge. Con Smith has at last mastered Brian Unthank in the Maths. I exams. His marking might be a little severe on occasions, but he does it solely for Brian's good.

Bill Redmond is making a late run to get his Modern History this year. Bill has a very humorous nature; along with Adrian Bieske he provides some of the thrills of the gymnastic periods on Saturday. Leo McMahon and John Burke are two of the "bike" brigade. Leo is always early for school, and John is improving as the year draws to a close.

Eugene Nihill is longing for the rolling plains of Elmore, and others for the rich brown soil of the Mallee, or the wind-swept North-East, so we will bid our readers good-bye for the year. To all our readers we extend our sincere wishes for a Happy and Holy Christmas season. We hope to meet you again next year in the Matriculation pages.

INTER "A"

Here is Inter "A" again reporting on the term's activities.

We have now learnt our final marks from the October tests. Brian Gibson is Grade Dux, just narrowly beating Barry McGregor. Heartiest congratulations, Brian! Then come "Professors" P. Windsor, J. Madden, K. Bawden, K. O'Loughlin, B. Kelly and K. Shea. We noticed, with much sorrow, that Don Bradmore and Don Stainsby had dropped back into the second row.

In the recent Melbourne Combined Sports we had as our noble representatives—Kevin Shea, Frank Waish, John Madden and Terry Sweeney. However, we feel that the main reason why St. Pat's lost the sports, is that Terry was sick and could not attend. In our own S.P.C. Sports we are very happy to say that Kevin Shea won the Under 15 Cup. Congratulations, Kevin! Others to do well in the sports were Brian Gibson, John Madden, Terry Sweeney, Frank Walsh, Darrell Grace and Russell Mogg. A special mention is due to Russell Mogg, our champion tennis player. We feel sure that Russell did not fail us, and to him go our sincerest congratulations. Russell finished third on the S.P.C. tennis ladder.

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Brian Kelly is the Christian Doctrine prize winner for 1951, gaining 90 per cent. Congratulations, Brian! Brian Kavanagh who scored 89 per cent., won the special prize allotted for Christian Doctrine. Congratulations to you, too, Brian. Our representatives in the Seminary this term were Kevin Shanley and Brian Kavanagh. The flowers which decorate the foot of the statue of the Sacred Heart have been beautifully arranged every morning by Joe Tobin. Many thanks, Joe, for your kind help. The beautiful silver vase in which the flowers are kept, was kindly donated by Brian Grogan's mother. To you, Mrs. Grogan, go our sincerest thanks.

Recently, in the Latin periods, many of the Roman wars have been re-enacted between the teacher and his pupils. However, we are very sorry to say that all the battles were one-sided, as the teacher won the lot. If anyone is wishing to engage a professional fighter, "Caruthers" Kelly we feel sure is your man. We ought to know, as he practices on us enough. P. Windsor's yellow socks and black suit don't match too well, especially after he was seen in them by Br. Healy. Anyhow, Peter has tried to tell us that he was in a hurry that day, but we think he has become too fashion-minded. B. Hanrahan still goes to Bungaree every week-end, but he never brings back any potatoes. Perhaps they're scarce out Bungaree way, too!

The whole school, we feel, is in debt to six Inter "A" boys. Their splendid work on the oval has been outstanding. Therefore it is here that we give mention to Frank Sharkey, Don Bradmore, R. Mogg, Peter Brumby, Darrell Grace and Tom McGill. Thanks a lot, boys. Brian Grogan the other morning came into school with his face badly cut about. When we asked him if he had had an accident, he casually replied he'd only been shaving. Bill Howie and Don Stainsby are still inseparable. Ron Matheson, Joe Tobin and John Carter have been observed to arrive a little earlier these mornings. Perhaps the early Ballarat sun wakes them, too. Joe Natoli, our school-mate from Italy, we are very glad to say, has progressed marvellously during the year, not only in his learning of English, but also in his painting. We wish you future success in your new country, Joe. Don Bradmore and Frank Sharkey have been absent these last few Saturday mornings. The reason, they go to the rifle range. Brian McEvoy was alarmed earlier in the term, when he learnt of a big fire at Albury. However, he later found that his home is not the only home in that small city of Albury. Len Meeny has been very proud recently since we learnt the graph of the Minima. Gavan Rice and Peter Hayes feel they have been neglected by the social world. Perhaps they are doing a little private studying for the exams. Peter Fitzgerald still studies hard, and he made a big advance towards the front in the last exams. Keep trying, Peter. John Blayney and John Kerrins are also to be observed coming a little earlier these mornings. Perhaps they really do like study. Keith White's jump into the second row was quite astounding. And Lawrence Buck's position of 13th is quite a big leap, too, as Laurence was down in the regions of the back seats before the tests. Well, as the lure of the holidays is beckoning to us, we must say adieu for 1951. This is Inter "A" wishing you all a Merry Xmas and a Happy and a Prosperous New Year.

INTERMEDIATE "B"

The rapid approach of the final examinations has started to rouse in us dark forebodings that Inter "B" of 1952 may be graced by some of the same faces which have adorned it in the current year. Some find cold consolation in the thought that, if things do come to the worst, ours is a comfortable room, as classrooms go and that age and experience may give some standing and dignity among the new arrivals to the class. However, we hope for the best and, while some wear the nervous smile of uncertainty, others are confident that, like Britain in times of crisis, they will "muddle through."

Our first duty is to bid farewell to Graeme Bradford, who left to work on the land after nearly eight years at S.P.C. We wish him, and all who will leave at the end of the year, every blessing and prosperity.

Congratulations to Mick Bourke who is Dux of the Class for 1951. A good pat on the back also for Charlie Bolte, Bill Hunter, Gerry Rogers, Mick O'Callaghan and John Wangeman who filled the other positions at the top. Mick O'Callaghan won the Christian Doctrine prize, and John Wangeman the special prize for this subject. Brian Kershaw, Bill Gleeson and Brian Phillips all returned late this term and were unfortunate in missing the October tests.

In the sporting activities of the term we were well represented. Our outstanding performer was Les Plummer, the College Under 16 Champion, who did great things in the Melbourne sports and of whom we expect great things in the B.P.S. Sports. Barry McLaughlin is the College distance runner, and Brian Murray was our relay team representative.

In tennis we have no great names to boast, but Pat Rice, Hugh Bourke and Ron Quilkey have places on the ladder. However, keep your eye on Bill Dooley whose star is rapidly rising. Brian Gaffney, Brian Phelan and Jim McCarthy are his advisers, trainers and "sparring partners."

Ian Morrison, Noel Moore and Brian Phillips revel in gymnastics, while John Cullen, Ray Carey, Bill Gleeson and Des Watts are all promising rowers for next year. Glen Rasdell finished third in the College mile and attracted the admiration of the critics. Brian Phelan won the Musical Chairs event and revealed unknown musical talent.

Hair styles, exhibited in the study recently, caused some amazement. At first we thought some escapees from Langi Kai had dropped in, but we discovered that a craze for the "crew" cut had started.

With the sudden passing of the late lamented Darkie, there was talk of foul play, and some suspicion fell on John Mason. However, his name has been cleared and we see him restored to full honours on the throne of the mower, ably assisted by his aides-de-camp Mick Sharry and Brian Moylan.

Malcolm Baird denies that his check shirt is part of a Hopalong Cassidy outfit.

Since Bill Dooley joined the ranks of the boarders, Charlie Bolte is our only day-boy—a veritable petunia in the onion patch.

Mick Sheahan and Kevin Kershaw were struck down in the prime of their youth by a mysterious sickness and had to spend a day or two in bed.

Ray Carey did excellent work as an umpire in the B.P.S. tennis competitions.

As we have studied "The Merchant of Venice" this year, it has been suggested that we might act the play. The producers have had considerable difficulty in casting the various roles, but the following have been suggested:—Portia (Des Watts), Old Gobbo (Hugh Bourke), Nerissa (Ron Quilkey), Launcelot (Mick Sharry), Morocco (Tony Peyton), The Duke (Alan Brady), Tubal (Ian Morrison), Shylock (Gavin Walsh), Lorenzo (Brian Gaffney), Gaoler (Gerry Rogers).

That is all from Inter "B". We wish you all every Christmas blessing and a very happy holiday.

SUB INTERMEDIATE "A"

Greetings to our readers from all at Sub "A". We have been very busy lately with study, sports, etc., and now that the exams are on the way some of us are beginning to do some extra work. The October tests sorted out the pros from the amateurs. Des Brown emerged as Dux of the class, closely followed by Brendan Ryan and Bernie Mathews. Fourth place went to Kevin Leitch, while Tony Kean and Noel Morganti followed. The Religion Prize was won by Tony Kean; the special prize for Christian Doctrine by Will Taffe.

The scholars have been working hard, and this year we expect to get no fewer than six scholarships from Sub "A". Some of the Intelligence questions

have Graeme Thompson and Philip Johnson tricked, while Bernie Mathews and Peter Morris revel in the hardest of questions. Paul Bourke and Frank McCarthy expressed the opinion that, as far as they were concerned, Intelligence tests were a waste of time.

Sports day went off with a bang—some of our students went off like bombs. Bernard (the Champ) Carey startled all by his dash; he was unfortunate in falling over after some of his races, but he managed to struggle to his feet again. Norman (Lightning) Harris is rivalling Peter Gardiner as a hurdler. Kevin Molan managed to secure very favourable starts in his races, with the obvious results. Ian Fairley, Bernie Mathews and Brendan Ryan were seen, at times, streaking past the winning post—not always at the head of the field.

Tennis has been occupying the leisure hours of those interested in that sport. Exponents of the game were Michael O'Beirne and Bryan King who were members of the victorious Second IV. Barry Podger sometimes showed his skill with the racquet, as did Paul Bourke, Frank McCarthy and Maurie Sheahan.

Maurie Sheahan was in high glee on the occasion of a recent dust storm. He was seen scraping up handfuls of his native Mallee dust for days afterwards. The famous Pink Lakes were in the news recently, and Maurie waxed enthusiastic about their scenic beauties.

The artists of the room, of whom we proudly wrote last issue, have turned their artistic talents in other directions. The art of guiding flying missiles occupies the spare time of Tony Kean. But recently Tony was seen loitering around the College on a Sunday afternoon. I wonder why? Kevin Molan has gone "cadet-happy," probably influenced by his friends Tom Lanigan and Joe McDonald, who have worn out one doorstep of the cadet huts already. Tom Lanigan has been busy drawing up treaties, which don't seem to be having much effect. Joe's interests have not all been military this term.

Peter ("I was going to say") Morris won a prize at the recent—I was going to say sports—South Street Competitions. The sports didn't interest Peter very much, for there were no weight-for-age events. Stuart Cameron was also disappointed in this respect. Stuart still possesses his "milk-can."

Neville Rogers and Ian Fairley have decided to brighten up Shakespeare. However, that's not the only thing that Neville brightens us. They say he has been imitating a certain telegraphic system of the Australian aborigines.

Graeme Thompson continues to pay Bill Mahoney "standover" money in the form of delicacies surreptitiously secured from the home pantry. Graeme prefers to spend quiet week-ends in tents. Bill Mahoney had to put a new hole in his belt as a result of Graeme's "generosity."

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Michael Walsh is still suffering from the effects of his broken leg. In the time of his convalescence he has been delving deeply into the realm of literature. Peter Sheehan, too, according to reports has acquired a taste for 'good' literature. Noel Morganti has a weakness for baked beans. He is a junior member of the "Ging Gang," has also an interest in "GG's" and knows the difference between Cost Price and S.P. Bill ("Rusty") Creati has recently written a book on how to keep out of harm's way. Bill is often seen discussing knotty problems in Algebra (or something) with Gerald Saunders. Gerald seems to be trying to introduce the "bodgie" cult into the College.

John Phelan still disappears early on Saturday and returns late on Sundays. Another student whose whereabouts are shrouded in mystery is Vincent ("Samson") Colbert; his feats of strength must have the natives of Watchem agape with admiration.

A pair, who find school life needs more variety are Kevin Leitch, who relieves the monotony by a few days off, and Walter Noy, who finds the atmosphere of the Infirmary more congenial to a restful life. Wal also found it helped him relax after a fistic encounter in which his opponent got the benefit of the decision.

N. Serzants continues the study of Latin, which he relieves with a pinch of Greek History from time to time. Bernard Righetti and Jim Saunders uphold the reputation of the "bus boys." Bernard is one of the keen history students. No one can assess the amount of work that is done by these students.

Pat Lannen has almost recovered from the effects of an accident he suffered when bathing in the clear, crystal waters of Lake Wendouree.

Alan Ryan and Kevin Armstrong made almost the supreme sacrifice and relinquished their privileged position in the front seat. They have been very unsettled since leaving the front stalls.

John Smith is a keen photographer, but we haven't seen many of his masterpieces. John Iloit and Dan Duggan have a position in the room quite in keeping with their interest in school-work. On the alternate days that they are there, they do as little work as they are forced to.

There are a couple of questions that the curious have been asking:—

What is the secret gang, Des?

Why the recent interest in international affairs?

What is of interest at, or near, the side gate?

Why does Michael get flustered when he does the Algebra on the board?

Is there a good beach at Lonsdale Bight? Do Paul Bourke's cousins claim him? Cheerio now from Sub "A" and a Happy Christmas to all.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE "B"

No time was wasted in settling down for the third and final term. October tests were not far ahead and much hard work was done in revision. The results showed Brendan Smith as Dux, followed closely by William Jones, William Goodwin, Bernard Bailey and Alan Finnegan.

Brendan Smith puts his mathematical ability to use by regular games of draughts. He has disposed of many challengers to his title.

A worried look on Bill Jones' face early in the morning is easily interpreted. He has failed to solve some problem in the previous night's work. Greg Walsh recently made an "asbestos" cast of Bill's head. Have you seen Greg's new school case? Surely the scout's belt can now be disposed of.

If you are looking for Bruce or Peter Dolan any night after school, the one sure place where you will find them will be in the Sub. "B" room reading library books, a pastime of which they never seem to tire.

Brian Rice still talks of sheep and is heard counting them at night. Tennis also has attractions for Brian and he hopes to take Frank Sedgman's place in a few years.

Another very active Young Farmers' Club member is Rex Start, who also has tennis ambitions.

Joe Cappy went home for a week-end and easily succumbed to an attack of flu. Joe came back with a "new look" and is catching up well.

Bernard Tobin and Kevin Clavarino were our representatives at the Melbourne Sports. Both are training hard and should do well in the School Sports. Kevin also has musical ability. It is rumoured he sings the family to sleep every night.

We have two long distance runners in Ray Dignan and Leo Schreenan, who have both done well in the mile and 880 respectively.

Tom Scarff takes another sport—golf. In a recent essay Tom let himself go. If he describes himself truly, then world champions will avoid him.

When Peter Carr tires of sitting in his desk he slides off most gracefully on to the floor—much to the disgust of Vin Slattery. It is rumoured that Peter intends to earn a place in the First Eleven of 1952. The faint meowing of a cat imprisoned under the school room is also disturbing the peaceful life of Vin.

John Coffey and Dan Gipp have a new version of the "Jack and Jill" story. No serious effects have been noticed. John returns to night study every night and we are pleased to see Ted Morgan, Bernard Tobin and Bill Goodwin have followed his good example. Ted is working very hard to catch up on work he missed while holidaying in Western Australia. He is full of information on the Nullabor Plain.

Jim Forrest succeeded in injuring the fingers of his right hand. We were all sympathetic, some were envious. We were all amazed by the heroic manner in which he bore the injury for a whole week.

Final exams are not far off and we must leave you to prepare for them. We are looking forward to greeting you from the Intermediate Class of 1952.

SECOND YEAR.

