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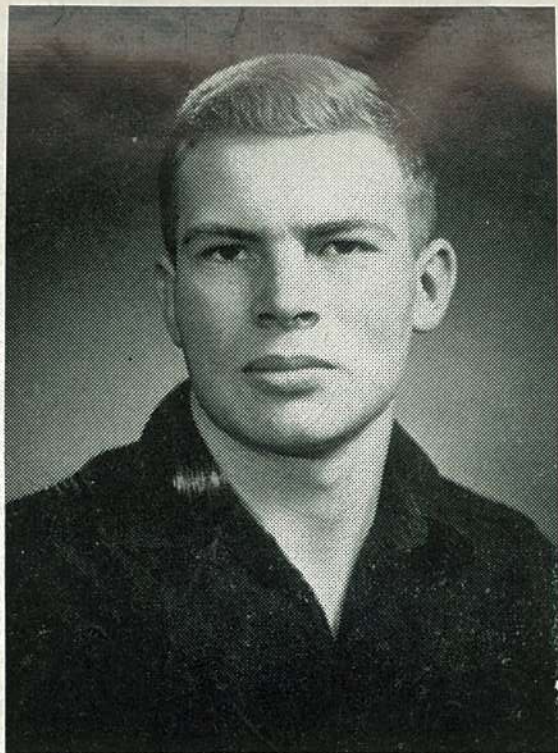
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EDITORIAL

CELEBRATION of the "Golden Jubilee" of any institution is an important occasion; because it commemorates fifty years of development and refinement of that institution. We can look back over half a century and examine closely and critically its aims and its achievements. And so it is with "The Taranakian."

1961 is the 50th year of its publication. During its 50 years of development the aims of the magazine have changed surprisingly little from their original intentions, and the 1912 editorial sets out clearly enough what these were.

"Modern school life is made up of numerous activities of which study, though by far the most important, is only one. In order to have a flourishing school all the varying institutions must be maintained with enthusiasm. To knit all of these organisations into one concrete whole is the function of every school magazine, and its work is therefore of paramount importance. It also acts as a powerful stimulus among the ever-increasing ranks of Old Boys by keeping them in touch with the institution which first guided their intellectual footsteps.

"Experience has taught us that a school magazine is of incalculable value in encouraging a spirit of 'esprit de corps,' without which no school can attain a high standard of usefulness.

"Old boy and school, teacher and old boy tend to drift further and further from memory where there is no means to keep them in touch. A magazine helps to bridge over this gulf and an old boy who looks back with feelings of affection to his old school can, by the aid of such a paper, keep up this interest."

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In 1961, as in 1912, the aims of the magazine are the same. It has over the years provided a unifying force for all of our School organisations. Each year it contains a record of that whole year's growth and development, of all School institutions. In this respect not only has it merely integrated them; but it has moulded about them an "esprit de corps," the quality of which has been the principal inspiration in the lives of all those boys who have closely identified themselves with the School during their presence here.

One section of the contents of the "Taranakian" is devoted to the Old Boys, and this has indeed proved a vital and effective link by which Old Boy and master and School have been able to keep in touch with one another. And there can be no doubt that it has acted as a powerful stimulus among the ever-increasing ranks of the Old Boys; to maintain the standards of the institution "which first guided their intellectual footsteps."

Perhaps however, the most important of all its aims which it succeeds in fulfilling most markedly is the creation of an "esprit de corps" within the School.

The Oxford Dictionary defines this as "regard for the honour and interests of a body one belongs to." In applying this to the School, we could define it as: regard for the good name which is in the traditions of the School, established by the hard work and enthusiasm of past members of the School, both staff and boys. Further, it develops consciousness of membership of a group and the comradeship which it provides, and the realisation that membership of any group carries with it obligations to ensure that the institution is as efficient and effective for its purpose as it can possibly be.

The 1912 editorial stated that "no school can attain a high standard of usefulness" without this spirit. We must ask ourselves: has this standard of usefulness been attained, and is this spirit responsible for helping to attain this standard? The answer to this question is not obvious. The useful aim of the school should be to produce first-class citizens. Our School has produced men who occupy positions of responsibility in all walks of life in the community. Wherever they may be they are respected as good citizens and in this respect then we could say most emphatically that our School has attained a high standard of usefulness. If it is the function of a school to produce good citizens, then it must during the boys' attendance at school provide the environment and give him the opportunity to grow up a good citizen. One of the principles of this School is that its function of producing good citizens does not cease at 3 p.m. A glance through the School activities section of the "Taranakian" will indicate a vast range of interests, both physical and cultural, which are promoted in a multi-lateral school, for the purpose of creating good citizens with the widest possible interest and enthusiasms.

All of these activities, academic, sporting and cultural, constitute school institutions, and these institutions are the skeleton about which this "esprit de corps" is formed. An awareness of the history and traditions and standards which are associated with these organisations has over the years encouraged and stimulated boys and masters associated with them to raise their standard to greater heights, whether it be on the sports field by creating new records, or in the classroom by higher overall standards and better standards of scholarship.

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This spirit then not only helps to produce good citizens, but actually helps as it expands with each generation to produce even better citizens who will make their presence felt in an ever-changing world. This spirit then does assist our School in attaining a high standard of usefulness.

It is an awareness of this spirit which makes men devote the greater part of a lifetime to bettering the institutions of our School. It is this spirit which has stimulated all Old Boys to look upon the School with pride and affection. It is this spirit which has inspired them as a body to donate large sums of money to the School so that it may be physically as well equipped as possible to fulfil its function of providing environmental institutions. It is the same spirit which has inspired generations of boys not only to make the fullest possible use of the advantages to them as individuals but also to expend their energies in maintaining and improving those extra-classroom activities of the School.

The need for influences to foster this spirit is much greater in 1961 than ever it was in 1912. The vast increase in knowledge, rising standards of living and an increased range of interests all tend towards fragmentation of society generally and their influence can be considerable on a community such as ours.

The mass production of luxury goods is making our way of life easier. "More luxury," is a demand of our generation; and for young people, particularly very young people, the influence of this situation can be dangerous.

Let us take the most obvious of these influences—the radio. The invention of the transistor coupled with the principle of mass production has enabled at least one in every three boys to possess a radio, which in most cases can be slipped in the pocket, or at least carried around in the hand without the slightest inconvenience to the owner. Many boys, juniors in particular, are not developing a sense of responsibility towards the use of these, and consequently they are occupying much of their leisure or spare time merely listening to the radio. While we do have some good programmes on our radios, those listened to by people are more often than not light or cheap, and tawdry. They can be appreciated without any mental effort or stimulus to the listeners. And for some this becomes a necessity; when there is nothing else to do out comes the radio and on it goes; often enough this occurs even when there is something to do. Instead of sitting down quietly and reading good literature, or discussing some current problem, or just thinking, they must have the radio. This situation could produce ultimately a complete dependence on stimulus from without to the detriment of the growth of personality and an awareness of the individual conscience.

The great variety of interest is outside of the school community and this dependence on external stimuli can also destroy the comradeship which is perhaps the most valuable ingredient of a large boys' school such as ours. Endless opportunity exists in such a school for the individual to learn the most precious human values from contact with his fellows. Opportunities for such friendships exist within the classroom but they are multiplied a thousand fold by participation in the institutions which it has been the policy of this School to foster over the years. If the "Taranakian" does nothing else than to provide some unifying force by which the boys become aware of the existence of this rather intangible spirit which pervades them, then it is more than justifying its existence.

M. R. Herbert.

A HISTORY OF THE "TARANAKIAN"

The earliest copy of the School Magazine available is a December issue of 1907. The editorial of this number refers to an earlier attempt to establish a magazine in these words: "We trust that our readers will find the present edition of the Magazine more pretentious and more enterprising than the last. The first number, though a praiseworthy effort to introduce a school journal, was of a more tentative nature."

Attempts to locate a copy of the earlier and first "tentative" edition have not been successful.

The editorial of the 1907 number goes on to set out the aims of a school magazine as follows: "But it is trusted that the magazine will serve a higher purpose and engender an ever-increasing loyalty for the School, with sympathy in its aims and ideals"; and, "If, then, the magazine tends to promote enthusiasm, both as regards inside and outside work, it will have done more than provide interesting reading for the moment, and will form a strong factor in moulding the character for the sterner work of the future."

In form it did not differ a great deal from its modern version except that it did not contain a record of the multiplicity of activities provided for the present roll of 900 boys. In addition to an editorial it contained quite detailed football and cricket notes, school notes, an account of a concert, a description of annual Sports Day, an Old Boys' section including personal notes and the notices of five engagements, an account of the prize-giving and three in memoriam notices including that of Alfred Bayly, who was an All Black in 1893, 1894 and 1897 and who died on December 14th, 1907, aged 41.

The editorial of the July number of 1908 states confidently: "The original proposal was to publish twice a year but we now feel justified in doing so every term."

After this number, however, the magazine seems to have been discontinued because in 1912 Mr. Moyes, newly appointed Headmaster, announced his intention of resuscitating the School Magazine. This was duly done, the new magazine being published under the new title of "The New Plymouth Boys' High School Magazine," which was to be brought out at the end of each term, that is three times a year.

Printed in ten-point Devinne type, this magazine had a blue, heavy paper cover with a decorative border and the School badge printed in the centre. This was the first time the newly-designed badge had been used in this way. The context of the editorial of this number is used in the editorial of this 1961 issue.

This magazine was a production of a high standard containing very much the same material as we are accustomed to, well presented and most interesting to the present-day reader. It was well received and was the subject of many congratulatory letters. Old Boys gave it such loyal support that its future seemed secure.

With the December issue in 1912 came an important change of name when the title "The Taranakian" was used for the first time. This name was thought to be neater, less cumbersome and more representative of a school which was now attended by boys not only from many parts of

Taranaki but also from outside the province. The editorial of this historic number stated that it wished to avoid anything which might appear like parochialism and went on to say: "The new title is in no sense a challenge but is intended to indicate our ambitions to make the School one of which not only New Plymouth but the whole of Taranaki will have good reason to be proud."

The cover design remained the same, except for the change of title.

In 1917 as a result of a rise in the price of paper and other materials due to the war the committee was forced, with great reluctance, to reduce the number of issues to two, one to be published at the end of each half-year. An editorial on the necessity for this action expressed the hope that no further reduction in number of issues or in the size of the contents would be necessary and that the committee would be able to include in the two numbers all the material that was previously included in the three.

Increasing in popularity and circulation owing principally to its large Old Boys' section, the magazine developed steadily along normal lines until 1933 when it was considered that the time had come for a change in cover design. The centre piece of the new cover was an etching of the School executed by Mr. M. Matthews.

This new cover was used until December, 1939, when further increases in cost made it necessary to consider a cheaper form of cover. A heavy golden-yellow paper was chosen with the title printed in bold plain type accompanied by a smaller reproduction of the badge, this time placed in the centre of the page. This cover was retained until 1947 when the paper was no longer available.

In 1944, again with reluctance, it was decided to reduce the number of issues to one each year, but in order to make the maximum use of the paper an 8-point Ionic type was introduced. The committee has never been able to revert to the publication of two numbers each year and, indeed, the costs in recent years have risen so steeply that it has been something of an effort to maintain the size and dignity of the existing single number.

In 1947 a plain grey cover was selected and for the first time the cover of each annual issue was printed in a different colour so that individual years could be more easily distinguished. Identification was made easier in 1954 when a broad colour band was printed around the bottom of the cover and the year was printed on the spine.

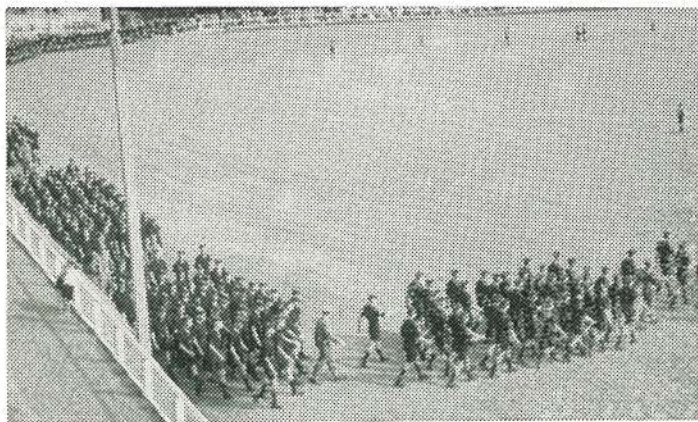
In 1955 a further change in type was made when an 8-point Spartan type was introduced. And so for 50 years the editors of "The Taranakian" and their assistants have striven to carry out the aims of such a publication. The quality of the writing has been varied but in some periods has reached a very high standard. From reading representative issues one receives the impression that the further it has moved from its origins the more it has become the genuine work of the boys themselves.

Since 1955 the major contribution that "The Taranakian" has made to the School was the publication in April, 1957, of the 75th Jubilee number, of 116 pages. As a result of the generous attitude of the Jubilee Committee, sufficient finance was available to make this most comprehensive. The narrative of the history of the School was continued

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from 1932, a history of the Old Boys' Association compiled, histories of individual School activities put together for the first time and a section devoted to reminiscences of Old Boys representative of various decades in the School history.

At the moment of writing there are no particular plans for extension of the scope of the magazine. Printing costs have increased to such an extent that if the magazine did not enjoy the support of the boys and of the Old Boys it would be difficult to maintain at its present standard. The Taranakian will change in the future in format and lay-out as fashions in printing change, but its function as a school institution which has remained constant over the last fifty years is not likely to change in the next fifty or even a hundred years unless radical changes in the nature of the institution make changes necessary.



ANZAC, Pukekura Park, 1961

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The School year began with 1110 boys enrolled, 337 of whom were boarders, 15 more than last year. The total School roll also increased by 40. During the course of the year 41 boys left. The Upper Sixth Forms consisted of 46 boys, while in the Lower Sixth there were 110 U.E. candidates, of whom 70 were accredited; Fifth Formers totalled 334, Fourth Formers 305, and the Third Form intake was 314. This is an unusual distribution, but it is due to the changing character of the School population since the opening of Spotswood. If the third form intake remains constant, it would appear that next year's roll will depend on the number of School Certificate passes and the number wishing to return to the sixth form.

STAFF CHANGES

As usual, staff changes occurred this year. The School lost the services of:—

Mr. D. W. Allen, who relinquished his position as Housemaster of Carrington and is now on the staff of the Girls' High School.

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Mr. J. A. Fulcher moved to Okato District High School in order to comply with country service regulations.

Mr. M. D. Sadler, who taught Science and Mathematics, resigned.

Mr. P. O. Veale left us for an overseas tour, but will be back next year.

Mr. N. C. Lynch and Mr. A. F. Gardiner both left us at the end of the first term and are now teaching at Rongotai College.

On the other hand, we gained the services of:—

Mr. I. S. Jones (an Old Boy), who is teaching General subjects.

Mr. A. J. Sheat, an Old Boy, who is teaching Science subjects.

Mr. E. Gibson, who is teaching Physical Education and who is also Assistant Housemaster of Niger.

Mr. A. H. Blundell, who retired from the staff in 1952 after 26 years of devoted service, returned in a relieving capacity.

And Mr. A. R. Field, who came to us from England, is teaching General subjects.

During the course of the year, several other masters joined the staff. Mr. F. Worn, an Old Boy, assisted on the staff for the second half of the first term. Mr. Barnes joined the staff in a relieving capacity mid-second term and is teaching third form English. Two student masters, Mr. T. Power and Mr. P. Dravitski, an Old Boy, came for three weeks at the beginning of the third term. Also at the beginning of the third term, Mr. T. Raymer (from England) and Mr. D. B. Walker (from Scotland) joined us as graduate students and Mr. N. G. Wright accepted a permanent appointment in Mr. Gardiner's place.

At the end of the first term, Mr. H. Gush, a member of the grounds staff, retired after many years' service at the School. Mr. Gush, during his stay, had become very much a part of the School and took a very keen interest in all School activities, particularly that of cricket. Many Saturday mornings were given up by him to roll and prepare the cricket pitch or the net pitches. He was known to all boys either personally or as "the man in the tractor," and the School joins in wishing him and Mrs. Gush a long and happy retirement.

Mr. D. G. Barton and Mr. B. G. Quin have recently resigned from the staff and will leave at the end of this year.

Mr. Barton has been at this School for seven years. In the classroom he has proved a most capable teacher of Mathematics and Bookkeeping. Out of the classroom he brought to the School a wide and very specialised knowledge of most manly pursuits and he has taken a great interest in all such activities among the boys. In particular he has organised the whole of the Rugby of the School, coached cricket and been responsible for all School shooting. He has also been closely concerned with the activities of Carrington House, where he has been a Housemaster for seven years.

Mr. Quin, an Old Boy, came to this School in 1959 after doing his final teacher training here in late 1958. An Assistant Housemaster in Moyes and Pridham during this time, he has also taken an active interest in coaching Rugby and cricket teams. He has become an institution in the School and will be sadly missed. He takes with him our best wishes and the hope that he may some day return.

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The loss of these two members from the staff will be great as they have taken a very active interest in many School activities. We thank them for their interest and wish them all the best for the future.

Midway through the third term Mr. Gardiner left our School to take up a position at Rongotai College. Mr. Gardiner's departure marks the end of more than eight years' service to the School. He arrived in 1953 and became the master in charge of the Prep. When the Prep. was changed into the full status of Niger House in 1955 he remained as Housemaster. Niger House was converted into the third form remove in 1959 and Mr. Gardiner resigned his position as Housemaster but remained on the teaching staff.

Throughout his time here he took a wide interest in School activities. Football, athletics, swimming, life-saving, gymnastics, the library and singing have all felt his influence. With Mr. Gardiner's departure the School loses a master who has had contact with and interest in many widely differing boys, which in a school as large as this is extremely valuable. The School wishes Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner success and happiness in Wellington.

We were sorry to hear that Mr. Atkins would be away for some time in the middle of the first term. After a short absence he returned and began teaching again with his customary vigour. While he was away Forbes Worn carried on as a relieving master.

ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Once again this year several alterations occurred about the grounds and the establishment. The Housemasters' flat in Carrington was altered and cut into two flats. Next year these will be occupied by two full-time Housemasters, and their families. The House now looks very tidy with its alterations and coat of paint, particularly about the back, where new modern windows have been put in. Both of the flats are very attractive and comfortable.

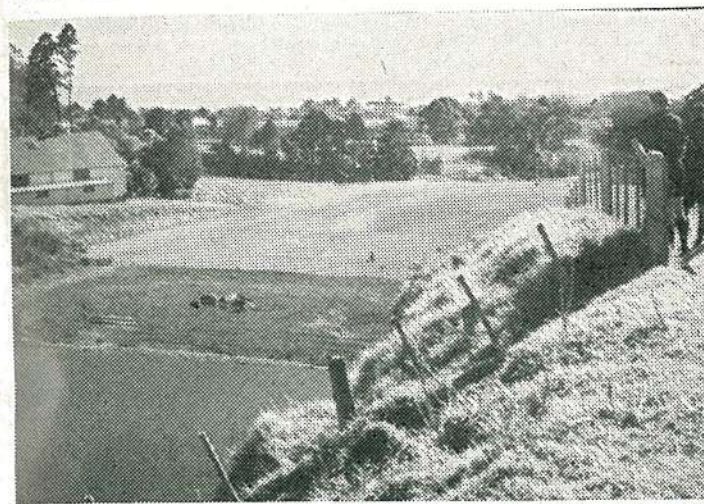
The area round the Library roundabout was resealed and chipped this year from in front of the woodwork block across to the front of Carrington. The paths about the sewing room and the back of Carrington were also asphalted, thus eliminating the puddles about these two areas. The outside of the sewing room was also renovated and splash plastered.

Three of the new tennis courts adjoining McNaught Field were also sealed and will be ready for use early in 1962. A new pathway has been constructed down to these courts from halfway down the track by the hospital through the bush to the lower end of the top three courts.

No further development in the golf course construction occurred this year, but the extension of the volley board right along the front of the gully courts was begun.

Many new shrubs and trees were planted about the grounds during the third term. The bamboos between Carrington and the baths are slowly being removed and replaced by new shrubs. Many new trees were also planted in the bush between the baths and the new courts, just below the hospital, and several were put on the lawn by the hospital, in front of the lounge, on the left side of the roadway, and along the side of the memorial block on the right of the road. Some

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McNaught Field, showing the three top courts sealed.

trees were also cleared away this year from different areas. A new storeroom is to be constructed behind the dining room, and the row of macarcarpas that grew to the right of the music room were removed. The pine trees and scrubby growth behind the woodwork block was also cut away this year. There is still a lot of small growth to be removed from here, but when this is complete it should certainly let more light into the area, and keep it drier in the winter.

Two new building plans were also announced this year. The first of these is to be a music room to replace Room 14. It will be constructed on the back of the Memorial Hall stage. Tenders are soon to be called for this job. The second is a long-term plan, and entails the construction of a block of 18 classrooms across the gully tennis courts from Room 14 to the edge of the library roundabout. This block will be three stories on top of a basement block. Tests for the foundation depths are being taken so that the first six rooms, three high and two wide, can be constructed in the near future. Completion of this block will take place as the demand for classrooms increases.

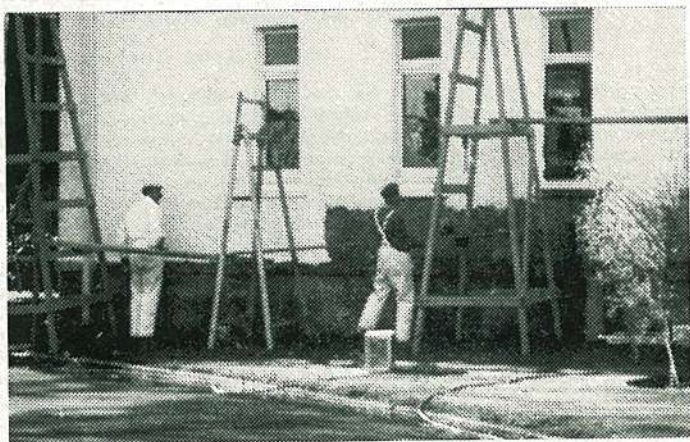
Another new feature added to the changing landscape this year was the construction of an incinerator by the library to replace the old one previously situated by the armoury. This new machine, however, proved most unsatisfactory. The smokestack on it is about two feet high and consequently, every day without fail, the area about it is smoke-screened. In winter, the damp atmosphere sometimes holds the smoke near the ground and a delightful smog-like atmosphere pervades the whole of the boarding establishment. It is to be hoped that a new site away from the living quarters can soon be found, where it can be constructed so as not to be a continual nuisance.

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The boarders' lounge was redecorated this year. A new coat of paint was given to the outside and the inside. A new wall-to-wall carpet was put in it at considerable cost, and the old furniture was replaced with new modern-styled tables and chairs, and attractive easy chairs. These were in three tonings, blue, yellow and red. It can now accommodate a greater number of boys at once and it has proved very useful and functional for parent-teacher evenings, and for suppers and afternoon teas put on for parents and visitors at various School functions. A servery and hot water cylinder were constructed on the back end of it for such occasions and these proved very useful. The absence of curtains about the windows does make the place a little bare, however, and their addition would certainly add a pleasing effect to what is already very functional and useful.

Extra bicycle facilities in the way of small, open stands were installed behind the south block in the third term. It is now possible for all day boy bicycles to be accommodated during the day.

To both visitors and pupils, the School presents a dazzling sight. All the buildings have just received a coat of glossy white paint. It was considered that the sight of painters perched high up on ladders painting the eaves of the south block may have turned some boys away from the job of a painter.



A face-lift for Carrington House.

A SCHOOL BLAZER

When School commences in 1962, retailers in New Plymouth will have stocks of the New Plymouth Boys' High School blazer.

It will be black with silver buttons and a School monogram on the pocket, similar in design to that on the pocket of the special award blazer at present.

The blazer will not be worn with the distinctive daily school uniform. It would be part of a school uniform with white shirt, school tie and

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grey slacks; or it could be worn with open-necked white shirt for cricket and tennis teams.

This blazer uniform will have its use on semi-formal occasions, for all sports teams travelling to schools in other towns, for boarders travelling on leave, to pictures, and for dancing classes. Senior boarders will therefore no longer need a Donegal jacket—nor will juniors who have a suit.

The Hockey First XI, which played in Hamilton over the school holidays, were the first boys to wear this new uniform, and it was favourably commented upon by masters and adult supporters of other schools engaged in the tournament.

The Sports Blazer, or "Tiger Coat," will of course be retained as an award of honour.

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With the St. Pat's game rapidly approaching several senior boys got together and re-organised the haka. As it now stands the leader has a more dominant part. This also involved new actions of bending forward and stabbing forward with the right arm.

Practised at lunch-time several weeks before the Hawera excursion it proved successful at the game. However, as the remainder of the games were played at Rugby and Pukekura Parks, difficulty of arranging the boys meant the haka was not performed. Next year, with the Gully back in use, we hope to see the old School spirit on show. The text is printed as an appendix to the School Notes.

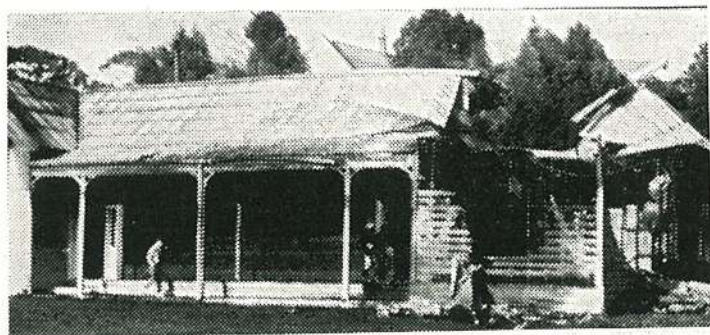
A photo organisation was set up this year whereby the boys were able to purchase any photos taken by the "Whistle" during 1961. It did prove very successful. Altogether there were about 4000 prints sold. A good percentage of these were taken by another organisation, which also managed the organisation of the "Whistle" photo production and distribution.

This year after a lapse for the past two years the boarders held a concert. It was a very enjoyable 2½-hour programme, fairly light and bright, held in the gym on a Sunday evening during the second term. The boys who organised it and took part are to be congratulated on an excellent show.

One of the first changes noticed by some of the more adventurous pupils when they returned to School after the August holidays was that all the trapdoors leading into the ceilings of the School buildings had been bolted down with the aid of padlocks. Gone is another indoor pastime, particularly of seniors, who desired the doubtful notoreity of a name inscribed for posterity on a supporting beam.

During the second term the old pavilion on the Gully ground was badly burnt. Discovered by a senior boy at 9.30 p.m. it had by this time a good hold on the northern corner. The fire brigade were notified and 50 minutes later had the blaze under control. It was not until 3 a.m. however, that the building could be left unwatched. The western wing is extensively damaged, and the seating area in the centre burnt beyond repair. The eastern wing was not badly damaged. The building will have to be replaced. According to the boarders the correct attire to wear to a fire is pyjamas, regardless of the weather . . .

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The Gully Pavilion after the fire.

A new series of articles appeared in the "Whistle" this year entitled "Manners for Everyman." While some of these appeared to be old themes, others were quite startling and were received with a certain amount of speculation and criticism, which was the reason why they were written, of course.

CONGRATULATIONS

It was very pleasing to hear of some of our more recent Old Boys gaining national honours. Neil Wolfe and John Graham both played in all three tests against France, Kevin Briscoe being a reserve for these games; Richard Purser toured very successfully with the New Zealand Badminton team to Australia, while Dick Hodges, together with Neil Wolfe, will go to the U.S.A. early next year with the New Zealand 'Varsities team.

There is an appropriate place in the "Taranakian" for the recording of engagements, both expected and extraordinary, but when a confirmed bachelor member of the staff who has not only resisted female wiles for many years but also scorned what he describes as the "domestic indignities," notice must be taken in the School Notes. We extend our heartiest congratulations and look forward with some interest to domestic developments.

We also noticed with interest that the transfer of a distinguished music master to a Wellington school has also provided cause for our congratulations.

During the third term we heard with pride that our Headmaster had been awarded a travelling scholarship to enable him to study overseas education methods and problems.

The scholarship is the Woolf Fisher Fellowship, which is provided by the Woolf Fisher Trust. Mr. Woolf Fisher, of Fisher and Paykel, Auckland, is the head of the trustees, a group of prominent Auckland businessmen. The trust provides overseas trips for teachers to study outside techniques and new developments and trends in overseas countries. Teachers are sent to Australia, U.S.A., France and England.

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This is the first year such a trip has been arranged, and it is a great honour for Mr. Webster to be chosen. He will leave early next year and travel to the United Kingdom and Europe via the United States. Mrs. Webster will accompany him. They will return home through India, Singapore and Australia.

We congratulate Brian Cleaver on his outstanding performance of attaining third place in the Junior men's New Zealand Gymnastic Championships.

The School was very proud to learn of the very creditable performances by four senior boys in the Flannagan Cup swim at the Port. Last year's winner, N. G. Rush, came second and took second fastest time, H. F. Jackson was fourth, while P. J. Dempsey and M. I. Bossley were seventh and eighth respectively.

We congratulate Michael Brosnan on being selected the top New Zealand St. John's Cadet for 1961.

We were pleased to hear this year that John Brodie, 6A, has been awarded a Rotary Scholarship. John leaves for the U.S.A. in January, where he intends to study for a year. We take this opportunity to congratulate him and wish him all the best.

We congratulate Hugh Jackson on being selected as the best cadet from Area 8 for this year.

During the course of the Rugby season, the School had occasion to congratulate L. W. McEldowney on being selected to play for the Junior Centurions side at Wellington. It is interesting to note that T. Te'O, whom we all remember as a flying winger, was also playing—as a No. 8 forward.

MISCELLANY

Once again the School ran an excursion train to the St. Pat's College match. It was a smashing success as usual. Stops at various stations en route gave us a chance to practice our new haka.

Yet another year has passed with the First XV maintaining their unbeaten record, which now stands at 28 matches. However, injuries took their toll this year with both regular half-backs and regular full-backs being unavailable on two occasions.

During the August vacation, the First XV played two extra matches, one at New Plymouth, the other at Taumarunui. The match at New Plymouth was against a New South Wales Secondary Schools' representative side, School running out victors to the tune of 14 points to 11. The Taumarunui game, arranged in conjunction with a King Country Old Boys' reunion, was against Taumarunui Combined Juniors, School winning by 18 points to 11.

One of the highlights of the Rugby season was the witnessing of the France v. Taranaki match. Members of 6A no doubt enjoyed the game as their job of ushers carried with it a free lunch valued at half a crown and a free seat of value 15/-.

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Boys at work in the Potato Plots.

The annual golf match against Wanganui Collegiate was held this year on the Belmont Links, Wanganui. Collegiate proved too strong and won by five singles to one, D. Little being the only School player to win a match. The School team was B. White, R. Lewes, D. Little, P. Edwards, R. Crow and W. Murdoch.

During the August vacation the annual Taranaki-King Country School-Boy Golf Tournament was held at New Plymouth. Eight School players competed, with B. White gaining the best gross of the qualifying round, P. Edwards had the best net of the qualifying round and D. Little won the championship plate.

The famous New Zealand long distance trainer, Mr. Arthur Lydiard, visited the School one afternoon during the third term. He gave a talk on various types of training, and in particular his own system. He also talked for a short while about the Rome Olympics and his recent tour of Europe. After his talk Mr. Lydiard went for a quick run with some of our keen long distance runners.

This year we had a visit from The Southern Players Drama Quartet. They acted scenes from a variety of plays which included Shakespeare and Molière. The performance was extremely good and took place in the gymnasium.

This year we had two overseas students in the boarding establishment. S. Fulu, a Samoan, who obtained his School Certificate and part of an Accounting Degree at Samoa College before coming to New Zealand on a Government Scholarship. Manu Thevathasen, came to us from Singapore, where he attended an Anglo-Chinese school. His father is a medical practitioner on the island.

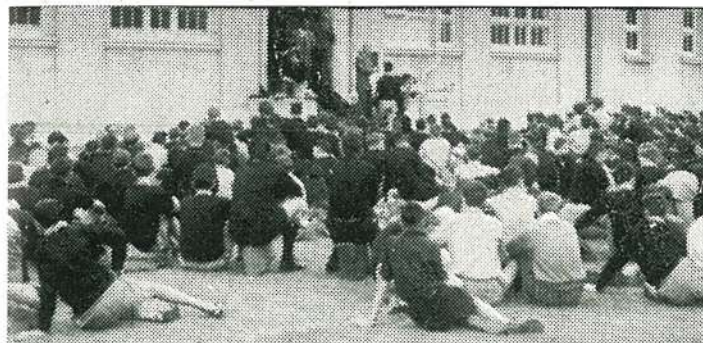
Once again this year a dance band was formed. They played for dancing classes during the second term and supplied extras at all School

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House dances. Several vocalists were an added feature this year and altogether the group performed well and were very much appreciated.

1961 saw the usual 'flu epidemic. We actually had two, one during the first term and one during the second. During both of these, extra beds had to be taken into the hospital, and at one stage during the second outbreak, the Pridham annexe and one dorm. had to be evacuated to make way for sick boys.

All abbreviations used in this magazine are as follows: (Car.) Carrington, (C) Central, (W) West, (P) Pridham, (M) Moyes, (E) East.



End of term Assembly; Lost Property louse-up.

TYPICALITIES

One prefect in charge of a class during the master's absence last period one Monday, found himself confronted by a very bright form. In an effort to stop the noise, he threatened to bring the noise maker out to the front.

"What will happen then," inquired one member of the class.

"That remains to be seen," replied the prefect.

Whereupon a remark was heard from the back of the room: "Don't you mean the remains will be seen?"

The Saturday that the First XV played Urenui during the May holidays was married somewhat for the coach. On the way to Urenui their bus was held up at Fitzroy by a number of cars. The boys crowded to one side of the bus and informed the inquiring coach that there had been a car crash up front.

"Whereabouts. I like to see these crashes," he replied, pushing his way to the front. "Quite a mess—cripes, it's my car."

There, in the middle of the street was a cream Humber, with the back staved in.

