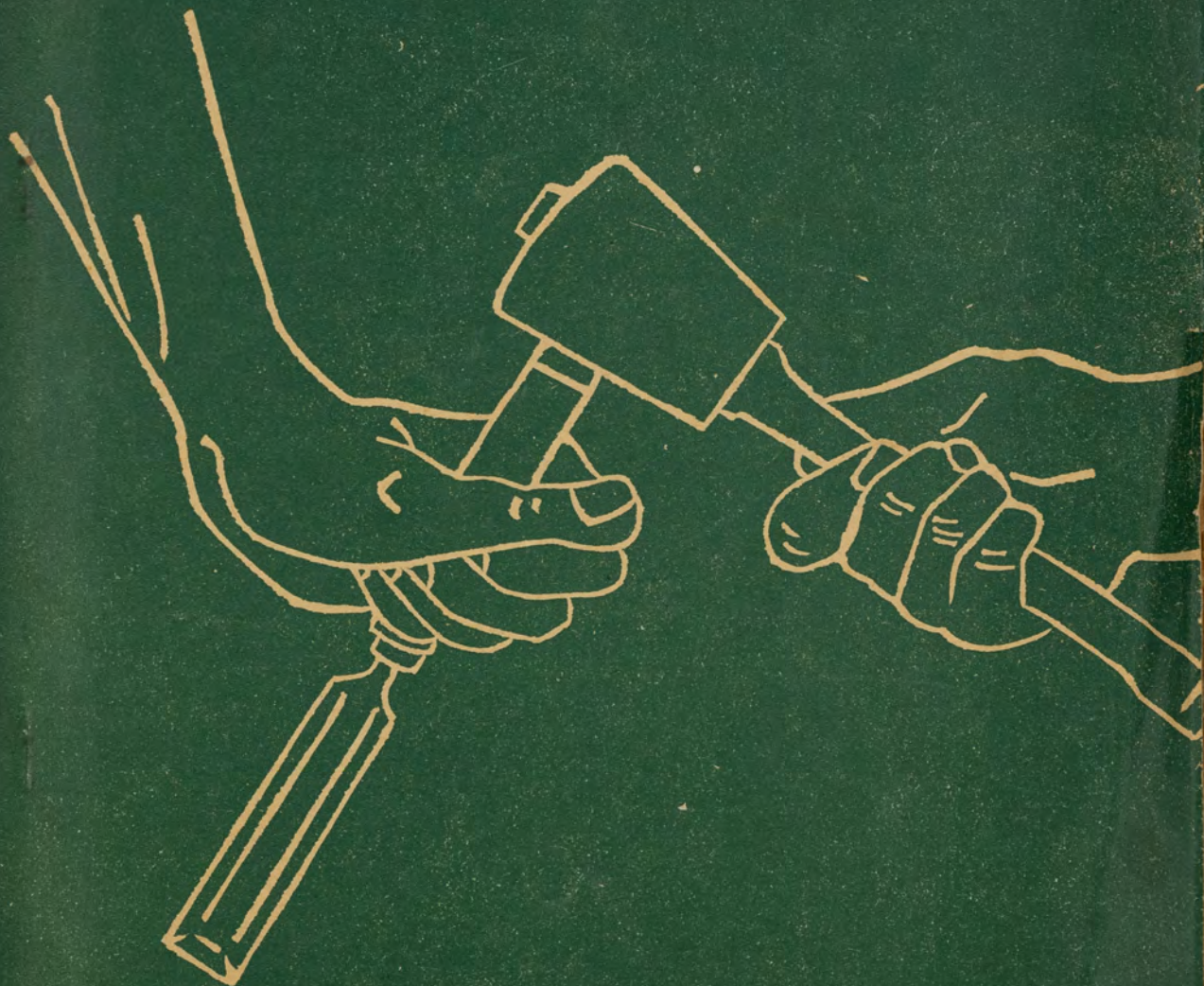


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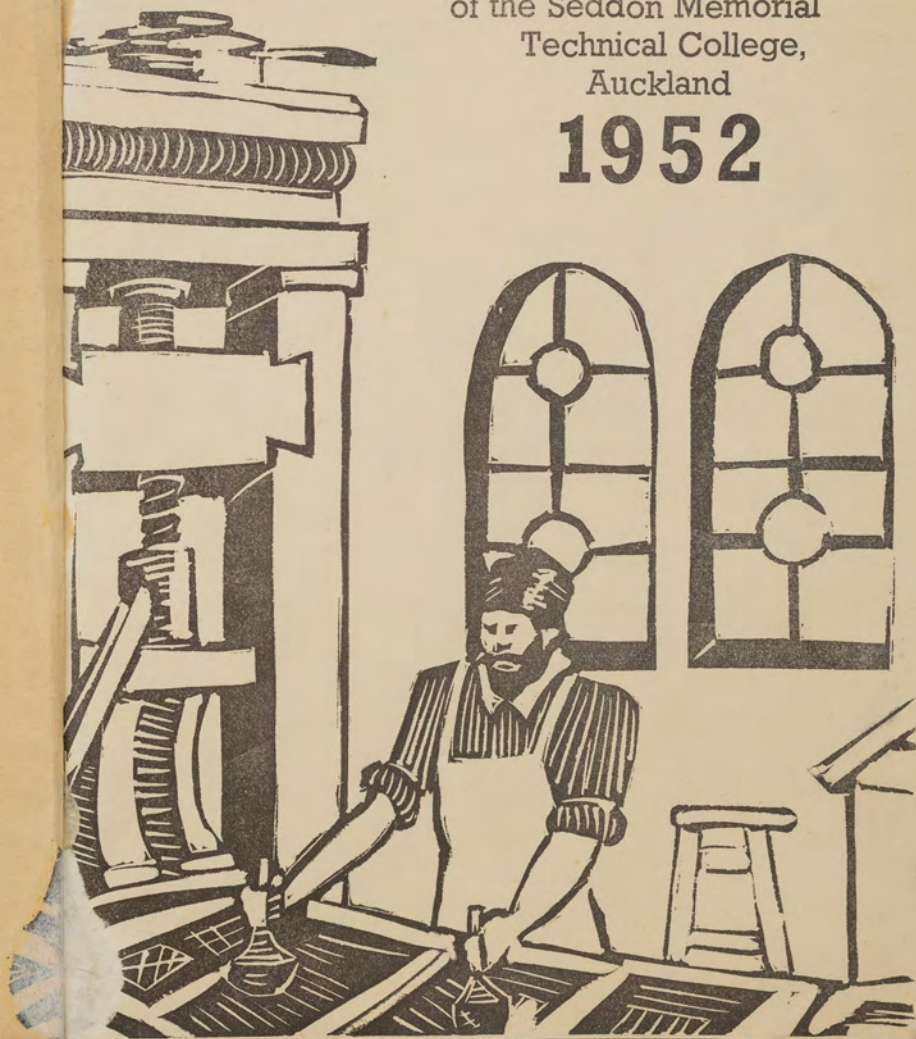


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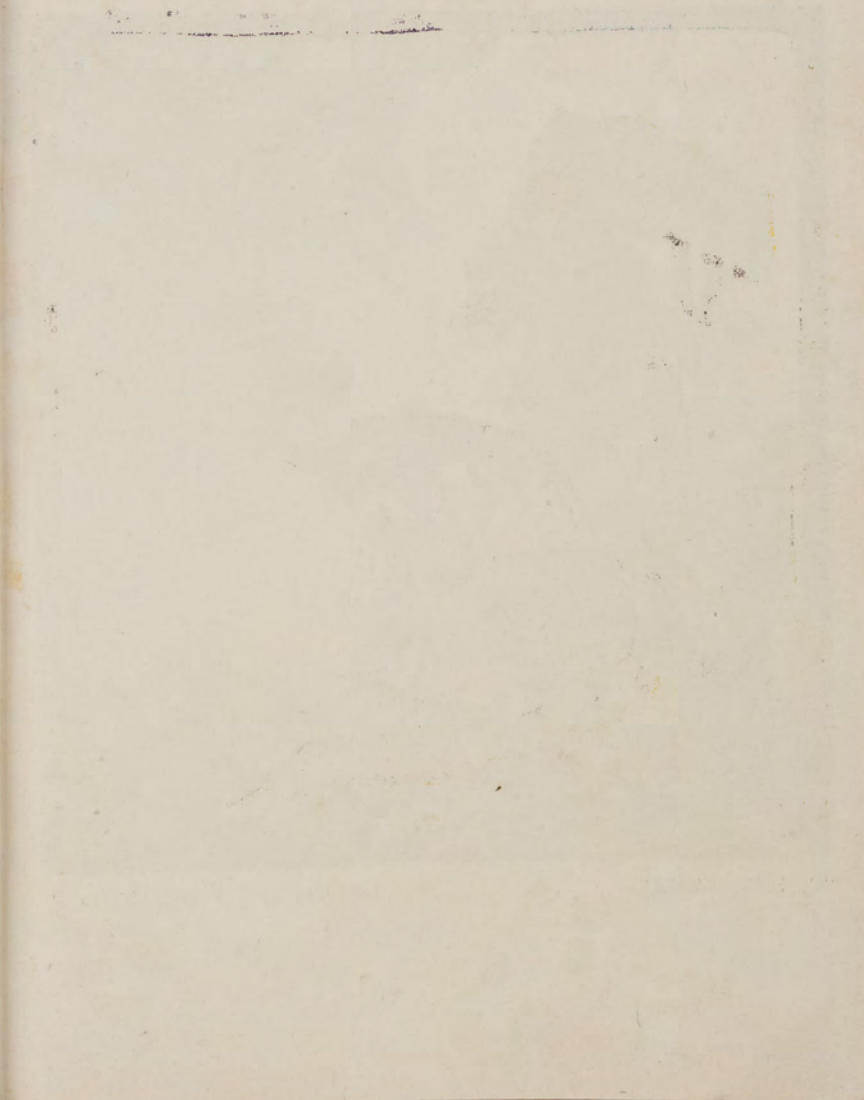
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Hindley Scholarship Winners, 1952

Back Row: A.A. Peden, G. W. Bush,
Romola Cooper, A. F. Campbell.

Sitting: Rosaline Ravlich, R.
Andrews.



**Cast And Production Staff Of The
1952 Annual College Dramatic
Production, "The Ghost Train"**

Back Row: V. Gunn, W. Groom, A.
McFadden, J. Daisley, R. Brooks,
A. Golbert, Mr Schlup (Lighting)
Mr A. Smyth (Head of English
Dept.), Mrs Grant (Make-up and
production), Mr Grant (Producer),
I. Metcalfe, A. Young, B. Howard,
R. Brown, R. Metcalfe.

Front Row: N. Gracie, D. Irvine, B.
Roberts, E. Bach W. Davis, B.
McLaren, H. Cook, B. Jacobsen.



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EDITORIAL

"Vitae non Scholae discimus," the only small part of a foreign language still taught in the Tech. High School. At the beginning of each new year third formers stand amazed and almost silent as it is translated for them and vow that they will always cherish the wise sentiment contained in that tiny fraction of an ancient culture. But ask any sixth former what the words mean and the translation supplied will be most frightening and inaccurate. Perhaps he thinks that he has outgrown the advice implied in the motto.

Why is it that the humility of the young does not endure? After all, the sixth former is closer to the real and earnest part of life than is the boy in III B or IIID and should be nearer to maturity and true humility. Perhaps there is a possibility that in our minds we have inverted the motto back to Seneca's original (Non vitae sed scholae decimus) placing too much accent on the 'scholae' and not enough on the 'vita'.

If this is so, how can it be remedied? Should we take less interest in school activities and enter more into those of our particular neighbourhood, joining, say, the local football club instead of its school counterpart? No, this is not the answer.

S.M.T.C. is a corporate body of

which we as pupils are the life blood. If some of the limbs appear to dodder the circulation can and must be stimulated. In other words we must retain a close unity at the same time finding out what we as individuals can do for the school, what the school can do for us, how we can co-operate with the outside world and how it co-operates with us. These are important questions and all fit in with our motto. There are four main ways of answering them, and making ourselves of greater value to the community and to ourselves.

(1) Make more use of the Library, our main store of condensed opinions from thoughtful outsiders.

(2) Establish closer relations with those members of the staff who are specialists in vocational guidance.

(3) Encourage parents to give us, at school, the benefit of their experience by persuading them to join the Parents' and Teachers' Association.

(4) Remember that sixth formers start as third formers and when they leave they go right back to the bottom of the next ladder.

Principal's Message

The Jubilee of the College will be celebrated next year during the May holidays. As this occasion approaches we should pause to consider the

achievements of the past and our hopes for the future.

Our records show that the students we have trained have carried with them the lessons learned here and as useful citizens have made their contribution to the community. During two World Wars past students, both men and women, worthily played their part. Nearly 400 of them died in these two Wars. With humility and in gratitude we remember their sacrifice. During the past year we have been pleased to hear of a Rhodes Scholar who has completed a first-class degree and a Doctorate at Oxford University, of an architect planning a large aerodrome in Nigeria, of a high-ranking Air Force Officer taking command of a large Air Force station, of a skilled engineer in the forefront to the development of the turbo-jet engine. While these few men stand out, thousands of our former students are working faithfully in office, workshop and factory maintaining the fabric of society.

The opening of the Orakei Branch of the College extends further the scope of our work. The day training of apprentices and the courses of professional engineering students are new and expanding spheres. The training of technicians and of senior students will call for careful planning in the future. Adequate buildings and equipment will have to be provided so that we can successfully undertake these new and important duties. Preliminary planning for these developments has begun and we hope that at the Jubilee we may be able to report progress.

Obituary

Mr W. E. Burley died on the 3rd of September 1952. His death constituted a very great loss to the staff and

certainly to a large number of pupils. The good he did is measured not in terms of his appointments and his training but the kindly and humane way in which he assisted all whom he met.

In 1891, he began in the profession as a pupil teacher at the Lyttleton Primary School and, while at Lyttleton Sydenham took his B.A. degree at Canterbury College. His appointment to the staff of this college in 1911, was followed by service at Fielding and Stratford District High Schools from 1914 to 1922. Returning there in 1923 he remained at the College until his retirement in 1943. He was Head of the Department of Languages and General Subjects and was Acting Principal in 1938.

He took a most active part in the work of the Methodist Church and held almost every office open to a layman. As a Sunday School Superintendent, a Bible Class teacher, a local preacher, a member of the boards of Trinity College, Wesley College, and of the Home and Foreign Missions, he rendered invaluable service. He was Vice President of the Methodist Conference in 1944.

Mr Burley was appointed to the Executive of the Auckland Branch of the Crippled Children's Society in 1937 and was its chairman from 1942 to 1947.

For many years he was a member of the Canterbury Club.

A bold statement of his teaching career gives little idea of the invaluable services that he rendered this College. Although there were only 3 Heads of Department prior to World War II, he still found time to be Chairman of the Sport's Management Committee, Chairman of the Staff and Pupils' Fund Committee, Master in

charge of Prefects, as well as serving on the College Committees. He was a popular and welcome figure on the side line during our College matches. When we add up his teaching duties, the tasks just specified, and his religious and social work, he was obviously a very busy man.

His courteous and sympathetic nature ironed out many of the difficulties which inevitably arise in a school. Everyone respected his complete integrity and realised that he was never self seeking. He smoothed the way of Staff and Pupils alike and promoted pleasantness and co-operation.

He was a Christian gentleman.

The Staff and Pupils would like to extend to Mrs Burley and her four daughters the sincere sympathy of the College.

VALEDICTORY.

The end of 1951 saw the departure from the College of a number of men whose association with it had been long and close. Three, Dr G. P. O'Shannassy, Mr H. W. Hollies and Mr W. Gemmell retired from teaching and one, Mr R. N. Stevenson transferred to Northcote College.

Dr O'Shannassy was chief Mathematics master from April 1914 to 1927 and was again a member of the staff from July 1940 to the end of 1951.

Mr Hollies had been senior Engineering workshop instructor since 1926.

Mr Gemmell taught in the Woodwork course between June 1929 and 1951.

Mr Stevenson received his secondary education in the Accountancy course in the College and returned to teach Commercial subjects as well as English and Social Studies. He was a member of the staff from 1946 to 1951, leaving

to become chief Commercial teacher at Northcote College.

Their long association with the College and their notable though varied personalities made them well-known to and liked and respected by, literally many generations of students. Dr O'Shannassy, after serving in World War and attaining the rank of Major resumed the teaching of mathematics at the College. Many fathers of present students will have vivid recollections, as well as many good stories to tell, of Dr O'Shannassy teaching mathematics, of Dr O'Shannassy running the College Cadets and establishing the famous trumpet band. They will be interested to know that he is having a busman's holiday on the staff of St Peter's College and is still teaching evening classes at S.M.T.C.

Mr Hollies, though originally appointed much later than Dr O'Shannassy, had a longer record of continuous service. Thousands of engineering students both day and evening will remember the splendid equipment of his shop and the pride he took in it. The senior evening class students in particular, who returned year after year to perfect their skill under his tuition, will remember the high standard of precision he required. The number of Seddon Gold medals, only awarded for the highest standard of excellence by competent outside judges, that his students gained is a tribute to the quality of his work.

Mr Gemmell's association with the woodwork shop is almost as long as that of Mr Hollies with the engineering shop, and he will be remembered by almost as many boys. Girls as well as boys will remember him for his musical activities especially in the days when he took a leading part in the operas that were so notable a feature of the College life in the 30's.

Few who took part in school singing under his baton will forget the leadership of his impressive voice and genial and glowing personality.

Mr Stevenson, too, will be remembered for work with the operas as a pupil as well as with the musical life of the College in more recent years. Mr Stevenson took part in this with the same vim and enthusiasm as he threw into all the multifarious duties that he undertook. Athletics were a particular concern, but his range of interests was so wide that few aspects of College life were outside their scope.

Miss L. M. Maloy, M.A., who returned from a year spent overseas in 1950, last year left us to enter the 1952 Library Training Course in Wellington is now engaged upon that work. Miss Maloy had been attached to the general subjects department of the College since her graduation and her departure was regretted by all. The school library users, the "boarders" and her own individual pupils knew that they had a friend in Miss Maloy, who took a personal interest in each one of them, and staff members often miss her cheery presence. All wish her success and interest in her new work.

Miss N. P. Delaney B. A., for three years in charge of the Physical Education and Games Organization for the girls of the College, resigned from the full-time staff in December, 1952. Having contact with all the girls of the school, Miss Delaney was able to set and maintain a high standard of sportsmanship, of achievement and of reliability among her pupils. We feel that we have been fortunate to retain her services for part-time work during this year.

The Home Science Department lost three valued staff members last year. We had to say farewell to Miss Anne

Bell, for a number of years associated with the Dressmaking work of the Nursing and Homecraft course particularly. Herself an old pupil of the College, Mrs Bell was well known to staff and pupils of both day and evening school. Those associated with the annual concerts of the College will join with the rest of us in regretting her departure. Mrs Bell left us to be married, and as her home is still in Auckland, we look forward to occasional visits from her, such as we have enjoyed during the year.

Mrs E. L. Howie Dip. H. Sc., formerly in charge of the work of the Homecraft Teacher Trainers of the College, relinquished her position here to join the teaching staff at the Newmarket Manual Training Centre and Mrs A. K. Gray, Dip H. Sc. also left Auckland at the same time to reside in Gisborne. To both of these ladies also we extend our best wishes.

Art Notes

The result of the "Kindness to Animals" poster competition (open to Grammar Schools, Technical College and other city colleges) was very gratifying. The following pupils were placed:

Form III— 1st: H. N. Chie, W. 3 C.
2nd: W. Robinson, T. 3.

Highly Commended: D. Fox, T. 3.
Commended: G. Peters, T. 3.

Form IV— 1st: R. Register, T. 4.
2nd: S. Hopkins, W. 4 B.
3rd: A. Potatau, W. 4 B.

Highly Commended: H. Pollock, T. 4.
Forms V & VI—

1st: M. Cleave, W. 5 B.
2nd: P. W. Monk, W. 5 B.
Commended: A. Clark, W. 5 B.

Art prizes in the "Seddonian" for 1952 go to J. L. Williams, T 5, for the Cover design and to R. D. Mosheim, T. 5 for the Frontispiece.

First Fifteen

Back Row: J. P. Collier, H. Kingi, J. P. Harris, W. Otene, H. J. Walker.

Middle Row: J. M. Ravlick, A. F. Campbell, R. M. Perks, P. J. Phillips, R. Andrews, W. Hardley.

Front Row: S. G. James, T. Stevens, A. H. James (Vice Capt.), J. S. Waddingham (Capt.), A. Elder, R. J. Baillie, Mr K. S. Turtill.



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Absent: N. Brunt, W. Tuki, D. Samuels.

Back Row: G. Oliver, B. James, R. Myers, D. Smith, R. Elliott.

Middle Row: W. McLaughlin, L. Conroy, R. Pennell, G. Hayes, J. McElrea, M. Simm.

Front Row: F. Kaa, B. Walker, R. Potatau (Vice Capt.), M. C. Vette (Capt.), S. James, W. Penerata, Mr. C. T. Brooking (Coach).