Once more we, the members of Second Year at S.P.C., take our pen to record our deeds and misdeeds in the past term. Taking all things into consideration, it has been a happy time spent in industrious preparation for our final examinations, with periods of relaxation on the sporting field where we can claim quite a good deal of success. Although we have yet to receive the result of the final tests, we may rest assured that our constant application to study will bring its rewards when reports arrive home. Congratulations go to all our prize winners, who have given us a grand example in solid study. It is with pleasure that we record their names:—Christian Doctrine, Richard McArthur; Special Prize, Francis Hurley; Duces, Kevin Maher and Anthony Lewis; Third, Richard McArthur; Fourth, Joseph Gallagher; Fifth, Brian Murphy; Sixth, Francis Hurley.

Earlier in the term several of our star students presented themselves at the examination for a Junior Government Scholarship. They have our best wishes for success. Our representatives in the 1951 Scholarship Class were Gavan Bourke, Barry Breen, Alf Broad, Terry Cain, Graeme Cardillo, John Danaher, Terry Fitzpatrick, John Gelder, Terence Goss, John Groutsch, Frank Hurley, Richard McArthur, Kevin Maher, Brian Murphy, Des Papworth, Brian Tellefson, and Jim Mullins.

In addition to these, we mention one or two others who have distinguished themselves in the realm of studies throughout the year—Don Hoare, Mel Creati, Paul Dowdell, Joseph Gallagher, Brian Godfrey, Eddy Noy and Peter Carracher.

Anthony Flynn joined our ranks during the term. Originally from Lancashire, England, Tony has settled in Ballarat and we hope that S.P.C. will see a great deal of him.

Harry Hackwill came to Second Year this term. Geometry offers no difficulty to him. His ability in this respect is closely matched by that of Michael Martin, Terry Goss, Gavan Bourke and Bill Drake.

History lectures are a real treat when John Donovan and Graeme Cardillo hold forth.

A new publication, "Latin, the Easy Way," by J. Gallagher and D. Papworth, will soon be available. Record sales are anticipated.

Michael Hanrahan has given up his crutches. It is good to see him on a firm understanding once more. However, his cousin, Pat, has been entertaining strange ideas about his career. He hopes to make his fortune as a bushranger with Bernie Coburn. Both find a little time during night study to devote to reading the exploits of their heroes.

Saturday morning school is a wonderful invention. Just ask Bill Drake, Michael Martin and Brian Godfrey.

Says M.H., "Giddy" Gelder has no right to call me "Lazy Hazie" after I won the 2½ mile cross-country race.

The painting trade will be shown a thing or two when Pat Irwin puts his hand to the brush. He has already left his mark on a school desk.

The black-board has been kept spick and span while Eamon Lenaghan was on the spot. When sickness forced the poor man to take to his bed, a worthy successor could nowhere be found. His return to the class was greeted by all.

Chris Humphrey and Brian Murphy wish to inform all and sundry that Cressy is actually marked on the map. However, if you should be passing that way, their advice is to slow down to 20 miles per hour, lest you miss the town.

Ray Wilby has reached the stage where he could show Marconi a thing or two about wireless. Sometimes his inventions are set up in strange places.

Gordon Kindergarten is anxiously awaiting the break-up at S.P.C. An urgent S.O.S. has already been sent to Des Papworth.

John Hoare still clings to the idea that there is nothing like a Buick.

When holidays are given, John Danaher is just the boy to take full advantage of them. After all, what is an extra few days?

Victor Berko, our new Australian, maintains that he does not know enough English to answer the lessons. However, we are beginning to doubt this, for while we have to face the issue each day, Victor reads his copy of the "Sun."

Pat Barry, Paul Dowdell, Michael Hayden and John Donovan are likely to turn on anything during gymnastics.

Des Joyce hails from the wool country. Now and again he is surprised while counting sheep during school. His slogan is, "Come to Ararat, and live the free and easy way."

Peter Keen and Brian McMahan are the silent men of the class. We only hope that their example would be followed by Des Papworth and Joe Gallagher.

Ballarat East has three sturdy representatives in Robert Whitfield, John Meiklejohn and Doug. Anderson.

Jim and Kevin Mullins are sometimes confused. However, one look at their hair is enough to solve the problem.

Barry Pedlar fascinated us with his strange hair-cut. He was advised to keep away from the local jail, until he was in a respectable condition.

Kevin Willey, the philosopher of the class, resented the remark that he was worth his weight in peanut shells. His reply was, "I am certainly not worth my weight in peanut shells."

After school hours, we spend much of our time on the tennis and handball courts or displaying our prowess at athletics. Bill Drake has been ranked as one of the leading tennis players of the College. We were delighted to see him reach the final in the Ballarat Public Schools' Championship. Others who have established quite a reputation for themselves on the tennis courts are Terry Fitzpatrick, Bill Arch, Terry Goss and Jim O'Beirne.

The annual sports carnival found us all willing, but we merely mention our champions—Frank O'Donnell, John Groutsch, Pat Irwin, Gavan Bourke and Kevin Maher.

When we speak of handball we give the honours to Michael Martin, Pat Irwin, Graeme Cardillo and Joseph Gallagher.

Peter Carracher and Peter Butler are prepared to challenge anyone at table tennis.

As we bring these notes of our school room to an end, the best wishes for an enjoyable holiday are expressed to all our members. May the season of Christmas be for you a happy one indeed, and may the blessings of the Divine Babe of Bethlehem descend upon you, your parents and all at home.

FIRST YEAR.

We would like you to spare a few minutes to read of the daring deeds, brilliant scholars and handball experts that come from this industrious class. Daryl Hunter, who is very keen on jerks and handball, is also a keen tennis player. In between times he manages to keep well up in his class. Brian and Michael Hickey are always near the top of the class. Michael had the bad luck to miss the October tests through sickness. Basil Martin and John Coswello are both keen tennis players and members of St. Alipius' Club. We welcomed Paul Williams back to school during the middle of the term. Illness had kept him away, but he soon made up for lost time. Lawrence Kelly's watch helps to keep everyone on time. Frank Doherty specializes in "dead butts" at Jerks. John Curtain and Robert Dobson collect Dinky Toys, and both have many models to their credit. Brian Morgan manages to hold his place in the back desk. Perhaps nobody else can keep Brian Pekin in check.

Representatives from the East are Basil Martin, Daryl Hunter, Owen Kehoe, Frank Doherty, Kevin Casey, Brian Morgan and John Coswello. Bill Smith will guarantee to cover the distance to Doveton Street on his "flyer." Martin Kennedy is also fond of cycling and tooting the horn on his bike. Brian Clinton is a better handballer than most think and should do well in the competitions. John McCormack comes from Millbrook and is an authority on all aspects of country life. Frank Moloney received a prize for good work in connection with his effort for the Chapel. To Frank we extend our congratulations.

This term we welcomed two new boys to First Year. They are Maurice Flynn, from Lancashire, England, and John Harvey, from Melbourne.

John Shanahan and John Murray are both violinists, while Michael McDonold is our woodwork expert.

Among those confirmed this term were Bill Smith, Terry Gillard, John Threlfall, Basil Threlfall, Michael Dinley and Ken Fraser.

The Dux of the Class for 1951 is Marshall Younger with 643 marks. He was followed by B. Hickey, 616; G. Cameron, 579; B. Morgan, 565; J. Curtain, 564; R. Dobson, 561; F. Caulfield, 561; P. Collier, 532; D. Hunter, 531.

Several good performers missed the tests through sickness. They will be able to show their "speed" in the December tests.

One of the main sports this term has been athletics, in which First Year has been well represented. In the St. Pat's athletic team our representatives were M. Younger, B. Threlfall, F. Moloney, P. Brown and T. Jess.

In the tennis world, P. Brown, J. Threlfall, Lyn Murrell and Marshall Younger are our promising Davis Cup team.

It doesn't matter what kind of weather it is, you will always find Bill Crowe, Anthony Foley and Michael Dinley on the handball courts.

John Murray and John Threlfall are experts at table tennis.

Ian Priestly had a pleasant surprise when he won a "Jumbo" handball for the best Christian Doctrine paper.

Con Fitzsimmons is always going for a bike ride on his new bike.

Brian Hickey and Ian Priestly hope to cox our crews for the "Head of the Lake" next year.

Whenever you see Bill Crowe and Marshall Younger together, you know that they are arguing over the Canberra Jet v. Bomber.

In conclusion, we wish all our readers every blessing and happiness for Christmas and the New Year. On December 11 we will very cheerfully—

perhaps nosily—accept the invitation expressed by the poet:—

With Tests behind and Leisure before,
The "First Years" in a row
Sang all together joyously—
Pack up the books and go!

5th AND 6th

Three weeks to go! Should you happen to pass our way, you will hear that on everybody's lips these days. Then, home for Christmas!

This is examination time and we are very busy trying to decide the places in each class. In Grade 6, a keen struggle for Dux seems certain between Paul Kierce, Bill Dobson, John Noonan, Paul Rice, John Bongiorno, Michael Stokie and Michael Hutchison. In the second term they finished in this order:—1st, Paul Kierce; 2nd, Michael Hutchison; 3rd, Paul Rice; 4th, Bill Dobson; 5th, John Noonan; 6th, Michael Stokie; 9th, John Bongiorno. Peter McDonald 7th, and Garry Coutts 8th, could also be in the running. In Grade 5 competition appears to be between George Pell, Paul Quinlan, Daryl Scarff, Warren McGenniss, Daryl Jenkins and Robert Coutts. That was the order in which they finished in the August test.

Congratulations to George Pell, our one and only representative in the Melbourne Combined Sports, on his fine victory in the 100 yards Under 11; to Norman Lindsay, Leon Gleeson and John Bongiorno on making the St. Pat's team which will defend the "Courier" Cup, won last year in the B.P.S. Sports. Best of luck to them all and may they equal George's effort in Melbourne. Talking of sports, did you see nine year old Kevin Bell winning the College Half-mile Handicap? John Bongiorno, too, had a very successful day, winning both the Under 12 Handicap and Championship. In this event, Leon Gleeson was second. Kevin Bell won the 75 yards Championship under 10, while George Pell was successful in both the Handicap and Championship under 11. Our only other winner was Norman Lindsay, who won the High Jump under 13. Congratulations to all these on their success. Geoffrey Butler, William Bell, John Murphy, Geoffrey Slockwitch, George Pell and Bill Bell were members who helped Galvin to win the House Competition and so will take part in the night out as a result.

Now it gives me great pleasure to welcome to our ranks Neil McLeish, who hails from Fort George, about 80 miles from Inverness, Scotland. Already he has settled down at St. Pat's and we hope he will be very happy here. Other new boys this term are Arthur Smith and Barry Stothers. We trust that they, too, will have a long and happy time at S.P.C. Though not a new boy, Geoff

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Harman rates a special mention here. Geoff. was confined to hospital for quite a long time, but now he is back with us again. We hope that from now on he will enjoy nothing but the best of health. We've had a very disrupted term on account of epidemics, as many as half a dozen at a time being laid up. With the advent of warmer weather, at this stage somewhat delayed, unfortunately, it is to be hoped that flu, measles and mumps will retire for the year.

Our objective of eighty pounds for the Missions has been reached, and the boys of Fifth and Sixth are to be congratulated on their generosity in this worthy cause. We have started a fund, also for the purpose of purchasing a cricket set. So far the total has just passed the four pounds mark. Thanks to the generosity of Mr. Jenkins, father of Darryn, we now have a wireless set, and next year we intend participating in the A.B.C.'s School Broadcast series. We are very grateful indeed for such a beautiful gift and trust that God will reward the generosity of the donor.

We are unable to take part in the exams. conducted by the Christian Brothers' Primary Classes Association this year as the exams. are scheduled to begin on December 13th, and we break up on the 11th. The purpose of these exams. is to decide the fitness of a pupil to go into the next grade. An exam. for the same purpose will be held in December and successful candidates will be promoted next year.

Well, dear readers, so ends our class activities for 1951. Before we bid you au revoir, however, we take this opportunity of wishing you the joys of the festive season and trust that the New Year will bring with it a host of blessings.

THE JUNIORS.

The forty boys in this department heave heavy sighs of relief as 1951 draws to a close. (Teacher being in full sympathy, as many upsets have made the year a very trying one).

Influenza and other illnesses increased absenteeism, necessitating a very determined attack on obstacles in the way of progress to complete the year's work in the grades.

The Dux examination was progressive, competitive examination of six tests in the main subjects—arithmetic, mental, dictation, spelling, grammar, composition and writing. The progressive total to win the position of Dux was gained by Kerry Anderson. In close pursuit ran Trevor Haintz, followed by Tom Murphy, while panting a block away came Selwyn Shore, Noel Bartolin and Robert McArthur in that order.

Trevor bewails the loss of the first term. Tom, the N.S.W. squatter, squatted too long at the starting post.

Selwyn can, but won't. One day he will wake up to himself—we hope! Noel had higher hopes, but found concentration tiresome.

Robert lapsed into far away dreams, but woke up too late for a major placing. John just missed a minor placing. Don't spell with your work, John, until you can spell the words.

Denis could just be seen in the dim distance; the others took a wrong turning and did not get into the picture. Illness and its effects brought about Joseph's non-appearance.

The Christian Doctrine Dux was won by Michael Duck, with Tom Murphy only one mark behind in second place.

The fifteen boys of Grade IV are being promoted to Grade V. Trust that the parents of those who did poorly will help more next year.

Grade 3.—In this grade the Upper Thirds gave a more balanced result for the Dux examinations. The coveted position was gained by Brian Nolan. Congratulations, Brian, you certainly ran a very determined and courageous race. John Fitzgerald's bout with flu at the wrong time made a difference to his results; still, he made a sprint into second place.

Gavan Brown's decision to leave his twin the honour of the race in the sports field whilst he tackled the indoor field was well worth while, for he gained third position.

Our little Warrnamboolite who often has a tussle with Dr. Health, managed a minor 4th position. Now you are in the running line, Tom, push on to a major position.

John Whybrow bemoans the fact that he lost so much time wondering whether he could pass unaided instead of counting how few his failures. He left his sprint too late and could only claim a 5th.

Tony Brauer, who thinks fun comes first and labour last, and Brian Hackwill who fails to realise that the use of spare moments can be profitably spent, tied for 6th position. Denis, Peter, Max, Gall, and Ian all took the examinations too lightly, so their total marks were just as light. In the Lower Thirds the most diligent is Bobbie Sutherland. Brian Bateman is trying much harder, but never unless teacher pushes. Brendan, Anthony, John, Malcolm, Danny and Maurice have to have their share of attention.

Michael Meagher still thinks he is in cold Tasmania and fears he'll freeze if he ventures on. The heat of energy will thaw the path, Michael. Try it. Christopher Flynn, from England, just stares bewildered and wonders at the space of those Aussies down yonder. We've heard a lot of the bulldog spirit, Chris; let's see it in action. We are game, you will not frighten us.

Daryl is putting on a spurt with a little more eagerness because he has decided that St. Pat's is a jolly good place for a boy, and so he plans for next year's return.

The Dux for Christian Doctrine was won by Gavan Brown, with Tom Dickson and Brian Nolan in a tied position for second place.

The Missions.—The St. Peter the Apostle Mission Fund amounts this year to over £20.

St. Vincent de Paul's fund amounts to over £4.

First Holy Communicants.—We had three Baptisms and five first Holy Communicants on the Feast Day, Christ the King. The whole room was enrolled in the Brown Scapular according to the wishes of Our Lady of Fatima. We are now praying, and we hope you will join us, for Our Lady's other expressed wish—For the simultaneous consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by all the bishops throughout the world.

Our Lady also expresses a wish for the First Saturday Communions in reparation to her Immaculate Heart. I would like parents to assist me here with their children for it is out of school hours. Rosary and Meditations at the Cathedral, 7 o'clock Mass.

Sport.—Influenza and other illnesses prevented any inter-school matches, but we hope to make up for it when the fine weather settles in.