One third former attempting to fill in a board membership voting form informed his form master that he could not think of his mother's Christian names.

"Well lad, what does your father usually call her?" asked the master.

"I would hate to tell you sir," came the reply.

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Pre-assembled lunches were sold at the School this year at the cost of one shilling, 6 Acc. taking care of all arrangements. One master who adopted the custom of ordering one of these, had this to say about it: "Isn't it amazing that such a small insignificant piece of paper like this purchased in the morning, when presented at lunchtime, can be the key to such happiness for the purchaser; what a delight, what a digestive thrill one gets through it; what ecstasy, what pleasure!!"

During the third term the fire brigade was called to a false alarm, when several boys thought that Moyes House was going up in smoke. An interesting story is told of how one Housemaster was seen carefully explaining to a fireman that this was the wrong hydrant because it was not the one that they had put the hoses on for the pavilion fire. The boarders are still quite fire-conscious after these two alarms, and whenever the alarm is sounded from the central station, immediate speculation arises as to which part of the establishment is on fire this time. About 10.15 one evening the alarm was sounded, with the result that about 50 pyjama-clad figures were to be seen sprinting through the shadows across the top ground to get a glimpse of where the fire was, or to attempt to hear in which direction the engine was travelling. Many devious routeways must have been used to reach the shelter of the dormitories following their scatter, caused by a master appearing in the centre of the top ground baseball bat in hand.

What a surprise it was to us when, on returning from last year, we saw in place of the "Lime Green Heap," usually parked near the main entrance, nothing less than a brand new Triumph Herald. Such remarks from Upper Sixths were heard: "Wonder how the garage looks now," and "Strange! It's not painted National Party blue."

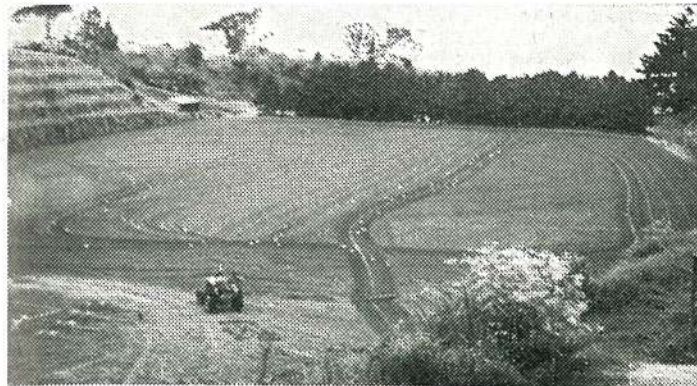
On the way down to Wanganui for a regatta the Rowing Club stopped for an early morning snack at a boerder's home near Waverley. The very much appreciated ginger beer supplied by the hosts was a magnificent source of entertainment. Imagine the exclamations of surprise from dismayed rowers when on removing the tops from the bottles they discovered their shirts soaking wet from waist to collar with ginger beer.

No one envied the tractor driver who was releveling the Gully ground during the first term. It was estimated that he did approximately 200 circuits of the field each day. We began to wonder if he created those weird patterns to amuse himself, to perplex the seagulls or to entertain the spectators. At present the gully is looking very spruce with a new sward of grass. It was relevelled during the first term and consequently was out of commission for football during the winter. Most of the important School games were played on McNaught Field, which certainly proved to be a good ground. Next year its effect as a relief to the racecourse will be seen.

When the painters were in the process of painting Carrington House it was suggested that a lot of work could be saved in the future if they were to paint ivy all over the front of the house.

One staff member on returning a book to a 6A boy from Waitara said, "I have a cap here with it," and showed him a Waitara High School cap. "That could be mine," replied the boy, "I use it for cleaning my shoes." Which just goes to show how one's views can change.

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The Gully ground just after re-leveling.

While the French Rugby side were in town, the School received a visit from the notable French Rugby correspondent, M. Denis LaLanne, accompanied by the team's interpreter, Professor Boyd-Wilson. M. LaLanne, in comic mood, soon dispelled any hopes that Taranaki would win the match.

Once again a team of cadets from the cadetship "Durham" played our fourth grade combined team. After a fairly close game full of amusing incidents the School team beat the visitors by 16 points to nine.

Following the publication in a local newspaper of a series of articles on Rugby written by "Webb Ellis," it has become customary to walk into a certain classroom and ask to speak to "Webb."

One member of the staff we feel has taken too literally the advice of "Keeping up with the Joneses."

The unusual and appetising aroma which haunted the upstairs balcony in the main block during the winter term was soon located as emanating from the stationery room. Many masters passing on their way to the dining room for their tea were seen to hesitate and sniff appreciatively—coffee does have a compelling aroma.

Late one night right at the end of the first term a peculiar procession entered the Assembly Hall. On reaching Room 1 it was brought to a sudden stop by the Headmaster. A bicycle, extension ladder, coil of rope and a "No Parking" sign were confiscated and 6A's attempt to embellish the architecture of the main dome was foiled.

The prefect on the door at the West House Dance astounded the M.C. by coming up to him a short while after the hall had been opened and informing him that several bodgies were weeding down in the far corner and would have to be removed. Much to his astonishment, however, the M.C. informed him that this gang of bodgies was the hired band, in their particular uniform.

In conclusion, to all boys leaving we wish success and happiness in their future careers, and to all those returning the best of luck in 1962.

M. R. Herbert, M. J. Williams, T. W. Fookes.

APPENDIX TO SCHOOL NOTES

THE REVISED HAKA

Leader: Kia Rite!
Ringa Pakia!
Pakia Pakia wae wae
Takahia kia kino.

All: Eh kino nei hokil
(Tahi, rua, toru, wha)
O kowhai matu etu nei
Kotomunga, Kotomunga eru nei.
Kiatoa, kiatoa Taranaki eh!

Leader: Taukau tau!

All: Heil

Leader: Taukau tau!

All: Heil
N.P.B.H.S.
Black, Black, Black,
White, White, White,
S C H O O L !

THE BREAK-UP

The School's Break-Up Ceremony for 1960 was held for the first time in the Girls' High School Assembly Hall before a large number of parents and friends of the School.

On the stage were Mr. C. G. Trotter, O.B.E., and Mrs. Trotter, Mr. E. P. Aderman, and Mrs. Aderman, Mr. A. G. Honnor, and Mrs. Honnor, Mr. W. G. Watts, and Mrs. Watts, the Headmaster and Mrs. Webster, members of the Board and their wives, and members of the Staff and their wives. With a greater amount of stage space available the wives of the Staff were invited to appear on stage last year for the first time. Their presence added colour to the ceremony.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Board, Mr. L. M. Moss, the deputy-Chairman, Mr. W. G. Watts, presided. Mr. Watts welcomed parents and apologised for the absence of Mr. Moss. He also told the gathering that the Board had received authority for the erection of a new block, with eight classrooms and a music room.

The School then sang two massed items—Vaughan Williams' "The Vagabond" and "Cowboy Carol," by M. Sargeant—under the baton of Mr. N. Lynch. Following these, the Headmaster was invited to present his annual report.

Mr. Webster said that the School started 1960 with a record roll of 1059, and that there were over 1000 boys still attending at the end of the year. The Boarding roll had averaged 323, with over 100 applicants turned down every year. He reported that a number of boys had had successes in outside examinations—102 had passed School Certificate and 68 had passed University Entrance in 1959. Eight boys had honoured the School by being awarded Scholarships—three National and five Taranaki.

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Mr. Webster continued by saying that on the sports field boys had also excelled, and he congratulated the sports teams on their successes and their sportsmanship. The Headmaster thanked the First Assistant and other members of the Teaching Staff, the Secretarial, Hospital, Hostel and Ground Staffs for their help and efficiency over the year. He then wished well two members of the Staff who were leaving, Messrs. M. D. Sadler and J. Fulcher.

The School Band then played the "Invercargill March" by Lithgow.

The guest speaker was Mr. C. G. Trotter, O.B.E. In his address Mr. Trotter pointed out to the School the fact that many of the modern generation seem unwilling to face their responsibilities. He urged the boys always to make the best of their opportunities, thereby doing their best to become useful and responsible citizens. He told the boys that if they left the public service to the few, they deserved the Government they got.

"You will be ruling New Zealand before long," he said. "You can't avoid responsibility by transferring it to the Government."

The early settlers had a strong belief in the ability of the individual and built a society where it was possible to move up in the social scale. "They didn't believe that what was good enough for father was good enough for son," Mr. Trotter declared. "How many of you can say that you are making the best of your opportunities? The practical value of potential resources depends on the vigour with which you apply them."

Some people did more with a little than some with much. Life was not meant to be easy, he said, and how a man acted in adversity showed his true character.

At the conclusion of Mr. Trotter's address, the School Orchestra played the finale from Symphony No. 5, by Beethoven. Mrs. Trotter then presented the Sports Prizes and the Special Choir sang a traditional song, "Czech Drum Carol."

Before Mr. Trotter presented the Academic Prizes, the School sang two massed hymns, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," by Bach, and "O Brother Man," by Russel. The Break-Up concluded with the boys singing the Dismissal Hymn and the whole gathering singing the School Song.

FORM PRIZES

3 E.B.3: C. Bosson.	4 G.3: S. J. Sexton.
3 E.B.2 Ag.: T. H. Wilson.	4 G.2: N. R. Hingston.
3 E.B.1: A. L. Collins.	4 G.1: P. Williams.
3 G.3: N. Brandon.	4 P.3: G. W. Davidson.
3 G.2: I. C. Stewart.	4 P.2: W. K. Rendall.
3 G.1: M. G. Andrews.	4 P.1: J. D. Cumming.
3 P.3: L. G. Chitty.	5 E: W. D. Jackson.
3 P.2: R. F. Fookes.	5 B: L. J. Webster.
3 P.1: 1st in Form, L. K. Fifield;	5 Ag.: R. A. Hall.
2nd (Special Prize), D. Steven.	5 G.4: R. J. Watson.
4 E.B.3: M. I. Winmill.	5 G.3: L. Birks.
4 E.B.2: R. L. Scott.	5 G.2: R. Bourn.
4 E.B.1: M. G. Clarke.	5 G.1: W. R. Hutchens.
4 G.4 Ag.: R. W. Southern.	5 P.2: K. G. Craig.

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- 5 P.1: C. R. Pring.
6 Sc.: 1st in Form, H. F. Jackson; Special Prize, Luk Dai Hui.
- 6 C: R. W. Robson.
6 B: M. R. Herbert (Sheila Prentice Cup).

SPECIAL PRIZES

- Rex Dowding Memorial Prize** (3rd and 4th Form Essay): L. D. Rushbrook.
Junior Oratory Prize (Cup and Book presented by Mr. L. M. Moss): C. J. Mancer.
Senior Debating Prize (Cup presented by Wellington Old Boys' Assn.): Central House—J. A. Codd and P. J. Dempsey.
Art Prizes: Senior, B. A. Badcock; Junior, G. Gerrard.
Music Prizes: Senior (presented by Mr. H. C. Collier): P. S. McGhie; Junior, T. Gibbs.
Singing Prize (presented by an Old Boy): H. Fullerton-Smith.
General Competence in Music: D. M. Smith.
Reading in Assembly (presented by an Old Boy): N. McL. Hayton.
Senior Reading (Mr. H. N. Hewson's Prize): H. F. Jackson.
Junior Reading: N. J. McNeill.
Drama Club (Most Improved Actor, presented by an Old Boy): G. M. Sheppard.
Tabor Scholarships: English, M. R. Herbert; Science, J. A. Codd; Mathematics, H. F. W. Jackson.
Prize for Best Maori Student (presented by Department of Maori Affairs): J. Waitere.
Taranaki Daily News Centennial Prize (5th Form English): M. H. Alexander.
White Memorial Prize (Senior Literature): P. R. Honeyfield.
Headmaster's Prize (6A Mathematics and Science): J. M. Miller.
Dr. George Home Memorial Prize: J. M. Miller.
Senior French Prize (presented by French Legation): N. D. Walter.
John Brodie Memorial Prize (Composition in 6A): N. D. Walter.
Heurtley Memorial Prize (Original Verse): J. A. Codd.
Deputy Head Boy's Prize (F. J. Eggleton Memorial Cup): J. M. Scott.
General Excellence (Dr. E. F. Fookes's Cup): R. B. Hedley.
Head Boy's Prize (presented by Auckland Branch of Old Boys' Assn. and Cup presented by Mrs. Brookman): R. B. Hedley.
Proxime Accessit (Ian MacLeod Memorial Prize): E. G. Loten.
Dux Prize (Buick Cup): J. M. Miller.

SPORTS PRIZES—ATHLETICS

- Noakes Cup** (Junior Steeplechase): K. Murrell.
Osborne Cup (Fastest time Junior Steeplechase): M. D. Wardlaw.
Moran Cup (High Jump Junior): M. A. Millar.
Bennett Cup (100 Yards Junior Championship): S. J. Moffit.

BREAK-UP CEREMONY

- Harman Cup** (440 Yards Junior Championship): M. D. Morris.
Herbert Smith Cup (Intermediate Steeplechase): B. Rollo.
Grieve Cup (One Mile Intermediate Handicap): M. W. Patten.
Gilmour Cup (880 Yards Intermediate Championship): M. W. Patten.
Easton Memorial Cup (Fastest time Intermediate Steeplechase): D. Ebbett.
Marsh Cup (120 Yards Intermediate Hurdles): K. J. Dalton.
Keller Cup (High Jump Intermediate): P. E. Hagen.
Bothamley Cup (440 Yards Intermediate Championship): B. M. MacDonell.
Challenge Cup (220 Yards Intermediate Championship): F. Te Mata.
Beckbessinger Cup (100 Yards Intermediate Championship): F. Te Mata.
Cartwright Cup (Long Jump Intermediate Championship): J. G. C. Wilson.
Old Boys' Shield (440 Yards Senior Championship): D. W. Martin.
Noakes Cup (120 Yards Senior Hurdles): P. A. Johns.
Old Boys' Cup (100 Yards Senior Championship): T. Te'O.
Herbert Smith Cup (220 Yards Senior Championship): T. Te'O.
Mason Memorial Cup (880 Yards Senior Championship): J. M. Miller.
Fookes Cup (One Mile Senior Championship): J. M. Miller.
1911 Cup (Senior Steeplechase): A. Humphries.
Bryce Cup (Fastest time Senior Steeplechase): A. Humphries.
Challenge Cup (Old Boys' Race): G. D. Mace.

SWIMMING

- Sykes Memorial Cup** (Senior Championship): N. G. Rush.
Challenge Cup (Intermediate Championship): M. R. Walsh.
Fox Cup (Junior Championship): N. H. Penwarden.
O'Halloran Shield (Inter-Form Relay): Form 3 P.2—B. H. Tompkins.

GYMNASTICS

- Hosking Cup** (School Championship): B. Cleaver.
Challenge Cup (Fifth Form Championship): B. Cleaver.
Peter Saunders Memorial Cup (Fourth Form Championship): J. L. Talbot.
Herbert Smith Cup (Third Form Championship): W. R. F. Carter.

CADETS

- Sole Cup** (Best N.C.O.): G. H. Page.

SHOOTING

- Hamblyn Cup** (Under 17 Championship): I. L. Riddle.
Loveday Cup (Under 15 Championship): C. E. Morton.
McLeod and Slade Cup (Under 14 Championship): D. Britton.
Searle Cup (.303 Short Range Championship): R. G. McCutcheon.

BREAK-UP CEREMONY

Kelly Cup (Long Range Championship): R. G. McCutcheon and R. A. Wakelin.

McDiarmid Belt (School Championship): R. G. McCutcheon.

Lady Godley Cup (Senior Class Firing): H. F. Jackson.

Lady Godley Cup (Junior Class Firing): K. G. McIntyre.

TENNIS

Candy Cup (Senior Singles): W. G. Shearer.

Herbert Smith Cup (Intermediate Singles): B. Candy.

BADMINTON

Cook and Lister Cup (Senior Singles): G. W. Ellett.

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Kerr Cup (Rugby): Carrington—W. A. Mills.

Bates Cup (Cricket): East—W. J. Murdock.

Hansard Cup (Athletics): West—J. M. Miller.

Stevenson Cup (Tennis): Carrington—W. Rumball.

Holden Cup (Soccer): West—G. E. Wall.

Hayton Cup (Rowing): Carrington—M. Bryant; and Pridham—I. Montgomerie.

DAY BOYS v. BOARDERS

Pease Cup (Rugby): Boarders—R. G. McCutcheon.

Birch Cup (Cricket): Day Boys—W. Murdock.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

Accountancy Examinations: Accounting, Stage I: W. Shearer, K. Tucker, R. Hamilton, R. Hedley, W. Burton, A. White, D. Smith, B. McCullough. Secretarial Practise, Stage I: W. Shearer, K. Tucker, W. Burton, D. Renwick, D. Smith, B. McCullough, R. McCutcheon. English: Stage I: W. Shearer, K. Tucker, D. Renwick. Commercial Law: W. Shearer, K. Tucker, A. White, D. Renwick, D. Smith.

Taranaki Scholarships: W. A. Mills, E. G. Loten, N. D. Walter, D. B. Gauld, T. P. Dobbie. New Plymouth Savings Bank Scholarship: K. A. Carey-Smith. Cambrian Engineering Company Scholarship: J. M. Miller. Philip Ayckbourn Memorial Scholarship: C. W. Macleod. Taranaki Agricultural Bursary (Farmers' Co-op. Org. Soc. of N.Z. Ltd.): P. J. Rumball.

Higher School Certificate: P. V. Bradford, W. A. Burton, K. A. Carey-Smith, T. P. Dobbie, G. M. Dryden, G. J. Dymond, J. C. Evershed, D. B. Gauld, W. G. R. Gifford, R. H. T. Hamilton, N. M. Hayton, R. B. Hedley, J. G. Honeyfield, P. R. Honeyfield, D. N. Horne, W. Innes, E. G. Loten, A. G. Mackay, C. G. Macleod, B. J. G. McCulloch, R. G. McCutchen, D. G. McCrone, W. A. Mills, G. H. Page, D. J. Renwick, W. Rumball, M. J. Sampson, J. M. Scott, W. G. Shearer, P. S. Simcock,

EXAMINATION RESULTS

G. M. Smale, D. M. Smith, M. G. Snowdon, L. J. Sunde, I. D. Symes, K. A. Tucker, G. E. Wall, N. D. Walter, A. R. White.

University Entrance: M. J. Aldrich, D. T. Alexander, W. D. Allison, G. H. J. Baird, M. A. A. Banks, B. G. Blackstock, M. I. Bossley, R. L. Bosson, J. L. Brodie, R. L. Broughton, G. M. Carter, J. A. Codd, J. C. Coldwell, B. Coleman, J. E. Cousins, R. R. Dean, P. J. Dempsey, M. M. Dickie, M. J. Erwin, A. M. Faull, D. G. Ferrier-Watson, T. W. Fookes, R. C. Geck, K. J. Green, C. T. W. Henderson, M. R. Herbert, W. R. Hodgson, R. W. Hughes, P. N. Hutchings, D. C. Irvine, H. F. W. Jackson, H. G. Johnson, N. Lange, W. T. Lawson, W. J. Lobb, Dai Hui Luk, B. N. MacDiarmid, T. S. Medley, B. G. Mills, H. T. Mills, E. D. Morris, A. McL. Morrison, P. R. Parsons, R. S. Paton, D. J. Paynter, A. J. Pettigrew, N. R. Poletti, P. J. Rich, R. W. Robson, N. G. Rush, I. C. Sargent, E. M. Sheppard, P. Sullivan, T. J. Tier, E. L. Tuffery, H. T. Vyver, K. L. P. Wakelin, R. A. Wakelin, J. K. Ward, B. J. H. White, M. J. Williams, B. H. Wills, D. B. R. Wood.

Endorsed School Certificate: M. J. Aldrich, D. T. Alexander, B. J. Allen, W. D. Allison, P. A. Anderson, G. H. J. Baird, M. A. A. Banks, B. G. Blackstock, R. L. Bosson, J. L. Brodie, R. L. Broughton, G. M. Carter, N. M. Cavaney, J. A. Codd, J. C. Coldwell, B. Coleman, C. M. Collet, J. E. Cousins, R. R. Dean, P. J. Dempsey, G. K. Dewar, M. M. Dickie, P. G. C. Douch, G. W. Ellett, G. S. Elliott, M. J. Erwin, T. W. Fookes, R. C. Geck, L. Girling-Butcher, R. H. Hicks, W. R. Hodgson, R. W. Hughes, P. N. Hutchings, D. C. Irvine, H. F. W. Jackson, A. M. Johnston, M. W. Johnston, L. A. Knowles, W. T. Lawson, N. B. Lange, M. J. Leche, R. J. Lewes, W. J. Ley, W. J. Lobb, J. W. Longbottom, D. H. Luk, M. J. McCallum, B. N. McDiamond, J. R. MacDonell, L. G. Mattock, T. S. Medley, B. G. Mills, H. T. Mills, D. J. Milne, A. M. Morrison, J. M. Lewsome, P. R. Parsons, R. S. Paton, D. J. Paynter, A. J. Pettigrew, N. R. Poletti, J. G. Rodgers, N. G. Rush, I. C. Sargent, M. Saroa, G. M. Sheppard, K. W. Smith, T. W. Struthers, A. S. Tarrant, E. L. Tuffery, H. Vyver, R. A. Wakelin, R. H. Wakelin, J. K. Ward, G. J. Watson, B. J. H. White, M. J. Williams, B. H. Wills, D. B. R. Wood, M. A. Worsley.

School Certificate: M. Alexander, B. Badcock, M. Barrington, S. Baty, P. Baylis, S. Beck, D. Bennett, L. Birks, G. Boucher, R. Bourn, J. Brattle, P. Brown, G. Bruce, M. Bryant, J. Burry, W. Carr, A. Carter, P. Carter, S. Catchpole, P. Churchouse, B. Cleaver, P. Cook, K. Craig, K. Crook, J. Davies, A. Dawson, R. Denne, K. Diack, G. Dravitzki, K. M. Dravitzki, R. Duncan, D. Ebbett, D. Emett, G. Furness, R. Garbett, P. Gardner, K. George, R. Goudie, R. Gray, Q. Green, T. Guilford, L. Gundesen, R. Hall, M. Hamilton, R. Harland, D. Houghton, W. Hetherington, G. Hicks, J. Hill, M. Hingston, R. Honeyfield, G. Horner, W. Hutchens, M. Inglis, G. Jackson, W. Jackson, K. Jensen, I. Johns, A. Kear, J. Kirkby, J. Lankow, E. Larsen, M. Lilley, D. Lobb, B. Lockstone, P. Lynch, J. McBeth, P. McGhie, R. McIntyre, T. Mackay, A. McKenzie, D. MacLean, I. McQuilkan, I. Marsden, J. Mason, P. Masson, R. Maxwell, I. Miller, D. Moles, W. Murdock, T. Neilson, J. Nicholls, J. Old, J. Page, G. Paton, J. Patterson, A. Paul, M. Pease, B. Prestidge, C. Pring, T. Rae, I. Riddle, J. Roberts, J. Ross, R. Schierling, D. Sherson, G. Smith, J. Smith, W. Steffensen, R. Sutton, J. Syme, R. Symes, M. Taylor, F. Temata, I. Titter, R. Todd, N. Treweek, P. Tulloch, C. Walters, B. Waters, W. Watson, L. Webster, R. West, G. Wingate, M. Williamson, G. Willson, J. Wilson, N. Wilson.



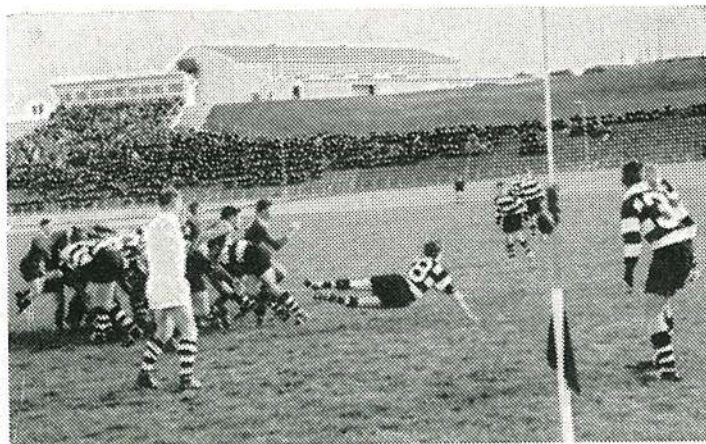
BOARDING HOUSE PREFECTS

Back Row: B. H. Wills, D. B. R. Wood, I. Riddle, R. C. Geck, P. McGhie, C. R. Pring, H. T. Mills, R. J. Maxwell.
 Middle Row: B. N. MacDiarmid, N. Treweek, I. J. Miller, M. J. Erwin, B. G. Blackstock, M. Bryant, P. Churchouse, K. Smith.
 Front Row: M. M. Dickie, R. L. Bosson, A. M. Johnston, R. R. Dean, R. S. Garbett, P. J. Rich, B. J. Allen, L. Birks.



DAY BOY HOUSE PREFECTS

Back Row: B. Coleman, L. Girling-Butcher, R. J. Lewes, J. R. Smith, J. C. Coldwell.
 Middle Row: R. N. Goudie, T. S. Medley, B. R. Prestidge, J. A. Codd, G. F. Watson, G. H. J. Baird.
 Front Row: A. J. Rich, G. M. Carter, L. W. McEldowney, M. J. Williams, B. J. H. White.



Fraser passes to first five-eighths Harrold during the School v. Grammar match.

FOOTBALL

The interest and enthusiasm for Rugby is as great at School today as ever. Thirty-four teams were entered in Taranaki Rugby competitions, and competed each Saturday. The Fourth Grade "A" team and the Sixth Grade Day Boys team won their grade competitions.

The standard of play throughout the School is high. This was clearly demonstrated during the end of year House competitions, where excellent games were seen in both senior and junior grades.

The School acknowledges gratefully the wonderful help it receives from the Referees' Association, the Taranaki Rugby Union and its Northern Junior Committee. The organisation and assistance rendered by these organisations is extensive and generous. Without it, football at School could not function along its present lines.

The Racecourse playing fields, as ever, remain essential to our welfare. Without them what would we do? The showering facilities provided on the racecourse by the Northern Junior Rugby Management Committee have made those grounds even more desirable from School's point of view.

It was a sad blow that the gully pavilion should be destroyed by fire during the year. Although old, the building was functional and comfortable. Hot water showers had recently been installed, and were serving a large number of boys. Until it is replaced the facilities it was providing will be greatly missed.

THE FIRST XV

The School First XV, after a rather uncertain start—it lost two of the first three club games—gradually settled into a sound side and finished the year with a very good record indeed. The team won four of the five College games played and drew the other, completing the season on a high note by defeating the Auckland Secondary School champions, Auckland Grammar, by 14-3.

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The team's strength lay in a strong, experienced pack which was never mastered. As the games ran, the backs were called upon to play a less spectacular role, but they gave excellent service and in fact, of the fourteen tries scored in college games, ten were scored by the three-quarters.

It is most gratifying to note the continued success of Old Boys in provincial and national Rugby. Many are playing regularly for their provinces, and several obtained games against the visiting Frenchmen. Two Old Boys, D. J. Graham and T. N. Wolfe, played for the All Blacks in three tests, and R. H. Graham had the satisfaction of leading his Auckland side through a season of successful Ranfurly Shield games.

INTER-SCHOOL GAMES

v. STRATFORD-HAWERA T.H.S. COMBINED

(Played at Rugby Park, New Plymouth, June 3rd). Won 24-3.

Although not recognised as a "college match," the annual game with H.T.H.S. and S.T.H.S. combined is always an important one in that it is a rehearsal for the First XV for the college matches soon to follow. Combined has always provided good opposition and many of the matches have been very close, although School has not yet lost.

The teams were:—

Stratford-Hawera: I. Carswell, M. Knight, G. Young, R. Hickey, T. Rodgers, G. Nicholls, P. Nightingale, R. Carroll, L. Parkes, G. Harris, R. Kilsby, R. Tucker (Captain), G. Edgecombe, I. Lambert, A. Ham.

School: J. R. Smith, W. Allison, J. E. Garbett, G. M. Carter, B. R. Prestidge, G. M. Harrold, B. M. Fraser, R. A. Wakelin, G. J. Walter, C. T. W. Henderson, L. W. McEldowney, B. H. Wills, H. F. Jackson, J. R. Davies, W. T. Lawson. (D. H. Bennett replaced B. M. Fraser.)

This year School continued their unbroken line of success when they defeated the combined team by 24 points to three. Combined were fielding a pacy three-quarter line and a heavy forward pack, which included an 18-st. No. 8. Their weakest link was their inside back combination, which



A try to J. Garbett against Stratford-Hawera Technical Combined.

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owing to the attentions of the School loose forwards and the defence of five-eighths Harrold and Garbett, never functioned properly. Combined were well led by captain R. Tucker, an excellent line-out forward.

Combined's only points came from a good try by Young, which served as an example of what might have happened if their threequarters had received more ball.

School's points came from tries by Carter, Garbett, Harrold, Wills and Prestidge, three of which were converted by Smith, who also kicked a penalty.

Overall, the game was a good tactical victory for School, who played exceptionally well for so early in the season.

v. ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE (Silverstream)

(Played at Hicks Park, Hawera, July 1st). Won 9-0.

In a game that was both tense and entertaining, School defeated St. Pat's by nine points (a penalty goal, a try, and a dropped goal) to nil.

Both teams were evenly matched and some excellent football resulted. Smith's penalty goal from a yard inside his own half was a good example. But there was an element of luck in three of School's points. Lock-forward L. McEldowney dropped a goal from a mark. "Mac" could practise all the week and not repeat this performance. Prestidge's try resulted from a good movement with backs and forwards attacking together.

On the other hand, St. Pat's looked very dangerous on many occasions but a recurring breakdown of a dropped, or badly thrown pass and desperate defending by School kept them off our goalline.

Teams were:—

St. Pat's: D. Power, P. Miller, G. McIntosh, K. Mites, J. Grattam, M. Beckett, J. Sisson, K. Prince, P. Bavnau, P. Ellerington, M. Berridge, A. Foley, M. McSherry, N. Egan (Captain), B. Sheppard.

School: J. R. Smith, B. R. Prestidge, J. E. Garbett, G. M. Carter, R. S. Garbett, G. M. Harrold, I. R. Stewart, R. A. Wakelin, G. J. Walter, C. T. W. Henderson, B. H. Wills, L. W. McEldowney, H. F. Jackson, M. D. Bryant, W. T. Lawson.

RUN OF PLAY

School kicked off with the wind at their backs and immediately went close to scoring as Henderson dribbled the ball over the line, but failed to get a touch-down. A short kick for the wing by Harrold after a neat break saw the St. Pat's defence scrambling, but a 25-yard drop-out resulted.

St. Pat's returned to the attack when a centre kick by Miles looked dangerous, but Carter cleared with a good kick.

Back on the attack School received a penalty. Smith's kick from a difficult position fell short. A minute later, however, Smith left the spectators speechless with a penalty goal from one yard inside his own half.—3-0.

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At this stage St. Pat's were getting a decided advantage in the line-outs as a result of some excellent jumping by Foley. Stewart made a lovely break around the scrum but his pass to Henderson was forward. Wakelin initiated a dribbling rush that took School to St. Pat's twenty-five, but a penalty relieved the pressure.

St. Pat's came back with a well-placed kick which Smith mishandled, but Garbett cleared. Half-time came with the score: School 3, St. Pat's 0.

On the resumption St. Pat's looked dangerous as Power came in as an extra man and Miles broke through, but a good tackle by Prestidge saved the day.

Play fluctuated from end to end, neither team being able to score. From a ruck in midfield Stewart worked the blind and Prestidge broke in-field in a jinky run to link up with Henderson, who was tackled short of the line. School kept up the pressure but just couldn't get over the line. A dropped pass by the School backs resulted in a 75-yard break by St. Pat's that almost ended in a try. A series of scrums near the School line followed and tension mounted, but Carter cleared with a good kick.

At this stage, there was nothing between the teams, and the 3-0 margin held by School produced considerable excitement as the game see-sawed back and forth.

A ruck developed close to the St. Pat's line after Harrold had been caught in possession and Prestidge, coming round from the blind wing



Niger House v. College House, Palmerston North, on McNaught Field.

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to take Harrold's place, received a good pass from Stewart and managed to dive over close to the posts. The conversion failed. School 6, St. Pat's 0.

Just on full time McEldowney took a mark 35 yards out from the posts. Amid considerable encouragement and after much discussion he decided to take a drop-kick at goal. School's victory was placed beyond doubt as a powerful kick sailed straight over. The referee then blew his whistle for full time.

Final score: School 9, St. Pat's 0.

v. PALMERSTON NORTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

(Played at Showgrounds, Palmerston North, July 15th). Drew 13-13.

School forced a draw with a strong and experienced P.N.B.H.S. XV after being thirteen points down at one stage.

This was easily the hardest match played so far this season. The game was played at a very fast pace, but in the end it was School who proved the fitter and they gradually wore the opposition down to pile on the points in the last few minutes of the game.

School players played outstandingly well to fight back where others would possibly have given up. Harrold played one of the best games he has ever played, kicking the final two points with a conversion from a difficult position. Bennett, playing his first college game and out of position, did everything asked of him. A regrettable incident was the loss of Ian Stewart, the School half-back. He sustained a broken ankle which put him out for the rest of the season. This was a severe loss as he was playing with determination and showing considerable ability.

Teams were:—

Palmerston North B.H.S.: G. Eyles, B. McLean, M. Faulkner, G. Seiverts, M. Kilmister, J. Lundy, F. Long, R. Rush, V. Rosenbrook (Captain), B. Halligan, M. Boldt, G. Gray, J. Croll, G. Evans, P. McLaughlan.

School: D. H. Bennett, G. M. Carter, B. R. Prestidge, J. E. Garbett, R. S. Garbett, G. H. Harrold, I. R. Stewart, R. A. Wakelin, C. T. W. Henderson, G. J. Walter, L. W. McEldowney, R. C. Geck, H. F. Jackson, M. D. Bryant, W. T. Lawson.

