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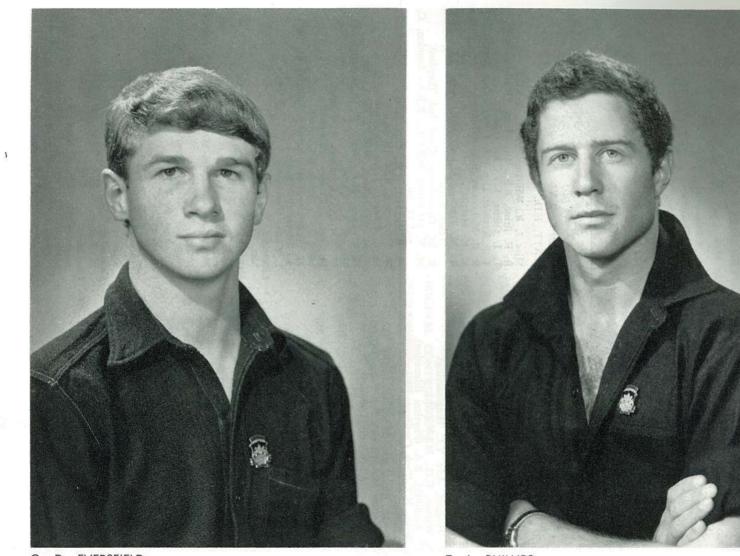
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Obituary



MR. C. G. CAMPBELL

The School was grieved to learn of the death on Saturday, 1st November, after an illness, of the longest-serving member of the staff, Mr. Colin Campbell, who had been responsible for boarders' musical tuition for nearly forty years.

At a memorial service held at the School, the Headmaster expressed the feelings of all who had known Mr. Campbell as colleague, friend and master.

"It is fitting that we should devote this morning's assembly to an act of remembrance of him and of gratitude for his service to the School.

"Mr. Campbell came to the School as a fulltime teacher of music in the early 1930s and had therefore been at the School longer than any other present member of the staff. This represents a period of service of more than thirty-five years, which is a remarkable example of loyalty and devotion.

"As a teacher he was a great enthusiast for his subject, so that his lessons were always lively, interesting and varied. He also possessed remarkable powers of concentration and took infinite pains with anything he was engaged in. As a result all his pupils made progress, and even those who had less natural ability were able to reach a competence which allowed them to enjoy what they were doing.

"Mr. Campbell's other great enthusiasm was for swimming, and he distinguished himself in surf lifesaving and as a water polo player with a provincial reputation. His record in the Flannagan Cup openwater swim will stand for a long time; he competed twenty times and won it when he was a few months short of his fortieth birthday. "Five years ago he had a serious illness, and those of us who knew him watched with admiration the way in which he bore with undiminished cheerfulness the burden of increasing ill-health.

"To his enthusiasm and cheerfulness we must add another great virtue: as a father of a family and as a friend he was known to all as a man capable of great kindness who willingly gave of his skill and abilities wherever they were needed.

"Finally, he was a very keen Old Boy of the School, and I am sure that it was not entirely se finterest which led him to give almost all his useful life to boys of the School. I do know that his closeness to us gave him great satisfaction. He was always interested in your activities and took pride in your successes and achievements.

"The School will be represented at his funeral this afternoon and I shall convey to Mrs. Campbell and her family the sympathy of the School in their loss and our own feelings of sadness and gratitude for his long service."

Staff Changes

This year we say farewell to seven staff members, two of whom, Mr. Watt and Mr. Penney, are retiring after 34 and 26 years respectively of service to this School. In addition, Mr. Stewart will end 22 years with us when he takes up his new position as Principal of Flock House, Bulls, while Mr. Burridge and Mr. Nalder, both of whom have been members of the staff for seven years, will be leaving for Matamata College and Aranui High School respectively.

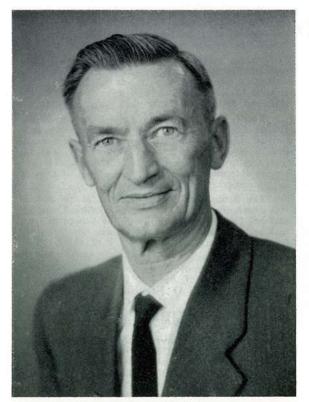
To all of these gentlemen we offer our gratitude for their energy, loyalty and skill and our sincere wishes for their future.

MR. T. N. S. WATT (1936-1969)

Mr. Watt, after attending primary schools in Dunedin and Opunake, came to this School as a boarder in 1925 and stayed here for five years on Junior and Senior National Scholarships. He was a member of the first football group and of shooting teams, became a School prefect, and won a Taranaki Scholarship.

Going on to Otago University, Mr. Watt gained his M.Sc. degree in 1933. Training colleges were closed in 1934 because of the slump, and he spent that year cheese-punching, spreading chips on roads, and cutting rata firewood. In 1935, when the training colleges reopened, he went to the Auckland Training College, where he was President of Students, a member of the senior Rugby team, and a member of the volunteer Territorial unit.

At the beginning of 1936 Mr. Watt joined the staff of this School, where he has now completed 34 years. The fashion in 1936 was for junior teachers to be given junior classes, and for several years he taught junior Latin, book-keeping and some mathematics and science. In later years, as more senior masters retired, he took over 6A chemistry



T. N. S. WATT

and mathematics. He was appointed Head of the Mathematics Department in 1948, acting Deputy-Principal in 1967, and Deputy-Principal in November, 1967.

In the pre-war years Mr. Watt ran the boarders' gymnastics, served as an officer in the Cadet Battalion, took charge of swimming and life-saving, restarted a School surf club which won the Taranaki Pennant in 1938, acted as business manager and Old Boys' editor of the "Taranakian," was a member of the Old Boys' Executive, ran the alpine and camera clubs, and coached a junior Rugby group.

Returning from $5\frac{1}{2}$ years overseas war service, he continued as Second in Command and musketry officer of the battalion, took charge of shooting, and coached the Second Rugby Group. He was a Housemaster from 1936 to 1939 and senior boarding master from 1951 to 1955.

Outside the School Mr. Watt has been president of the Taranaki Acclimatisation Society for 12 years and is still in that office.

"Reflecting over 45 years' connection with the School," says Mr. Watt, "my chief impression is that the School is too large. In a school of under 600 everyone knows everyone else, the master-boy relationship is much more personal, and consequently the behaviour pattern in both boys and masters is very different. I believe that in order to supposedly increase academic efficiency at all levels by a greatly increased roll, we lose something of the social atmosphere and enthusiasm of our members; individuals tend to become mere numbers, feel neglected or not an integral part, and consequently are concerned only with what they can get out of the school, not with what they can put into it as their contribution to its traditions. I hasten to say that in spite of this we do have many boys who are just as enthusiastic as their predecessors were.

"This general attitude of course is partly due to modern increased mobility and the changed social structure, so that many boys have outside duties or interests which inevitably reduce their interest in school activities.

"It must be remembered a'so that 40 years ago only perhaps 20 per cent. of primary school leavers proceeded to high school; a boy was usually sufficiently equipped by the end of Form II to take his part in the community. Later years have seen a very necessary raising of the leaving age so that now almost 100 per cent. carry on; this has posed considerable problems for schools and education in general, and has made a secondary school teacher's task infinitely more difficult and exacting than it was half a century ago.

"Fundamentally, New Zea'and education is soundly based; its aims are well up-to-date and it only requires sufficient able and highly qualified teachers to make it work. Forty years ago there was heavy competition for positions as secondary teachers; today there are hundreds of positions unfilled. It is most necessary that sufficient inducement be given to fill the gap.

"I have been asked to relate my most humorous or embarrassing experience—bearing in mind that there is a censorship of publications. I beg leave not to do so!"

We feel sure that Mr. Watt will have plenty to occupy him during his retirement; our sincere wish is that it will be a long and happy one.

MR. R. E. R. PENNEY (1943-1969)

Mr. Penney retires this year after 26 years on the staff, and a total of 40 years' teaching service.

Educated at Ashburton High School, Mr. Penney attended Canterbury University and Christchurch Teachers' College, where he graduated with a B.A. degree in History and Economics and a Diploma of Education. He remembers vividly difficulties experienced at the commencement of his teaching career during the depression under rationed teaching schemes. Before joining the staff he taught in Northland at a sole charge primary school, and at Opunake D.H.S. from 1938 to 1943, where he was in charge of the Secondary Department for three years.

Mr. Penney was appointed to N.P.B.H.S. under Mr. McNaught in 1943. While here he has taught History and Geography as well as some English. A credit to Mr. Penney's teaching ability is the extremely high pass rate his pupils have enjoyed in external exams. He has been head of the Social Studies Department since 1963, specialising in senior Geography. During this time Mr. Penney has been particularly pleased with the modernisation that the Social Studies Department has seen, with rooms and equipment centralised in a convenient area. Mr. Penney has taken an active part in the life of the School, especially in sport. Among his notable feats is the introduction of hockey to the School in 1947. Mr. Penney coached the first hockey team for many years as well as giving his services to the coaching of School teams in tennis and Rugby. He also commanded the Cadet Battalion for four years with the rank of Major, for which he received an Efficiency decoration.

Mr. Penney's sporting achievements have been many and varied. He excelled at hockey in his younger days and received the honour of a N.Z. Universities Hockey "Blue" in 1934 and 1935. Mr. Penney continued playing in Taranaki, so well in fact that he represented the province against the visiting Indian team and held the position of President of the Taranaki Hockey Association. A past president and life member of the Pukekura Park Tennis Club, Mr. Penney showed his ability by representing Taranaki at tennis.

Mr. Penney is still an active sportsman and at present is President of the Paritutu Bowling Club. He is looking forward to p'aying a lot more bowls and remaining active after his retirement. Although Mr. Penney will reside in New Plymouth, he hopes to travel and see the world which he has so ably taught about. The School offers its gratitude for Mr. Penney's service to the School and wishes him a happy retirement.

MR. J. J. STEWART (1948-1969)

After 21 years with the School, Mr. J. J. Stewart is leaving to take up another position.

Mr. Stewart was educated at the Sacred Heart College in Auckland. He then gained his Diploma of Agriculture at Massey University and later, at the Auckland Teachers' Training College, a diploma in teaching.

During his stay at the School he has taught Science, although he has also taught Agriculture and been Careers Adviser for a period. He was adjutant of the School Cadet Battalion.

Mr. Stewart will be remembered for his love of sport. From 1950 to 1964 he coached the School First XV. It was during this period that the School team was unbeaten in 65 successive matches—a tribute to his ability as a coach. He has been master-in-charge of rowing since 1948 and in 1962 a School eight won the Maadi Cup—the peak achievement in schoolboy rowing.

For the past seven years Mr. Stewart has been chairman of selectors and coach of the Taranaki representative Rugby team. Under his guidance Taranaki held the Ranfurly Shield for 16 defences before losing it to Auckland. He has been a member of the Northern Division Junior Management Committee for 27 years, and its chairman for the past sixteen. His special interests have been Rugby on television, and rule changes in the game. In 1955 Mr. Stewart toured as coach with the N.Z. Colts Rugby team to Ceylon and Australia. He was one of the founders of the Rugby publication, "Touchline."

Other posts he has held over the years are Chairman of the New Plymouth Racecourse Playing Fields SCHODI D MIRE

Committee, member of the Taranaki Jockey Club and member of the N.Z. Institute of Agricultural Science.

Mr. Stewart is leaving to take up a position as Principal of Flock House—a farm training school near Bulls.

He will be remembered by both staff and boys alike for his good-natured friendliness. The School unites in wishing Mr. Stewart "Good-bye and good luck."

MR. G. J. BURRIDGE (1963-1969)

The School farewells Mr. Burridge after seven years with us. He is to take up a new position in Geography at Matamata College.

N.P.B.H.S. was Mr. Burridge's first teaching appointment after graduating from Canterbury University with his M.A. and Diploma of Teaching.

Since joining the staff in 1963 Mr. Burridge has taught Social Studies, English, General Science, History and Geography. His wide knowledge has been supplemented by travel in England, Europe and North America during 1967 and 1968.

School life for Mr. Burridge has been a full-time job; as Housemaster of Niger House, Rugby coach and manager, cricket coach and master-in-charge and business manager at most School drama and music presentations, he has given more than his share of service to the School. Mr. Burridge has also been active in cadets as second-in-command of A Company with the rank of Lieutenant.

Mr. Burridge has given community service in New Plymouth as a member of the New Plymouth Lions Club and the St. Mary's Vestry. We shall miss Mr. and Mrs. Burridge around the School and wish them happiness at Matamata.

MR. T. N. NALDER (1963-1969)

Mr. Nalder, who was appointed Music Master in 1963, leaves the School this year to take up the position of Head of the Music Department at Aranui High School in Christchurch. During his six years at the School Mr. Nalder has endeavoured to emphasise the universal appeal of music and establish a deeper understanding of all types of music. His work has been guided by the belief that interest in specialised musical activity must grow from the classroom music period.

Outside of his normal duties as a teacher of music, Mr. Nalder has interested himself in drama and several aspects of the School's sporting interests. As a Rugby coach he has worked with some very successful teams in the 5th Grade, 4th Grade and Inter-Secondary Competitions.

Probably, however, he has gained most enjoyment from his duties as an assistant Housemaster, first in Moyes House, then in Pridham, and finally for the last four years in Carrington House.

MR. L. R. HILL (1966-1969)

Mr. Hill is leaving this School to take charge of remedial classes at Spotswood College.

In his four years here, as well as the painstaking work he has done with remedial classes, Mr. Hill has played a full part in extra-mural activities; he

has been a cadet officer, a cricket coach, and masterin-charge of hockey. In addition, he has accompanied groups of boys to the Chalet Classroom at Mount Egmont, where he has given valuable assistance with their study and their outside activities.

We congratulate Mr. Hill on his promotion and trust that he will find satisfaction in his new position.

Other members of the staff who left during the year were Mr. R. D. J. McCaw, who has become Head of the Science Department at Napier Boys' High School; Mr. W. A. O'Neill, who has decided to remain in the U.S.A.; Mr. P. J. Gordon, who left in September to take up a post at the Hamilton Teachers' College; and Mr. R. A. Raymer, who has returned to a University position in England.

This year too has seen a number of new appointments. In February we welcomed back Mr. D. G. Whaley, who had been overseas in Northern Ireland and Ghana for nearly four years. Other masters who joined us in February were Mr. M. J. Loveday, Mr. R. M. Wendelborn, and two Old Boys, Messrs. M. R. Herbert and D. J. Mossop. Finally in September, Dr. H. R. Lenk arrived from Ngaruawahia to join the Languages Department.

As a result of Mr. Watt's retirement, Mr. A. N. Wilson was recently appointed as Deputy-Headmaster. Mr. Wilson, an Old Boy, came to the School as a science master in 1956 from Te Awamutu College, and was promoted to the position of Head of the Science Department in 1964. He has participated in many School activities, including sports, cadets and drama, and has been our timetabling expert for a number of years. In addition, Mr. Wilson was senior Housemaster of Pridham House from 1956 to 1961. We offer Mr. Wilson our congratulations and wish him well in his new position.

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SCHOOL DIARY

FIRST TERM

FEBRUARY

- Tuesday, 4th: First term began.
- **Tuesday 4th-Wednesday 12th:** Barracks Week was very successful this year, a high standard of drill being reached after much effort by N.C.O.'s. The highlight was the A Company overnight camp on the ranges.
- **Tuesday 25th:** Keen competition in the School Swimming Sports produced the usual exciting races. Three records were broken and two equalled.

MARCH

Saturday 1st: School competed successfully in the Inter-Secondary Swimming at Hawera.

- Saturday 2nd: The Tramping Club began its 24th year with the Mangorei tramp. Membership has reached 85.
- Wednesday 5th: Carrington took the honours in the Hansard Cup. Two records were broken.
- Thursday 6th: Tennis Junior Tournament, Stevenson Cup.
- Wednesday 12th-Thursday 13th: The annual Wellington College cricket match was held at New Plymouth this year.

Saturday 15th: The School Sports saw four new records.

Sunday 16th: Eighty-five boys took part in the summit climb, but unfavourable conditions kept them from their objective.

- 17th, 18th and 20th: Bates Cup inter-House cricket preliminary matches.
- 22nd: Rowing at Karapiro. The First Eight were a close second to Wanganui Collegiate.
- Saturday 22nd: Twelve School athletes competed in the Bryant Memorial Sports at Pukekohe.
- 23rd and 24th: The annual Wanganui Collegiate cricket match resulted in a draw.
- Wednesday 26th: The Bates Cup final saw East win narrowly from Carrington.
- **29th-30th:** Maadi Cup at Christchurch. School rowed strongly but were again runners-up to Wanganui Collegiate.
- Saturday 30th: A large School team dominated the Taranaki Inter-Secondary Athletics at Francis Douglas College.

APRIL

1st and 2nd: The First Group tria's got the Rugby season off to an early start. The large numbers taking part showed that School Rugby spirit was as high as ever.