Finally, I thank all parents and scholars who have wholeheartedly pulled their weight, and trust next year the others will realize it is really worthwhile to do so. Good-bye. A Happy and Holy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year to all.

The Forum

SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The activities of the Senior Literary and Debating Society for 1951 culminated with the final of the Purton Oratory Competition, held in the College Hall on Sunday, October 7th.

Out of the record number of twenty-three entries, eight had been chosen to contest the final and face the adjudicator, Mr. J. Sheehan, of Ballarat. Those speakers, and their subjects, were:—

Mr. F. Nolan: "Australia and the Few."

Mr. J. Bowman: "Trade Unionism in Australia."

Mr. K. Drake: "It Could Happen Again."

Mr. J. Simpson: "The Challenge of Communism."

Mr. G. Walsh: "These Are Our People."

Mr. R. Lilburne: "Freedom Tolerates an Injustice."

Mr. N. Woodford: "His Grey Eminence."

Mr. R. Ashkar: "Persia Must Reform."

The College Hall was packed to capacity by members of the College Debating Societies, parents and friends of students, members of the College Staff, and several priests from the Redemptorist Monastery.

The Chairman was Rev. Br. J. D. Healy, President of the Senior Literary and Debating Society, and he introduced each speaker and his topic, the order being as given above. It would probably not be exaggeration to say that this year's standard was one of the highest reached since the inception of the competition in 1943. Each speaker chose excellent matter on a topic with which he was familiar, and without exception, the delivery was first class.

The task of the adjudicator was then very difficult, and hence only one point separated the winner and second place-getters. However, Mr. Sheehan selected Mr. J. Simpson as winner, with Mr. R. Ashkar and Mr. G. Walsh as equal second place-getters.

Prior to his adjudication, Mr. Sheehan, a Bachelor of Arts, congratulated the eight speakers on the high standard they had attained, and remarked on what great powers for good these speakers could be, when they left College.

In his remarks, Mr. Sheehan also referred to the late Br. Purton, whose memory is being perpetuated by this competition. As a man who had known the late Brother, Mr. Sheehan eulogised his many great virtues, and later in the evening, Br. Healy thanked Mr. Sheehan for his references to Br. Purton to whom S.P.C. is so indebted, and for his words of appreciation and of suggestion.

Before we leave the Purton Oratory Competition for 1951, here are extracts from each of the speeches delivered at the final contest:—

Mr. J. Bowman: In his speech on "Trade Unionism in Australia," Mr. Bowman denounced the grip that Communism has achieved in our trade unions, and concluded: "If this country is to run along democratic lines, there is nothing more important than that there should be free and self-governing institutions like Trade Unions, independent of both the government and private industry, and yet conscious of social responsibility."

Mr. J. Simpson: "Since Communism is bent upon destroying our Western Civilization, obviously we cannot get along with Communism as it is now. Therefore, the supreme question of the present generation is whether it is possible to induce, and how to induce the necessary modification in Communist theory and practice whereby the West can get along, not, indeed with Communism, as such, but with the Russians."

This modification will emerge only when Communism is faced with stubborn, irreducible facts which will force it to change itself and to live at peace with the rest of the world.

Mr. G. Walsh: . . . "That is the position that the Australian people are in to-day—a tiny handful faced with the prospect of invasion from the north, and shackled from within by industrial, rural and population problems. And yet what are our people doing? Many seem unconcerned—even unaware of the danger that we're in . . . Leadership from above has apparently not been sufficient to rouse us from our apathy. There must also come a surge from below, from individuals like you and me—prepared to use the dormant courage and initiative that is in us, to meet these problems, each in his own sphere. The stakes are high—it is the question of the survival of a people—of our people."

Mr. K. Drake: "The Japanese Government had taken every advantage of the British open door policy in South-East Asia to organize a fascinating, skilful, disastrous espionage system which covered every phase of national life in the countries concerned and which for years defied detection—didn't even awaken suspicion."

Mr. N. Woodford: "Political leadership always demands great personal sacrifices and no Australian Prime Minister has given more than James Henry Scullin—a man so well liked that, during his years as P.M., a member of the Opposition found it in his heart to say of Mr. Scullin, 'He is a likeable man with considerable ability.' Ladies and gentlemen, whether your tendencies are towards the Liberal Party, the Labour Party or the Country Party, it would be well for each one of you to look upon Mr. Scullin, not as the Labour Prime Minister of the depression years of 1929-31, but as a man who has made many personal sacrifices for the good of Australia and its people."

Mr. R. Ashkar: "If the West will not help the illiterate Persian peasants, then the East eventually will. If the Western Democracies fail to meet the challenge of the poor, leaderless peasants, then Communism will run away with the triumph, even as it did with the Russian peasants of yesterday, and the Chinese peasants of to-day."

The Persian problems are numerous, and, even if a satisfactory solution to their oil problem could be found, this solution would not cure the more important social ills. The Persian Government, either alone, or with the aid of the Western Powers, still needs to embark on a radical, almost revolutionary, plan of agrarian and social reform, if it really desires to remove the "cancer" which undermines the present political structure of that country."

Mr. F. Nolan: "To-day, Australia is beset by a grave menace from without—that of Asiatic invasion, and by a grave menace from within, that of an apparent degeneracy of character in the Australian civilian. Logically, there is no hope of Australia's surviving these menaces. Hence, in this time of crisis, we must look for assistance from a Supreme Power to combat the forces of evil which threaten Australia."

Finally, a word of thanks and congratulations to all the members of the Senior Literary and Debating Society. That the record number of twenty-three should enter for the Purton Oratory speaks for itself. Furthermore, we have the words of Mr. Sheehan, who said that any one of those twenty-three speakers could have appeared in the final, while most could quite confidently take their places as public speakers in any company. Hence, congratulations are due to the members of the Society for the high standard attained during the year. Lastly, special thanks to my committee—Gavan Hackwill and Kevin Drake—for their valuable work on the executive during the year, and particularly for their help in making arrangements for the Purton Oratory. They overlooked no detail and the excellent carrying out of the contest was due in no small measure to their foresight and generosity.

—GERALD WALSH, Hon. Sec.

SPEECH DELIVERED BY FRANK NOLAN IN THE PRELIMINARIES OF THE PURTON ORATORY CONTEST.

"COMICS"

Arising from the comparatively innocent idea of a sales manager of a New York Printing Company some fifteen years ago, the production and publication of degrading literature, commonly referred to as "Comics" in Australia to-day, has become a major-scale industry, providing a lucrative profit for the irresponsible companies which print them and a source of rather doubtful entertainment for millions.

It has been estimated that in the year 1950 approximately 60 million comics, or allegedly comic, books were sold each month and eagerly purchased by juvenile-minded people, and not only children are possessed of such juvenile minds which crave for and greedily absorb the trash and conglomeration of fallacies which "Comics" present to the reader.

Much more than 60 per cent. of "Comics" are not all funny; but highlight crime to a deplorable degree more than do the newspapers and the cinema. Everything from innocuous humour to anti-social behaviourism is treated by the "Comics." The menace which "Comics" present to juvenile minds and to civilized society, in consequence is, apparently, not recognized by people desirous of maintaining a Christian and Democratic civilization. Certainly, if the menace were recognized by decent people, then greater steps would be taken to obliterate the evil which "Comics" constitute.

The influence which "Comics" must have upon society is obvious from the fact that, including the strips printed daily in newspapers and periodicals, and the comic-books which are sold in profusion, there were, in 1950, two billion comic-strips in circulation each day. The evil which is inherent in most of these strips is taken in, quite innocently in most cases, by the young and old who read the comics.

The figures which I have quoted are authentic and have been arrived at by Mr. James M. Dobie, a well known literary critic who has made a close study of this subject. Furthermore, these figures have been verified by Harry J. Wildenberg, the sales manager of the Eastern Colour Printing Company, New York City, whose idea of printing comic-strips in book form in 1936 began the wholesale production of these books and the absorption of the matter contained in them by millions of people throughout the world.

Wildenberg himself emphasizes his recognition of the damage which his idea has done by declaring: "If I had had any inkling of the harm they would do, I would never have gone through with the idea."

Any person who had read any of the atrociously-printed comic-books, gaudily ornamented by the printer, which glut the news-stands and newsagents' premises to-day, cannot fail to recognise the inevitability of the regular reading of this literature as having a detrimental effect upon the mind of an unprepared reader. Crime is often made to pay by the glorified villains of the story, barbaric acts are presented as quite commonplace in the lives of the comic-book characters and even, occasionally, non-democratic ideas are cleverly disguised in the text of the publication.

I have taken from the daily press accounts of the measures to which some warped minds have been driven, through excessive reading of "Comics" — A 12 year old boy who kills his younger sister says he saw it done in a comic; a 13 year old boy burglar who operates with a shot-gun, says he does not read many comics—"only about fifteen each week." A gang of adolescent bandits led by a 15 year old girl who conceived the idea from a "Comic." I have taken these examples from the Press; many more are to be found.

Comics, which are held in such high regard by a large proportion of children and by a surprisingly large proportion of adults in the community, as a medium for relaxation and entertainment, offer a great opportunity to those fifth-columnists who are desirous of seeing the downfall of our democracy to further their ends. A glance at history shows that the first step in the downfall of the

Roman Empire was a lowering the standards of behaviour—a return to barbarism. The standards of behaviour set by the comic-book characters can be and is doing a great deal towards lowering the standards of behaviour of our civilization. It has been suggested that Communists are the driving-force behind many of the worst comic-books which are entering the homes of so many Australians to-day. I do not intend to vouch for or against this allegation. However, I do see in "Comics" an effective tool available to Communists and such traitors and fifth-columnists to further their nefarious ends.

The Government of Canada has passed a Bill outlawing "Comics." Surely, upon regarding the deplorably low standard of comic-books, upon reflection on the regret expressed by the man whose idea originated "Comics" that he ever did so, upon observing the crimes inspired by "Comics," and upon recognition of their possible utilization by the planners of the destruction of our Democracy as a means of lowering our moral standards, we should follow Canada's example and outlaw the un-comic cults of the so-called "Comics."

—F. NOLAN.

[Most school teachers feel very strongly about this subject of Comics. The day is not far distant when comics will be banned from S.P.C.—Editor.]

THE S.P.C. CAMERA CLUB

SENIOR DIVISION.

During the third term the Camera Club has been as active as could have been desired. There have been some very creditable photos on display during the term on the Club's notice board.

At the time of the Melbourne Sports we endeavoured to restore ourselves in the eyes of our creditors and, with the generous co-operation of most of the senior lads at any rate, managed to meet the demands of these exacting people. Thanks for assistance, everybody!

Since the beginning of the term our members have been busy collecting photos of College activities for this Chronicle (see centre pages).

On Sunday night, November 4th, Mr. N. L. Harvey of the Press Photo Service, addressed the members on the basic principles of photography and the construction of the camera. Thanks, Mr. Harvey, for a most informative talk, and we hope to hear from you next year. And until then the S.P.C. Camera Club wishes you all a very Holy and Happy Christmas, and may you take some nice snapshots during the holidays.

—JOHN G. SIMPSON, Secretary.

[NOTE.—At our final Sunday morning meeting a presentation was made to our Secretary in recognition of the many services which he performed so capably during the past year. I think it would be difficult to find another who would have discharged his duties more satisfactorily and graciously than John.—President.]

JUNIOR CAMERA CLUB.

The Junior Camera Club's activities were confined to showing the smaller boys how to load and unload their cameras; precautions to be taken so as not to waste precious and expensive film; and the simpler rules for taking good photographs. Quite a number of fine pictures were produced, the most successful photographers being I. Priestly, M. Stokie, B. Dow, J. Hurley, P. Hanrahan, and P. MacDonald.

DIARY—MEMORABLE DAYS

SEPTEMBER.

Tuesday, 18th—St. Pat's welcomes students for the third term.
 Wednesday, 19th—Everyone settles down willingly to study for the final exams.
 Friday, 21st—Wet weather blankets the College.
 Saturday, 22nd—The most hilarious picture of the year, "Francis."
 Sunday, 23rd—The College Fete a great success.
 Wednesday, 26th—October tests begin for senior school.
 Saturday, 29th—The fete at the East Convent draws many boys.
 Sunday, 30th—Athletic training in progress at the City Oval.

OCTOBER.

Monday, 1st—College forms a guard of honour for the funeral of Fr. Gellie.
 Wednesday, 3rd—Athletics on the Hill for all.
 Friday, 5th—All heave a sigh of relief as examinations conclude.
 Saturday, 6th—First tennis victory for S.P.C. against Grammar.
 Sunday, 7th—The Purton Oratory final provides excellent entertainment.
 Monday, 8th—Late night study begins.
 Tuesday, 9th—Cadet kit handed in completes this year's parades.
 Saturday, 13th—Second tennis match against Ballarat College.
 Monday, 15th—McNeil Cup matches begin.
 Tuesday, 16th—Bad weather strikes St. Pat's.
 Wednesday, 17th—Three S.P.C. representatives in tennis finals.
 Friday, 19th—Congratulations to place-getters in the class.
 Saturday, 20th—St. Pat's 1st IV win premiership. Many attend regatta or Mary's Mount Sports.
 Sunday, 21st—International sports postponed.
 Monday, 22nd—All S.P.C. final to win the McNeil Cup.
 Wednesday, 24th—Heavy rain and cold weather.
 Friday, 26th—Prospects not bright for fine Sunday.
 Saturday, 27th—Weather brightens. Picture of the evening, "Carnegie Hall."
 Sunday, 28th—Glorious sunshine graces highly successful procession of Christ the King.
 Tuesday, 30th—Feverish preparations for Melbourne Sports.
 Wednesday, 31st—S.P.C. are runners-up, but go down fighting bravely at Melbourne.

NOVEMBER.

Thursday, 1st—Return to school after short break.
 Friday, 2nd—Hot weather and holiday combine to produce "alert" pupils.
 Sunday, 4th—S.P.C. Sports get away to a fine start in perfect weather conditions.
 Tuesday, 6th—Melbourne Cup fever grips the school.
 Thursday, 8th—Heavy rain dampens hopes for College Sports.
 Saturday, 10th—St. Pat's Sports prove a great success in spite of cloudy skies.
 Sunday, 11th—Illness removes a well-known figure from the class-room.
 Monday, 12th—Newman examinations start in Melbourne.
 Wednesday, 14th—Return to College of students sitting for Exhibitions.
 Thursday, 15th—A prodigal returns.
 Saturday, 17th—S.P.C. victorious in B.P.S. Sports, completing this year's fine list of victories.

—V. A. STRANGIO.

Items of Interest



ANOTHER EX-PUPIL ORDAINED

FR. MAX JONGEBLOED

On Sunday, September 23rd, His Grace Archbishop Simonds ordained Fr. Max Jongebloed in St. Mary's Church, West Melbourne. Fr. Max's mother, though still very ill, had become well enough to attend, and all were overjoyed at seeing Mrs. Jongebloed at the Ordination which meant so much to her. Though the morning was uninviting, a very large number of relatives and friends of Fr. Max gathered at West Melbourne. In the big congregation were the Christian Brothers from St. Joseph's, North Melbourne. St. Patrick's College was represented by the Principal, Rev. Br. Healy. Many ex-pupils of S.P.C. were present, most of whom were class-mates of the newly ordained. That afternoon Fr. Jongebloed gave Benediction at Sacred Heart Church, Carlton, at 3 p.m. and another crowded congregation heard Fr. Jongebloed speak on the dignity of the priesthood.

The next morning found all again at Sacred Heart Church for Father Jongebloed's first Mass. Fr. Max said Mass like a veteran and he certainly was well supported by the big number of priests and Werribee students who filled the sanctuary. After his first Mass, Fr. Max and his parents entertained a very big gathering in the Parish Hall. Here, eulogistic references were made to Father's sterling qualities and to his promising ability. Fr. Max brushed aside the compliments to himself in characteristic fashion and spoke very touchingly of his debt of gratitude to Almighty God, to his parents, to the Sisters of St. Joseph, and to the Christian Brothers.