RUN OF PLAY

The pace was on from the start, and it was obvious it was going to be hard all the way. After about twenty minutes of play Palmerston North went into the lead 3-0 after a good penalty. Just on half-time they struck another blow when R. Rush scored close to the posts. The try was converted—Palmerston North 8, School 0.

A few minutes after the resumption Rush again scored close to the posts after taking an in-pass from Lundy—Palmerston North 13, School 0.

Harrold gave School new heart when a few minutes later he kicked a good penalty goal from 30 yards out. Stewart went off with what later proved to be a broken ankle.

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Prestidge came into half-back and Allison replaced him on the wing. Prestidge immediately broke around the scrum and in-passed to Henderson, who just failed to ground the ball.

A scrum close to the Palmerston North line went down. School forced Palmerston back over their line and Geck scored a push-over try. Harrold converted—13-8. And then Carter scored after picking up the ball in a loose ruck close to Palmerston's line. With the tension on Harrold converted—13-13.

The game ended a little later with School still attacking.

v. WANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

(Played at Pukekura Park, New Plymouth, on July 20th). Won 16-0.

Perhaps not fully recovered from their gruelling match against Palmerston four days earlier, School pulled off the game against Collegiate in a match that was often scrappy, particularly in the first half.

The second half, however, was a different story. A far more aggressive forward pack and some sparkling back movements enabled School to run out the winners 16-0.

Teams were:—

Wanganui: D. Payton, D. Lindbrook, T. Tuaiti, P. Kunner, B. Finch, P. Harris, M. Nitz, J. Dermer, W. MacKenzie, A. Giessen, J. Gibbons, F. Strahan, W. Latham, D. Coleman, D. Hodder (Captain).

School: J. R. Smith, G. M. Carter, J. E. Garbett, D. H. Bennett, R. S. Garbett, G. M. Harrold, B. R. Prestidge, R. A. Wakelin, G. J. Walter, C. T. W. Henderson, R. C. Geck, L. W. McEldowney, H. F. Jackson, M. D. Bryant, W. T. Lawson.

School went into the attack from the kick-off. Breaks by Carter and Henderson both looked likely, but were smothered. Smith kicked a penalty and School led 3-0. Then came a series of scrums, line-outs and scrappy play that continued until half-time. Half-time score: School 3, Wanganui 0.

The second half started with both teams looking far more determined and play brightened considerably. Smith goaled from wide out to make it 6-0.

Collegiate backs looked dangerous as Harris carved through but Finch was caught with the ball. Harris broke again but a good tackle by Smith saved a try.

Then it was School's turn. Harrold, who had been making some dangerous runs, broke beautifully around the blind side, in-passed to Walter, who scored in the corner. Smith converted. School 11, Wanganui 0.

Shortly before full-time Harrold gained possession and kicked for his wing. Carter scooped up the bouncing ball to dive over for a spectacular try, and in doing so broke the corner flag. Smith converted, 16-0.

In the final minute of the game winger Kunner almost scored after an excellent run down the line, only a desperate ankle tap by Smith stopping him ten yards short.

Final score: School 16, Wanganui 0.



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Back Row: R. S. Garbett, J. R. Davies, G. M. Carter, W. J. Lobb, B. M. Fraser, G. M. Harrold, I. R. Stewart.
Middle Row: J. E. Garbett, P. Rich, D. H. Bennett, G. J. Walter, J. R. Smith, H. F. W. Jackson, W. D. Allison, B. R. Prestidge.
Front Row: R. A. Wakelin, W. T. Lawson, R. C. Geck, C. W. T. Henderson, M. Bryant, L. W. McEldowney, B. H. Wills.

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v. TE AUTE COLLEGE

(Played at McLean Park, Napier, July 29th). Won 28-10.

This match was played as a curtain-raiser to the N.Z. Maoris v. France game. Play was of a high standard throughout and was divided into two phases. For the first 25 minutes Te Aute were definitely on top, but for the remainder of the match School forwards took charge and exerted their superiority.

Teams were:—

Te Aute: R. Wilson, H. Te Whiati, T. Tataurangi, I. Hunter, R. Hotereni, B. Thompson, M. Tamati, T. Cooper, T. Lambert, F. Te Miha, W. Crawford, R. Boswell, A. Gemmell, K. Waipara, T. Gemmell.

School: J. R. Smith, G. M. Carter, J. E. Garbett, D. H. Bennett, R. S. Garbett, G. M. Harrold, B. R. Prestidge, R. A. Wakelin, G. J. Walter, L. W. McEldowney, R. C. Geck, C. T. W. Henderson, H. F. W. Jackson, M. Bryant, W. T. Lawson.

RUN OF PLAY

The game was only two minutes old when Te Aute centre T. Tataurangi broke through, kicked over the heads of Bennett and Smith, regained possession and scored. J. Hunter converted. Te Aute 5, School 0.

The next scoring attempt came in the tenth minute when Tataurangi attempted a long-range penalty. The kick failed and School cleared.

It was not long after that School managed to launch its first real attack. From a ruck on one sideline Bennett ran across field to link up with the other backs, but a promising move was spoiled by a knock-on in the forwards. School attacked again but Carter was bundled into touch by H. Te Whiati.

Near half-time Harrold gained possession from a scrum on the Te Aute 10-yard mark, drew his opposition and passed to R. Garbett. He took the gap, passed to his brother J. Garbett and, with Te Aute's winger reeling, D. Bennett crossed in the corner. The conversion failed.—5-3.

From the kick-off Lawson took the ball and broke away for a lovely 25-yard dribbling rush. Four minutes later Bennett scored again when Walter broke on the blind. Smith's conversion failed. Half-time score: 6-5.

School attacked from the kick-off and in the fifth minute Bennett made it a hat-trick after Harrold put through a nicely-placed kick. School 9, Te Aute 5.

The next points were to come soon after when McEldowney crossed midway between the posts and corner. Smith made sure of this one.—14-5.

Te Aute were now in a bad position and their defence was often indecisive. School were having a field day, gaining all the possession. Carter was the next to score, after a nice break by Prestidge. Smith converted.—19-5.

Almost immediately came School's best try. School won the ruck from the kick-off and Prestidge fed Harrold. He made 15 yards and passed to R. Garbett. He passed on to C. Henderson who had joined



4th GRADE A'S (Runners-up in the Taranaki 4th Grade Championship)

Back Row: E Tuffery, R. Pring, W. Bourn, P. Cook, R. Schierling, M. Dennis.

Middle Row: M. Dickie, T. Medley, B. MacDiarmid, L. Moffit, J. Medley, J. Barker, J. Taylor.

Front Row: K. Rendall, R. Bosson, D. Alexander, M. Keech, J. Page, P. Anyan.

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the line. Henderson pushed off two tacklers before passing to J. Garbett. Garbett raced down the side-line, in-passed to Carter, who dived across in the corner, making it two in a row for him. Smith failed to convert, but shortly after kicked a penalty.—25-5.

The total reached 28 when Henderson gathered the ball, ducked under two tackles to score five yards from touch.

Although School were superior, the most outstanding player on the field was Te Aute centre Tataurangi. With full time showing, he gathered up the ball on his own twenty-five and sprinted the length of the field to score between the posts. J. Hunter converted and the match ended: School 28, Te Aute 10.

v. AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL

(Played at Rugby Park, New Plymouth, on August 17th). Won 14-3.

School defeated Auckland Grammar School by 14 points to three in the annual match played before a fair-sized crowd at Rugby Park. The game developed largely into a forward struggle, although in the first half the School backs gave a first-class display, combining well to score two tries.

Teams were:—

Auckland Grammar: J. Stenhouse, W. Currie, J. Carpenter, K. Sandford, H. Johnstone, D. Gore, D. McGregor, M. Farland, D. Stubbs, D. Wotherpoon, L. Lelaulu, R. Tisch, J. Wells, D. Ridler, J. Fairgray. (H. Johnstone was replaced by R. Taylor.)

School: D. H. Bennett, W. Allison, B. R. Prestidge, J. E. Garbett, R. S. Garbett, G. M. Harrold, B. M. Fraser, R. A. Wakelin, G. J. Walter, L. W. McEldowney, R. C. Geck, C. T. W. Henderson, H. F. Jackson, M. D. Bryant, W. T. Lawson. (J. Garbett was replaced by R. H. Wakelin.)

RUN OF PLAY

School kicked off with the sun behind them and with a slight wind advantage. The game was only two minutes old when School was awarded a penalty in a handy position, but Prestidge's kick was well astray. A short while later play was in Grammar's twenty-five and Allison was over, but he was recalled for a knock-on. Prestidge missed another kick before Grammar launched an all-out attack.

After twenty minutes, Harrold burst through a gap inside the Grammar twenty-five which resulted in a good try by Prestidge between the posts. Prestidge converted his own try.—5-0.

Long range line-kicking by Stenhouse put Grammar on attack. From 35 yards out Tisch attempted a penalty but it bounced off the upright and McEldowney cleared. Then Harrold increased School's lead with a long-range penalty.—8-0.

Five minutes from half-time Jackson, the front row prop, crashed over only to be recalled. From the scrum Harrold left his opposite sprawling on the ground. He passed to R. Garbett, on to Prestidge, and to J. Garbett who scored in the corner. Wakelin failed to convert.—11-0.

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Right on half-time J. Garbett broke clear and kicked behind the full-back, but was obstructed when sprinting for the ball. Harrold kicked the resulting penalty and the half-time score was 14-0.

Grammar forwards fought back desperately in the second half and some tight, hard, football resulted. Play was mainly in School territory with Tisch attempting to score from two penalties. However, he was successful in the 23rd minute with a 35-yard kick to score Grammar's only points.—14-3.

Grammar backs continued to attack time and time again but suffered handling lapses which often lost them ground. Throughout this period School defended soundly.

With five minutes to go J. Garbett was injured and replaced by R. H. Wakelin.

Grammar kept applying the pressure but School's defence could not be penetrated and the game ended: School 14, Grammar 3.

v. NEW SOUTH WALES COMBINED HIGH SCHOOLS

(Played at Rugby Park, New Plymouth, on 26th August). Won 14-11.

The game was generally an entertaining one as the seriousness of a college match was not evident. Played as a curtain-raiser to a representative fixture, there was a fair-sized crowd present, but conditions were windy and cool.

Teams were:—

N.S.W. Schools: W. Scott (Captain), D. Hughes, G. Leo, I. Balmain, J. Spencer, R. Pride, D. Young, G. Grudzinskas, W. Moore, R. Blyton, G. Lane, J. Pattinson, N. Lassau, C. Smith, J. Sandler.

School: D. H. Bennett, G. M. Carter, B. R. Prestidge, J. E. Garbett, R. S. Garbett, G. M. Harrold, B. M. Fraser, G. J. Walter, M. Bryant, C. T. W. Henderson, L. W. McEldowney, R. C. Geck, H. F. Jackson, J. R. Davies, W. T. Lawson.

RUN OF PLAY

Playing with a strong wind at their backs School went into the attack early and it was not long before Harrold kicked a relatively easy penalty after missing a slightly harder one two minutes earlier.—3-0.

Harrold kicked another penalty five minutes later, using the wind to good advantage.—6-0.

Winger Hughes made a dangerous 50-yard run for N.S.W. but the cover defence bundled him into touch 15 yards from the corner. However, using the strong wind, School forged back on to the attack and Henderson was nearly in but the visitors were awarded a penalty on their goal line. Prestidge cut through the defence but was recalled for an infringement.

N.S.W.'s half-back D. Young made a dangerous burst which almost resulted in G. Leo scoring. Five minutes before half-time a scrum five yards from the line was ordered. The School pack pushed their opposition back and a try by Bryant resulted. Harrold converted. Half-time score: 11-0.

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With the wind at their backs the Australians attacked strongly. A clearing kick by Bennett was caught by the wind and bounced high over the goal line. Several players jumped for the ball but G. Leo was the first to ground it. The conversion failed.—11-3.

Midway through the spell Thompson, the Australian five-eight, made a good break to score. Hughes converted.—11-8.

N.S.W. were almost in again when Prestidge, going for an interception, missed, thus giving the visitors an overlap. However, Carter and Bennett bundled the winger into touch.

The next scoring movement was by School when Harrold carried through three tackles inside the New South Wales twenty-five, drew the full-back and sent Allison in in the corner. The conversion failed.—14-8.

With time showing on the clock New South Wales kicked a penalty to make the final score: School 14, New South Wales 11.

[Injuries and sickness disorganised the team to a greater extent than usual this season. Three half-backs were used at different stages owing to injuries to B. Fraser (collar bone) and I. Stewart (broken finger and



A Saturday Morning Lower Grade in Progress on the Racecourse.



School v. Tikorangi on McNaught Field during a Club Competition Game.

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broken ankle); R. H. Wakelin, full-back, broke a collar bone and the team played two college games without J. R. Smith, full-back and regular goal kicker.]

CLUB COMPETITIONS

In the Club Competitions School enjoyed a successful season, being runners-up and holders of the Junior Open Grade Challenge Shield, which was unfortunately destroyed in the gully fire. The team lost only two games early in the season. An additional match for some members was played at Taumarunui. The trip was thoroughly enjoyed by all who took part.

C. T. W. Henderson.

DAY BOYS v. BOARDERS

(Played on the McNaught Field, September 28th). Day Boys won 13-9.

McNaught Field was very hard and dry, and a strong southerly wind made conditions unpleasant. A large crowd saw the Day Boys end the Boarders' six-year-old monopoly of the Pease Cup with a well-deserved 13-9 victory. The Day Boys had the upper hand in the forwards, where W. Lawson excelled with much hard work in the tight, but the backs were evenly matched. Both teams had an equal representation of First XV members.

The Boarders had first use of the wind and went on to the attack from the whistle, but faulty handling by them and good defence by the Day Boys prevented them from scoring. After 15 minutes of play Walter kicked a 35-yard penalty and a few minutes later a clearing kick by Prestidge was charged down and from the resulting ruck the ball was spun along the Boarders' backline for Lockyer to dive over in the corner. The conversion failed and the Boarders led 6-0. The Day Boys now began to apply the pressure and worked their way to the Boarders' goal-line after a good run by Bennett. From a scrum the ball went to Lobb who pushed his way over, but the conversion failed. Just before half-time Allen scored for the Boarders, making the half-time score 9-3.

On the resumption Day Boys attacked and Henderson went over for Smith to convert. Using the wind to advantage, Day Boys now kept the ball deep inside Boarder territory. Midway through the second half Harrold left the field and was replaced by Diack who went to the wing, with Bennett moving to half-back and Prestidge to first five-eighths. Smith missed two long-range penalties but after twenty-eight minutes Carter raced away to score a fine solo try. Smith converted and Day Boys led 13-9. With five minutes to go Goudie was replaced by J. Medley. The Boarders made a determined effort to score but the defence was too good and the game ended soon after. Day Boys 13, Boarders 9.

The teams were:—

Day Boys: J. R. Smith, D. H. Bennett, T. S. Medley, G. M. Carter, W. J. Lobb, G. M. Harrold, B. R. Prestidge, B. W. Gardiner, R. N. Goudie, C. T. Henderson, F. Te Mata, L. Girling-Butcher, W. T. Lawson, J. R. Davies, E. L. Tuffery.

Boarders: M. S. Williamson, M. Lockyer, B. N. MacDiarmid, W. Allison, J. E. Garbett, R. S. Garbett, B. M. Fraser, R. A. Wakelin, B. J. Allen, G. J. Walter, R. C. Geck, B. H. Wills, P. J. Rich, T. J. Tier, H. F. Jackson.

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The Scales in Action at the Racecourse.



A Junior Inter-House Game: West v. East.

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HOUSE RUGBY

The six Houses each fielded a junior and a senior team and these played in a series of five junior and five senior matches.

Senior Competition: This year's series saw a break in the usual tradition of close games with several games being won by wide margins. Moyes and Carrington again were the strongest teams on paper. However, Carrington failed to display the form expected of them and were defeated three times. Moyes, on the other hand, showed consistent form throughout, playing five consecutive matches without a loss and thus gained the Kerr Cup for the first time since 1956. Through all rounds the standard of forward play was particularly high, but often the backs lacked enterprise.

Senior Competition Points Results: Moyes 10, East 5, Pridham 5, Central 3, Carrington 3, West 0. The games Central v. West and Pridham v. East in series 5 were not played.

Moyes Senior XV: M. S. Williamson, R. L. Schierling, R. R. Dean, D. R. Martin, J. E. Garbett, R. S. Garbett, B. M. Fraser, S. Fulu, A. M. Faull, M. Silver, J. B. Page, P. B. Brown, S. J. Fraser, B. H. Wills, P. Williams, P. J. Rich, P. L. Cook, M. I. Bossley (Captain), R. Bourn, M. R. Keech.

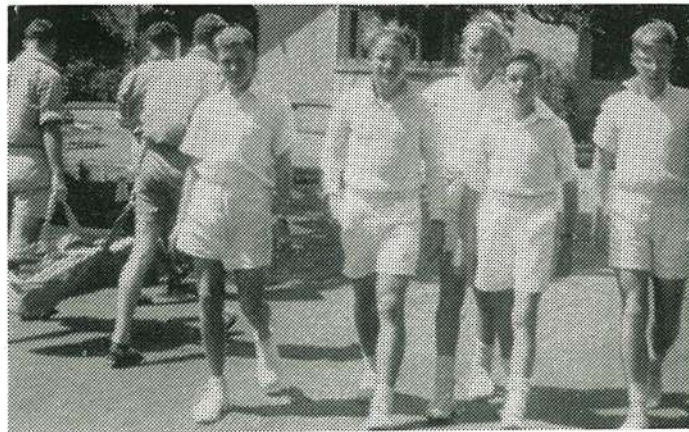
Junior Competition: This year's competition was won by Carrington, who fielded a fairly solid pack and fast-running, sure-handling backs. They played consistently well and won all five games. All in all this Junior competition promised well for the future. These younger boys showed that the traditional interest and enthusiasm for the game is as strong as ever.

Junior Competition Points Results: Carrington 10, Moyes 6, Pridham 4, Central 4, East 1, West 1.

Carrington Junior XV: D. M. Weinberg, N. A. Beaton, K. D. Russell, B. D. Harrison, M. C. Jones, T. H. Wilson, S. R. Goodwin, D. A. Parker, J. A. Hill, A. H. Bayly, G. L. Hemmings, W. D. Funnell, M. D. Carryer, A. F. Deighton, N. M. Mason, A. B. Moore, R. M. Masters, M. I. Durdle, R. W. Green, P. J. Churchhouse.
D. H. Bennett.



A Group of Old Boys from Massey Farewell the First XV after the Palmerston Game.



CRICKET

The 1960-61 cricket season has been the most successful since the war. This has been the result of a steady improvement over the last few years and the ability of the School to place an experienced XI in the field. Only three members of the team were in the College XI for the first time this season.

Saturday morning inter-form cricket and mid-week inter-House cricket continued this year, although the House cricket now seems to be confined to the boarders with the day boys losing interest, to a certain extent. Net practice under the supervision of masters has increased and now provides for over 100 boys. There are now nine teams.

For the first time in the School's history the First XI emerged with three victories in college matches. Nelson College were convincingly defeated by an innings. After many years of defeat School at last broke the jinx against Wanganui Collegiate to gain a resounding victory by ten wickets. This is the first time School have won since 1955 and Wanganui had not been beaten on their home ground since 1949. The match against Wellington College was much closer than had been expected, but School emerged with another victory. In the local competition School were always among the leaders and it was not until the last series of games that it was displaced from first position.

The 1960-61 season saw Mr. M. C. Carroll coaching the team for the first time. He himself had a successful season and is a current Taranaki representative.

During the 1960-61 season, W. T. Murdock and T. S. Medley were chosen to represent Wellington in the Brabin Shield tournament in Dunedin. This tournament is for the best cricketers under 21 in New Zealand. D. H. Bennett, B. R. Prestidge and J. R. Smith were all selected in the Taranaki Colts XI to play in the Central Districts Colts' tournament. All three later gained selection in the Central Districts Colts' XI. W. T. Murdock also

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played for Taranaki, a Combined XI against the M.C.C. and was 12th man for Central Districts against Auckland in the Plunket Shield.

During the winter G. F. Willson left School and was replaced in the First Group by J. W. Medley. The First Group for 1961-62 is: W. T. Murdock (Captain), T. S. Medley, D. H. Bennett, B. R. Prestidge, A. M. Morrison, J. R. Smith, R. J. Crow, B. N. MacDiarmid, F. Te Mata, M. Barrowman, H. C. Sampson, J. W. Medley, W. E. Bennett and R. D. MacMillan.

While not achieving any outstanding performances the Second, Third, and Third and Fourth Form XI's all played with some success in their competitions. All teams are helping in the general raising of the standard in School cricket, and as long as the enthusiasm is there the standard will continue to be high. The 1961-62 season sees nine teams taking part. The First, Second and Third XI's will play in open competitions, while the remaining six teams will play in the newly-formed Secondary Schools' Competition. The Fourth XI and Fourth Form A and B teams will play in the A Division and the three Third Form XI's in the B.

COLLEGE GAMES

v. NELSON COLLEGE

(Played at Nelson College, December 10th and 11th, 1960. Result: Won by an innings and 14 runs.)

After winning the toss School elected to bat on an easy-paced pitch. Shortly after play began Murdock was unfortunately run out. Two other wickets fell fairly quickly but Prestidge and Morrison pulled the game around and School was on top when Prestidge was out shortly before lunch after a masterly innings. Following lunch Smith, Crow and Paton all batted well and School were finally out for the very respectable score of 226.

Nelson began disastrously and after three overs they had lost three wickets for five runs, all falling to Smith, who had achieved a hat-trick. Apart from J. R. Peterson the remaining Nelson batsmen offered little resistance and after 90 minutes' batting they were all out for 51. The highlight of the innings was undoubtedly Smith's bowling. In addition to the hat-trick he went on to take six for 14.

Following on Nelson had scored 34 for no wickets at stumps. The next day saw much more stubborn batting by Nelson College, Henderson, Peterson, Ruegg and Kember all batting well, and at lunch the score was 125 for five. After lunch, however, the wickets fell steadily and at 2.30 p.m. the last wicket fell at 161, giving School a victory by an innings and 14 runs. For School Smith had again bowled wonderfully, taking six for 47 and giving him match figures of 12 for 61. Scores:—

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First Innings—	
W. T. Murdock, run out	9
D. H. Bennett, l.b.w., b. Ruegg	15
B. R. Prestidge, c. Horton, b. Button	73
T. S. Medley, c. Peterson, b. Button	2

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A. M. Morrison, b. Saffikin	45
J. R. Smith, b. Saffikin	17
B. N. MacDiarmid, l.b.w., b. Nimmo	0
R. J. Crow, c. Henderson, b. Hinchcliff	22
R. S. Paton, not out	16
R. G. McCutcheon, b. Ruegg	15
T. F. Te'O, b. Ruegg	0
Extras	12
Total	226

Bowling for Nelson College

First Innings—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. P. Saffikin	22	6	67	3
G. Button	15	3	47	1
D. Ruegg	10.5	4	49	3
B. Nimmo	14	6	31	1
R. Hinchcliff	5	1	31	1

NELSON COLLEGE

First Innings—		Second Innings—	
M. R. Henderson, l.b.w., b. Smith	4	b. Smith	24
R. Hinchcliff, b. Smith	0	c. Prestidge, b. Smith	18
J. R. Peterson, c. Bennett, b. Morrison	23	c. Prestidge, b. Morrison	35
D. Ruegg, b. Smith	0	c. Morrison, b. Smith	27
G. Kember, l.b.w., b. Morrison	10	l.b.w., b. Te'O	19
D. P. Saffikin, c. Murdock, b. Smith	9	c. Crow, b. Smith	0
R. J. Reaney, c. Bennett, b. Morrison	0	l.b.w., b. Te'O	17
A. J. Barraud, b. Smith	0	l.b.w., b. Smith	9
B. Nimmo, not out	0	b. Smith	0
H. Horton, b. Smith	0	l.b.w., b. Te'O	1
G. Button, absent	0	not out	0
Extras	5	Extras	11
Total	51	Total	161

Bowling for School

First Innings—					Second Innings—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.	
J. R. Smith	11	3	14	6	29	12	47	6	
A. M. Morrison	6	1	25	3	14	3	50	1	
T. F. Te'O	4	2	7	0	12.3	4	22	3	
R. G. McCutcheon	-	-	-	-	9	2	28	0	
R. S. Paton	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	0	

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v. WANGANUI COLLEGE

(Played at Wanganui Collegiate on March 14th and 15th, 1961. Result: Won by 10 wickets.)

After five years of consecutive defeats, School travelled to Wanganui with high hopes of at least breaking the "jinx."

After losing the toss School got away to a fine start. Te Mata and Smith broke the back of the Wanganui innings and, aided by brilliant fielding, the bowlers had Wanganui out for 114. Smith produced another of his good spells in getting five for 39. Dermer and Crombie had been the only batsmen to offer other than passive resistance. By stumps School were well on the way to victory, having scored 92 for three with Murdock 47 not out. After losing two quick wickets the next day the tail consolidated the position and School had a first innings lead of 68.

Really fine bowling by Smith, aided by brilliant fielding, turned the Collegiate second innings into a rout. Only Nitz offered any resistance, hitting well for 20 minutes. Smith's figures for the match were 13 for 62.

School needed only five to win and they were scored in two overs.

Although this Collegiate team were not quite as strong as teams in the past, this was a great victory for School. Special mention must be made of the fielding, which was easily the best of the season. Scores:—

WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

First Innings—		Second Innings—	
M. D. Priest, c. Bennett, b. Te Mata	4	b. Smith	2
M. Dermer, l.b.w., b. Smith	21	c. MacDiarmid, b. Smith	7
D. H. Payton, l.b.w., b. Smith	8	c. Barrowman, b. Smith	0
J. Henley, c. Bennett, b. Smith	3	b. Smith	4
D. Crombie, c. Crow, b. Morrison	34	c. Bennett, b. Smith	1
M. A. Nitz, c. Crow, b. Prestidge	4	c. and b. Smith	26
A. E. O. Giesen, c. Bennett, b. Smith	2	b. Prestidge	10
A. Cullwick, b. Prestidge	6	b. Morrison	4
J. Hislop, c. Prestidge, b. Morrison	7	c. MacDiarmid, b. Smith	10
D. A. Pearce, not out	6	c. Barrowman, b. Smith	4
D. B. Lowes, b. Smith	7	not out	0
Extras	12	Extras	3
Total	114	Total	71

Bowling for School

First Innings—					Second Innings—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.	
J. R. Smith	29.1	13	39	5	15.3	7	23	8	
F. Te Mata	8	2	16	1	14	3	26	0	
A. M. Morrison	13	4	25	2	4	2	3	1	
B. R. Prestidge	15	6	19	2	5	0	15	1	
M. Barrowman	2	1	2	0	-	-	-	-	

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First Innings—		Second Innings—	
W. T. Murdock, c. Payton, b. Nitz	47	not out	5
D. H. Bennett, b. Giesen	11	not out	0
B. R. Prestidge, c. Pearce, b. Crombie	12		
T. S. Medley, l.b.w., b. Nitz	13		
A. M. Morrison, b. Giesen	21		
J. R. Smith, c. Payton, b. Crombie	1		
R. J. Crow, b. Crombie	23		
G. F. Willson, st. Henley, b. Giesen	20		
B. N. MacDiarmid, c. Cullwick, b. Giesen	2		
F. Te Mata, b. Pearce	12		
M. Barrowman, not out	11		
Extras	9		
Total	182	Total (for no wkts.)	5

Bowling for Wanganui Collegiate

First Innings—				Second Innings—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
M. Nitz	26	7	53	2	1	0	1	0
J. Hislop	3	0	7	0	-	-	-	-
A. E. O. Giesen	34.3	16	49	4	0.1	0	4	0
D. B. Lowes	17	5	34	0	-	-	-	-
D. Crombie	7	3	7	3	-	-	-	-
D. A. Pearce	10	2	25	1	-	-	-	-

v. WELLINGTON COLLEGE

(Played at School on March 21st and 22nd, 1961. Result: Won by 59 runs.)

Fresh from their victory over Wanganui Collegiate, School took the field with confidence to play Wellington College at home.

Winning the toss, School batted first against a hostile attack. Of the first six batsmen only Medley, other than Murdock, batted with any confidence and at one stage School were in a very unsure situation. However, good sound attacking play by Crow and Willson relieved the situation and the innings closed at 160. Although the Wellington bowlers had given nothing away, one felt that the School batsmen had been dismissed through their own mistakes rather than by any excellence in the bowling.

Wellington began their innings and were immediately in trouble as Smith again produced a great bowling performance, ably supported by Morrison and Prestidge. Mitchell was the only batsman to remain any length of time. Smith's figures were six for 29.

On the second morning the obvious policy of the School batsmen was to go for the runs. These came at a fast pace, especially from Bennett and Prestidge and shortly before lunch Murdock was able to close the School innings.



FIRST ELEVEN, 1960-61

Back Row: R. J. Crow, G. F. Willson, A. M. Morrison, T. F. Te'O, J. R. Smith, C. Prestidge, B. N. MacDiarmid.
Front Row: R. S. Paton, T. S. Medley, W. T. Murdock, R. G. McCutcheon, B. R. Prestidge, D. H. Bennett.

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In their second innings the Wellington batsmen, in particular Connolly and Wright, showed something more like their true form. However, the target set them proved to be beyond their capabilities and they were out soon after the afternoon tea interval for 136. One feature of the innings was the failure of Smith to capture his usual quota of wickets. However, Te Mata rose ably to the situation in taking five for 42.

Scores:—

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First Innings—

W. T. Murdock, c. Jack, b. Wright	55
D. H. Bennett, c. Booth, b. Wright	5
B. R. Prestidge, c. Paetz, b. Wright	0
T. S. Medley, c. and b. Crotty	13
A. M. Morrison, b. Myers	6
J. R. Smith, c. Crotty, b. Wright	0
R. J. Crow, l.b.w., b. Myers	36
H. C. Sampson, l.b.w., b. Paetz	1
G. F. Willson, not out	25
F. Te Mata, c. Booth, b. Paetz	0
M. Barrowman, b. Paetz	6
Extras	12
Total	160

Second Innings—

l.b.w., b. Wright	26
c. and b. Paetz	40
b. Crotty	27
c. MacLaren, b. Paetz	4
not out	2
Total	(For 4 wckts. decl.) 104

Bowling for Wellington College

First Innings—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. Wright	22	3	56	4
J. S. Myers	17	8	29	2
H. Paetz	16.1	2	39	3
R. Crotty	3	1	6	1

Second Innings—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
	8	0	42	1
	12	7	9	0
	4	0	10	2
	8	1	38	1

WELLINGTON COLLEGE

First Innings—

C. Coney, l.b.w., b. Smith	3
G. Jack, c. Medley, b. Smith	11
R. Crotty, c. Bennett, b. Smith	2
J. S. Myers, c. Murdock, b. Morrison	0
R. Connolly, c. Bennett, b. Morrison	9
B. Mitchell, b. Prestidge	27
J. Wright, c. Bennett, b. Smith	1
R. MacLaren, l.b.w., b. Smith	0
R. Booth, c. and b. Prestidge	1
D. Heather, b. Smith	5
H. Paetz, not out	4
Extras	6
Total	69

Second Innings—

b. Te Mata	3
b. Prestidge	15
c. Bennett, b. Te Mata	7
c. Crow, b. Prestidge	15
b. Morrison	38
c. Medley, b. Te Mata	8
b. Smith	26
b. Morrison	10
b. Te Mata	9
not out	5
c. Morrison, b. Te Mata	0
Total	136

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Bowling for School

	First Innings—				Second Innings—			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. R. Smith	17	6	29	6	16	5	31	1
F. Te Mata	6	1	7	0	16	4	42	5
A. M. Morrison	7	2	18	2	8	2	26	2
M. Barrowman	4	2	4	0	2	0	7	0
B. R. Prestidge	3	1	5	2	16	7	27	2

DAY BOYS v. BOARDERS

(Played on December 5th, 1960.)

This match resulted in an overwhelming victory for the Day Boys by ten wickets. For the Day Boys Murdock starred, making 76 not out, while Smith performed well with the ball. For the Boarders Morrison batted well for 55. Scores:—

Boarders: 103 (A. M. Morrison 55, T. F. Te'O 24; J. W. Smith four for 32, B. R. Prestidge three for 22, R. S. Paton two for 34, T. S. Medley one for 10).

Day Boys: 105 for no wickets (Murdock 76 not out, Bennett 18 not out).

Teams:

Day Boys: W. T. Murdock (Captain), D. H. Bennett, B. R. Prestidge, T. S. Medley, J. R. Smith, R. S. Paton, R. J. Crow, F. Te Mata, H. C. Sampson, B. Hannon, J. W. Medley.

Boarders: R. G. McCutcheon (Captain), A. M. Morrison, B. N. MacDiarmid, G. F. Willson, T. F. Te'O, J. C. Evershed, R. S. Garbett, N. D. Walter, W. K. Rendall, B. Blackstock, R. Wakelin.

BATES CUP

This year's games in the Bates Cup largely followed their expected pattern and East met and defeated Moyes in the final for the second consecutive year.

In the first round Moyes narrowly defeated West and East defeated Central, a feature being 78 not out by T. Medley for East.

In the second round Moyes and East had good wins over Pridham and Carrington respectively.

In the final East met and defeated Moyes after a hard struggle.

Details:—

Moyes

First Innings: 76 (J. Morrison 16, G. Willson 13; J. Smith four for 31, F. Te Mata three for 5, J. W. Medley three for 15.)

Second Innings: 97 for nine wickets (G. Willson 32, J. Old 18, A. Morrison 12).

East

First Innings: 86 for five declared (J. R. Smith 37 not out, J. W. Medley 28 not out; A. M. Morrison two for 47, M. Keech two for 34).