MAY

6th and 7th: The House Plays were staged after much effort by actors and producers. Pridham took the wooden spoon.



OLIVER TWISTS ASK FOR MORE



SECOND TERM

MAY

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22nd: Second Term began.

JUNE

- Monday 2nd: Queen's Birthday Week-end: First XV v. Headmaster's XV. School won for the first time in a number of years.
- 14th and 15th: The Tramping Club's highly successful Junior Bushcraft week-end was held at Carrington Cottage, with 40 junior members taking part.

Thursday 19th- Tuesday 24th: Mid-year exams.

Saturday 28th-Monday 30th: Exeat week-end.

28th: School 1st Soccer XI played Wellington College at the Basin Reserve in Wellington to draw 3-all.

JULY

- 5th: School First XV v. St. Pat's. School won 11-0, with all scoring in the second half.
- **17th:** School First XV v. Wanganui Collegiate. School won after increasing their half-time lead of 9-3 to 30-3.
- **26th:** School First XV v. Te Aute College. This game was played in extremely wet conditions, with School winning by 29-8.

AUGUST

2nd: First XV v. Hamilton Boys' High. This game was very close, School winning 21-16.

6th: The annual hockey match against Wanganui Boys' College.



Carrington House-New Entrance

- 7th: The inter-Sec. Rugby trials for the team which toured Australia were held in atrocious conditions, with seven of the 16 team members coming from N.P.B.H.S.
- **9th:** The annual Rugby matches against Wanganui College were played, School winning the Under 15 game 6-0, and the Under 16½ game 14-3. Both games were played in appalling conditions.
- 16th: The annual Rugby and hockey matches against Hamilton B.H.S.

17th: The inter-House Debates were again this year very lively, with West House narrowly winning.

18th-22nd: The Music and Art Festival. A highly successful festival was held this year with many unusual and new features.

22nd: Second term ends.

23rd: The School First Rugby XV played Auckland Grammar, and in winning this game they completed an undefeated season.

25th: School took part in the annual Hockey Tournament.

THIRD TERM

SEPTEMBER

Monday 15th: Third Term began.

- Saturday 20th: A School team took part in the Inter-Sec. Badminton at Hawera.
- **Thursday 25th:** The Inter-House Rugby finals saw Moyes and Central share the honours in the senior section, while Carrington defeated Pridham to win the junior event.
- Saturday 27th: School teams played well in the Indoor Basketball Inter-Secs. at Waitara with the A teams placed second equal. The B team won the B division.



A New Entrance and Study for Pridham



AN ART CLASS IN ACTION



SCHOOL PARTY AT THE ST. PAT'S MATCH

OCTOBER

- Saturday 4th: The Boys' High team dominated the Inter-Sec. Gymnastics at Inglewood.
- Tuesday 7th: Martin Donnelly, an Old Boy, made an interesting address to the School Assembly.
- Wednesday 8th: Fast times were run in the Annual Steeplechase in spite of the poor weather conditions.
- Thursday 9th:-Tuesday 14th: The fifth and sixth forms sat final School exams.
- Wednesday 15th-Thursday 16th: Military drill was held, with A Company spending its second night out this year on the ranges.
- Saturday 18th: Boys' High teams took a first and two seconds in the Inter-Sec. Cross Country at Spotswood College.

NOVEMBER

- Saturday 1st: The annual School Gymnastics were held.
- Monday 17th: School Certificate examinations commenced.
- Thursday 20th: Third and fourth formers began final School exams.

Friday 21st: University Scholarship exams began. Tuesday 25th: University Bursary exams started. Thursday 27th: University Entrance exams commenced.

DECEMBER

Thursday 11th: School Prize-giving. Friday 12th: End of school year.



BAGS LYING ABOUT



TIBBY ON THE LATHE



STEVE KEEPS HIS NOSE CLEAN (Photo: Max Lawrence)

PRIZE GIVING 1968

The prize-giving was again held in the New Plymouth Opera House, addresses being given by Mr. L. M. Moss, the Chairman of the High School Board, Mr. Colin Allen, the convener of the Boys' High School Committee, and the Headmaster, who gave his report on the School's year.

The guest speaker was Mr. G. L. O'Halloran, an Old Boy of the School, and retired Secretary of Marine. He presented the Academic prizes and Mrs. O'Halloran presented the Sports prizes.

PRIZE LIST, 1968

FORM PRIZES

3CB: G. J. Turner	5B: E. L. Peters
3CA: M. M. Hannan	5E: W. J. Bromley
3G2: J. Snowdon	5GC2: R. D. McLean
3G1: G. A. Ernest	5GC1: N. S. Van de Water
3P4: W. Hill	5GH: P. Sprey
3P3: I. Duff	5PH: L. Crow
3P2: A. G. Dick	5P3: R. J. Robson
3P1: F. I. Markland	5P2: J. K. Hawkins
C. J. Bromley	5P1: J. M. Gilbert
4CB: G. C. Lepper	6S2: D. R. Boyd
4CA: J. A. T. Cox	6C: J. L. Glenn
4EB: D. H. Whiteside	G. M. Drent
4GC: M. D. Gibbs	6H: G. D. Eversfield
4G: A. R. Ormrod	6G: J. D. Fastier
4P3: C. R. Vernon	(Sheilah Prentice Cup)
4P2: P. L. Whitwell	6SR: E. J. McFadyen
4P1: R. D. Wilson	6S1: B. J. Gilbert
5EB: G. N. McCrae	

SPECIAL PRIZES

- Rex Dowding Memorial Prize (3rd and 4th Form Essay): D. B. Webber.
- Canon Strong Memorial Prize (Junior Literature): D. B. Webber.
- Wattie Wilkie Memorial Prize (Progress in 4th Form Mathematics): J. M. Hodder.
- Junior Oratory (Trophy presented by L. M. Moss, Esq., O.B.E.): D. R. Buxton.
- Senior Debating (Cup presented by Wellington Old Boys' Assn.): Carrington House-G. D. Brennan, I. F. McCullough, T. J. Brennan.
- Acting Prize: B. A. Barnett, J. D. Jolly.
- Music Prizes: Senior (Presented by H. Collier and Co.): G. B. Spence. General Competence: D. R. Boyd. Singing: J. D. Jolly. Junior: C. J.
- Bromley. Art Prizes: Harry M. Bacon Prize (Senior): D. Wilkes. Junior Prize: P. Hartigan.
- Reading Prizes: Reading in Assembly: N. J. Coliie. Senior Reading: N. Copeland. Junior Reading: B. E. Binnie.
- Fifth Form Building Prize (Presented by Spear and Jackson Ltd.: E. L. Peters.
- Fifth Form Workshop Theory (Presented by Kidd, Garrett, Moore and Wright): W. W. Williams.
- Daily News Centennial Prize (5th Form English): J. M. Gilbert.
- Special Prize for Best Maori Student (Presented by Department of Maori Affairs): D. Keenan.

Tabor Scholarships: English, B. J. Gilbert; Mathe-

matics, P. R. Donnelly; Science, L. A. Wilson; History and Geography, G. M. Drent. Heurtley Memorial Prize (Original Verse): C. J. Clark. White Memorial Prize (Senior Literature): R. G. Boyd. Bendall Memorial Prize (Senior History): R. J. Clarke. Senior Latin Prize: P. D. Lister. Senior French Prize: N. Copeland.

- P. O. Veale Memorial Prize (Chemistry in Upper Sixth): K. M. Holvoake.
- Walter Crowley Weston Memorial Prize (Science in Upper Sixth): P. H. Stephens.
- John Brodie Memorial Prize (Composition in Upper Sixth): J. P. Millard.
- Headmaster's Prize for Mathematics in Upper Sixth (6A): K. M. Holvoake.
- Headmaster's Prize for Outstanding Service to the School: R. J. Newland.
- Head Day Boy's Prize (F. J. Eggleton Memorial Cup): K. M. Holyoake.
- General Excellence Cup (Dr. E. F. Fookes' Cup): A. H. Gibbs.
- Head Boy's Prize (Presented by Auckland Old Boys' Assn., Cup presented by Mrs. Brookman): A. H. Gibbs.
- Promixe Accessit (Ian MacLeod Memorial Prize): P. H. Stephens.
- Dux Prize (Buick Cup): K. M. Holyoake.

SPORTS PRIZES ATHLETICS

Noakes Cup (Junior Steeplechase): D. C. Jackson. Osborne Cup (Fastest Time Junior Steeplechase): D. C. Jackson.

Moran Cup (High Jump Senior): J. L. Burton.

Noakes Cup (120 Yards Senior Hurdles): J. A. McQueen.

Bennett Cup (100 Yards Junior Championship): B. W. E. Binnie.

- Harman Cup (440 Yards Junior Championship): D. A. Buchanan.
- Herbert Smith Cup (Intermediate Steeplechase): B. D. Crocker.
- Easton Memorial Cup (Fastest Time Intermediate Steeplechase): B. D. Crocker.
- 1911 Cup (Senior Steeplechase): A. Patel.
- Bryce Cup (Fastest Time Senior Steeplechase): A. Patel.
- Bothamley Cup (440 Yards Intermediate Championship): D. Marsden.
- Old Boys' Shield (440 Yards Senior Championship): M. S. Williams.
- Marsh Cup (Intermediate Hurdles Championship): A. K. Martin.
- Keller Cup (High Jump Intermediate): A. K. Martin. Cartwright Cup (Long Jump Intermediate Championship): P. J. Hickey.
- Gilmour Cup (880 Yards Intermediate Championship): B. J. Gilbert.
- Grieve Cup (One Mile Intermediate Handicap): B. D. Crocker.
- Challenge Cup (220 Yards Intermediate Champion-ship): T. J. Jordan.

PRIZE GIVING

Beckbessinger Cup (100 Yards Intermediate Championship): T. J. Jordan.

Mason Memorial Cup (880 Yards Senior Championship): J. D. Jolly.

Fookes Cup (One Mile Senior Championship): B. J. Gilbert.

Old Boys' Cup (100 Yards Senior Championship): M. S. Williams.

Herbert Smith Cup (220 Yards Senior Championship): M. S. Williams.

Edmonds Trophy (Discus, Intermediate Championship): H. H. Saletogia.

SWIMMING

Sykes Memorial Cup (Senior Championship): A. B. McDougall.

Challenge Cup (Intermediate Championship): I. L. Hay.

Fox Cup (Junior Championship): G. I. Clarke.

Smith and Easton Cup (Life-Saving): H. H. Saletogia and S. Whitta.

O'Halloran Shield (Inter-Form Relay): 4P3-J. Christofferson.

Hoskin Cup (School Championship): G. W. Giles. Challenge Cup (5th Form Championship): P. G. Manning.

Peter Saunders Memorial Cup (4th Form Championship): R. D. Mackay.

Herbert Smith Cup (3rd Form Championship): G. W. Giles.

SHOOTING

McLeod and Slade Cup (Under 14 Championship): D. B. Webber.

Loveday Cup (Under 15 Championship): M. K. Rowe. Hamblyn Cup (Under 17 Championship): J. L. Glenn. Lady Godley Cup (24) (Junior Class Firing): G. A. Rail.

Lady Godley Cup (110) (Senior Class Firing): R. A. Bothwell,

Prefects: J. M. Alexander, R. J. Bluck, L. F. Borok, B. J. Boyd, H. M. Caughley, N. J. Collie, L. Dean, G. S. Dyer, R. D. O. Evans, G. D. Eversfield, F. J. Geck, B. J. Gilbert, P. J. Hodges, R. M. Horrocks, R. L. Horrocks, J. T. Mace, G. B. Manning, K. A. Morris, H. M. Morrison, A. McG. Murray, T. I. Phillips, G. W. Rudsdale, P. D. Smith, R. A. B. Snowsill, G. H. Sykes, H. J. Tuffery, A. R. Waddell, P. R. Withers.

Rugby: R. J. Bluck, B. J. Boyd, L. Dean, R. D. O. Evans, W. R. Fleming, F. J. Geck, R. M. Hamerton, P. J. Hickey, F. Hill, M. S. Johnson, A. F. Keenan, A. K. Martin, S. T. Morris, G. N. Mourie, L. J. O'Neill, A. C. Perrott, A. B. J. Smith, P. D. Smith, G. A. White.

Cricket: M. J. Christensen, R. K. Duell, F. Hill, R. Hill, T. J. Jordan, W. J. Kydd, H. H. Morrison, BREAK-UP, 1968

Searle Cup (.303 Short Range Championship): J. L. Glenn,

Kelly Cup (.303 Long Range Championship): W. B. Gibson.

McDiarmid Belt (School Championship): G. J. Wright.

TENNIS

Candy Cup (Senior Singles): G. S. Dyer. Herbert Smith Cup (Junior Singles): I. G. Duff. McKeon Cup (Intermediate Singles): G. F. Dowdle.

CADETS

Sole Cup (Best Cadet): R. D. Archibald.

CRICKET

Parkinson Memorial Cup (Best Bowler): P. R. Steward.

HOCKEY Simonsen Cup (Most Improved Junior Player): D. R. Buxton.

BADMINTON

Isaacs Cup (Junior Singles): S. James. Cook and Lister Cup (Senior Sing'es): F. R. Brodie.

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Kerr Cup (Rugby Football): Pridham—A. H. Gibbs.
Bates Cup (Cricket): Central—B. R. Purser.
Hansard Cup (Athletics): Carrington—G. J. Wright.
Burnbank Cup (Swimming): Central—F. W. Hill.
Stevenson Cup (Tennis: Central—R. B. Donald.
Holder Cup (Soccer): Central—G. K. Redman.
Hayton Cup (Rowing): Carrington—B. J. Boyd.
Bryant and Hedley Cup (Rowing, Junior): Pridham
—L. A. B. Wilson.
Coleman Cup (Rowing, Novices): Carrington—G. I.

DAY BOYS v. BOARDERS

Pease Cup (Rugby): Day Boys—N. Cameron.
Birch Cup (Cricket): Day Boys—G. R. Prestney.
Beetham Cup (Tennis: Day Boys—R. B. Donald.
Dempsey Shield (Swimming: Boarders—A. B. Mc-Dougall.

BLAZER AWARDS

G. S. Skellern, P. M. Stewart, M. G. Tuffery, D. B. Webber.

Soccer: D. J. Boddy, N. J. Collie, D. J. Hannan, K. H. Iveson.

Hockey: W. E. Clement, G. S. Dyer, P. R. Hodder, B. A. Simmonds, S. Underwood, C. L. Valentine.

Rowing: B. J. Boyd, F. J. Geck, C. E. Mackenzie, T. I. Phillips.

Athletics: B. E. Binnie, B. Crocker, R. D. O. Evans, B. J. Gilbert, P. J. Hickey, T. J. Jordan, M. S. Johnson, P. D. Lister, J. A. McQueen, A. K. Martin, K. Marurai, R. J. Robson.

Swimming: F. Hill, D. E. Knapman, A. B. Mc-Dougall, R. A. B. Snowsill.

Cross-Country: B. D. Crocker. Tennis: G. S. Dyer.

Indoor Basketball: G. B. Manning.

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EXAMINATION RESULTS 1968

Taranaki Scholarships: K. M. Holyoake, R. E. Webber.

University Bursaries: G. C. A'len, H. S. Ames, R. J. Clarke, N. Copeland, C. N. Lord, J. P. Millard, R. L. Papps, S. G. Purdie, P. H. Stephens.

Higher School Certificate: G. C. Allen, H. S. Ames, R. D. Archibald, A. R. Baker, R. G. Boyd, G. D. Brennan, G. T. Burton, J. L. Burton, C. G. Calder, C. J. Clark, R. J. Clarke, S. G. Clearwater, N. Copeland, M. J. Elder, R. J. Fearon, R. J. Florence, C. H. Fraser, A. H. Gibbs, M. J. Grant, T. W. Halliburton, B. A. Handyside, D. R. J. Harris, D. R. Hill, K. M. Holyoake, P. L. Jackson, J. D. Jolly, M. V. Jones, J. S. Lithar, P. V. Lithar, M. G. Lines, C. N. Lord, D. G. McCorkinda'e, I. F. McCullough, C. E. Mackenzie, B. J. Martin, J. P. Millard, A. E. Miln, I. M. Morrison, D. W. Mossop, S. A. Ovens, R. L. Papps, A. R. Price, S. G. Purdie, I. C. Reeve, K. D. Robbins, B. A. Russell, R. W. Sadler, G. N. Scales, B. D. Shallard, A. G. Spiers, P. H. Stephens, S. W. Tamarapa, R. M. Turner, R. E. Webber, M. J. Whitwell, J. O. Wilson.