That afternoon he accompanied his parents to Balranald where he said his second Mass. He was not able to come to S.P.C., but when he does come he is assured of a hearty welcome by both Brothers and boys. Ad Muetos Annos.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:—

- Rev. Fr. Max Jongebloed, Ordained September 23rd.
- Dr. Frank McArdle, recent Graduate.
- Dr. Joseph Crosbie, recent Graduate.
- Gavan Hackwill, 1st place Newman Resident Scholarship; Winner Newman Old Boys' Scholarship.
- Raymund Lilburne, 3rd place Newman Resident Scholarship.
- Peter Morris, 1st place Under 16 Solo, South Street.
- Rimon Ashkar, 1st place Impromptu Reading; 1st place Oratorical, South Street Competitions.

OUR SUPERIOR-GENERAL VISITS AUSTRALIA ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOMES GREET BR. CLANCY

The "Chronicle" and all associated with St. Patrick's College take this opportunity of welcoming to Australia the Very Rev. Br. Ferdinand Clancy, Superior General of the Irish Christian Brothers. Early in the New Year we will be honoured by a personal visit from Br. Clancy. Then he will see in reality those things about S.P.C. which he has heard of over the years.

Accompanying Br. Clancy on this Australian visit is Rev. Br. P. L. Duffy, an Assistant to the Superior General. Br. Duffy is a past pupil of Waverley College, Sydney, and taught for a number of years at St. Kevin's College in Melbourne.

Br. Clancy comes to us with a reputation as an educationist, a scholar and a diplomat. Until a few years ago, his life's work was centred at the Heart of Christendom—Rome. For over forty years he was attached to the Roman school of the Christian Brothers, the Institute Marco Colonna. Br. Clancy was Principal of this school of 800 students for a number of years, and early this year was present at the celebrations to mark the Golden Jubilee of its foundation. The celebrations were unique in their character, for the Holy Father was present in person. This presence of the Vicar of Christ was an indication of his regard for the Institute Marco Colonna and his personal esteem for Br. Clancy. Three nephews of the Pope and the Commander of the Palatine Guard—all past pupils of the Institute—were present at the celebrations. At their conclusion, the boys of the school offered His Holiness an array of sacred vessels for us on the foreign missions.

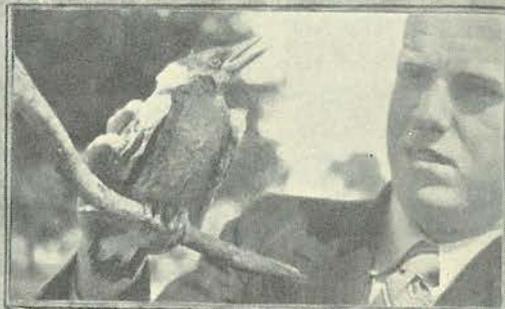
During his latter years in Rome, Br. Clancy occupied the responsible position of Secretary to the Maestro di Camera—the department of the Vatican that arranges all Papal audiences. This position is one that great tact, courtesy and diplomacy, and in carrying out his duties Br. Clancy showed all these qualities in a masterly degree. During the war years, he often acted as Papal Courier to the various Chancelleries of Europe. His forty years' experience in Rome, coupled with the qualities of character, dignity and personality equipped him well for handling the delicate international affairs that form the background of all wars. In these comings and goings from Rome he travelled with full diplomatic privilege—in United States aircraft. His duties took him to North Africa, Spain, Portugal, England, and Eire.

The visit of Br. Clancy to Ballarat will be looked forward to by all. It will serve as a reminder of the three-fold loyalty we each owe to our Faith, our Family and our Country. We are becoming accustomed to seeing these loyalties attacked on all sides. With Br. Clancy in our midst, we will see in him the head of a world-wide congregation devoted to impressing the minds and hearts of youth with these fundamental loyalties. The visit should serve to imbue all past and present pupils of S.P.C. with a more abiding loyalty to their holy Religion, a deeper love for the family and an active desire to see Australia "a nation truly great."

AMBROSE BYRNE, S.J.

Ambrose is a Jesuit Scholastic and he has quite recently received word that he is soon to leave for Ranchi, India. He is proud to be among the first scholastics to be selected. He expects to study the language for some time and then to go to Poona to study philosophy. Ambrose asks for prayers that God may bless the mission and that He may keep him well and zealous.

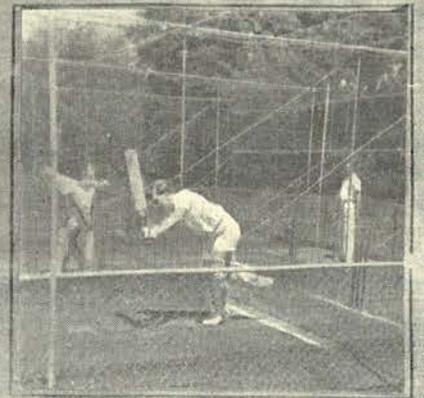
We hope to see Ambrose at St. Pat's before he leaves for India.



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



1951



REV. BR. W. M. McCARTHY.

A very interesting letter has just been received from Br. W. M. McCarthy, former Principal of St. Patrick's College. Br. McCarthy's address is Ballinderry, Moate, Westmeath.

He wrote acknowledging receipt of the Chronicle. He still finds much interesting matter in the Chronicle. He was particularly pleased with the account of the Civic farewell to Mr. R. Mann. He also asked after many old friends and sent very special greetings to Mr. John Morrissey. He said "Memories of Ballarat and of the people of Ballarat are very pleasing and very vivid. Alas, how many of these dear old friends and of the Brothers of those days have passed away." Br. McCarthy concluded with greetings to all old friends and he expressed the hope that the Chapel would soon be ready.

REV. DOMINIC EBBS, O.P.

Rev. Dominic Ebbs, O.P., will be ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, on December 19th. He will be the second Dominican to be ordained from St. Pat's. The first was Fr. Tom Hingston who promises to be a great preacher and missionary. Dominic, it will be remembered, came to St. Pat's after his conversion and he set himself earnestly to the study of Latin and the other subjects he needed. Keen student that he was, he succeeded with his studies and went off to the Dominican Monastery.

We look forward with much eagerness to Dominic's ordination and to his First Holy Mass.

DR. JAMES ROHAN'S VISIT.

Dr. Rohan called at the College recently. He came just as the College was assembled for the weekly reminders and he was coaxed into the Assembly Hall. Br. Healy introduced Dr. Rohan as a distinguished ex-pupil and physician from Collins Street. Br. Healy briefly referred to Doctor's years at College and to his successful years as a medico.

Dr. Rohan received a rousing ovation when he rose to speak. He reminisced for a short time and then exhorted the boys to make the most of their opportunities. "My own years at College were very happy," said the Doctor, "and I am thankful to the Brothers for all they did for me."

Dr. Rohan left the Assembly much impressed by the big roll call and very pleased with the reception he had received.

THE BOYS WHO ARE LEAVING

Although we deeply regret the departure from College of so many of our prominent senior boys, we bid them adieu with our sincerest wishes for success in their respective careers. A comparatively large number of these boys wish to enter the professional world and hope to gain admittance to the University to pursue their various courses. Others are going to the Pharmacy College or to Teachers' Colleges in different parts of the State.

Gerald Walsh intends to do Medicine. John Martin and Rimon Ashkar hope to study Law, while Leon Heath and Basil Sheehan have turned their attention to Agricultural Science. Vincent A. Strangio is going to do Science, and Vincent S. Strangio will commence his first year Pharmacy.

Kevin Drake has determined on Commerce as his profession; however, William Gunther is undecided whether he will do Science or Architecture.

Gavan Hackwill is pursuing an Arts course, while John Elliott, Frank Godfrey and John James are to join the ranks of the Teaching profession. Ray Lilburne has chosen the difficult course of Engineering. However, Ray has proved himself capable of the utmost success in this sphere. His knowledge of Science and Maths. is colossal.

Other boys leaving our Matriculation class have been chosen by Our Lord to continue His work on this earth. Laurie Halloran, Brian Gleeson and Kevin Murphy are going to Corpus Christi College, Werribee; Bill Gallagher has devoted his life to the Mission field of St. Columbans. We wish all these boys an abundance of graces and blessings in their spiritual lives.

To each and every boy who is leaving College this year, we extend our sincere wishes for his success and we hope, quite confidently, that he will be a worthy representative of S.P.C. where ever he may be.

—ADRIAN P. JOYCE.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM AN OLD BOY.

LOOKING BACK

Most old boys, I suppose, recall their years at St. Pat's and think of the happy times they spent there—happy, at least to look back to. I am an old-boy of 1940's and in addition to often remembering my days at school, I begin wondering if I made the best of them.

I have little practice in writing and when I come to express myself on what I feel I should have done and what I would advise present students to do, it is rather difficult. However, I have just been reading a chronicle and it determined me to write this—incoherent though it might be.

First of all, I would say something about the Mass. I always regarded it as something very important and very valuable, but was rather vague as to its meaning and significance. Since leaving, I have been told much about it and have read matter on it. Now it means a great deal more to me. Very briefly, it may be summed up in this way: The Mass can be divided into three parts, the Offertory, Consecration, Communion.

The Offertory. The priest offers to God bread and wine. Now we should unite ourselves with him in doing this and place ourselves, as it were, on the paten and in the chalice. We are creatures, completely dependent on God and here we offer to Him as our Maker. What can we offer? Well, you can make

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an offering to God, signified by the bread and wine, of your hours at school, your recreation, your talking with others, in short, all that happens between this Mass and the next. These become your offering, your sacrifice. Notice how the priest holds the paten and chalice—the gesture of sacrifice, of offering a gift that symbolises the offerer. Then notice that the sacrifice is not merely the priest's, but is yours, too. He turns to you and says "Orate Fratres"—'Pray brethren that my sacrifice and your's may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.'

The Consecration. Now what happens to your gifts? They have been a thin host of bread and a chalice of wine., 'Carrying your offering but at the Consecration, they become Jesus Christ. Now we have an offering made to God. We are offering Him His Son. This is just a bare outline, but I must proceed to the third part.

The Communion. Here we come to the union with Christ, the victim who has carried our sacrifice. This seals our offering. What Our Lord meant Holy Communion to be can be seen from what he took to be changed into his Body, namely, bread and wine, the ordinary food of his country. Therefore Holy Communion must be a food to give us strength to live our offering, our sport, our work, whatever we do, in union with him.

That seems very inadequate it is a framework which may help a little. I intended to touch on other matters but I have written on the Mass alone, more than I meant the whole article to contain.

—OLD BOY.

THE SECOND TERM BANQUET

The Banquet held at the end of the Second Term was another marked success. It took place on Tuesday evening, 28th August.

The Principal, Rev. Br. Healy entertained the visitors at the official table, and acted as Chairman for the evening. Those at the official table were Rev. Fr. Shelley, Rev. Fr. Sexton C.S.S.R., Rev. Br. O'Malley, Messers J. J. Sheehan, J. Kierce, G. Elliott, W. Molan, K. Hogan, B. Murray, J. Elliott, G. Walsh, R. Lilburne and L. Heath.

After we had taken our places for the banquet, Fr. Shelley said grace. The repast was first quality, thanks to Matron and her band of willing workers. Later, speakers were to congratulate and thank her for this—one of her many services to the College.

Acting as chairman, Br. Healy welcomed the visitors and outlined the significance of these Terminal Banquets. He then passed on to the other speakers, and the toast list went through faultlessly. The first toast, to "The Hierarchy and Clergy," was briefly but sincerely proposed by Mr. Gerald Walsh, who expressed thanks to His Lordship the Bishop and to the priests of Ballarat for their valuable assistance. Fr. Shelley replied to Gerald's toast sincerely thanking Gerald for his toast, and he urged the boys to always keep in close touch with their priests. The present Chaplain of the College, Rev. Fr. Sexton, C.S.S.R., supported Fr. Shelley and congratulated the boys on the high standard of the College. After the toast, all joined in the hearty singing of the old favourite, "Pack Up Your Troubles."

Mr. Heath, who spoke to "The Sporting Activities of the Term," congratulated Br. O'Malley and the team on an excellent season of undefeated football. He also congratulated the captain, Kevin Hogan, on breaking Mr. Hill's record of the number of goals kicked in a B.P.S. match by an individual player. At the end of this toast Br. Healy had the pleasure of presenting trophies to some of the outstanding members of the 1st XVIII. The first trophy went to the captain, Kevin Hogan, for the best and fairest in the St. Kevin's match in Melbourne. This trophy was donated by the secretary of the Richmond Football Club, Mr. Maurice Fleming. The trophy donated by Mr. Will

Doyle for the best and fairest against St. Kevin's, in Ballarat, was presented to John James. Our vice-captain, John Elliott, won the trophy for the most co-operative player in the St. Kevin's match. The final presentation for the best and fairest in the match at Warrnambool was won by Brian Murray. Br. Healy then congratulated these and the members of the 1st XVIII on a splendid season. Br. O'Malley was the first to reply to the toast so ably proposed by Mr. Heath and he received a warm ovation. Br. Healy heartily thanked Mr. Heath for his words of congratulation. He added his own congratulations to what he referred to as one of the best and most co-operative teams of all times. Each of the trophy winners, Kevin Hogan, John Elliott, John James and Brian Murray then said a few well chosen words supporting Br. O'Malley in reply to the toast.

The next toast, to "The Visitors," was proposed by Mr. Lilburne, who saw in each visitor a friend of the College who was always welcome. He also thanked Mr. Sheehan for his adjudication in the Purton Oratory, and Mr. Kierce for his untiring work for the injured members of the 1st XVIII. Mr. Sheehan was the first to reply to this toast, and in a most spirited address he thanked Mr. Lilburne and went on to address his remarks to the boys. An old boy of St. Pat's, Mr. Sheehan is loyal to his Alma Mater and he urged loyalty to us all. Mr. Kierce, Mr. Molan and Mr. Elliott then supported Mr. Sheehan and expressed their congratulations to the College on a most successful term.

The final toast, that of "Matron and Staff," was proposed by Mr. Will Gunther, who cordially thanked Matron and all her Staff for their work during the term. He also thanked Sister and Br. Coyne for their work in the Infirmary. After expressing his own personal thanks, Br. Healy replied to the toast on behalf of Matron and Staff, and thanked Mr. Gunther for his remarks.

The Chairman then wished the boys all the best for the vacation, reminding them when school commenced again. After all joined in the singing of "Faith of Our Fathers," Fr. Shelley said grace and the banquet ended.

—B. T. SHEAHAN.

THE COLLEGE FETE

On Sunday, October 31st, just eleven days after the boys returned to College for the final term's arduous study, the College held its annual fete to raise funds for the new Chapel, now happily almost complete. As you all know, this fete is an annual function of the College held in conjunction with the raffle of some parcels of household linen. In the past three years, however, the raffle has not been held, as the Art Union raffle of 1949-1950 for the Vauxhall car rather sapped our energies in that direction.

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To continue, the fete for 1951 was very successful in every way. Br. O'Gorman even seemed to enjoy giving the boys an extra four shillings for "pocko," and the boys, you may be sure, enjoyed even more spending it. The main items for sale were edibles, for obvious reasons, they being almost the only objects which retain their fascination for all buyers. There were also stalls with knitted articles of clothing, household utensils, and a hoopla table. Those who have a bent for gambling were well catered for by Geoff Torney and Noel Woodford, who conducted a somewhat crowded Housey game where everyone seemed to lose except certain cronies of the aforementioned gamblers. However, it was all for a good cause and we lost willingly.

Some of the ladies, ably assisted by numerous boys, ran a series of spinning wheels, with valuable prizes for every turn of the wheel. These were very well patronised and provided much revenue for the organisers.