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Teams

East: W. T. Murdock (Captain), T. S. Medley, B. R. Prestidge, J. R. Smith, F. Te Mata, J. W. Medley, H. C. Sampson, K. G. Diack, E. L. Tuffery, K. Te Mata, E. Flazynski.

Moyes: A. M. Morrison (Captain), G. F. Willson, J. L. Old, M. Bossley, M. Keech, M. Cross, R. Murray, D. Martin, R. Garbett, D. Bossley, J. Morrison.

SECOND XI

This team had quite a successful season and finished third in the Third Grade competition. The team had remarkably consistent batting and their bowling was particularly strong for this grade. The captain, J. W. Medley, was selected for the North Taranaki Third Grade Reps. and has been promoted to the First Group for the third term.

Team for 1961-62 Season: W. J. Lobb (Captain), G. J. M. Harrold, A. J. I. Rich, K. G. Diack, E. L. Tuffery, T. W. Struthers, D. J. Little, G. M. Carter, M. R. Keech, G. R. Paton, K. R. Dalton.

THIRD XI

The Third XI finished third in their grade and would have finished higher but for an inability to field a team during the school holidays. G. R. Paton played one noteworthy innings of 97 for this team and K. G. Diack and M. Keech gave some very good performances with the ball.

Team for 1961-62 Season: D. W. Agnew, M. H. T. Alexander, B. A. Chapman, D. F. Coddington, P. J. Edwards, D. G. Gyde, G. T. Kitto, D. R. Murray, K. W. Rendall, J. W. Robertson, D. E. Tuffery.

FOURTH XI

A Fourth XI has been formed for the first time this year and although not playing with any great success in their competition they have all played for the enjoyment of the game. Some good performances were recorded by team members.

Team for 1961-62 Season: M. H. Chapman, K. W. Finer, S. J. Moffatt, K. T. Williams, C. D. Bossley, J. Gilman, J. F. Gamlin, K. D. Russell, A. C. Gale, D. G. Hollard, C. W. Barr, C. H. Hunt.

FOURTH FORM XI's

This year there are two Fourth Form XI's. The Fourth Form A has performed very creditably and H. C. Sampson and W. E. Bennett have been promoted to the First Group. M. M. Mana, R. J. West and E. Flazynski also played in the First XI trials.

Team for 1961-62 Season: H. C. Sampson, W. E. Bennett, M. M. Mana, R. J. West, E. Flazynski, K. Te Mata, R. Hawker, H. Fullerton-Smith, R. Rowson, G. Lay, W. Williams, I. Stewart, B. Tompkins.

The Fourth Form B also played good cricket and had a fair amount of success in their grade.

Team for 1961-62 Season: R. Langmuir, W. Raite, D. Duigan, T. Ryan, T. Wilson, B. Candy, L. Coplestone, D. Anderson, J. Houston, J. Fyfield, D. Weinberg, J. McArthur, R. Murphy, M. Thevathasan.

This season both Fourth Form XI's will play in the Inter-Secondary Schools' competition.

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THIRD FORM XI's

This season there will be three Third Form XI's, all of which will play in the Inter-Secondary Schools' competition.

Instead of playing their usual game against the Primary Schools' XI at the end of 1960, the Third Form A's played a game against Spotswood College. The match resulted in a win for School on the first innings.

The 1961 Third Form A's have had a most successful year and much promise has been shown for the future.

The team for 1961-62 Season: J. Morrison (Captain), M. Betts, G. Duncan, J. van der Water, B. S. Aim, B. A. Aim, T. Marshal, W. Prestidge, R. Lesse, T. King, J. Tui.

The Third Form B's of 1960 played the annual match against the Primary Schools' XI. The match resulted in a win for the Primary Schools in a very low scoring game.

The 1961 Third Form B's have also performed with some success and managed to defeat the Third Form A's on one occasion.

Team for 1961-62 Season: D. Anderson, B. Thurlow, R. Muules, T. Dehl, D. Mathews, W. J. O'Connor, K. W. Ewart, D. Taylor, R. Wheeler, K. E. Giles, K. T. Giles, K. Gordon, J. Ridland, R. Green, N. Rowlands.

A Third Form C team has been introduced for the first time this year and although not meeting with much success these boys have had some very enjoyable games.

Teams for 1961-62 Season: W. A. Burton, R. Scott, P. Hunter, N. A. James, N. Coddington, V. Woodward, B. Rattenbury, A. Boon, G. Turner, P. Rowe, W. Denton, D. Boddie.

TRIBUTE

Finally the First XI wishes to express its gratitude to Mr. Gush, who retired as groundsman at the end of the 1960-61 season. The time that he spent preparing wickets for the School was always deeply appreciated by the boys who used them.

T. S. Medley.

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Take Your Marks . . . Get Set . . . Go !

ATHLETICS

This year, as has been evident in the past, School athletics followed a certain trend. Spectator support fell slightly, while the amount of personal interest for this sport increased. As a group there were few outstanding individuals, but the standard always remained high. This was due to the large amount of individual training and preparation by boys for one particular type of event. As a result the emphasis was placed on the importance of training schedules and personal techniques. Those who worked reaped the rewards in brief moments of victory and in the satisfaction of personal achievement.

Athletics develops the mind, stamina and temperament along with the body, all these things being desirable in the future citizen, whose character they help to form. The future of the sport looks assured, for the School has a wealth of young athletes on their way to the top.

We are fortunate in that we have many facilities for athletics about our School. This year when the gully pavilion burned all the equipment was endangered, but fortunately none was badly damaged. We hope to see a new building soon, so that showering facilities will again be available to day boys who make use of the coaching given. But the use of the pavilion was not the only facility lost, because the gully ground was also unavailable for use. This year it was ploughed, drained, relevelled and resown, so that a new crop of grass now replaces the old troublesome kikuyu weed. This as a track should prove a tremendous boon to athletics, as unlike the top ground it now has a very level surface.

Without the Gully the usual Monday night meetings were contested on the new McNaught Field, while the Hansard Cup and Annual Sports were held on the top ground. The Monday meetings proved very popular with junior boys.

The Hansard Cup was held on Thursday, March 9th, in fine but windy conditions. K. T. Williams started the meeting with a junior 100 yards record sprint of 10.9sec. In the heats of the senior 100 yards, both heat winners, F. Te Mata and G. M. Carter, equalled R. C. Johns' 10.3sec. record, but none of these records could be allowed. The wind, which

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A Scene on the Top Ground during Sports Day.

proved troublesome to distance runners however, did not stop L. Purdy from lowering the Intermediate 880 Yards record to 2min. 7sec. Two other records were allowed, after the wind dropped in intensity, both falling to K. T. Williams.

He lowered both the 100 Yards and 220 Yards Junior records with times of 11.1sec. and 24.8sec. respectively. The track was in excellent order and all records were very meritorious performances.

Once again the deciding factor in the House points was the juniors. T. A. Johnson notched two firsts and 14 points in the junior distance events, for Moyes House. This proved a winning margin and Moyes are the new holders of the Hansard Cup, final House points being: Moyes 77, Carrington 62, Central 60, East 54, Pridham 52 and West 41.

The Annual School Sports were held on Saturday, March 18th, in much the same conditions as had prevailed for the Hansard Cup in the previous week. In the morning about 450 boys competed in heats of sprint events for places in the afternoon finals. The wind dropped considerably in the afternoon and many creditable performances resulted.

In the 100 Yards Senior, F. Te Mata equalled the record with a run of 10.3sec., while in the juniors K. T. Williams swept home in 10.9sec. to better his own record by 0.2sec. These were the only records of the day.

All the championship and graded sprint events were keenly contested and the small crowd was treated to some excellent finishes.

At the pits H. T. Mills performed well, winning the senior long jump and hop, step and jump with leaps of 20ft. 9in. and 41ft. 3½in. respectively. E. P. Hagen dominated the intermediate jumping, winning all three events.

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L. T. Purdy proved himself a most capable runner when he clearly won the 440 and 880 yards intermediate events. The senior distance titles fell to M. Bryant, who led all the way in both the mile and 880 events.

The ninth Post-Primary Schools' Athletic Championship meeting was held this year at the Hawera Showgrounds. The weather was doubtful, rain falling during the morning. Even when conditions improved later in the day, the track remained heavy. All athletes performed well and at the end of the day the 30-man School team had nine firsts (including two records), twelve seconds and five third placings. L. T. Purdy was the outstanding intermediate distance runner, running in all two 880's, and three 440's without a loss. In the 880 yards senior C. R. Pring, after coming from 40 yards back in the final 220 yards, dived at the tape only to lose on the judge's decision. H. T. Mills, the team captain, brought a new record to School when he leapt 20ft. 4in. to establish a new long jump record. K. T. Williams was a clear winner in the junior 100 and 220 yards events. In the morning 220 yards heats he established a new record of 25.3sec. and H. T. Mills won his second title when he leapt 41ft. 9in. in the senior hop, step and jump.

M. Jones, like Mills, Purdy and Williams, had two victories in the juniors, the 80 metres hurdles and the long jump. K. Dalton was first home in the senior hurdles and unlucky to lose the high jump on a count back. The intermediate relay team gained first place, the seniors and juniors second placings.

Those who gained second placing were:—

- K. D. Russell: Intermediate High Jump and Hurdles.
- T. B. Kardos: Intermediate Discus.
- K. J. Dalton: Senior High Jump.
- J. L. Old: Senior Discus.
- F. Te Mata: Senior 100 Yards.
- M. D. Morris: Intermediate 220 Yards.
- T. A. Johnson: Junior 880 Yards.
- C. R. Pring: Senior 880 Yards.
- A. J. Rich: Senior Shot Put.

Third placings awarded to School were:—

- N. A. Beaton: Intermediate Hop, Step and Jump.
- B. G. Mills: Senior Mile.
- M. D. Morris: Intermediate 100 Yards.
- S. N. Baty: Senior 220 Yards.
- D. M. Macdonell: Senior 880 Yards.

Again this year good use was made of the facilities offered to the boys by the New Plymouth Amateur Athletic and Cycling Club and New Plymouth Harrier Club. Several boys took part in regular competition.

The School wishes to thank all those who so willingly offered their services as judges and officials on Sports days, and to those staff members who devoted many of their own leisure hours to coaching and organising athletics.

W. J. Lobb.

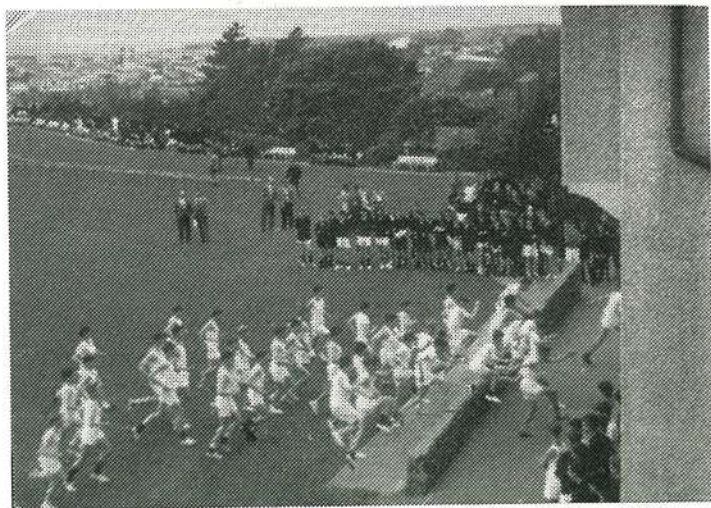
NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS — 1961

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	TIME, HEIGHT DISTANCE	SCHOOL RECORD
SENIOR— Championship					
100 Yards	F. Te Mata	S. N. Baty	T. S. Medley	10.3sec.	10.3sec. (R. C. Johns, 1959 F. Te Mata, 1961)
220 Yards	S. N. Baty	C. W. T. Henderson	G. M. Carter	24.3sec.	22.9sec., R. C. Johns, 1959
440 Yards	B. M. MacDonnell	R. Bourn	B. F. Milne	58.4sec.	52.6sec. (J. A. Ross, 1948 R. C. Johns, 1957)
880 Yards	M. Bryant	C. R. Pring	L. Birks	2min. 8.6sec.	2min. 2.1sec., M. H. Tizard, 1957
One Mile	M. Bryant	L. Birks	B. G. Mills	5min. 6.0sec.	4min. 39.4sec., J. M. Miller, 1960
120 Yards Hurdles	K. J. Dalton	C. R. Pring	B. N. MacDiarmid	15.4sec.	14.5sec., R. C. Johns, 1959
Long Jump	H. T. Mills	A. J. Rich	W. D. Allison	20ft. 9in.	21ft. 3in., A. G. MacIntyre, 1937
High Jump	K. J. Dalton	R. C. Geck	(K. L. Wakelin J. T. Waitere	5ft. 1in.	5ft. 7in., D. W. Martin, 1960
Hop, Step and Jump	H. Mills	R. L. Schierling	K. J. Dalton	41ft. 7in.	43ft. 6in., L. J. Croxson, 1952
Discus	B. H. Wills	J. B. Old	R. H. Wakelin	114ft. 6in.	139ft. 4½in., D. W. Martin, 1960
Shot Put	B. H. Wills	A. J. Rich	J. L. Old	35ft. 11in.	43ft. 0½in., J. K. Lay, 1955
Javelin	K. D. Russell	S. Fulu	R. H. Wakelin	128ft. 3in.	175ft. 8in., J. K. Lay, 1953
INTERMEDIATE— Championship					
100 Yards	M. D. Morris	S. J. Wade	K. W. Rendall	11.0sec.	10.6sec., (C. C. Kjestrup, 1937 W. J. Mitchell, 1946)
220 Yards	M. D. Morris	J. E. Garbett	S. J. Wade	25.1sec.	24.2sec., O. A. Greensill, 1948
440 Yards	L. J. Purdy	M. A. Morris	L. J. McNeice	59.1sec.	55.2sec., D. G. Lloyd, 1953
880 Yards	L. J. Purdy	J. W. Medley	I. R. Stewart	2min. 9.4sec.	2min. 7.0sec., L. J. Purdy, 1961
120 Yards Hurdles	K. D. Russell	L. N. McCabe	R. C. Wallace-Wells	16.5sec.	15.4sec., R. C. Johns, 1956
Long Jump	P. E. Hagen	J. W. Medley	K. D. Russell	17ft. 8in.	20ft. 5½in., C. C. Kiestrup, 1937
High Jump	P. E. Hagen	K. D. Russell	G. T. Walters	5ft. 1in.	5ft. 2½in., P. A. Johns, 1959
Hop, Step and Jump	P. E. Hagen	N. A. Beaton	K. D. Russell	39ft. 9in.	40ft. 2in., J. K. Lay, 1953
Discus	T. B. Kardos	G. L. Lay	P. F. Marsh	84ft. 10in.	120ft. 3in., R. A. Hcdges, 1956
Shot Put	K. D. Russell	P. J. Hanceck	P. Williams	34ft. 9½in.	41ft. 1in., B. H. Wills, 1959
JUNIOR— Championship					
100 Yards	K. T. Williams	M. H. Chapman	F. V. Hickisey	10.9sec.	10.9sec., K. T. Williams, 1961
220 Yards	K. T. Williams	M. H. Chapman	J. H. Cameron	25.0sec.	24.3sec., K. T. Williams, 1961
440 Yards	M. H. Chapman	T. A. Johnston	M. D. Carryer	1min. 5.4sec.	58.6sec., T. N. Wolfe, 1956
880 Yards	T. A. Johnston	R. W. Williams	M. D. Carryer	2min. 25.1sec.	2min. 18.5sec., B. N. Patten, 1955
80 Metre Hurdles	M. C. Jones	D. C. Oliver	L. Cameron	13.5sec.	12.8sec., R. C. Johns, 1955
Long Jump	M. C. Jones	L. K. Bielski	A. Eriwata	17ft. 1in.	17ft. 5in., T. N. Wolfe, 1956
High Jump	G. Gordon-Stables	M. C. Jones	J. T. Bingham	4ft. 9in.	4ft. 10in., R. A. Clarke, 1956
GRADED EVENTS—					
Senior					
100 Yards A:	R. Bourn	C. R. Pring	D. H. Bennett	10.5sec.	
B:	M. J. Taylor	T. A. McKay	P. D. Brown	10.8sec.	
220 Yards A:	M. J. Taylor	R. R. Dean	T. W. Fookes	25.3sec.	
B:	J. P. Barker	R. C. Cairns	I. M. Read	25.8sec.	
440 Yards A:	W. D. Allison	L. Birks	S. Fulu	59.8sec.	
B:	D. R. Martin	B. A. Badcock	J. G. Rodgers	1min. 3.2sec.	
C:	M. Dennis	A. M. Johnston	S. R. Goodwin	1min. 5.2sec.	
880 Yards Handicap	M. W. Johnson	D. R. Martin	S. P. Catchpole	2min. 15.0sec.	
One Mile Handicap	J. P. Burry	G. C. Earl	P. H. Johnston	5min. 6.0sec.	
Intermediate					
100 Yards A:	J. W. Medley	R. J. Brown	B. A. Chapman	10.9sec.	
B:	D. R. Murray	W. M. Wilson	R. D. MacMillan	11.6sec.	
C:	R. W. Hodgson	R. W. Askew	A. R. P. Kear	11.7sec.	
220 Yards A:	K. T. Gray	P. J. Edwards	J. R. Crush	26.7sec.	
B:	I. R. Stewart	R. D. McMillan	K. J. Garnham	25.6sec.	
C:	B. A. Chapman	G. M. Harbutt	A. R. P. Kear	27.6sec.	
440 Yards A:	T. B. Kardos	M. Vosper	G. T. Kitto	1min. 5.0sec.	
B:	L. R. Barker	L. D. Rushbrook	R. H. Jones	1min. 7.0sec.	
C:	J. R. Crush	J. M. Reed	I. D. Strombom	1min. 7.3sec.	
D:	N. Birks	R. W. Hodgson	J. A. N. L'Estrange	1min. 8.0sec.	
E:	P. M. Williams	C. J. Symes	T. B. Shaw	1min. 9.8sec.	
880 Yards Handicap	P. J. Churchouse	G. Smith	J. D. Robertson	2min. 16.0sec.	
One Mile Handicap	I. R. Stewart	L. J. Purdy	J. B. Page	5min. 3.6sec.	
Junior					
100 Yards A:	A. J. Rillstone	F. L. Hutchings	B. R. Upson	12.1sec.	
B:	K. N. Finer	P. J. Rowe	J. E. van der Walter	12.0sec.	
220 Yards A:	K. R. Murrell	K. N. Finer	M. C. Rich	28.0sec.	
B:	G. L. Hemings	L. M. Cameron	M. I. Menzies	29.7sec.	
880 Yards Handicap	K. R. Murrell	G. L. Hemings	D. Johnston	2min. 23.7sec.	
Under 13½					
75 Yards A:	B. M. Marsden	D. R. Riley	D. W. Smith	8.9sec.	
B:	E. J. Hine	D. J. Gilbert	R. H. Keller	10.0sec.	
100 Yards A:	B. M. Marsden	J. C. Black	D. R. Riley	12.1sec.	
B:	C. J. Paul	V. B. Walker	D. J. Gilbert	13.4sec.	
220 Yards A:	D. R. Riley	D. M. Marsden	F. J. Parker	28.3sec.	
B:	G. J. Duff	C. R. Holmes	C. J. Paul	29.8sec.	
OTHER EVENTS—					
Day Boys v. Boarders					
6 x 110yds. Relay	Day Boys	Boarders	1min. 11.7sec.		
Old Boys' Race	J. Rothery	J. McCabe	R. Hall	10.6sec.	



ATHLETICS TEAM

Back Row: B. M. MacDonnell, K. D. Russell, C. T. W. Henderson, A. J. Rich, K. J. Dalton, T. S. Medley, C. N. McCabe.
Middle Row: J. W. Medley, N. A. Beaton, M. D. Morris, S. N. Baty, C. R. Pring, H. T. Mills, J. L. Old, F. Te Mata,
G. M. Carter, K. W. Rendall, G. Gordon-Stables, B. G. Mills.
Front Row: S. J. Wade, K. T. Williams, D. C. Oliver, L. J. Purdy, T. A. Johnson, T. B. Kardos, R. W. Williams,
M. H. Chapman, M. C. Jones, J. E. Garbett, F. V. Hickisey.



The Junior 80sec. men off to a flying start.

STEEPLECHASE

The Steeplechase was held this year on Thursday, October 5th, over the usual School farm-Coronation Avenue course, the distances being three miles, two miles and one and a half miles for Senior, Intermediate and Junior respectively.

The track was in reasonable order, though cutting up considerably by the last round of the Senior competition. The day was overcast and humidity was high with a fairly stiff breeze facing the competitors as they came down the avenue.

In the Juniors A. Eriwata ran well to take first place and fastest time. It was a large field and back markers found difficulty in getting through to the front.

The Intermediate race provided some good competition before Wardlaw ran out the eventual winner from W. Lister. Fastest time for this event went to L. Purdy after a good solo run from off scratch.

The second lap saw most of the Seniors tiring very rapidly. G. Earl was the eventual winner from McNeice and Duncan. Bryant, who took fastest time, was lying 19th first time round.

For the fourth year on end the House points aggregate was won by West. Total House points were: West 1363, Central 1021, East 928, Carrington 872, Pridham 749, Moyes 855.

Congratulations to all place-getters and those who took the fastest times.

STEEPLECHASE

SENIOR

	Fastest Times	Place
G. Earl (W., 21min. 58sec.)	4th	1
L. McNeice (M., 22min. 7sec.)	5th	2
R. Duncan (C., 22min. 17sec.)	6th	3
S. Catchpole (W., 22min. 17sec.)	6th	4
L. Birks (P., 21min. 26sec.)	2nd	5
M. Bryant (Car., 20min. 54sec.)	1st	6
J. Medley (E., 22min. 50sec.)	—	7
B. Milne (W., 22min. 51sec.)	—	8
K. Hill (W., 22min. 24sec.)	8th	9=
B. Jury (P., 22min. 24sec.)	8th	9=
B. Mills (Car., 22min. 25sec.)	10th	11
J. Burry (W., 21min. 46sec.)	3rd	12

INTERMEDIATE

	Fastest Times	Place
M. Wardlaw (C., 12min. 23sec.)	3rd	1
D. Lister (C., 12min. 25sec.)	4th	2
J. Johnston (P., 12min. 53sec.)	8th	3
M. Morris (P., 12min. 58sec.)	—	4
R. Jamieson (P., 12min. 20sec.)	2nd	5
N. Penwarden (E., 12min. 29sec.)	6th	6
L. Purdy (W., 11min. 49sec.)	1st	7
J. Page (M., 12min. 28sec.)	5th	8
D. Fenwick (C., 12min. 36sec.)	7th	9
J. Kitto (C., 12min. 57sec.)	10th	10
J. Bell (E., 13min. 0sec.)	—	11
W. Adlam (E., 12min. 55sec.)	9th	12

JUNIOR

	Fastest Times	Place
A. Eriwata (E., 9min. 49sec.)	1st	1
D. Johnston (M., 10min. 41sec.)	8th	2
K. Howe (C., 10min. 15sec.)	2nd=	3
J. Woodhead (W., 10min. 32sec.)	5th	4
R. Hemmings (Car., 10min. 33sec.)	6th=	5
R. Williams (P., 10min. 44sec.)	9th	6
K. Rattenbury (Car., 10min. 46sec.)	10th	7
R. Mules (Car., 10min. 54sec.)	—	8
N. Gordon (W., 10min. 38sec.)	7th	9
S. Cruikshank (W., 11min. 17sec.)	—	10
K. Murrell (Car., 10min. 15sec.)	2nd=	11
A. Gardiner (C., 10min. 47sec.)	—	12

1961 saw the Third Inter-Secondary Schools' Cross-Country Championships held at Waitara. R. Jamieson performed particularly well in the Intermediate event, coming in first and establishing a very good time for the new 2½-mile course.

Congratulations to all those who represented the School and in particular to: A. Eriwata (3rd in the Junior event), R. Jamieson and L. Purdy (1st and 3rd respectively in the Intermediate event), and L. Birks (3rd in the Senior event).

B. R. Prestidge.

OBITUARIES

WALTER GEORGE WILKIE



After seventy-eight years of this School's existence, the memories of many remain forever with us. Mr. Walter George Wilkie, affectionately known as "Wattie," will always remain a much admired figure, remembered for his devoted service to the School. Sadly we heard of his passing on May 15th, 1961.

Born in Kaponga in 1893, Mr. Wilkie came to our School in 1909, his headmaster being Mr. Pridham. In 1912 he left School and joined the Electricity Department of the New Plymouth City Council. Unfortunately a serious accident necessitated the removal of his left arm. Unable to continue as an electrical engineer he returned to School in 1918 to be coached for his teaching exams. In

1919 he began to teach here. His first teaching subjects were Mathematics, English, French and Electricity and Magnetism.

During his 38 years' service Mr. Wilkie fully participated in the life of the School. As Housemaster in Moyes House and Carrington for several years he was also in charge of two dormitories in the racecourse buildings in 1924. For the last ten years he was the East House Housemaster. From 1920-25 Mr. Wilkie was Master-in-charge of "The Taranakian."

In 1957 Mr. Wilkie retired but for the following two years he gave service as a relieving teacher. It was during one of these relieving periods that he suffered an accident which rendered him almost inactive for the past two years.

To his wife and family we extend our sincere sympathy on their loss. All Old Boys will forever remember him with fondness.

MR. IAN RENNIE

The sudden death of Mr. Ian Rennie on Friday, August 10th, came as a great shock to the School. Mr. Rennie came to us eighteen months ago from Wanganui Technical College and taught Social Studies and English. He had built up a fine reputation as a most promising teacher

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and was held in affection and esteem by those whom he taught. His influence outside the classroom was also considerable and he is sadly missed by a large section of the School.

Below we quote a portion of a tribute to Mr. Rennie written by a member of the staff:

"In the time I knew him the dominant impression I formed of Ian was his maturity of mind. More than almost anyone else I knew he possessed the ability to mentally stand apart, view a situation acutely and objectively and judge and act accordingly. Most of the boys will remember him as a tremendously fair man.

"At that time he was no mere academic machine. One didn't need to know him long to realise that he had a keen sense of humour; and more important, that he never took himself or his actions too seriously. He never considered himself to be a good teacher, in spite of the high standard of work his classes invariably produced. Among other reasons, he seriously claimed to be too easy-going to be a success in the job.

"In spite of his youth, he was only twenty-nine, and his so recent arrival at the School, his opinions were respected by even the oldest and most experienced members of the staff. Among both the staff and the boys who knew him he was admired for the quickness of his humour and respected for the keenness of his mind. As has already been noted he was not a person who sought the limelight but on matters which he considered serious he did not hesitate to speak regardless of others' opinions, although even here he could not be accused of wasting words. Ian Rennie, in his unassuming way, impressed his character on all who knew him."

To his sorrowing family we extend the sympathy of the School.

THE SCHOOL'S OLDEST OLD BOY

The publication in last year's "Taranakian" of an article which raised the question of who was the oldest living Old Boy of the School prompted a letter from Mr. Neil Kyle (1903), of Auckland, which contained the information that Mr. Alfred Hunt, of the School's original pupils in 1882, was still active and very interested in his memories of his school days. At our request Mr. Hunt was interviewed by members of the Auckland Branch of the Old Boys' Association and the result is published below. We express our thanks to Warren Short and Newton Roch, members of the committee of the Auckland Branch, for the trouble they went to on our account and to Mr. Neil Kyle, who did a great deal to make the interview possible.

Warren Short's covering letter is self-explanatory:—

Dear Sir,—Three members of the Auckland Branch Committee arranged to meet Alf Hunt at the home of Neil Kyle, and my enjoyment of the afternoon was considerably in excess of my anticipations. All that Neil Kyle had said earlier about Alf Hunt was true, and he is indeed a most remarkable old gentleman.

On entering the room the first thing that I noted was the immaculate and up-to-date way in which he was dressed. His tan shoes, for instance,

were a fairly new and well-polished pair in the present-day "mudguard" style. He is in full command of all his faculties, he neither drinks nor smokes and at the end of the interview would not allow Neil Kyle to drive him home, but preferred to part walk and part bus home.

Meeting Alf Hunt was an honour and a pleasure to us all, and although we were unable to obtain a tape-recorder I hope the enclosed notes compiled by Newton Roch will be of use for the Old Boys' Section of the "Taranakian."

THE INTERVIEW

A delightful and interesting afternoon was spent recently at the residence of Neil and Mrs. Kyle in Epsom. (Neil an Old Boy of 1903). Three members of the committee of the Auckland Branch of the Old Boys' Association were present, namely Brian Bews (President), Warren Shortt and Newton Roch. The occasion was to meet Alfred Hunt, who was one of the pupils to start at the New Plymouth Boys' High School on its opening day in 1882.

Ninety-four years of age this year, and what a personality he was. Alf's father was the first white child born at New Plymouth, and later in life the family shifted to Waiongona, near Inglewood, where they were engaged in farming. As a lad Alf first attended a Primary School called "Irish Town" in New Plymouth, which was situated at the foot of the Hospital Hill. In those days they travelled by train from Waiongona, and the station in New Plymouth was at Eliot Street. When he started at the New Plymouth Boys' High School there were 32 pupils. Parents in those days paid for the boys' schooling, and Alf recalled that the main subjects taught were English, French, Latin and Euclid. When asked what sports were played in those days he replied that it was all work with no time for play. At that time there was no special uniform, and the majority of boys wore long pants. The boys were involved in much the same pranks as boys are involved in today, but punishment though rare was more severe than now, and the cane was used when necessary. Alf recalled that when he was a child he used to be taken by his parents to the rowing regattas held at Waitara, and vividly remembered at one of those gatherings seeing Sir George Grey. Asked about School colours, Alf said that in the early days they were blue and white, but he could not say when they were changed to black, white and old gold.

When the list of those Old Boys who went through the School in the year 1882 was read out from the Jubilee Magazine he was in all cases except one able to tell something about the boys, and very frequently some details of their later life. Truly a remarkable achievement for a man of that age.

At the present time Alf Hunt after listening to the "news" at 7 a.m. each morning, rises and takes his morning "cold" shower. Still a keen bowler, Alf enjoys during the season his afternoon game of bowls at the Carlton Bowling Club, and according to Neil Kyle is still an exceptionally good bowler.

The Auckland Branch is most grateful to Neil and Mrs. Kyle for arranging such a pleasant afternoon, and the opportunity to meet one of the School's first pupils. He is without any doubt a most remarkable gentleman, and an Old Boy in whom the School can have the utmost pride.



Aerial view of the School showing new McNaught Field in the left foreground.

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CHAPEL NOTES

This year, as in the past, the Anglican boarders have attended the 9.30 a.m. Sunday morning service at St. Mary's Church.

Friday evening Bible Classes for the boarders have continued. This year they have consisted of three Anglican, two Presbyterian and one Methodist class.

Confirmation classes were arranged on Sunday afternoons at 3 p.m. and the annual Confirmation Service was held in St. Mary's Church on Saturday, October 7th, when the following boys were confirmed:

R. D. Bamford, C. Barrington, G. C. Bluck, A. A. Boon, D. S. A. Britton, P. J. Churchhouse, A. P. Coddington, A. F. Deighton, D. N. Duigan, J. H. Duigan, D. A. Ferguson, J. L. Ferguson, H. P. Fullerton-Smith, T. G. Harris, B. D. Harrison, W. A. Henderson, A. C. Honeyfield, D. A. Johnston, K. J. McIntyre, A. W. McQuilkan, L. B. Mansen, T. A. Mason, G. J. Masters, R. P. Moore, M. D. Morris, K. S. Murphy, G. S. Nash, G. K. Papps, R. J. Pimm, M. C. Rich, M. C. Shields, R. G. Ware, P. M. Williams, T. H. Wilson, C. V. Woodward, J. V. Woodward, B. A. Aim, H. P. Anderson, B. S. Aim, M. J. Bilbe, S. R. Crush, R. W. Fairweather, I. R. Hingston, E. A. Huggett, M. G. Marcroft, M. I. Menzies, P. J. Newman, A. C. Palmer, S. L. Pettigrew, D. F. Phillips, C. J. Sandford, B. H. Tompkins, A. G. Wilson.

For the boarders Holy Communion has continued to be held in the Library on the first Sunday of every month.

During the third term we held our annual combined pakeha-Maori week-end service. The visiting school this year was St. Stephen's College, at Bombay. About thirty boys from the school with their Headmaster and Chaplain, attended the service. The preacher was one of St. Stephen's recent old boys, who is soon to be ordained priest. The boys sang several hymns and the Lord's Prayer in Maori. This service was a memorable one.

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Two very helpful and informative forums were attended by many of the senior boys this year. The first of these was a film evening and a discussion panel on our Asian neighbours. The second, the annual forum for fifth and sixth form pupils from all over Taranaki, was held in St. Mary's Hall. The subject for discussion was "Is God interested in my work?" The evening took the form of a light tea and discussion groups. Then a panel of speakers answered questions put forward by the discussion groups on the subject. We take this opportunity of thanking all those who organised these two interesting meetings.

The third and fourth form boarders helped this year in the C.O.R.S.O. combined Churches' clothes drive. They travelled about the city in cars collecting bundles of clothing and depositing them at the central collection depot. The value of clothing collected was estimated at £47,000.

Once again the Anglican boarders have contributed sufficient money to keep an Indian boy at school in Fiji for 12 months.

The Vicar has sent the following message:

WHAT IS THE GOOD OF CONFIRMATION?

"In everybody's life there are moments of decision and these, great or small as the occasion demands, are all related to each other, and these in turn are related to what we have been taught about life. If I am tempted to bet on racehorses and have been taught that betting is wrong, the decision to bet or not to bet is related to my earliest teaching. My decision will be ruled by it according to the strength of my acceptance and the courage of my convictions. I will do it or not do it. The decision has to be made by me, and for me it will be right or wrong. At Confirmation a decision has to be made, whether to follow the way of Jesus Christ or not, and it is assumed that those who are confirmed have made the decision for Christ. All subsequent decisions will be related to this and will stand or fall by it. No one will deny that the going is difficult and that often the wrong decision is made. It is, however, good to remember that by the Grace of forgiveness a right relationship is restored and one who was conscious of failure can begin again. This is made possible by the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who has travelled this road before us and who has offered His ready help. So, the big question is, do I go forward with God or do I go it alone? Confirmation helps, because at that time the gift of the Holy Spirit is given, and it helps us to know that in life's journey we have the companionship of God who said, "I am with you always—to the end."