University Entrance: J. M. Alexander, G. C. Armstrong, K. M. Bastin, M. A. Baylis, R. J. B'uck, L. F. Borok, D. R. Boyd, G. N. Brash, M. S. Brinsley, J. K. Bruce, T. Brummer, R. W. Bull, R. D. Burton, N. R. Cameron, M. E. B. Carter, H. M. Caughley, G. L. Cave, S. G. Clark, J. T. Clement, N. J. Collie, P. A. Collins, C. R. Cook, E. C. Cottam, L. Dean, R. B. Donald. P. R. Donnelly, P. V. Dow, G. M. Drent, C. N. Duigan, G. J. Elliott, R. D. O. Evans, G. D. Eversfie'd. J. D. Fastier, F. J. Geck, R. G. Gibbs, B. J. Gi'bert, J. L. Glenn, R. S. Gordon, D. A. Hall, D. C. Handley, M. Hill, N. R. Hodges, P. J. Hodges, P. R. Hogg, R. M. Horrocks, R. L. Horrocks, P. G. Hoskin, A. R. Inman, R. A. Johnston, M. B. Jones, W. F. Julian, B. Karsua, D. Keenan, W. G. Kibby, P. R. King, M. E. Lawrence, A. W. Liddington, D. T. H. Lim, P. D. Lister, S. H. Lowe, T. J. Lowe, J. T. Mace, M. P. Mallard, G. B. Manning, B. M. Matthews, A. B. McDougall, E. J. McFadyen, J. A. McQueen, C. E. Morris, S. T. Morris, A. M. Murray, B. W. Oei, L. Ohison, L. J. Old, K. F. Olsen, I. H. O'son, P. J. Phillips, T. I. Phillips. E. Pita. R. W. Prince, G. K. Redman, W. T. Rich, J. W. Robertson, P. L. Robson, C. L. Rodrigues, C. J. Rofe, M. J. Row and, G. W. Rudsdale, P. D. Smith, R. M. Snell, G. B. Spence, D. E. Steven, B. J. Stevenson, G. H. Svkes, R. P. Thompson, R. J. Tucker, H. J. Tuffery, M. G. Tuffery, T. Uraia, R. B. Ve'vin, P. R. Voyce, A. R. Waddell, E. M. Willis, L. A. B. Wilson, L. Wi'son, P. R. Withers, G. J. Wright

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SPORTS

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Athletics

Once again, a fairly successful athletics year was experienced, with good performances, notably from those who had received coaching from Mr. Nixon in the third term of '68; his departure from the School was a blow to all. The position has been partially rectified by the setting up of a pole vault coaching school by the national champion, Kevin Gibbons. His all-weather wooden run-up is one of the best in any New Zealand school. This run-up will also be used for long jump and the pole vault pit for high jump, so that now we have the longwaited facilities for three events for the price of one.

SPORTS DAY

Once again the standard was high at the Annual Athletic Sports held on Saturday, 15th March. Perfect weather conditions prevailed, but it was disappointing to see poor entries in the championship events as well as the small number of spectators. Nevertheless, competition was keen and records still vulnerable: Mark Johnson ran very strongly to clock 53.7 seconds in the Intermediate 440, which clipped 0.7 seconds off the five-year-old mark held by M. Morris. His afternoon's activity included winning the 880 as well as the 110 yards hurdles, where he set another record of 15.3 seconds. Jumping with great determination, H. Clark gave an impressive display in the Junior high jump, setting a new record of 5ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ in. B. Crocker accounted for the fourth record when he won the Senior three miles earlier in the week. Lapping all other competitors he clocked a splendid 15min. 38sec.

P. Hickey and J. McQueen again proved their dominance in the Senior sprint and hurdles events, while P. Lister almost ran out of pit by clearing 20ft. 2in. in the long jump. A. Martin did well to scale 5ft. 7in. in the high jump—only missing the record by half an inch. Perhaps the closest race of the day was the Senior mile, where B. Crocker narrowly defeated B. Gilbert.

SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM



Back: R. Jackson, G. Allen, J. Horrocks, B. Isaac, G. Leonard.
Middle: J. Alexander (Captain), K. Iveson, N. Sole, B. Crocker, B. Gilbert.
Front: C. Bayly, D. Jackson, G. Towler, P. Mason.

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Intermediate sprinting was again closely contested with B. Binnie having a slight edge over S. Underwood. F. Hutchins, in throwing near to the record, was in good form with the shot. Although M. Johnson dominated the middle distances, J. Gilbert provided a stern challenge in the 880 as well as running a fast time in the mile. Both D. Whiteside and C. Field turned in good performances in the triple and high jump events.

Besides the efforts of H. Clark, diminutive D. Taumata showed promise with some good wins in the Junior middle distances. As in the Hansard Sports, V. Temata had comfortable victories in the 100 yards and hurdles.

Bryant Memorial Athletic Championships, Pukekohe

On Friday, 21st March, a team of twelve athletes went up to Pukekohe to take part in the Bryant Memorial Sports. Altogether, 50 schools took part, providing plenty of very strong competition.

Competitors were hampered by the cold winds and occasional rain showers and the performances were generally below the standard of previous years.

When compared with the other 50 schools taking part, we did very well in getting one first, one second, one third, one fourth, as well as first place in the Intermediate and Senior relays.



DAI EVANS CLEARS THE BAR

Two fine performances were recorded by B. Binnie and B. Crocker, Binnie in winning the Intermediate long jump and Crocker with his fine run which won us the senior relay.

The places were:

B. Binnie: 1st in Intermediate Long Jump.

J. McQueen: 2nd Senior Hurdles.

M. Johnson: 3rd Intermediate 440.

R. Marurai: 4th Senior Hop, Step and Jump.

All thanks go to Mr. Herbert and Mr. Walton for giving up their time to make the trip possible and enjoyable.

Inter-Sec. Athletic Sports

A fine day with a light breeze made conditions ideal for this year's Taranaki Inter-Secondary Schools' Athletic Championships held at Francis Douglas College. As in previous years, N.P.B.H.S. athletes dominated the sprint events, often filling the first two places.

In the Seniors, P. Hickey and J. McQueen ran strongly to win the 100 yards and 110 yards hurdles respectively. P. Lister, showing the benefit of a trip to Pukekohe, cleared twenty feet to win the long jump from K. Marurai, who had earlier won the triple jump. The casual attitude of Dai Evans paid dividends as he upset the favourite A. Martin to win the high jump with a leap of 5ft. 7in. A great disappointment was the disqualification of the relay team for illegal baton-changing. It can only be hoped that in future our relay teams understand fully the rules of the event.

In the Intermediate 100 and 220 yards, rivalry between B. Binnie and S. Underwood was maintained, with Binnie winning narrowly in both events. Despite a painful wound from treading on his running shoe, M. Johnson convincingly won the 440



TE MATA IN THE JUNIOR HURDLES

yards and placed second in the hurdles. In the field events, B. Binnie and F. Hutchings had wins in the long jump and shot put, while the relay team easily won their event.

V. Temata was our most successful Junior, winning both the 100 yards and hurdles events. G. Towler and D. Taumata performed well to place second in the 880 and 440 respectively, while the relay team were narrowly beaten by Spotswood College.

Other competitors to win places were:-

Seniors: R. Robson, 1st in Open Javelin; B. Crocker, 2nd in One Mile; A. Guthrie, 2nd in 880 Yards; S. Hall, 3rd in 220 Yards; A. Martin, 2nd in High Jump and 3rd in Hurdles, 3rd in Pole Vault; G. Eversfield, 2nd in Triple Jump; R. Snowsill, 3rd in Discus; R. Evans, 3rd in Shot Put; 1st in High Jump; H. McIntyre, 2nd in Hurdles.

Intermediates: R. Russell, 3rd in Hurdles; C. Field, 2nd in High Jump; D. Nowell, 3rd in High Jump; M. Pyselman, 2nd in Trip'e Jump.

Juniors: G. Towler, 3rd in Hurdles; P. Field, 2nd in 220 Yards; C. Bromley, 3rd in 220 Yards; G. Bond, 3rd in Long Jump; H. Clark, 3rd in High Jump.

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Hansard Cup

The Hansard Cup was held on Wednesday, March 5th, and saw Carrington take the cup for the second successive year, after an absorbing battle against Moyes. The slightly overcast weather and hard track made conditions ideal for track events.

The record books were rewritten twice after the day's performances. B. D. Crocker, in a splendid solo run, clocked 4min. 38.9sec. for the Senior mile, clipping 0.5sec. off the nine-year-old record set by J. M. Miller. The second record fell to the Carrington intermediate relay team, which finished in the time of 48sec.

In the senior event, Hickey showed his good form in the sprint events, while J. McQueen narrowly clinched the hurdles title. Besides Crocker, P. Lister and B. Gilbert gained valuab'e points for West with comfortable wins in the 440 and 880.

SCHOOL WINNERS



Back: T. Ross, D. Taumata, W. Feek, S. Roper, D. Willis, C. Dodson. Front: K. Bennet, K. Johnston, E. Willis (Club Captain), F. Brodie, M. Johnston.

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The surprise of the intermediate events saw the House spirit of S. Underwood overcome the ability of B. Binnie in the closely-fought 220 duel. Binnie had previously won the 100 yards, while M. Johnson and J. Gilbert won the 440 and 880 respectively.

The junior victors were V. Temata in the 100 yards and hurdles, D. Taumata in the 440 and G. Towler in the 880.

With two wins in the relay events, Carrington drew away from their Moyes riva's to retain the Hansard Cup for 1969.

Pridham now leads the Hansard Cup tally, which reads as follows: Pridham 7, Central 6, Moyes 5, Carrington and East 3, West 1.

Badminton & Table Tennis

Membership of the club this year was down considerably but a small group of enthusiastic club members met regularly with a high standard of play prevalent. Special mention must be made of Mr. Kreisler and Mr. Rattray for taking over the running of the club and making it function efficiently.

The clubs played on Monday nights after school and again this year a ladder system was used. Play was held in the gymnasium. The championships were held soon after the beginning of the Third Term and were keenly contested. The high standard of play from the junior section augurs well for the future of the sport in the School.

The results were:---

Badminton

Senior Sing'es (Cook and Lister Cup): F. Brodie. Senior Doubles: F. Brodie and K. Johnston. Junior Singles (Isaacs Cup): K. Bennet. Junior Doubles: K. Bennet and M. Johnston.

Table Tennis

Senior Sing'es: S. Roper. Senior Doubles: S. Roper and F. Brodie. Junior Singles: T. Ross. Junior Doubles: D. Taumata and C. Dodson.

Cricket

The First Group for 1969 was: Hamish Morrison (captain), Maurice Tuffery (vice-captain), Bill Kydd, Phillip Stewart, Bob Duell, Francis Hill, Terry Jordan, Rodney Hill, David Webber, Mark Christensen, Graham Skellern and Roger Johnston.

The new group started the year well by finishing second in the Senior Club Competition for the 1968-69 season.

Representative honours for Colt cricketers came to G. Prestnev, M. Tuffery, M. Hill, B. Purser, F. Hill and P. Stewart.

SCHOOL v. NELSON COLLEGE

(December 9th and 10th, 1968)

This match was played at Nelson's main cricket ground, Trafalgar Park. School won the toss and elected to bat on a hard wicket. They soon lost Maurice Tuffery for three, but a good recovery led by Gary Prestney (42), Murray Hill (38) and Ricky Webber (27), saw School through to 124 for four.

A dashing sixth wicket partnership of 110 between Brian Purser (69) and Bob Duell (47) took the score to 250 for seven. Purser played some great off-drives in his innings, which included nine fours, although the minor partner, Duell, batted sensibly and hit eight fours. The tail-end batsmen collapsed and School were dismissed for 259. Bowling for Nelson, J. Winn took four for 56.

Nelson were soon in trouble to Francis Hill's fiery bowling, who finished with five for 30. B. Neale (45), S. Garguilo (25) and R. Harvey (24) were the only batsmen who offered any resistance. Nelson were all out for 124, thus being forced to carry on.

However, they did not fare as well in their second innings, this time being dismissed for 81. Captain Noel Whiteman (20) and B. Neale (19) held the innings together. Brian Purser bowled very well, taking six for 18 off 15 overs, thus earning himself a place on the School's Cricket Honours Board.

The game finished almost immediately after lunch, School winning outright by an innings and 54 runs.

SCHOOL v. WELLINGTON COLLEGE

In fine weather the Wellington captain won the toss and put School in to bat. School suffered some early setbacks, but good scores from Bob Duell (23) and Bill Kydd (29) saw School through to eight for 97. A ninth wicket partnership of 50 between Terry Jordan and Mark Christensen took the score to 147. With a last wicket partnership of 31 between David Webber (19) and Jordan (42 not out), School were dismissed for 178. The best Wellington bowlers were P. Brooks (two for 46), G. Lindsay (three for 47), and C. Lynch (four for 28).

After being two for 70 (in good time) the Wellington batting collapsed quickly, being all out for 126. Principal scorers for Wellington were captain G. Moody (42) and S. George (25). School's bowling honours went to Hamish Morrison (three for 44) and Mark Christensen (four for 25).

School opened their second innings with a lead of 52. An opening partnership between Maurice Tuffery (20) and Bill Kydd (17) saw School off to a good start. However, after this, the next eight wickets fell for only 31 runs. Thanks to another good tail-end partnership between T. Jordan (14) and D. Webber (10 not out), School reached 95. We'lington fought back well, owing to some good bowling by G. Lindsay (six for 52) and C. Lynch (four for 23).

This left Wellington requiring 148 runs to win, in three and a-half hours. At tea, they were in a good position, beirg three for 70. However, fortunes changed rapidly after tea owing to some spirited bowling and fielding, the bowling honours going to Francis Hill (two for 25), Hamish Morrison (two for 22), Bob Due!! (two for 16) and Terry Jordan (four for 15). A feature of the dismissals was that all of Jordan's wickets were caught by Francis Hill. Wellington were dismissed for 120, which meant victory to School by 28 runs.

SCHOOL v. WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

On 24th and 25th March, School played its annual game against Wanganui Collegiate at Wanganui. In fine, warm, but windy conditions, the Collegiate captain won the toss and elected to bat. An early breakthrough by Terry Jordan saw Collegiate one for seven. However, a second-wicket stand at 121 by T. Mackie and R. Cox put them in a good position at lunch. School's fielding during this session was poor, numerous catches being dropped.

Useful contributions by the remaining Collegiate batsmen enabled them to declare at tea with 260 for eight. Bowling for School, R. Hill (two for 25), R. Duell (two for 36), F. Hill, T. Jordan and H. Morrison each took one wicket.

Tentative calling by School's batsmen saw four disastrous run-outs, and at one stage we were 42 for six. A typical, stubborn innings from T. Jordan (22) and a fine knock by F. Hill (64 not out) saw School reach 150 early the next morning. Others to get double figures were W. Kydd (19) and D. Webber (13). Being 110 behind, School were forced to follow on.

In the second innings, School fared better. Opening batsman M. Tuffery scored a solid 40 before -

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falling lbw. Once again T. Jordan proved his consistency by scoring an invaluable 44, including the only six of the match. Other batsmen who batted well to stave off possible defeat were R. Hill (29), D. Webber (20), and M. Christensen (18). The innings closed at 197, leaving Collegiate 55 minutes in which to score 87 runs for victory. Credit must be given to Collegiate for making a genuine attempt at this difficult target, thus keeping the game ineresting to the last minute. The game ended in a draw wh Collegiate 34 runs short of victory when time ran out.

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CLUB CRICKET

The 1968-69 season was one of the most successful in recent years, with the First XI finally finishing in second place in the Northern Division Senior Grade. It was a season of fluctuating fortunes for all teams, which was why only a few points separated the top four teams. The First XI's efforts were really quite commendable considering that so many players were absent at various stages of the holidays; a total of 22 players played for the XI at some stage of the season.

Altogether, School had two outright wins, three first innings wins, two outright losses, two first innings losses.



Some meritorious achievements were: Peter Stewart's seven for 37 and three for 29 v. Marist and six for 26 v. N.P.O.B.; Murray Hill's 73 and 26 not out against N.P.O.B.; Brian Purser's 78 against Kia Ora and five for 50 against Marist; Mr. Meuli's 61 not out v. Kia Ora and 55 not out v. Inglewood; Gary Prestney's 62 against Inglewood; Richard Webber's 75 not out against Marist and Mr. Carroll's eight for 47 against N.P.O.B. Others to play consistently were Maurice Tuffery (batting) and Francis Hill (bowling).

The Second XI is continuing to play its important function in grooming players for the First XI. It is now a stepping stone into senior cricket. Under Mr. Giddy's keen and expert guidance, a stream of young cricketers is emerging. These players are now equipped with the basic skills and confidence which are necessary at senior level.

SECOND XI

After the Christmas break five players moved on into the First XI: Philip Stewart, R. Hill, T. Jordan, M. Christensen and D. Webber.

This year the squad comprised R. Johnston (captain), G. Skellern, B. Smith, P. Whitwell, P. Hill, C. Vernon, N. Johnston, M. Smith, R. Batley and R. MacDonald.

The team came second in the second grade competition, 13 points behind the leaders, Vogeltown. One notable win was against Vogeltown, who have now been promoted to the first grade.

The new competition began in the third term with the Second XI hoping to do well once again. However, the batting has been suspect, though consistent scores by G. Skellern have brought some stability. The bowling of R. Johnston, M. Smith and P. Whitwell has kept the opponents' scores down.