BOYS' SPORTS NOTES

BOYS' SWIMMING NOTES — 1952

The Annual Swimming Sports did not have a very promising start, due mainly to doubtful weather. It cleared up however, and as the day progressed, so the weather improved.

There were some very good performances in each of the three grades, and the standard was as good as, or even better than the previous year. In the Juniors, B. Fast, an Auckland Provincial Representative, was again outstanding, winning six titles including the Senior Breastroke. His time for two of these events, 220yards Freestyle and 33 1-3 Breastroke are now new College Records.

In the Intermediate grade, R. Harker showed outstanding ability in creating four new records including a sterling performance in the 220yards Freestyle, recording a time of 2mins 54secs. A very fast time for a third form pupil.

R. Andrews won for the second year in succession the Senior Cup, with a total of 20 points, with P. Phillips next with 7 points and F. Donnerley third with 3 points. Points for this cup are given for places gained in 55yards, 110yards, 220 yards Freestyle and 55yards Backstroke giving a total of 20 points. In 55yards and 110yards Freestyle, Andrews beat the existing record by one second in both events.

Seddon House was the winner of the House competition by a large margin. Seddon 128, Wellesley 62, Hindley 48, Binns 34.

A fitting finish to a good day's sport.

INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOLS' SWIMMING — 1952

The College again entered in all grades teams for the Inter-Secondary Schools' Swimming. Although seemingly strong Junior and Intermediate teams were entered, it was the Senior team which gained the most points.

An excellent performance was given by R. Andrews who won the Senior 55yards Backstroke and who was also second in the 55yards Freestyle in a very close finish where the winners time equalled the existing record.

P. Phillips was unlucky in the final of the 55yards Freestyle due to a false start. In the start, one of the competitors broke

and a false start was called but Phillips swam on and could not be stopped. He was allowed no extra time and that extra lap must have taken a considerable amount out of him. Even after this he finished fourth.

R. Harker was the only other College swimmer to gain a place. He was second in the Intermediate 110yards Freestyle.

B. Fast won the Junior Breastroke, but was disqualified for incorrect kicking.

Although the boys were not as successful as could be wished they all swam to the best of their ability and also gained the honour of representing the College.

Congratulations to those who were successful and gained places.

TENNIS NOTES, 1952

Third Term, 1951.

Both the senior and intermediate teams concluded the season successfully, the seniors by narrowly defeating Otahuhu College and Auckland Grammar No. 2, and the intermediates by winning a high percentage of their matches. Seddon was well represented in the Inter-Secondary School champion of champions by Bush in the seniors, Wright, who reached the semi-final of the singles, in the intermediates, and by G. Orrell and Moss in the juniors.

Mixed Doubles Tournament

The Annual Yankee mixed doubles tournament was held in the last week of school and provided an enjoyable day for all participants, being again the social sporting event of the year. K. Wright won the boys division by a wide margin and the girls' prize went to Barbara Corbett.

First Term, 1952

This year teams were entered in the senior and junior competitions, the intermediates contributing to the senior team.

Senior Team: G. W. Bush (Capt.), W. A. Whittaker, G. Moss, G. R. Orrell, B. H. Penny, G. Bosson and I. Smith.

The team, although not so far successful, proved more evenly balanced than in previous years, most games being very close, and frequently the difference of a few games could have brought victory to Seddon.

v. Avondale College—Lost 7-2. Our team had not yet attained its top form, and Avondale generally proved superior. Bosson won both his matches.

v. Auckland Grammar No. 2—Lost 7-2. A very even contest, Grammar winning four of their matches 6-4. Both Bush and Whittaker won their singles.

v. Takapuna Grammar—Lost 7-2. Again our opponents just had the edge on us as every match, except two, was hard fought. Moss won both his singles and doubles.

v. Mt. Albert Grammar—down 2-4 (unfinished). Mt. Albert were leading 4-2 in the singles when rain intervened. Bush was no match for Montgomerie in losing 9-1, but every other match was very close. Penny and Bosson both won their singles 6-5.

Junior Team: A. T. Dufty (Capt.), Johnson, D. Dormer, Steven, Stringer, K. Orrell and M. Dickie.

The juniors, like last year's team, displayed great promise winning four out of their five matches. Dormer won all of his games quite easily and in most displayed a great deal of "tennis sense". Of the others, Steven showed the best form but the remainder will have plenty of opportunity to gain experience.

Results

- v. St. Peters College, won 6-3.
- v. Auckland Grammar No. 3, won 9-0.
- v. Northcote College, won 8-1.
- v. Mt. Albert Grammar, won 8-1.
- v. Auckland Grammar No. 1, lost 1-5 (unfinished).

Pukekohe Match

At the beginning of April, a team from Pukekohe High School, consisting of six boys and six girls, visited us. The matches were played at Windmill Road Courts in perfect weather. After a series of even matches, our boys' team won 6-3 and the girls were defeated by Pukekohe 8-1. At the conclusion of lunch, Bush the Seddon captain welcomed the visitors, and their captain suitably replied, hoping the Seddon would visit Pukekohe in the third term.

Combined Doubles Championship

The combined doubles championship, held for the first time this year was an outstanding success considering the difficulty in arranging partners. The final was won by Graham Bush and Romola Cooper who combined well to defeat Graham Moss and Yvonne Hunter 6-2, 7-5.

The School Championships

The 1952 championships were held at Windmill Road on March 18th and 21st in fine weather. This year's championships

appeared to be of a better all-round standard than seen for some time. The senior singles final produced some really high-class tennis, both players, Whittaker and Bush, showing outstanding form. The match, which lasted over 1½ hours, resulted in a close win for Bush, 1-6, 6-2, 8-6.

The semi-finals saw Bush beat Moss 6-1, 6-4, and Orrell going down to Whittaker, 5-6, 5-6.

The senior doubles, played under difficult conditions, was won by Bush and Moss, who beat Orrell and Whittaker 6-3, 6-4. Both combinations only reached the final after very close semi-final matches. The senior championship was notable in that all of the seeded players were nearly defeated in the early rounds.

The intermediate singles resulted in a convincing win for Orrell who played steady tennis to defeat Moss 6-3, 6-2. The intermediate doubles was annexed by a well matched pair in Orrell and Gilpin, who after an even contest, ran out the winners over Buckley and Smith, 7-5, 6-4.

The Junior Singles saw victory for a very promising young player in Dormer, who only needs to continue his present rate of progress to become an extremely capable player. Dormer was to consistent for Steven who, however, displayed some fine strokes in losing 6-2, 7-5.

Apart from the various champions several players, notably Steven, Johnson, I. Smith, Penny, Kingi and Bosson showed that great improvement can be expected from them.

In the Juniors, Dormer was the outstanding competitor, winning both the singles and doubles at his first attempt, while in the intermediates, Moss and Orrell stood out among several improving players. In the seniors, Bush, although closely pressed, again proved himself superior by winning the championship, together with the doubles for the third year in succession. Whittaker was very unlucky not to win at least one title.

Results:

- Senior Singles: G. W. A. Bush.
- Senior Doubles: G. Moss and G. Bush.
- Combined Doubles: G. W. Bush and Romola Cooper.
- Intermediate Singles: G. R. Orrell.
- Intermediate Doubles: G. R. Orrell and R. W. Gilpin.
- Junior Singles: D. Dormer.
- Junior Doubles: K. Orrell and D. Dormer.

THE CHESS CLUB, 1952

The Chess Club this year has a record membership of 58, a very encouraging number considering it has only been in operation for 4 years. The main trouble now confronting the club is the lack of sets and boards. So to increase the number of sets all sources of incoming revenue are expended here. The standard has in general been fairly high and prospects for the future are very high.

As usual the main feature of the year is the match versus M.A.G.S. The match is looked forward to eagerly and competition for places in the team has been keen. Owing to unforeseen circumstances this match has had to be postponed until later in the year. Arrangements are being made for a match against A.C.

Three boys from the College Club entered for the Auckland Provincial Schoolboys' Chess Championship. They were G. Hill E. 5A. (the titleholder), C. Nairn E. 6B. (competing for the third time) and A. Kerr E. 4C. They finished 2nd, 10th and 27th respectively after an enjoyable tournament. Hill's 5½ points and 2nd place earned him a trip to the National Tournament at Masterton where he finished 2nd equal. Nairn with 4 points had the honour in the first round of being the only player to beat the champion. All three boys gained valuable experience which should help them in the future.

The school championship is to be held during October. The system under which it is to be held is so far undecided. Earlier in the year a kriegsSpiel tournament was held and after having a drawn game against all of his early round opponents and triumphing over them at the second encounter, Nairn overwhelmed Hill in an interesting but brief game in the final.

THE FIRST SOCCER ELEVEN, 1952

The 1st Soccer XI., containing eight of last year's team, came 3rd in the championship and for the first time since 1941, won the knockout competition. It is many years since a first boys' team of the college has won a senior competition, and it reflects highly on the team that in winning the Knockout, they beat the runners-up in the championship, Auckland Grammar, and the championship winners, Mt. Albert Grammar, in successive matches. Lacking any really brilliant players, the team revealed a high degree of combination, efficiency and above all, the will to win.

Seddon is now amongst the very top in Secondary School football, and it is gratifying to note the increasing amount of interest being taken in Seddon soccer, the team particularly thanking all those supporters who cheered them on to victory over Mt. Albert. This season we played 13 matches, winning nine, drawing two, losing only two and scoring 44 goals for to 16 against. Due to sickness and other circumstances, a total of 17 players represented the College, 13 of which were regular members.

The 1st XI. was:— G. W. Bush (captain), L. Howell (vice-captain), R. G. Anderson, J. Roberts, D. Bain, R. Mackie, D. Fleming, G. Bosson, A. Maggs, G. Ross, B. H. Penny, L. Williams and R. Atwell. D. Moore, G. Orrell, W. Reynolds and K. Atkinson also played.

Results of Championship Games played:

v. A.G.S.—Lost 0-4.

Grammar was definitely the better side, their forward line being too tricky for our defence to cope with. We have yet to develop a good combination.

v. A.C.—won 2-0.

A fairly even game, with Tech. just holding the advantage. The forwards, especially Maggs and Ross, played good attacking football, while Bain and Roberts were a sound pair of fullbacks.

Scorer: Maggs (2).

v. M.A.G.S. B.—won 10-0.

Against weak opposition, we ran up a double figure score. The backs had little to do, while the halves, Anderson, Howell and Atwell made the most of their opportunities. Our bustling forwards continually harassed the M.A.G.S. defence, Ross scoring four good goals as a result of following up.

Scorers: Ross (4), Maggs (2), Howell (2), Bosson (2).

v. O.C.—drew 3-3.

With only nine men, our team played spirited football to draw after being down 2-3 just before time. The defence of Howell, Bain, Roberts and Atwell prevented a higher score, and full marks must go to the team for the grand display they put on.

Scorers: Howell, Ross, Roberts.

v. A.C.—won 3-2.

Two goals down and only ten minutes of play left, our forwards made a great recovery to win by 3 goals to 2. Again it was the will to win that brought about our

victory, Maggs, Fleming and Bosson perhaps catching the eye.

Scorers: Maggs (2), Ross.

v. M.A.G.S. "A"—lost 0-2.

A draw would have been a better indication of the game, as our forwards were unlucky not to score several times. Mackie, playing centre half, was strong on the attack, while Williams at right back played particularly well in holding the Mt. Albert forward line. In the forwards, the wingers, Fleming and Penny, were perhaps the most noticeable.

v. M.A.G.S. "B"—won 4-1.

An improved team held us to a 4-1 win, although we never appeared to be likely to lose. The team again showed a great amount of combination.

Scorers: Penny (2), Ross (2).

v. O.C.—won 3-1.

With a full team, we beat Otahuhu by a fairly decisive margin. Howell, deputising in goal, showed how versatile he is by scoring a penalty, and of the others, Reynolds at left half and Anderson at inside right, stood out.

Scorers: Howell, Fleming, Williams.

v. M.A.G.S. "A"—drew 1-1.

Another even game, although with a few more opportunities, our team might have won. From a good cross by Mackie, Anderson headed the ball past the opposition goalkeeper to make the score a draw. Bosson, in goal, gave a sound display, while Maggs and Williams gave a grand exhibition of constructive forward play.

Scorer: Anderson.

Championship and K.-O., 1st Round.

v. M.A.G.S. "B"—won 9-0

Our energetic bustling forwards were superior to the M.A.G.S. defence, who had no answer to the attacking play of our halfback line. With any amount of the ball, the forwards, especially Penny and Ross, on the left, always looked dangerous. Our defence was never really tested.

Scorers: Ross (3), Penny (3), Maggs, Bosson and Howell.

Knock-out Semi-final

v. A.G.S.—won 3-1.

With our regular team, we scored a surprise, though well-merited win over Auckland Grammar, who never looked like winning. Maggs, with 2 superb goals, was really brilliant at centre forward while the other forwards gave their best display of the season. The defence of Bush,

in goal, who played magnificently, Roberts, Bain and Howell stopped the Grammar forwards time and time again. A grand win for Seddon.

Scorers: Maggs (2), Mackie.

Knock-out Final

v. M.A.G.S. "A"—won 2-1.

The most thrilling game of the season for both the two teams and the many spectators and supporters who watched us narrowly defeat the champions, M.A.G.S., by two goals to one. The team, in their positions, were:—

Bush

Bain Roberts

Mackie Howell Atwell

Fleming Bosson Maggs Ross Penny

No one player should be mentioned as everyone gave of their best, but Howell and Maggs were absolutely outstanding. The match was won by our forwards who never let up and forced the goalkeeper into two mistakes which cost M.A.G.S. the game. In the goal for Seddon, Graham Bush produced some remarkable saves and anticipation, including the saving of a penalty, after being injured in the early stages of the game. A first class meritorious triumph for Seddon.

Scorers: Maggs, Fleming.

Non-Competition Game

v. Hamilton Tech.—won 4-0.

We were the better side, but the Hamilton team never gave up trying and 4-0 represents a fair indication of the merits of the two teams, Bain, Roberts and Penny standing out.

Scorers: Maggs (2), Penny, Ross.

We thank Hamilton for the splendid contest they provided, and we hope to see them once again in Hamilton next year.

Our championship table was:—

Played 10, Won 6, Lost 2, Drew 2, For 35, Against 14, Points 14.

Our knock-out table was:—

Played 3, Won 3, Lost 0, Drew 0, For 14, Against 2, Points .

The main goal scorers were:

Maggs	12
Ross	12
Penny	6
Howell	5
Bosson	3
Fleming	2

Once again the 1st XI. was well represented in the Secondary Schools Representative Teams, the successful players being, Bush, who was Auckland captain,

and Howell, members of the Open team which retained the Skerrett Cup at New Plymouth, and Bain and Roberts, who were fullbacks in the Senior Grade Reps. which won the tournament at Hamilton. Congratulations to these four boys.

The team would like to thank Mr. Schlup for the great assistance he rendered us, particularly in our last two matches.

Obituary.

A great loss was suffered by Seddon soccer when on November 24th, 1951, it came as a great shock to us to learn that Mr. David Steele, who for many years had ably assisted in coaching the 1st XI, had passed away. Mr. Steele gave up his own valuable time to train the 1st XI. and a great deal of the credit for the success achieved this year certainly belongs to him. I am sure he will be missed by all those connected with association football in Auckland, particularly in the Secondary Schools. The quiet little man in the raincoat and cap is conspicuously absent from our practices, and on behalf of all past and present members of the 1st XI, I would like to extend to his relations and many friends our sympathy, and say, that by a great number of us he will be remembered for a very long time.

JUNIOR A SOCCER TEAM

The regular team was McLean, Clayton (Captain), Rae, Van Strieland, Orrell (Vice-Captain), Southern, Davidson, Farrow, Friis and Hanley. Others who played were Emmerton, Langwell, Parr, Kennedy, Wilson and Bingley.

Games played in championship 9, won 6, Drew 2, Lost 1. Came third in championship.

v. S.M.T.C. 'B' won 6-0, 6-1.

v. M.A.G.S. 'A' won 3-1, lost 1-0.

v. M.A.G.S. 'B' won 5-0, drew 0-0.

v. A.G.S. won 6-0, 6-1.

v. Avondale, drew 1-1.

Goals.—For 32, Against 5.

Winners of Knockout.—We defeated the following:—Avondale 3-0, M.A.G.S. 'B' 5-1. In the final we defeated M.A.G.S. 'A' 3-1, giving us the knockout.

Goals.—For 11, Against 2.

Trip to Huntly.—We beat Huntly Junior team 5-1 after a very fast game. We visited the Kimihia open cast mine and we stopped at Mercer coming back, for refreshments.

Congratulations.—To Mc Lean, Clayton,

Wilson and Davidson for being selected for the Auckland 6th Grade team who played at Hamilton against Waikato and to Orrell for being selected for the under 14 Auckland Schoolboy Reps. who played at Wanganui.

Our Coach.—We all sincerely thank Mr. Riddolls for all his help during the season.

Bad Luck.—Jack Davidson our right wing who injured himself during the season, and is now in hospital.

1st XI CRICKET NOTES

Third Term 1951

After a good start in the first term the team did not do as well as expected. This was mainly due to three players leaving in the mid-term and also to lack of practice on a grass wicket.

Our first game against Kings College was disappointing. It did, however, provide the essential practice which helped us in our later games.

K.C. 193—Hobbs 5 wickets for 49 runs; S.M.T.C. 21

S.M.T.C. 97—Waddingham 30, Hobbs 22, Collins 23.

The next match against Auckland Grammar was similar to the Kings game. A good recovery in the second innings nearly saved the game. Our batting had improved greatly since our first game.

S.M.T.C. 41

A.G.S. 164, Hobbs 4 for 36, Campbell 4 for 58.

A.G.S. 29 for 0 wickets.

S.M.T.C. 145—Waddingham 35, Collins 31, Ellison 21 not out.

The result of our game with Mount Albert Grammar was in doubt until the last minute of play. The low scores were the result of good fielding. The batting of Collins and Hobbs were outstanding features of the match.

S.M.T.C. 97—Collins 53

M.A.G.S. 93—Campbell 7 for 40.

M.A.G.S. 94 for six wickets.

S.M.T.C. 85—Hobbs 44.

Avondale first innings score was too large for us and this left us with no alternative than to play out time. Campbell again bowled well.

A.C. 202—Campbell 6 for 29.

S.M.T.C. 81—Ellison 20, Waddingham 20.

S.M.T.C. 80 for 5—Waddingham 19, Campbell 17.

For the first time the team made a trip to Te Puke. This was most enjoyable even though

the means of transport was not what it may have been expected. The game was very close and exciting. Good all round batting was responsible for our score of 122. We managed to get Te Puke out for 118 after they had been 110 for 4 wickets.

The team was selected from the following players: — Hobbs (Capt.), Waddingham, Andrews, Campbell, MacLeod, Maggs, Ellison, Collins, Cleave, Langwell and Orrell.

First Term 1952

The first eleven started the season very well, although perhaps not successfully but promisingly. The team should do very well in the later half of the season. Our coach, Mr Page, was able to select a team of experience and youth. The team was selected from the following players: — Waddingham (Capt.), Campbell, Andrews, Cleave, Maggs, Ellison, Orrell, Millar, Ross, Ravlick and Trowern.

Our first match against Avondale we won by a narrow margin. Only the first innings could be decided because of slow batting. After being set a large total, the team all batted soundly and were finally rewarded by a win. A.C. 150—Campbell 5 for 41.

S.M.T.C. 165—Maggs 34, Andrews 30, Orrell 29, Campbell 25.

Batting in our first innings let us down against Aucland Grammar. Although we fought back in the second innings we were in a difficult position.

S.M.T.C. 69—Ross 18.

A.G.S. 214—Andrews 4 for 61.

S.M.T.C. 100—Maggs 29.

Against Takapuna Grammar we displayed the same weakness in letting our opponents score heavily in the first innings. We scored well in our second innings but could not get Takapuna out for a small score.

T.G.S. 226 for six wickets declared.

S.M.T.C. 97—Cleave 36.

S.M.T.C. 172—Ross 40, Trowern 29, Millar 26, Orrell 24.

2nd Eleven Cricket 1952

This team enjoyed a better season than most 2nd XI teams of the college. Four games were played, one of which was won outright; two were drawn—in both we were in a winning position—and the other was lost.

The team's batting, except in the first game, was definitely the strong point. If the attack had been stronger we probably would have been more successful. The fielding was very patchy.

The following players played one or more

Saturday games:—L. Williams (Capt.), C. Nairn (Vice Capt.), L. Howell, A. Elder, R. Ettles, L. Coster, R. Trowern, R. Mackie, G. Blincoe, I. Diamond, F. Peters, R. Curtis, R. Mosheim.

Summary Of The Games

v A.G.S. Played on a good wicket at A.G.S. Grammar won the toss and elected to bat.

A.G.S. 1st innings 154. (Williams and Peters took 3 wickets each).

S.M.T.C. 1st innings 40 (Williams 11, Elder 11).

2nd innings 74 (Elder 18, Williams, Blincoe 12).

An outright loss.

v M.A.G.S. Played on a damp wicket at M.A.G.S. Nairn won the toss and batted.

S.M.T.C. 1st innings 102 (Nairn 16, Ettles 21, Mackie 27).

M.A.G.S. 1st innings 78 for 6.