The fete, being in the College Hall, was arranged so that there were four stalls for the North, South, East and West mothers' groups. The setting created for each individual stall keen competition, and each was anxious to make the most of the occasion for the Chapel fund.

Our Matron, Mrs. Brady, had charge of the Ballarat East stall, and the final figures showed that her stall had topped the list, with West, South and North following on closely. The fete and the raffle raised a good sum, which should at least help to pay the interest to the banks for the next twelve months.

—J. G. SIMPSON.

THE CADET CORPS

During the last term the weekly Cadet parades were not held, owing to the increased pressure of studies. Instead, many of the boys who were not returning next year, checked in their kits. However, all activities of the Corps were not at a standstill, and the miniature range practices were shown to be of some avail.

On October 6th, a rifle team went to the Canadian Range to compete against Ballarat College and Ballarat Junior Technical School for the coveted rifle team Shield of the Southern Command. Representing St. Pat's were: Cdt.-Lieut. Rimon Ashkar (capt.), Cdt.-Lieut. Jim Murray, Sgt. T. Laffey, Cpl. A. Joyce, and Cdt. J. James. This team, scoring 176 points, defeated Ballarat College with 133 points, and the Technical School with 132 points. One month later, on November 3rd, another team went out to the range to compete for the Earl Close Cup. This was comprised of Cdt.-Lieuts. J. Murray and R. Ashkar, Sgts. R. Carey, J. Madden, T. Laffey and P. Murray, Cpls. A. Joyce and G. Murphy, Cdts. Moore and Bradmore. Despite the brilliancy of the shooting, the Technical School carried off the honours by a small margin, 154 points to 150. points.

Over the Christmas holidays there will be an N.C.O.'s camp at Point Lonsdale, and the usual officer's camp at Queenscliff, the latter camp now lasting for 10 days instead of the previous period of 21 days. At these camps, St. Pat's will be well represented, both in numbers and in quality.

At the N.C.O.'s camp we will be represented by P. Keane, K. Bawden, P. Fitzpatrick, T. Lanigan, P. Sheehan, J. McDonald, P. Bourke and K. Molan; while at the officers' camp the following boys will be studying: R. Carey, T. Laffey, P. Murray, K. O'Loughlin, T. Lanigan and J. McDonald. We wish these lads the best of luck and hope that they will gain honours in their courses. We bid farewell to the officers, N.C.O.'s and cadets who are leaving this year, many of whom will be going to National Training Camps. We hope that their basic cadet training at S.P.C. will be of some benefit to them.

—RIMON F. ASHKAR.

YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

During the year our Young Farmers' Club has kept very busy. Our weekly meetings have been well attended and have proved most interesting and instructive.

As was reported in previous Chronicles, we have attended Sheep Shows and Field Days. On these occasions members won honour for our Club by winning awards in all sections of sheep and dairy cattle judging.

Our Young Farmers' plot is under cultivation and next year's members should be able to give Matron some valuable potatoes. The potatoes sown are an early Sabago variety. By next Easter we hope to begin supplying the boys' refectory. Mind you, consumption is enormous and at the rate of six bags per week we will not keep up our supply for many weeks. The sowing was interesting. We all gave a hand and we feel we know well how to sow potatoes.

Our speeches were very interesting. Br. Healy, who directed the activities of the Club, opening each meeting with some item of great interest. His talk was followed each night by addresses by selected boys. So far, we have had talks by:—

Pat Rice, who spoke on wool, telling us what happens to the wool from the sheep's back to the wool stores.

Terry Sweeney, who gave us a real insight into the expert handling of fowls and Australia's egg production.

Tom McGill, who spoke on the various methods of wheat loading, and the advantages of each method.

Brian Philips, whom we accompanied through the Shepparton Fruit Preserving Factory.

Michael Bourke, who very ably outlined for us the process of scouring wool and the reasons for this handling.

Hughie Bourke named and described the varieties of wool in England and Australia, and the types of land on which the best thrive.

Ian Morrison described the dairying industry and told us the various methods of milking. He also told us how milk is purified and stored.

Des Watts dealt with the carbonizing of wool. He explained that wool must be dirt free before entering the woollen mills.



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John Mason painted some dreadful pictures of the ravages caused by soil erosion. He had methods of combating the destruction of soils.

Pat Irwin claimed that the biggest enemy of the Mallee or Wimmera farmer was the rabbit. He treated of the best methods for their extermination.

Gavan Walsh advocated fodder conservation or ensilage. He developed fully when fodder has the highest nutritive value.

Frank Sharkey informed us of the activities of the Young Farmers' Club in his own Koroit district. He particularly dealt with their part in the Koroit Show.

Michael O'Callaghan dealt with farming in the Mallee. He stressed the danger of soil erosion and claimed that the Mallee was most suitable for wheat if the season were at all favourable.

Brian Rice enlightened us about the Australian Textile Industry. He dealt with the wool from the time it left the sheep's back until it was woven into cloth. The samples he displayed were most instructive.

All these lectures were delivered by boys from the district under discussion, hence we feel that we enjoyed expert opinion on these matters.

FILM NEWS

Once again the screen lighted up the exploits of Hollywood's heroes and heroines in the S.P.C. Theatre. Thanks to Br. Coyne, and Ray Carey and Gavan Murphy, his assistants in the "box," the shows were well presented. Two other stalwarts who deserve a mention are Basil Sheahan and Bill Gunther for their work in preparing the hall every Saturday night; and we must not forget to thank the Brothers who "ran things" in the hall itself.

The pictures during the term more than maintained the high standard set up in previous years. On this occasion, pride of place must go to the Australian film "The Overlanders," which starred the tall actor, Chips Rafferty. However, even those of us who are not lovers of classical music thrilled to the wonderful songs of Lily Pons and the renditions of such famous musicians as Arthur Rubenstein in "Carnegie Hall." This picture brought out all the beauty of such composers as Mozart and Chopin.

Then there were two delightful comedies. The hilarious spectacle of a married man, whose widowed mother fell in love with two men, brought laughter to the lips of the large audience who witnessed "Louisa." Bob Hope was at his funniest as a miserly S.P. bookmaker in "Sorrowful Jones."

"Sierra" was a "horse-opera" with a difference, and the audience thrilled and wondered as George Raft led his company of the Foreign Legion to success after success in "Outpost in Moco." "Pinnocchio" was one of the most popular films screened here for the year, and "Francis" and "The Secret Garden" were enjoyed by all.

The short features were, as usual, of a very high standard. Up-to-date overseas and Australian newsreels kept us well informed of world affairs, while "Pete Smith Specialties," "Sportlights" and the like were universally enjoyed.

—G. HACKWILL.

Obituary

REV. FR. ROBERT MATTHEW GELLIE. R.I.P.

We were all grieved at the tragic circumstances that brought death to Rev. Fr. Gellie. We had heard from him only a few days prior to his death. Indeed, he had promised to visit the College, and we daily awaited his visit.

Though his death was tragic, caused as it was by a simple accident, and was sudden, yet it had much that might make us pray that our deaths be like his. He had spent much of that day in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed for adoration. When the summons came Fr. Gellie was well prepared.

As the funeral procession passed in Ballarat, it was our privilege to line the street in front of our College so that we might pay our respects to the last mortal remains of one of God's Priests whose scholarship and zeal made his priestly life so valuable. To Fr. Gellie's brothers and sisters we offer our sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace.

REV. FR. E. V. RYAN. R.I.P.

We respectfully offer our deepest sympathy to His Lordship the Bishop on the recent death of the Parish Priest of Hamilton, Rev. Fr. Ryan. Fr. Ryan had been Pastor of Hamilton since the death of Rev. Fr. W. N. Close, whose memory is held in high esteem by the people of Ballarat.

For more than a quarter of a century Fr. Ryan had been Parish Priest of Casterton where mutual understanding and respectful co-operation between Pastor and people developed a fine Catholic spirit.

In July of this year Fr. Ryan celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination to the Priesthood. Born and educated in Ireland, he was a student of All Hallows College and he laboured loyally and well in the Diocese of Ballarat for more than forty years. May he rest in peace.

DR. WILLIAM AMBROSE SPRING. R.I.P.

The death of Dr. William Ambrose Spring on September 8th robbed Ballarat of a personality whose record in this city is most colorful and very interesting, and it deprived St. Patrick's College of its medical officer on whom the Brothers of the College had learnt to rely for the health and well being of their students. For more than forty years Dr. Spring had been Medical Officer of the College, and our annals show how free from passing epidemics and from serious ills we were during all these years. Now, as the days lengthen we miss our friend and medical adviser all the more.

One time President of St. Patrick's Old Collegians' Association, in succession to Sir Hugh Devine, Dr. Spring presided over a very live Association and his assiduity and efficiency kept members enthusiastic and the affairs of the Association flourished under his presidency. The Christian Brothers of Ballarat were proud of the eminent surgeon and physician, and Doctor was proud of his association with the Brothers.

His was indeed a truly remarkable family. Doctor was one of seven children, none of whom predeceased him. At the time of his death there were ten Dr. Springs practising in Victoria. His son, Don, is specializing in Melbourne in Orthodonture and is a worthy product of St. Patrick's College. Mother

Agnes, of Loreto Abbey, Mary's Mount, is a sister of our deceased, and he loved to tell of Sister M. Walter, a niece of his who is a Missionary Sister of the Society of Mary. Because of his devoted attention over the years to the needs of the Fathers and Students of the Redemptorist Monastery, Wendouree, Dr. Spring was recently made an Oblate of the Redemptorist Order. This distinction is given rarely to benefactors of the Order, and it brought much joy to Dr. Spring.

Born in Ballarat in 1876, Dr. Spring had won his M.B.Ch.B. at the Melbourne University in 1898. He was created a Fellow of the Institute of Public Health in 1906, and 1914 found him Captain of the A.M.C. on active service with the 7th Regiment. Formerly President of the Ballarat Branch of the B.M.A., he was a Victorian representative at Interstate conferences and to the day of his death he remained Treasurer of the B.M.A. in this city.

In 1917 he was appointed Honorary Physician to the Ballarat Base Hospital, and he was Health Officer of the Bungaree Shire since 1909. For very many years he was Honorary Medical Officer to most of the institutions in Ballarat. In this capacity he served St. Patrick's College, Sacred Heart College, Villa Maria, Redemptorist Monastery, Benevolent Home, Ballarat Orphanage, Alexander Babies' Home, St. Joseph's Home and Nazareth House, and how ably and how earnestly he cared for these institutions is well known.

Just how Doctor found time for his many interests puzzles us, for we have yet to record very many of his other duties. During his very full life he occupied the following Presidencies:—President Ballarat Choral Union, President Prout's Band, President Ballarat Orphanage Committee, President of Ballarat and District Racing Association for 30 years, President Ballarat Bowling Association, President and Rink Captain of Ballarat East Bowling Club, President and Life Member Miners' Race Club, President and Life Member Ballarat Turf Club, Life Member Burrumbeet and Windermere Racing Club, Life Member Ballarat Football Club, and President of the Ballarat Hunt Club.

Furthermore, Doctor was a Member of the School of Mines Council and an Examiner of the Ballarat Ambulance Association.

This, then, is the Doctor whose death we lament, a most versatile man and a capable Doctor whose years at the College endeared him to Brothers and boys alike and whose passing leaves a void difficult to fill.

To his wife, and to Elizabeth, and to Dr. Don we offer the sincere sympathy of the Brothers and boys of St. Patrick's College. May he rest in Peace.

GAVIN COLGAN. R.I.P.

Coming to St. Patrick's College in 1940, from Cobram, Gavin Colgan remained at St. Pat's for five years. He studied well and was particularly interested in Wool Classing, in which subject he excelled. His teacher, Mr. Dorrin, of Ballarat School of Mines, remarked often on Gavin's ability in the subject.

Leaving St. Pat's in 1944, Gavin took up the study of wool seriously at the Gordon College of Technology, Geelong, and his 98 per cent. in his final examination shows the progress he had made. He went back to the Cobram district after leaving the Gordon College and for several years he did wool classing with great success.

About two years ago he accepted a contract with a Queensland wool firm. He moved from station to station in Queensland and had a good knowledge of all the wool of that State. His ambition was to move round Australia from station to station in order to learn the various types of sheep and wool in Australia. Having done this, he planned to return to Cobram and set up a stud sheep farm.



However, God's ways are not our ways and Gavin was not to accomplish his ambition. He sustained serious injuries in a car accident, and after a gallant struggle he passed away in the Shepparton Hospital. His mother and his brother Tom were with him when he died and they have the memory of his holy and saintly death to console them now. Gavin had lived well and God rewarded his goodness by affording him the consolations of Holy Mother Church during his last illness.

We had not seen him recently at St. Pat's, but we know that Gavin remained loyal to the end. The photo inserted in this issue was taken from a House Competition Football Group, and although Gavin grew to be a very big man of nearly six feet and nearly fourteen stone, he altered little, facially, and may be recalled from the photo. To Mrs. Colgan, senior, and to Tom and his wife we tender our sincerest sympathy. May he rest in Peace.

MR. PHILIP KEHOE. R.I.P.

We tender our sincere sympathy to Rev. Fr. Bernard Kehoe on the recent death of his father. Mr. Kehoe had been a resident of Wendouree for more than forty years and had even been a close friend of St. Patrick's College. It was to St. Patrick's College that Mr. Kehoe sent his son, Fr. Bernard Kehoe who is now ministering to the spiritual needs of the parishioners of Hopetoun parish. Mr. Kehoe came from Ireland nearly sixty years ago, but to the day of his death he retained his Irish brogue which made his ready wit and his fluent conversation much more entertaining. We were pleased to be able to attend the obsequies in the Cathedral and to be present at the graveside to show respect for a gentleman who thought highly of St. Patrick's College and who was the father of a Priest and Nun, and to join with Fr. Bernie and his brother, Mr. Jack Kehoe, in paying their last respects to their respected father. To Sister Mary Bernadine, to Fr. Kehoe, and to Mr. Jack Kehoe and his family we offer sympathy. May his soul rest in Peace.

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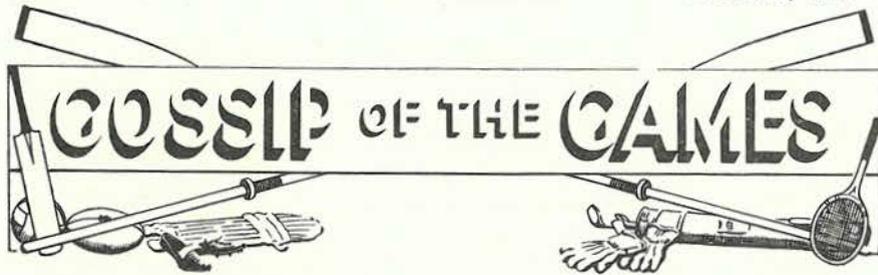
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THE McNEIL CUP

ST. PAT'S FAR TOO STRONG.

Even before the conclusion of the B.P.S. tennis competition, play commenced for the McNeil Cup. This cup is presented each year to the school for which the Champion Public Schools player plays. It is not a trophy for the winner, but is held for one year by his school. The champion singles player is decided by a series of matches played between the four best players from each of the four schools. The players are seeded according to their positions in the school teams so that the best players are, usually, in the final.