THIRD GRADE

Two teams played with mixed fortunes in the Third Grade competition. The A team, consisting mainly of senior boys, had a reasonable degree of success. Players who turned in good performances were Tichborne, Morris, Shearer, McDougall, Bullick, R. Jackson, Ayson and Rawlinson.

The players of the B team were mainly fourth formers and, although they did not win a game, some very good performances were achieved against players of considerable experience. Prominent B players were Cawthray, Kidd, Hill, D. Jackson, Bishop, McIntyre and Barnard.

FOURTH GRADE

The Fourth Grade A team were the winners of the 1968-69 competition at this level and this was achieved by their enthusiasm. Players who showed best form as batsmen were Bott, Barnard, Meuli and Buxton, while the bowling was done by Christensen, Buchanan, Graham and Douglas.

Players of the B team who displayed good form were Murray, Phillips, Swan, Clarke, Baylis and Brooking, but individual performances must be backed up by a strong team effort if a team is to win.

FIFTH GRADE

The Fifth Grade A team had the distinction of representing Northern Division against North Country and played very well, just missing out on an outright win. Taumata led the team in both batting and bowling and good support came from Cameron, Willis, Donaldson, England, Burmester, Meuli and Bishop in run-getting, while Sherriff, Copestake, Old and McDougall showed promise in bowling. The A team were a close second in the competition.

The B and C teams found the competition very difficult, but both sides were able to bring credit on themselves. Players who showed best form were Armstrong, Middleton, Horne, Dodson, Hannah, Stevens and Holder.

BATES CUP

In a very exciting and closely contested match, Central were just able to repulse an unexpected challenge from Carrington to retain the cup for another year.

Gymnastics

Under the guidance of Mr. Ranger, a gym club was set up in the first term. A group of ten boys came regularly on Wednesdays and Fridays after school for coaching.

In the second term, practice began for the team which was to represent North Taranaki at the National Schools Gymnastic Festival, held in Auckland during the August holidays in conjunction with the N.Z. National Gym Championships. The Taranaki team, comprising I. Archibald, D. Mackay, W. Hughes, G. Parkinson (all of N.P.B.H.S.) and G. Walker (Spotswood) came second in the B Grade. G. Walker gained most points (52.7 out of 60) and took the individual title. In an outstanding performance for such a young gymnast, G. Giles gained 9th place in the Youths' B Grade section of the N.Z. National Championships. Well done, Gavin!

On 4th October the Taranaki Inter-Secondary Championships were held at Inglewood. All exercises were compulsory and a great deal of neatness was required. The junior team (R. Pearce, D. Mackay, W. Hughes, K. Cole and P. Urbahn had to compete against G. Walker, of Spotswood, who won most events. But Urbahn gained a first and a third, while Hughes gained two seconds, Mackay a second and Cole and Pearce a third each.

In the intermediate R. Sullivan came out with three firsts and two seconds; I. Archibald with one first, two seconds and two thirds; and I. Pritchard with a first and two thirds.

In the seniors G. Giles and R. Mackay, both from this School, were the only competitors. Giles took all the firsts, while Mackay was unlucky not to beat Giles.

Five boys from School entered for the Taranaki Residential Gym Champs Youth Section at the Y.M.C.A. on 1st November. Archibald won the section with 39.6 out of 50 after an exciting struggle with P. Urbahn, who came second with 39.1. Others to gain places were R. Pearce (fourth), K. Cole (fifth) and D. Mackay (sixth).

The School Gymnastic Championships were held on Saturday night, 1st November. All exercises in the third, fourth and fifth form sections were compulsory and were done on the floor, cross-box, longbox, trampoline, beams and rings or parallel bars. Points were out of 60. Results were:—

Third Form: D. Mackay (50) 1st, P. Urbahn (49.9) 2nd, R. Pearce (49.3) 3rd.

Fourth Form: G. Giles (53.1) 1st, O. King (47.5)

trampoline, horizontal bar, rings or parallel bars), muster on the parallel bars. Results were:-

2nd, I. Archibald (37.9) 3rd.

for their organisation and judging.

Hockey

This year the School entered two teams in Saturday competitions. The Second XI, although without a coach for most of the season, played well and was placed third in the Taranaki Fourth Grade competition.

The First XI had a successful season in the Third Grade competition despite a shaky start. The team was as follows: G. Dyer (captain), S. Underwood,

B. Clements, G. Sykes, B. Simmonds, C. Valintine, P. Hodder, B. Plummer, A. Kirk, I. Armstrong, R. Graham, K. Jordan and M. Broomfield. In the early part of the season the First XI changed from the orthodox style of play to a variation of the West German style. This new style proved successful in the local competition but against stronger teams at tournament it proved to be more defensive than offensive.

The School entered one team in the Under 19 section and one in the Under 16 section of the annual O'd Boys' five-a-side tournament at Peringa Park, Fitzroy. The Under 19 team rose to the occasion and won its section and the cup.

The first college match of the year was played against Wanganui Collegiate on the new Webster Field. Both teams played well but found the fast ground difficult to master. The result was a 1-1 draw with School's only goal being scored by B. Plummer.

The next college match was against Wanganui Boys' High at Wanganui. On a dry and bumpy ground School did not start to play real hockey until the last quarter of an hour but by then it was too late and consequently we were beaten 4-1. School's goal was once again scored by B. P.ummer.

The final college game was played against Hamilton Boys' High on the Webster Field. The School team failed to play the hockey it was capable

FIRST HOCKEY XI

Back: M. Broomfield, B. Plummer, K. Jordan, W. Clement, S. Underwood, P. Hodder, C. Valentine.

Front: G. Sykes, B. Simmonds, A. Kirk, G. Dyer, (Captain), R. Graham, I. Armstrong,

2nd, J. Haise (45.3) 3rd.

Fifth Form: R. Mackay (51.1) 1st, I. Pritchard (49.2) 2nd, I. Archibald (48.6) 3rd.

In the Open Championship (floor, long vault, G. Giles won the floor, horizontal bar and long vauit, while R. Mackay took the trampoline and gained more points on the rings than Giles could

G. Giles (44.4 out of 50) 1st, R. Mackay (42.8) Our thanks to Mr. Ranger and Mr. Archibald

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of and the result was a 5-1 win to the superior Hamilton team. G. Dyer netted School's only goal. Two social matches were played towards the end

of the season. The first was against the Girls' High School XI and an enjoyable game ended with a 5-3 win to the boys. The second was against the New Plymouth Old Boys' "A" team, who defeated School 5-2.

As usual we took part in the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Hockey Association annual tour-nament in the August ho'idays. This year we travelled to Tawa by railcar with Mr. Rattray as manager. School played well throughout the tournament and defeated Onslow College, Pukekohe High School, Kapi-Mana and Burnside College. We were beaten however by Hagley High School, Opunake High School and Tawa College, but each loss was only 1-0. School finished fourth in a field of eight, and B. Simmonds was selected for the Tournament Representative team which played the Wellington Co'ts at the conclusion of the tournament.

During the season four players qualified for blazer awards: B. Simmonds, G. Sykes, C. Valintine and P. Hodder. Congratulations to them, and also to those who gained representative honours: S. Underwood was selected for the Taranaki Colts; G. Dyer, B. Clements, B. Simmonds and G. Skyes in the Taranaki Secondary Schools team, and E. Arden and R. Graham in the Taranaki Under 16 team.

The players would like to thank Mr. Hill and Mr. Walton for their time spent in coaching, and Mr. Rattray for his management at the August Tournament. We would also like to thank Alistair Nickel for the organisation of the Second XI.

With the Webster Field now in use the hockey club looks forward to another successful season in 1970.

Indoor Basketball

A great interest in indoor basketball this year made it necessary to hold trials early in the season. as coaches and facilities for only three teams were available.

A Team: The A team, after winning the local C Grade competition last year and defeating Statesmen (an A grade team) in their first grading, were this year promoted to the A grade. Against older and more experienced players the standard of play quickly improved, with many close games. Although finishing at the bottom of the competition, the team played good basketball throughout the season, resulting in five of the players representing the New Plymouth Colts. Players gaining selection were G. Manning (captain), M. Wagstaff, P. Saunders, D. Knapman and G. Philp.

B and C Teams: This year the B and C teams were entered in the new inter-school competition held on Friday nights. Both teams were basically made up of new players, but as the season progressed many talented players stood out. These players should be the basis of a strong A team next vear.

Inter-House Games: An inter-House competition was run this year for the first time. As was expected the Boarder teams were hampered by lack of experience, but enthusiasm made up for any lack of knowledge.

Results of first round: West 33 v. Carrington 8; Pridham 16 v. Moyes 14; East 36 v. Central 25.

The semi-final between West and Pridham resulted in a win for West over the determined Pridham

SENIOR TEAM



Back: B. Gilbert, M. Wagstaff, P. Lister, F. Hill. Front: P. Saunders, G. Manning (Captain), D. Knapman.

team. The final saw the lead being snatched from West by the more experienced East side in the final minute of the game.

Secondary Schools' Tournament: Two teams were entered in this tournament, held at Waitara. The A team gained third place by beating Spotswood and Stratford, drawing with Francis Douglas and losing to Hawera.

In the B grade the B team played well to finish in first place after wins against Waitara and Francis Douglas and a draw against Spotswood.

Over-all, a most successful season for the basketball club, with many fine individual performances. Thanks to the dedication of the coaches, the club can look forward to another good season next year.

Life Saving

The greatly increased interest in Life-Saving over the past few years continued this year, with again a high number of examinations passed.

Forty-four boys gained Bronze Medallions, 12 Bronze Crosses, 9 Awards of Merit, 10 Instructor's Certificates, and Tony Murray, with a particularly high degree of proficiency, gained the Distinction Award. Thanks must go to Mr. Sheat, Mr. Rattray and Mr. Clouston for making this success possible.

The Smith and Easton Cup was won this year by B. Colebrook and G. Inman with a fine display of life-saving skills. Rowing

The 1969 season has proved successful, the club maintaining its prowess in New Zealand secondary school rowing with another second place in the Maadi Cup.

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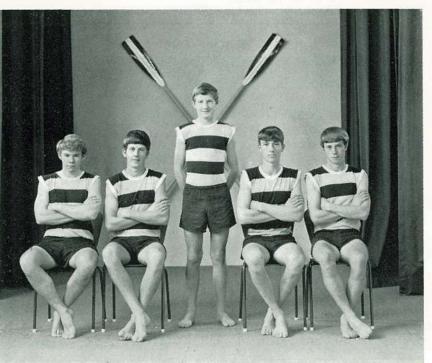
This success has encouraged increased membership and necessitated the purchase of two secondhand eights and a four from Wanganui clubs, bringing our total to nine boats.

This year the club sported a first eight, second eight, first four, fourth form eight (all permanent crews), plus a "mixed" eight and novices. We could not have done this without the generous help of Mr. Beasley, who coached the first eight, leaving Mr. Stewart free to direct all his energy towards helping younger members.

The senior eight, comprising B. Boyd (stroke), P. Hodges (7), L. O'Neill (6), F. Geck (5), D. Wilson (4), S. Mackenzie (3), G. Inman (2), R. M. Horrocks (1) and G. Winks (cox), upheld the standard reached by last year's crew. Successes included a first at the Jury Cup regatta, a third at the Wanganui Schoolboy regatta, a second at Karapiro (being "pipped at the post" by Wanganui Collegiate), and a second in the Maadi Cup the following week at Christchurch.

The trip to Christchurch was the highlight. Twenty-four boys, with Messrs. Beasley and Stewart, flew down on 28th March, having arranged to borrow boats down there; the new "bucket" oars had been

SENIOR FOUR



L. Wilson, P. Sellars, R. Tibby, W. Glass, G. Boyd.

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flown down the previous week. Competition proved strong for all crews, the eight and the four having to row two qualifying races before being able to enter the finals. The senior eight gained a first place in its heat by a "distance" over St. Andrew's, and in the semi-final took a keenly contested first from Wanganui High School. In the final, this eight rowed into second place and one and a-half lengths behind Wanganui Collegiate.

The first four had a disappointing season, finishing with a ninth in the Springbok Shield. The four comprised P. Sellers (stroke), W. Glass (3), L. Wilson (2), G. Boyd (1) and R. Tibby (cox).

The second eight, a young crew, G. Allen (stroke), M. Gibbs (7), J. Williams (6), G. Gibbs (5), J. Christoffersen (4), D. Stephens (3), S. Perrott (2), B. Colebrook (1), R. Dean (cox), finished second in the Senior B final and gained valuable experience for next season. This ragatta at Kerr's Reach terminated a very successful season. During the third term of 1968, the three Boarding Houses held an inter-House competition. The senior event was rowed in eights. Carrington took the senior and novice titles and Pridham the junior.

Early in the third term the club's shed was shifted fifty yards downstream to make way for Waitara's new bridge. At present this interior is being reconstructed; however, we are reasonably equipped to cater for fifty members, and new entrants are always welcome to come and try their hands.

Finally, the boys of the club extend their thanks to Tom Phillips (club captain) and Messrs. Jim Beasley, A. Raymer, H. Speck and J. J. Stewart for their help and enthusiasm. Mr. Stewart, who reintroduced rowing to the School in 1954 and has been the master-in-charge ever since, will be leaving for Flock House at the end of the year. It has been his unfailing devotion to both the boys and the sport which has helped the club to flourish.

SCHOOL EIGHT



Front: F. Geck, P. Hodges, G. Winks (Cox), B. Boyd, S. Mackenzie. Back: D. Wilson, L. O'Neill, G. Inman, R. Horrocks.

Rugby

Interest in Rugby remains high in the school and this season saw twenty-six teams playing in local competition, ranging from the First XV which played in the Taranake-wide Senior B competition, to two teams in the ninth grade. Many teams were well placed in their competitions and School Black and School Gold shared first place in the fifth grade A division, while Carrington won the seventh grade B division.

Many boys, too numerous to record, were selected into their grade's Representative Teams, while seven boys from the First XV toured N.S.W. with the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Team. Dai Evans was selected to play for the Centurion's Colts and Francis Hill for the Taranaki Colts.

FIRST XV

The 1st XV squad for 1969 was: F. Hill, A. Rutherford, B. Smith, F. McQueen, P. Hickey, R. Hamerton, B. Boyd (vice-captain), W. Fleming, A. Keenan, L. Dean, D. Evans (captain), G. White, M. Johnson, L. O'Neill, F. Geck, G. Mourie, A. Martin, A. Perrott, S. Morris, P. Smith, R. Horrocks and R. Bluck. The 1st XV played once again in the Senior B competition and ended up fourth on the championship ladder; college fixtures had to be fulfilled at the expense of competition points. School once again benefited from playing Senior B, finding the hard clashes each Saturday good preparation for a tough college season.

SPORTS

Seven players from the 1968 First XV added experience to a rather young but enthusiastic team which won all its college matches, something that had not been done since 1962; this earned it the reputation of being one of the best secondary teams in the country. The team equalled the college match record of 108 points, set in 1958.

During the August holidays seven School players, Evans, Dean, Mourie, O'Neill, Hickey, Smith and Keenan, were members of a Taranaki Secondary Schools' Team which made a successful tour in Australia.

MATCHES:

v. HEADMASTER'S XV. Won 22-6.

The Headmaster's team was a potentially strong one, comprising Wipatene, Waddell, Gibbs (captain), Clark, Glenn, Forsyth, Keenan, Jackson, Wright, Paul, Jolly, Washer, Murray, Cave and Blue.

FIRST XV



Back: J. McQueen, A. Perrott, G. Mourie, A. Martin, M. Johnson, F. Hill, P. Hickey.
Middle: R. Horrocks, R. Bluck, R. Hamerton, W. Fleming, A. Rutherford, S. Morris.
Front: A. Keenan, G. White, L. O'Neill, R. D. Evans (Captain), B. Boyd (Vice-Captain), P. Smith, L. Dean.

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The game was played on the Gully before a fairly large crowd. School kicked off and soon settled down. Hill kicked the first points and by half-time School led by 11-6. In the second half, School increased its lead, to win by 22-6, the first time the XV had won this match for several years. Hill played well, making one beautiful slice and kicking 10 points. Hamerton had a good day at centre, and in the forwards Mourie and Smith played well, ably backed up by Evans and Perrott.

v. ST. PAT'S, SILVERSTREAM. Won 11-0.

Though School had the territorial advantage in the first half, the half-time score was still 0-0. St. Pat's defended solidly for another nine minutes, when Evans barged over on the blind side in the tackle of two defenders. Hill later kicked a penalty and Mourie clinched with a try beside the posts, converted by Hill.

School backs looked dangerous all day, with Fleming and Hill being ably backed by Boyd, Smith and Hickey. In the forwards, Evans, O'Neill and Johnson played well in the loose and made some strong runs. Perrott and Smith worked hard in the front row, while Bluck hooked the only tighthead of the game.

v. WANGANUI COLLEGIATE. Won 30-6.