A drawn game.

v Whangarei High School. Played on a wet wicket at the Domain. We sent Whangarei in to bat.

Whangarei 1st innings 55 (Trowern, Ross and Howell 3 wickets each).

S.M.T.C. 1st innings 133 for 9 declared (Curtis 19 retired, Nairn 18, Trowern 14, Ettles 13, Mackie 12 retired, Coster 11 not out).

Whangarei 2nd innings 40 (Nairn 6 for 30, Elder 2 for 4, Ross 2 for 1).

v Avondale. Played on a wet wicket at the Domain. Avondale sent us in to bat.

S.M.T.C. 1st innings 137 (Williams 50, Coster 16, Curtis 15, Nairn 12, Howell 11).

Avondale 1st innings 52 for 6 (Elder 2 for 14, Peters 4 for 22).

Wet weather prevented play on the second day—drawn game.

The most successful batsman was the captain, Williams, who also was the best all rounder, while Elder and Peters bore the brunt of the bowling. Blincoe was a reliable wicket-keeper, stumping five and catching one. There were also several good change bowlers.

Third Grade Cricket Eleven

This season the team enjoyed a series of successful and entertaining matches. All games were closely contested which made them all the more interesting and exciting to both players and coaches. The boys all tried hard and although the first couple of matches had low scores it could only be expected, since we needed time to settle down and co-operate.

The finest match of the season was played

at the Domain against Takapuna Grammar School, under ideal conditions. We were very fortunate to have won this game, as play was very even and both sides were out to win it all costs. The batting which up until then had been disappointing took a turn for the better, and it was this that played the major role in the victory, by one wicket.

In the last game of the "half" the team considered itself done-out of a win by not coming out on top of Avondale College, but time was short and we were forced to a draw after some fine bowling by our chaps. Still we were unbeaten and were at the top of the ladder.

All the team wishes to thank Mr Grant for his time and patience which put us where we are, by training. We would also like to thank him for the use of his car as both gear carrier and "taxi" wherever we played.

The performances are as follows:—

Best results of this season have been as follows: Batting: Highest scores, Longville (23 n.o., 29), Kostrikin (26), Perkis (15, 14, 15.), Roberts (22).

Bowling: Perkis (16/56), Roberts (8/53), Kostrikin (3/19).

4th Grade Cricket

The regular team for the first term was:—Smith, Bell-Smith, Lawn, Small, Kerr, Hewitt, O'Shea, Farrow, Horning, Burgess, Clarke.

Best bowlers among a lot of good players were Smith and Small. Kerr and Farrow gave good assistance.

Fielding was at a very high standard and Horning and Small excelled in this. Farrow was also above average.

Batting was not at a very high standard. But Bell-Smith and Kerr put up several good scores. Nevertheless batting averages should be improved.

Our thanks are extended to Mr Dowling for the time and efforts he has put into the team.

5th A Cricket Team

The 5th A cricket team had a successful season, their wins including a game against Whangarei. The team owed its successes mainly to the efforts of the "demon" bowler, Penerata who also made the team's record score of 50 runs. The team was encouraged and coached by Mr Powell whose advice had several times aided us in winning a game. The team's captain, Morgan, had the second highest bowling average and Slattery had the third. The opening batsmen Crookes and Anderton

usually started the game with a substantial score.

The team was: — Morgan, Penerata, Treneary, Crookes, Anderton, Slattery, Bowerman, McLintock, Flower, Lees, Phillips, White, Sommerville. Coach Mr Powell.

6th Grade A Cricket Notes

The 6th grade cricket team had a very disappointing season losing 4 games out of the four played. The team was R. Mitchell (Capt.), Fleming, Sharp, Evans, Wuberg, Fitzgerald, Constable, Gard, Samuels, Watson, Poka and Vincent. Sharp and Fleming who took turn about in wickets were very good.

Our special thanks go to Mr Wooller (Coach) and Mr Page (Manager).

The highest scorers were Constable and Samuels, and the chief bowlers were Mitchell, Constable and Samuels.

On the whole the team was quite sound and unlucky not to win any matches.

6th B Cricket

The B team had this year an enjoyable season with the first game lost to O.T.H.S. A. The second showed a fine win for S.M.T.C. after A.G.S. had a 2nd innings lapse to be dismissed for 7. Present at this function were Mr N. Page and ex-Head Prefect Ronald Hobbs. Other games resulted in 1 win and 1 loss to Otahuhu B and Northcote respectively.

The team, is as follows:—Boag, Castain, Cameron, Gilmore, Gavan, Harrop, Simpson, Pringle, Leitch-Haggie and Oliver (Capt.).

Our thanks go to Messrs. Wooller and Page coach and manager respectively for their generosity and understanding during this past season.

Cadet Battalion Notes

This year, the College Cadet Battalion was unfortunate in that wet weather brought to an early close the Barracks Week held at the Domain.

The times for drill decided on for 1952 were an hourly period on Thursdays from 2.30 to Barracks Week and the Thursday drill periods of the first term are used to give the Cadets their basic training. This leads up to the 3.30 p.m. in the first and third terms The Battalion Parade which is held in the third term. At this Parade, the Cadets are usually inspected by an officer from the Regular Force.

Our congratulations go to Captains H. Leves and E. James on their decoration for 20 years efficient service with Her Majesty's Forces.

On behalf of the Officers and Cadets of the

Battalion, I would like to thank W.O.I Arthur for his very helpful and personal interest taken in the Battalion and also to Sergeant Kerry, "Sam," for his great assistance with our equipment.

Last year, the College Rifle Team took part in the Inter-Secondary School "Weekly Press Shield" competition. Although the Team did not win the Shield it was placed on the Honours List for the year. The team practised at the Drill Hall Range under the supervision of Second Lieutenant R. Riddolls, who has kindly offered to coach this year's team.

During the August holidays, the College sent a number of Cadets to Papakura Camp for instruction as N.C.O.'s. These Cadets were picked out from the Companies as they showed leadership and reliability.

The period spent at camp, gives the Cadet an insight into army life and his training there is of great value when he returns to his Cadet Unit.

If a Cadet has the desire to become an N.C.O. he must attend a military camp at either Christmas or the August holidays. The army has arranged courses ranging from Cadets to Regimental Sergeant Major training units. The more camps a Cadet has attended the quicker his promotion. Most of the C.S.M.'s have attended at least three courses while the R.S.M. or S.U.O. four or more.

This year the Artillery Company has been broken up into Bren squads. These experts are greatly assisting the companies in their weapon training periods. Our thanks go to Captain C. Brooking and T.S.M. W.O.II P. Phillips for their help in this new branch of the Battalion.

This year, all Companies, both Infantry and Specialists, have shown interest and a high standard of work in their particular sections.

Organization of Battalion

Officers.

O.C. Major E. C. Wooller E.D.
21/C Major L. E. Adams.

H. Q. Company

O.C. Captain E. James (Signal Officer).
Engineers Captain R. Waddell.
Ambulance 2nd Lieutenant E. Dowding.

A. Company.

O.C. Captain F. Schulp.
Lieutenant A. Yonge.

B. Company.

O.C. Captain H. Leevess.
Lieutenant N. Page.
Lieutenant J. Powell.

C. Company

O.C. Captain L. Grant.
Captain C. Hicks.
Lieutenant F. Eade.

Bren Group.

O.C. Captain C. Brooking.
Q.M. Lieutenant H. Taylor.

Cadet N.C.O.'s

Senior -Under Officer. J. Michael

Regimental-Sergeant-Major A. A. Peden.
Regimental Quarter-master Sergeant R. Andrews.

A. Company.

C.S.M. W.O.II A. F. Campbell, W.O.II C. Fry.

Sergeants. Clark, Perkis, Arnold, Burges.

B. Company.

C.S.M. W.O.II J. Waddingham.
Sergeants, Harris, Coster, Atkinson, James.

C. Company.

C.S.M. W.O.II G. Bush

H. Q. Company.

C.S.M. W.O.II P. Phillips, C.S.M. W.O.II. Sergeants, Nairn, Moore, Allen, Stewart, L. Howell.
C.S.M. W.O.II L. Fenelon, C.S.M. W.O.II C. Dennerly.
Sergeants, Collett, Brown, Bosson, Penny, Vette, Singh.

SOFTBALL NOTES 1952

For the first time S.M.T.C. entered a team in the 1st IX. competition. Seven teams were entered this year compared with five in 1951 and three in 1950. Although the senior team won only one of its four matches all the games were evenly contested. The fourth grade "A" team and the fifth "B" are both leading in their competitions.

Owing to the improved standard of play a senior team was entered in the 1st IX. Every game was played in a good sporting spirit. The usual team was—Hawk, Baillie, Atkinson, Cole, Ellison, Phillips, Potatau, Fleming, Otene. Reserves—Burgess, Kingi, Anderson.

Coaches Comments:

Hawk—His consistent pitching has contributed greatly to the success of the team.
Baillie (Capt.)—His enthusiasm, personal play and handling of the team has had a marked effect on softball in the school.

Atkinson—He is an outstanding player but at times his play is spoiled by being too casual.



1st Hockey XI, 1952

Standing: H. J. Stewart, G. A. Frost, A. J. Burgess, L. J. Thornton, H. J. E. Taylor, R. Blennerhassett, D. Donaldson, J. H. Clarke.

Sitting: J. L. Coster, R. D. Taylor, N. W. Halse (Vice Capt.), B. A. Allen (Capt.), C. R. Gatland, A. A. Peden, M. Ranchod.

In Front: E. R. Baillie, G. H. Cranston.



S.M.T.C. 3rd "A" Rugby 1952

Rear Row: M. Hawke, D. Mullions, M. Cleave, C. Nairn, G. Donnell, L. Alder, F. Dennerly, D. Kingi.

Middle Row: R. Henry, G. Tate, A. Miller, B. Ellison (Capt.), L. Trovern, M. Dempsey, Mr Page.

In Front: B. Campbell, L. Harker, M. Marshall.

Seventh Grade Hockey Team, 1952

Back Row: P. J. McGeady, A. S. Moon, B. L. Colquhoun, R. H. Rossiter, S. R. Mainland.

Middle Row: I. J. Luke, D. J. Barry, N. L. Head, D. C. Mackinzie, R. S. Haywood, G. S. Hanna,

Front Row: G. J. Anderson, R. J. Gavin, B. E. Simmonds (Vice-Captain), W. J. Davis (Captain), T. G. Howe, G. J. Davis, Mr. E. L. M. James.

Absent: D. G. Cortesi, D. G. Dean, D. W. McCready, J. Vincent.



Fourth Grade Rugby, 1952

Back Row: A. Walsh, N. R. Boag, R. Castaing, F. J. Neale,

Middle Row: R. D. Mitchell, R. Smith, R. Watson, D. M. Millard, C. Cooper, T. Ridgley.

Front Row: R. Mosheim, G. Hill (Vice-Captain), P. Singh (Captain), B. McKenzie, Mr. A. C. Yonge.



**Second Soccer XI,
Winners of Championship, 1952**

Standing: K. Brown, W. M. Barnett
(Vice-Captain), J. Moore, S. Foster,
G. Hewitt.

Sitting: Mr. F. Schlup, J. H. Har-
wood, E. Clark, R. Reynolds
(Captain), K. Atkinson, S. S.
Brown.



**Junior A. Soccer,
Winners Knockout 1952**

R. Langwell, P. Friis, C. Clayton
(Capt.), Emmerton, L. Southern,
L. Melean, R. Van Strieland, K.
Orrell, (Vice Capt.), P. Rae, Mr
R. W. Biddolls.

Absent: E. Farrow, G. Hanley.



Cole—Has a very good knowledge of the game and plays well but has too many off days.

Ellison—He is an outstanding player and has played consistently well.

Potatau—Towards the end of the season he proved himself to be one of the best outfield players in Secondary School Competitions.

Phillips (Vice Capt.)—Played good, strong softball.

Fleming—Has a good eye but was inclined to stand too far round and hit fouls. Lack of practice stopped him playing his best.

Otene—Played well and was never afraid to hit the best pitchers to the outfield.

Kingi—Lack of experience handicapped him although he played well in the outfield.

The games played were.—

v. Mt. Albert Grammar.—We were unlucky not to win our first game. After a bad start the team settled down and played a tight game.

Innings results:—
S.M.T.C., 0 2 0 1 4 2 1—10
M.A.G.S., 2 7 0 2 0 0 2—13

v. Sacred Heart College.—Playing against a team of older boys of which six were in the Secondary Schools Reps., we were defeated through lack of experience.

Innings results:—
S.M.T.C., 0 2 0 0 1 0 0—3
S.H.C., 6 1 0 0 2 0 0—9

v. St. Peters Maori Boys.—In this game our usual pitcher Hawk, who had been ill was off form and Ellison had to take over pitching.

Innings results:—
S.M.T.C., 2 1 2 0 3 0 0—8
S.P.M.B., 8 0 2 6 2 0 4—22

v. Avondale College.—This was the last of the season, in which the team combined perfectly to beat Avondale 8—3.

Innings results:—
S.M.T.C., 2 1 2 0 3 0 0—8
A.C., 0 1 0 2 0 0 0—3

The teams would like to thank Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Eade and Mr. Cook for the interest they have taken in the teams and for making them what they are.

ROWING NOTES

The 1952 Rowing season saw the college reach its highest standard, the result of serious training by the boys, good coaching by Mr. E. Smith and the goodwill of West End Rowing Club.

The "Eight" made the journey to Wanganui in search of the Maadi Cup. The boys were well cared for by Wanganui Collegiate at whose Hostel they were billeted.

Everyone at the Collegiate set themselves out to see that our boys were well looked after. The result was a pleasant and memorable experience. The race itself was worth watching. Seddon were beaten over the line by a length from Collegiate. Mt. Albert our old rivals finished a length and a half astern of Seddon. This was the first time in our rowing history that we have beaten Mt. Albert who are always a formidable combination.

It was with a certain amount of reluctance that we left Wanganui. We had a successful time there.

However we have another serious event ahead of us—the Head of the Harbour Regatta,—in Auckland. Mt. Albert were seeking revenge for their defeat at Wanganui and Kings were making their appearance in this eight-oared contest.

The race itself proved most exciting as Seddon and Mt. Albert went out to the front followed closely by Kings College. There was never more than half a length between the two leaders and the result was in doubt almost to the finishing end when Mt. Albert crossed the line first by a one third of a length. Kings did very well in their first Head of the Harbour to finish a close third.

Our fours did not do quite as well as in the past but this was probably due to the higher standard of rowing encountered than previously. In one fours race there were eleven starters, including Auckland Grammar.

We have some good boys in our fours who will move into the "Eight" this year, maybe it will be their lot to win next year's Head of the Harbour Regatta and make History for Seddon.

BOYS' ATHLETIC SPORTS, 1952.

The track at the Auckland Domain was in excellent condition for the 1952 Athletic Sports. As usual, one Tuesday afternoon was devoted to running off preliminary events while the main programme occupied a full day on Tuesday, 11th March. The number of boys taking part this year was much larger than usual, a fact which was extremely gratifying to the Athletic Sports Sub-Committee.

Outstanding performances were put up by Steven, E.5A who reduced the 120 yards Intermediate Hurdles record to 16.5 seconds and A. Campbell, W.6 who achieved a distance of 97ft. 5ins. in the Intermediate Discus. The senior sprint cup was won by Peterson, W.6A who made a clean sweep in the short distances, Orrell, W.5A although an intermediate, won the middle distance points cup and Campbell was the winner of the field events cup.

The tally-up of House points showed that Seddon (238 points) was easily first, followed by Binns (174 points), Hindley (148 points) and Wellesley (112 points).

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Senior:

- 100 Yards.**—Peterson (S) 1st, Kingi (H) 2nd, Jacobson (W) 3rd. Time: 11.2s.
220 Yards.—Peterson (S) 1st, Kingi (H) 2nd, Howell (W) 3rd. Time: 25.4s.
440 Yards.—Peterson (S) 1st, Howell (W) 2nd, Nairn (S) 3rd. Time: 57.9s.
880 Yards.—Orrell (S) 1st, Cleave (W) 2nd, Dennerly (H) 3rd. Time: 2m. 22.1s.
One Mile.—Morrison (S) 1st, Orrell (S) 2nd, Cleave (W) 3rd. Time: 5m. 12.4s.
120 Yards Hurdles.—Howell (W) 1st, Coster (W) 2nd, Kingi (H) 3rd. Time: 19.5s.
Long Jump.—Kingi (H) 1st, Williams (W) 2nd, Andrews (S) 3rd. Distance: 17ft. 11in.
High Jump.—Harris (S) 1st, Howell (W) 2nd, Williams (W) 3rd. Height: 4ft. 11in.
Putting Shot.—Potatau (S) 1st, Andrews (S) 2nd, Otire (W) 3rd. Distance: 33ft. 9in.
Throwing Javelin.—Campbell (B) 1st, Potatau (S) 2nd, Andrews (S) 3rd. Distance: 105ft. 2in.
Throwing Discus.—Campbell (B) 1st, Perkis (S) 2nd, James (B) 3rd. Distance: 96ft. 5in.

Intermediate:

- 100 Yards.**—Steven (H) 1st, Hugges (S) 2nd, Collier (S) 3rd. Time: 11.7s.
220 Yards.—Dempsey (S) 1st, Hill (S) 2nd, Phillips (B) 3rd. Time: 27.2s.
440 Yards.—Dempsey (S) 1st, Newth (B) 2nd, Jensen (H) 3rd. Time: 58.8s.
880 Yards.—Newth (B) 1st, Dempsey (S) 2nd, Jensen (H) 3rd. Time: 2m. 17s.
120 Yards Hurdles.—Steven (H) 1st,

Trowern (S) 2nd, Smith (S) 3rd. Time: 16.5s.

Long Jump.—Huges (S) 1st, Buckley (B) 2nd, Campbell (S) 3rd. Distance: 17ft. 7in.

High Jump.—Mayhill (S) 1st, Buckley (B) 2nd, Smith (S) 3rd. Height: 4ft. 9in.

Putting Shot.—Campbell (B) 1st, Potatau (S) 2nd, Perkis (S) 3rd. Distance: 42ft. 2in.

Throwing Discus.—Campbell (B) 1st, Perkis (S) 2nd, Potatau (S) 3rd. Distance: 97ft. 5in.

Throwing Javelin.—Campbell (B) 1st, Ellison (S) 2nd, Potatau (S) 3rd. Distance: 104ft. 11in.

Junior:

- 100 Yards.**—Webber (B) 1st, Wright (S) 2nd, Munday (B) 3rd. Time: 12.3s.
220 Yards.—Wright (S) 1st, Mincham (H) 2nd, Munday (B) 3rd. Time: 28.7s.
440 Yards.—Mincham (H) 1st, Fleming (W) 2nd, Munday (B) 3rd. Time: 1m. 6.1s.
880 Yards.—Ross (W) 1st, Mincham (H) 2nd, Boag (W) 3rd. Time: 2m. 32.6s.
100 Yards Hurdles.—Woodhead (S) 1st, Halverstone (S) 2nd, Joseph (B) 3rd. Time: 17.1s.
Long Jump.—Jackson (B) 1st, Wilson (S) 2nd, Richards (S) 3rd. Distance: 15ft. 6ins.
High Jump.—Richards (S) 1st, Boag (W) 2nd, Jackson (B) 3rd. Height: 4ft. 6ins.
Putting Shot.—Myles (W) 1st, Newsome (W) 2nd, Wright (S) 3rd. Distance: 31ft. 8in.
Throwing Discus.—Myles (W) 1st, Phillips (S) 2nd, Metcalfe (S) 3rd. Distance: 80ft. 4in.
Throwing Javelin.—Metcalfe (S) 1st, Woodhead (S) 2nd, Phillips (S) 3rd. Distance: 79ft. 8in.

HANDICAP EVENTS

- 440 Yards (Under 15).**—Pringle (S) 1st, McKenzie (B) 2nd, Boswell (W) 3rd. Time: 58.0s.
120 Yards Hurdles.—Andrews (S) 1st, Ellison (S) 2nd, Tate (B) 3rd. Time: 19.0s.
One Mile Open.—Olliver (B) 1st, Moore (W) 2nd, Clark (W) 3rd. Time: 4m. 42.5s.
Hop, Step and Jump.—Andrews (S) 1st, Wright (H) 2nd, Smith (S) 3rd.

Distance: 39ft. 3in.

100 Yards (Under 13).—Miller (B) 1st, Mihaljevich (B) 2nd, Govorko (B) 3rd. Time: 14.5s.

100 Yards (Under 15).—Earl (B) 1st, Stewart 2nd. Time: 12.0s.

Cricket Ball.—Bain (B) 1st, Howell (W) 2nd, Travern (B) 3rd. Distance: 27ft. 6in.

CYCLING

Half-mile open.—Denning, (H) 1st, Curtis 2nd, Arnold 3rd. Time: 1m. 4.5s.

One mile open.—Marret, (W) 1st, Tronell (S) 2nd, Longville, (S) 3rd.

RELAY RACES

Junior (440 Yards).—Seddon 1st, Wellesley 2nd, Binns 3rd.

Intermediate (880 Yards).—Binns 1st, Seddon 2nd, Hindley 3rd.