Confirmation is the seal of Baptism. Its value for a boy is that it starts him off on the right road. It doesn't guarantee that he will reach his destination—there is no guarantee against the misuse of Free-will, but it provides the additive to the Spirit of life.

M. R. Herbert.

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

The Student Christian Movement was introduced into the School this year by Miss Frances Cotton, the S.C.M. Schools' Secretary, from Wellington. About 50 boys attended the opening meeting.

The main activity this year has been the presentation of films relating to different aspects of the Christian faith and Church World Service. The films, of a very high standard, have been exceptionally well attended.

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Boys from the S.C.M. attended the annual Sixth Form Forum held at St. Mary's Church Hall and the panel-discussion in the New Plymouth War Memorial Hall on "Our Asian Neighbours," ably presented by Sister Aberley, of India, Mr. F. W. Horner, Mr. J. H. Fullarton, and the Rev. Jackson Campbell.

Although its social activities have been few, the S.C.M. has been thoroughly enjoyed by all those associated with it.

A barbecue was held at the Y.M.C.A. Camp Huinga, combined with a sing-song and a film, "I'll Sing, Not Cry," filmed in the Congo by the United Church of Canada. This was our final C.O.R.S.O. appeal effort.

A. M. Faull.

CAMERA CLUB NOTES

The Camera Club for 1961 has been run with a high standard of efficiency by Mr. Clancy and a committee of six in the absence of Mr. Veale, who effectively administered the club in the previous year.

Particularly active in the first term the club had a very large membership and promising possibilities. The younger boys learn from older members the complete process from the buying of bargain films to the final production of a photograph. Developing and fixing solutions as well as photographic paper have been on sale in the club, the chemicals being prepared by the "chemist" members in the organisation.

Working parties have kept the darkroom in good condition and the wash tank, enlarger and other facilities are all in good working order.

The club holds meetings on Thursday at lunch time when activities are discussed and lectures by experienced members are given on procedure and techniques. A photographic competition in which the whole club is taking part is at present being organised, and a full exhibition of work will be held toward the end of the term, winding up club activities for this year.

R. J. Maxwell.

THE "WHISTLE"

1961 has been a further year of progress in the development of the "Whistle" into a useful School institution. Nineteen issues were produced altogether. Of these about half were 24 pages in size while the rest were either twenty-eight or thirty-two. All of the boarders bought the "Whistle" this year, and about 200 day boys subscribed to it. About 100 Old Boys also subscribed to the magazine. This is a good number, but it is by no means as good as it could be. The "Taranakian" goes to about 650 Old Boy subscribers, and they get a first-class record of the School's activities for the year. The "Whistle" is produced with a different aim, and it takes a part somewhat similar to that of a newspaper in everyday life within the School. It covers the more popular side of school life. It is a periodic record of activities which all boys take part in at School. So to all Old Boys we would like to extend an invitation to subscribe to the "Whistle," even if for only one year. For some of you older Old Boys who have lost touch with the School it is really a good opportunity to refresh your connection with your old School.

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A special Old Boys' Section has been developed within the magazine this year and while it has not been overwhelmingly successful, it is a beginning of something which will develop with the passage of time and a little more support and interest from the Old Boys themselves.

This year the format of the magazine was changed somewhat. The editorials have continued to deal only with matters affecting the School. "The Man on the Bell Tower" has covered the gossip news, and most of the lower grade football has been written up under the heading of "Racecourse Rendezvous." Several new sections were also introduced. These were "On the Town," by the city editor, a column dealing with local news items of interest; "New Zealand Affairs," a column dealing with news items of interest to all and in particular to the School where possible; and a column for "World Affairs." These three columns were introduced to awaken an interest among the boys for these topics. This was fairly successful and while at present it is still in the development stage, it should become a useful section. It also gave several boys the opportunity to express opinions on questions related to these affairs, although we did endeavour for the most part to keep these columns allied to factual reports.

The old column "Historicus" was renamed "Glimpses from the Past" and dealt not only with the historical side of important events but with sections from any part of the School's history. One article dealt with the Prep. Department for example, and another with the old School Farm. All too little is known of the School's history by present generations of boys, so this column really serves a useful purpose, making them aware of the past traditions and phases through which the School has passed. House notes were made a regular feature of each issue. They proved useful for covering all house activities, and in particular lower grade house football, which is always of interest, and an important section. Several other small columns are now regular features of each issue. "Club Activities" speaks for itself, as does "Sport." "What's On" is devoted to a calendar type column for letting subscribers know the date of approaching important School events. "Personal" is a section devoted to congratulatory or award acknowledging of boy who distinguishes himself in any way. The "Aboriginalities" column takes care of any humorous situations which are worthy of mention. They usually involve a master if possible, under the guise of "A certain member of the staff." The only other regular column is "Miscellany," and this deals with all topics that do not fall under the heading of the others mentioned.

Besides these regular columns we have incorporated several programmes this year, and during the football season we have usually included one or two weeks' draw and when possible a points table. Photos have been a very good feature of the magazine this year. Each issue has contained an average of eight photos. One issue actually contained twenty.

We would like to thank all those people and organisations who have assisted us in any way with the production of "Whistle" for 1961, particularly the Herald printing staff and Messrs. Charters and Guthrie, who have managed our photographs.

M. R. Herbert.



SCHOOL ORCHESTRA, 1961

Back Row: P. B. Brown, D. G. Bootten, D. C. White, J. D. Cumming, B. R. Prestidge, T. I. Gibbs, P. J. Carter,
G. A. Old, A. E. Guilford.

Middle Row: T. N. Barrett, M. I. Menzies, B. T. Bamforth, I. D. Strombom, E. A. Huggett, D. M. Menzies, R. A. Barnes,
J. E. Cousins.

Front Row: G. W. Heward, D. B. Lange, P. J. Burford, L. J. Purdy, A. J. McKenzie, J. L. Brodie, K. J. McIntyre,
D. J. George.

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CHESS CLUB

This year the group met every lunch hour in Room 18, with a membership of about twenty. Thanks must be extended to the New Plymouth Chess Club for giving us a large number of bits and pieces out of which five complete sets were put together. As several members bring their own, the number of sets available is sufficient and many enjoyable games have been played.

R. Lobb.

THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

Much new music was purchased this year, and the Orchestra had a good start in the first term.

There was a strong woodwind section and a weaker, although equally enthusiastic, string section.

Regular practices have been held on Monday afternoons as well as Tuesday and Thursday mornings. The "strings" are very grateful for the help given by Miss M. Petheram, a visiting violin teacher, on Monday afternoons.

In the first term the Orchestra played at the Combined Secondary Schools' Music Festival, capably performing the Overture from Bizet's "Carmen."

During the second term we concentrated on two composers—Mozart and Grieg. From Mozart we did the serenade from "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik," minuet from opera "Don Juan," and the allegro from Symphony No. 12, and from Grieg we did "Patriotic Song," "Watchman's Song," "Solvejg's Song" and "Sailor's Song." The best of these interpretations were then chosen for a broadcast programme for the local broadcasting station, 2XP.

In the third term, besides preparing music for the Break-Up Ceremony, we recorded yet another broadcast, including "Cockleshell Heroes" Concert March, and the "Television March" by Eric Coates.

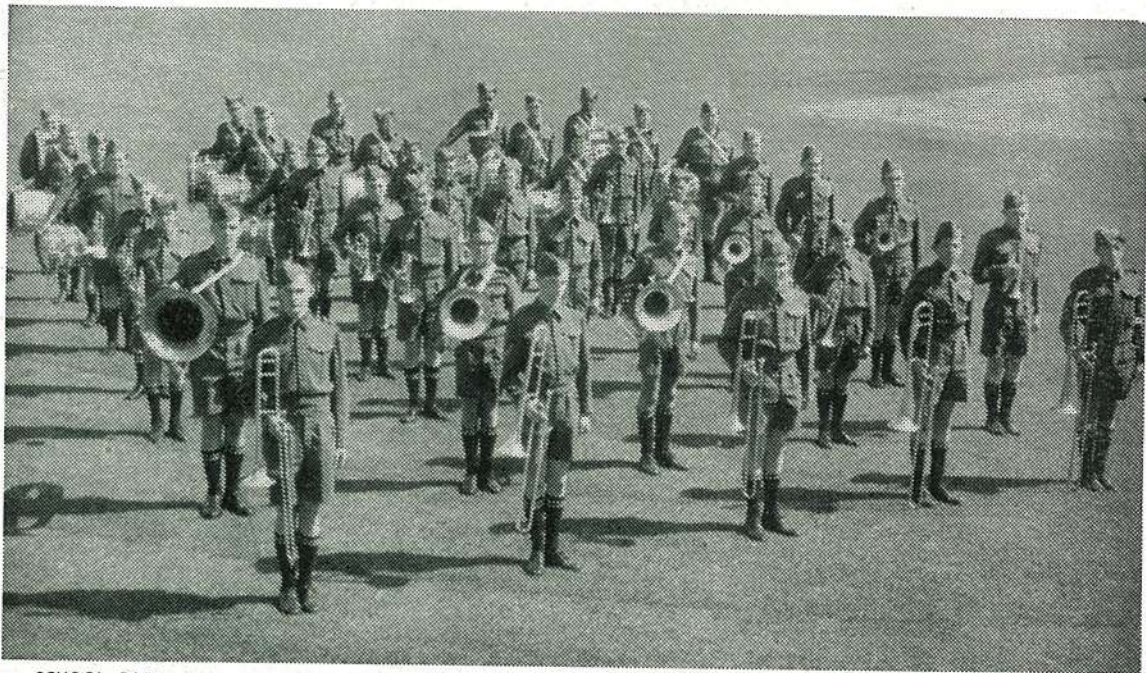
J. L. Brodie.

BAND NOTES

The Band, along with other musical institutions of the School, endured a severe test this year with the departure of Mr. Lynch at the end of the first term. However, it has overcome many difficulties and, owing to the very capable and enthusiastic leadership of Mr. Bayfield, it has improved steadily.

Once again the Band played during Barracks Week for Battalion parades and also for all parades and military programmes throughout the year. It did perform its duties well despite the lack of a drum-major during the third term.

The Band also performed very creditably at the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Music Festival at Stratford in the first term, especially in accompanying the massed singing. It also played at the St. Pat's College match and did a recording for 2XP.



SCHOOL BAND

Reading from left file to right file, rear to front:

- File 1: D. L. Parker, G. J. Hopkins, G. Smith, L. G. Foreman, R. D. Petersen, G. A. Fenwick, A. M. Faull, P. J. Carter.
File 2: M. Rogers, P. D. Stewart, G. E. Rosser, P. G. C. Douch, B. Thompson, G. J. Holswich, A. F. Brown, T. I. Gibbs.
File 3: W. R. Hetherington, B. Kopu, S. G. Cruickshank, D. Menzies, L. G. Chitty, B. R. Upson, C. W. Jackson, R. W. Raitt.
File 4: D. Tuirirangi, G. M. Hine, G. Wilks, G. A. Old, J. Harris, C. Jackson, C. Jury, R. D. Green.
File 5: J. Tui, J. Dean, R. K. Parton, A. E. Guilford, N. Birks, K. J. Garnham, B. R. Prestidge, B. F. Jury.

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In assemblies this year the Band played well and a striking feature has been the improvement of the Basses and other larger instruments, thus giving the music greater intensity.

Practices were continued the same as in previous years, on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8 a.m. and on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

The Band wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. L. Hall and Mr. L. Smith for their continued instruction throughout the year.

B. R. Prestidge.

THE SPECIAL CHOIR

1961 has been a very successful year for the Special Choir.

Practices were held on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the lunch hour, usually with a good attendance.

During the first term, the Choir presented Vernon Griffith's setting of the Psalm "Laudate Dominum" at Assembly. This rousing Psalm was also sung in guest appearances at the Old Folks' Hall, New Plymouth, St. Mary's Diocesan School, Stratford, and at the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Music Festival held in the Stratford Memorial Hall.

At the end of the first term Mr. N. C. Lynch left us. The Special Choir had been his special enthusiasm during the time he was at School and in addition to establishing it he was responsible for the high quality it had maintained. Many present and past members of the choir will remember him with gratitude for the many pleasant and profitable hours the work of the choir has provided for them.

In the second term Mr. Bayfield took over the Choir and under his experienced hand the group has lost none of its enthusiasm and vitality.

During the last week of the second term we recorded for the Taranaki Broadcasting Station, 2XP. The items were: William Byrd's "Non Nobis Domine," a Basque Carol, "The Infant King," and a hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign."

Basses from the School provided an accompaniment to several songs in the New Plymouth Girls' High School Festival.

The third term activity completed a very successful year for the Special Choir, with its guest visits and Break-up ceremony performances.

The present development of the choir should continue in future years with increased attendance of sopranos and altos.

J. G. C. Wilson.

CADET NOTES

This year the Battalion had the strength of 1100, divided into two specialist companies, a company of fourth form cadets, two third form companies and an A.T.C. Squadron. The specialist companies, A and B, contained respectively Mortar, Artillery, Anti-Tank, L.M.G. and M.M.G. platoons, and Signals, N.C.O.T.U., Provost, Intelligence and Medical platoons. The fourth form company, C Company, contained four platoons, as did D and E, the third form companies. These three units concentrated on elementary foot and rifle drill and fieldcraft. Our drill programme followed closely that of 1960.

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Barracks Week was held at the beginning of the first term and lasted six days. It was concluded by an evening parade which was inspected by Brigadier D. S. Thomson, M.C., E.D. Since then drill half-days have been held at three-weekly intervals during the first and third terms. On April 25th the traditional Anzac Day parade was held. The Battalion paraded at the Memorial Gates and wreaths were laid at the Gates and in the Memorial Hall as the "Last Post" was sounded. After this the Battalion marched past the Cenotaph and joined the R.S.A. service at Pukekura Park.

In order to maintain a reasonable standard of instruction, lectures and drill parades for N.C.O.'s have been held on the day preceding a drill day and also at the end of the third term. These were held during the lunch hour and were attended somewhat irregularly by most of the N.C.O.'s. The instruction was given by Staff-Sergeant Worrell (Area 8), and as they were held during his off-duty hours the unit is indebted to him.

Over all the standard of drill maintained this year has not been high. It has not necessarily been lower than that of recent years but compared with the standard which it could attain, it has not been good. This could be partly due to many causes. Barracks Week was disrupted by two days' rain, and the standard of drill reached by the end of the period was lower than it usually is. The drill days since then have usually consisted of a Battalion parade followed by two instruction periods and these have proved too widely separated and short to maintain a high standard of drill. As far as military training is concerned more could perhaps be achieved by having a longer Barracks Week—and no other drill schedule. The proportion of N.C.O.'s to cadets seems to be too low. The N.C.O. shortage was particularly acute in C Company. It is possible too, that more time could have been devoted to drill and to the explanation of the aims and purposes of drill, and it would seem to be essential that, if N.C.O.'s are to be efficiently prepared for a future drill day, they should know in good time what the unit programme is to be.

The general tone of the Battalion, however, was quite good, some units in particular have become very proficient in the handling of their particular equipment and have achieved relatively high standards of weapon training. These platoons, however, use equipment lent by the Army and drill under Army supervision more often than the other units do.

The relocation of the New Plymouth sub-units of the R.N.Z.A. will result in the removal of much of the equipment used at present by the specialist units and this will be a serious loss. The relocations are the result of the re-organisation of the Territorial Army following the policy of this year's White Paper. They will probably affect the Medical, Signals, Medium Machine-guns and Bren Platoons, as well as Anti-Tank and the Artillery Platoon, which has already lost its 25-pounder field-pieces.

On November 30th a live shoot will be held on the Rewa Rewa Range for the weapon platoons, with the rest of the Battalion participating as spectators. The shoot provides a climax for the training programmes of these platoons.

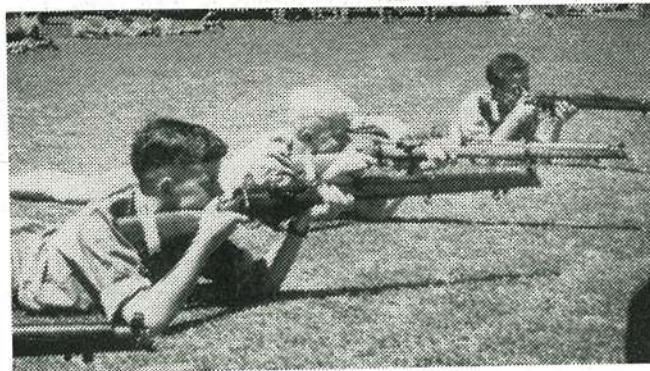
In addition to the specialist shoot, a selected group of N.C.O.'s from the School have attended various courses during the year. In January Cadets A. S. Pettigrew, B. G. Mills and H. F. W. Jackson attended respectively the Artillery, Mortar and R.S.M.'s courses at Waiouru. Mills and Pettigrew brought credit to themselves and the Battalion by topping

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their respective courses. In August twenty cadets attended the pre-N.C.O. qualification course held at Linton with one other boy an instructor.

Next year the courses, which play a very important part in the development of N.C.O.'s and their self-confidence, will be severely reduced. There will be no specialist senior N.C.O., N.C.O. refresher or officers' courses and the corps will probably be greatly affected. As a result of the Army's policy the Battalion will probably change a good deal in the coming year. The Army's intention seems to be to cut down expenditure on the cadet corps and our School units will suffer accordingly. The Battalion here may link with civil defence, but its immediate future is indefinite at present.

H. F. W. Jackson.



"C" Company—Holding and Aiming.

A.T.C.

This year the unit attained a maximum strength of 129 cadets. This is the biggest the unit has ever been. This included one Squadron Warrant Officer, three Flight-Sergeants, six Sergeants and twelve Corporals.

The unit attained the normal high standard of drill in the first term, although the standard in some of the junior flights seemed to have slipped in the third term. During the year we lost the services of Warrant Officer Wakelin, who left to join the Air Force. We wish him success in his career as a pilot. Flight-Sergeant Henderson has ably replaced him in the capacity of S.W.O.

During the third term a system of lectures given to senior N.C.O.'s was instituted, proving most successful as it provided N.C.O.'s with incentive and a greater interest in the unit. A variety of subjects was covered from aircraft instruments, radios, aircraft recognition, drill and weapon training to demonstrations of the efficiency of a parachute in a high wind.

Many thanks are due to the officers and in particular, to Sergeant Bartholomew for many hours spent in arranging timetables and procuring equipment for the unit's use.

Several cadets are expected to attend an N.C.O.'s course at Ohakea, which should provide a fund of N.C.O.'s for next year.

B. L. Lockstone.

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N.C.O.T.U.

The unit this year consisted of two platoons of Fourth Form cadets, a few of whom were junior members of the Provost Unit. These made a total of over seventy cadets. The unit started the year with one officer and seven trained N.C.O. instructors, who have supervised the year's training.

At the beginning of the third term, two boys who had performed well at Linton Camp were promoted to the rank of lance-corporal. It has been the policy of the unit commanders to promote trainees who have returned from camp with good reports, as an incentive to hard work at future camps. The experience gained by these young N.C.O.'s is valuable to the unit in later years.

The high standard of drill (especially Guard Drill) has been maintained, with members of the unit becoming very proficient at handling a rifle. However, this year has seen a change of emphasis from drill to more interesting and varied aspects of training, such as fieldcraft exercises and map-reading instruction. The motive for this change is that the officers of the unit wished to give each cadet a more general view of Military Drill, hoping that he will specialise in instruction in one subject. If he does this he will be invaluable to the Battalion, as he will be more adaptable for instruction in specialist units.

In August, nineteen cadets attended an N.C.O. Qualification Course at Linton Camp and about the same number will attend a course in December. They will be joined by about twelve Third Form cadets whom the unit is training for a Third Form Company. The N.C.O.'s are hoping that they will be prepared for promotion by early next year.

It should be pointed out that the success of the current military year for the unit has been largely due to co-operation and understanding amongst officers, N.C.O.'s and cadets. The N.C.O.'s have worked hard marking test papers and preparing reports, especially at the end of the terms and the boys seem to have appreciated this, showing their gratitude by putting their best into their work at all times. It is to be hoped that they will continue to do their best when they eventually become N.C.O.'s in the School Cadet Battalion.

M. H. T. Alexander.

SIGNALS UNIT

The Signals Unit has had a very successful year. It was divided into two platoons—the senior boys using the "48" radio sets, the junior boys learning the use of the Don 5 telephone and the elements of cable laying.

During Barracks Week a very high standard was achieved, and this was continued throughout the first term. At the end of Barracks Week the Signals Unit put on a demonstration during the final parade. Every telephone was connected to the exchange, messages passed and cables rolled in again in just under five minutes. A creditable performance by those who took part.

However, at the beginning of the third term, Radio Procedure lapsed, but this was soon rectified by the officers and N.C.O.'s.

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At the end of the year the Signals played an important part in the Specialists Units' live shoot at Rewa Rewa Range. They used the ZC1 radio to keep in touch with the Army Hall and with the airport. Field cables were also laid to telephone outposts and "48" radios were sent to the butts so that communication could be maintained throughout the shooting. This operation was very well carried out.

As a sideline to this year's training, the members of No. 1 Platoon were asked to provide a radio network at the Bowl of Brooklands during the Festival of the Pines. This gave the boys a great deal of practice and also showed the public what could be done with Walkie-Talkie radios.

The Signals equipment was cared for this year by R. Maxwell and L. Birks. The unit would like to thank most sincerely Sergeant Glover, from Area 8, for continual help throughout the year.

J. C. Coldwell.

BRENS

The Bren Platoon, now in its fourth year as a Specialist Unit, has proved to be very popular.

It has had two shoots at the Rewa Rewa Range during the year, as well as instruction in stripping, loading and firing technique and stoppage drill. It is also hoped that a camouflage course later in the year can be arranged.

The platoon acknowledges the assistance it has received from the Regular Army staff of Area 8.

R. A. Wakelin.

MEDICAL UNIT

Entry to the unit has been restricted to 32 cadets, because there is not sufficient equipment for more.

During Barracks Week the unit was trained mainly in evacuating the injured from the battlefield. A demonstration of the techniques of river-crossing was carried out on the last day of Barracks Week.

During the term drill days, the unit was trained in stretcher drill and was also given lectures on the fundamentals of first aid, including the new mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Next year we hope to be able to give more lectures in first aid, which can be applied to the accidents which are likely to happen at any time.

P. Masson.

MORTAR PLATOON

After a year's uninterrupted training, the platoon has acquired a reasonable knowledge of the basic principles of mortar work.

The platoon had a strength of 30 and had the use of four mortars. It is hoped to have two ballistic shoots and a live shoot by the end of the year.

Thanks are extended to the Army staff for their invaluable assistance during the year. With their help, the platoon can look forward to a good future in the coming year.

B. G. Mills.

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The Mortar Platoon Demonstrates.

MEDIUM MACHINE-GUN PLATOON

This year the platoon has been reduced in number to twenty-two, thus giving three sections of six cadets each with a sergeant in charge and a platoon sergeant. This number has proved both easy to organise and a satisfactory group.

Parade days have been spent at the Army Hall where we have had the use of three guns readily made available to us by Area 8.

The platoon has worked very well and at the conclusion of the year will be fully able to take part in the live shoot at Rewa Rewa. This will again be made possible only by the help of the Regular Force, to whom we are very grateful for the assistance that they give us at all times.

R. L. Schierling.

INTELLIGENCE

This year the Intelligence Platoon has been an extremely keen group, showing very good co-operation with their N.C.O.'s. The supernumeraries have included one officer, four sergeants and two corporals. During Barracks Week the platoon did intensive map work on the farm with an occasional swim to combat the hot weather conditions.

The third term has been spent doing blackboard theory of such points as Military Symbols, Mapping and General Intelligence information.

A .22 shoot saw a high standard of shooting with Cadet I. Riddle topping the platoon. The platoon's average was high compared with other specialist units.

The N.C.O.'s have done valuable work teaching the junior members of the platoon, who will carry the responsibility of instructing younger boys next year.

R. J. Crow.

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ARTILLERY

It is unfortunate that the Artillery troop, after only three years of existence, has had its weapons removed and so must cease to exist. As the guns are at Wanganui and may not be brought up here, the usual culmination of the year's activities, the shoot at Rewa Rewa, cannot be held. However, the weapons are the most complex, the most varied, and in the opinion of many the most interesting weapon on which the School has trained cadets, and the three years have not been wasted. The unit has been fortunate in having as instructors during those years Sergeant-Major MacWhinney and Sergeant Birchell, whom we would like to thank for their tolerance in what must have been at times, especially at the beginning of the year, a rather exasperating business.

What the unit will do now is as yet undecided, but suggestions are being considered, and a decision will probably be reached before the end of the year.

A. J. Pettigrew.

ANTI-TANK

This year started well, with a great number of cadets eager to join the ranks of the Anti-Tank Platoon. The younger boys who were not accepted will have a very good chance next year.

The platoon, which is now in its third year, consists of six detachments with four boys in each, and nine N.C.O. instructors. The platoon acknowledge the help it has received from the Regular Army, which has given the unit much careful instruction.

The gun is a weapon used in combat against medium tanks. It is a highly efficient weapon and proved itself in World War II. However, it is now being replaced by a more modern gun and with these new weapons being introduced, the Army may possibly even present the "originals" to the School. With the end of the year in sight we look forward once more to our live shoot with the guns the Anti-Tank Platoon is very eager to use.

G. S. Elliot.

PROVOST

The unit was formed at the beginning of the year and contains several of last year's N.C.O.T.U. It consists of two N.C.O.'s and 23 cadets. Its members wear a dark-blue lanyard and march as No. 1 platoon, B Company.

During Barracks Week the unit was instructed in traffic control by officers of the Transport Department. The main function of the unit is the control of traffic when the battalion is on the march and the supervision of parking at School functions. Several proficient cadets controlled the traffic at the final parade in Barracks Week.

The unit has been given lectures on Military Law and other aspects of Provost training. With the first year's training over, it could be said that the Provost Unit will be valuable to the Battalion in the future.

A. J. McKenzie.

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SHOOTING

This year the School has had in operation two ranges. The School's own miniature range on the Farm and the Rewa Rewa Range for .303 shooting. This has enabled more boys to shoot during the year than previously, and as a result there will not be the rush at the end of this year as there has been in previous years.

The School's miniature range has had the rough edges knocked off it by the range staff. The mound was built up with soil obtained from the bank behind the range. The range itself has been grassed by the boys of 5 Ag., making the range cool and pleasant to shoot on. Army Engineers have also considerably improved the Rewa Rewa Range.

During the year an Inter-Secondary Schools shoot was conducted by the Army at Rewa Rewa. The School team ran out the winners for the first time since the shoot was inaugurated. The team was: G. Harrold, W. Allison, C. Baeyertz, G. Jackson, H. Jackson (captain), J. Lyons, B. MacDonell, I. Riddle, R. Wakelin, P. Williams.

The team scored 739 out of a possible 900, which was a record score for the event.

The results of the 1960 School Championships are as follows:—

.303 Shooting Awards

G. McCutcheon won the School Championship and MacDiarmid Belt outright by scoring 153 points out of 160. He scored 84 on the short range and 51 out of 60 on the 200 yards range.

The Searle Cup for the Short Range (25 yards) was won by McCutcheon. W. J. Ley and B. J. Allen were second equal with 83.

The Senior Lady Godley Cup for best .303 Class Shooting was won by H. F. Jackson.

The Loveday Cup was won by D. Martin with 59. J. Mace with 53 was runner-up.

The MacLeod and Slade Cup was won by D. Britton with 44, and B. Phillips was runner-up with 42.

The Junior Lady Godley Cup for the best .22 Class Shooting was won by J. McIntyre.

.22 Shooting Awards

The Lady Godley Cup (Junior Classification) was won by P. Hookham. The winner of the Hamblyn Cup for boys under 17 was I. Riddle with 62. The runner-up was J. Ross.

The School entered two teams in the Press Shield Competition for 1961. The teams were made up of younger boys than usual and although their scores were lower than usual their standard was one to be proud of. The teams and scores were:—

A Team: P. Hookham 99, C. Evans 96, J. Shearer 92, D. Britton 89, R. Wallace-Wells 88, P. Williams 87, G. Davidson 83, L. Foreman 83, P. J. Reed 81, K. Klein 74.

B Team: P. Britton 95, Ebbett 90, Masters 86, Woodham 84, Marsden 83, Barrett 85, Rendell 82, D. Ferguson 81, Murray 80.

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SOCCER

This year six teams competed regularly in local competitions.

The First XI, with seven of last year's team back at School, proved to be the best balanced team yet produced. In the local Senior B competition the "Firsts" won the Parkinson Cup and were runners-up for the Acheson Cup.

The first college match this year against Mt. Albert was played in fine weather at Western Park and proved to be the closest and hardest game between the two schools for many years. Play in the first half see-sawed from end to end at an extremely brisk pace and our backs put up a fine show of tackling, positional play and cover defence, while the forwards were unlucky several times in not scoring. Mt. Albert's first goal came after twenty minutes when goalkeeper Dandy was unable to hold a fast shot and one of their forwards pounced to put it in the net. Their second goal came five minutes before half-time when a foul tackle resulted in a penalty kick. The ball went over the cross-bar but was retaken because of an infringement. The second shot was a good one, hard and low for the corner. Dandy performed wonders in stopping it but before he could regain it one of their forwards put it in the net. The second half started with School dominating most of the play and putting pressure on the Mt. Albert goal. However, we did not score until the ball was passed back to right-half Catchpole, who scored a perfect goal from twenty-five yards. School's superior fitness now began to show and several attacks on the Mt. Albert goal were unsuccessful only because of poor shooting. At the final whistle no additional score had been made and the game ended: Mt. Albert 2, New Plymouth 1.

The game against Wellington College this year was scheduled for the Basin Reserve but because of bad weather was transferred to Alexandra Park, a small ground overlooking Wellington College. The surface was extremely difficult. From the kick-off our forwards went immediately into action and after three short passes Dalton, at centre-forward, scored one goal in fifteen seconds. Wellington immediately retaliated and a minute later sent in the equaliser. After this the lead alternated between the teams until a minute before full-time, when with School leading 4-3, Wellington scored from a goal-mouth scramble to make the final score 4-4. Scorers for School were Dalton, Mana, Charters and Wray.

Our last college match against Wanganui Tech. was played on Wembley Park, Wanganui. A strong wind was blowing down the field. Wanganui won the toss and, playing with the wind, managed to score one goal in the first half. In the second half School, with the wind, spent most of their time in Wanganui's half and it was centre-forward Dalton who equalised after ten minutes. After twenty minutes inside-forward Charters broke through from near halfway and raced away to score a runaway goal. Five minutes before full-time Dalton put in a good shot to make the final score 3-1 to School.

Players in this year's college games were W. T. Murdock (captain), C. M. Collett (vice-captain), S. Catchpole, T. Kardos, A. Boddy, K. Dalton, R. Charters, M. Mana, R. Higgs, F. McDonald, B. Wray, J. Dandy, H. Plowright and T. Rutherford.

The Second XI (Black) played in the Secondary A Grade competition and finished runners-up to Stratford T.H.S. Outstanding players were



FIRST SOCCER XI

Back Row: F. McDonald, R. Charters, T. Rutherford, K. Dalton, S. Catchpole, T. Kardos, J. Dandy.
Front Row: B. Wray, R. Higgs, C. Collett (Vice-Captain), W. Murdock (Captain), A. Boddie, M. Mana.

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Rockley, Murray and Mana and these should gain places in the First XI next season.

The Red team were also in the Secondary A Grade competition and were ably led by Bootten. This team, while not as successful as Black, was reliable and never disgraced itself.

Third Form Soccer enjoyed a full and successful year. A better standard was achieved than in previous years and what was more important, enthusiasm and numbers did not dwindle after the first round. Because of this we were able to keep three full teams in the field.

The White team became convincing winners of the first round of the Secondary B grade and was promoted to the A Grade for the remainder of the season. This team contains many promising players, among them being forwards Ellery (captain), Dibble, Keller and Mana and backs Tuirirangi, Smart, Sharpe and James.

The Maroon team proved to be a very sturdy middle-of-the-table team which only lacked finish in front of the goal. The defence centred around hard-working captain Kopu, who was assisted competently by Paris and goalie Bond. Of the forwards led by Sklenars, the Giles brothers on opposite wings proved to be the most effective goal-scorers.

Green proved to be a team of enthusiastic, though somewhat inexperienced players, and was entered in the intermediate competition. Among those showing promise were Davies, Prestidge, Brooky, Bakewell, Clearwater and Dawney.

This year a Third Form Inter-House competition was held and Ellery, of East, supported by Smart in the backs and the Giles brothers, led his team to victory, defeating Central 2-0, and then West 2-1.

The only Senior House game was played between East and West, with East winning the Holden Cup after a hard-fought game which ended with a score of 3-2.

Those selected for representative teams this year were: Taranaki Under 21 Colts, W. Murdock, T. Kardos; Taranaki Under 16 Reps., S. Catchpole, J. Dandy, T. Kardos, R. Higgs, H. Plowright, R. Charters, F. McDonald and B. Wray; Taranaki Under 14½, D. Tuirirangi, A. Boddy, J. Boddy, G. Rockley, A. Murray, M. Mana and J. Manu. To all of these we extend our congratulations.

C. M. Collett.

HOCKEY

This year 50 players, comprising four teams, were entered in the local competitions. The First and Second XI's played in the Junior Men's Grade and the two Third Form teams played in the Schools' grade.

Six of last year's First XI returned and they formed a solid basis for this year's First XI. The First XI came into form early in the season and they won the Northern Division of the Junior Men's Grade.