School was out to avenge last year's 15-8 defeat, which it did in grand style, with a try in the first minute as the result of quick thinking by Keenan. Next to score was Boyd, from a break by Fleming. A try by Hickey made the half-time score 9-3. In the second half tries came from Johnson, B. Smith, Hickey and Perrott, while Hill converted three tries and kicked a penalty.

The forwards went together as a pack, with good loose play, jumping in the lineouts, and hard toil in the tight. The backs too played soundly, with good mid-field breaks and enterprising kicking and tackling.

v. TE AUTE. Won 29-8.

In a fine display of attacking Rugby under wet conditions, School defeated Te Aute at Te Aute. Boyd captained in the absence of Evans. Good handling of a greasy ball was a feature of the game. Fleming and Boyd played excellently, while wingers Smith and Hamerton scored three tries each. The forwards won possession, O'Neill standing out in the loose and Martin and Mourie in the lineouts.

DAY BOYS' SENIOR XV (WINNERS OF THE KERR CUP)



Back: H. Caughley, R. Philp, G. Manning, B. Florence, H. Luffery, K. Morris. Middle: A. Keenan, N. Sole, T. Jordan, P. Lister, B. McCallum, B. Knowles, T. Fieldes. Front: G. Eversfield, R. Waddell, L. Perrott, F. Hill, G. White, P. Smith.

v. HAMILTON B.H.S. Won 21-16.

In one of the best inter-school games seen at Hamilton for a number of years, School came out the winners before a very large crowd. O'Neill opened with a try after a nice piece of play by Keenan. Hamilton came back with a converted try, but a dropped goal by Boyd made the score 6-5. Hill then added two penalties to Hamilton's one, bringing the half-time score to 12-8. In the second half, B. Smith, with a brilliant run of over 50 yards, Hill, with a long drop-kick, and Boyd with a fulltime drop-kick, made the final score 21-16.

v. AUCKLAND GRAMMAR. Won 17-3.

This match, played at Rugby Park under blustery conditions, was the curtain-raiser to the Taranaki-Bay of Plenty game.

A long range penalty by Grammar was soon equalised with a perfect kick into the wind by Hill. Just on half-time Boyd scored. In the second half School ran the ball on every occasion, and a scoring spree followed, with tries by Keenan, Hill and P. Smith, and a conversion by Hill.

The college season was now over with School undefeated, thanks to the tough training in the Senior B competition, the coaching of Mr. Carroll, the captaincy of D. Evans, and the fanatical support of the team mascot, Richard Bishop.

SECOND XV

The group for 1969 consisted of R. Duell, R. Waddell, P. Clark, N. Sole, G. Florence, T. Fieldes, M. Van Praagh, G. Eversfield, J. Christoffersen, K. Marurai, P. Fagan, P. Lister, J. Alexander, B. Feather, P. Dow, P. Hodges and S. Morris (captain).

games, losing five and drawing one. They scored wins over every school team in Taranaki except Inglewood; especially notable was a 13-9 win over Francis Douglas First XV.

the result was a 3-3 draw, the second in a row. This game was played in atrocious conditions, with G. Florence gaining our only points, a field goal.

6-0 to Old Boys, who proved much heavier and more experienced.

scored many tries in the wings, Waddell gaining eight and Clark five. Eversfield was versatile, turning out at wing or No. 8. Marurai, developing late, proved a valuable asset, as did Hodges, who was seldom outflanked. The team was ably captained by Morris from the thick of the tight play.

CENTRAL HOUSE SENIOR XV (CO-WINNERS HOUSE RUGBY)

Back: B. McCallum, F. Hill, M. Rowland. Middle: L. Borok, H. Caughley, T. Burkhart, B. Knowles, P. Manning. Front: P. Stewart, G. White, G. Eversfield (Captain), A. Perrott, D. Burkhart.

The Seconds had an average season, winning six

In the annual game against Hamilton B.H.S.,

SPORTS

The Gordon Roper Memorial Shield was lost

Though hampered by a lack of backs, School

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FIFTH GRADE DAY BOYS

Two teams were again fielded this year. The competition had no divisions this year and the Black team finished the season first equal, with White a very creditable fourth equal.

The Black team developed into a good all-round side, although they were guilty of taking things a little too easily in a few games. Players who deserve mention include B. Knowles, C. Field, J. Taylor and I. Mace in the forwards, and J. Skellern, A. Zaloum, S. Roper and J. Putt in the backs. A special mention must go to R. Scrivener whose accurate goal kicking pulled the team through some close games.

The White team, with infallible spirit, tried hard all season and were capably led by J. Patten and B. Richardson, N. Johnston, R. Dey and F. Snowden stood out as the outstanding players.

Seven of the group gained selection into the North Taranaki Reps: Mace, Zaloum, Field, Snowden, Richardson, Roper and Hutchings.

FIFTH GRADE BOARDERS

Gold. The so-called 'Gold Tradition' has once more been fulfilled with this year's Gold team coming 1st equal with Black in the competition. Team-

work was the basis of this success. All members linked together well and most of the 297 points scored throughout the season came from well thought-out tries. 21 points were scored against the team, with only six points from tries.

Yellow. Yellow also had a fairly successful season, coming fourth in the competition. It was a season of ups and downs, owing to our meeting top teams in succession and then lower teams in succession. After a shaky start, the team had several impressive wins, the main one being its victory over Black. We scored 97 points and had 98 scored against us for five wins, six losses and a draw.

The squads were:

Gold: R. Robson (captain), C. Harris (vicecaptain), G. Leonard, L. Sands, M. Kidd, B. Binnie. C. Coulton, J. Glover, M. Pyselman, B. King, J. Mander, R. Kana, M. Gibbs, G. Gibbs, J. Williams, J. Turner, B. Colebrook, A. Bone and S. Hall.

Yellow: H. Morrison (captain), G. Lind (vicecaptain), O. Worth, S. Perrott, P. Kirby. D. Stephens, S. Worth, J. Sweetman, J. Van Praagh, R. Batley, R. Sherson, M. Harris,, I. Rawlinson, G. Rawlinson, P. Brandon, R. Higman.

MOYES HOUSE SENIOR XV (CO-WINNERS OF HOUSE RUGBY)



Back: R. Te Ariki, F. Hutchings, S. Grant, G. Mourie, E. Newland, J. Christoffersen. Middle: A. McDougall, B. Ross, P. Hickey, A. Snowsill, P. Clark, P. Tocker, W. Gibson. Front: B. Price, J. Mander, L. Dean (Captain), J. Woods, M. Lawrence, K. Marurai.

UNDER 16¹/₂ v. WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

Played at Wanganui in dismal conditions, School won the match by 14-3. Tichborne opened the scoring with a penalty soon after the kick-off.

School settled down and dominated play all the first half and tries were scored by Harris, converted by Tichborne, Willis and Kydd. The half-time score was 14-0.

The second spell saw Collegiate dominate possession and win a lot of ball. However, their only points came from a penalty.

On an extremely muddy field the School backs played well led by B. Ross, who played a sound game at first five-eighth, setting up two tries. Hutchings, Phillips and Harris played well despite the wet conditions. Munro featured with some fine covering and worked well, along with captain "Woods" in the tight.

UNDER 15 v. WANGANUI COLLEGIATE

School also won this match not by such a wide margin, 6-0. School were often pressed on defence but R. Jackson and B. Isaac saved with some good kicks under the appalling conditions. School forwards, led by G. Inman, dominated line-out play and the backs spun the ball well at every chance. But the half-time score was 0-0, which led to a determined game from both teams in the second spell. This resulted in defence and attack type game.

M. McEwen put up the first points, resulting from a quick scoop-and-dive try. The conversion missed. School forwards played with more fire with Colebrook and Williams doinating with barging dashes. However, only one try resulted which came from a blind side dash with Burkhart scoring in the corner.

HOUSE RUGBY

The inter-house competition this year was organised on the "knock-out" system and after a series of interesting games in which many boys showed considerable ability, the results were:

Senior: Central and Moyes joint winners after an exciting six-all draw in the final.

Junior: Carrington, who defeated Pridham by three points to nil in heavy rain on a muddy gully ground.

DAY BOYS v. BOARDERS

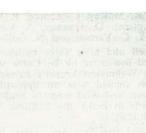
This fixture, with its long tradition of keenly contested games, proved to be one of the best. It was exciting throughout and both teams displayed skill and determination, both on attack and on defence, and the sixteen points all result was a fitting climax to a grand game.

CARRINGTON JUNIORS

(WINNERS OF JUNIOR HOUSE COMPETITION)



Back: S. Daisley, M. Gibbs, K. Ryan, J. McIntyre, G. Turner, J. Worth, L. Tuapiki, N. Ashworth.
Middle: R. Bott, B. Binnie, G. Old, J. Horrocks, B. Colebrook, D. Warbrooke, S. Perrott.
Front: M. Underwood, S. Hall, R. Batley, J. Glover (Captain), J. Van Praagh, J. Cameron, G. Lind, G. Kydd.





MOURIE AND MARTIN LEAP FOR IT

Shooting

The programme for 1969 has been successfully concluded. We have had gratifyingly few hold-ups, owing very largely to the help given us by Warrant-Officer Heath and his very small staff.

Scores, throughout, have been a little below accustomed figures, but again, this is a result of the target in use, which is smaller than that used in previous years.

Scores for the year:--

Cadet Shooting

.22-Lady Godley Junior: R. Harvey (74/75).

.303-Lady Godley Senior (200 yards): B. Waddell. 25 Yards Pre'iminary: R. R. Philp.

Bren Classification (200 Yards): A. Raitt.

School Championships

.22-McLeod and Slade Cup (Under 15): B. J. Chamberlain (65/75).

Loveday Cup (Under 16): I. Ho'yoake (92/100). Hamb'yn Cup (Under 18): P. Brandon (94/100). .303—Searle Cup (25 Yards): A. Cramp (69/90). Kelly Cup (200 Yards): R. Hone (47/60). McDiarmid Belt (Aggregate): R. Hone (115/150).

Press Shield: We entered only one team this year and scored a team average of 83/100.



SECOND XV SCRUM

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SPORTS

Skiing

This season was a good one for skiers, although it was cut short a month early.

We reversed last year's positioning in the Taranaki Secondary Schools Teams Race by coming a close second to Hawera High School A. Our team, J. Mace, S. Mace, J. Woods and C. McKenzie, did well, but due to the loss of P. Manning through a broken leg, we lost the chance of victory. In the individual times, S. Mace came second and J. Mace third

The School did not enter a team in the Hennessy Cup this year, but S. Mace was in the winning Stratford Mountain Club A Team, and J. Mace in the S.M.C. B Team placed third. This race was held in almost blizzard conditions on a hurriedly set tight giant-slalom course.

In the holidays S. Mace took part in the Mc-Kenzie Scholarship, a racer training school for undersixteen racers, which was extended over a fortnight. This was the second time that the Scholarship had been awarded to a boy from School; last year it was awarded to P. Manning.

J. Mace and S. Mace entered in the North Island Championships, with final placings seventh and eighth respectively.

S. Mace was granted a week's leave from school to attend the National Championships, and was placed twelfth out of thirty-four.

In the S.M.C. Senior Champs, J. Mace was placed second, and S. Mace was second in the Taranaki Champs. J. Mace also won the McCormick Cup.

With James Mace and Peter Manning leaving at the end of the year, it looks as if our prospects are dimmed for the following season, but let's hope that we do as well as in previous seasons. S. Mace.

Soccer

The 1969 soccer season brought mixed fortunes for the School. Seven teams were entered in he various competitions, with the First XI playing in the local Senior B grade for the T.F.A. Trophy.

The First XI had a frustrating season. The team was continually hampered by injury and sickness which affected their performances. The record of three losses and one draw in the college matches shows this.

Once again the team was a young one. Eight of last year's squad returned. They were D. Boddy (captain), K. Iveson (vice-captain), N. Collie, C. Rodrigues, D. Hannan, P. Whitwell, M. Kibby and I. Clements. The vacant positions were ably filled by R. McKay, C. Thame, A. Vernon, C. Vernon and M. Tareti. Others who played for the team were J. Le Seur, N. Rasmussen and L. Borok.

The first college match was against Wellington College at the Basin Reserve, Wellington, on June 28. Captain D. Boddy and right half I. Clements were on the sideline with injuries, but the inclusion of L. Borok helped strengthen the side. The team

was: C. Rodrigues, R. McKay, C. Thame, P. Whitwell, K. Iveson (captain), D. Hannan, A. Vernon, M. Tareti, R. Borok, C. Vernon and N. Collie.

SPORTS

School began well and after three minutes led 1-0 following a hard low drive by N. Collie which slipped through the Wellington keeper's hands into the net. Wellington replied with an opportunist's goal to level the score, and went into the lead after a goalmouth skirmish to make the halftime score Wellington 2, N.P.B.H.S. 1.

Play in the second half was very even, but a defensive blunder by School allowed Wellington to score their third goal.

Just when School needed some encouragment, D. Hannan passed to L. Borok who turned and hit a hard shot into the Wellington net. M. Tareti levelled the score five minutes from the end with a good shot from 15 yards out, and when the final whistle blew the score remained 3-3.

All players worked well, with K. Iveson, D. Hannan and P. Whitwell outstanding.

At Western Park, New Plymouth, July 12, Mt. Albert Grammar, Auckland, retained the Egmont Trophy by defeating School 4-1, in a fast and exciting match. The team was: C. Rodrigues, R. McKay, C. Thame, P. Whitwell, K. Iveson, D. Hannan, A. Vernon, M. Tareti, D. Boddy (captain), M. Kibby and N. Collie. Niels Rasmussen replaced M. Kibby at halftime.

Mt. Albert opened the scoring after 15 minutes with a lucky goal following a goal mouth skirmish. School's defence looked suspect and Mt. Albert went further ahead a few minutes later with a good goal by Auckland representative B. Munns. The Auckland team were dominating play and it was only some great saves by School goalkeeper C. Rodrigues and sound defensive work by K. Iveson that kept the score down. Mt. Albert then goaled again to make the halftime score 3-0 in their favour. The game had been played at a terrific pace and at this stage it looked as though School would be swamped.

The second half showed a changed School team. School fought back with terrific spirit and took the initiative. Their hopes soared in the 70th minute when D. Boddy scored with a left foot drive after a fine pass from N. Collie. School kept pressing Mt. Albert's goal, but despite several chances could not alter the margin. In the dying moments of the game, Mt. Albert goaled again to come out clear winners 4-1.

For School, K. Iveson and C. Rodrigues were the mainstay of the defence, while D. Boddy and P. Whitwell worked hard in midfield.

The team travelled to Hamilton where they met Hamilton Boys' High School on August 2nd in their third College match of the season. The team was the same as against Mt. Albert, with L. Borok coming into the side.

School were anxious to revenge their 6-0 defeat by Hamilton the previous year, and looked as though they would do this when at halftime the score was 0-0. School dominated play throughout the half, but the forwards had missed several opportunities.

The second half began in much the same way. However, playing with the wind behind their backs, Hamilton soon began to dominate play. School's defence was under great pressure, and they could

not link up with the forwards. Hamilton scored following a good shot which left goalkeeper C. Rodrigues no chance. Their second goal came a few minutes later after a well worked-out move completely baffled the School team.

School came back into the game and it was only some "Hollywood" saves by Hamilton keeper P. Regan that stopped them from scoring. Hamilton sealed the game a few minutes before the end after a defensive blunder allowed them to goal to make the final score Hamilton 3, N.P.B.H.S. 0.

If the School team should ever have won a game it was this one. As a team School was every bit as good as their opponents, but too many missed opportunities and defensive blunders allowed the Hamilton team to take the advantage.

School's final college match was against Wanganui Boys' College at Wanganui. For this match, six of the First XI were unable to play because of illness. Another member played although he had the flu. This left a very weak and young team.

School began well and in the tenth minute led 1-0 after L. Borok beat the Wanganui and North Island Secondary Schoolboy goalkeeper R. Hubbard with a good shot from 20 yards out. School's young team were working very hard to maintain their advantage and some extremely brave saves by J. Le Seur stopped Wanganui from scoring.

Wanganui levelled the score after a massive drive floated over Le Seur's head into the net to make the halftime score 1-1.

Wanganui went into the lead after a good move left Le Seur no chance. The School team were tiring but they kept trying. On several occasions the School players were knocked down by the fast moving and big Wanganui forwards, but some gallant play by fullbacks R. McKay and C. Thame saved the day. Wanganui goaled again a few minutes before the final whistle to make them the victors 3-1.

For School, full credit must go to third former Le Seur who performed magnificently in his first match. All players in the defence worked well, especially McKay and Thame. L. Borok and P. Whitwell were the best of the attackers.

The local competition proved to be a long and trying one for the team. After a promising first round, losing only to arch rivals Spotswood College, School slumped. A series of injuries kept several key players out of the team with a result that new players had to be brought into the side. This led to a nearly complete reorganisation of the team. By the end of the second round, School had dropped to third position behind Spotswood and Inglewood.