Senior (1 mile medley.—Wellesley 1st, Seddon 2nd.

House Points.—Seddon 238, Binns 174, Hindley 148, Wellesley 112.

1st. RUGBY XV. NOTES

The season although comparatively successful was, in its early stages, disappointing. After some quite good practice matches in which we were victorious we took the first competition games rather lightly, with unfortunate results.

At the end of the season, we were fortunate in being asked down to Stratford and we are most grateful to Mr. Scott for allowing us to accept the invitation and to Mr. White and his staff and pupils for giving us such an enjoyable time in Taranaki.

J. Waddingham made an excellent captain both on and off the field playing some good games at the beginning, but tending to lose confidence towards the end of the competition. A. James was a very able vice-captain and played consistently well, his tackling being an inspiration to the rest of the forwards.

This year's pack is probably one of the best we have had for some time and while the members were all hard working and rugged players, particular mention should be made of Elder who excelled in all branches of forward play, always on the ball and never afraid to dive tackle.

The backs were very game, but lacked what is always essential—speed. Tackling

in some matches was brilliant but the pace was just not there; in fact Otene probably takes much longer now to cover a hundred yards than he did three years ago when he played his first game for the team.

This year's all rounder was A. Campbell, who was a good loose forward, a rather selfish five eighth and a fairly consistent goal kicker.

Results of Matches.—

v. Kings College.—Lost 3-14. The game was always interesting, both teams throwing the ball about. Half-time came with the scores very close after a hard struggle. Kings scored 11 quick points but we fought back until the last few minutes when Waddingham kicked a penalty goal.

v. Sacred Heart College.—Lost 0-11. After being down 11 points at half-time, we tried very hard, but could not score although constantly on attack.

v. Otahuhu College.—Lost 12-24. This was a fast open game. We did not settle down until nearly half way through the first half, in which time Otahuhu scored 16 points. From then on it was a very even. Perkis and James scored tries and Campbell kicked two penalty goals.

v. Mount Albert Grammar School.—Lost 0-17. Mount Albert scored all its points in the first half in the second half our forwards were able to keep the ball from the fast opponents and as a result no further points were scored.

v. Takapuna Grammar School.—Won 9-3. A good open game despite bad weather conditions. It was close throughout and two good tries by Collier in the last ten minutes decided the game. The other points came from a penalty, kicked by Campbell.

v. Avondale College.—won 12-6. Playing well for the first half we scored 9 points. From then on play was a little ragged but we kept on top. Kingi and Baillie scored very good tries and Campbell kicked two penalties.

v. Auckland Grammar School.—Lost 9-17. Playing one of our best games of the season we had Grammar worried. Until the last few minutes, with the score 9-11, we could have won but two penalties to Grammar were the deciding factors.

v. Otahuhu College.—Lost 3-6. In a very close and hard game we were a little unlucky to lose. Highlight of the match

was a fine try by Kingi. Another pleasing feature of the game was the way the backs handled the wet ball.

v. Takapuna Grammar School.—Won 14-3. A good combination between forwards and backs played a large part in our win. The backs ran fast and straight while the forwards went in to both tight and loose. Campbell (2), Kingi and Walker scored tries. Campbell converted one.

v. Avondale College.—Won 14-3. After an even first half we went on to win quite easily. With a monopoly of the ball our backs made several good movements which could have increased the margin. Tries were scored by James, Ravlick and Campbell. Campbell converted one and kicked a penalty goal.

v. Thames High School.—Won 8-0. The team played one of its best games of the season to defeat Thames, their first defeat in five seasons. The forwards more than held their own and gave the backs plenty of the ball. The backs had more thrust than usual and were responsible for many good runs. The tackling was at all times sound. Ravlick and Perkins scored tries, Campbell converting one.

v. Hamilton Technical College.—Won 5-3. Scoring a try just on time, we won a game which showed lack of interest. It was a close game but it was spoilt by bad passing. Campbell converted Walker's try.

v. Pukekohe High School.—Won 25-8. Fast running by the backs and hard forward play enabled us to win by this margin. The team was quick to take advantage of the opponents' mistakes particularly in the last ten minutes when we added twelve points. Tries were scored by Elder, Phillips, Collier, Baillie, James and Walker. Campbell converted two.

v. Stratford Technical High School.—Lost 3-6. Another good game with the result very close. Both teams' defence was sound which prevented a larger score. Collier scored a thrilling try after a run of 50 yards. This game will be remembered by all those who played in it as a most pleasant game, and typical of the Stratford trip.

3A RUGBY TEAM

The team consisted of:—

Backs: B. Ellison (Capt.), K. Russell, B. Campbell, F. Dennerly, R. Trowern, M. Cleave, M. Hawke, D. Arnold, Kingi.

Forwards: G. Tate, A. Millar, D. Alder, G. Donnell, M. Dempsey, C. Nairn, R. Harker, M. Marshall, G. Mullions.

The team started the season reasonably well, winning 3 games and one drawn out of its first four games. From here on we had ill luck with losing R. Baillie to the First Fifteen and several injuries.

We played two practice matches against T.G.S. and S.H.C., winning both 9-0, 19-5 respectively.

Eight competition matches were played against K.C. 3-3, O.C. 6-0, T.G.S. 3-8, S.P.M.C. 0-3, A.G.S. 0-16, M.A.G.S. 10-8, S.H.C. 8-9, D.H.S. won by Default.

We also played two country teams, Thames High School at Thames. This game was played in real winter weather with our team running out victors 15-0. Te Puke visited us and we won this game 24-0 after a very enjoyable and solid game.

The team would like to thank Mr. Page their coach for taking them on their trip and for superior coaching.

3B RUGBY

This was an enthusiastic band of boys who played some good football in the course of the season. But for illness, their record would have been considerably better.

Team.—R. Wade (Capt.), R. Gilpin, G. Hayes, K. Such, R. Clarke, J. Gable, S. Hopkins, E. Rewes, D. Kingi, D. Arnold, R. Treneary, H. Kipa, B. Durrock, M. Brunt, P. Hume, P. Webber.

FOURTH GRADE RUGBY 1952

The 4th Grade Rugby team did not have great success in the competitions this year. Due to a succession of wet grounds and postponed matches the team took a long time to find form. Towards the end of the season the combination and teamwork improved, but unfortunately too much was left to a few players. The team owes much to those stalwarts who turned out for every game and always gave of their best. Had they been adequately supported our success would have been greater.

Our forwards were always lively and capable. A weakness in the inside backs hampered our back play and only occasionally did the line function smoothly.

Singh and Hill led the team well, setting a fine example to all in loyalty and depend-

ability.

During the season trips were made to Thames and Waihi High Schools. Our thanks go to these schools for their kindness and for the good football they provided. At the end of the season we acted as hosts to a team from Te Puke High School. Their visit was enjoyed by all.

6B RUGBY

We had a very fortunate season in which we were only beaten once, 8-6 against Northcote, on a very wet day. But in a return match we defeated them 10-0.

The teams we defeated were, Dilworth B's 8-5, Mt. Albert B's 3-0, Auckland Grammar B's 8-0, St. Peters B's 9-0, Seddon C's 11-0, Sacred Heart C's 14-0, Mt. Albert C's Defaulted to us.

Two games were postponed because of wet weather. Games played, 9; Games won, 8; Games lost, 1. Points for, 69; Points against, 13.

Coach: Mr. Venables.

SECOND ELEVEN SOCCER NOTES

Co-Winners of their division championship and third in the knockout competition, the boys have had a successful and enjoyable season.

The team comprised:— W. Reynolds (Capt.), W. Barrett (V. Capt.), E. Clark, S. Brown, S. Foster, K. Brown, J. Moore, Harewood, K. Atkinson, Hewitt, K. Fry, N. Ullness.

In the early part of the season Fry played in goal but owing to examinations he was forced to withdraw. He was replaced by Ullness, an Intermediate player who was able to cope with the senior standards very well.

The forward line although fast in attack showed some slight lack in understanding between the players.

The half backs were solid on the defence with Atkinson proving himself a promising player.

The full backs were able to strengthen the defence considerably and keep the opposing forwards away.

The team played eight games, winning five drew one, and lost two. Two games were cancelled through wet weather.

We are much indebted to an outside referee, Mr. Reynolds who gave up his

Saturday mornings to referee our games. Also to Mr. Schlup who was coach for the team.

Intermediate Soccer Team

The team consisted of Sigley (Capt.), Nicholson (Vice Capt.), Wallace, Mackay, Myles, Macaskill, Fisher, Blanchard, Watson, Sutton, Peters, with Montan and Jones as reserves. Owing to bad weather on Saturdays at the beginning of the term only three games were played. The first against A.G.S. won 2-1, the second against Mt Albert won 2-1 and the last against Mt Albert in which we were honourably but decisively defeated 1-2. The team remained fairly constant throughout the season, and although the play was perhaps a little erratic and unorthodox we seemed to have the advantage over our opponents most of the time. Mr. Cook looked after us, and we look forward to next year when most of us will return as polished, competent and efficient Seniors.

1st Hockey XI

Team:—B. A. Allen (Capt.), N. W. Halse (Vice Capt.), E. R. Baillie, L. J. Thornton, H. J. E. Taylor, MRancho, R. Blennerhassett, H. J. Stawart, A. J. Burgess, A. A. Peden, J. H. Clarke.

Others who played were:—J. L. Coster, R. D. Taylor, C. R. Gatland G. A. Frost, G. H. Cranston, D. Donaldson.

It can be seen from the number of boys who played that owing to sickness and casualties the same team was rarely played more than three times. In spite of these misfortunes we were able to go to the Wellington Section of the New Zealand Secondary School's Tournament.

v Grammar Old Boys. Lost 5-4.

This was an even match.

v Varsity. Lost 3-1.

Varsity's forwards soon found a weak spot in our defence.

v King's College. Lost 3-2.

—Again we were evenly matched but King's proved more efficient in the circle.

v Ardmore. Lost 5-3.

The team played well against superior opposition.

v Avondale College. Lost 4-0.

Avondale at once attacked strongly but were met with a solid defence. With the

score at 1-0 Coster was injured and had to be replaced and it was only then that they streamed through our defence. This was only the beginning of our misfortunes.

▼ **Mt Albert Grammar.** Lost 5-3.

We led 2-1 at half-time but the new combination in the backs broke down in the second half.

▼ **Auckland Grammar.** Lost 6-2.

Once again the team commenced well and led 1-0 for a short time, but were unable to keep up the pressure.

▼ **Albertians.** Lost 3-1.

The team played a patchy game.

▼ **Otahuhu College.** Lost 3-1.

Poor tactics and lack of constructive play contributed to our defeat. We played five emergencies.

▼ **Varsity.** Lost 6-2.

Again Varsity used their forwards to good advantage.

▼ **Otahuhu College.** Won 1-0.

Everyone played well and we deserved to win.

▼ **Hamilton Tech.** Won 13-0

Our biggest win of the season.

▼ **Dargaville High School.** Won 4-2.

A game in which everyone played well.

▼ **Taumarunui High School.** Lost 2-1.

A fast game which we lost in the last minute when an opposing forward broke through to score a runaway goal.

▼ **Whangarei Boys' High School.** Lost 8-3.

The team played well but the opposing team were far too good.

The Whangarei Trip

The journey north was rather interesting as we passed through the Kumeu district which was badly flooded by the heavy rains of the previous week. Swollen streams and flooded fields were most noticeable as were occasional dead sheep in the bogs.

We were met at the station by our billeters who took us to 1XN, Whangarei's Radio Station. We also went to a glass processing factory.

Next day at 11 a.m. the match was played at Kensington Park. The conditions were heavy and our boys were met by very determined opposition. Whangarei won 8-3. N. W. Halse succeeded in scoring three well earned goals for the College.

We left Whangarei at 3 p.m. and arrived back in Auckland at 10.30 p.m.

We wish to thank our billeters for the generous hospitality extended to us during our visit.

The Seven-A-Side Tournament

The first XI competed in the annual seven-a-side tournament which completed the season. They were successful in winning two of the four matches played.

▼ **Albertians.** 0-0

Lost on penalties.

▼ **Somerville.** Won 4-1.

▼ **Grammar Old Boys.** Lost 1-0

▼ **Papatoetoe.** Won 3-1.

Visit To Taumarunui.

On Wednesday 20th August at 3 p.m. we departed for Taumarunui in the Wellington Express. We arrived there at 9.15 p.m. and were met by our billeters at the station.

Early on Thursday morning we left by bus for Mt Ruapehu accompanied by some pupils of the Taumarunui District High School. The 40 mile drive was through four different regions. The first was through the river valley out of Taumarunui and up into the bush country. Here we saw hundreds of dead trees which were burnt by the early settlers when they set fire to the bushland scrub when they cleared the land. Next was the flat tussock country leading up to the alpine region.

At Raurimu a stop was made so we could see the Spiral. A short walk brought us to the top of a hill where we were able to look down and see the convolutions of the railway line.

Visibility was excellent and as we neared the Chateau we saw the three white capped mountains against a cloudless sky. We could not have been more fortunate in seeing the mountains so clearly.

The boys had lunch at the Chateau where they purchased souvenirs for the family before proceeding up to the skiing grounds.

At the Ski-Hut our adventurous team hired skis while, thanks to the forethought of the Taumarunui boys, who produced sledges, the remainder headed for the steeper slopes.

After spending several happy hours on Skis, sledges and throwing snow balls at one another, we left on the return journey for Taumarunui.

The next morning we were taken on a

visit to the veneer factory at Manunui. The boys were most interested as they saw the whole process from the logs being sawn to the finished plywood article.

The girls of the Home Science Course prepared an excellent lunch for us before the match.

The match was played at 1-45 p.m. in the Taumarunui Domain. The game started off at a fast pace with teams evenly matched. We lost the match in the last minute when an opposing forward broke through to score a run-away goal. The final score was 2-1.

After the match a very pleasant afternoon tea was arranged for us by the members of the Home Science Course.

We left Taumarunui at 1.10 a.m. on the Express through to Auckland and arrived home at 7.15 a.m.

We wish to thank the King Country Hockey Ass., Members of the High School Staff, Billeters and the Umpires for making possible a most enjoyable trip. Above all we would like to thank Mr. T. A. Moyle for the most interesting information he sent us on Taumarunui and for the most kind and courteous consideration he showed towards the boys during their very pleasant visit to Taumarunui.

The N.Z. Secondary School Tournament

During the August holidays this year the 1st. Eleven travelled by train to Wellington to play in the Wellington section of the Tournament. The most interesting part of the journey was going round the Spiral which we had inspected several days earlier.

Our Billeters met us at the station. That afternoon we went to the Lower Hutt to see the New South Wales Schoolboys play Hutt Valley High School. New South Wales won 6-0.

The first match was on Tuesday against Wellington College, who beat us 6-2.

On Wednesday morning we went to the House of Representatives with the Taumarunui District High School, Auckland Grammar teams and our Billeters. We were met by Mr. Halstead who handed us over to the Chief Messenger with the promise that he would bring the Prime

Minister out for us. The Chief Messenger showed us over the House. Mr. Holland, the Prime Minister, later appeared and was introduced to us. He told us how the House of Representatives is run.

That afternoon we played Nelson College and lost 6-0.

On Thursday morning we defeated Wellington Tech. 1-0. In the afternoon the boys went sightseeing. Mt. Victoria, The Botanical Gardens, a ride on the Cable Car and a bus ride around the water front kept us pleasantly occupied. That evening there was a picture party.

On Friday morning we saw Auckland Grammar defeat Wellington College 5-2 in the final. We left for Auckland at 3 p.m. and arrived home at 7.15 a.m.

We would like to thank the Petone Hockey Club and Billeters for the kind hospitality which they extended towards us during our visit.

Our Thanks.

We would like to thank Mr. Scott for allowing Mr. Carnachan to take us such a great distance on our trip. We realize that without the assistance of these two gentlemen our trips would not be possible.

BOYS' SWIMMING SPORTS—1952

Senior Championship

55Yds. Freestyle.—R. Andrews 1, P. Phillips 2, N. Halse 3. Time 31.7s. Record.

110Yds. Freestyle.—R. Andrews 1, R. Perkins 2, P. Phillips 3. Time 1m. 17s. Record.

220Yds. Freestyle.—R. Andrews 1, P. Phillips 2, F. Dennerly 3. Time 3m. 14.6s.

55Yds. Backstroke.—R. Andrews 1, F. Dennerly 2, P. Phillips 3.

55Yds. Breaststroke.—B. Fast 1, D. Cosgrove 2, F. Dennerly 3. Time 47s.

Diving.—G. Foster 1, G. Orrell 2, B. Fast 3.

Intermediate Championship

55Yds. Freestyle.—R. Harker 1, R. Perkins 2, D. Mullions 3. Time 34.5s. Record.

110Yds. Freestyle.—R. Harker 1, R. Perkins 2, F. Ullness 3. Time 1m. 20.3s. Record.

220Yds. Freestyle.—R. Harker 1, R. Perkins 2, F. Neale 3. Time 2m. 54.6s. Record.

55Yds. Backstroke.—R. Harker 1, D. Tee 2, R. Perkis 3. Time 42.2s. Record.

55Yds. Breaststroke.—R. Harker 1, F. Ullness 2, D. Cosgrove 3. Time 45s.

Diving.—G. Orrell 1, D. Jones 2, P. Burch 3.

Junior Championship

33 1-3Yds. Freestyle.—B. Fast 1, R. Myles 2, T. Heath 3. Time 20s.

55Yds. Freestyle.—B. Fast 1, R. Myles 2, J. Gilmour 3. Time 36.2s.

220Yds. Freestyle.—B. Fast 1, G. Frost 2, J. Gilmour 3. Time 3m. 3.7s. Record.

33 1-3Yds. Backstroke.—D. Wright 1, R. Myles 2, G. Frost 3. Time 27.7s.

33 1-3Yds. Breaststroke.—B. Fast 1, R. Bray 2, A. Steggles 3. Time 26.5s. Record.

Diving.—B. Fast 1, R. Metcalfe 2, D. Dormer and W. Groom 3 (equal).

Plunge Dive.—Brown 1, Morgan 2, Foster 3. Distance 33ft. 10ins.

Scratch Races

Under 13.—Freeman. Under 13½.—Rea, Ramboud, Bowman. Under 14.—Phillips Doog, Friis. Under 14½.—Hawke, Myles, Hayes. Under 15.—Brunt, Smith (T4), Fasher. Under 15½.—Jones, Morgan, Vickery. Over 16.—Arnold.

Feet First.

Junior.—Keenon, Richards, Sharp.
Intermediate.—Dempsey, Smith, O'Shea.
Senior.—O'Shea, Marshall, Reynolds.

House Relays.

Junior.—Seddon, Wellesley, Hindley.
Intermediate.—Seddon, Binns, Wellesley.
Senior.—Seddon, Wellesley, Hindley.

House Points

Seddon 128, Wellesley 62, Hindley 48, Binns 34.

A.T.C. 1952

One of the school's specialized units is the A.T.C. which is open only to those who have completed one year's basic training with the School Cadets. This preliminary year is ensure that all boys of the College achieve a certain standard of discipline and efficiency, before being allowed to proceed into units for which they have a preference. This year the size of the A.T.C. unit has increased as more boys feel that their future may lie along the Air Force Lines.

A few months after starting military

drill this year, we were inspected by an old boy of the College who is now an Officer in the R.N.Z.A.F. This term we are to be inspected again, this time for the "Daughters of the Empire" trophy competition for A.T.C. units. This year we have been working hard in an endeavour to improve on last year's performance; as we had a very few new cadets selected we should have a very good chance to better most other year's performances.

We hope to be taken for a flight in either an R.N.Z.A.F. Bristol or a Hastings aircraft. This is an event that "the boys" look forward to very much.

The N.C.O.'s are of a good standard, and the O.C. Pilot Officer Macdonald seems pleased with the squadron generally.

The School Unit extends their appreciation to Pilot Officer Macdonald who has made every effort to improve the squadron. Also to the A.T.C. Staff, Officers and instructors, who have been present at each parade and who have at all times made an endeavour to assist the unit both on the parade ground and in the lecture room.

Commanding Officer P. O. Macdonald.
Under Officer: P. Peterson.
Warrant Officer: B. Horne.
Flight Sergeant: W. Reynolds.
Flight Sergeant: R. Alder.
Sergeant: G. Hill.
Sergeant: G. Horne.
Corporals: Hanna, McKenzie, Henry, Fisher.

Cross Country Run 1952

House Points.—Seddon 263, Binns 152, Wellesley 111, Hindley 101.

Junior Points.—Seddon 90, Binns 72, Wellesley 36, Hindley 12.

Intermediate.—Seddon 96, Binns 48, Wellesley 34, Hindley 32.

Senior.—Seddon 77, Binns 47, Wellesley 46, Hindley 28.

Placings

Junior.—1st S. O'Shea. 22m. 3.7s.
2nd S. Kingdon.
3rd H. Tilton.

Intermediate.—1st S. Morrison. 20m. 31.2s.
2nd W. Moss.
3rd W. Bowman.