The First XI members were G. Elliott (captain), G. Wilson (vice-captain), J. Coldwell, N. Bridgeman, I. Carmichael, N. Mace, L. Barker, K. Harrington, D. George, R. Eves, I. Johns. Reserves were P. Connell and M. Peterson.

The Second XI did not do so well, but they still performed very creditably.



FIRST HOCKEY XI

Back Row: N. D. Mace, L. Barker, I. Johns, N. Bridge man, B. Connell, D. George, K. Harrington.

Front Row: N. Peterson, R. Eves, G. Elliott (Captain), G. Wilson (Vice-Captain), J. Coldwell, I. Carmichael.

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The Third Form B team won the Schools' grade and the Pennington Cup by defeating the Third Form A team in the final.

Practices were held twice a week, one night in the gym and the other on the racecourse. The racecourse was very rough this year and could do with several good mowings and a good roll. This would make the surface quite good for playing on.

During the second term G. Elliott, J. Wilson, K. Harrington and N. Bridgeman played for a Taranaki Secondary Schools' team at Wanganui and Taumarunui. J. Wilson was the captain of the team.

This year Blazers were awarded to G. Elliott, J. Wilson and K. Harrington.

On Monday, June 5th, three teams travelled to Hawera for the Queen's Birthday seven-a-side tournament. The A team had two draws and two losses, the B team had two wins and three losses, and the C team had two wins and two losses. Although we were unable to bring back any of the trophies, all players performed creditably.

The third form B team also won the Campbell Cup for the 11-a-side under 15, all-Taranaki tournament. The A team were runners-up in this tournament.

On July 20th, the First XI played Wanganui Collegiate in their first college game. The game was played at Te Mete Park and resulted in a draw, four goals each. The game was hard and fast and both teams were evenly matched. School made an excellent recovery after being down four goals to one after five minutes in the first half.

On August 9th the First XI travelled to Wanganui to play Wanganui Technical College. The ground was damp and Wanganui Technical won by three goals to one. Both teams played clean, fast hockey, but Wanganui were able to notch two good goals during the second half to win.

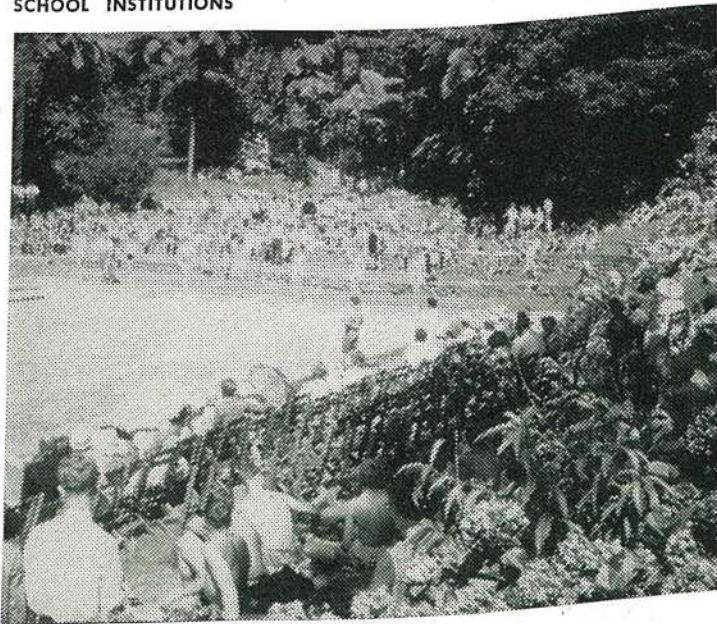
A week later the Firsts played Opunake High School. This game was played in fine weather and on a hard ground at the Girls' High School. The score was four goals to three in Opunake's favour. The game was fast and torrid and it was only five minutes from the finish when Opunake notched a goal to put them in the lead.

In the first week of the August holidays the First XI travelled to Hamilton for the Secondary Schools' Hockey Tournament. This was played at Steele Park and the tournament was won by Gisborne Boys' High, who played eight games altogether without a loss. The tournament was divided into three sections and each team played five games. These games were clean and fast. School lost the first three and won the last two. Although the scores were not high in the first games the opponents showed a slight superiority. In the last two games the conditions were more like Taranaki and we beat St. Paul's College by five goals to two, and Freyberg College by two goals to one. We were third in our section.

The 1961 hockey season generally has been most successful.

J. C. Coldwell.

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Swimming Sports: Fine and Cool.

SWIMMING

The annual sports were held in February under ideal conditions. A large crowd of parents and friends were present and with the rest of the School witnessed some of the best competitive swimming seen at the School for many years.

Altogether seven records were broken, five of which belonged to M. G. Saxton, a nationally-ranked swimmer during his time at School. However, what was even more pleasing was that of the record-breakers, P. Dempsey (2), N. Penwarden (3), B. Tompkins and S. Bond (1), none could be described as being in a class of his own. All the races were closely contested and this gives an indication of the great improvement of the swimmers during the past year.

P. Dempsey, N. Penwarden and B. Tompkins won the Senior, Intermediate and Junior Freestyle Championships respectively.

The House points total was closely contested, with Central (82) taking the honours from West (71) and East (67).

In the Day Boys v. Boarders relay, Day Boys repeated their last year's success when P. Dempsey touched just ahead of M. Bossley in a thrilling finish.

The Taranaki Inter-Secondary School Swimming Sports were held on March 4th at the Girls' High School pool. The School team gained 15 titles and broke six records.

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The titles won by School swimmers were:—

Senior:

P. Dempsey: 50 Yards Butterfly (Record); 100 Yards Freestyle (Record); 220 Yards Freestyle.
J. E. Cousins: 100 Yards Backstroke.
H. F. W. Jackson: 100 Yards Breaststroke; 100 Yards Medley.
N. G. Rush: 440 Yards Freestyle.
Relay: Time, 67.2sec. (Record.)

Intermediate:

N. Penwarden: 66 2-3 Yards Breaststroke, time 50:5sec. (Record); 100 Yards Medley, time 74.4sec. (Record); 220 Yards Freestyle.
A. Gayford: 100 Yards Freestyle.
Relay: Time, 75sec. (Record.)

Junior:

B. Tompkins: 50 Yards Freestyle.
S. Bond: 100 Yards Medley.

Two weeks later a team of seven School swimmers competed in the North Island Inter-Secondary School Swimming Sports at Palmerston North. P. Dempsey swam a spectacular race to win the 100 Yards Senior Freestyle by a touch from some of the best young swimmers in New Zealand. He also gained third placing in the Open 133 1-3 Yards Medley. N. Penwarden, swimming in a high-class breaststroke field headed by New Zealand champion T. Graham, did well to gain two fourth placings in the finals.

Several School swimmers competed in the Flannagan Cup Harbour Swim and out of a field of 50 swimmers they gained the following placings: N. G. Rush second and second fastest time; H. F. Jackson fourth; P. Dempsey seventh, and M. Bossley eighth.

Taken in all, this has been one of the best years in the School's swimming for a long time. The overall standard has never been higher and the strength in the Intermediate and Junior sections promises well for the future.

Detailed results of the School Sports are:—

Championship Events

Senior:

100 Yards Freestyle: P. Dempsey 1, M. Bossley 2, G. Rush 3. Time, 57.6sec.
220 Yards Freestyle: P. Dempsey 1, G. Rush 2, M. Bossley 3. Time, 2min. 34sec.
440 Yards Freestyle: P. Dempsey 1, G. Rush 2. Time, 5min. 36sec.
100 Yards Backstroke: G. Rush 1, J. Cousins 2, M. Bossley 3. Time, 72.5sec.
100 Yards Breaststroke: H. F. Jackson 1, B. Milne 2, G. Paynter 3. Time, 81sec.
100 Yards Medley: P. Dempsey 1, H. F. Jackson 2, B. Milne 3. Time, 75sec.
33 1-3 Yards Butterfly: P. Dempsey 1, G. Rush 2, H. F. Jackson 3. Time, 18.6sec.

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Intermediate:

- 100 Yards Freestyle: A. Gayford 1, N. Penwarden 2, M. J. Silver 3. Time, 66sec.
200 Yards Freestyle: N. Penwarden 1, A. Gayford 2, M. J. Silver 3. Time, 2min. 47sec.
440 Yards Freestyle: N. Penwarden 1, A. Gayford 2, M. J. Silver 3. Time, 5min. 54.4sec.
100 Yards Backstroke: R. Wallace-Wells 1, I. Strombom 2, J. Neville 3. Time, 85sec.
100 Yards Breaststroke: N. Penwarden 1, G. Paynter 2, H. Anderson 3. Time, 79.9sec.
100 Yards Medley: N. Penwarden 1. Time, 73.1sec.

Junior:

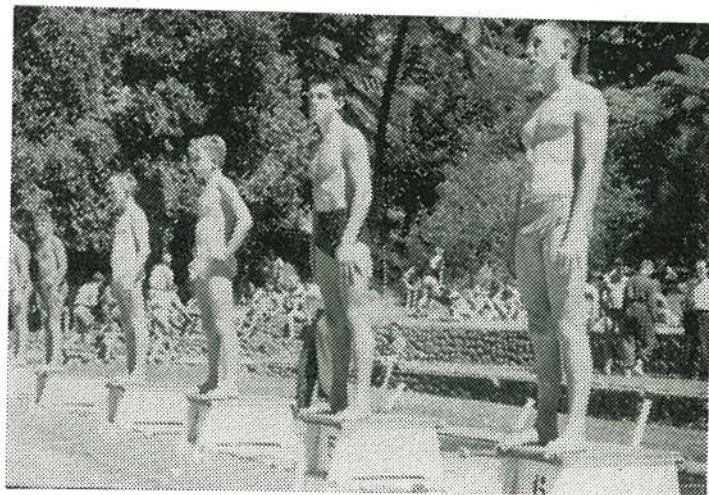
- 50 Yards Freestyle: B. Tompkins 1, S. Bond 2, A. Nielson 3. Time, 30.4sec.
100 Yards Freestyle: B. Tompkins 1, S. Bond 2, A. Nielson 3. Time, 69sec.
200 Yards Freestyle: S. Bond 1, B. Tompkins 2, A. Nielson 3. Time, 2min. 52.5sec.
50 Yards Backstroke: B. Tompkins 1, R. Johnson 2, R. Scott 3. Time, 35.5sec.
50 Yards Breaststroke: B. Tompkins 1, G. Griffin 2. Time, 38.2sec.
100 Yards Medley: S. Bond 1, A. Nielson 2, J. Priest 3. Time, 1min. 27.4sec.

DIVING

Senior: M. Bryant 1, J. Ross 2, R. Green 3.

Intermediate: D. Evans 1, S. Talbot 2, M. J. Silver 3.

Junior: T. Oliver 1, W. Reed 2, R. Bird 3.



"Take Your Blocks"

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RELAYS

Inter-Form: 6A 1, 4E 2, 4 E.B.3 3. 6A's average time per length for the four-length race was 16.5sec.

Inter-House: Moyes 1, Central 2, East 3.

Day Boys v. Boarders: Day Boys 1, Boarders 2.

NEW RECORDS

Senior:

- 100 Yards Freestyle: P. Dempsey 57.6sec. (Old Record: M. G. Saxton, 59.7sec., 1959.) M. Bossley also broke the old record with a time of 58.2sec.
50 Yards Butterfly: P. Dempsey, 18.6sec. (Old Record: M. G. Saxton, 19.7sec. 1959.)

Intermediate:

- 100 Yards Breaststroke: N. Penwarden, 79.9sec. (Old Record: M. G. Saxton, 83.4sec. 1958.)
100 Yards Medley: N. Penwarden, 73.1sec. (Old Record: M. G. Saxton, 77.5sec. 1958.)
440 Yards Freestyle: N. Penwarden, 5min. 54.4sec. (Old Record: N. G. Rush, 5min. 56sec. 1959.)

Junior:

- 50 Yards Backstroke: B. Tompkins, 35.5sec. (Old Record: M. G. Saxton, 36.4sec. 1956.)
220 Yards Freestyle: S. Bond, 2min. 52.5sec. (Old Record: N. G. Rush, 2min. 54.2sec. 1958.)

N. G. Rush.

BADMINTON AND TABLE TENNIS

This is the first season that these two sports have been run as a combined club in which all members have had the opportunity to play both sports.

After a long break between 1951-59 the Badminton Club is again very strong in the School, but the once very popular Table Tennis has just this year restarted a serious competition ladder.

During the year the combined club had a membership of 150 boys, with 10 table tennis tables and three badminton courts. The table tennis was played in the Assembly Hall and the badminton in the Gymnasium. Club nights were on Monday, Thursday and Sunday afternoons.

A successful season has been enjoyed by all members and the standard of play has been high in all grades.

A ladder system was organised for both sports and the top six placings in each were:—

Badminton

1. M. J. Irwin. 2. M. Thevathasan. 3. J. G. Rodgers. 4. B. J. H. White.
5. B. I. Candy. 6. L. Birks

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Table Tennis

1. J. W. Medley. 2. M. I. Bossley. 3. A. C. Gayford. 4. B. N. MacDiarmid. 5. J. G. Rodgers. 6. K. W. Rendall.

Unfortunately this year's Table Tennis Championships were not completed because of other prior commitments.

Championship Results

Junior Singles (Isaacs Cup): C. R. Holmes d. M. C. Shields 21-3.

Junior Doubles: C. R. Holmes and M. C. Shields d. G. J. Duff and J. J. Wakelin 15-6.

Intermediate Singles: B. H. Tompkins d. B. I. Candy 21-2.

Senior Singles (Cook and Lister Cup): B. J. H. White d. J. G. Rodgers 15-5, 15-6.

Senior Doubles: B. J. H. White and B. H. Tompkins d. M. J. Irwin and M. Thevathanan by default.

Table Tennis

Junior Singles: A. C. Gayford d. D. L. Wilson 21-11, 21-16.

B. J. H. White.

TENNIS

This year was an excellent one for School Tennis and a large number of our young players showed great promise, which means that the present high standard will be maintained in the future.

The School entered teams in both the "A" Grade and Soffe Cup competitions, but because the "A" Grade matches were played on Sunday mornings boarders were unfortunately excluded from taking part. Players in the squad for these matches were C. T. W. Henderson, M. J. Hamilton, K. L. P. Wakelin, B. J. H. White, D. T. Alexander, J. G. Rodgers, W. I. Bamford, R. N. Goudie, R. L. Lewes, G. C. Earl, G. M. Harbutt and M. V. Cross. (Wakelin left during the second term.)

This year saw a change in tennis organisation, with the playing of all major competitions in the first term. We have therefore two accounts of the Stevenson Cup, this year's and last year's, and two accounts of the School Championships.

Stevenson Cup—Inter-House Knock-out Competition

1960: Carrington d. Moyes (final), 5-4.

The winning team was: W. J. Rumball, N. D. Walter, J. G. Rodgers, R. A. Hall, M. J. Aldrich, W. D. Allison, H. T. Mills.

1961: Moyes d. Pridham (final), 5-4.

The winning team was: W. I. Bamford, M. I. Bossley, G. M. Harbutt, G. W. Davidson, M. V. Cross and C. D. Bossley.

Day Boys v. Boarders

Junior: Day Boys d. Boarders, 7-5.

The winning team was: F. McDonald, T. B. Kardos, A. W. Wheeler, A. E. Boddy, R. Johnston, G. J. Duff, J. J. Wakelin and R. V. Duff.

Senior: Day Boys d. Boarders, 8-1.

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The winning team was: C. T. W. Henderson, M. J. Hamilton, R. L. Lewes, G. C. Earl, B. J. H. White and K. L. P. Wakelin (captain).

This year the School Seniors played three inter-school matches: Hamilton High School, Wanganui Collegiate and Stratford High and, for the first time the Juniors played against Francis Douglas College. This match proved a great success and it is intended to make it an annual fixture.

School v. Hamilton High School: Won 13-2. The team was: M. J. Hamilton, R. L. Lewes, G. C. Earl, B. J. H. White, K. L. P. Wakelin (captain) and D. T. Alexander.

School v. Wanganui Collegiate School: Won 6-3. In this match School fielded an intermediate team comprising M. J. Hamilton, R. L. Lewes, G. C. Earl, G. M. Harbutt, R. V. Duff and B. A. Badcock.

Juniors v. Francis Douglas School: Won 10-4. The team was: A. W. Wheeler, A. E. Boddy, R. Johnston, G. J. Duff, C. R. Holmes and J. J. Wakelin.

Return School matches against Hamilton, Wanganui and Francis Douglas will be played towards the end of this term, as will the annual event against Stratford High School.

During the year various masters organised coaching groups for juniors and seniors on Monday and Wednesday nights respectively. These proved to be very successful, as shown by the improved standard of play.

A coaching school for senior boys was also organised in the first term with the help of prominent Taranaki players.

The combined club comprising boarders from the Boys' and Girls' High Schools was run at the Girls' High School courts on Saturday mornings for juniors and on Sunday afternoons for seniors, proving once again very popular and successful.

During the year sealing was begun on the six new tennis courts and three of these courts will be ready for the 1961-62 season.

As well as these competitions the programme for the year was very comprehensive and when week-ends were relatively free open invitation matches were held between senior boys and it is to be hoped that these will continue as they have proved excellent match practise this year for all boys concerned.

Results of the Championships

1960

Junior Singles: T. Oliver d. A. E. Boddy, 9-4.

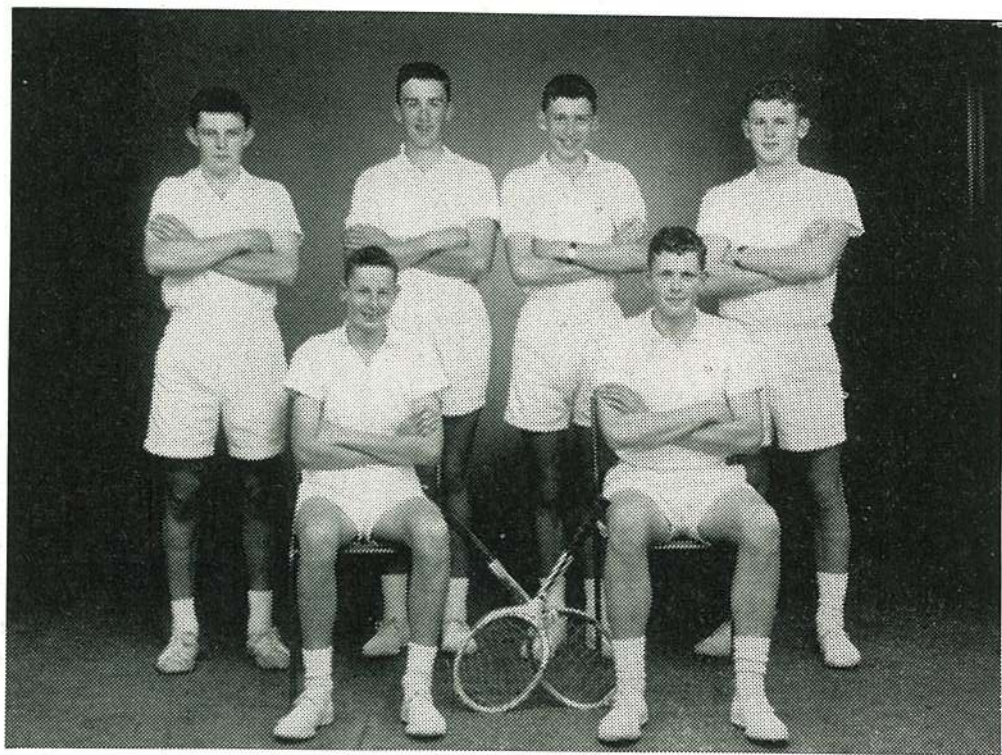
Junior Doubles: M. H. Chapman and P. J. Taylor d. B. L. Willis and P. Williams, 9-6.

Intermediate Singles: B. I. Candy d. G. W. Davidson, 6-2, 6-2.

Intermediate Doubles: B. I. Candy and G. J. Walter d. G. W. Davidson and M. Chapman 6-1, 6-3.

Senior Singles: W. G. Shearer d. C. T. W. Henderson 6-3, 6-2.

Senior Doubles: W. G. Shearer and C. T. W. Henderson d. R. L. Lewes and R. J. Watson 6-4, 5-7, 6-2.



TENNIS TEAM

Back Row: D. T. Alexander, R. J. Lewes, M. J. Hamilton, C. T. W. Henderson.
Front Row: G. Earl, B. J. White. Left: K. L. P. Wakelin.

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1961

Junior Singles: C. R. Holmes d. G. J. Duff 6-3, 6-1.

Junior Doubles: G. J. Duff and J. J. Wakelin by default.

Intermediate Singles: B. I. Candy d. G. M. Harbutt 6-0, 6-1.

Intermediate Doubles: G. M. Harbutt and G. W. Davidson d. B. I. Candy and D. L. Wilson 6-0, 4-6, 6-2.

Senior Singles: W. T. Murdock d. M. J. Hamilton 6-2, 6-4.

Senior Doubles: C. T. W. Henderson and K. L. P. Wakelin d. B. J. H. White and M. J. Hamilton 6-4, 6-1.

B. J. H. White.

ROWING

This year the club has continued to increase its facilities. The shed has been enlarged to double its size, we have a larger membership, a new four from Cambridge and generally more equipment. Again this year the difficulty of arranging the most efficient form of transport has restricted membership.

With two eights now on the water the club has some very interesting training races.

As a result of reconstruction and repair work by the boys the Star, Tauranga and Union fours are in good order. The Monty is being fibreglassed and it is hoped to have the Cambridge on the water soon. A new eight will be arriving next March and ten new oars will be here for this season. By 1962 the club should be well equipped with gear and boats.

A big loss to the club occurred at the end of last season when our coach, Mr. Lynch, left for a position on the staff of Rongatai College. Mr. Lynch had been with the club since 1956. He had coached many crews and his first major success came at Wanganui last year with the



A "four" coming off the water.



ROWING EIGHT

Back Row: J. Boyd, L. W. McEldowney, R. C. Geck, P. Hagen.

Front Row: W. T. Lawson, T. J. Tier, B. M. Fraser, M. Bryant, B. H. Wills.

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eight when it gained a first and second at the Jury Cup regatta. A presentation was made to him by the boys on the last day of the season. We wish him the best of luck in his new position.

The first races to be held in the 1960-61 season were the inter-House competitions. Here a high standard of rowing was reached and there was keen competition, especially among the boarding Houses.

Results were:—

Hayton Cup: Carrington and Pridham, first equal. Crews: Pridham: I. L. Montgomerie, T. J. Tier, P. E. Hagan, D. E. Jonas, W. C. Carter (cox). Carrington: M. Bryant, R. C. Geck, H. F. W. Jackson, R. B. Hedley, J. Boyd (cox).

The Hedley-Bryant Cup for House second crews was won by Carrington. Pridham were second. The Coleman Cup for novice crews was won by Carrington and Pridham were second. Following the House competitions trophy races were enjoyed by all.

With a new eight, the F. W. Hixson, in good order and the crew rowing well, expectations were high for the Jury Cup regatta, held at Wanganui on December 10th, 1960. Our first eight attended and rowed extremely well. The crew won this race in the junior class and came second in the maiden open class.

The next regatta was in the new School year at Wanganui and was regarded as a preliminary for the New Zealand Championships. The whole club travelled down and although no major placings were gained all the crews performed very creditably. This trip, which was the first to this regatta, was enjoyed by all.

The whole club next attended a regatta at Karapiro on March 25th. The eight, in spite of drawing choppy water, rowed extremely well to gain a close third. The fours competed with club crews and all rowed well with the second eight and novice four gaining two fourth places, while the second four rowed extremely hard to gain a close second.

Crews were:—

The Eight: M. Bryant, B. H. Wills, W. T. Lawson, R. C. Geck, L. McEldowney, T. J. Tier, P. E. Hagan, J. T. Boyd, B. Fraser (cox).

Second Eight: P. L. Anyan, P. Deighton, R. G. Taylor, C. Evans, P. R. Jamieson, J. Walter, W. B. Boon, R. C. Wallace-Wells, Mr. Lynch (cox).

First Pair: B. J. Allen, W. D. Allison, G. Walter, R. L. Bosson, B. M. Fraser (cox).

Second Four: M. Dennis, R. R. Dean, J. B. Page, J. R. Taylor, R. R. Dickie (cox).

Third Four: P. J. Rich, A. Gayford, M. J. Williams, M. R. Herbert, A. McQuilkan (cox).

Novice Four: L. Birks, B. G. Blackstock, S. J. Fraser, N. Mason, R. Fookes (cox).

This was probably the most successful trip the club as a whole has undertaken.

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The Head of the Harbour race was held at Tamaki Estuary on April 8th and only the eight attended. After a good start the School crew led for some time but was narrowly beaten by King's College and Mt. Albert. A great feature of the day was the Old Boys' Race, starring many rowers who were, in the past, members of the School eight.

We take this opportunity to thank all those who helped us on to the water with gear and boats, particularly the Clifton Club, and all those people who billeted crews at regattas.

B. G. Blackstock.



Extensions to the Boat Shed at Waitara.

INDOOR BASKETBALL

This year School fielded two teams in the local B Grade Men's Competition. School 1 had a very successful year, being runner-up to the Herald "Angels" after a hard-fought final, 32-12. The team was W. Murdock, B. Cleaver, M. Dew, K. Dalton, R. Locke, J. Lander and D. Martin, who also acted as coach.

Prior to this game School 1 had its most convincing wins of the season by defeating the New Plymouth Fire Brigade by 79-8 and the Fitzroy Young People's Club, 81-4.

Two members of the School team were selected to represent New Plymouth when they won the Taranaki Men's B Grade Championship. The players selected were W. Murdock (shoot) and B. Cleaver (centre). Brian and Warren also played for the New Plymouth A Grade team on different occasions.

The School 2nd team was fairly weak at the beginning of the season as they were all first year players. However, at the latter stages of the competition they had developed into a very strong combination. The team was: M. Marcroft, P. Lay, T. Campbell, W. Hine, I. MacKenzie, K. Davies, F. Hickese, D. Jullian and R. Wagstaff.

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Practices were held during lunch hours and every Sunday morning. Club games were held on Monday and Thursday nights in the Star Gym and the Army Hall.

Although the membership this year was not very large there was great enthusiasm and team spirit. As a result there were plenty of players at the games and no game was lost by default.

Midway through the season it was arranged for a touring Latter Day Saints team to give some coaching in an after-school training session. All the boys found this very beneficial and learned new movements.

Over the whole season the School 1 team had the least points scored against them in any grade (173) and about fourth highest, with 714 points.

School were supposed to have played in the Inter-Secondary School Tournament but since our entry forms went astray we were unable to compete.

School 1 team will be considerably weakened next year as most of the players are leaving. However, it is hoped that the younger players will carry on in future years and meet with further success.

B. Cleaver.

TRAMPING CLUB

With a membership of over 120 boys and five new masters, the Tramping Club has had a most enjoyable and successful year. Thirteen tramps were held, the majority on Mt. Egmont, including two summit climbs and four ski trips. The attendance at all trips and meetings was very pleasing, and we were pleased to see so many younger boys taking an interest.

The new track linking Maude Road with the tops of the Pouakais has been completed by a party who worked from Carrington Cottage over Labour week-end. Much work has also been done on Carrington Cottage. We are pleased to see it with a new coat of paint inside and out and the grounds much tidier, thanks to the parties of members who stayed there over long week-ends.

A. Gayford.

DEBATING

The inter-House formal debates for the Union Debating Prize were contested towards the end of the third term in 1960. This year's inter-House contests have not yet taken place.

Last year Central won the cup when P. Dempsey and J. Codd defeated M. Herbert and D. Wood, of Pridham.

The results of the individual debates were: In the first round Pridham defeated Moyes, Carrington defeated East and Central defeated West. In the second round Central defeated Carrington and Pridham had the bye. In the final round Central defeated Pridham.

The overall standard of the debating was particularly good. Mr. T. A. Ross, a member of the High School Board, judged the final. He said that he thought both teams spoke well and that the standard was good. The subject for the final was: "That those characteristics of man which distinguish him from nature are more important than those which affiliate him to it."

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Several debating evenings have been held this year on week-end evenings during the winter term and the third term. Several of these were Oxford Union Debates and two were formal between Pridham and Carrington fourth formers and between Moyes and Pridham third formers. Attendances at these evenings, which were held in the Memorial Hall fortnightly, were very good. Usually about 50 to 70 boys were present. But on several occasions 100 or more attended.

These evenings were organised and judged largely by senior boys. For some time now there has been an increasing interest in debating activities, particularly amongst the boarders, and it is to be hoped that this interest will continue in the future.

M. R. Herbert.

STAMP CLUB

The Stamp Club has met twice weekly during the year, with extra sessions as new stamps have come in. A feature of activities has been the holding of several competitions, while Health Stamps have been sold to assist the campaign.

Club membership has increased to about 150. A good service is offered to philatelists, advanced and beginners, and a wide range of stamps of many countries is available for sale at reasonable prices. One company offers British Commonwealth and Pacific stamps at face value.

The club has provided the stimulus for many boys to begin collecting stamps, and others who started the hobby at primary school, are given the facilities through the club to progress to specialised collecting.

J. W. Blackman.

LIBRARY NOTES

It appears that a most popular place in the School during the hours of lunch, morning break and after school is the Library. It is not uncommon to issue more than 200 books per day during these periods.

There have been no major alterations made to the Library as was suggested there might be in the last "Taranakian," but to date more than 480 books have been added, with many more interesting titles on the order list.

The junior section always appears to be sadly depleted, but this is merely a manifestation of the universal popularity of this section, which ranges over the whole School.

A new encyclopaedia has recently been added to the New Zealand Section, an interesting step forward in the advance of New Zealand literature and publishing. Although the work was published in England it has many references to New Zealand.

A visitor to the library commented on its pleasant atmosphere and, in particular, on some valuable books he noticed on the shelves. If only this reverence for books, their aesthetic and material value could be shared by all boys, we would not have to appeal so often to borrowers to return books.

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6A DISCUSSION GROUP

This group was a new cultural organisation formed this year. Membership was confined to 6A boys, of whom about ten consistently attended discussions. The standard of these discussions was very high and ten appeared to be about the ideal number to take part.

The form of the evenings usually varied. Two musical appreciation evenings were held. A record of "The Investigator" was presented at one meeting and the highlight of the year was an address and discussion with Mr. Fullerton, the associate editor of the Daily News, who had recently completed a six weeks' fact finding tour of South-East Asia. Some of the topics we discussed during the year were: "What is the basis for a concept of Morality," "How to make Parliament more Efficient," and "What is the Good Life." Several other varied topics were discussed besides these.

An additional topic came to us through the Rotary Club. A Youth Activity idea had been suggested and the School was asked to comment on it. The Headmaster handed it on to the group who discussed it at some length, finally submitting a report, which received very favourable comment.

M. R. Herbert.

GYM NOTES

1961 has been a good year in the School for gymnastic activities. Gym classes were held twice-weekly in the evening and afternoon and Saturday mornings by the Y.M.C.A. instructors. This has encouraged a good competitive spirit and a lot of interest for apparatus work. Many boarders and day boys have regularly attended these classes.

This year the School championships were held in the School gym on Saturday evening, November 11th. A capacity crowd of over 400 boys and parents saw many closely contested, excellent displays of gymnastics. The evening was very successful, boys, judges and audience were all extremely satisfied with it.

Congratulations to all boys who won their respective events, particularly Brian Cleaver, who this year came third in the New Zealand men's junior grade gym champs., and who also won our School Championship for the third successive time.

Results of competition:—

Third Form (possible 40): P. S. Woodham, 35 points, 1; V. B. Walker, 31.9 points, 2; D. J. Boddie, 30.2 points, 3. In this section Woodham was quite outstanding in all phases of the competition.

Fourth Form: R. C. J. Langmuir, 33.9 points, 1; W. R. F. Carter, 33.05 points, 2; A. R. Thorne, 30.95 points, 3. In the Fourth Form section Langmuir, Carter and Thorne repeated their last year's performance of being exceptionally closely matched. Last year's result was: Carter, Thorne, Langmuir.

This year's was even closer, but Langmuir just managed to turn the tables. The high standard and close competition of this section promises well for the future, and gives a good appreciation of the present standard.

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Fifth Forms (possible 40): J. P. Barker, 32.75 points, 1; M. J. Ranger and J. L. Talbot, 32.55 points, 2 equal.

School Championship: B. A. Cleaver, 34.05 points, 1; M. J. Ranger, 32.85 points, 2; J. P. Barker, 31.85 points, 3. Cleaver in this section was very closely challenged by Ranger and Barker.

Apparatus Winners: Freestanding, M. J. Ranger; Long Horse Vault, J. L. Talbot; Parallel Bars, B. A. Cleaver; Roman Rings, J. P. Barker; Horizontal Bar, B. A. Cleaver.

J. L. Talbot.

LIFE-SAVING

Apart from Instructors' Certificates, the number of candidates for awards this year increased all round. This meant that the instructors had to teach large Bronze Medallion groups which they did admirably, as shown by the number of passes.

Since the last issue of the "Taranakian," the following Awards of the Society have been made to boys:—

Bronze Medallions (27): M. J. Silver, B. C. Ferrier-Watson, R. M. Ferrier-Watson, C. Austin, B. W. McQuilken, N. L. Honeyfield, C. Jury, W. Carter, W. Henderson, J. W. Robertson, L. Beaurepaire, S. M. Bond, J. Chong, C. M. Collett, D. J. Douglas-Brown, J. S. Elliott, J. Griffen, D. Hancock, N. Harbutt, W. J. Reed, Scott Raymour, C. J. Sandford, L. Wallen, M. F. Whitehead, A. J. Longstaff, N. Birks, M. J. Worth.

Bars to Bronze Medallions (2): J. B. Guy and M. J. Silver.

Bronze Cross (14): M. J. Silver, J. B. Guy, A. J. Coddington, C. Jury, J. T. Neville, H. P. Anderson, A. Longstaff, G. W. Paynter, L. Foreman, B. Jury, S. J. Fraser, B. Cleaver, J. Elliott, C. Collett.

Awards of Merit (5): B. Cleaver, J. Elliott, C. Collett, L. Foreman, D. D. Holmes.