A new competition was started, and School were relegated to the third division Here they performed

FIRST SOCCER XI



Back: N. Collie, A. Vernon, N. Rasmussen. Middle: C. Rodrigues, I. Clement, D. Hannan, C. Thame, R. Mackay, J. Le Sueur. Front: M. Tareti, L. Borok, K. Iveson, D. Boddy, M. Kibby, P. Whitwell, C. Vernon.

well, but threw away the competition when they lost to a lowly rated team after a pitiful display.

In the lower grades, School teams once again competed with success.

Second Grade: Of the two School teams entered in this grade, the 'B' was the more successful, winning five games, losing five and drawing two. The 'A' team, consisting of sixth formers, made considerable progress during the season, although subjected to repeated defeats. Team spirit improved as the season progressed and although the team's points came from the two draws, many games were very close.

Third Grade: The 'A' team in this grade competed with moderate success, finishing in the middle of the competition with five wins. Although the 'B' team had little success, they tried hard and were a credit to the School.

Fourth Grade: This was the most successful of all the grades. Both 'A' and 'B' teams did exceptionally well in the competition. At the end of the season the 'B' team led the competition, having won all 14 of their games, while the 'A' team also did well, winning nine of their games, which put them in third place on the competition ladder. The boys from these teams were extremely dedicated, and showed a tremendous amount of skill for their age. They include J. Le Seur, M. McKoy and A. Rodrigues. With such up and coming players, the School can look forward to a bright soccer future.

Sixth Grade: An enthusiastic bunch of youngsters who played in the intermediate grade, finishing halfway up in the competition.

Although the School teams did not compete very successfully, many individual players reached representative status. In the under-14's, three players from School played in the Taranaki team at the North Island tournament in Has'ings during the August holidays. They were M. McKoy, J. Le Seur

and R. Lykles. Six of School's First X1 represented the Taranaki under-16 team. They were D. Boddy (captain), K. Iveson, R. McKay, C. Thame, D. Hannan and P. Whitwell. D. Boddy also captained a

Taranaki under-20 side which included K. Iveson. The house soccer produced several surprises this year. In the first round, Carrington defeated West by two corners in extra time after the scores were 2-2 at the end of play. Moyes defeated Pridham 4-3, while Central beat East 6-0. The second round saw Moyes go through to the final in the draw, and Central beat Carrington 4-0. The final was played between Central and Moyes, which Central easily won 5-2.

D. Boddy.

SPORTS

Softball

A new representative team from this school, in a very popular and widely played sport, was chosen early on in the first term by Messrs. Rattray and Archibald. The team comprised G. Philp, backstop, (vice-captain); T. Murray, pitcher, (captain); D. Hardie, 1st base; A. McDougall, 2nd base; G. Mourie, 3rd base; J. Katene, M. Pyselman, T. Burkhart, K. Holswich, outfielders, and J. Glover, shortstop.

The team left for Opunake to participate in the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Softball Championships. Despite the fact that they had had little or no practice, the team were dead-set on making sure they would reach the final. Out of the four games they played, they had wins against Opunake and Stratford and, having already played and lost narrowly to a more experienced Hawera team, they went into the final to face the sizzling pitching of "Foxy", the Hawera pitcher, again. In a tiring,



B. CROCKER WINS THE SENIOR STEEPLECHASE IN RECORD TIME

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but exciting game the team lost 22 to 19 despite vigorous backing (gum beating!) from the sister team across the river.

Two weeks later we had the fortune to play the Girls' High team, and only narrowly overcame the spirited (backing) and keen play of the opposite sex.

We hope that in the future this competition will extend to a Saturday draw, matching teams from all the local schools, for without a doubt there is no lack of support for this fast-growing sport. A. McG. Murray.

Steeplechase

The 1969 Steeplechase was run on Wednesday, October 8th. Rain in the morning cleared up for the event, but the course was still slippery and the strong wind remained. The courses were the same as usual: Juniors 1.8 miles: Intermediates 24 miles and Seniors 3.3 miles.

G. Towler was unfortunate to miss the previous Junior record of 10min. 47sec. by one second. Off a handicap of 50sec, Towler ran through a large field to gain second place behind H. Ries. D. Jackson, who last year won in fastest time, this year gained sixth place off 20sec and took second fastest.

B. Isaac (Pridham) ran strongly from a handicap of 70 sec. to win the Intermediate event in the fastest time of 13 min 50sec. He was followed home by P. Lockwood and J. Horrocks, both of Carrington. R. Jackson (West) took second fastest time in finishing 7th.

B. Crocker ran an excellent race off 120sec to win the Seniors easily. His time of 17min. 3.8sec. broke the existing course record by 3 seconds. Second, and second fastest was B. Gilbert (West), and third and third fastest was K. Iveson (Central). J. Alexander, off scratch, took fourth fastest to join Crocker, Gilbert and Iveson in the School team.

In over-all points, Carrington won narrowly from West, with Pridham third.

Results:---

JUNIOR

- H. Ries (Carr., 140sec.)
- G. Towler (Moyes, 50sec.)
- D. Taumata (Moyes, 70sec.)
- G. McMillan (Prid., 80sec.) 4
- A. Sellars (Cent., 120sec.)
- D. Jackson (West, 20sec.)

Fastest Times:

1 G. Towler (Moyes, 50sec.), 10min. 48sec. 2 D. Jackson (West, 20sec.), 11min. 23sec. 3= P. Mason (Cent., Scr.), 11min. 46sec. 3 = C. Bayley (Prid., Scr.), 11min. 46sec. 5 A. Williams (Prid., 30sec.), 11min. 52sec. 6 D. Taumata (Moyes, 70sec.), 11min. 55sec.

INTERMEDIATE

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B. Isaac (Prid., 70sec.)

- P. Lockwood (Carr., 80sec.)
- J. Horrocks (Carr., 70sec.) D. Giles (West, 80sec.)
- M. Spence (West., 80sec.)
- G. Giles (West, 80sec.)

Fastest Times:

- 1 B. Isaac (Prid., 70sec.), 13min. 50sec. 2 R. Jackson (West, 40sec.), 13min. 55sec.
- 3 G. Leonard (Prid., 30sec.), 14min. .02sec.
- 4= G. Allen (Carr., 40sec.), 14min. .07sec.
- 4= J. Horrocks (Carr., 70sec.), 14min. .07sec.
- 6 J. Williams (Prid., 20sec.), 14min. 10sec.

SENIORS

- 1 B. Crocker (West, 120sec.)
- 2 B. Gilbert (West, 80sec.)
- 3 K. Iveson (Cent., 100sec.)
- 4 G. Lind (Carr., 90sec.)
- 5 M. Monaghan (West, 100sec.)
- 6 N. Sole (East, 90sec.)

Fastest Times:

- 1 B. Crocker (West, 120sec.), 17min. 03.8sec. RECORD.
- 2 B. Gilbert (West, 80sec.), 18min. 30sec.
- 3 K. Iveson (Cent., 100sec.), 19min. 0.2sec.
- 4 J. Alexander (Prid., Scr.), 19min. 13sec.
- 5 G. Lind (Carr., 90sec.), 19min. 24sec.
- 6 N. Sole (East, 90sec.), 19min. 31sec.

The five fastest in each event made up the three Inter-secondary teams.

TARANAKI INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOLS' STEEPLECHASE

This year's inter-sec cross-country, held on the 18th of October, was held under cold and blustery conditions at Spotswood College. The courses were comparatively severe, with flat road stretches offset by cross-country and steep upgrades. School runners fared well in spite of the rather long distances.

In the Junior race over 2.9 miles, G. Towler took the lead at the half-way mark to win convincingly from team-mate D. Jackson. P. Mason, in finishing sixth, secured first place in the team's event for the Juniors.

Intermediates R. Jackson, G. Leonard and J. Horrocks ran soundly to finish 5th, 6th and 9th respectively in their 3.4 mile event. This gave them second place behind Francis Douglas in the team's race.

J. Alexander, in 8th position, was the first School runner home in the 3.9 mile Senior race. He was closely followed by B. Gilbert and K. Iveson, giving them second place in the Senior team's race. B. Crocker was unforunately forced to pull out after two miles while still in the leading bunch.

RESULTS:-

Junior (1st in team's event): G. Towler 1st, D. Jackson 2nd, P. Mason 6th, C. Bayley 19th.

Intermediate (2nd in team's race): R. Jackson 5th, G. Leonard 6th, J. Horrocks 9th, B. Isaac 15th.

Senior (2nd in team's race): J. Alexander 8th, B. Gilbert 9th, K. Iveson 12th.

J. Gilbert, B. Crocker.

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Swimming

The annual School Swimming Sports, held on Tuesday, 25th February in the School Baths, produced some excellent swimming and interesting competition in both age-group and championship events. Large entries in most events were a feature of the sports. During the day four records were broken.

Results were:-

SENIOR

- 100 Yards Freestyle: A. McDougall 1, D. Knapman 2, G. Manning 3. Time, 53.2sec. (Record.)
- 220 Yards Freestyle: A. McDougall 1, D. Knapman 2, G. Manning 3. Time, 2min. 16.1sec. (Record.)
- 440 Yards Freestyle: D. Knapman 1, A. Mc-Dougall 2, G. White 3. Time, 5min. 1.4sec. 100 Yards Backstroke: D. Knapman 1, A. Mc-
- 100 Yards Backstroke: D. Knapman 1, A. Mc-Dougall 2, G. Manning 3. Time, 1min. 7.3sec. (Record shared 1st and 2nd).
- 100 Yards Breaststroke: F. Hill 1, A. Murray 2, G. White 3. Time, 1min. 16.8sec.
- 100 Yards Butterfly: F. Hill 1, I. Hay 2. Time, 1min. 15.5sec.
- 133 1-3 Yards Medley: A. McDougall 1, D. Knapman 2, A. Murray 3. Time, 1min. 33.3sec. Senior Dive: D. Evans 1, P. Manning 2, P. Rutherford 3.

INTERMEDIATE 100 Yards Freestyle: C. Wetzel 1, R. Philp 2, G. Clarke 3. Time, 58.5sec.

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RELAYS

AGE RACES

33 1-3 Yards Freestyle (Under 13): R. Ridland
1, S. Parker 2, M. Guthrie 3. Time, 20.6sec.
50 Yards Freestyle (Under 14): P. Julian 1. R.

50 Yards Freestyle (Under 14): P. Julian I. R. Barden 2, A. Machray 3. Time: 31.5sec.
50 Yards Freestyle (Under 15): K. Shearson 1, M. Harris 2, M. Burkhart 3. Time, 31.1sec.
50 Yards Freestyle (Under 16): T. Burkhart 1, D. Whiteside 2, A. Nowell 3. Time, 28.8sec.

50 Yards Freestyle (Under 17): G. Florence 1, A. Grant 2, D. Marsh 3. Time, 28.1sec. 50 Yards Freestyle (Over 17): D. Evans 1, B.

Snowsill 2, L. Grant 3. Time, 27.0sec.

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

Day Boys v. Boarders: Day Boys. Time, 1.42.8sec.

A strong team of five swimmers, Andrew Mc-

The day turned fine for the sports, which the

Dougall (captain), Francis Hill, Dave Knapman,

Tony Murray and Chris Wetzel, attended the

cream of North Island Secondary Schools attended.

championships at Palmerston North this year.

House Points: 1st Central, 2nd Moyes.

SCHOOLS' SWIMMING CHAMPS

NORTH ISLAND INTER-SECONDARY

Inter-Form: 3P1 1, 4G 2, 5GH 3.

Time, 1min. 9.9sec.

(Record.)

- 220 Yards Freestyle: R. Philp 1, G. Clarke 2, K. Ball 3. Time, 2min. 33.7sec. 440 Yards Freestyle: C. Wetzel 1, G. Clarke 2,
- 440 Yards Freestyle: C. Wetzel 1, G. Clarke 2, R. Philp 3. Time, 5min. 9.3sec.
 100 Yards Backstroke: C. Wetzel 1, S. Ward 2,
- 100 Yards Backstroke: C. Wetzel 1, S. Ward 2, G. Clarke 3. Time 1min. 14.6sec.
 100 Yards Breaststroke: C. Wetzel 1, H. Clark
- 100 Yards Breaststroke: C. Wetzel I, H. Clark
 2. Time, 1min. 23.5sec.
 50 Yards Butterfly: C. Wetzel 1, G. Clarke 2, K.
- Foy 3. Time, 31.8sec.
- 133 1-3 Yards Medley: C. Wetzel 1, G. Clarke 2, K. Foy 3. Time, 1min. 39.1sec. Intermediate Dive: G. Giles 1, R. Sullivan 2, R.
- Intermediate Dive: G. Giles 1, R. Sullivan 2, R. Archibald 3.

JUNIOR

- 50 Yards Freestyle: D. Taumata 1, P. Smith 2, J. Van Praagh 3. Time 29.9sec.
 100 Yards Freestyle: P. Smith 1, J. Van Praagh
- 20 Yards Freestyle: P. Smith 1, J. Van Praagh 2, G. Old 3. Time 1min. 7.5sec.220 Yards Freestyle: P. Smith 1, G. Gally 2, P.
- 20 Yards Freestyle: P. Smith 1, G. Gally 2, P Stevens 3. Time: 2min. 44.5sec.
- 100 Yards Medley: P. Smith 1, F. Tansey 2, B. Lambert 3. Time: 1min. 19.6sec.
- 50 Yards Backstroke: D. Taumata 1, P. Coleman 2, P. Smith 3. Time, 36.3sec.
- 50 Yards Breaststroke: P. Smith 1, R. Geden 2, D. Morris 3. Time: 41.2sec. Junior Dive: P. Urbahn 1, W. Kydd 2. R. Murray
- 3.



ON THE WAY-

Results were:— Andrew McDougall gained 2nd place in 110 yards

- Senior Freestyle.
- Dave Knapman was 6th in both 440 yards Senior Freestyle and 110 yards Backstroke finals. Chris Wetzel was 3rd in the 110 yards Junior
- Freestyle and 4th in 220 yards Junior Freestyle.

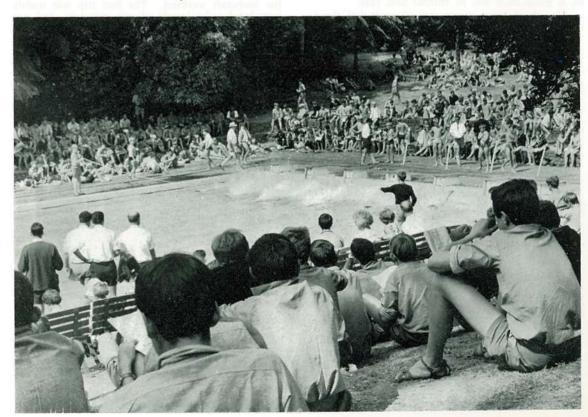
Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Rattray for managing us on the trip.

NEW ZEALAND SWIMMING CHAMPS

Congratulations to Andrew McDougall, who represented Wellington at the 1969 N.Z. Swimming Championships at Newmarket pool in Auckland. Andrew gained 8th fastest time in New Zealand over 110 yards—a fine effort for his first year as a senior.

NEW ZEALAND SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPS

G. Manning, D. Knapman, R. Philp and P. Rutherford were members of the Fitzroy Junior Six-Man R. & R. team which won the national title of the New Zealand Life Saving Champs at Gisborne. They were members of the Fitzroy Junior March Past team which took 3rd place. G. Manning, D. Knapman and P. Rutherford were members of the four-man team which gained 2nd place. D. Knapman and R. Philp competed in the Junior Surf Teams' race in which Fitzroy gained 2nd place.



SPORTS

Tennis

The standard of tennis this year was once again high with four boys on the Taranaki Junior Ladder: S. Dyer, G. Dowdle, G. Skellern and A. Zaloum.

In the first term School played Hamilton Boys' High at Hamilton. The School team went down to a strong Hamilton side in blustery conditions and only one match was won. However, there were several close three-set matches and the team wasn't disgraced. The team was G. Dyer, G. Dowdle, A. Zaloum, M. Hine, L. Borok, D. Evans.

The next game was against Stratford High School. The second team played Stratford and beat them easily by 8 matches to 1. The team was M. Hine, L. Borok, D. Evans, I. Duff, L. Dean and E. Pita. The same team then played Wanganui Collegiate and defeated them 9-nil.

In the first term, the first team joined up with the Girls' High and entered in a Taranaki-wide interclub competition, in which only one loss was suffered. The boys in the team were G. Dyer, G. Dowdle, L. Borok and D. Evans, with a master, Mr. P. Dwyer, filling in on one occasion.

Tennis in the third term started late with a B and C grade team entered in the Northern Division Inter-club competition and is faring well, causing the interest in tennis at the school to reach new heights, especially amongst the boarders. It is hoped an A grade team will be entered next year.

The third form tournament showed that there is a lot of promise in the younger players at school, with P. Sim winning the tournament.

SPORTS

A strong West House team won the Stevenson Cup for inter-house tennis, defeating Pridham 4-2 in the final. The team was A. Zaloum, D. Sim, P. Sim and T. Laurence.