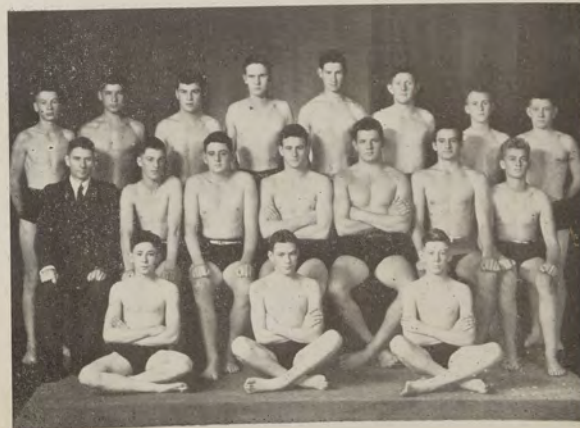
Senior. On Handicap.—1st S. Parris.
2nd S. Orrell.
3rd W. Cleave.

Fastest Times.—1st Orrell. 20—52.8s.
2nd Cleave.
3rd Dempsey.

Athletic Team, 1952

Left To Right:

G. Orrell, L. Coster, D. Wright, R. Webber, D. Fayall, R. Potatau, I. Harris, M. Cleave, R. Morrison, M. Phillips, P. Jackson, J. Waddingham, L. Howell, R. Perkis, R. Andrews, I. Williams, A. Campbell, Mr. A. E. Dowling, E. Woodhead, G. Newth, W. Minahan, P. Peterson, B. Hayes, D. Tee, M. Dempsey, B. Fleming, R. Richards, N. Boag, G. Hill, G. Earl.



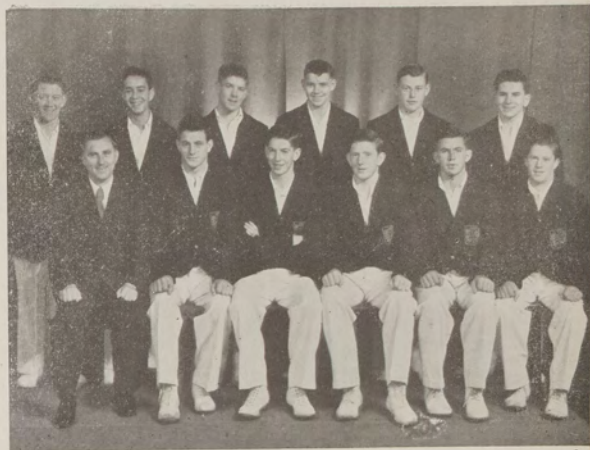
Inter Secondary School Swimming Team

D. Cosgrove, R. Harker, F. Dennerly, N. Halse, P. Phillips, A. Campbell, J. Gilmour, G. Orrell.
Mr. L. Adams, D. Tee, R. Myles, R. Andrews (Capt.), R. Perkis, L. Howell, D. Fullions.
T. Heath, P. Rae, J. Bray.
Absent: F. Neale, B. Fast, D. Wright.

First Cricket Eleven, 1922

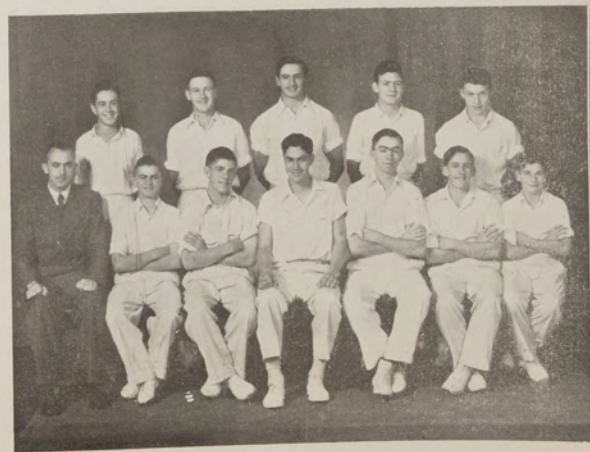
Back Row: G. R. Orrell, R. R. Curtis,
R. Trowern, G. Ross, A. Miller, A.
R. Maggs.

Front Row: Mr N. R. Page, R.
Andrews, J. S. Waddingham (Capt.),
A. F. Campbell, J. M. Ravlick, B. S.
Ellison.
Absent: M. Cleave.



2nd. Cricket Eleven

Standing: R. Curtis, R. Mackie, L.
Howell, I. Diamond, A. Elder.
Sitting: Mr R. W. Riddolls, R. Ettles,
R. Trowern, L. Williams, C. Nairn,
L. Coster, J. Blincoe.



S.M.T.C. 7th. Grade. 1952
Back Row: J. Jury, D. Wiberg, D. Wright, T. Cunningham, P. Muller, T. Strahn, R. Leys, R. Jackson,
Middle row: W. Harrod, B. Lyons, B. Flower (Vice Capt.), J. Somerville (Capt.), D. Dormer, G. Downie, Mr F. Wilkins (Coach),
Front row: W. Oliver, C. Kennedy, R. McQueen, L. Martin.

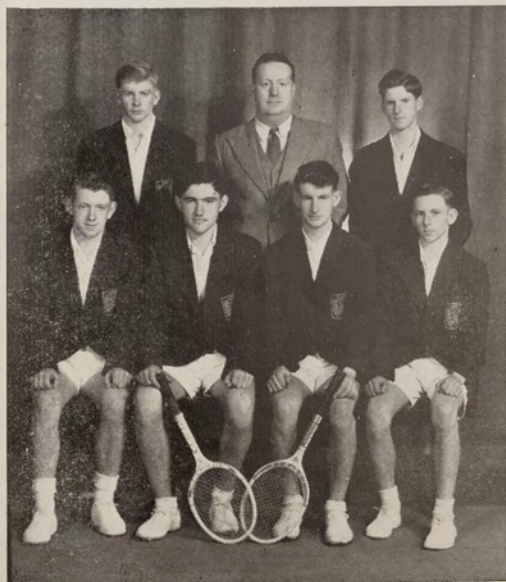


Seddon Frst Softball Team 1952
Back Row: B. Allison, W. Otene, D. Flemming, J. Harris, H. Kingi, R. Potatau,
Front Row: A. McDonald, K. Atkinson, R. Bailley (Capt), P. Phillips, (Vice. Capt.) R. Anderson, M. Hawk.



Junior Tennis Team

Back Row: R. B. Johnson, Mr L. M.
McKillop, R. Dickie.
Middle Row: K. D. Orrel, A. T. Duffy
(Capt.), G. F. Steven,
In Front: D. G. Dormer, R. S. Stringer



SENIOR TENNIS TEAM

G. N. Moss, Mr L. M. McKillop, G. J.
Bosson.
G. R. Orrell, B. H. Penny, G. W. Bush
(Capt.), W. A. Whittaker.

College Boxing Tournament 1951

The tournament finals were held in the Assembly Hall on the 18th October. Our thanks to the Auckland Boxing Association who again supplied the Officials.

A very large number of Parents and Past Students attended. The standard was rather above that of 1950. Good clean straight hitting and good sportsmanship were features of the evening.

Results were as follows.—

Senior Division.—Flea-weight 6st and under Flower beat Taylor, Midget-weight 7st and under Nelson beat Bowmar, Paper-weight 7st 7lb and under Buckley beat Stevens, Bantam-weight 8st and under Chan beat McKenzie, Feather-weight 8st 7lb and under Cleave beat Moore, Light-weight 9st and under Tate beat Tumahi, Welter-weight 9st 7lb and under Smyth beat Grewar, Light Heavy-weight 10st 7lb and under James beat Phillips, Heavy-weight 11st 7lb and over Munro beat Watkinson.

Junior Division.—Flea-weight 6st and under Downey beat Kerr. Paper-weight 7st 7lb and under Lawn beat Trinel, Bantam-weight 8st and under Penycook beat Walsh, Feather-weight 8st 7lb and

under Tee beat Metcalf, Welter-weight 9st 7lb and under Dempsey beat Cook Heavy-weight 11st and over Potatau beat Collier.

The Cox Cup for the Best Loser was won by McKenzie.

The Burke Memorial Cup for the Most Scientific Boxer was won by Buckley.
—H.P.L.

Table Tennis Championships 1952

The championships this year were held at the end of the second and beginning of the third terms, there being large entries in all three grades. Unfortunately at the time of writing, the doubles championships had not been concluded. The senior singles was won by last year's runner-up, Graham Bush from G. Orrell, who later won the Auckland E grade championship. The score 22—20, 15—21, 21—18 was a good indication of the game, which produced long rallies and reflected the merits of two evenly matched players. The intermediate singles was won by Orell who, after a shaky start, experienced little difficulty in defeating Hawke 22—24, 21—10, 21—13. The Junior singles contest was easily won by Kaa who won all his games in a competent manner. In the final he beat Friis, who played well, 21—11, 21—17.



GIRLS' SPORTS NOTES

Girls Athletic Sports

During the past year the girls had two athletic meetings; The Annual Inter Secondary Sports, and the School Athletics.

Unfortunately the School Sports, which were held at Carlaw Park, were marred by poor weather conditions, being wet in the morning and clearing very little in the afternoon, consequently the ground was rather sticky.

The results were:—

Girls' Athletic Sports 18th March 1952

Junior Championship

75yds Skipping D. Nacey (B.) 1st, Y. Brown (H.) 2, N. Moore (B.) 3.
75yds Flat Y. Brown (H.) 1st, D. Nacey (B.) 2, J. Paynter (B.) 3.
100yds Flat D. Nacey (B.) 1st, Y. Brown (H.) 2, J. Paynter (B.) 3.
Broad Jump Y. Brown (H.) 1st, Y. Hunter (W.) 2, D. Nacey (B.) 3.

Intermediate Championship

75yds Skipping D. Bygrave (H.) 1st, D. Stubbs (S.) 2, J. Owen (S.) 3.
100 Flat D. Bygrave (H.) 1st, D. Stubbs (S.) 2, P. Martin (W.) 3.
Broad Jump D. Bygrave (H.) 1st, P. Martin (W.) 2, C. Stevenson (W.) 3.
Hurdles D. Bygrave (H.) 1st, D. Stubbs (S.) 2, P. Martin (W.) 3.

Senior Championship

100yds Flat L. Armstrong (B.) 1st, M. Yurjevic (S.) 2, R. Ravlich (S.) 3.
220yds Flat L. Armstrong (B.) and M. Yurjevic (S.) 1st, R. Ravlich (S.) 3.
Broad Jump L. Armstrong (B.) 1st, M. Yurevic (S.) 2, R. Ravlich (S.) 3.
Hurdles L. Armstrong (B.) 1st, J. Coffey (S.) 2, L. Kerr (H.) 3.

Age Races

75yds under 13 Flat F. Maiden (W.) 1st, G. Smith (W.) 2, J. Rutherford (H.) 3.
75yds under 14 Flat B. Cooper (B.) 1st, V. Holt (H.) 2, J. Batchelor (W.) 3.
100yds under 15 Flat H. Jordan (B.) 1st, L. Shanks (B.) 2, M. Gibbons (H.) 3.
100yds under 16 Flat F. Jones (H.) 1st, D. Rogers (S.) 2, R. Quensell (H.) 3.
100yds over 16 Flat J. Daisley (H.) 1st, T. Bristow (B.) 2, B. Dean (B.) and S. Woolf (W.) 3.

Sack Races

50yds under 13 B. Freeman (W.) 1st, J. Rutherford (H.) 2, M. Osborne (H.) 3.
50yds under 14 M. Richards (B.) 1st, N. Healey (H.) 2, L. Coon (B.) 3.
50yds under 15 M. Currie (H.) 1st, J. Smith (H.) 2, R. Mankelov (H.) 3.
50yds under 16 B. McLean (W.) 1st, M. Lusty (B.) 2, F. Jones (H.) 3.
50yds over 16 A. McFadden (B.) 1st, T. Bristow (B.) 2, S. Woolf (W.) 3.

Three Legged Races

50yds C. Sinton and Y. Hunter (W.) 1st, M. Lett and E. Lythe 2, F. Jones and R. Quensell (H.) 3.

Relays and Team Games

Junior in and out Seddon 1st, Binns 2, Wellesley 3.
Senior in and out Binns 1st, Hindley 2, Wellesley 3.
Junior Shuttle Ball Binns 1st, Wellesley 2, Hindley 3.
Senior Shuttle Ball Binns 1st, Seddon 2, Hindley 3.
Junior Corner Spry Hindley 1st, Wellesley 2, Seddon 3.
Senior Corner Spry Hindley 1st, Wellesley 2, Seddon 3.
Junior Relay Binns 1st, Hindley 2, Wellesley 3.
Senior Relay Seddon 1st, Binns 2, Hindley 3.

Senior Championship

L. Armstrong 1st, M. Yurjevic 2.
Intermediate Championship
D. Bygrave 1st, D. Stubbs 2.
Junior Championship
Y. Brown 1st, D. Nacey 2.

The Inter Secondary Sports

These sports which were held at Pukekohe High School were more fortunate than our own, and although there was a cold wind the rain held off and a most enjoyable time was had by spectators and competitors alike. Our school was very successful in these sports, carrying off the "Drake Cup" which is presented for the most points gained on the day.

Thanks are extended by our Inter-Sees. Sports team, to Mrs Delaney and the other teachers who gave their help and support to the girls, and it is hoped that next year the team is as successful and as ably supported as it was this year.

Basketball Notes 1952

This season all three teams have enjoyed good and keen competition in their respective grades. The "A" Team was promoted to the second-to-top grade in the Auckland Basketball Association, while the "B" Team was also promoted to the grade below them. The Third Form Team won their Section in the Fifth Grade, and drew with Auckland Girls Grammar for the championship. The final was a brilliant game the score being 7 all.

Other than our Saturday competitions we played several games against other Secondary Schools, being; Hamilton, Thames, Avondale, Pukekohe and Stratford. All games, except the games against Avondale College were played at Windmill Road Courts. The Avondale College game was played at Avondale College.

The main match of the year for the "A" Team was the match against Stratford Technical College which was this year played at Stratford. We left Auckland at 8.30 a.m. on the Monday morning and did not arrive back until Thursday evening at 8.30 p.m. The days in between were spent in travelling, playing basketball and romping in the snow up Mt Egmont. On the journey home we visited Waitomo Caves and we would like to thank Mr Turtill for arranging the visit. All the girls enjoyed themselves very much and we were very tired on the Friday at School after participating in such strenuous activities.

On behalf of all the basketball girls I would like to thank the Women Staff for showing such interest in our Saturday games and for giving up their Saturdays to come and watch us. Also to Mr Scott, Miss Henderson and Mrs Delaney (our coach) for arranging our Tuesday games. To Miss Galloway also we wish to extend our thanks for accompanying the "A" Team down to Stratford and for looking after us while down there.

Girls Cricket Notes 1952

Last season 1951-52 was a very successful one for our school cricket team, and one which all the girls thoroughly enjoyed. For the most part the games were very sportingly played and we were lucky enough to lose only two games.

There were four teams participating in the particular grade we played, Avondale,

Seddon, Ellerslie and Ardmore. As runner-up in the grade, we were very narrowly beaten (by 1 point) by the Avondale College team.

Out of our team there were four members who were selected for the trials of the Auckland Cricket Representatives. Two of the girls, Yvonne Sinton and Joan Bolsower were finally selected for the actual reps while Coraline Sinton and Tui Bristow were the two other unfortunate girls who were left out.

We were lucky enough, at the end of the season, to have a trip over to Northcote College, with whom we drew. We batted only four girls as time was short. This was a most enjoyable game and we all wish to thank our coach, Miss Galloway, most sincerely for arranging this fixture and for her keen support throughout the year.

Rosaline. Our captain who wears us and her voice out during each match. But really a good sport and a good all-round cricketer.

Yvonne. The vice-captain. Our wicket-keeper and nurse but so far we have kept out of her way by not being injured. An Auckland Rep. two years running.

Joan. Our lightning bowler who terrorizes the grade by her straight spin bowls.

Tui. Our hard-hitter who also puts fear into the heart of the fielders by her many fours.

Caroline. One of the teams best catchers and a reliable slow bowler.

Fenella. Smart at snatching up the ball as it flies past slips. The wicket-keeper reserve.

Romola. A new arrival with a long throw who is a good catcher and a valuable addition to the team.

Joan S. A left-handed batter on whom we can rely to get a good score.

Winn. Another reliable fielder who sometimes bowls.

Dawn. Another new arrival who although she is small manages to bowl the ball quite well enough to hit the wickets. An unusual thing in our team.

Judy. Last but not least of our midst, she also is a small girl in a team where there are only three tall girls.

Girls Hockey Notes

This season we started hockey with only a few "old hands", and a large group of eager new players. In spite of the usual

difficulties connected with winter sports we had a very enjoyable season. We played some good teams, and these games together with the practice we had on Tuesdays improved our standard of play considerably. Our coach, Mrs. Lowen, tried very hard to improve our positional play.

Team. B. O'Malley Goalie, J. Rudolph M. Condon Fullbacks, J. Ness, F. Jones (Vice Capt.), B. Milnes Halfback, N. Scown, P. Martin, L. Armstrong (Capt.), S. Johnson, M. Gibbons Forwards.

Emergencies M. Codlin, J. Whittle.

Early in the season we played:— Hamilton Technical College and drew 4-4. We lost our second game with Avondale College, 6-1.

Inter-Secondary Competitions

Our first game was against Avondale College and we lost 2-0. The next game we played was with Otahuhu College and we drew at time 2-2. We asked for extra time, (and could have kicked ourselves later) as almost immediately a goal was scored against us, making the score 3-2.

Pukekohe High School

This game which we won 2-1 was played at home.

Dargaville High School

We lost 1-0. We were very pleased to have the opportunity of the very close game against Dargaville. The team was billeted by members of our team, and we had a very enjoyable time. We took our friends on a visit to Atwaters sight-seeing roof, the Old Colonists' Museum, and also to the Zoo. On Friday night before they left some of the girls went to the pictures, and some to see the "Ghost Train," put on by the College Drama Club, and they were very impressed with it. Next year we hope to see the team again.

Thames High School

We won 4-2. This was the last game of the term and we were very pleased to win it.

The team wishes to thank our coach, Mrs Lowen for the time, and valuable coaching she has given us this season, and we are looking forward to a happy season next year.

GIRLS TENNIS NOTES

During the first and third terms, a large number of girls can be seen heading in

packed trams towards Windmill Road courts.

The girls are placed in their groups; Beginners, Intermediate, and Seniors.

The Beginners receive coaching from capable teachers, which enables them to move on to the Intermediate group. These are girls who are able to play, but who wish to improve before moving on to the higher group. The highlight of this group is an American Tournament usually held every second week.

The Senior group consists mainly of two very keen tennis teams, who are entered in the inter School Tennis Competitions. Up to date the senior and junior teams have won only two full game sets, although they have benefited greatly by their outside play. Each team consists of six girls, the first two playing one single and one double set each, and the other four playing two sets of doubles. It was good experience and it is hoped to achieve better results in the third term matches. The main trip of the year will be a return match with Pukekohe.

Among this Senior group are our last year's champions. Joyce Bryant, Senior Single Champion. Runner-up Rangi Blake. Senior Doubles Champions Joyce Bryant and Rangi Blake. Runners-up Pam Belton and Beverley Everitt. Junior Champion Lynette Rogers. Runners-up Betty Senior Junior Doubles Champions Betty Senior and Barbara Corbett. Runners-up Lynette Rogers and Maureen Andrew.

All these games were very close and well fought. Indeed there will be strong opposition during the championships held in the third term, this year.

Also held during the course of the season was a Mixed Doubles Championship, of which Romola Cooper and Graham Bush were the winners over Yvonne Hunter and Graham Moss.

Our thanks go to Mrs Delaney, Miss Downs, and all other teachers who have taken an interest in our play.

Girls Swimming Notes

The girls swimming sports this year were held in the Shelly Beach Baths early in the first term. Favourable weather conditions prevailed during the day and all events were keenly contested. Honours went to Wellesley house who won by 20 points from Hindley. The junior champion-

"A" Basketball Team

Front Row (from left): June Coffey, Harriet Kahia, Rosaline Ravlich (Capt.), Dene MacIntosh, Leone Kerr.
Back Row: Violet Watting, Tui Brislow, Iola Adam, Romola Cooper.



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"B" Basketball Team.

Back Row: Barbara Edwards, Rose Quensill, Elaine Quick, Rebecca Mourunga, Carolyn Sinton.
Front Row: Eunice Carpener, Helen Lawrence, Lynette Morris, (Capt) Shirley Castle, Yvonne Hunter.



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3rd Form Team

Back Row (from left): C. Bell, F. Botica, R. Waerea, J. Morris V. Hutchinson, J. Paynter.

Front Row: M. Nissen, J. Bradley, B. Genn, E. Te Hira, M. Tallentire, D. Cope.



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Girls Hockey

Standing: J. Rudolph, M. Coughlan, B. Milnes, J. Whittle, B. O'Malley, N. Gibbons.

Sitting: Mrs Lowern, Pam Martin, S. Johnson, L. Armstrong (Capt.), F. Jones, N. Scown, J. Ners.



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ship was won by J. Batchelor of Wellesley while the senior championship went to P. Ellis also of Wellesley. The novelty events provided a great deal of amusement for the spectators while the close finishes in the championship events were watched with unexpressed excitement.