Instructors' Certificates (4): J. B. Guy, A. Longstaff, M. J. Silver, L. Foreman.

The Smith and Easton Life-Saving Cup was won by J. Neville and H. Anderson, for the second year in succession.

H. Anderson, J. Neville.

DRAMA CLUB

This year, owing to the shortage of staff, it was decided that the Drama Club would present only one play. The one selected was "Ned Kelly," a four-act play by Douglas Stewart. "Ned Kelly" held special interest for us because Douglas Stewart, who has achieved eminence in many literary fields, is an Old Boy.

"Ned Kelly" was an ambitious choice for it included a very large cast. Four members of the club helped reduce the size of the cast by taking several parts. The final cast numbered an impressive 24, and was, in order of appearance: Living, M. Alexander; Mackin, D. Agnew;

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Joe Byrne, P. Clarke; Ned Kelly, E. Tuffery; Elliot, R. Jolly; Tarleton, J. Coldwell; Steve Hart, C. Henderson; Dan Kelly, P. Brown; Cox, C. Jackson; The Lounger, P. Hancock; Constable Richards, A. McKenzie; Brett, W. Lobb; Rev. Gribble, G. Robinson; the Roo, B. Durdle; Mrs. Barry, J. Blackman; The Sergeant, A. McKenzie; Rita Sherritt, J. Hales; Aaron Sherritt, K. Diack; Curnow, C. Jensen; The Barmaid, B. Durdle; Mrs. Jones, J. Blackman; Reardon, W. Lobb; Jack Jones, R. Lobb; Constable Bracken, A. McKenzie.

Rehearsals were held regularly each week-end, and in the fortnight preceding the presentation they were increased, so that some members of the cast were rehearsing every night. These rehearsals were well attended,



"I've Worked 30 Years."—The opening scene of "Ned Kelly." From left: "Ned," Errol Tuffery; "Elliot," Ross Jolly; "Living," Martin Alexander; "Mackin," David Agnew; "Tarleton," John Coldwell.

but members seemed in no haste to memorise their lines and the dress rehearsal saw much room for improvement. However, four nights later the play opened with a very creditable first performance.

There were two public performances, on the 12th and 14th of October, and one for the boarders on the 13th. After Saturday's performance, cast and parents attended a supper given by Mr. and Mrs. Webster in the Boarders' Lounge.

We were fortunate in already possessing most of the stage material and electrical equipment, so that most of the preparation consisted of painting the backdrops.

Backstage success was largely due to Mr. A. N. Wilson, the stage manager, and to R. J. Maxwell, P. Parsons, R. H. Wakelin, P. C. Furness, G. Nash, K. Ford, J. Coldwell, J. Blackman, D. Murray and G. Scott. The play was produced by Mr. W. R. Halliburton.

The death of Mr. I. M. L. Rennie came as a great shock to the cast of "Ned Kelly," as Mr. Rennie had given us a great deal of help and encouragement in the early stages of production.

P. J. Carter.

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From left: "Cox," Con Jackson; "Constable Richards," Alistair McKenzie; "Steve Hart," Cyril Henderson.

A CRITICISM OF "NED KELLY"

This year's Drama Club production of "Ned Kelly" was performed in the gym before three full houses on the 12th, 13th and 14th of October.

It was an ambitious choice for our Drama Club, as it had a cast of twenty-four and seven scene changes. This entailed many practices for the cast and a lot of work for the backstage people.

It was evident that a lot of work had gone into "Ned Kelly" however, and it was well received by all three audiences. The backstage work was a very good feature this year. A large amount of work over the past few years has knocked the gym stage into shape.

The set was excellent, scene changes were good, and the make-up, lighting, costumes and props were all first-class. The club was fortunate this year in that there were a large number of boys with some dramatic talent prepared to take part in the play and all those who did take part acted very well.

The four members of the Kelly gang (Ned) Errol Tuffery, (Joe) Peter Carter, (Steve) Cyril Henderson, and (Dan) Peter Brown, were all good. Ted had the natural bearing of a leader, although possibly not a commanding enough voice. His costume was good and his make-up was particularly effective. Joe was the brains of the gang, a wise-cracking character, somewhat overbearing. Peter Carter portrayed this role particularly well. Steve and Dan were also both very good as the two other members of the gang; young, hard-drinking, tough characters. Several of the cast were particularly good. Martin Alexander, a clerk in the Bank of Jerilderie, and Ross Jolly as Elliot, the Jerilderie school teacher, both performed well. Alexander used his natural ability to advantage. His excellent costume and bearing fitted him perfectly in the role of a conservative, conscientious bank clerk. Jolly was the central character of several humorous situations and he succeeded very well in creating a naive situation for this.

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Alistair McKenzie as the constable, and as a police sergeant, was particularly good. He had a difficult part to act and succeeded very well in mastering and maintaining throughout two excellent accents.

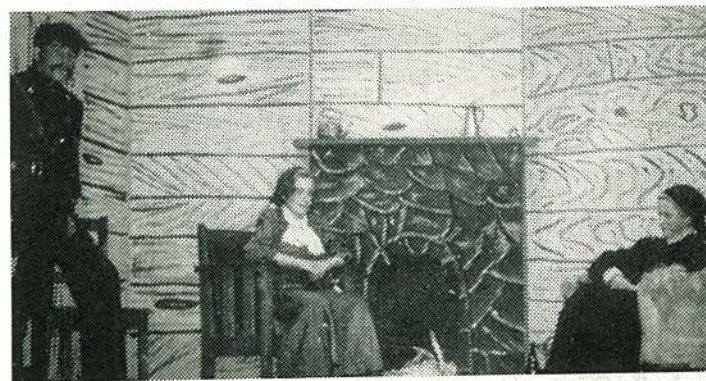
All of the female parts were well acted. The best of the female roles probably was John Hailes as Aaron Sherritt's wife; his diction and bearing were well practised and he succeeded in creating the correct emotional atmosphere which accompanied his part.

Jim Blackman took both the parts of Mrs. Jones, the proprietress of the Glenrowen Hotel and Rita Sherritt's mother. He was particularly good in the former but not so good in the latter. Ken Diack as Aaron Sherritt, was well suited to his part. His voice was very good, although his bearing could have been a little more relaxed.

John Coldwell performed creditably as Tarleton, creating quite a stir when he entered with just a towel wrapped round him. Few people would have been better suited for this part than John. All of the other minor roles were well acted. This supporting cast included Con Jackson as "Cox"; Warwick Lobb as "Brett"; Graham Robinson as "Rev. Gribble"; Bruce Durdle as "the Roo"; Chris Jensen as "Curnow"; and Richard Lobb as "Jack Jones." All of these boys are to be congratulated on a fine performance.

Although in most respects the play was an ideal choice, it was found in the process of production that substantial cuts had to be made to reduce the acting time to reasonable limits. In this process it was inevitable that most of the longer speeches had to go and with them went some of the poetic quality and much of the dominant theme in which the author was so interested.

Over all however, the standard of the play was good. But not as good as it might have been had there been more time in which to practise it. Nevertheless the cast and backstage people can be assured that it was well received and enjoyed by all who saw it.



From left: Alistair McKenzie as the "Constable"; Jim Hailes as "Rita Sherritt"; Jim Blackman, "Mrs. Barry."

BLAZER AWARDS

The following boys have qualified for School Blazers this year:—

- H. F. W. Jackson: Head Boy, Rugby, Swimming.
W. D. Allison: School Prefect, Rugby.
D. H. Bennett: School Prefect, Rugby, Cricket.
M. D. Bryant: Athletics, Rugby, Rowing.
P. J. Dempsey: School Prefect, Swimming.
K. J. Dalton: Athletics, Soccer.
C. T. Henderson: School Prefect, Rugby.
W. T. Lawson: School Prefect, Rugby.
A. M. Morrison: School Prefect, Cricket.
W. T. Murdock: School Prefect, Soccer, Cricket.
B. R. Prestidge: Rugby, Cricket.
N. G. Rush: School Prefect, Swimming.
J. R. Smith: Rugby, Cricket.
R. A. Wakelin: School Prefect, Rugby.
B. H. Wills: Athletics, Rugby, Rowing.

School Prefects—

- D. T. Alexander
M. I. Bossley
J. E. Cousins
T. W. Fookes
M. R. Herbert
W. J. Lobb
B. G. Mills
G. J. Tier
K. L. P. Wakelin
R. H. Wakelin

Cricket—

- B. N. MacDiarmid
R. J. Crow
T. Medley

Soccer—

- S. P. Catchpole
C. M. Collett

Athletics—

- H. T. Mills

Hockey—

- J. G. Wilson
K. Harrington
G. S. Elliott
J. Coldwell

First XV—

- G. J. Walter
G. M. Carter
I. R. Stewart
J. E. Garbett
R. C. Geck
B. M. Fraser
A. J. M. Harrold
L. W. McEldowney
R. S. Garbett

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FOUR SHIPS

Four ships like skeletons scattered in the sand,
Old ships, waiting —
Crusted paint on wood sun-cracked and tanned,
Old ships, at rest upon the shore—
Thin limbs like sticks pointing at the sun,
Bent bones, fleshless,
Dreaming of the tall seas, strong hearts and young.
Them aged, the sea ageless.

Alone with the beach and gulls in the salt-stained sky,
The sea licking;
The sea they knew, had rode with sails strung high
In past times, when the sea was theirs.
They do not grieve at being time-tarnished, deserted there.
They dream happily.
Their services fly forgotten, mingled with the motions of the air,
Lost in the tempests of time.

Four old ships unclaimed by the sea yet wrecked,
Old ships, waiting.
Four old men who left the world and slept,
Them aged, the world ageless.

J. A. Codd, 6A.

SONNET TO BOY

Dark hair, brown eyes and sun-burnt face,
Taut young muscles quickly moving,
Dashing, scuffling furious pace,
His physique is fast improving.
Splashing water, cool, refreshing,
Other boys around him dance.
Arms and legs are wildly thrashing,
Through the foam-tipped waves they prance.
He later stares across the bay;
Deep in thought he seems to say:
"Soon I shall become a man,
My life before me I must plan."
He queries, standing on a knoll:
"Can I control my fate, command my soul?"

M. H. T. Alexander, 6 B1.

OLD AGE

The old man, yellowed with age,
Hobbles forward on feet that once strode,
His cracked nails and aged leather hands
Are senile, decaying, filled with pathos.

Tears, toil and heartbreak
Have followed him all his life;
Like a broken but polished rod
He has served his purpose to the end.

May we, his children,
Fresh like snowflakes,
Before the burning sun,
Never forget those for whom the world has melted.

R. H. Tristram, 3 P1.

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PROPHET

Born on a ridge, he died.
Abide in me,
For I am the light, he laughed
Into the loafing wind
Winding wearily amidst the fissures of its ways.
Languid and lost, he tossed
Heart-long into the haze of looming future days,
Breast-forward into the bracken and fern.
While the stern burst of brave waves
Wished and washed at the sandy souls of men.

Stand on my bridge, he cried,
Astride with me.
Harness the flux of wind and wave,
Buffeting brave elements,
Defy. Straddle time like a river into the breeze,
Supplying loaves and fishes,
Yet wishing for the wearing of feet by evolving seas.
Break bracken in the struggle to the ridge,
The bridge where born, he died having cried
And laughed, Be languid and lost no more, into the valley.

J. A. Codd, 6A.

GRASS

I do not think that I will ever pass,
A rural scene more beautiful to me;
Than a quiet, friendly field of fresh green grass,
Dotted with sheep and the occasional tree.

Steeped in sun's splendour on a summer's day,
It is a scene most beautiful to eye;
Like green and blue mixed on an artist's tray,
The grassy hills merge with the clear blue sky.

But the fundamental breath of beauty free,
The very heart and essence of the scene,
Lies in the grass and not the sheep or tree,
The carpet clothing all the land in green.

For if the grass is suddenly not there,
And just the hard, dark earth lies there instead;
The place becomes a desert cold and bare,
The beauty and the friendliness are dead.

And now remains the skeleton of the scene,
Like a corpse with all the flesh now stripped away;
Gone is the atmosphere of peace serene,
And leaves behind an air of gloomy grey.

For now you see the flesh of beauty lies
Not in the bigger things like sheep or tree,
But in the simple blades of grass that rise
And dominate through their simplicity.

R. K. Jolly, 5 P2.

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THE TALE OF AUGUSTUS MAGOO

Augustus Magoo was a tough-looking spiv,
His muscles made holes in his shirt;
Every foe, with one smashing blow to the ribs,
He'd grovel their face in the dirt.
One day he came stamping up to the bar,
His six-guns hung at his thighs,
A small brown weed drooped from his lips,
And a wide brim shadowed his eyes.
On double whisky, scum!" he roared,
The barman disappeared,
For no one ever disobeyed
Augustus Magoo—the feared.
A slim young man stepped boldly up,
On his face a frown.
"I hear, kind sir, you think yourself
The toughest spiv in town."
Augustus Magoo whirled around,
His hands hung by his thighs,
The weed he spat upon the floor,
There was hatred in his eyes.
This small size runt would question him,
The man of world renown,
That he should be the toughest spiv
That ever lived in town?
There was a blur, there was a blaze,
And one life was the cost,
Augustus crumpled to the floor,
His reputation lost.
You may believe this story's false,
But, believe it or not, it's true,
Of the toughest and roughest man of the west,
None other than Augustus Magoo.

R. A. Skipper, 4 P2.

THE CAB DRIVER

The Taxicab Driver sits in his car,
And waits for calls from near and afar;
He knows all the rooks and he knows all the crooks,
He knows all the bad roads, he knows all the nooks,
He knows all our troubles, he knows all our strife,
He knows every man who ducks out from his wife.
If a taxi-cab driver told half what he knows,
He would turn all his friends into bitterest foes.
He would sow a small wind that would soon be a gale,
Engulf us in trouble and land us in gaol.
He would start forth a story which, gaining in force,
Would cause half our wives to sue for divorce.
He would get the whole town mixed up in a stew,
If he told just a tenth of the things that he knew.
So here is a hint: if you give him his fee,
He won't know a thing but his A B C.

E. Dodd, 5 GM.

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PEOPLE'S LONGINGS

There are some that yearn for a limpid lake by a blue Italian shore,
Or a palm grove where the rollers break and the sandy beaches roar;
Some for the land of the Japanese and the geisha's twinkling feet;
And some for the summer south sea isles, afloat on the dancing heat;
Others are lost for all their days, in white or black or brown,
And long for the clashing crowded ways, and the lights of New
York town.

But I would always wish to be where the seasons gently fall
On the farthest isle of the Distant Sea, the farthest isle of all.
A green land fair of hill and plain, a land of rivers and springs,
Where the sunshine follows the summer rain, and ever the time
has wings,

With its valleys where men will find retreat from the world's unkindly
way,

And the sea breeze meets the mountain breeze between the night
and day.

G. Duncan, 3 P2.

MORNING ON THE MOUNTAIN

How silently we stand upon these upper reaches,
The white mists boil across the mountain's rim,
Surge, swirl, spill over soundlessly,
Filling the granite valleys to the brim,
Lift, and are gone! Beneath our feet
The wet moss makes no sound: on silent wings,
The shadows race across the massive ridges,
Far from all sound we stand, and no bird sings.

V. B. Walker, 3 P1.

SPRING

Springtime calling,
No more snowing;
Showers falling,
Breezes blowing.

Farmers rush,
Seeds to sow!
Weeds to crush,
Gardens grow.

Brush to burn,
From the fields.
Earth to turn,
For future yields.

Rain washed Earth,
A brighter green.
Spring is here,
Sparkling and clean.

R. Malcolm, 4 P3.

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The sea with its store of wonders untold,
Beats on the shore so brave and bold,
Stirring up sand with one great gush,
Receding again with a tremor and rush.

The wind has dropped,
The storm gone away,
The sun has appeared—
It is a new day.

And down on the sand
I silently stand,
This is a place where I've often stood,
Tirelessly gazing at sand and wood.

But now it's all different,
The sea's changed all;
The beach has been beautiful,
Summer and fall.

Now it is strewn with wreckage and all,
No longer the gulls screech their pitiful call,
They've deserted this beach and it's painful to live
On a shore that has nothing, has nothing to give.

So I'm leaving what was a picturesque scene,
With lovely white sands and lupins green,
To live on some new and distant shore,
That still has beauty, adventure in store.

D. Boddie, 3 P3.

Rex Dowding Memorial Essay, 1960

INFINITE VARIETY OF NATURE

What is nature? Surely it is those things that man cannot make. No matter how hard he tries, he will never make a tree or a pint of milk. He may analyse and find the composition of that milk, but he cannot, by putting the constituents together, make that same substance. Man has created nothing. Everything we have today has been made from substances which have been in the world, the atmosphere, waiting to be discovered from the beginnings of time. Some people call it creation, some evolution, but man has not made anything today from nothing.

Hence we see that nature is distinct, from those things which man cannot make, to those things we have today, made by the combination of the elements and many other processes.

Let us have a look at some of nature's variety. Take for instance the trees. From the root caps to the top it is in a class of its own. Think of the root cap protecting the root from poisons in the soil. The root hairs too, as they take in their food show us something of the wonderful planning and efficiency of a tree. By photosynthesis it lives, breathes and grows. Can a man make so great, and yet so small, a thing?

So much for the tree. The bird is almost the opposite of the tree: light, fast, catching its own food, agile and yet fragile. Then too, inside

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the bird family are innumerable differences in colour, shape, purpose, beaks, legs, feet and wings. Man has his aeroplanes but they are not so peaceful and agile as these little things. But let us turn our minds to bigger, brighter things; things that perhaps we feel don't concern us, but really do. The universe. Scientists have proved that the universe is expanding; new elements are being made at phenomenal rates—and yet does our own atmosphere becomes less dense. No, because the atmosphere, the universe is amazingly constant. The air that we breathe is constant even though great quantities are used for respiration.

The sea has its variety also, for in the sea are many hundreds of elements, some necessary in quantity, others only in minute particles, yet without which the fish and sea creatures would die. But were one atom in a thousand of some minute element to be added the death of these and other and creatures would result.

But back to the land; we have diseases in cattle and in soil which can be rectified by the addition of one of these trace elements. So we see that in nature its entirety is vast, unlimited in quantity and yet its beauty is astounding.

There is nothing so beautiful as a sunrise when every hue and colour is painted on that huge celestial canvas; there is nothing so inspiring as a walk in the bush where the beauty and gentleness of nature can be seen. In a flower there is something of beauty that man couldn't make were he to try. However, blend the myriads of pigments in nature together and is there confusion, chaos, or a simple blending of the colours with each other.

So for nature's beauty. Consider its ageing. A tree, flower or animal dies and is removed by natural or human means. But is the land, garden or farm any the poorer for that loss or is there another to fill its place. Nature's wonderful replenishment is perhaps one of the greatest things. Nature cannot, will not die, for it has made provision to live.

From nature to man's work is a step all must take, for it takes us from the real to be loved, to the harsh crudeness to be endured, for lack of a substitute. A house, car, ship, plane is a necessary thing, but can it simply readily blend with the world around it. The house ages and becomes ugly and old-fashioned, but because of need it is kept standing. A satellite in the heavens may seem a magnificent feat, but we forget that these have numbered more than we could ever count or think off, and have been far beyond the reaches of a rocket motor and for a much longer time in the heavens above.

What can we learn from nature, its variety and adaption, beauty and simpleness? We cannot do without our houses, cars, planes, but if by so using them we destroy or needlessly annoy others, then we have learnt nothing from nature.

It is not to accept those material things which by necessity we need, but also to look upward to the higher, nobler, more important things so simply, yet powerfully, described and bearing witness to, in nature.

L. D. Rushbrook, 4 P1.

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"THE DAILY SUN"

The short grasses beside the road rustled quietly as a small breeze bustled through them. The road lay like a black snake over the folds in the country. Down its back was a long white mark, stretching into oblivion never ending. Its surface was black macadam, coarse and rutted. In the noon day sun it caused the tyres of the trucks to howl long and low in agony. The grasses rustled quietly, the sound blending with that of the river running over the rocks deep in its bed, rushing swirling towards the sea.

Away to the east a light appeared low in the sky, near the horizon. Slowly the three mountains appeared, silhouetted out of the darkness. Around their bases lay streamers of long white cloud, lying like water in the deep valleys of the interior plateau.

Slowly the northern sky brightened and just as slowly the last star dulled, dwindled and died altogether, content to wait for another twelve hours.

An almost intangible swishing sound could be heard. A bush pigeon swooped low over the railway line, buzzed up the bracken fern and, as if in search of a heaven of its own, shot straight up into the air. There it hung on its green tail feathers for a long time, emblazoned on the deep background of the sky. The head suddenly dropped and with a long low trajectory the bird disappeared into the bush.

Above the road the telephone lines hung on their crucifixes, humming with the news of the coming day. Quietly, unobtrusively, another sound crept into the cool air: the buzzing of a motor engine, far away, miles down the long black road, three bridges, six farms away. The breezes once more rustled the grass and a piece of chocolate wrapping paper leapt into a crazy dance across the road into the dust on the other side.

The tops of the tall trees on the far side of the river were taking on a lighter hue; the sun's rays had reached them. The halo of light contrasted greatly with the dark dank river bank. From the uppermost branches the new light reflected on the tiny moss plants, glistening with dew amongst the pine needles. The light crept relentlessly down the evergreens until the power poles and telephone wires also shone brightly. Steam rose from the tops of the poles as the sun's heat performed its daily task of chasing beads of moisture from the silver lines. A spangle of spider-webs stretched across from the cross-arms to the fungus-covered poles. Slowly the great red ball rose above the nearby hills. The sun was up.

The far-away engine was nearer now. The engine screamed at every bearing as it propelled the vehicle up the road. From the window an arm appeared at intervals to throw a round white object from the jeep. The paper bounced once, jumped high and spun into the grass. The truck screamed past. The piece of chocolate paper swirled upwards in a mad twisting flight. The newspaper had arrived.

A tall figure appeared, walking down the drive between the trees. The man stopped and, stooping, picked up the paper. He ran his finger inside the wrapping and with one deft movement stripped the paper of its covering and cracked it open, expos to sun. The man read: "BERLIN CRISIS AT PEAK," "RUSSIA EXPLODES BIGGEST BOMB EVER."

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He lifted his eyes from the paper. He sniffed the air like a dog. He thought deeply. But the more he thought the deeper he became engulfed. One thought was always left. Why? Why? Why? . . .? And the grass at his feet rustled in mockery.

B. J. Allen, 6 B2.

THE COMPOSER

No one saw him as he sat there, hunched over his desk, a lonely, almost grotesque figure in the pool of flickering candlelight. His great head, with unruly dark hair on end, was wedged between square, powerful hands, gnarled like the roots of a tree. He was deep in thought, floundering to grasp an unformed idea. A little pattern of sound chased itself, expanded itself, varied itself in his brain. It would not come right. With a gesture of frustration he slumped back in his chair. The squat fingers drummed on his knees. His face, caught in the spell of the candlelight, was one of character. His forehead was lined, high and domed, and his small, blunt features covered beneath it. Heavy eyebrows almost overshadowed his small eyes, which mirrored something of the labour in his mind. His mouth was a thin red line, twisted by bitterness and sorrow. As he sat there, unsmiling, like a statue gazing at nothing, no one would have guessed the curse that was upon him. For, though he lived to delight the ears of the world with his music, he was surrounded by a prison wall of silence. This composer was deaf. But not for a moment did this lack of contact with the outside world stop the flow of sound in his brain from committing itself to paper. Though he might never listen to his music, it was all there in his mind; he heard the soaring perfection of the violins in a climax, and the sorrow of the 'cellos in a slow passage. Now, the threads of sound in his mind were suddenly untangled and, flourishing his pen with a gesture of triumph, his eyes alight with joy and pain of creation, he wove the sound on to the empty page.

R. M. Mullon, 5 G.M.

THE GOLDEN EAGLE

With scarcely a movement from his widespread pinions the eagle launched himself into easy flight. Up and up he went, soaring higher and higher until the glen surrounded by the northern pinnacles of his mountain tilted away beneath him—this was his hunting domain. Without any perceptible effort the huge bird flattened out, banked, and began to fly headlong to his haven among the pitted crags near the summit of the "Black Mountain." The hard, piercing eyes of the eagle surveyed the scene below him. He beheld the crooked peaks of the mountain with a huge black cloud pregnant with rain spilling over the summit. As the cloud broke away from the main ridge it brought a deep gloom to the mountain glen and cast a foreboding atmosphere over the rocky, unscaleable mountainside. The huge cloud finally obscured the sun and brought shadow, and the scud of rain trailed up the glen. The eagle now forgot his mission of obtaining food and, like a bronze thunderbolt, he shot towards his haven. He now showed effort as he raced towards the mountainside. He only glimpsed at the snow which tapestried the summit with happy valley. The mountain was now obliterated from

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the eagle's view, yet this hook-beaked monster flew on as he knew instinctively the location of his dwelling.

So he swept gracefully to a landing. A vivid flash of lightning, followed by a crashing and reverberating clap of thunder, convinced him that his foray for food was at an end for the day. Even he, king of the sky, was forced to take shelter from the wrath of Thor, God of Thunder.

P. D. Anderson, 3 P2.

A FLY ON THE WINDOW PANE

These creatures sitting in front of me—they do look funny. They are unlike me, because I can fly and walk upside down. They have to use artificial birds to raise themselves off the ground. Oh! how I would hate to be one of them.

This group, sitting on weird boxes are stupid. All but one have lumps of bush on their tops. They all look ugly, but the one with no bush on his head is uglier than the rest. He is short and fat and has a shiny top, which I would love to have a slide on. This one is out in front, crawling up and down, and shouting. He looks very angry and spends all his time shouting. Ugh, how it makes my spine creep!

Everyone has a sour look on his face. The bush-less one is now shouting at a fat one. It would take me forty mini-hours to walk around his middle. Behind the bush-less one sits a mischievous creature who is sticking a white piece of paper on to the bush-less one's garment.

One mini-mile away from me sits a bandy-legged, deformed piece of humanity chewing its cud, like my friends the cows. He has long hair, longer than my friend the horse.

Five mini-feet away from me sits a small one who is breathing poisonous gas all over me, and his feelers are coloured yellow. Ouch! There is one of them trying to kill me. He is sitting near me and wears glass over his eyes. Ow! Now he has thrown blue water at me and I cannot fly away. Oh! Ouch! Help! Help! H-E-L-P!

F. B. McNeil, 5 P2.

THE CRICKETER

He looked the part—his flannels were invariably immaculate and his boots were rarely scarred by the scuff of unfriendly turf—but there was yet one major flaw. John Reginald Foukes could never make runs.

With a bat in hand he became the rabbit to end all rabbits. Never for him the cap set at jaunty, confident angle, but rather perched four-square, much, much straighter than ever his bat. And it wasn't for lack of trying.

Foukes was a dedicated young man. His father before him had won his Blue for cricket and later acquired a regular place in the County XI. Tradition does hard amongst families of the Foukes' circle. To have that name cloaked in the mantle of failure was unthinkable. The satisfying smack of the ball flying sweetly off the meat of the bat, flashing away to the pickets beyond the grasping hands of cover-point, became an obsession.

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He just had to succeed. Expense was no object, coach followed coach in dismal succession with the same finality as scorers wearily prepared to close off their books when Foukes was sighted on his way to the wicket. Between the dedicated enthusiasm and practical opportunity yawned an unbridgable gulf.

And so it went on until miraculously came relief. Foukes awoke without a care in the world—he hadn't been tortured by that horrible dream of failure that beset him on the eve of every big match. For once, Faukes, already being spoken of as a possible England opener, had not experienced his usual pre-match nightmare.

Dreams, you know, are funny things.

G. H. R. Duncan, 3 P2.

MODERN MUNCHAUSEN

With my servants marching in single file behind me, I was heading back to camp after a fruitless search for big game. I was thoroughly disgruntled after wasting a lot of energy and all of my ammunition with no results.

We emerged from the trees into a clearing to be confronted by a magnificent lion. My men stopped, took one look ahead and, dropping everything, retreated as rapidly as they could. I froze and stood facing the brute. He was about ten feet away, and was crouched low with his tail twitching and his large eyes regarding me intently. I knew he was about to spring.

Automatically I raised my rifle and sighted between those unwinking eyes. I was about to shoot when I remembered that only one bullet remained and I might need it if I ran into danger. So, putting my weapon down, I watched closely for the moment he would spring.

The moment came. And just as he left the ground I ducked and ran under him. He sprang about and with a terrific roar charged at me. Waiting until he was about two feet away, I leaped into the air and the bewildered animal passed right under me.

I decided I had better not waste too much time, so taking a stick off the ground I threw it at a palm nut which grew over-head. The stick hit the nut at the right spot so as to make it fall on to the lion's head as he began another charge. The nut stunned him, so I strode over, and, taking great care not to damage the skin, I passed my knife through his throat.

Hearing a sound behind me I stepped to one side as the unfortunate lion's mate sprang past me with outstretched claws and gleaming teeth. The lioness bounded around and charged before I had time to grasp my knife. She was too quick to dodge, so I went down on all fours, showed my teeth, and letting out the most terrifying yell possible, I charged too.

She was in the middle of a leap as I started my charge. Without even touching the ground she stopped and turned tail. She ran so fast I could hear the wind whistle past her bristling hair. The terrified animal fled up a tree with a speed that surpassed all monkeys. In fact,

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so fast was she travelling, that when the top of the tree was reached she could not stop and, with a despairing roar, the animal flew up into the air and broke its neck as it crashed to the ground.

After rounding up my men and skinning the lions, I returned to camp without mishap. When I was relaxing by the fire I happened to look into my rucksac. Lying in the sack was a magazine full of bullets.

D. A. Beazley, 5 G.M.

"THE MENACE"

"Mum, can I have an apple?"

"No, you have had two already."

Son goes and listens to the radio for awhile, then comes back and asks, "Mum, what's tax?"

"Money paid to the Government to pay for living on their land."

"But, mum, this is our land, isn't it?"

"No, we just rent it from the Government."

"Who is the Government, mum?"

"Just men who look after the country, son."

"Oh, I saw one cleaning the footpath yesterday."

"No! No! Not them. The Government looks after the country's finance."

"What's finance, mum?"

"Money."

"Oh! Mum, Billy gets more pocket money than I do."

"Does he?"

"Yes, he gets one shilling more than I do."

"You get enough as it is, so don't come asking for more from me, because you won't get it."

Silence follows while son thinks up another argument.

"Mum, if I had another shilling I could go to the pictures more often and not worry you so much."

"No!"

"Please!"

"No! And stop worrying me."

"Oh, mum, you aren't fair."

"Go and see your father about it."

So off goes son to see the master of the house, but soon arrives back, saying, "Dad said I have to ask you."

"You go and tell him I sent you to get some information from him, not for him to send you back to me!"

So off he goes again. This time he's away about five minutes, comes back smiling and says, "Dad's easy to get around! All I said was that Mr. Jolly, down the street, said Dad was too hard with his money."

Mother retires to the dishes and father goes down to the local to forget it all.

A. Wheeler, 4B.

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BRANCH SECRETARIES

New Plymouth (Parent Association).—G. R. Insull, 159 Brooklands Road, New Plymouth.

South Taranaki.—B. M. McCallum, P.O. Box 126, Hawera.

Manawatu.—Bernard Crowley, C/o Glaxo Ltd., P.O. Box 624, Palmerston North.

Hawke's Bay.—Alan Grant, Grant's Pharmacy, Heretaunga Street, Hastings.

Waikato.—Merv. Crook, Wright, Stephenson Co. Ltd., Hamilton.

Wellington.—Neil Wolfe, Flack and Flack, P.O. Box 766, Wellington.

Auckland.—Ashley Tubman, 46 Belleview Rd., Mt. Eden, Auckland.

Dunedin.—Keith Way, 52 Park Street, Dunedin, N.I.

King Country.—D. L. Dimond, No. 4 R.D., Te Kuiti.

Australia.—Peter Dent, 117 Pitt St., Sydney, N.S.W.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The Annual General Meeting for 1960-61 took place, as is usual, on Sports Day at the School. The following Officers were elected: President, E. J. Insull; Secretary, Brian Moorhead (Brian has since been transferred to Auckland and Geoff Insull has agreed to see the current year out in his place); Vice-Presidents, H. P. Webster (Senior), M. A. Shearer (Junior); Committee, Messrs. C. Broad, C. Allen, G. Neve, K. Denham, S. James, J. Glasgow, G. Insull; Auditor, J. D. Ridland.

The most important activity of the Association this year has been the institution of an Appeal to all Old Boys, Parents and friends of the School to contribute to a General Purposes Trust Fund. Donations to the Fund will be invested and the income will be handed to the Headmaster for the benefit of the School as he thinks fit. Our School is one of the few schools of any age or standing that lacks such a fund, and with the continuous growth of the Roll, the need becomes every year more urgent. The cost of the Appeal is being born by the Association and every penny subscribed invested.

The Appeal was launched on October 12th when some 2700 circulars were posted. As we go to press (November 9th) the fund stands as follows: Cash £680, Shares £105, Expressed Future Intentions £560. Total: £1345.