G. Dyer.

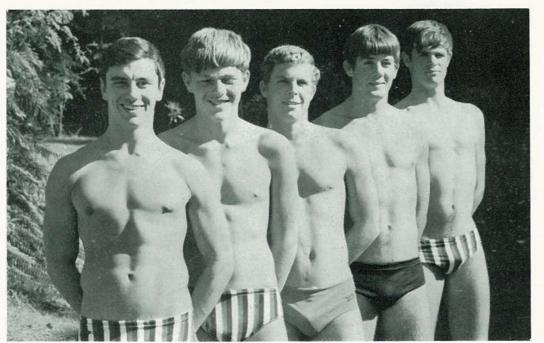
Tramping

This year the tramping club had several varied tramps, not only on the mountain, but in the ranges and elsewhere too. Eight tramps in all were fitted into the year's programme. The skiing season was short this year, but two trips to the Maunganui skifields showed up definite potential and a number of new skiing methods not seen previously on the mountain. Juniors and seniors alike careered down the slopes, some on skis, some airborne and some on their backs.

A meeting early in the year resulted in the enrolment of some 120 members into the club. A committee was elected comprising J. Mace (club captain), J. Woods (secretary), D. Bunn (treasurer), G. Eversfield, R. Robson, R. Wilson, A. Cramp, S. Mace and R. Pywell.

The club awaited the return of Mr. O'Neill during the second term, but word arrived that he would be staying in America. The club acquired new items of equipment, consisting of two axes, a shovel and a spade. These proved valuable, especially on the bushcraft weekend. The first trip was mainly intended for the benefit of new members, and was from Carrington Cottage to Mangorei Hut, the club's two buildings in the National Park. Carrington Cot-

SCHOOL SWIMMING TEAM



A. MacDougall, C. Wetzel, A. Murray, D. Knapman, F. Hill.

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tage was also cleaned up, but constant destruction by vandals makes maintenance of the hut difficult.

Some highlights of the season were:

Summit Trip, 23rd March: Mr. Mace again led the party of some 90 boys up the East side of the Mountain from the Plateau to the Chimney at the crater lip. Conditions were very windy and cold, and in the crater visibility was only a few yards. Owing to these conditions, the party crossed the crater and left immediately via the North Entrance, descending in groups to Tahurangi Hut, where we had lunch at about 3 p.m.

After this we returned to the plateau via the Round-:he-Mountain track, arriving weary but triumphant.

White Cliffs Trip, 13th April: This trip was arranged by Mr. Tomasi who led the tramp along the Kapuni pipeline above Whitecliffs to a Pa where we had lunch on top of the cliffs. After the tide had receded and we had explored the Pa, we descended to the beach through an old tunnel, through which stock used to be driven and taken along the beach to Borthwicks. On the beach we found many specimens of the semi-precious stone Taranaki Jasper. Several points of interest and the historical legends with this tramp made it very popular and successful, being attended by about 90 boys.

Junior Bushcraft Weekend, 4th May: This year 40 boys attended this event and camped above Carrington Cottage. Many built bivouacs, some veterans from previous year's week-end trips took tents, while some real optimists slept under the stars. The food was good and plentiful, thus few starved over the weekend. On the Sunday, a party tramped to the Kiri Stream and constructed a rope bridge across it. The course was conducted by Mr. Morton and a few Senior boys. A similar trip is planned for later in the third term.

A weekend trip to Waitonga Falls was planned, but it seems doubtful whether there will be time for this, owing to examinations. The club wishes to thank all the masters who were involved in the club this year and hopes for their help again next year.

R. D. Wilson.



ON THE MOUNTAIN

NEW PLYMOUTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS - 1969

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	PERFORMANCE	SCHOOL RECORD
ENIOR— Championship 00 Yards 20 Yards 40 Yards 80 Yards 80 Yards 80 Yards 90 Yards hree Miles 20 Yards Hurdles ong Jump tigh Jump top, Step and Jump Discus hot Put avelin	P. J. Hickey P. J. Hickey P. J. Hickey B. J. Gilbert B. D. Crocker J. A. McQueen P. D. Lister A. K. Martin K. Marurai R. J. Robson R. D. O. Evans R. J. Robson	J. A. McQueen S. Hall N. Sole P. Phillips B. J. Gilbert C. A. Lind H. McIntyre K. Marurai R. D. O. Evans G. Eversfield R. Snowsill A. K. Martin E. Pita	A. B. J. Smith N. Sole P. Clarke M. Monaghan P. J. Phillips A. K. Martin G. Eversfield G. Eversfield R. D. O. Evans D. Hardie R. Snowsill D. Hardie	10.7 sec. 24.2 sec. 54.6 sec. 2min. 7sec. 4min. 42.6sec. 15min. 38.2sec. 16.2 sec. 20ft. 2in. 5ft. 7in. 40ft. 6in. 125ft. 10½in. 37ft. 8½in. 131ft. 4in.	10.2 sec., K. T. Williams, 1964 22.9 sec., R. C. Johns, 1959 51.5 sec., K. T. Williams, 1964 2min. 1.8sec., L. J. Purdy, 1962 4min. 39.4sec., J. M. Miller, 1960 15min. 38.2sec., B. D. Crocker, 1969 14.5 sec., R. C. Johns, 1959 21ft. Bin., A. G. McIntyre, 1937 5ft. 7½in., D. W. Martin, 1960 43ft. 10½in., P. A. Johns, 1962 188ft. 0½in., N. H. Edmonds, 1968 14ft. 6½in., N. H. Edmonds, 1968 175ft. 8in., J. K. Lay, 1955
NTERMEDIATE— Championship 00 Yards 20 Yards 140 Yards 180 Yards 180 Yards 10 Yards Hurdles ong Jump 1gh Jump 1op, Step and Jump Discus 10 th	B. W. E. Binnie B. W. E. Binnie M. S. Johnson B. R. Barnard M. S. Johnson B. W. E. Binnie C. M. Field D. H. Whiteside F. A. Hutchings F. A. Hutchings	S. Underwood S. Underwood M. G. Kibby J. Gilbert J. Halse A. Russell M. Kibby A. Nowell M. Pyselman T. M. Burkhart D. A. Buchanan	P. Raymond P. Raymond P. Kirby D. Buchanan B. W. McConachie T. Burkhart M. Pyselman M. Pyselman T. M. Burkhart R. Lawrence T. M. Burkhart	10.5 sec. 24.2 sec. 53.7 sec. 2min. 13.5sec. 18min. 45sec. 15.3 sec. 19ft. 5in. 36ft. 8in. 126ft. 0Jin. 48ft. 3J ₂ in.	10.4 sec., K. T. Williams, 1962 23.6 sec., T. J. Jordan, 1968 53.7 sec., M. S. Johnson, 1969 2min. 7sec., L. J. Purdy, 1961 16min. 42sec., P. Simpson, 1966 15.3 sec., M. S. Johnson, 1969 20ft.8åin., L. C. Kjestrup, 1937 5ft. 4in., A. K. Martin, 1968 40ft. 2in., J. K. Lay, 1953 162ft. 5åin., W. Garnham, 1966 48ft. 3åin., F. A. Hutchings, 1969
IUNIOR— Championship 100 Yards 220 Yards 440 Yards 110 Yards Hurdles	V, B. Te Mata P. R. Field D. J. Taumata V. Te Mata	P. Field D. Taumata P. R. Field M. Burkhart	C. Bromley C. Bromley G. Simmons C. Bayly	11.2 sec. 27.0 sec. 58.8 sec. 16.3 sec.	10.7 sec., B. W. E. Binnie, 1968 24.1 sec., B. W. E. Binnie, 1968 57.0 sec., P. H. Rowe, 1963 15.4 sec., A. K. Martin, 1967 T. H. Burkhart, 1968 2min 15 Seer. M. Martin, 1965
380 Yards .ong Jump High Jump	D. J. Taumata G. C. Bond H. P. Clark	G. Towler P. R. Field D. Willis	G. Simmons C. Kibby D. Jackson	2min. 24.7sec. 15ft. 11½in. 5ft. 0½in.	2min. 15.5sec., M. Martin, 1965 18ft. 14in., B. W. E. Binnie, 1968 5ft. 04in., H. P. Clark, 1969
GRADED EVENTS— Senior 100 Yards A 8 220 Yards A 8 440 Yards A 8 880 Yards (Hdcp.) One Mile (Hdcp.)	B. J. Bason J. M. L. Western R. M. Hamerton J. M. L. Western P. J. Phillips D. A. Warbrooke J. R. Styles J. R. Styles	R. M. Hamerton S. Akins P. Phillips I. Armstrong C. Gyde R. Lawrence P. V. Dow S. L. Grant	R. Waddell P. Brookfield J. Mace B. Cato K. Wiggans S. Hall R. J. Bluck	11.1 sec. 11.7 sec. 26.5 sec. 26.5 sec. 59.3 sec. 62.5 sec. 2min. 11.1sec. 5min. 5.8sec.	
Intermediate 100 Yards A 220 Yards A 440 Yards A B C 880 Yards (Hdcp.) One Mile (Hdcp.)	D. H. Whiteside B. A. Fleming P. J. Hampton C. R. Coulton A. F. Keenan P. J. Hampton I. M. Scrivener I. D. Archibald P. I. McGiven B. N. Isaac J. M. Gilbert	A. Keenan P. Cook S. Morris D. Whiteside D. Prentice B. Corkhill H. Phillips K. T. Sherson B. King R. E. Kana B. N. Isaac	L. Sands G. Spooner P. Gordon E. Peters I. Archibald C. Clough G. Leonard P. A. Fraser B. McConachie D. J. McGiven N. C. Ashworth	11.3 sec. 12.1 sec. 12.6 sec. 25.9 sec. 26.2 sec. 29.7 sec. 58.1 sec. 1min. 4.4sec. 1min. 4.4sec. 1min. 16.0sec. 5min. 3.7sec.	
Junior 100 Yards A C 220 Yards A B C 880 Yards (Hdcp.)	L. J. Tuapiki P. M. Meuli R. R. Manson L. J. Tuapiki J. A. Miles A. G. Dick R. W. Lawson	K. Bennet D. Strawbridge A. Coulton P. Struthers K. Gunderson R. Manson P. Horrocks	G. Fraser M. Herdman K. Gunderson W. Taylor D. Strawbridge M. Pope P. McDougall	12.2 sec. 12.1 sec. 13.3 sec. 28.9 sec. 29.2 sec. 29.7 sec. 2min. 17.9sec.	
Under 131 100 Yards A B 220 Yards A B 880 Yards (Hdcp.)	K. R. Bennett A. B. Middleton K. R. Bennett G. L. McMillan F. Tansey	G. Old D. Mana D. Turner A. Sellars J. Gilmer	D. Turner A. Bayly G. Old S. Kjestrup C. Cole	12.6 sec. 12.8 sec. 29.1 sec. 29.8 sec. 2min. 28sec.	
OTHER EVENTS— Day Boys v. Boarders 6 x 110 Yds. Relay	Boarders			1min. 10.6sec.	1min. 9.1sec., Day Boys, 1959

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CADETS

Commanding Officer: Wing Commander D. D. Archibald.

Second-in-Command: Major A. N. Wilson. Adjutant: Lieutenant J. J. Stewart.

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY-

Officer Commanding: Flight Lieutenant R. W. Baunton.

R.S.M.: W.O.1 N. J. Collie, Range Officers: Lieutenant E. J. Jennings, Lieutenant O. J. Oats.

Map-Reading Instructor: Mr. W. J. Morton. Orderly Room: Corporal K. H. Iveson.

A COMPANY

Officer Commanding: Captain M. C. Carroll.

C.S.M.: Sergeant T. I. Phillips.

No. 1 Platoon Platoon Commander: Corporal R. D. O. Evans.

Corporals S. Morris, J. Power.

No. 2 Platoon Platoon Commander: Lieutenant G. J. Burridge. Corporal A. B. Snowsill. Corporals R. Horrocks, P. Heaven, A. McDougall, P. Phillips.

No. 3 Platoon

Platoon Commander: Lieutenant L. R. Hill. Sergeant H. J. Tuffrey. Corporals M. Rowland, P. Saunders.

No. 4 Platoon Platoon Commander: G. D. Eversfield. Sergeant T. R. Fieldes. Corporals D. Jackson, J. Western, R. Snell.

No. 5 Platoon Platoon Commander: 2nd Lieutenant D. Mossop. Sergeant N. E. Phillips. Corporals W. Kydd, H. Caughley, B. Armstrong.

No. 6 Platoon Platoon Commander: I. T. Clement. Corporals E. Cottam, J. Engle, L. Dean.

B COMPANY

Officer Commanding: Captain A. J. Sheat.

C.S.M.: W.O.2 I. A. Holyoake.

No 1 Platoon Platoon Commander: Sergeant R. C. Rea. Sergeant G. A. Lind. Lance Corporals T. Jordan, N. Sole.

No. 2 Platoon Platoon Commander: 2nd Lieutenant J. A. Codd. Sergeants C. W. Harris, C. J. Hall.

No. 3 Platoon Platoon Commander: Lieutenant B. E. Rattray. Sergeants M. C. Broomfield, P. Huitson.

No. 4 Platoon: Platoon Commander: J. W. Jury. Lance Corporals A, Raitt, S. Ward.

C COMPANY

Officer Commanding: Captain R. E. Brine.

Officers: 2nd Lieutenant J. Walton, 2nd Lieutenant M. R. Herbert.

C.S.M.: W.O.2 S. B. Perrott.

No. 1 Platoon Platoon Commander: W.O.2 M. R. Kidd. Sergeant E. C. Taylor.

No. 2 Platoon

Platoon Commander: Under Officer P. D. Smith. Sergeant I. C. Pritchard. Lance Corporals S. Roper, A. Mason, K. Holswich.

No. 3 Platoon

Platoon Commander: Sergeant P. C. Hutton. Lance Corporals P. Parsons, C. Vernon, D. Barnard, C. Carter.

No. 4 Platoon (Band) Mr. T. J. Nalder, Mr. T. I. Gibbs. Sergeant A. W. Vernon

Sergeant A. W. Vernon.

D COMPANY Officer Commanding: Captain R. G. Sinclair.

Second-in-Command: Lieutenant E. M. Meuli. C.S.M.: W.O. 2 D. V. Hannah. No. 1 Platoon Platoon Commander: W.O.2 S. A. Anker. Sergeant B. G. Knowles. Lance Corporals R. Lykles, J. Smith, B. Leathley. No. 2 Platoon Platoon Commander: Under Officer L. F. Borok. Sergeant D. H. Whiteside. Lance Corporals R. Russell, G. Phillips, S. Beaven. No. 3 Platoon Platoon Commander: Sergeant N. A. Lander. Lance Corporals S. Bruce, J. Young. No. 4 Platoon Platoon Commander: Sergeant C. V. Berridge. Lance Corporlas C. Snowden, S. Whittle. A.T.C. Officer Commanding: Flying Officer E. J. Abraham, D.F.C. Officers on leave: Pilot Officer W. A. O'Neill, Pilot Officer R. A. Raymer. S.W.O.: W.O.2 J. P. Dallas

A Flight Flight Commander: Sergeant B. A. N. Simmonds. Sergeant J. A. McQueen.

B Flight Flight Commander: Sergeant R. E. Glover Sergeant B. J. Bennett. Corporal I. Armstrong.

C Flight Flight Commander: Sergeant S. G. Bone. Sergeant S. A. Smith.

D Flight Flight Commander: Sergeant T. V. Penn. Sergeant A. W. J. Wells. Corporal M. I. Ries.

N.C.O. QUALIFICATIONS, 1969

N. A. Adams, A. A. Aish, A. J. Armstrong, D. J. Barnard, K. L. Broadmore, C. R. Burn, C. E. Carter, G. I. Clarke, A. L. Cole, D. R. Dallas, I. G. Duff, T. C. Foster, K. G. Fougere, G. L. Fraser, J. B. Gilbert, R. S. Hall, K. R. Holswich, R. E. Hone, C. M. Ibbotson, G. M. Julian, C. E. Langley, B. W. Leathley, D. E. Lykles, R. L. Lykles, T. J. McMillan, V. J. McMillan, A. R. Morine, P. T. G. Parsons, M. W. Pillette, R. M. Power, S. R. Ray, C. J. Ridland, D. B. Roebuck, S. Roper, R. J. Russell, L. M. Scrivener, J. B. Smith, C. R. C. Vernon, C. M. Wetzel, B. S. Whiting.

CADET BATTALION NOTES

The Battalion had over 700 cadets in its ranks this year A very high standard of drill was attained and this was reflected when the Battalion paraded on Pukekura Park on Anzac Day.

The Battalion was fortunate in having three Under Officers who qualified at a camp at Papakura. They were G. D. Eversfield (A Company), P. D. Smith (C Company) and L. Borok (D Company). Six Warrant Officers also qualified at a camp at Papakura. They were W.O.I N. J. Collie, who was R.S.M. this year, and W.O.2's I. A. Holyoake, S. B. Perrott, D. V. Hannah, M. R. Kidd and S. A. Anker, who worked well during the year and attained a very high standard.