Two weeks after the school sports the Auckland Inter-Secondary School Girls swimming sports were held at the Olympic Pool. A number of our girls took part in the events and obtained several placings. The junior relay was won by S.M.T.C. A. McFadden was 3rd in the senior backstroke, N. Tait was 2nd in the junior breaststroke, E. Quick and G. Green won the tandem, and J. Ness was 3rd in the junior dive. On the whole day S.M.T.C was fourth on points.

Girls Swimming Sports

March 1952

Junior

33 1-3yds Freestyle J. Batchelor (W.) 1st, J. Ness (H.) 2, A. Holmes (H.) 3.

66 2-3yds Freestyle J. Batchelor (W.) 1st, J. Ness (H.) 2, N. Tait (W.) 3.

33 1-3yds Breaststroke N. Tait (W.) 1st, H. Kirkpatrick (W.) 2, C. Davies (H.), H. Howard (H.) 3.

33 1-3yds Backstroke J. Batchelor (W.) 1st, H. Baillie (W.) 2, V. Organ (B.) 3.

Dive J. Ness (H.) 1st H. Baillie (W.), B. Corbett (W.) 2nd.

Senior

33 1-3yds Freestyle L. Armstrong (B.) 1st, J. Owen (S.) 2, M. Bushby (B.) 3.

100yds Freestyle M. Bushby (B.) 1st, P. Ellis (W.) 2, B. Wright (B.) 3.

33 1-3yds Breaststroke J. Owen (S.) 1st, P. Ellis (W.) 2, B. Senior (S.), J. Henderson (W.) 3.

33 1-3yds Backstroke P. Ellis (W.) 1st, M. Bushby (B.) 2, J. Henderson (W.) 3.
Dive A. McFadden (B.) 1st, P. Ellis (W.) 2, J. Henderson (W.) 3.

Open

33 1-3yds Freestyle H. Kaihe (W.) 1st, J. Rutherford (H.) 2, R. Brown (W.) 3.

6 2-3yds Freestyle J. Rutherford (H.) 1st, M. Condon (H.) 2, P. Kirby (B.) 3.

Dive R. Brown (W.) 1st, D. Lucas (B.) 2, C. Stevenson (W.) 3.

Neat Jump B. Barry (H.) 1st, P. Goodwill (B.) 2, B. Fletcher (B.) 3.

Age Races

Under 14 J. Rutherford (H.) 1st, A. Cutts (S.) 2, S. Minus (B.) 3.

Under 15 M. Condon (H.) 1st, G. Green (H.) 2, M. Gibbons (H.) 3.

Over 15 H. Kaihe (W.) 1st E. Kapa (S.) 2, H. Lawrence (B.) 3.

Beginners Race I. Govorko (S.) 1st M. Currie (H.) 2, A. McKearney (W.) 3.

Novelties

Potato Race E. Sandham (B.) 1st V. Watling (W.) 2, D. Martin (H.) 3.

Dressing Race M. Gordan (W.) 1st, M. Richards (B.) 2, J. Rutherford (H.) 3.

Tandem G. Green and E. Quick (H.) 1st, K. Arnold and F. McCoskery (W.) 2.

Relays

Junior Wellesley 1st, Hindley 2, Binns 3.
Senior Wellesley 1st, Seddon 2, Binns 3.

House Points

Binns 29, Hindley 38, Seddon 15, Wellesley 58.

Junior Championship

J. Batchelor (W.) 1st, J. Ness (H.) 2, N. Tait (W.) and H. Baillie (W.) 3.

Senior Championship

P. Ellis (W.) 1st, M. Bushby (B.) 2, J. Owen (S.) 3.

GIRLS' HOUSE NOTES

WELLESLEY HOUSE NOTES

House Captain.—Iola Adam.

Vice-Captain.—Patricia Noble.

House Committee.—Lesley Thornalloy,
Patricia Noble, Joan Martin.

House Mistress.—Mrs. Simpson.

Assistant Mistresses.—Miss Campbell, Miss Goad.

At the beginning of the year, Wellesley was the winner of the Swimming Sports by a very good margin. Credit must go to Joan Batchelor, Junior Champion, Noeline Tate and Heather Bailey who tied for third place in the Junior Championship; To the Senior Champion, Pat Ellis, to Harriet Kaihe who won all the races she entered and all the girls who swam in the Senior and Junior Relays, both of which we won.

In the Athletic Sports, we were not so lucky although our girls ran very good races. The Cricket Team is represented by Caroline Sinton who also represented Auckland.

Four of our girls, Harriet Kaihe, Violet Watling, Yvonne Hunter and Barbara Corbett played in the College Tennis Team.

Our house holds many School Basketball Representatives. In the "A" team there are four Wellesley girls, Violet Watling, Harriet Kaihe, Louise Poka and Iola Adam. In the "B" team there are Caroline Sinton, Yvonne Hunter, Barbara Edwards, Eunice Capener, and in the Third Form Team, Barbara Genn, Doris Cope, Judith Bradley. Our congratulations go to Caroline Sinton whose play has earned her a place in the Auckland Senior "B" Representative team and also to Doris Cope who plays in the Auckland 5th grade team.

Unfortunately the "A, B and Third Form" Basketballers are not able to play in House Games and owing to this we have made a poor showing this year though we will try to atone for this in the time left. Pamela Martin represents Wellesley House in Hockey.

The thanks of every girl in Wellesley House go to Mrs. Simpson, Miss Campbell and Miss Goad, and all those who have helped our House this year.

SEDDON HOUSE NOTES

House Mistresses.—Miss Stanners, Miss Galloway, Miss Anderson.

House Captain.—Rosaline Ravlick.

Vice-Captain.—Romola Cooper.

The first term found all the Seddon girls making their way to the Shelly Beach Baths to participate in the Girl's Swimming Sports. Although our enthusiasm was great our swimming abilities did not prove to be great no matter how hard we tried.

The next Inter-House competition was the athletic sports, held at Carlaw Park on a beautiful summer day. Here we turned the tables on the other houses, the combination of our enthusiasm and our abilities proved successful.

The second term is the term when every girl can help to gain points for her house, for this is the term when basketball is played and every girl except the members of the Hockey teams takes part. This year we were unlucky not to be able to play the senior basketball players in our house competitions as they had to practice by themselves. The basketball season has not finished yet, but we are at present in third position.

Among the Seddon House girls we have many who play for the school on Saturdays and Tuesdays during the summer and the winter terms.

All the Seddon House Girls would like to take this opportunity to thank the House Mistresses for showing such interest in the girls and in the sports they participated in.

HINDLEY HOUSE NOTES

House Mistress.—Miss Worrall.

Assistants.—Mrs Watt, Mrs Lowan.

House Captain.—Jacqueline Daisley.

Vice-Captain.—Lynnsey Stockham.

Committee.—Leoni Kerr, Elaine Quick, Yvonne Brown.

This year the members of Hindley House are making every effort to gain points for the House. We made a gallant try in the swimming sports and came second. June Ness gained second place in the Junior Swimming Championship. In

the Athletic sports with Yvonne Brown the Junior Champion, we managed to finish a very close second. The girls competed keenly in the open events and ball games and we hope they will keep it up next year.

We are glad to be able to say that so far we are only a few points behind the leaders in the basketball competitions. Our outstanding players are Leoni Kerr, Rose Quinesill, and Elaine Quick; who have played in school representative teams. We owe thanks to Fenella Jones who represents us in Cricket, and in Hockey with Sadie Johnson, June Ness, and Noeline Scown.

Besides the two prefects in the house our Captain is also Deputy Head Prefect, and Jacqueline is also very prominent in the Drama Club.

We appreciate the interest and encouragement given to us by our House Mistress throughout the year. We trust that those who remain in Hindley House next year will uphold its reputation both in the school room and on the sports field.

BINNS HOUSE NOTES

House Mistresses.—Miss Downs, Miss Miles, Miss Davies, Miss Rowe.

House Captain.—Laura Armstrong.

Vice-Captain.—Tui Bristow.

Although our House was not very successful in the Swimming Championships this year, we had a few minor placings, and also a very enjoyable time. In the Athletic Sports at Carlaw Park, from our House came the Senior Champion and also the Runner Up of the Junior Championship. Because of the teams' consistent practising, our House won most of the team events, and carried off the cup for receiving the most points on the day. Now that the Basketball season is nearing its end, there is keen competition between the four houses, and Binns House will have to work hard to carry off the cup.

All the members of the House have had a very enjoyable year at sport, and we wish to thank the House Mistresses for the keen interest and encouragement which

they have shown in all the team games. We hope that the Juniors, and all those remaining next year will do their best to uphold the fine reputation of Binns House.

GIRLS' CRUSADER UNION NOTES

This year, under the leadership of Miss Worrall, our Crusader Group has grown in numbers. Early in the year we were privileged to have as our speaker Miss M. Lamb, and another of our meetings was taken by a missionary from India. One meeting was thoroughly enjoyed when the Senior girls took it. Some of our recent studies have been from great chapters of the Bible.

This year we have formed a library in which are some very helpful books on the Christian Life.

Crusader Rallies have been enjoyed and also several Crusader squashes and outings. Happy Crusader Camps at Rotorua and Mt. Egmont were attended by some of our girls.

We wish to thank Miss Worrall and Miss Davies for their inspiring messages and pray that God will use them to extend His Kingdom in this school.

GIRLS' LIFE-SAVING NOTES

Every Tuesday afternoon, at the Tepid Baths a group of 22 girls meet to train for their Bronze Medallions. The test for the Medallion is long and hard and requires much training. We have to be competent in hand-drill, artificial respiration, releases and rescues in the water, a surface dive in six feet of water, be able to swim 300 yards and have an elementary knowledge of the circulation and respiration of the human body. We are supervised by Miss Worrall, who also gives up her lunch hour on Thursdays to give us extra training. We are going for our Bronze Medallions on the 30th of September, a date we are all looking forward to.

Also on Tuesday afternoon there is a group of girls who are taught to swim by Miss Anderson. They are all learning fast so that one day they will be able to try for their Bronze Medallions.

MUSIC NOTES

1952 has proved an eventful year and the growth of College Music has brought about a number of changes.

Mr Cook stil struggles nobly to lay the beauties of Music before the yawning third formers but has the help of Messrs Powell, Page and H. James to assist with the fourth forms. The more mature section of the College known as the "upper school" is administered conjointly by Messrs Turtill, James and Cook, with the exception of the 6th forms whose musical education, after three years can be presumed to be more or less complete. Certain members of this are permitted to become members of the College Choir (of which more later.)

Miss Hyland visits us Tuesday mornings and takes a selected group of our girls for specialized work such as the Secondary school festival and concert work. Miss Hyland who is engaged for the rest of the week at another girls College has expressed her pleasure and delight at the enthusiasm and results that she has received at our College. Indeed the fifty or so girls of her group have done a grand job in carrying the entire burden at both concert and festival. These girls are also preparing the prize-giving music and by the end of the year will have given an incredible amount of their spare time towards choral work in the school.

Band: Sixteen different instruments playing sixteen different parts at the same time doesn't sound very harmonious, indeed. The extraordinary and somewhat ear-splitting sounds which emerge from Room 55 in the early hours of the morning and Thursday afternoons would seem to have little if any relations to music.

From this apparent chaos, however,

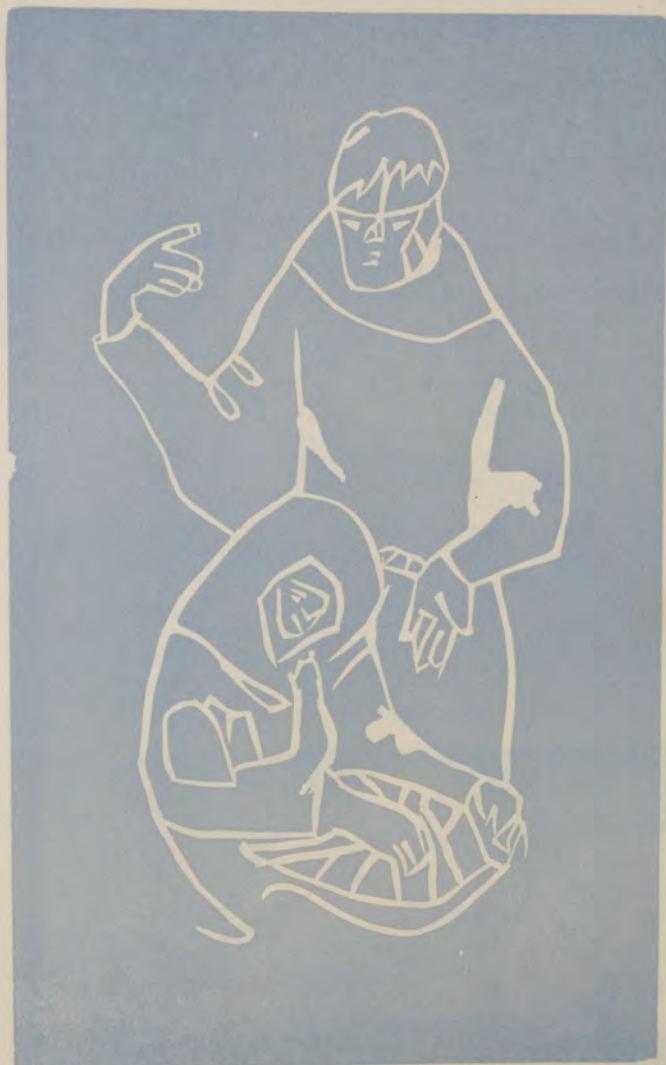
emerges the polished and competent groups of instrumentalists to be heard at the annual concert (known as the Military Band.)

Two corrections only: Firstly when we said polished and competent, we meant polished and competent: Secondly, Mr Aston our bandmaster is not only a musician but a magician and a most tireless and capable one at that.

Choir: A small choir of about 80 voices was used this year on a "quality" not "quantity" basis. They came from the senior forms only and it was a source of great delight to Mr Cook that almost the entire choir had worked with him in choral work for no less than three years. The result was that the concert preparation was not only enjoyable and thorough but of a very high standard indeed, whilst the unaccompanied singing of the prefects' group was one of the most outstanding and lovely of all items.

Our principal has expressed his pleasure in the fact that so many of the senior pupils, and of the boys in particular, are taking part and it is indeed no small feat for senior pupils facing the pressing requirement of School Certificate or University Entrance Examinaton to give up countless hours of their spare time. The vital fact is that they realize the importance of Music to a College, but we like to think that all find pleasure and satisfaction in the pure joy of singing.

At all events, the results of their work fulfil the maxim that Seddon pupils rarely if ever "let you down" which, in the light of this years Music, is, beyond the slightest doubt, entirely true.



"HOLY FAMILY."

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DRAMA NOTES

Once again the Drama Club has experienced a most satisfying year. First there was the entry of an extract from our 1952 annual production "The Ghost Train," by Arnold Ridley in the Junior Drama Festival at St Andrew's Hall. Although the team did not reach a place in the finals yet it did very well and was soundly applauded by the audience. In fact so frightening did some people find the play, that one lady with a young child left the theatre, though whether this was on account of our good or our bad acting is still open to conjecture! The acting couldn't have been so very bad, as Jacqueline Daisley one of our popular and talented female leads, won a coveted individual acting award (Certificate of Merit), one of four awarded throughout the whole Auckland Drama Festival, presenting fifteen teams. Congratulations, Jacky dear!

Our main play went off well and at times even the hard working producer, Mr Grant, was surprised at the fact that ghosts, red lamps, rain and ghost trains arrived to order and promptly

on time! The technical staff did its part marvellously well. We feel we must have some budding Rutherfords in our midst. Mrs Grant and Mr Farrent helped in their usual cheerful and skilful way in production, character makeup and costuming. Thank you ever so much.

It is pleasant to report that the show was a financial as well as a dramatic success.

The Drama Club takes this opportunity of thanking all those patient members of the staff who have assisted its activities in any way this year and particularly Mr Scott, Mr A. Smyth, Miss Henderson, and Mr H. W. James.

Finally, the time has come to bid farewell and jolly good luck to our long friends and drama co-workers who are leaving us this year..

Arlene Colbert and Jacqueline Daisley (Senior Business), Adrienne McFadden (C.6), Barbara Darnton (C.4A), Valerie Murray (N.H. 4A), Brian Jacobsen and Ted Bach (E.6B), Gordon Brooks (E.5A) and Bruce Howard (E.4B).

"Bon Voyage!"



LITERARY SECTION

Camping

Camping is a happy sometimes care-free pastime indulged in by only the strong-hearted and the courageous. It is considered the acme of out-door life and consists of choosing a suitable site and pitching the tent. One generally ends up by wishing that one had the moral courage to pitch the tent as far as possible into the lake and catching the next bus home.

After haggling for about twenty miles, it is finally agreed on by most members of the party that the site which was passed fifteen miles back was the most ideal. The Site seems mainly to be chosen because of its closeness to water (which generally turns out to be unfit for drinking) and, judging by the past experiences, its proximity to ant colonies. Almost as soon as the agreed upon spot has been reached the more enthusiastic members of the group proceed to attempt to erect the tent with an amazing amount of non-dexterity and profanity. After about two and a half hours the canvas is finally erected into shape not previously known to geometrical experts. Sweating but triumphant erectors hasten to assure the timorous members as to the structure's stability with uncalled for witty remarks.

During the pitching of the tent others of the party commence meal preparations. Naturally the only facilities needed are a fire and a tin opener. One of the female members of the party who has a brother in the boy scouts, blandly suggests that fire may be produced "by rubbing two boy scouts together or something like that!" There being no boy scouts

available another person produces a cigarette lighter and the fire is got temporarily "underweigh." After a minute or two, the inefficiently placed wood and chips collapse in a puff of smoke and one feels reconciled to drinking cold tea or worse still water. It is then decided to open a tin of milk to which hot water may be added to give a nourishing and delicious drink. We used cold water and the result was nauseating.

Meanwhile several packets of sandwiches which have been left lying in the sun have been produced and the witty member of the party suggests that are two varieties of of sandwiches, jam and ant. and cheese and onion and ant. After consuming too much food (which would have made a sword swallower blanch) and fighting off gnats, horseflies mosquitoes, sandflies and wandering bumble bees and other pestiferous insects which inhabit the area a sing-song round the open fire is suggested. However, the open fire is nothing but three or four valiant sparks and a smouldering pile of wood so it is decided to allot the sleeping positions for the night. It has generally my misfortune to be placed between a sleepwalker and an insomnic victim. After squabbling about the number of blankets per person, it is discovered that there are eight sleeping bags and nine people. There is only a minor incident, as one other bright specimen has neglected to bring any pyjamas and is given the alternative of having one of Auntie Jane's voluminous night dresses or junior's spare sleeping suit, there being the only extra night attire available.

All the difficulties are finally smoothed out and one crawls into the

allotted six square inches, dog tired and a fruitless slumber follows. At about one o'clock in the morning every one is awakened to the tune of the tent flapping and it is discovered that two of the tent pegs have given way in the storm. After a terrifying half hour of frantically clutching the tent pole, the canvas disappears in a final swish of rain. Next morning the tent is pounding high in an unclimbable tree with one's clothes attached to the tent pole. The rest of the night is spent in the car and at seven next morning a baggy eyed lot of people emerge stating that they "had never slept better." One enthusiastic person, who suggests a swim is rapidly squashed and breakfast preparations commence.

Two people usually including oneself, agree to walk to a farm close by to get milk. A half an acre paddock is transversed without further mishap but the appearance, apparently from nowhere of a white faced friesian bull rapidly puts an end to the excursion. Upon returning, the milk getters discover a brilliant fire in progress, only to find that it was accidentally started by someone throwing a lighted cigarette under a tree by some dry grass. However, the fire is got under control and before long the appetizing aroma of bacon and eggs fills the air. On further investigation it is discovered that a neighbouring camping party have just cooked their breakfast so we resign ourselves to a rather epicurian diet of cold ham, lettuce (purloined from a neighbouring farm), and smoky, woody, tea.

The breakfast dishes such as they are, are washed in warm water and the day's itinerary is planed. It is decided to go for a tramp so hiking boots are donned and we set off. Two

sprained ankles, one torn shirt and five bee stings later, a crestfallen party returns to camp.

At the end of two hectic weeks the campers return to the city sunburnt resolving to go camping every year. For myself, I have already booked in at a quiet country hotel where I shall attempt to lose myself in pastoral surroundings.

A. B. McFadden C. 6.

Girls Athletics

One of the first things in training to be an Athlete is that one has to be keen enough to give up two or three nights' entertainment a week, and to be in bed early, so as to be able to rise for early training in the mornings.

Before going for a run, put on a pair of warm slacks so as to keep warm and then skip up to about 300 before commencing the run. Never, when out practising, or beginning a race, should you speed; when training just let yourself relax, jogging along at a slow pace. After you have done this regularly for a time you should be fit enough to join a sports club. It does not have to be a club offering great things, just a small club is better at first, where the competition is not too difficult. When you find yourself winning comfortably or without effort or even not completely tired out, then it is probably time to join a good open group.

At a sports gathering, if you find yourself feeling nervous at the beginning of an event, start to prance around quietly for a while, until you feel your nerves steady.