This year's competition proved to be a great success for our representatives and it brought much joy to all here at St. Pat's. Our four representatives, P. Callahan, W. Drake, R. Mogg and G. Walsh, were drawn against Walker (B.C.), Mayo (B.C.), Leishman (B.C.), and Tarrant (B.C.) respectively in the first round. Our boys performed the remarkable feat of winning all four matches and so all looked forward to some keen clashes in the second round. When the time came we were not disappointed, for our two star players, P. Callahan and W. Drake, were drawn against the two Grammar players Reid and Howe respectively, both of whom had had easy victories against their High School opponents in the previous round. At High School, many spectators watched anxiously as Paul Callahan gradually wore down his more powerful opponent to win in three sets. This was a remarkable performance, for Reid defeated Paul last year, in three sets, and then was untroubled to win the McNeil Cup for 1950. With delightful serving, with controlled backhand and forehand drives, beautiful placements and splendid smashing Paul was able to overcome any disadvantage he suffered because of size. On the second count at High School, Bill Drake proved too consistent for the more spectacular Howe. As usual, Bill retrieved well and placed his drives to advantage waiting for his more erratic opponent to falter. Spectators at High School had been well pleased with the day's tennis, and for the boys of S.P.C. there were yet more thrills in store. Russell Mogg, our No. 3 player, played brilliant tennis to defeat the more highly ranked High School player, Dunstan. Russell, that day, reminded many of his brother Kevin, who won the cup for S.P.C. in 1948. With his accurate and consistent serving, his well controlled volleying and his delightful smashing, he defeated his opponent 4-6, 6-2, 6-3. Gerald Walsh, the captain of our four, was beaten by High School's No. 1 player, Blackie. The latter, adapting himself better to the windy conditions, than did Gerald, won 6-3, 6-3. And so, after two rounds, the semi-finalists remained and of these four players, three represented St. Pat's. We believe that such a performance has been unprecedented in the history of the College and we congratulate all members of our four for attaining such heights. By now, we had become hopeful that we would win the cup, and it was in the semi-finals that our hopes materialised.

Playing at College, Paul Callahan defeated his opponent, Blackie, 6-5, 6-1 and once again Paul showed that he was No. 1 contender for the title of B.P.S. Tennis Champion. On our own courts, Bill Drake and Russell Mogg fought grimly for a place in the final. Bill, probably because of previous

experience, settled down early and took the first set 6-4. However, Russell, not to be denied, fought back and, showing the big match temperament, played brilliantly to win the second set 6-2. The third set promised to be a thriller, but Bill, gaining the initiative from his opponent, improved his tennis and playing to his old form, won 6-2. Although Russell was beaten this year, all here at S.P.C. have high hopes that he, in the near future, will follow in the steps of his elder brother and win the cup for the College and so, once again, the midgets were to play off the final for the important role of B.P.S. Singles Champion.

On the day of the final match many spectators lined the courts to see what proved to be one of the best matches played at the College for many years. For the first eight games honours were even, Bill Drake playing consistently and Paul Callahan hitting winners with beautiful placements. When the score stood at 4 each, all expected an even contest, but Paul, coming into his own, played brilliant tennis to take the set 6-4. At this stage Bill was content to retrieve, waiting for his opponent to make mistakes, but Paul, carrying the game to Bill, did not fail but, rather played with greater accuracy. In the second set, Paul outpointed Bill to have a comfortable win. In this set Paul continued to place his drives perfectly and, aided by a forceful and accurate serve and deadly smash, was too good for his more steady opponent. We congratulate both Paul and Bill for reaching the final, and Paul, more especially, because he has proved himself the champion B.P.S. tennis player for 1951.

All at St. Pat's feel certain that we will hold the cup for years hence, for we hope to see the members of this year's team back at College next year. And so our interest has become focussed on the school championships and we anticipate another exciting match to decide the S.P.C. tennis champion. Before concluding we must offer a word of thanks to Br. Coyne for the capable manner in which he managed this year's tennis teams and we hope that he has gained sufficient reward in seeing his boys win both the G.P.S. tennis competition and the McNeil Cup.

Results:—

1st ROUND—P. Callahan (S.P.C.) defeated Walker (B.C.)
W. Drake (S.P.C.) d. Mayo (B.C.)
R. Mogg (S.P.C.) d. Leishman (B.C.)
G. Walsh (S.P.C.) d. Tarrant (B.C.)
R. Reid (G.S.) d. Morgan (H.S.)
E. Howe (G.S.) d. T. Wells (H.S.)
Dunstan (H.S.) d. Keene (G.S.)
Blackie (H.S.) d. Ross-Perrier (G.S.)

2nd ROUND—P. Callahan (S.P.C.) d. R. Reid (G.S.)
W. Drake (S.P.C.) d. E. Howe (G.S.)
R. Mogg (S.P.C.) d. Dunstan (H.S.)
Blackie (H.S.) d. G. Walsh (S.P.C.)

3rd ROUND—P. Callahan (S.P.C.) d. Blackie (H.S.)
W. Drake (S.P.C.) d. R. Mogg (S.P.C.)

FINAL—P. Callahan (S.P.C.) d. W. Drake (S.P.C.)

—L. HEATH.

B.P.S. TENNIS

Immediately we returned from the holidays great interest was shown in the pending tennis season. Players were keen to get in practice before the publication of the ladder and many, by their form, showed that they had not waited till their return to College to commence playing. Because of the proximity of the first match, the first four was quickly chosen and these four players, W.

Drake, P. Callahan, R. Mogg and G. Walsh, settled down to serious practice. Competition for the second IV was keen, and this latter team remained undecided right to the last days before the first match, and this four was changed even after the first round. Those boys who did play with the second team were K. Hogan, J. Elliott, J. Deany, M. O'Beirne and B. King.

Before the commencement of the competition most of us realized that the winner of the game between Grammar and St. Pat's would win the championship, for both teams had as their first two players boys who had filled similar positions in last year's respective teams. This meant that all looked forward to the first match against Grammar with intense interest, and this interest was maintained till the final stroke of the day.

This first match was to have been played at Grammar, but owing to the poor condition of the courts, it was decided to play on our own courts. The first rubber played between the No. 1 pairs resulted in a win for Grammar, Reid and Howe defeated Drake and Mogg 6-5, 5-6, 6-3. The second rubber also resulted in a win for the visitors, Keene and Ross-Perrier being too consistent for Callahan and Walsh. The third game between Grammar's first pair and our second pair gave Grammar their third win. St. Pat's had their first win when Drake and Mogg defeated Grammar's No. 2 pair in straight sets. And so, when the dinner adjournment was taken, prospects were none too bright, for Grammar had gone away to a good lead, winning three of the first four rubbers.

The first game after dinner produced the best tennis of the day when Reid, last year's McNeil Cup winner, proved too strong for Drake. Reid, playing from the baseline, outdrove his smaller opponent to win in straight sets 6-5, 6-4. With three rubbers to be played, Grammar had won four and now St. Pat's needed three wins to give them a chance for victory. After dropping the first set to Howe, Callahan came into his own and kept alive St. Pat's hopes when he won the next two sets. The final score read 4-6, 6-5, 6-1. The match between the Number 4 players, although starting after, finished before the match between the No. 3 players. Gerald Walsh, who had been elected captain of the 1st IV, outclassed Keene to win in straight sets 6-3, 6-5. Meanwhile, Mogg and Ross-Perrier fought grimly to win the remaining rubber for their respective team. The Grammar player gained the initiative from the start and easily won the first set 6-3. However, Mogg, not to be denied, fought back and gradually gained control to take the second set 6-3. The third set, on which hinged the result of the whole match, produced remarkably good tennis, each player going for his shots despite the pressure under which the game was played. After overcoming several match points Mogg pressed home his advantage to win 9-7. This result meant that St. Pat's had gained victory by 10 games. The other match played that day resulted in a win for Ballarat College against High School.

The second match was played at home to College. Once again the contest was even, both teams winning two doubles. However, three of our four boys were successful in the singles, thus giving St. Pat's victory 5 rubbers to 3. Highlights of the day were Drake's overwhelming defeat of Leishman and the three-set tussle between Callahan and Tarrant. So, once again St. Pat's were well on the way to winning back the tennis trophy. Already we were certain of victory, for High School had suffered crushing defeats at the hands of both College and Grammar, and we fully hoped and expected that we could do the same.

We were not disappointed, for on the following Saturday we defeated High School 8 rubbers to nil. It is difficult to point out the highlights of the day's play, for our boys dropped one set only throughout the day. The first doubles match proved to be the most even contest, W. Drake and R. Mogg defeating the High School pair 9-7 in the third set. All four representatives played fine tennis in defeating their opponents, and such an overwhelming win was a fitting conclusion to the end of a great and successful season for our First Four. And so the tennis championship was added to this year's sporting record and we hope

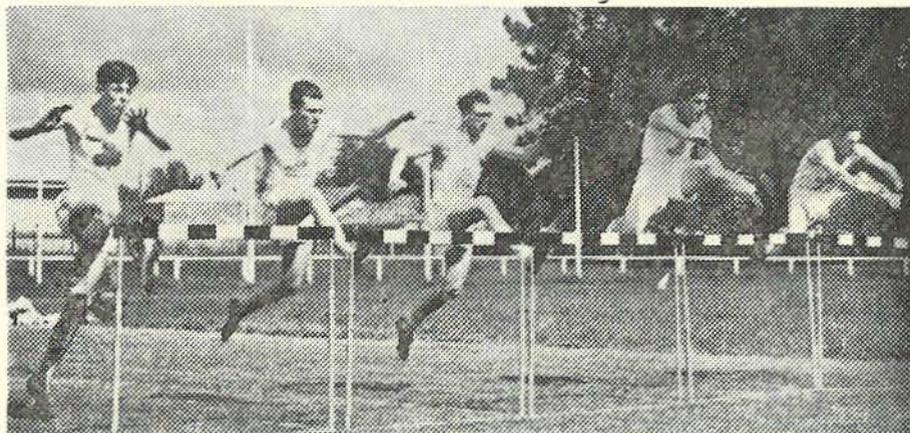
that it will be many years before we suffer defeat again.

In conclusion, we must congratulate and thank sincerely the captain of the S.P.C. team, Gerald Walsh, and the other members of the team, Paul Callahan, Bill Drake and Russell Mogg, for the glory they have brought on the College during the tennis season. We hope to see at least three of these players back at College again next year to improve, if possible, on this year's performances. Unfortunately, we will be unable to print the results of the College championships in this issue; but we hope to give a full report early next year. Once again we must thank and congratulate Br. Coyne for the capable manner in which he managed this year's tennis. Even yet he has the difficult task ahead of running the S.P.C. tournaments. We hope that he has been well satisfied with the efforts of his players and wish him every success in the future.

—LEON HEATH.

THE S.P.C. SPORTS

The morning of November 10th dawned, but not as we hoped it would, for, alas, the sky was overcast and one immediately began to think of the fate of the sports scheduled for that afternoon. Drizzly rain seemed to be helping either a postponement of or a curtailment of the programme. Br. O'Malley who had laboured hard for weeks preparing for this day, did not show his disappointment and cheerfully assured the boys that the show would go on. Although it was still drizzling rain as the first few events were run, the sun was trying to assist us by its presence, and soon forcing its way through the threatening clouds, it glared down and paved the way for a most successful and entertaining afternoon's enjoyment.



Open Hurdles at College Sports.

The competitors in the various handicaps were first to face the starter and, unlike previous years, the backmarkers—one or two starting from behind scratch—proved too sleek for their opponents and had a most successful run. However, the most interesting events were the championships, each counting for the particular cup in each particular age-group. Competition was exceedingly keen



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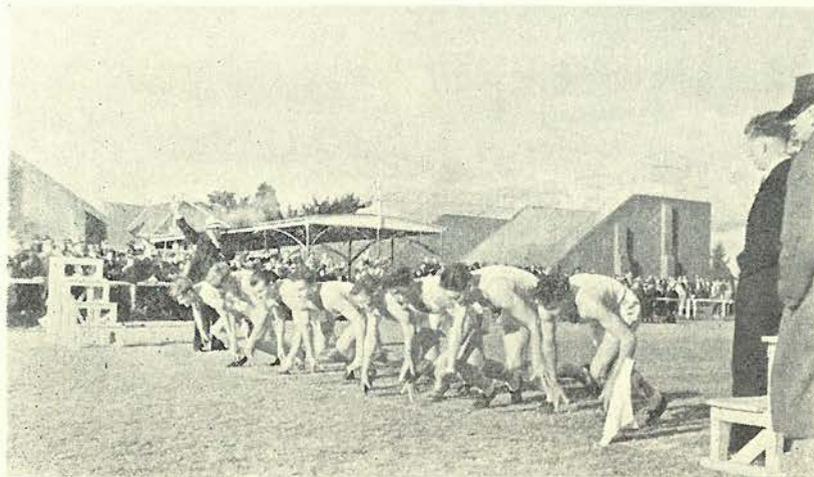
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in all sections, and the Open Champion of the College was not decided till the second last event. This honour, in the form of a Cup, entitled "The Dr. O'Collins Cup," went to Kevin Hogan in a close contest from John James. These two lads contested some very close tussles and the spectators were thrilled by the spectacle which they provided. Of course, the College Half-Mile and Mile Handicaps were the two great spectacles of the day, each resulting, however, in easy wins.

Surprisingly the gathering was numerically as strong as usual, and parents, relations and many friends of the Brothers and boys were greatly impressed by the sincerity of all competitors and by the sporting way in which they took success or defeat as the case may have been. The boys themselves enjoyed the afternoon immensely and the afternoon tea and refreshments provided by the Ladies' Committee were appreciated by each and every lad. As a result, the 10th of November was a great day.

—G. W. TORNEY.



The start of the Open 440 yards Championship.

B.P.S. SPORTS

November 17th saw the advent of good weather and once again the triumph of the S.P.C. Athletic Team. Although we had experienced a week of typical Ballarat wet weather, Sports Day dawned bright and sunny, and despite the slow track and the strong head wind in the straight, rather good times were registered.

As a result of months of painstaking preparation and training the team had been brought to the peak of its form and to the very peak of its enthusiasm. The highest tribute is to the S.P.C. coaches—Bro. O'Malley and Mr. Sheehan, who worked unsparingly for our success.

When the meeting opened, St. Pat's gained immediate success in the first event, the Open Weight Putt, in which John James and Kevin Hogan gained first and second places respectively. Our two champions again scored maximum points in the Open Hurdles in the same positions with John James first and Kevin Hogan second. Furthermore the Open 100 Yards and Long Jump saw John James again bring home the laurels for S.P.C. Kevin Hogan again filled the third placing in each of these events and, in addition, gained full points in the Open 440 Yards.

The Mile and the 880 Yards, perhaps the highlights of the day, occasioned sterling performances by Barry McLaughlin who, after an almost incredible run, came second, inches behind T. Roberts, the Ballarat College star miler who missed the B.P.S. record by no more than 1 1/10 secs, and Pat Gleeson, who ran second to Mason (H.S.) in the 880. Barry McLaughlin's mile was a memorable one. Giving champion Roberts 50 yards with two laps to go, Barry set out in pursuit and was beaten by the smallest margin. His effort called forth tremendous applause.

In the Under 16 division, Frank O'Donnell showed top form in winning the 220 Yards within 1/5 sec. of record time. In addition, Frank scored second place in his 100 Yards, beating his team-mate Frank Walsh, for this place. We had to be content with minor placings in the Under 16 jumping events and in all the Under 15 events.

Our chief Under 14 representative gave a creditable performance by gaining a second and a third placing, scoring 12 points in all. Other performances worthy of mention were those of our Under 12 sprinters J. Bongiorno and Leon Gleeson who finished in first and third positions respectively.

Our congratulations go to T. Townsend, of Grammar School, who created a new Under 15 High Jump record by clearing 5ft. 1in. with his (stylish) Western Roll. We ought also congratulate High School on winning three of the four relay races and, hence, the relay competition. S.P.C. have never before been beaten in this section, the nearest to defeat being in 1941 when High School equalled us. We were by no means disgraced. Our Open team won convincingly.

After Event 26 the progress scores and a thundering war-cry by more than three hundred S.P.C. boys showed clearly that S.P.C. had proved itself the champions in the B.P.S. athletics. All our representatives gave of their best and all deserve our thanks and congratulations as do our coaches whose tireless efforts were a governing factor in St. Pat's victory.