This sum has been contributed by the following, to whom the Executive express their thanks for such generous support. (The figures in brackets represents the donor's expressed intention of contributing in the future): The Parent Body £100, Wellington Branch £5, Hawke's Bay Branch £24, J. S. Hatherly £5 (plus £5 per year for five years), Noel Fookes £25, E. C. Day £5, Allen Nichols £5, Rod Hedley £1/10/-, Warwick Mills £1, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kear £50, J. West £10 (£5 for five years), A. G. Johnson £5, H. D. Moss £2/2/- (£2/2/- for five years), G. V. Duff £5 (£5 for two years), G. L. Prestidge £1 (£1 for four years), A. C. Barnes £5/5/-, J. N. Leong £2, N. C. Warren 10/-, T. L. Lees £1 (£1 for four years), S. H. Price £1/1/- (£1/1/- for five years), L. W. Lambert £5, Anon Hawera £10, Clifford Johnson £10, A. R. W. White £1, J. C. Lovell £2 (£2

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for five years), J. H. Bennett £3/3/-, J. K. Heaton £2 (£2 for five years), J. D. Duigan £5 ("x" next year), A. N. Talbot £5, E. W. Beck £2, R. A. Duncan £1, I. V. Dalgleish £1/1/-, R., N. and W. G. Cavaney £5, A. R. P. Boucher £1/1/-, E. Hartley £1, C. R. Campbell £2/2/-, (£2/2/- for five years), W. S. Armstrong £1, J. N. Laurenson £5, R. V. Simpson £5/5/- ("remind"), L. M. Papps ("remind"), R. C. Schroder £2, R. C. Bradshaw £5, Peter Rumball £1 (£1 for one year), Ron Looney £5, R. J. Pitcairn £1/1/- (£1/1/- for five years), N. S. Chatfield £10, L. V. Watkins £5 (£5 for five years), R. A. Blundell £5, Gordon Haszard £1, J. J. Pease £5, R. J. Scott £5, C. E. Mansell £1/1/- (£1/1/- for two years), R. G. Harper £10, J. M. Hamilton £5, R. E. Still £2/2/-, G. W. Best £1 (£1 for five years), L. D. Cartwright £1 (£1 for five years), C. J. Osborn £1/1/-, G. A. Wright £1, A. Marfell £5, W. S. Thomson £5 (£5 for four years), W. A. Nicholson £1 (£1 for five years), G. M. Orr £1, G. S. Anderson £5, N. T. Keightley £5, John Walter £5 (£5 for three years), A. J. Moss £5 (£5 for three years), O. R. Woodhouse £1 (£2 for five years), Ian Hedley £5 (£5 for ten years), W. J. Riddle £5, David Avery £20, I. V. Lord £2/2/- (£2/2/- for one year), B. L. Hawkins £5, W. J. Matthews £5 (£5 for five years), J. D. Willis £5, A. T. Hughson £5 (£5 for four years), C. J. Ryan £2 (£2 for five years), L. Avann £2/10/-, H. H. Death £1 (£1 for one year), J. M. Ryan £2/2/-, H. C. M. Norris £2/2/-, P. M. CcCaw £1/1/- (£1/1/- for five years), J. R. Maclean £5 (£5 for five years), J. V. Thame £1, R. L. Broughton £3, J. B. Sellers £2/2/-, I. D. Auld £10, P. E. Henry £5, John Stevens £5/5/-, J. P. Mules £5, E. H. Nicholls £5, D. R. Managh £5, D. M. McConachie £1/1/-, R. H. Granger £5, J. E. Church £5/5/- (£5/5/- for five years), R. E. Thomas £2/2/-, T. R. Clow 10/-, T. A. Snowden £2, G. W. Horner £5, L. T. Hill £1, Ian Wills £1, D. R. Thurlow £1/1/- (£3/3/- for five years), K. E. Denham £1/1/-, R. W. Hill £1, R. A. Candy £50, H. W. Martin £5, Noel Street £1, N. L. Lines £10 (£10 for ten years), E. W. Bridger £1 £1 for two years), M. H. Burr 10/-, T. R. Brake £1/1/- (£1/1/- for five years), R. H. Wallis £10, F. V. West £2/2/-, P. F. L. Stephenson £1, W. N. Perry £5, S. A. Aim 10/6, B. D. Dyer 10/-, J. V. McIntyre £2/10/-, W. G. Shearer £2, B. C. Bell £5/5/-, R. J. Phillips £1 (£1 for two years), G. B. Allen £2/2/- (£2/2/- for five years), A. L. East £1, L. Marfell £10, Mrs. M. J. Lobb £1 (£1 for three years). Shares: S. D. Hayton, 100 Newton King Ltd.; J. S. Webster, 20 Farmers' Co-op. Society; W. G. Watts, 20 Farmers' Co-op. Society; L. M. Moss, 20 Farmers' Co-op. Society; H. F. Wooffindin, 20 Farmers' Co-op. Society.

The above 125 donations come from the following Branch Association areas: New Plymouth £256, South Taranaki £45, Manawatu £86, Hawke's Bay £49, Wellington £39, Waikato-Taumarunui £148, Auckland £50, South Island £6.

A steady growth of the Fund is thus indicated, and the Executive knows that every one appealed to will support this very worthy call for help. It is hoped that Branch Executives may be able to organise the campaign in their localities. Donations should be sent direct to the Trust Fund Secretary, care of the School, when official acknowledgment will be made by return post.

NEWSLETTER

The Executive regrets that due to work connected with the Trust Fund Appeal, no Letter has been possible this year. No doubt the incoming Executive will be prepared to send out another of these popular letters.

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OLD BOYS IN REPRESENTATIVE RUGBY

D. J. Graham (All Blacks and Canterbury, Captain).
T. N. Wolfe (All Blacks, Wellington and N.Z. Universities).
I. C. A. Flavell (Taranaki).
P. L. Penn (Taranaki).
K. C. Briscoe (All Blacks (reserve) and Taranaki).
I. Komene (Taranaki).
D. R. Wood (Waikato).
R. A. Hodges (Manawatu and N.Z. Universities).
G. D. Hayes (Counties).
H. Lilley (King Country).
R. Elliott (Bush).
R. H. Graham (Auckland, Captain).
P. J. Rumball (North Island Universities).
P. Bishop (Taranaki).
D. Mathieson (Taranaki).
Mila Vili (W. Samoa, 1960).

The following have also been selected to tour California with the N.Z. University team early in 1962: T. N. Wolfe and R. A. Hodges.

To all of our Old Boys who have reached representative sides, congratulations!

BRANCH ASSOCIATIONS

SYDNEY BRANCH NOTES

This year's activity was a dinner-dance at the Royal Yacht Squadron on November 3rd. At the time this goes to press the amount to be contributed to the Trust Fund will be under discussion.

Douglas Stewart has informed us that he now has an editorial job with the publishers, "Angus and Robertson."

AUCKLAND BRANCH NOTES

We wish to acknowledge a letter from Henry J. Anthony, who writes: "A number of Old Boys of the 1920's gathered together at a luncheon party to renew friendships. Those present were Henry Anthony, Ken Taylor, Dennis Budd, Owen Evans, "Liz" Inch, Joe Thomas, John Neale and Bruce Bell. The event was conducted in the traditional decorum which has always been associated with these individuals."

WAIKATO

The annual reunion was held on June 5th in Hamilton, at the attractive Cardona Lounge. This year the members were accompanied by their wives, the President and his wife welcoming the guests.

Prominent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Webster, and Mr. E. J. Insull, representing the Parent Body. Mr. Webster gave an extremely interesting report on the School and Mr. Insull indicated plans for the forthcoming appeal.

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Dr. L. Bedgegood then addressed the reunion on his recent visit to the United States, his visits to the United Nations and his tour generally. Dr. Bedgegood spoke as President of the United Nations Association, and is currently a Councillor of the Hamilton City Council, as well as many other interests.

Mr. R. A. Candy, in thanking the speaker, spoke of his own experiences when he met the heads of the United Nations Organisation while he travelled as his country's representative in that area.

The meeting stood in silence in respect to the memory of Mr. Wilkie, known and respected by so many Old Boys in the district.

Election of the Officers followed, with Mr. P. F. L. Stephenson being elected President, Ted Fowler Vice-President, M. Crook Secretary, and Bill Taylor, Ted Foden and D. Fulton, Committee. Auditor is Mr. D. Le Pine.

The Waikato Committee extends an invitation to all Old Boys in the district who are not members. Any one wanting to become a member of this branch should write to Merv. Cook, C/o Wright Stephenson and Co., Ltd., Hamilton. If you know of some one who is an Old Boy but not a current member, let Merv. know.

All Old Boys in the Waikato area are urged to subscribe to the Trust Appeal.

HAWKE'S BAY

Following the annual School-Te Aute game, a reunion-biennial meeting was held at the Farmers' Building, Hastings. The evening started at 6.30 p.m. with an informal get-together. This was followed by a magnificent four-course dinner, for which the caterers must be congratulated.

A total of forty-five then rapidly disposed of the dinner and continued with the meeting, which is held every two years. Guests for the evening were Mr. J. S. Webster, Mr. Webb (Te Aute), Mr. Barton and Mr. Nash (Hastings R.U.). We were also honoured with the presence of Mr. Heeps, an Old Boy of Nelson College, and Mr. Sharp, of Hawke's Bay College Old Boys' Association.

Mr. Tarrant was in the chair and Mr. R. Bate was secretary. Apologies were received and the minutes of the last annual meeting were read. Total assets stand at just over £9.

Mr. Tarrant then asked for a minute's silence in memory of Mr. Jack Grant, who has passed on since the last meeting.

A bright interlude came with the report of the one-man committee for the Ladies' Night. The crux of the matter seems to be that for the evening to be successful and profitable at least 70 couples should attend. It was suggested and agreed that a Ladies' Night should be held every year the Te Aute game is played at New Plymouth.

The Secretary read a letter from the President of the Parent Body which introduced the Trust Fund. There was considerable enthusiasm and a suggestion was put forward that a collection be taken immediately, to be from the branch, on the understanding that individual Old Boys will contribute again later on. On the strength of this this £24 was collected.

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The election of Officers followed: Patron, Mr. J. S. Webster; Chairman, Mr. Tarrant; Vice-Chairman, Messrs. Les Grant and "Scot" Henry; Secretary, Alan Grant; Committee, Callum Kirkpatrick, Roger Bate, Garth Cassidy, Bob Ayling, Cedric-Campbell and Russell Dreardon.

Toasts were made at the completion of general business. Mr. Tarrant led the toast to the Queen and "Scot" Henry led it for the School. Mr. Webster replied, paying tribute to the School Rugby and other School sports. He also gave a brief summary of progress in the School and the well-known masters. Mr. McKeon, who was present, received a great hand. Mr. Barton was then asked to speak on behalf of Mr. Stewart, who was not able to attend. He spoke on what the boys in the First XV give out for the School when they go on tour. He then asked all present to rise and "drink to the health of all those who have played, played today and will play in the future.", after which, a spontaneous chorus of "For They are Jolly Good Fellows" was sung.

Mr. McKeon was then called upon to speak, which he did with reluctance giving away to pride. He gave a witty precis of the boys of the past and present, quoting examples from the days of Mr. Moyes to that of the "last" Hawera train. He made this memorable statement, "When I look around I see a lot of chaps who never did any work. Please don't disillusion your children"

PERSONAL NOTES

Tom Wilson, one of our oldest Old Boys, who attended the School in 1884, has recently left Waipukurau and now resides in Palmerston North.

Ron Blundell is Manager of the Bank of New Zealand, Wairoa, and we hear he is due to enjoy a well-earned retirement this year.

Dick Laing is living in retirement in Waipukurau.

Bryce Stoddart is farming at Porangahau.

Sid Train and his son, **Brett Train**, are both farming at Waipukurau.

"Paddy" **Webb** is Headmaster of Te Aute College.

Paul Robertshaw is farming at Porangahau.

Jack Tarrant is a Public Accountant at Waipukurau.

Scott Henry has a Dental practice in Waipukurau.

Ian Henderson is farming at Waipukurau, and this year his son **John** has left School to join him.

Les Grant is in business as a Chemist in Waipukurau.

Walter Matthews is farming at Waipukurau.

Godfrey von Dadleszen is farming at Hatuma.

Clive and **Garth Cassidy** are in partnership with their father as Cartage Contractors in Waipukurau.

Ken Waters is farming at Wanstead.

Max Moverley is with Ashby Bros. in Waipukurau.

Graham Wright is farming at Wallingford.

R. G. Burnside is with H.B. Stock and Station Agents at Waipukurau.

Michael Kirk is farming with his father at Hatuma, and **David Kirk** is at present in Australia, and we hear is intending to visit other countries before returning to Hawke's Bay.

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The branch suffered a sad loss in the tragically sudden death of **Jack Grant**. Jack was a past President and also Secretary and Committeeman of the branch and ever since he left School has been a most enthusiastic and willing worker for anything to do with the School. He will be sadly missed in this district.

Roger Bate is still single and able to fish at Taupo unhindered.

Bardy Bannister is in Murray Roberts' Wool Department and is single.

Ross Bromwell is married and has a farm of his own carrying 3000 ewes.

Cedric and **Brian Campbell** are in the Timber, Hardware and Joinery business. They are both married with three children each.

Louis Greer is managing the Hastings Branch of Stewart Greer Motors and is married with three children.

Don Bisson was recently appointed Crown Prosecutor at Napier.

Ray Dalziel runs his own Bookshop.

Ian Campbell is Radiographer in the Wellington Hospital.

NORTHERN KING COUNTRY

This year has not brought any great change to the Northern King Country Branch. A most enjoyable smoke concert was held in February at Te Kuiti. Thirty-eight Old Boys were present and Mr. Ponty Reid was the guest speaker.

Two committee meetings were held and a very successful raffle was run to clear us from debt.

The annual meeting was held in July, but was very poorly attended. Peter Dimond showed some interesting slides on limestone cave formations. Mr. Rex Price was elected President and Mr. G. T. Stubbs Secretary-Treasurer.

A resolution that one function be held every year was passed. This is to be a dinner. It is pleasing to note that there are now sixty members.

SOUTH TARANAKI

The annual reunion of the branch was again held following the St. Pat's Silverstream College game. It was in the form of a buffet meal and it was attended by about 65 Old Boys. Guests of honour were Mr. J. S. Webster and Mr. W. E. Alexander, representing the School; Mr. Moss, the Board; Mr. E. J. Insull, the Parent Body; and Mr. G. H. Thompson, the local schools. Other members of the staff, namely Messrs. Baunton, Carroll, Stewart, Barton and Jones were also present.

Before the match, luncheon was provided for the headmasters and coaches of both schools by the President, Mr. George Saunders.

The Branch again held a very successful Golf Tournament on the Te Ngutu Links. About 80 boys from all over the province attended this function, which is proving to be a very popular event. It is hoped that even more boys will attend next year. If they do, they are assured a very warm welcome and a good day's outing.

Please note the secretary is now B. M. McCallum.

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WELLINGTON BRANCH

The Wellington Branch of the Old Boys' Association has had another successful year.

The Annual General Meeting was held on the 16th March. There were approximately 50 Old Boys present.

The following officers were elected: Patron, J. S. Webster; President, R. Taylor; Vice-Presidents, L. M. Papps, R. S. V. Simpson, P. Taylor, M. McCaw and N. Carter; Secretary-Treasurer, T. N. Wolfe; Committee, B. Boon, R. C. Schroder, H. Titter, S. Comber, S. Gale and K. Comber.

At the conclusion of the official business a social get-together was enjoyed by all.

The Annual Dinner was held in Wakefield House on 12th August. The attendance was perhaps a little disappointing but the 45 members who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves. This year the School was represented by Mr. McKeon, who was made especially welcome by all Sixth Accountancy Old Boys. In his reply to the toast to the School, proposed by our President, Ron Taylor, Mr. McKeon gave us an interesting and amusing account of activities and developments at School during the last year.

Old Boys present at the dinner were: Malcolm McCaw, Peter Lucksteat, Stuart Comber, Ken Comber, Neil Wolfe, Angus MacDougall, Dick Simpson, Lyn Papps, Barry Boon, Dennis McEldowney, Harold Titter, Noel Titter, Ron Taylor, Tim Fookes, Neil Henderson, Peter Savage, Simon Gale, Graeme Thomas, Mac Burt, Roger Woodhouse, Tony Hills, Colin McLeod, Michael Snowden, David Sartin, Ross Brown, Ian Symes, Bruce McCulloch, Graeme Jensen, John Davies, Barry Waite, Phil Taylor, "Sandy" Powell, Harold Short, Nick Carter, C. S. Wood, H. Horner, John Perham, Peter Aitken, Dick Whittington and E. L. Reeves.

It is planned to conclude this year's social activities with a Christmas "Smoko" on December 7th.

Personal Notes

There was the usual large contingent at Weir House: **Mac Burt, Simon Gale, Roger Woodhouse, Graeme Thomas** and **Neil Wolfe** were second and third-year students. Freshers were: **Michael Snowden, Colin McLeod, Bruce McCulloch, Ian Symes** and **George Wall**.

Des Hinch was also a resident for two terms until married in September.

A notable feature of the University Rugby Club was the large number of Old Boys playing for various teams.

All Black **Neil Wolfe** and **Ken Comber** played for the senior side. **Noel Titter, Brian Davey, Peter Savage** and **Fred Bennett** were all members of the Second Division side.

The junior team was led by **Paul Crichton** and included **Graeme Peterson, Dennis McEldowney** and **Neil Henderson**.

Guy McCutcheon was captain of a successful Under 20 Grade side. Others playing were **Simon Gale, Graeme Thomas** and **John Perham**.

John Morine topped the British Commonwealth with his marks in a Chartered Institute of Secretaries' paper.

Stuart Comber became engaged during the year and is to be married early in the New Year.

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SOUTH TARANAKI GOLF TOURNAMENT

Rapidly becoming known as one of the major golf tournaments in South Taranaki, the branch held its annual tournament at the Te Ngatu Links on May 21st. The tournament attracted a record field of over 80 entries.

The President of the Te Ngatu Golf Club welcomed Mr. G. J. McNaught, the donor of the McNaught Cup, and players from all parts of Taranaki.

President of the branch, Mr. Nigel Preston, thanked all Old Boys for their co-operation in making the tournament such a success, and also the Te Ngatu Club for the use of the links. At the conclusion the trophies were presented by the President's mother as follows:—

McNaught Cup (All Day Stableford): L. Geden. Morning nett: R. Greiner. Afternoon Nett: W. Mail. Morning Stableford: C. H. Betts. Afternoon Stableford: M. Walter. Afternoon Gross: J. S. Goudie. Long Drive: T. Moorhead. Teams Match: L. Geden, G. Mason, C. Marx, B. Corrie.

DUNEDIN BRANCH

The annual reunion was held in mid-July at the Criterion Hotel and 16 members were present. On this occasion we were pleased to be able to welcome seven new members. Later in the evening the group attempted to make an unobtrusive passage to Ted Jones' flat where the evening continued in its traditional style, concluding with a hot supper.

Elections resulted in: **President, Ian Ross**; Secretary-Treasurer, Keith Way. During the first term a number of Old Boys who were at School last year, held their own gathering, which was very successful.

Old Boys in Dunedin are occupied in various ways:—

Ted Jones, our past President and a fifth year Med., leaves us at the end of the year.

Fyfe Bygrave is completing his M.Sc. in Bio-Chemistry and, after marriage early next year, leaves for Brisbane to study for a Ph.D.

Ian Ross and **Denis Woodward** are fourth year Dentals. Ian is a keen golfer and Secretary of Otago University Golf Club.

John Burford and **Martin Smith** are third year Dentals. John is now engaged.

Paul Chicken is doing second year Dental.

Keith Way has completed his B.Med.Sc. in Physiology and has joined **Boyd Webster, Matthew Tizard** and **Peter Rea** in the third year Med. class.

The School is very well represented at the second year Med. stage by **Michael Croxson, Alistair Forrest, Ian McNickle** (who has completed his B.Sc.), **John Stewart** and **Malcolm Sears**. **Michael** has been playing some good Rugby this year for the 'Varsity B team.

Pete Foreman, a fifth year Dental, is as usual in demand for his versatility on the keyboard.

John Neale is on the staff of the Physiology Department at Med. School and is a keen musician.

In their Intermediate year for Med. and Dental are **Paul Simcock, Dennis Horne, Peter Honeyfield, Wayne Innes, Keith Carey-Smith, Rodney Robson** and **Mark Jagusch**.

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Rick Cavaney is a third year B.Sc. student, and Barry Simons is doing his third year Mining.

Doug Parsons is teaching at Otago Boys' High School while completing his B.Sc.

David ("Chook") Fowler has spent the year specialising in Arts and Crafts. Don Derby permanently resides in Dunedin and combines some Varsity units with teaching interests.

Barry Cannell is now married and is studying Micro-Biology. "Phil" Phillips arrived in Dunedin earlier in the year and is working for the New Zealand Shipping Co.

Obituaries

RONALD CLELAND

After leading an active public life in New Plymouth for many years, Mr. Ronald Cleland died suddenly at New Plymouth on May 14th. He was fifty-seven.

Born and educated at New Plymouth, Mr. Cleland went into his father's building business after leaving School. Besides his family business interests Mr. Cleland was a director of the Taranaki Timber Impregnation Company Ltd., and was on the executive of the Taranaki Timber Merchants' Association. He also served as a New Plymouth Chamber of Commerce representative on many local organisations.

Mr. Cleland is survived by one son, Mr. Maurice Cleland, and one daughter, Noeline Phillips, to whom we express our sincere sympathy.

LEONARD CLINTON HUGHES

The sudden death occurred on Wednesday, November 8th, of Mr. L. C. Hughes. Born in New Plymouth he was educated at the Boys' High School before taking his law degree at Victoria University, of Wellington.

Since graduating he practised in the New Plymouth firm of Hughes and Huges. To his family we extend our sympathy in their loss.

VICTOR ALLAN JONES

The death occurred this year in Auckland of Victor Allan Jones, aged 34. Victor was at our School from 1940-43, having one year at the Prep. In 1944 he attended Auckland Grammar.

He qualified from University as an Accountant.

To his wife and two children we extend our sincere sympathy.

ELTON GEORGE BEHRENT KNAUF

Mr. Elton Knauf, aged 50, was reported missing on November 23rd after having left to visit an outlying mission in Katanga. He was found killed by natives.

Mr. Knauf was born in New Plymouth. He was educated at the New Plymouth Boys' High and went to the Congo as a missionary about thirty years ago.

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During his early years in the Congo Mr. Knauf faced fantastic hardships, learnt the Baluba language and operated a printing press, printing literature in the Baluba tongue.

To his family we extend our sincere sympathy. We will remember him as a man who died for his faith.

CAMPBELL LARNACH MacDIARMID

The number of first decade members of our School is slowly decreasing. Sadly we hear of the passing of Campbell Larnach MacDiarmid, aged 85, at Hamilton on November 1st. Mr. C. L. MacDiarmid was born in Dubbo, New South Wales, coming to New Zealand with his parents at the age of ten.

In 1890 Mr. MacDiarmid started his secondary education at our School, attending until 1892. In his final year he won the Gold Dux Medal, competing against boys and girls.

Throughout his life Mr. MacDiarmid has been a respected member of the community. In 1903 he became a barrister and solicitor in Hamilton where he practised for 50 years. A member of the Hamilton Borough Council, Mr. MacDiarmid was also Chairman of the Hamilton High School Board for 21 years.

In 1959 he was awarded the O.B.E. in recognition of his public services.

All Old Boys will remember Mr. C. L. MacDiarmid at the Jubilee where, along with his four brothers, who survive him, he captured the admiration of everyone with his vigour and uprightness. In his unassuming way Mr. MacDiarmid will always be thought of as a great man who has brought tremendous credit to his family and School. He is survived by his wife, daughter and two sons. To his family we extend the most sincere sympathy of staff, boys and Old Boys.

ANGUS NEIL MACDONALD

The tragic death of Angus Neil MacDonald occurred on Christmas Eve, 1960. Neil, aged 21, was involved in a traffic accident. In 1955 he came from Pio Pio to attend our School and he was in Moyes House until he left in 1957. He was a cheerful chap around the School and his death will be grieved by all his associates.

To his family we extend our most sincere sympathy.

LINDSAY MYERS

Lindsay Myers, aged 28, and at School until 1950, was involved in a fatal crash in a race at the Palmerston North Showgrounds on February 19th. Lindsay received severe chest injuries when his racing car crashed through a safety fence.

While at School Lindsay contributed a great deal to School activities, being a School Prefect and a member of the First XV (1947-50).

To his wife and child we extend our sincere sympathy.

NORMAN WALTER RENNIE

Norman Walter Rennie died at New Plymouth on August 23rd, 1961, at the age of forty-eight. Mr. Rennie had been in ill-health for some years.

Born and educated at New Plymouth, he joined the Daily News in 1930 and remained with the firm for thirty years. He held positions as manager of the Stratford and Hawera branches.

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A keen golfer and cricketer, Mr. Rennie also took an active interest in the Hawera Savage Club and the South Taranaki Branch of the Old Boys' Association. During the Second World War he was with the Royal New Zealand Air Force in the Pacific.

To Mr. Rennie's wife and two daughters we extend our sincere sympathy.

OLD BOYS' NEWS

FRED BARRETT (1952-56)

Last year Fred was selected by the Te Awamutu Rotary Club as an exchange cadet with a Norwegian Rotary Club. He left Auckland on a Norwegian general cargo liner working his way as a steward, at the end of November, 1960, and arrived in Oslo at the end of February, 1961, having travelled via Suez. He travelled around Norway in his own car, lecturing in English and Norwegian, which he had learnt on the ship on his way over. He worked on a Norwegian coastal vessel as a sailor, travelling up the coast to Archangel, Russia, and on returning he drove to England, via Sweden, Denmark, Belgium, Germany and France. On the way home he intends to drive through Italy, the Middle East and India to Singapore, and then cross to Australia and hopes to be home by the end of March, 1962.

Barry O'Meagher is a Public Trust Solicitor in Palmerston North.

Gavin Crowley is in England at a research centre and is to go to the U.S.A. He is a Bio-chemist and is finishing his Ph.D.

Tom FitzGibbon is in Sarawak under the Colombo Plan, teaching at a Training College.

Mark Petheram, who acquired 1st Class Honours in Modern Languages at Cambridge, is in Iran as a Public Relations Officer for an Oil Company—among the Sheikhs!

Brian Chong recently married Miss Margaret Gilmour, of New Plymouth.

Ian Jones married Miss Judith Lissington, Otorohanga, on December 3rd, 1960. Ian is now teaching on our staff.

Peter Rumball was awarded the new Farmers' Co-operative Organisation Society of N.Z. Ltd.'s Agricultural Bursary and is now at Massey.

Allen Poletti received a 1961 Shell Scholarship which enables him to study at an English University.

R. B. Thomson is in Australia working with the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation studying ionised gases, a part of the Anglo-Australian space venture.

Bruce Gudopp was recently married to Jill Cowan, of New Plymouth.

J. Rowe has been appointed research director to the New Zealand Bankers' Association. Previously he was senior lecturer in Economics at Victoria University, of Wellington.

Brian Bridge is married to Eileen Bennoch, of New Plymouth.

Claude Rowan and Valda Bracegirdle were married recently.

C. Noble, for 20 years Principal of Christchurch West High School, has now retired.

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Lionel Fox, we hear, is planning to run in the Canterbury Road Runners' Association's 50-mile event, in 1962.

Garry Milne writes to us from Devon, U.K., giving us news of the following Old Boy "Tourists" in England: **Jeremy Liszt**, **Randolph Brown**, **Tom Dean**, **Barney Burke** and **Ian Scott**.

Garth Cassidy and **Ian Rumball** are also recent visitors to the U.K.

Geoff Fookes sailed to Europe on the "Canberra" on November 18th. Geoff plans to continue his career in Press Photography.

Alan Fookes has retired from Pharmacy and is now managing a dairy-milk bar in Trentham, Wellington.

Colin Williamson and **Melva Coles** were married on June 17th at Otorohanga.

Lloyd Bithell writes to us from Massey, giving us some news:—

John Scott is doing first year B.Ag. and was elected to a position on the Students' Association executive. John is also playing for the Second XV.

Dick Hodges is doing his third year B.Ag. In the First XV, which he captained on several occasions, Dick also played for the N.Z. Universities against Manawatu and he is to tour with the Universities team to California in March, 1962. A regular member of the Manawatu training squad, Dick has also played for Manawatu.

"Salt" Miller (G. D.), third year B.Ag., is on the Football Club executive. He captained a team this year but, owing to a broken ankle, spent most of the season on the sideline.

"Tote" Rumball (P. J.), first year B.Ag., played in the First XV, which was top equal in the Manawatu senior competition. He has been playing outstanding Rugby as usual.

"Ever" Evershed, first year B.Ag. "Ever" played good Rugby to make the First XV., but was out for most of the season with an injury.

N. Withers, second year B.Ag. He is still a keen trumper and is secretary of the Tramping Club.

W. Sanderson, fourth year B.D.T. (Dairy Tech.) and chairman of the Indoor Basketball Club, was recently awarded a Fullbright Scholarship.

Allister Fookes, second year B.Ag., and last seen flying around the campus in a large green "bomb."

Robin Fenwick, fourth year B.D.T., still working hard and doing plenty of tramping.

Ian Grey, second year B.Ag., and doing very well after last year's brilliant pass of 4 A's.

Dave Griffiths, first year degree. Enjoying life but also spending a lot of time attacking his books.

Robert Beveridge, third year B.Ag. and playing Rugby.

Bruce Smith, Sheep Diploma and playing a good game at half-back until he was injured. He just missed out on the First XV.

Ken Whitehead, Sheep Diploma and Second XV half-back.

"Ally" McKay, first year B.Ag. and enjoying himself.

Pete McKay, first year B.Ag.

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Pat Bradford, first year B.Ag. and still flying around in a blue "streak."

A. Mills, Diploma, and played for the Second XV.

Murray Sampson, Vet. Intermediate and turning in some good exam. results.

G. M. Dryden, first year B.Ag.

ENGAGEMENTS

BITHELL—JOHNSON.—Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Johnson, New Plymouth, announce the engagement of their younger daughter Jennifer Ann, to John Lloyd, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bithell, Bell Block.

HAYES—BULLOT.—The engagement is announced between Gary Douglas, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. C. Hayes, Taumarunui, and Edith Maureen, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bullot, Tokoroa.

FOOKES—EVEREST.—Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Everest, of Fendalton, Christchurch, wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Jill, to David, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fookes, Cameron Street, New Plymouth.

HINCH—CAMPBELL.—The engagement has been announced between Anne Mary Campbell, eldest daughter of Mrs. E. G. White, Poukawa, Hastings, and the late Mr. R. Campbell, and Desmond Warwick, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hinch, New Plymouth.

FOOKES—ROBERTSON.—Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Robertson, Wellington, wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Pamela Jane, to Timothy Faber, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Fookes, Inglewood.

WEBSTER—MORATTI.—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Moratti, Tate Road, Brixton, have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter Jeanette Doris, to Ian Edward, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Webster, Beach Street, Fitzroy.

RANGER—FOWLER.—Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fowler, Wanganui, have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter Jillian Kay, to Darcy Roland, eldest son of Mrs. N. Ranger and the late Mr. R. G. Ranger, New Plymouth.

ANCHOR—PENNEY.—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. R. Penney, New Plymouth, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Gael Patricia, to David Joseph, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Anchor, New Plymouth.

KOHN—ROSSER.—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rosser, Inglewood, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Annette, to Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Kohn, of Inglewood.

FARQUHAR—ELLIOTT.—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Elliott, New Plymouth, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jocelyn Anne, to Bruce Sinclair, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Farquhar, Awatuna.

WESTON—COATES.—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. P. Coates wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Ann, to Henry Jeffray, son of the late Mr. W. C. Weston and Mrs. Weston, New Plymouth.

BURFORD—GARDEN.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Garden, West Otago, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Joanne, to John Owen, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Burford, New Plymouth.

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TILLEY—BOSSLEY.—Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Tilley, West Wyalong, New South Wales, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Coralie, to Brian, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Bossley, Lautoka, Fiji.

STOKES—OLIVER.—Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Oliver, Lepperton, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Joy, to Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stokes, Fiji.

TOMPKINS—PARSONS.—Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Parsons, Wellington, have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their eldest daughter, Diana, to Tony, elder son of Mr. K. P. Tompkins, New Plymouth.

ELLIOTT—ELWIN.—Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Elwin, Big Jim's Hill, Waitara, have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their second daughter, Nancy Faye, to Duncan Albert, second son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Elliott, Tarata.

STROMBOM—HARRISON.—Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Harrison, 48 Ferguson Street, Palmerston North, have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their eldest daughter, Diane Frances, to Peter Brian, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Strombom, 41 Barrett Street, New Plymouth.

BIRTHS

CROXSON.—To Morva and Lawrence; a daughter. April 8th.

WYNYARD.—To Shirley and Merk; a daughter. September 25th.

DIPROSE.—To Wynsome and John; a son.

LANKSHEAR.—To Iris and Peter; a son. May 26th.

STONNELL.—To Nola and Dick; a daughter. December 23rd, 1960.

RUSSELL.—To Joan and Keith; a daughter. March 29th.

BARLOW.—To Minnie and Eric; a daughter. April 3rd.

MEULI.—To Nerida and Ted; a son. May 31st.

HOOKER.—To Omer and Don; a daughter. December 10th, 1960.

WILLIAMSON.—To Raewyn, wife of Graeme; a son.

DIPROSE.—To Ursula (nee Ogle) and David; a son, Martin David.

FOWLES.—To Sylvia and Alan; a daughter. November 3rd.

LANDER.—To Jillian and Ian; a son.

SMILLIE.—To Lorraine and Trevor; a son. April 23rd.

SINCLAIR.—To Jessie and Robin; a daughter. April 18th.

MOONEY.—To Anne and Brian; a daughter. April 28th.

REEVES.—To Ann and Manning; a second son. May 23rd.

MORAL.—To Sante and Singi; a daughter. April 23rd.

SLYFIELD.—To Geraldine and Barrie; a son. April 28th.

JONES.—To Judith and Ian; a son. November 10th.

BARRETT.—To Elizabeth and Campbell; a son.

T. W. Fookes.

NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

ESTABLISHED 1882

FEES (per Term)—

Board: £50

Music: £6/6/-.

Dancing (Winter Term only): 15/-.

N.B.—In cases of removal, one full term's notice must be given to the Secretary, otherwise parents are liable for half a term's fees.

SUBSCRIPTION TO GENERAL PURPOSES FUND (Per Term):

Boarders: 9/6.

Day Boys: 7/6.

SCHOOL TERMS—

The School year is divided into three terms of approximately thirteen weeks each. The terms for 1962 are as follows:—

First Term	-	Tuesday, February 6th to Friday, May 4th.
Second Term	-	Tuesday, May 22nd to Friday, August 17th.
Third Term	-	Tuesday, September 11th to Friday, December 14th.