The best way to get away to a quick start is to kneel with one knee flat on the ground and half sit on the lower part of the other leg, putting most of your weight forward on your two

hands in front of you. This enables a runner to keep a steadier balance and to be ready to start instantly. Always train in a track-suit if this is possible, if not wear a pair of slacks, so that you will keep quite warm until the time of the race.

If an Athlete gets up at regular times for her training and keeps early nights she should be able to keep fit and that is one of the main things contributing to her success. Yvette Williams has proved to the world what a New Zealand girl training with quiet determination and keenness can achieve, in the Olympic Games record broad jump for 1952.

Leonie Kerr C. 5 A.

Learning To Skate

I stood just inside the door of the large building looking around at all the unfamiliar faces and I admit I felt very foolish. My mother had given me a complete skating rig-out for my birthday and I now stood there in a brief white pleated skirt and a red jumper. I had a long red-and-white fisherman's cap on my head and a pair of clean white skating-boots and new skates in my hand.

I decided the best thing to do was to put on my skates and start skating, so I went over to the seat at the side of the rink and sat down.

After I had securely (or so I thought) fastened my skates, I looked around for something to hold on to to help me stand up. Luckily, beside me was a long rail that ran around the rink so I hoisted myself up and stood there, looking and feeling very wobbly and silly.

I had stood there for a few seconds, wondering what to do next, when I noticed a young man, with the word

"Instructor" written across his shirt, threading his way through the people on the rink towards me. I was very glad when he reached where I was standing and asked me if I needed any help. Assuring him that I did, I asked him to show me what to do next as it was my first lesson. He took my by the arm and while he skated, I rolled along by his side across to a room leading off the rink which was used by beginners as a "learners rink;" the floor was the same as the big rink but less crowded. As I grew steadier with every step, I was beginning to feel confident and so I thought I would try skating from one wall to the other, across the centre of the room. Everything went well until I was about six feet away from the opposite wall. Then (I still don't know how it happened) CRASH!!! I fell down in a heap and it seemed to me as if the Heavens were falling.

I managed to crawl slowly to the side and as I regained my feet I wondered what could have tripped me. After looking carefully for a minute, I found a small bump on the floor almost exactly where I had sat down. Afterwards I said that it must have been that bump that tripped me.

After several more tries and many more falls I managed to skate (really skate, that is) from one wall to the other without falling and so I decided to go on to the big rink and see what happened. As I reached the bar at the side of the rink I saw, just ahead of me, what was nearly a dangerous spill. A small girl of about nine years of age had accidentally tripped over, right in front of a large man who was also not a very good skater. I don't think he saw her until he was almost on top of her and then he did the only thing possible. He gritted his teeth, opened his legs and passed right above her,

only stopping after going about ten yards, to see if she was alright. Everyone just passed this incident by, because when you attend the skating rink every week, it becomes a very commonplace incident.

Now that I was skating (or trying to) amongst some first-class skaters, I was feeling very nervous again. I just couldn't find the courage to venture out on to the middle of the floor and when at last I left the edge and took a few steps towards the centre I felt so shaky and nervous that I thought everyone was looking at me.

After I had been going like this for some ten minutes I was feeling quite steady and so when I reached the top of the rink I got myself set and started for the other end. I was about halfway down the rink and still gathering speed when I suddenly realized that I didn't know how to stop properly. I didn't know what to do! In about two seconds I had considered the prospects of trying to stop and banging in to the end or trying to round the corner and falling over.

By this time I was nearly at the end and THUD!!! my problem was suddenly solved. Somehow I had managed to tangle my feet up together and when I looked at them I saw that one of the laces had come undone and had caught in the wheels of the other skate. I tied it up and set off for the seat at the edge. My hat was askew, my hair was all tumbled, I had a small split in my skirt and my much prized boots had a dirty smudge on each toe.

There was still about half an hour until the rink closed but I thought that I had had enough for one day so I skated to the other side of the rink and took my skates off.

When I was ready to leave, the same instructor as I had seen before came over and asked how I had fared. I told him all that had happened, expecting sympathy, but all he did was laugh at me and tell me that everyone said the same thing.

When I finally left I was feeling very bruised and weary, but I was happy because I knew that although I hadn't made much progress, I could at least now skate (passably) and I thought that if I could overcome my stiffness and bruises by the next week I would be back to try again.

Judith Wright. C. 4 A.

The Deserted Garden

I once walked gaily through a wood
When suddenly so still I stood.
For in a second I'd come upon
A deserted garden where the sun still
shone.

I looked at first towards the trees
Then gazed below to their fallen
leaves

Oh how could such an ideal place
Be left like a garment torn from its
lace?

A tiny stream which had once been
drenched

Was now with a trickle of water
quenched

The garden itself was strewn with
weeds

While all along the stream were
golden-brown reeds.

I glanced away from the moss grown
flowers

It seemed as though I'd watched for
hours

The shadows lengthened in the dia-
mond light

And I saw that the day was turning to
night.

Rosa May N.H.4A.

Buying A New Car

After jarring thankfully to a halt, I clambered out of my obsolete baby car with a pleasant thought that I would not have to do so for much longer. The great day had come. I had the money, I was at the top of the list and I was on top of the world.

Mustering up a nonchalant air I strolled carelessly into the car-dealer's. I managed to keep up this false appearance until I entered the show room. There, my faculties failed me. With a palpitating heart and jelly-knees, I walked, or rather, crept in. Yes, there it was a blue gleaming beauty, and mine too, or nearly so.

Its hundred odd horses seemed to be straining to be unleashed, the whole car radiated latent energy and speed. It filled the universe, blotting out everything. I stood transfixed, seeing only the light reflected from polished chromium and enamel.

At this moment my joyous mental wonderings were interrupted by a young man immaculately attired in a dark suit who hurried across to me. Of course I was the gentleman who was buying the £1000 "Foothardown" special. Perhaps I would like to inspect my prospective purchase first of all.

How beautifully the joints in the bodywork fitted. I ran my finger down them. Unfortunately a strip of plasticine came out with my finger. The salesman reminded me that difficulty had been found in this particular model. Now I was on the track. Like a bloodhound. I ferreted out fault after fault. The upholstery came nustiched at a touch, the steering wheel was loose, the headlights were at a peculiar angles, the hubcap came off in my hand, the wire holding the bumper worked loose. Politely I pointed out these minor defects to the salesman, who, not to be outdone in politeness,

once again reminded me that difficulty had been had in assembling this particular model. Politely, I asked to remove my name from the list. We parted on the best of terms as I bowed my way to the door.

Thankfully, I clambered into my obsolete, but oh so beautiful, baby car. As I rattled away, I sighed gratefully-secure in the knowledge that at least I had a fair idea where the next part was going to fall off.

—E. H. Laurenson, W.6.

A trip to Whale Island.

It was Boxing Day that I was most looking forward to, as I been promised a trip with my uncle who owns a launch, that if it was fine, he would take me with some of his friends out to Whale Island.

Whale Island which is about 20 miles from the Kutarere Wharf is named after its shape in that it is a steep, high and rounded island of about two square miles. As I do not have the opportunity to go out to sea very often I was naturally very excited. The day began for me at 5 a.m. when I managed to crawl out of bed and find myself some breakfast and then to have a look at the weather. It seemed to be fine, so I went and aroused my Uncle who lives along the road. After he had eaten his breakfast and cleaned up, the others who were coming with us arrived. They were all friends of Uncle, and I knew them also. We then left for the harbour. We arrived fifteen minutes later to find the launch moored to the wharf.

The engine was running as two of the party of five had slept on for the night so we could get away to a good start from the wharf. They had everything ready and all we had to do was to cast off the morning ropes and then

to get under way. My Uncle asked me to take the wheel as I was accustomed to the tricky channels of the harbour and it was just twenty minutes sailing time down the harbour to the bar which is about four miles from the wharf. We crossed the bar without incident as it was a dead calm with the tide on the flow. Over the bar which is about three-quarters of a mile long we turned to port and headed for Whale Island. We ran along at a good nine knots almost parallel to the shore. By this time it was a fine and sunny summer morning and we all agreed that this was the place to be on so good a day. On the trip over we were escorted almost all the way by the ever-present porpoises, and one or two sea-gulls who must have thought that we were going to feed them, but they would have been rewarded if they had followed us on the homeward trip. We also sighted a few small penguins which was not extraordinary for the vicinity. Some mutton birds flew around and gave out eerie squeaks that would send a chill through anyone.

As we were now within, full view of the island we could see the goats which frequent it roaming about and above the rumbling of the twin cylinder diesel we could hear the waves breaking on the shore.

By this time a breeze had sprung up and in the cool of the morning we decided to do a bit of line fishing on the "Eastern Ground" which is situated off the end of the island which was nearest to us. As we had made preparations to do fishing beforehand the lines were ready baited and ready to be "thrown over". When the launch had been manoeuvred into position over the small ground from landmarks known only to a few of the local fishermen and launch owners the anchor was let go with twenty

fathoms of rope. At first we did not get many bites, but in the end we had landed six fish. We noticed a shoal of Kawhai so the anchor was hauled aboard, the motor started and again we were away at full speed after the fish. The trolling lines were let out as we ran through the middle of the shoal which immediately dived until there was no sign when fifty yards astern the fish again came to the surface, the lines trailing astern gave a jerk and were hauled in and on them we saw two ten pound Kawhai. This procedure carried on for half an hour until the shoal disappeared. We had caught enough Kawhai for good bait so we went along to the "Big Ground" at the northern tip of the "Whale" where two other launches had anchored. We communicated with them to hear that they had caught between them twelve Hapuka, the prize that we were after. After anchoring we re-baited the lines and threw them overside. It was not long before I had a bite and it responded when I had jerked with a steady strain, I concluded it was a Hapuka and immediately started hauling in. It was a Hapuka but it had fouled two other lines so I had the job of untangling for thirty minutes or so. The fish I found ended up on my line so I claimed the prize. Four other fish among some Terakihi and schnapper were landed, but the prize catch of the day went to Mr. Clayton, our "Skipper" who landed a perfectly serviceable grapnel lost from a launch not many days before-hand.

By this time it was mid-afternoon and as we had half gone around the queer-shaped island we decided to complete the circuit. The sea had now roughened and waves six foot from crest to trough came down on the hull of the twenty-eight foot launch. One

wave, as the launch rolled into the trough rose a little higher than the rest just wetted the gunwale on its would be journey into the cockpit on the stern. Coming around into Sandy Bay we could clearly see the bottom with the lazily swimming rock-cod swimming among the rocks. This scene reminded me of a film I had seen on spear fishing off the coast of Florida. The anchor was again let go but kept on dragging as the bay was not very sheltered, likewise the cove next to it, Sulphur Bay, where there are signs of volcanic activity. Steaming into Half Moon Bay we saw anchored, another launch belonging to the owner of the island anchored near the shore. This boat from Whakatane, which is nearer to the island than Kutarere had flocks of seagulls around it as the crew were cleaning their catch. I went ashore in a rubber dinghy to which was attached a line, to have a look around, but after being chase by a billy-goat I ran down to the beach, hopped in the dinghy and signalled to be hauled back to the launch. This hauling was done by my Uncle who nearly tipped me out in doing so.

As the fish had all been cleaned by now, we decided to have a cup of tea to warm ourselves up as the off-sea wind was quite chilly. From what I had now seen of the island I think I could give a description of it. It is not exceptionally large, inhabited only by goats one or two penguins and a few sea birds. It is a wonder the goats can survive there as it is of volcanic origin, hence its shape and the grass that does cover its steep slopes could hardly support one of the animals, but they must be strong enough if they want to chase me. There is only one fresh water spring on one of the two flats, at the Eastern and Southern ends of the island.

When the anchor chain had rattled over the pulley on the bow, we came out of the shelter of the bay into the full force of the wind and sea. The launch "Moana" began a very uneasy motion. As the sea was coming on astern the bow would go down and vice-versa. We donned lifejackets and sat in the bottom of the cockpit while Mr. Clayton steered. As we sailed along Uncle got sick as he had celebrated Xmas too well, only to give it to the sea. It was a quick trip, being only two hours, an unofficial record for the vicinity.

At home again after a memorable day I had a bath and a good tea and set about with the others to supply practically the whole college of Waimana with fish.

—K. Such, E.4A.

Trip To Mount Egmont

A trip up Mount Egmont can be both interesting and educational, even to a height of only three or four thousand feet. By climbing to this height one can enjoy many experiences. There are beautiful scenery, skiing, mountaineering and many other attractions.

To start the journey, a bus goes as far as the Mountain House. About a mile from it there is a native reserve known as Egmont Park. From the entrance there is a continual rise, and about half way up, the first signs of snow may be seen. In winter the bus can not go past the Mountain House, although the road continues about another mile, as the snow is too thick. The House is very large and refreshments and skiing gear may be bought or hired.

From here a walk and climb of about four miles provides interesting scenery. After walking about half a mile on a



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road covered in snow, a few short cuts through the bush are worth taking. At the end of the road there is a small plateau and a few hundred yards further on there is a larger one. From these a magnificent view can be obtained. On one side is the top of the mountain with its smooth looking top making a beautiful setting against the deep blue sky. On the other side is the province of Taranaki stretching as far as the eye can see.

Leaving the road now and following a one-way track it is not long before you arrive at a gorge. To cross it it is necessary to climb down at an angle. There is a narrow track that must be followed as the snow is too soft in other places. Climbing up the other side is done in the same manner as the descent. There is a spring half-way up and long icicles and frozen pools are common. Once over the gorge, the climb is almost over. Only a few hundred yards remain to The Hut where the ski track is. The Hut is a small two roomed building. There is a pump for fresh water and also means to boil water so it is convenient for mountaineers to stay the night.

The ski track slopes gently down and is very good for beginners. For those who do not wish to ski there is plenty of amusement nearby. This track also provides good scenery, the rounded cone of the mountain can be seen at close range.

—J. S. Waddingham, E.5B.

The Well

Far below, amid the flagstones green,
Gloomy darkness reigns,
Except for one rebellious patch
Which—mirror like—reflects its only
glimpse of day,
A pale blue circle.

A disc of colour
In surrounding jet,
Marred only by a silhouette
Of head and shoulders, peering down.
A rope snakes downwards
Clinging to the moss,
And disappears.
Kidnapped by the gloom.
And now a dislodged pebble falls,
Evades the watcher's following eye
And plunges swiftly down.
Tis swallowed up,
No trace is left.
But hark—a splash.
Below, the mirror cracks.
A circle, everwinding, reaches out
As if persuing some invisible foe,
Guilty of disturbing.
Reinforcements! More rings appear,
Summoned from the depths.
Like angry hornets aroused and wild
Spilling from their nest.
They spread and stretch and search,
in vain,
Their quarry nowhere to be found.
The circles kiss surrounding walls,
Rebound and sweep again.
The fruitless search goes on.
But now their strength is waning.
They die, and disappear,
Returning to the murky depths from
whence they came,
To slumber on until disturbed once
more,
The troubled surface gradually calms
itself,
The opaque mirror slowly clears.
The pale blue circle, absent, now re-
turns.
The scene, the peace, the beauty; all
restored,
A magic stillness reigns supreme.
The watching stranger straightens up,
And with a look of wonder at the
heavens,
Declares for all the world to hear,
"Praise be to God for scenes like this."
P. J. Phillips W. 6.

Who Knows

I have a problem—oh so sad,
If it's not answered I'll go mad!
It worries me, haunts me, night and
day;

I cannot work I cannot play.
Please help me out, come to my aid;
Though there's no answer I'm afraid.
Here's my question, please find for me,
An answer to this oddity.

"If shut in a phone-booth for a while,
What number would a crocodile?"

P. J. Phillips W.6.

A Hobby I Have Abandoned

I started the hobby of building model aeroplanes about two years ago. I had made about twenty of them and from these a good half of them had crashed. This was very disheartening for each plane took about three weeks to make and would be ruined in a matter of minutes. Having very little to show for my two years' work I decided to build them but not for flying. This went on very well until my mother, not knowing I kept my planes under the bed, pushed the carpet sweeper under the bed thus crushing them all against the wall.

She apologized but said it was my own fault for keeping them in such a silly place. Repairing the ones that were able to be repaired I had a great idea. I thought I would hang them from the roof; then they would be out of the way. I tied a piece of cotton from one side of the room to the other and from this I hung the last of my planes. My mother said it was a good idea, so I thought I had found a way to keep my planes in a safe place. They hung there for some weeks until one day when I got home from school I found my three-year-old brother sitting in the middle of my bedroom with piles of bolsa wood,

paper and cotton around him. Not one of my aeroplanes was left. The wind had blown them down from the roof and my brother had quite happily sat there screwing them up. This ended my hobby.

T. Dufty E.4.C.

Hitch Hiking the North Island.

It was a delightful morning last Christmas holidays when I set out on my hitch hiking tour of the North Island, the date being the third of January. I left home with my father that morning. He was going to work and I to the bus station. I caught the seven o'clock bus going to Drury. This put me twenty miles out of Auckland and on the road running south. I was making for Rotorua that day and had walked about one hundred yards after leaving the bus when I was offered a lift right through to Hamilton in an old Ford truck. I left these people and made my way across the bridge and on to the road leading to Cambridge. I was still walking along a road with houses lightly packed at either side when a fellow in a 1936 Chevrolet picked me up and gave me a lift right to the heart of Cambridge. From there I proceeded down a steep hill leading out of Cambridge with the rain drizzling down on me. Very soon however the rain slackened off and as the sun came out I was picked up by a Morris van. I sat in the back and as the van sped along the road at an average pace of forty to fifty miles per hour I gazed at the gleam the sun produced on the wet road and listened to the tyres. Very soon after we passed the Karapiro Lake turnoff we reached the Mata-Mata turnoff and as I was heading for Rotorua and my friend towards Mata-Mata we parted. The rain was beginning to come down and as I made my way along the road I

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spotted a milk box so I shoved my pack beneath it and climbed inside. The rain was still coming down when I spotted another 1936 Chevrolet tearing towards me about four hundred yards down the road so I gathered up my pack and crossed over ready to thumb a ride. I did not think he would stop for me as he was travelling exceptionally fast but it was worth a try. I waved as he drew near and the screeching of brakes told me I had been seen. As the car came to a stop about fifty yards onward I sprinted along to climb in. As I climbed in he started up and flashed off along the road at full speed. As he drove he told me he was heading for Rotorua to make the bank before it closed. He had about 2½ hours to cover something like one hundred and forty miles. The highest speed I remember him doing, however was about seventy miles per hour. On the way we saw some beautiful scenery and some disastrous results of bad driving. He was cruising along at about forty miles per hour behind a stream of small Morrises and Austins, etc, when we passed a group of people and traffic cops. A big timber truck was lying at the bottom of the precipice which formed one side of the road while the trailer which is usually fastened by a foot-square beam was lying there with the beam splintered in half as neatly as a match-stick. After this we proceeded quietly until we reached Nielson's Motor Camp where I alighted. Friends of my Aunt's owned this camp and as luck would have it I was greeted by them plus my aunt and uncle. Thus ended the first day of my tour around the North Island. From here I went to Taupo, Napier, Palmerston North, Wanganui, National Park, to Hamilton and then home for little less than one pound.

—D. Jones. EVB.

One day as I was reposing on the terra firma outside my habitation I perceived a mammal of unknown species and of weird geometrical shape and mars, travelling with velocity of one thousand centimetres per second towards a waterfall at the rear of my abode. My interest was aroused to its fullest extent and I followed it hastily and was just in time to see it disappear into the waterfall, and by deductive development of the brain, I deduced that a cavity of some sort was situated behind the fall. I plunged through the falling water, and was not at all surprised to find myself in a strange and forboding land.

The houses of this land were stranger still one consisted of two circles with transverse common tangents between them, while another was a cyclic quadrilateral with opposite sides equal. I had not been there very long when I was approached by a figure, leading a fraction by the hand. On closer examination I found that it was a vulgar fraction, and by referring to the symmetrical properties of a circle and simultaneous equations, I worked out that it was of male sex and probably the figure's son. They were closer now and I attempted to converse with them. No sooner had I uttered half a dozen syllables than another figure clothed in what I presumed was a policeman's uniform, sneaked up behind me and in a harsh and guttural voice proclaimed that I was under arrest for obtuse language and was to be taken to prism.

After residing in prism for one night I was led out of the cell and into a large courtroom. Presiding at the bench was A G with J E as his right hand man and L E as his left hand man. The first thing that I observed

on entering the room, was the jury arranged on one side and opposite to them was a perpendicular probosis from the wall at the end of which was suspended a rope with a parabolic circle on the end. The strange thing was that it hung at an acute angle to the vertical perpendicular bisector of the rope; this was due to the secular variation at that point. According to the formulae, the rope should have hung vertically, but as B and a (the gravitational constant were not equal, then the rope hung at the angle).

All manner of horrible thoughts raced through my mind as I gazed at this ingenious contrivance but to my joy I was told it was for the purpose of hanging fern plants on.

During the time I had spent gazing around the room, a verdict had been reached by the jury. Then the judge, A G stood up and in a solemn manner voiced with much satisfaction the following words, "We the low Court of Mathematics land, have found you guilty of previously stated crimes and you must either spend the rest of your unnatural life in the "trig" mines digging up sines and secants, or! Be put to death by our own* methods!" He rambled on about the general enunciations and fundamental theories of the case, and then sat down. I was then led outside into the orthocentre at a rectangular courtyard; it seemed I was to have no choice; I was to die in the "iron maiden." I was propelled inside and the doors slowly closed on me. The spikes slowly closed in on me, and all of a sudden there was a stinging pain in my posterior.