In this year of 1951 S.P.C. has celebrated the Jubilee year in the sports field by gaining success in all of the Inter-College competitions with the exception of the Head of the Lake. Our First XV, 1st XVIII, Tennis IV and Athletics team all brought the utmost honour to S.P.C.

—B. E. GLEESON, L. HALLORAN.

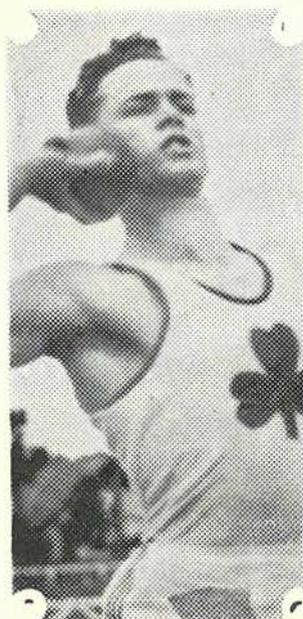
B.P.S. SPORTS RESULTS

1.—St. Patrick's College	218 points
2.—Ballarat College	170 points
3.—High School	162 points
4.—Grammar School	154 points

Abbreviations: St. Pat's, S.P.C.; Ballarat College, B.C.; Grammar School, G.S.; High School, H.S.

OPEN

100 Yards: J. W. James (SPC), 1; W. R. Crawford (BC), 2; K. E. Hogan (SPC), 3; J. Hinton (GS), 4; I. V. Allen (HS), 5. Time: 10.7 secs.
 220 Yards: I. V. Allen (HS), 1; W. R. Crawford (BC), 2; J. W. James (SPC), 3; J. Hinton (GS), 4; K. E. Hogan (SPC), 5. Time 24.3 secs.
 440 Yards: K. E. Hogan (SPC), 1; K. C. Walker (HS), 2; F. A. Godfrey (SPC), 3; B. Newsome (GS), 4; R. S. Branigan (BC), 5. Time 57.5 secs.
 880 Yards: K. D. Mason (HS), 1; P. T. Gleeson (SPC), 2; G. A. Cutter (GS), 3; B. H. Menzies (BC), 4; J. S. Cameron (BC), 5. Time 2 min. 8.7 secs.
 Mile: T. P. Roberts (BC), 1; B. R. McLaughlin (SPC), 2; R. J. McColl (BC), 3; N. G. Hary (HS), 4; L. G. Zilles (SPC), 5. Time: 4 min. 50.2 secs.



John James winning the Open Weight Putt at College Sports, with 42ft. 2½ins. (Record)



J. O'Donnell winning the Under 16 220 yards at Ballarat Public Schools' Sports.

120 Yards Hurdles: J. W. James (SPC), 1; K. E. Hogan (SPC), 2; B. Newsome (GS), 3; R. M. Hoskins (BC), 4; R. J. Read (GS), 5. Time: 16.5 secs.
 High Jump: W. R. Crawford (BC), 1; L. A. Plummer (SPC), 2; R. J. Read (GS), 3; E. L. Opie (HS), 4; R. J. Leishman (BC), 5. Height: 5ft. 5ins.
 Broad Jump: J. W. James (SPC), 1; B. J. Blackie (HS), 2; K. E. Hogan (SPC), 3; B. Newsome (GS), 4; K. C. Walker (HS), 5. Distance: 20ft. 2½ins.
 Weight Putt: J. W. James (SPC), 1; K. E. Hogan (SPC), 2; R. J. Leishman (BC), 3; K. D. Mason (HS), 4; G. A. Bygrave (GS), 5. Distance: 39th. 5ins.

UNDER 16.

100 Yards: E. N. Howe (GS), 1; F. J. O'Donnelli (SPC), 2; F. J. Walsh (SPC), 3; K. G. Hamilton (HS), 4; N. S. Jenkins (HS), 5. Time: 11.5 secs.
 220 Yards: F. J. O'Donnelli (SPC), 1; W. K. Willowhite (HS), 2; R. S. Branigan (BC), 3; D. C. Strickland (BC), 4; E. N. Howe (GS), 5. Time 25.4 secs.
 Hurdles: E. N. Howe (GS), 1; J. B. Strickland (BC), 2; R. S. Branigan (BC), 3; P. P. Gibbs (GS), 4; P. J. Hackwill (SPC), 5. Time: 14.5 secs.
 High Jump: J. B. Strickland (BC), 1; N. E. Hill (HS), 2; P. J. Hackwill (SPC), and M. C. McGregor, equal 3; R. S. Read (GS), 4. Height: 5ft. 1in.
 Broad Jump: E. N. Howe (GS), 1; M. M. Walsh (HS), 2; K. P. Shea (SPC), 3; J. B. Strickland (BC), 4; F. J. O'Donnell (SPC), 5. Distance: 17ft. 5 ins.

UNDER 15.

100 Yards: G. J. Loughlin (HS), 1; T. E. Townsend (GS), 2; E. G. Muntz (GS), 3; D. R. Morrison (BC), 4; I. J. Fairley (SPC), 5. Time 11.7 secs.
 220 Yards: G. J. Loughlin (HS), 1; D. R. Morrison (BC), 2; E. G. Muntz (GS), 3; P. B. Irwin (SPC), 4; T. E. Townsend (GS), 5. Time: 25.9 secs.

High Jump: T. E. Townsend (GS), 1; G. J. Laughton (HS), 2; I. R. McLachan (GS), 3; N. F. Rogers (SPC), 4; D. R. Morrison (BC), 5. Distance: 5ft. 1½ins. (record).

UNDER 14.

100 Yards: E. J. Beacham (HS), 1; G. A. Bourke (SPC), 2; G. D. Chester (GS), 3; H. A. Hackwill (SPC), 4; R. D. Jewell (GS), 5. Time: 12.1 secs.
High Jump: P. J. Wiltshire (HS), 1; R. D. Jewell (GS), 2; G. A. Bourke (SPC), 3; N. A. Grills (BC), 4; B. J. Murphy (SPC), 5. Height: 4ft. 9ins.

UNDER 13.

100 Yards: A. E. Lea (BC), 1; N. J. Beacham (HS), 2; R. W. Fraser (HS), 3; B. A. Threlfall (SPC), 4; R. A. McArthur (SPC), 5. Time: 12.7 secs.
High Jump: A. E. Lea (BC), 1; R. E. Kean (GS), 2; S. J. Morrison (BC), 3; N. R. Lindsay (SPC), 4; C. Geyer (HS), 5. Height: 4ft. 4½ins.

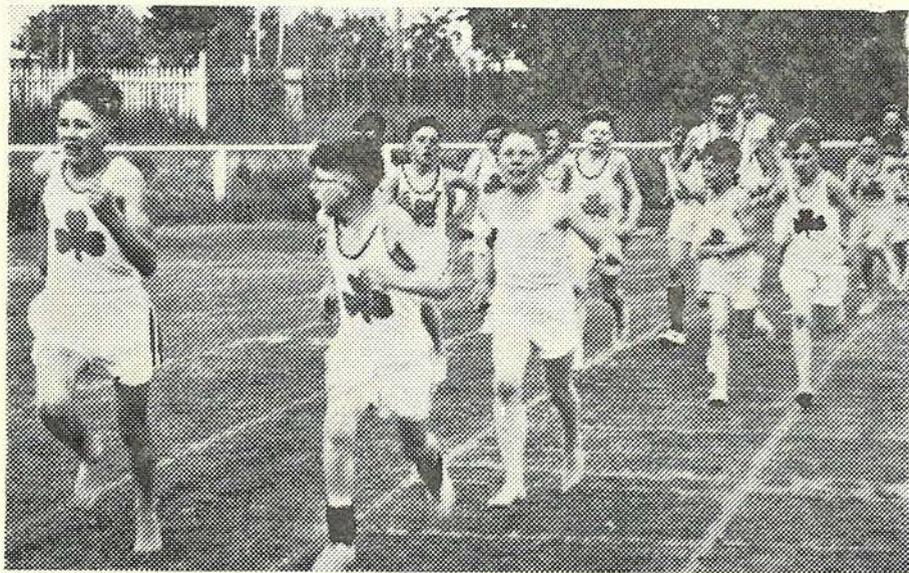
UNDER 12.

100 Yards: J. J. Bongiorno (SPC), 1; G. R. Flanagan (GS), 2; L. W. Gleeson (SPC), 3; P. W. McDonald (BC), 4; R. Davis (HS), 5. Time: 13.5 secs.

RELAY COMPETITION.

UNDER 14: H.S., 1; S.P.C., 2; B.C., 3.
UNDER 15: H.S., 1; G.S., 2; S.P.C., 3.
UNDER 16: H.S., 1; S.P.C., 2; B.C., 3.
OPEN: S.P.C., 1; H.S., 2; B.C., 3.

TOTAL POINTS: H.S., 11; S.P.C., 8; B.C., 3; G.S., 2.



Start of the 880 yards at College Sports.

MELBOURNE COMBINED SPORTS

Although this year marked the first season of the Associated Catholic Secondary Schools contested by country schools only, S.P.C. spirits were in no way dampened at the thought of not competing against our traditional athletic rivals who have formed their own Metropolitan competition. Because of the difficulty the country colleges would have had to arrange the meeting in Melbourne, Br. Phelan, of the Marist Brothers School, in Hawthorn, generously made all the arrangements for us. Through him, the Hawthorn football ground was placed at our disposal, and it was in perfect condition for the fateful day. All the amenities of the ground were made available and, we understand, all schools were the guests of the Hawthorn Football Club. Many thanks, Hawthorn.

St. Pat's broke school early on Tuesday afternoon to enable the athletes and supporters to reach Melbourne in time for a good night's rest before the sports. A few showers during the night did not enhance the prospects of fast times for the 31st, and although the early morning wind did much to dry the tracks it overdid a good thing and stayed with us all day—blowing down the hundred yards track. Of last year's association five schools remained to compete for the 1951 shields and trophies—Kilmore, Sale, Bendigo, Geelong and St. Pat's, while the two new schools were the Marist Brothers, Mt. Gambier, and C.B.C., Warrnambool.

The opening events proved very satisfactory for St. Pat's as we won both the Open and Under 16 Broad Jumps. John James won the Open with a magnificent leap of 21ft. 8in., just two inches short of the record, while Les Plummer was only five and a half inches off the record with his jump of 19ft. 4in. Under 16. In the sprints, Kilmore showed a clear superiority as they won the Open 100 yards, the 220 yards and the 440 yards with three different sprinters. As the afternoon progressed it became obvious that St. Pat's and Kilmore would fight out the finish as they were gradually drawing away from their nearest rivals. Kevin Hogan soon made amends for his defeat in the 220 yards by winning the 120 yards Hurdles in a thrilling finish from the Kilmore representative, as did Frank O'Donnell in avenging his 100 yards defeat to win the Under 15 220. With further victories to Les Plummer (Under 16 High Jump and Hurdles), Frank O'Donnell (Under 15 Broad Jump), and George Pell (Under 11, 75 yards), St. Pat's were managing to keep just ahead of Kilmore and Sale who had now moved into third place a few points ahead of Geelong. With only the Mile and Relay to go, it was still anybody's win. The Mile proved the most dramatic event of the day! Barry McLaughlin who had fallen well behind the field, made a desperate bid in the last lap in which he sprinted all the way until he ran himself into the ground and collapsed from sheer exhaustion fifteen yards from the tape, just when he was in a winning position. The result of the sports now hinged on the remaining two relays, as St. Pat's had the narrow lead of two points. Once again the Kilmore sprinters proved their speed when they won both the concluding events, and hence the coveted title of Champion School. With the aggregate shield, Kilmore also won the Senior Shield, while Sale was successful in the Junior Shield, and St. Pat's, not to be denied, were runners-up in each of the three divisions.

Although not successful in our major quest, our team put up a very fine performance and was only beaten by the excellence of the opposition. Congratulations, Kilmore, on your fine win, but we at St. Pat's are sure the position will be reversed next year.

—JOHN F. MARTIN.

CRICKET PROSPECTS FOR 1952

After a most successful year in 1951 as far as sporting achievements are concerned, the Brothers and those boys returning to College next year are now looking forward to our 1952 prospects. Naturally, cricket and rowing are the first sports attended to, and the cricket coach, Br. Williams, has already begun practice on the new nets erected towards the termination of last season. He has big assemblies of boys on both Tuesdays and Thursdays, and already some are tipping the 1952 First XI.

Unfortunately the majority of the 1951 XI are leaving College, and the only boy certain of returning is Michael O'Beirne. However, the boys have high hopes of Bernard Lamaro, Tom McGill and Brian Murray's returning to recapture their places in the XI. A more heartening thought is the fact that numerous members of last year's 2nd XI, together with many from the junior teams, are returning. John Deany, a safe wicket-keeper and a forceful opener who made some very good scores with the 2nd team is returning and seems sure to take a place, probably as an opening batsman. Brian Coffey, a near to perfect stylist, seems certain of a place; so, too, does Des. Nunn whose opening bowling and forceful batting could prove valuable. Kevin Cranz is also an all-rounder who probably could gain a place. There are numerous boys who show considerable promise as slow bowlers. John Cotter and Michael Bourke, together with Kevin Shea, are bowlers who, if they can maintain control, will prove very hard to play. However, Peter Hackwill should meet with considerable success on the turf wickets, as might also Pat Rice. Gavin Murphy, too, is bowling well at the nets and his fast-medium ball will be badly needed. A newcomer who missed the 1951 cricket season shows promise, namely Brian King, and he could gain a place. Bill Foley, who did well with the 2nd XI this year, should do well again next year, and Russell Mogg and Paul Callahan, too, show considerable promise. Another prominent 2nd XI batsman could very easily gain a place in the 1st XI if he continues to improve on his brilliant form as displayed this season—namely, Geoff Torney. Brian Gaffney, whose forceful batting on the Hill this year gave much delight should also do well. Michael O'Beirne's automatic inclusion will definitely give class and experience to that division, and with Tom McGill, Brian Murray and Bernie Lamaro, the bowling again will be particularly good, thus making the 1952 XI one which should worthily uphold the magnificent record set by this year's team.

—GEOFF TORNEY.

ROWING PROSPECTS FOR 1952

It is Boat Race Day! St. Pat's 1st crew rows towards the starting stations. The crews are lined up, the gun sounds, and the proud title of "Head of the Lake" rests in the lap of the gods. Well, for the last — years the reply has been in the negative. However, our ardour has not been dampened and, as we look towards 1952, we see a bright future forecast for our rowers. (None too soon, you say. I shall reserve my reply to that comment.)

Yes, we are going to win the "Head of the Lake" next year. What is the reason for this optimism? The number of experienced oarsmen who are returning next year. Looking through the crews for 1951, I see that such oarsmen as John Hannasky, Barry Pedlar, Ian Morrison (all of last year's fourth crew), Des Watts, Brian Unthank, Brian Gleeson, John Cullen (this year's entire 3rd crew), John Bowman, Warren Constable, Bill Gleeson, Kevin Opie (this year's 2nd crew), and Jim Murray and Vin Carey of this year's 1st crew are returning to College next year. In addition, there are several others, such as John James, who are on the doubtful list and many boys who have been rowing throughout the past term and may now be considered as eligible for selection in the senior crews of next year. Who knows but that the 1st crew may not be

selected entirely from the Matric. class. Great interest is also being shown by H. Gill, W. Foley and J. Simpson.

I shall now sign, off, hoping to be able to greet you in the future with the most welcome news that St. Pat's have won the "Head of the Lake."

—J. BOWMAN.

HANDBALL

Not all of us can go out on to the football field and emulate Kevin Hogan's performance of twenty-five goals, nor can we make a century at cricket as often as Jack Elliott has the knack of doing, but there are very few boys at St. Pat's who do not find complete enjoyment on the handball courts. Whether we be beginners at the game or aspiring champions, handball is a game which has appeal to all boys in the school, from the senior classes right down to the smallest junior. Although handball is played with enthusiasm throughout the terms (yes, some even play in the second term), it is not until the athletic season is concluded that the College Championships are held. And with such a lengthy preparation, it is no wonder that the standard of the competition remains of a very high calibre year after year.