There was a flash, crash and to my amazement I awoke to find myself outside my own home. I looked down at the bee crawling painfully away to die. I ate my dinner off the mantel place

that night and never sat on the ground outside my door again.

G. X. Hill and G. Y. Horne. (E5A)
(Where X and Y are the unknown quantities.)

THE TAILOR'S DUMMY

With apologies to T.S.E.

Shoulder pads all shapes and sizes

We are the Hollow Men, Hullo Men,
We are the stuffed men,
Zootsuits filled with straw,
A shapely v of reconstructed manhood
Concealing a decrepit formation of skin
and bone.

Alas! some say we are.

We are the Hollow Men,
The ideal of womanhood,
Robin Hood,
Red Riding Hood,
And all the neighbourhood.
Mr. Universe in a coat.
Malnutrition in the flesh.

We are the Hollow Men,
Gaunt atrocities with a five foot shoulder
span,

Sponsors of the straw padding industry
Promoters of O.S. tailoring,
A beneficence to society.

We are the Hollow Chested Men.

—J. D. Flemming W.6.

CHRISTMAS IN THE ANTIPODES

The christmas tree glittered with tinsel
And coloured balls hung everywhere
I took my last peep through the window
And all I could do was to stare.

We all woke early next morning
And went to the christmas tree
We all lined up around it
And "Bubs" rubbed his hands with great
glee.

Father gave us all our presents
With a very sly look in his eye
And when grandma was given her present
All she could say was "Oh My".

Grandad got baby's rattle
Mother had father's new pipe
Susie had Ron's model cattle
And baby had Bob's great big kite.

Everyone crowded round father
and gave him a look of disgrace
And then everyone forgave him
And hugged him all over the place.

—Ngairé Mullins N.H.4B.

SPRING

When Spring comes along,
Flowers wake to the song,
Of the thrush so high,
In the bright blue sky;
And all around,
The joyful sound,
Rings far and near,
In the air so clear.

—Beverley Baker C.3A.

SUNSET

As the sun sank down o'er the sea,
The clouds were tinged with gold.
As the sun sank down o'er the sea,
The waves murmured a sweet melody,
As they lapped the sand so cold.
Then went tumbling back to the sea,
Whilst the evening star shone out so bold.

—Jocelyn Rutherford C.3A.

SCHOOLDAYS

Schooldays are long,
Much too long
For us to be inside
When we could be,
Happy and free,
Free from cares outside.

—Merle Coughlan C.3A.

Trials of a Daughter

It was a Saturday morning and Mary had just dropped in to bring some books that she had promised to lend me. As she talked I rushed around, doing as much house-work as was possible. Mother and the boys were away for the weekend, Father was bringing friends home for lunch and I was preparing for them. I had tidied up, put the meal on, and was setting the table when Mary remarked on the time, saying that she "really must be going!" I abandoned my duties for the moment and walked with her to the gate. As Mary went racing down the street on her bicycle, I walked briskly up the path eager to resume my duties but just as I reached the front steps the door slammed and to my utter dismay the Yale lock gave that fatal click that meant that I was stranded outside.

My thoughts immediately flew to



the food cooking in the oven, and so, running around until I was outside the kitchen, I climbed up a handy down-pipe and peered through the window. To my horror, the milk was foaming over and a thin cloud of blue smoke was issuing from the oven. Just at that moment, to "top it all off," the telephone began to ring!

I was nearly crying as I dropped to the ground, but falling on to some blackberry bushes growing near the hedge I had to concentrate on more immediate troubles for a few minutes.

Many worrying thoughts crowded into my mind. Among these was the fact that if my father brought his friends to such an untidy house he would be far from pleased with his dutiful daughter!

Running around to the back, I climbed up a tree that was growing close to the house. When I was level with my bedroom I leaned over, endeavouring to gasp the ledge and so draw the swaying branches closer to the open window, so that I could get in. After some wild efforts I succeeded and clambering over the sill I raced through the room and downstairs to the kitchen. I snapped of every switch on the stove and dragged all of the pots and pans to the mat on the bench. Luckily our meal was not ruined, though most of the milk out of the pot had been splattered all over the floor. The telephone had long since faded into silence! The meat was a little-dried-up, but that was easily fixed and so putting it back into the oven to keep hot, and setting some fresh milk to boil I went upstairs to tidy myself.

When father walked in, everything was back to normal and I am happy to say that the meal was a success. Just as our guests had departed however, Mother and the boys arrived

home. Mother explained that owing a Mumps outbreak at Aunts home, they had been forced to return. She said that she had rung in the morning to tell me to expect them at lunch-time but as they had received no reply, they had lunched in town.

At first I decided to say nothing about my hectic struggles of the morning, but Mother noticed the burnt milk on the stove, and soon she and the boys had the whole story out of me! They laughed so much that in the end I had to laugh too and by that time I found I could enjoy the joke with them.

—L. Bricklebank C.4A.

An Interrupted Journey

This took place at the end of the football season in 1951, the occasion being the visit of the third and fourth grade rugby teams to Te Puke. The teams travelled by bus and were scheduled to leave Auckland at 8 A.M. and arrive in Te Puke at 3 P. M. the same day. Owing to continued mechanical trouble, we had only reached Matamata at 4 P. M. On our arrival at this town the battered old bus finally gave up the struggle and retired to a nearby garage for repairs.

On learning that the repairs would take at least four hours, the members of the two teams after looking about the town, extracted their bathing suits from their cases and set out to walk to the well-known Matamata Hot Springs, which are situated above five miles from the township. We eventually arrived hot and tired paid for our admission, and I quickly changed and plunged into the hot bubbling waters. It really was worth that five miles walk. After soaking for about an hour we emerged feeling quite refreshed. We were dressed and

paraded at the spring's entrance by 8 o'clock and expecting the bus to arrive any minute.

After waiting a considerable time, the caretaker of the springs rang up the garage, only to be told by Mr Stevenson, the master in charge of the trip, that the repairs were taking longer than previously supposed and that the bus would still be some time coming. He assured us however, that the bus would be there as soon as possible. On hearing this news we made ourselves as comfortable as possible in a tent which was pitched in the grounds. We were soon quite at home, sitting clustered about a lighted hurricane lamp singing songs and telling jokes. The caretaker, after generously making us all a cup of tea closed his store and went home. So we were left, waiting for the bus.

Some of the boys, feeling the cold, ventured outside the tent and found nearby a few glowing embers where some rubbish had been burnt that day. Piling some dead branches on them they soon had a merry fire blazing. This certainly made our vigil much more pleasant. The boys, looking around found a large cross-cut saw and some logs marked into lengths ready for sawing. Nothing daunted, they began to saw logs as fast as they could pull the saw. When two boys would stop, exhausted, another pair would quickly take their places. And so the time passed, 9 o'clock, 10 o'clock, 11 o'clock. Just after 11 p.m. a pair of headlights cut into the night and a horn sounded at the gate. Our long overdue bus had arrived.

A group of tired but cheerful boys greeted Mr Stevenson and piled into the bus. We moved off, glad to be under way once more. Eventually, after a four hour trip which included an exciting snowfight on top of a

range of hills at 1 o'clock in the morning, we reached our destination and journey's end at 3 a.m., exactly twelve hours late.

—P. J. Phillips W.6.

CRICKET PROSPECTS

The thing which is occupying the minds of the world's cricketing enthusiasts at the present time is forecasting the prospects of England's test team in the forthcoming battle for the Ashes with Australia. Can England regain the Ashes? That is the controversial question. Naturally there are two sides to the argument, but both can furnish undeniable evidence that their side must win. The pro-Australians maintain that, by the success of their team against the West Indians, they are still superior to any eleven in the world. They insist, and rightly so, that no international side could possibly reverse a four-one decision in such a short time. The reinforcing of this argument is born out by the manner in which England was literally used to "wipe the floor with". The English team for 1950-51 constituted a foundation fit for a skyscraper, and a superstructure which was liable to topple over in the slightest of winds. Yes you guessed correctly the "team" was Hutton and Bedser with Simpson on the borderline. The Parkhouses, Warrs, Baileys and Comptons on their test performances wouldn't be used as baggage men in the Australian team. I must apologize for my omission of the great Godfrey Evans in the backbone of the team. Godfrey has, as we cricketers say "got guts" and the world's greatest wicketkeeper never let England down.

So much for England's showing in Australia. Can its form change and a new team be moulded in such a short space as four years. Some say yes, and others no. My personal view is yes. Players who will probably make their debut against Australia next year will be May, Graveney and Truman. A fast bowler to assist the hurcullian Alex Bedser in his task of dislodging Miller and Harvey, and also two batsmen to strengthen the middle of the innings. The answer to England's prayers. If Dennis Compton finds form and Jim Laker strikes a wicket or two to suit him, look out Australia!

The recent series just concluded with India has definitely shown England is on

the upgrade. India cannot be regarded as a true test of England's strength you say. Quite right, but the things which don't need formidable opposition to display are fielding and a team spirit. England's first professional skipper Len Hutton said after the tests that he had never played with a team who fielded with such polish as his. Fielding is the thing which robbed the West Indies in Australia but that team did show that Australia could be beaten.

Regarding the Australians I think Lindwall and Miller are just about at the end of their tether. Many persons will resent this but nevertheless I still think its true. Other mainstays of the team Johnstone and Johnson are both approaching the veteran stage and in my opinion if Hasset makes the tour it will be just one to many and he will end up like Walter Hammond. The other two lights that still shine probably disagree with them. England can ing Hole who should do well.

These are my own opinions and you will probably disagree with them. England can, and should win with any luck at all. If you disagree, alright, we are all entitled to our own opinions.

—A. Campbell W.6.

Tin Can Island (Nuiefou)

A serious blow to stamp collectors from all parts of the world was the eruption of Tin Can Island in 1946. This was a favourite island for tourists and trading merchants both before and after the war. Although they could not land at the Island, as the seas were too rough they traded their goods by means of small boats, in exchange for food and fruit with the natives, and Tin Can Mail stamps from the Post Master.

Mail was usually packed in tins, which were thrown overboard by such ships as the "Mariposa" and the "Monterey" and marked with the date of the day, time and the latitude and longitude. Most of the mail, which was brought to the island by the natives who swam out and collected it, consisted of letters sent to the Post Master asking him to stamp

them and return them to the owners. One day a great disaster occurred during this long swim to obtain the mail, one of the native boys was attacked by a shark, and lost one of his arms. Soon after this, mail was collected in the small dark island canoes.

Sometimes passengers on board the ship would like to see the island more closely and to do this the boats from the ships would have to be lowered into the water by means of a winch, which would support the boats in the rough waters and help to keep them upright and prevent capsizing. Copra which would be loaded from rocky shores on their canoes by means of a chute would be taken back to the ships by the natives. Often canoes are piled high with bananas, oranges, pineapples, mangoes, guavas, fruit which passengers were willing to exchange for "civilized" articles—lipstick, powder, and perfume.

Life on the island itself was very peaceful. Convents, churches, a few stores, some nucleated houses, a small post office, and a wireless station, fringed the shores. Religion played a very important part in the natives' lives. Churches would be open from morning to night every day, and a continual stream of natives would be seen going in and out. The natives worked for the few white people on the island, or else on their own plantations, drying their coconuts for copra, when the copra season was in full swing. By necessity they were keen fishermen, for fish was their only fresh meat, until their monthly stores were available.

Then disaster came. A series of quakes was heard before the actual eruption, and the volcano shaped mountain in the middle of the island slowly began to send out its lava.



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"THE SLEEPY COAT"

Scientists said the island, was unsafe and that all the natives would have to leave. The inter-island boat "Matua" took the unwilling natives, clutching their small bundles of belongings on board, and shipped them to the next island, Haapai. An enormous last day mail was issued. A busy man was the Post Master who had to stamp the final letters. These were the last day covers of the Tin Can Island mail, which are so highly prized by collectors.

A few months later the island disappeared beneath the sea. The Tin Can mail was no more.

—Rose Quensell N.H.5

I Wonder

Along the narrow old lane came shuffling a thin, bent, little, old man. As he came towards me he stopped stiffly and picked up a cigarette end from the gutter and carefully pocketed it. When he came really close I could see his long neglected white hair falling round the brown, wrinkled weather-beaten face and his shaggy beard dropping down on to his chest. His clothes were almost in rags. A shabby old pair of blue denims which had several tears in them showed his thin bony legs, and a faded blue cotton shirt and thin grey sports coat really beyond wear—did their best to clothe him. The ancient boots in which were sockless feet, were cracked on top and worn through on the soles. In his hand he carried a stick to help him along. As I watched him I wondered what a poor old man like that could get out of life and whether there was not somebody who knew him, who could help him just a little. I smiled at him, but he hurried by, giving me an indifferent, or was it a suspicious glance? Obviously he wanted no help from me. Where was he bound I wondered?

Where had he come from? What had brought him to this pass? Surely his earlier life had been happier! All these things I wondered, seeing him pass. How little we know about the lives of other people!

—Joan Davidson C.4.B.

THE FAMILY PHOTOGRAPH

Says Mum, "Let's have a photograph, Of me and Dad, Jim, John and Garth. T'will be of course for record's sake, E'en though the camera it may break!"

Assembled in the sitting room,
Mum, all at once rushed for the broom,
For on the carpet was a mess,
Left by our dear, wee, sister, Tess!

Mum swept it up, then found that she
Had left the bath on—"Goodness me!"
She scaled the stairs in half-a-sec.,
Came panting down, her hair a wreck.

She grabbed a comb, her hair to fix,
But found it full of "pudding-mix,"
Dear Tess again! She'd stuck the comb
Into the bowl while left alone.

Mum said she didn't care a bit,
So, sitting down, she posed for it,
We had the blessed picture took,
It's on view in our Family Book.

—B. Darton C.4.A.

The Time Is Now

In this enlightened age, almost everyone listens to the radio, and in doing so, they have at one time or another heard the song "Enjoy Yourself, It's Later Than You Think." To the average listener, this is just another modern tune, to be whistled or hummed if the tune is catchy. They little realize that the song is offering them some of the best advice they could possibly receive. But then, in bustling modern life, few have sufficient spare time to become philosophers, let alone to grasp the undeniable fact that once a day is finished it never returns.

Perhaps this may seem somewhat

absurd, but it is, nevertheless, only too true. Few people realize that life is given to them to be lived, and not to be passed by for something that will occur in the future. These words, taken from the popular tune, give the reader a considerable amount to ponder on:—

"Next year for sure you'll see the world, you'll surely get around, But how far can you travel when you're six feet under ground."

Crude, and in bad taste, you may exclaim. Yes, but all the same true. Every human on this earth has to die sooner or later, so why not get the most enjoyment out of life all the time. You live only once. Do not wait for tomorrow to begin living your life. In the words of Seneca, "Begin at once to live, and count each day as a separate life."

A prominent psychologist once put to three thousand people the question "What have you to live for" and was shocked to find that over 2800 of them were simply enduring the present while they waited for the future. Waited for their children to grow up; waited for next year; waited for someone to die; waited for tomorrow without realizing all anyone ever has is today, because yesterday is gone and tomorrow never comes.

As every hour slips past, it leaves us less time to remain on this earth, so be wise and don't be one of the unfortunates who suddenly discovers that he has let all the best part of his life pass without accomplishing anything that will provide satisfaction to look back on in later life. "There's no time like the present" is a very good motto to adopt and religiously follow, for he who postpones the hour of living rightly is like the rustic who waits for the river to run out before

he crosses.

Living for the future is something that can result only in a wasted life, for the future soon becomes the past, which cannot be changed. If opportunity knocks, accept the chance with both hands for a similar opportunity will almost certainly never occur again. Live neither in the past nor the future, but let each day's work absorb your entire energies and satisfy your widest ambitions. It is said that one of the greatest labour saving devices of today is tomorrow, but although tomorrow may seem far away today, any task of work must be done sometime, and sometime ultimately means "today."

The present is one of the greatest wonders of this world, so make full use of it. Do not look back on happiness or dream of it in the future. You are only sure of today: do not let yourself be cheated out of it.

—G. W. Bush W.6.A.

Homework

A Pupils Point Of View

No one other part of our school life causes more trouble and vexation to both teacher and pupil than the old bogey, homework. The merit and failing of homework has been the subject of heated debates for a long time and will continue to provide a controversial topic in the future. Homework undoubtedly gives the pupils the chance to work things out for themselves and to learn how to cope with their work without the assistance of the teacher. Some teachers set an unfair amount of homework thus burdening the pupil unnecessarily with an excess of work while others set little or none at all. It is the amount set and whether it is strictly enforced, and not homework

versus free evenings, that is the crux of this argument.

My experience with homework might be taken to be that of the average boy's, although it would differ slightly in that I have never really been required to spend long hours on work done at home. I have been a pupil of Seddon for five long, but not dreary years and in my stay I have honestly done about sixty five per cent of all homework I have been set, although I have never suffered any form of punishment for this breach of school regulations.

Homework for secondary schools is definitely necessary and it is incorporated in the school rules that parents are required to see that a reasonable amount is done by their children. This, in effect, says that parents can protest if they think their child is being set an excessive amount of work. The onus is placed on the teacher to set only what he considers is suitable for the particular class. Many pupils do very little homework and will provide any excuse or attempt any trick to escape this task. Why? It can be one of three reasons. They can be lazy, or rebellious or they can be justified in refusing to do homework because of being asked to do too much. Most pupils will, however, try to finish their homework no matter how much they have been set.

Just as pupils vary in their attitude towards homework although no one would say they liked it, so do teachers vary in both the amount of homework set whether it is strictly collected. Many masters insist on collecting the labours of the class, thus giving the slacker no chance to escape his task, while some at the other end of the scale set homework and never trouble to inquire as to how many have done

the work, and by doing so, instil in the pupil a belief that the teacher is one to be treated as weak and easy-going. If a teacher is prepared to set homework he should be prepared to mark the work he has set, or at least, go over the work with the class. Nothing makes the pupils more lazy than homework that is never marked. Shirkers won't do it, and these pupils who do, feel that they are getting nothing out of their work, not even the satisfaction that they have done a good job.

In conclusion, homework is a necessity for all secondary school pupils, teaching them as it does to think out things for themselves and not relying on the help of the teacher.

But it must not be abused, either by the pupil who will not do his homework, or by the teacher, who sets an unreasonable amount and thus unduly burdens his pupils with extra work. Homework, set, should always be collected and marked, thus giving the pupils the knowledge that their work has not been done for nothing, and also that they cannot escape doing their homework. It should be carefully chosen, relevant to the work that the class has been studying, and the marks should be taken into account in examinations, for it clearly shows the ability of the pupil, without any assistance.

Homework will cease to become a vexing problem if it is set with discrimination, is reasonable, and always collected, thus giving both teacher and class satisfaction in that a job well done is well rewarded.

—G. Bush W.6.A.

Before And After

As I entered the Eden Park gates, along with many other people who were jostling each other in order to



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and which looked and tasted like a Toheroa.

On Sunday mornings the whole Island from tiny children to old people turned out in white to go to church. When they came home they had a big lunch and slept the rest of the day.

On a moon-light evening the Islanders strolled along the roads playing a guitar and harmonizing. Even the little children were among them with their guitars made from polished coconut shell.

When we left the Island we were laden with beautiful gifts made by the natives. The day that the boat left it rained, and the natives told us that Rarotonga was crying because we were leaving. When the lighters took us out to the ship they sang "Now is the Hour." Even the men who worked for Dad cried. I shall always remember the strains of their farewell song.

We too were sad to be leaving the island with its bright sunshine, tropical fruits and friendly natives. One day I hope to return to that Island Paradise—Rarotonga.

—Kay Arnold C.3.A.

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As in previous years the session opened with the Prefect's Concert. This was highly successful and resulted in a record sum being paid

into the Prefect's Fund.

The Annual General Meeting on May 6 attracted a fair attendance. A visit to the Woodwork Department preceded formal business. The election of Officers was followed by a discussion of various aspects of School life, certain points being cleared up by Mr Scott.

During the winter term the association presented a social evening. The attendance to this was very meagre. At this the executive was keenly disappointed as it feels there is a real value in cordial Parent-Teacher relationships. The association feels that the Parent's responsibility in education is not discharged by the sending of a child to school. Only through co-operation between home and school can a complete and balanced education be achieved. Later in the winter term an afternoon tea function was held, Sir William Jordan attending as guest speaker. This proved to be a most popular event.

Once more Mr Morgan of Pan American Airways provided a delightful evening with his beautiful colour films. This was the closing function of session and it was pleasing to wind up on such a happy note. The afternoon tea that was enjoyed by so many people on Open Day was provided by ladies of our association and to them we tender our thanks.

Mr Sinton who has toiled for a long time to build up his Wednesday evening card parties was particularly gratified with attendances this year which constituted a record. As a result of these pleasing little "soirees" a considerable sum has been paid into the War Memorial Fund. Mr Sinton deserves a special vote of thanks for his untiring efforts in this direction.

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