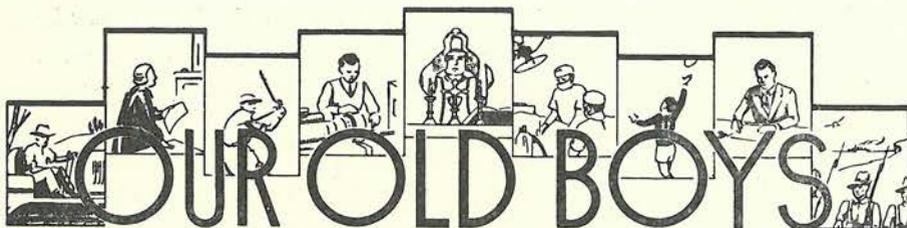
The Open Champion of the College will receive the coveted Barbeta Cup, and this trophy is the envious desire of every contestant in the competition. In previous years the Cup has been won by champions such as Lyall Barbeta, John Colbert and Les Mogg, so let us hope that the high standard they have set will be maintained this year. Early in the term, a team of Australian and State champions visited the College and played some of the school's representatives. Although the honours went to the visitors, much valuable experience was gained by the local players, and the games proved very entertaining to both spectators and competitors.

Now to the 1951 Championships. In the open division, John Dowling, who won the cup in 1949, seems the logical favourite for this year's final. Popular choice that he is, John should find some stiff opposition from at least three competitors who each competed in the open division last year—Kevin Hogan, runner-up of 1950, John James and John Martin. Each of these is capable of causing an upset. One of the most improved handballers in the school is Kevin Opie, and he, with Brian Gleeson, who won the Under 15 Cup some years ago, will make the more highly fancied candidates fight for every point. Numerous other boys have been practising very conscientiously for the competition and those who have shown the most promise are Leon Heath, Brian Dowling and Ray Carey.

The Under 16 division should prove a battle royal between Russell Mogg and John Deany. Both Russell and John were in the Under 15 and Under 16 events last year of which John Deany won both, and as they both look like improving on their 1950 form we should again see a great tussle between these two. Although Russell Mogg and John Deany are the two favourites, Bill Gleeson is bound to be well up with them. This year's Under 15 division looks like being a very open affair, with many boys having excellent prospects. Noel Morganti won the Under 14 last year and will again figure prominently. There seems to be a dearth of promising handballers in this age group, when we notice players of the calibre of Kevin Shea and Norman Harris with their names on the board for the Under 15 draw, while if enthusiasm is any criterion, Neville Rogers, Michael Martin and Ian Fairley should also do well. Because of the many dark horses in the Under 14 division each year, it may not be wise to tip any favourites, so we will just await the result here. I have heard, though, that Marshal Younger is well fancied.

As we go to press the handball competition is in full swing and each of the aforementioned contestants is still fighting his way to the finals. To them and to any other player who deserved a mention, but whom the writer inadvertently overlooked, we wish the best of luck.

—JOHN F. MARTIN.



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Press Correspondent: Phil. O'Brien.

For the second successive year, Mr. Leo Howard, President of the Melbourne Branch, visited the College and addressed the senior classes. Leo selected B.P.S. Sports Day and caught the lads in a happy mood after their convincing win during the afternoon.

Addressing the boys, Mr. Howard said: "The whole basis of any Old Boys' Association is loyalty to their Alma Mater, and this is the incentive of your executive and of your committee. The loyalty of Old Boys is deep and intense at all times and one need only to be present when a group of Old Boys are gathered together to see and feel the sense of loyalty and appreciation for their old school. When I was at school I used to hear Old Boys speak of the debt they owed to the College, and at that time it all seemed very high sounding and very vague, because, of course, I was only a lad and I had not found myself in a position where my spiritual and educational training had been put to the test. But when I left the protecting walls of the College and entered the hurly-burly of the world with its traps and snares, its difficulties and temptations, its sophistication and its tottering moral values, then I really realised what I owed the College. Because the College gives to every boy going into the world, a sound Catholic education, because it gives him something solid in moral values, it gives him the urge to be even a better Catholic in spite of the chaos round about him, and if he is a good Catholic, then he is a good Australian citizen, and good Australian citizens are needed more to-day than ever before.

So, then, establishment of an Old Collegians' Association is prompted by those who feel that they can express their loyalty and thanks to their other Alma Mater by encouraging and fostering that loyalty in other Old Collegians. The whole aim of our association is to keep all Old Boys in constant contact with their old school and the Old Collegian benefits." Mr. Howard then showed how the College could benefit by the Association and how the Old Collegiate is benefitted. He then stressed again the aims of the Association, adding that one other object the Association had in view was to assist the College materially. It could do this by the establishment of a Bursary and by helping with the building of the new Chapel. He referred to the social activities, mentioning the Annual Ball, Annual Smoke Night, the Reunion at Ballarat at boat race week-end, and the various functions organised in connection with the Old Collegians' Football Club. Mr. Howard urged all to attend that most important function of the year, the Annual Communion and Breakfast. This was an annual function held towards the end of November or early December.

Concluding, Mr. Howard said that the debt owed to the Christian Brothers for the work they did at St. Patrick's College, and the high regard of every Old Boy for every member of the Christian Brothers was an added incentive for Old Boys to be loyal to their Old Collegians' Association. "Regard for Alma Mater," he said, "meant esteem and regard for the Christian Brothers. Certainly other interests will crowd in on you. Family ties, parish committees and local organisations, but I appeal to you to mark the dates of your various Old Collegiate functions and be present if at all possible."

PERSONAL PARS.

Rev. Fr. Leo. Fiscalini is expected back in Ballarat in January next. Fr. Charles, C.S.S.R., is attached to the Brisbane Community.

Eddie Upton, S.P.C. '31, '32, '33, was here for the Feast of Christ the King. Ed. was pleased to meet class-mate Br. Williams.

George and Reg. Groutsch and Vin Brennan attended the College Sports. Mrs. Groutsch hopes to see Jim and Rome next year.

Mr. John Morrissey met many Old Boys on Sports Day. He could be seen with Jim Gleeson, Tom Ryan, Phil McCumisky, Jack Kennedy, Joe Caulfield, Jack Hingston, Con Whelan, Basil Hayden, Mac Fraser.

Congratulations to Dr. Frank McArdie. Frank is a resident with Dr. John McGoldrick at the Ballarat Base Hospital. Dr. Frank will be missed at Newman where he was a power.

Dr. Crosbie completed with Frank. We have yet to hear where Dr. Crosbie is attached.

Denis Hishon, who was at St. Pat's about 1944, is doing well on the land in the Skipton district.

Brian Nunn, one of last year's Old Boys, is also from Skipton and is succeeding as a chemist apprentice. We believe he is quite an actor.

William Coburn is now a dairy farmer at Melton. He has a son, Bernard, at the College.

Brian Hurley and his brother Brendan are working with the Commonwealth Bank.

Mr. H. Walsh is now a member of the staff at the Ballarat Post Office.

Laurie Nolan is now living in Sydney and is studying for a position in the Postal Department. Laurie was married last year. His brother Brian works for Dad at Wentworth.

Rev. Br. B. Kehoe, an old boy of the 1926-1930 period, is now at Hopetoun.

Clem Ben now lives in Hampton and is working in the S.E.C. office in Footscray.

Brian Perkins, who was here in 1947, is now working with an engineering firm in Ballarat.

Frank Murphy, another Ballarat old boy, is playing football for Ballarat East and has recently entered the hotel business at the Southern Cross in Sturt Street.

Wing-Commander Keith Bolleman, an old boy of 1934, has been moved from his station at Laverton to Melbourne headquarters. He has bought a home in Parkdale.

Dr. Tom Capell, who has been in England for about two months, has just returned. He is married and has a son and daughter.

Fr. Vin Sproules is now acting parish priest of St. Brendan's Coragulac.

John Gallagher, who left in 1948, is learning the building trade. He is also a successful rower with the Ballarat Rowing Club.

Bill Mulcahy, who is married, and has one child, works at Footscray.

Mr. W. Surrige is now railway master at Buangor. He has two children.

Phillip Perrott, one of our recent ex-pupils, is doing well in his father's butchery business at Hastings.

Kevin Morgan, a successful chemist, is also proprietor of a guest house.

Dr. Des Hayes is now spending a holiday in England.

Kevin Dullard is an assistant in a hardware business in Kyabram.

J. M. Walsh is a school teacher at Tyrrell Downs, a few miles north-east of Sea Lake.

Leo Collier still has several years to serve with the Air Force has recently been transferred to Ballarat. His brother Pat is school teaching at Wangaratta.

Jim Murphy, of Ballarat East, is training to be a turner and fitter.

M. Grellis, who is now living in Geelong, manages his father's shop in Rynie Street.

Frank Delahunty is a farmer at Murtoa. He is married and has two children.

Fr. Shanley was recently transferred from Horsham to be Parish Priest of Birregurra.

The three priests at present at Horsham, Frs. O'Connell, Kirby and Grady, are all old boys of the College.

Pat Carr is working in a business in Tocumwal.

Jack and Pat O'Donnell are running a dairy business at Alfredton, outside Ballarat.

John Fitzpatrick, who left recently, is now working in a bank at Kerang.

Fr. Gait has recently been moved to Kerang as Parish Priest.

Wally Pedler intends getting married soon. He is a keen cricketer and footballer in the Red Cliffs district.

Richard and Leo Lenaghan are doing their second year medicine examinations at the University.

John Cramer has recently begun practising as a dentist in Ballarat. He bought the late Mr. Wilkinson's business.

Pat Mullins is flourishing as a carrier in Maryborough.

Kevin Handley has a high position with the Ford Company in Geelong.

Reg. Hickey coached Geelong to victory this year. Congratulations, Reg.

Martin Moran is intending to get married to a Ballarat girl next year.

Jack Kelly, from Bungaree, is at present working with his brother at Murtoa.

John Bourke is studying Veterinary Science at the Queensland University, while brothers David and Brian work the farm at Pakenham East. Michael, Hughie and Gavan are still at school.

Fr. Martin may be returning to Australia from South Africa next year.

Greg Masterson is employed with the B.H.P. at Broken Hill.

Joe and Jim Coward are prosperous farmers in the Burrumbeet district.

Bill McCubbin is working his father's farm at Learmonth.

Peter Kennedy is now engaged at the Creswick Bank.

Les. McMahon is at present a Junior Postal Officer at Clunes.

Dr. John Hayden, recently engaged by the Western Australian University, has gone to New Zealand for a holiday.

Bill and Jack Flynn, of Dunnstown, are now building contractors.

Brian Mullins is working his father's farm at Dunnstown.

Frank Nihill is studying Agricultural Science, while his cousin Charles is a farmer.

Hugh Costello is a farmer in the Rochester district.

Jack Hayes, who is now living at West Preston, is married and has two children.

Jim Preece, of Vite Vite, was engaged recently and is to be married early in the New Year.

Chas. Davine is a solicitor of note in Warragul. He has two boys and a girl, all of whom have left school. His sons intend to follow a legal career.

Bruce Hall, who attended College in 1947, is to be married at Deniliquin in December.

Mr. J. F. O'Leary is a prosperous farmer at Garfield. He has three children, two of whom are attending school.

Jack Giles, an old boy of the thirties, is now working at Casterton in the railways. Jack is married and has two children.

Jack O'Brien is reported to have a baby daughter.

Jack Gorman is doing a great business as an auctioneer at Casterton, while his friend Jack Balkin is working on "Pieracle," the family station.

Jack McGennity recently visited the College; he is concluding a Physiotherapy course at the end of the year.

Max Brandenburg, a member of the '47 1st XVIII, has sacrificed football for golf and has achieved a considerable amount of success.

Kevin Flynn has had a worrying time recently, as his small daughter had had polio. Fortunately, however, she is making a steady recovery.

Kevin Leonard made a brief visit to his Alma Mater during the term. Kevin and his brother are well known about Merbein and Mildura. It is rumored that Kevin intends to visit Canada.

Whilst we frequently obtain news of Maurice, Frank and Paul Sheahan, we seldom hear of Din and Vester who have inconspicuously remained on their farm at Narraport.

Tom Mahoney has three young children and is doing good work at the Ordnance Factory, Maribyrnong.

Ron O'Halloran is now a police constable at Learmonth.

Clarrie Woodford is doing well in the Nelson Hotel, South Melbourne.

Kevin O'Hagan, Fr. Des' brother, paid a visit to Ballarat recently.

Rod Price, now living at Northcote, had a successful football season with the local Thirds. He is an active member of the Y.C.W. and soon hopes to enter the Victorian Police Department.

Gale Gallagher recently attained his twenty-first birthday. Congratulations, Gale!

John Lorkin, Walter Cook, Frank Davis and Kevin Cunningham motored to Brisbane with Fr. Pat Bohan for the Y.C.W. National Conference held in October last. Leo Callinan and Colin Dodd and Max Harty travelled with Fr. Gallagher.

Ron Rosser has recently opened a carrying business in Ballarat. Eddie often looks in at S.P.C.

Jim Meeny has been sighted in the uniform of the R.A.A.F.

Don Black is finishing his surveying course at the Melbourne Technical College some time this year.

Kevin Ryan is still working his father's farm at Grassmere, while the Melican brothers, John, Michael and Denis are on their farm at Wangoom.

Rex Grant has finished his course at the Teacher's College and is now teaching at Patchewollock.

Ray Jackson is now working with Brian Etheridge at the Ballarat Brewery.

Noel Elder is with Goldsborough Mort in Wycheproof.

Gerald Gleeson spent a week-end at Cowes with the Melbourne Thirds at the close of the football season.

Fr. Crowe, Parish Priest of Yarram, who was recently in a car accident. is again on duty.

Congratulations to Jim McCarthy, of Ballarat, on his recent marriage. Jim married June Merlin, of Ballarat, in St. Patrick's Cathedral. Twin brother Joe was best man. Jim honeymooned in Adelaide. Jim has just received word that Joe was in a motor bike accident at Nowra, N.S.W. Joe is in the R.A.N.

Tom Colgan recently joined the Benedicts. Congratulations, Tom, and best wishes to you and Daphne.

Peter Callahan visited St. Pat's recently. Peter is awaiting the results of his final Law exams. We wish you well, Peter.

After being thirty years away from College, Fr. Hayes, of Port Augusta, visited us last week. He was accompanied by Fr. J. Dowling who left St. Pat's in 1928. Fr. Dowling is in the Sandhurst Diocese.

Bernie Murphy, from Balranald, called to see his two nephews John and Tom. Bern. was at St. Pat's in 1938.

We were pleased to see Fr. Steve Wellington recently. Fr. Steve is attached Brian was a champion a few years ago. He's a prosperous farmer now.

Mr. Con Whelan, from Donald, was also here. Con comes to see his son Peter and his nephew Leon Gleeson.

We were pleased to see Fr. Steve Wellington recently. Fr. Steve is attached to Canberra, and his account of the Foundation Stone of the new Marist Brothers' School was most interesting.

Mat Hyland, our erstwhile secretary, was married on November 24th. Mat had Nuptial Mass at the Church of Fr. T. V. Carroll at South Caulfield. He married Marjorie Picton, of Richmond.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Boarders enter College	-	February 12th
Classes commence	- -	February 13th
First Cricket match H.S. v S.P.C.		Feb. 29th
Easter Vacation begins 4 p.m.		April 8th
Classes resume	- -	April 16th
Boat Race	- - -	April 26th
Old Boys' Boat Race Dance	-	April 26th
Old Boys' Re-union and Dinner		April 27th
First Term Banquet	- -	May 13th
Boys travel home	- -	May 14th