During the May holidays 40 boys qualified on the N.C.O. course at Linton.

A COMPANY

Stage 3 training saw the senior company take to the hills again. With five officers between six platoons, activities in the field were diversified to enable each platoon to have an individual approach to training.

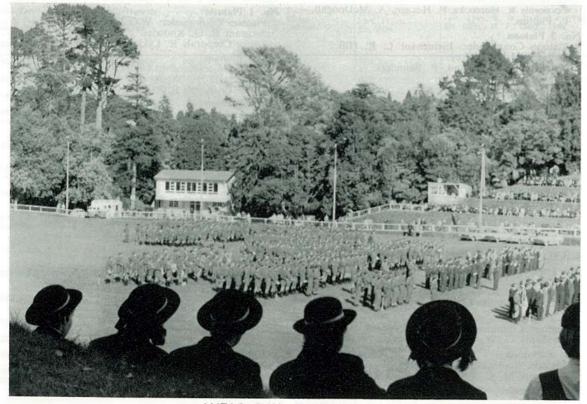
CADETS

An early exercise at the Waiwakaiho River proved most worthwhile, with a trailer being successfuly launched and the C.O., Captain M. Carroll, getting some first-hand experience at "personal flotation." In the first bush exercise, Upper Mangorei Road was invaded. After a display of fire power and bivouac building, the platoons moved into their areas and set up camp. At ten o'clock two boys injured themselves after a fall over a bank. Both were effectively transported to the road by other cadets and taken to hospital.

Anzac Day was one of the few activities in which A Company participated with the whole Battalion.

The final manoeuvre held in the third term, involved tramping from Carrington Cottage to the Upper Mangorei area. Again individual bivouac areas were set up and the following day a display was given by one platoon on survival in the bush.

The good spirit and co-operation with which all Company activities were undertaken is just reward for the unfailing enthusiasm of the officers, without whom these ventures would not be possible.



ANZAC DAY, PUKEKURA PARK

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B COMPANY

Captain A. Sheat was B Company's C.O. this year and led a varied and successful year's training. Instruction was given in drill, weapon training, map reading and first aid. The Company also had a shoot on the School range with .22 rifles and at Rewa Rewa with .303 rifles and Brens. A high standard was reached in all aspects of training.

An exercise involving map reading was carried out at East End beach.

Although to the cadets Stage 2 training may seem a little ordinary and basic, it is important preparation for the advanced Stage 3 training they will receive next year in A Company.

C COMPANY

C Company was involved with the Stage 1 cadets whose training involved basic introduction in ranks and customs, weapon training, drill and field craft.

All cadets enjoyed a shoot on the .22 range and No. 1 platoon also had a Bren shoot on Rewa Rewa Range.

Captain Brine as O.C. and Under-Officer P. Smith, took the company through the syllabus, all boys obtaining a very high standard. This standard was seen in the number of times 3 platoon won the flag against Stage II and III cadets.

During the year a number of boys from B Company attended an N.C.O. course; 5 became sergeants and 3 corporals.

All the training was tested on the last cadet day to round off the year.

D COMPANY

Throughout the year D Company was also included in drill, visual training, field craft, shoot at .22 range (with the exception of No. 1 platoon who had a Bren shoot at Rewa Rewa).

Under the able leadership of Captain Sinclair and Lieutenant Meuli, the Company completed most activities with a high degree of success.

D Company was represented by four boys at the Sergeant's course, with three qualifying as Sergeants. A very high standard in all activities was shown by No. 2 Platoon.

BAND

Mr. Nalder and Mr. Gibbs must be congratulated on the high standard they have attained with the Band this year. It performed admirably on Anzac Day and also on Battalion Parades.

A.T.C.

Although the A.T.C. was without Pilot Officer W. A. O'Neill and Pilot Officer R. A. Raymer, the Officer Commanding, Flying Officer E. J. Abraham D.F.C., successfully carried out a varied programme.

C and D Flights, which were Stage 1 cadets, made very good progress and their marching on Battalion Parade was of a very high standard. B Flight also made good progress during the year and won the marching flag twice.

On the final cadet days, A Flight went for an overnight camp at the Waiwakaiho River. Activities included river crossing, compass marching and bivouac building. The camp was a success and thanks must go to Warrant Officer Noble and Flight Sergeant Inkersole for their planning and help with the camp.

The N.C.O.'s contributed a lot to the Squadron and thanks must go to them for the time they gave up to go to camps at Ohakea and Dip Flat.

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Astronomy

The Apollo 11 mission highlighted this year's club activities. In conjunction with the Tikorangi Observatory, several members took an active role in the American moonwatch programme during which a glow in the crater Maskelyne was observed and the report relayed to the astronauts via Houston Space Centre. A glow in the crater Aristarchus was also observed by a club member using the school's 6" Reflector.

During group exercises using portable telescopes, we received useful instructions on night sky identification and some good sunspot observations were recorded by members during lunch breaks.

Several members have been collecting the various components to build their own instruments and with help and guidance of Mr. Gush some of these telescopes should be nearing completion early next year.



THE U.S. MOON (Taken at Tikorangi on 20th July)

At the end of the second term, the club arranged a display of instruments and astronomical literature in conjunction with the Arts Festival.

We are appreciative of the facilities of the Tikorangi Observatory which have been readily available to us and the club is indebted to Mr. Whelan and Mr. Gush for the time and effort they have devoted to helping our members.

Band

This year has been one of the most successful in the history of the school band. Membership now totals about forty-five and great strides have been made by all in general playing ability. Special credit must go to those boys who have shown great patience in the handling of many of the very old instruments. The fact that many of these instruments are so old is hampering any chance of the Band's competing in any Brass Band Championship Contests.

Sincere thanks must go to our Headmaster who has made every effort to secure a few new instruments, and to the boys who have spent hundreds of dollars in buying their own instruments. Because of the limited availability of instruments about twelve new boys have joined the ranks this year and because the prestige of the band is rapidly developing, there is over a hundred boys on a waiting list.

The increased standard of the band has resulted in seven major appearances, four short recitals at morning assembly and experience in "playing on the march" at Military Drill Parades. The success at the Taranaki Music Festival encouraged our conductor, Mr. Gibbs, to make arrangements for a trip, which culminated in a three day stay at Palmerston North. This was a highlight of the year and besides extensive sightseeing trips, the band played at three concerts.

A few weeks after its return from Palmerston, the band performed at the highly successful Boys High Arts and Music Festival. Other engagements have included playing at Merrilands and participation in the Lions Christmas Parade.

Because of the regular attendances at the usual Wednesday night practice the band is using music which is more ambitious than that of past years, the repertoire ranging from marches to novelty items. Mention must be made of the tremendous effort by our solo cornetist, Alan Ormrod, in the



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playing of the Haydn Trumpet Concerto—a work generally attempted by very few bands because of the difficulties in the music.

The Jazz group continued this year, but due to lack of music its appearances have been limited to the performing of a work, arranged especially, by the well known music personality, Mr. Norm Cumming.

Our thanks to Mr. Gush for his general assistance and finally to Mr. Gibbs for his untiring enthusiasm and determination to raise the standard of the band.

Chalet Classroom

Five forms went to the East Egmont Mountain House during the first term and three during the third term. Almost all boys in the fourth form took part in the Chalet Classroom this year.

The same basic programme as in previous years was followed, classroom lectures being taken in the morning, a tramp in the afternoon, and diaries and lectures from visiting speakers in the evenings. An all-day tramp was conducted each Thursday and many different parts of the mountain were visited by different groups.

Many thanks must be given to the Park Board Chief Ranger, Mr. Mawhinney, for his lectures on the park, to Mr. Whelan for astronomy and Mr. Bublitz for zonation. These men gave up much of their time to come up to the mountain to give their specialised knowledge to the boys. A special vote of thanks must go to Mrs. Mace, who provided for the comfort of the boys, and to Mr. Mace, who accompanied us on all our Thursday tramps and gave us the benefit of his many years of experience as a bushman and mountaineer.

Probably the highlight of the year was the visit on the 30th September of a production team from "Town and Around" who spent the morning with us filming a programme which was subsequently shown on WNTV1. Boys who took part in this were most impressed by the goings on of this team of three.

Valuable work was done by each of the classroom groups in track maintenance on their park service morning, and the chief Ranger has expressed his thanks for this work. Next year a new track through the emergent forest is to be a project undertaken by the Chalet Classroom groups.

The enthusiasm with which the boys attacked their household chores is aptly expressed in the words of one boys who said, "We may not have been turned into men, but we have certainly been turned into housewives.

Chapel

This year our Anglican service in St. Mary's Church has resumed its original form, being attended by the boarders of both High Schools. A combined choir was formed at the beginning of the year and was soon able to give a strong lead to the congregation. Mr. Nalder and Mr. Gibbs are conducting regular practices and are also playing the organ for the services. We congratulate and welcome the new vicar of St. Mary's, Archdeacon G. A. Butt and wish him a long and happy ministry in New Plymouth.

The boarders' scripture classes have been held on Tuesday nights during the year. Talks and films of a general nature have been arranged for all those not involved in the one term's scripture course.

Communion services are again being held in the School library at 7 a.m. on the last Sunday in each month.

A thorough series of confirmation classes, lasting over two terms was given by the Rev. G. Ginever. The confirmation service for the boarders of both schools was held on Saturday, September 20th. It was the first confirmation to be held in St. Mary's by Bishop Johnston, who was appointed to the Waikato Diocese at the end of last year. Boarders confirmed were: G. W. Bartlett, G. W. Bason, D. G. Baxter, P. W. Baylis, C. R. Brown, N. R. Brown, J A. Bryant, J. D. Bullick, J. P. Burton, C. G. Cole, A. J. Coulton, K. T. Gunderson, A. J. Handley, E. S. Hargreaves, D. J. Harkness, J. S. Houston, B. N. Isaac., J. R. P. Kay, K. G. LeLievre, G. L. McMillan, R. J. Newland, G. D. Rawlinson, G. Rendall, H. M. Ries, T. D. Ross, G. K. Shearer, G. N. Sherley, R. P. Sherriff, G. D. Simons, P. R. Stevens, D. J. G. Taumata, G. L. Towler, D. A. Turner, C. W. Walker, E. Wilcox, S. P. Wright.

Supper was provided in the School lounge after the service. It was again attended by the confirmands of both schools, and by their parents, relatives and friends.

We welcome back the Presbyterian School Chaplain, the Rev. L. V. Watkins after his year's exchange ministry in America. Our sympathy goes to Mr. Schroeder in his illness and we look forward to the resumption of his work with the Methodist boarders.

The Vicar's Message

With an increasingly greater emphasis on scientific studies within the secondary school, the Church is faced with a difficult task in making the Gospel relevant. There is absolutely no conflict between science and religion; some very eminent scientists are faithful Christians. However, Christianity deals with subjects which can't readily be weighed or measured. It is concerned with absolutes like truth and beauty and goodness and love. These are things which are beyond proof of the scientific kind, but are nevertheless part of man's experience.

When people fall in love they find their own ways of expressing their love to the person for whom they have these feelings. But when a group of people want to express their homage to a person they have to find a common medium of expression. For example, the National Anthem is the way we collectively express our homage to the Queen. Accordingly the Church has devised orders of service as the best way in which, in its experience, people can together express their common love of God. Worship, like many things worth having, takes some understanding, and we are making changes in the orders of service to meet changing times.

An endeavour is made in St. Mary's and in the other churches to make the services for the school students meaningful, but the task isn't an easy one.

Debating

The debating club wasn't as active this year as in 1968, mainly because of a lack of enthusiasm and the fact that the senior members were often occupied with other responsibilities. We would like to see an increase in junior membership next year as this is the key to improved debating strength in years to come.

After one initial meeting in which debating techniques were discussed, there were two main de-bating nights—a debate with Spotswood College and the House Debating Competition.

The debate with Spotswood College took place on Sunday, 8th June at 7 p.m. in Room 25, the motion being "That professionalism kills sport." Spotswoods' team, consisting of Michael Collier, Margaret Tompkins and Pat Scriven, took the affirmative and School (Paul Lister, Brett Gilbert, Charles Rodrigues) took the negatve. Although School had some good material, Spotswood's presentation was far superior and they won easily. The outstanding speaker of the night was Spotswood's leader, Michael Collier, ably backed up by the two female members of his team, who had a considerable effect on the predominantly boarder audience. Thanks also should be extended to the Chairman Mr. Codd and the Judge Mr. Stewart for their control of the debate.

The Inter-house Debating Competition for the Senior Debating Cup (presented by the Wellington Old Boys' Association) took place on Monday, 18th August in Room 25 in conjunction with the School Arts Festival. Three debates were held and the best team judged over-all:---

First Debate. Motion: "It is better to be a Spaceman than a Caveman." Affirmative: Central House (Charles Rodrigues, Louis Borok, Ian Clement. Negative: West House (Keith Bastin, Paul Lister, Brett Gilbert). Debate won by West.

Second Debate. Motion: "Sex Equality is Im-Affirmative: Pridham House (Peter possible." Withers, Lawrence Wilson, Paul King). Negative: East House (Gary Hutchinson, Tony Nowell, Robert East). Debate won by Pridham.

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Third Debate. Motion: "War is never worth winning." Affirmative: Moyes House (Bruce Marshall, Peter Clark, Warren Tatham). Negative: Carrington House (James Worth, Paul Phillips, Neville Phillips). Debate won by Carrington.

Over-all winning team: West House.

Mr. Codd was Chairman for the debates and the judge was Mr. Manning Reeves, who gave some very constructive and enlightening comments after the debates. Best speakers of the night were Brett Gilbert and Peter Withers, the latter's team displaying considerable wit and humour.

The Junior Oratory was held on the same night. All boys in the 3rd and 4th forms participated. Semi-finals were held on the morning of 18th August, when Mr. Sheat and Mr. Meuli chose 10 finalists.

The final was held in Room 25 before the de-bates. The judge was Mr. S. Hayton, and Mr. Codd introduced the speakers.

The speakers and their topics were:

Anthony Wilson: "The Fourth Dimension." Gary Fraser: "Teachers." Robert Young: "Maoris of Today and Yesterday." Grant Fraser: "Birch the Basher." Desmond Whelan: "Flying Saucers." David Buxton: "The Congo." Richard Gray: "Chimpanzees." Geoffrey Dunn: "Sir Thomas More." Gary Henderson: "Space Travel." John Markland: "Nuclear War."

Results: First, Gary Fraser-an entertaining portrait of three of 4P1's teachers. Second, Desmond Whelan. Third equal: Anthony Wilson, John Markland. And so debating ended for another year. The club would like to thank Mr. Codd for his organisation and we look forward to an improved debating standard next year.

MOYES BOYS IN THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR

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Drama

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Drama in the school is going through a difficult period, mainly through lack of leadership. The club was run by Mr. Gordon until his departure at the end of the second term; as a result the only drama production of the year was the house play competition, presented to the school at the end of the first term. Only the boarding houses presented plays, run on two successive nights, the first for third and fourth formers and the second, the competition, for staff, public and fifth and sixth formers.

The competition this year was won by Carrington, who presented "Passion, Poison and Petrification" or "The Fateful Soda-Siphon", by G. B. Shaw and produced by Paul Phillips. A comedy thriller, it dealt with petty jealousies in a light-hearted vein.

The Moyes play was called "The Trap", produced by J. Mace and A. McDougall. This play, of a more serious nature, depicted the scene in a Welsh coal mine when the shaft collapsed. This play was placed second.

Pridham's entry, "The Doubtful Misfortunes of Li-Sing", written and produced by P. Withers. A satirical comment on boarding life, the play gained considerable audience appreciation and contained some subtle sarcasm.

The adjudicators for the evening were Messrs Whelan and Halliburton. The plays were judged on their sets, acting and production. The competition was close, with only one point separating Carrington and Moyes and seventeen Moyes and Pridham. The evening concluded with the presentation of the Drama Club trophy by Mr. Alexander to the Carrington producer.

The club would like to extend its thanks to Mr. Gordon and Mr. Whelan for running the club for the past four years and also to Mrs. Gordon and Mr. Nalder, who have frequently assisted with makeup and costumes.



1969 has been a disappointing year for the Interact Ciub. The first meeting saw the election of the officers; those elected were: President, Norm Collie; Vice-President, Ian Holyoake; Secretary, Chas Rodrigues, and Treasurer, Graeme Sykes.

However, the membership was very small and the club almost lapsed into inactivity. The only activity participated in was the sale of sample bottles of Maui I oil. This project was arranged by the New Plymouth West Rotary Club to raise funds for a pool at the Roslyn School for Intellectually Handicapped Children. The club was allotted the area east of Coronation Ave-Eliot St. With the assistance of boys living in this area, the club sold 1736 bottles. The bottles were sold for 30c, of which 10c went to the club. Thus we made \$173.60 profit and handed a cheque for \$347.20 to N.P. West Rotary Club.

The main reason for the lack of interest is that boys do not know what Interact is about.

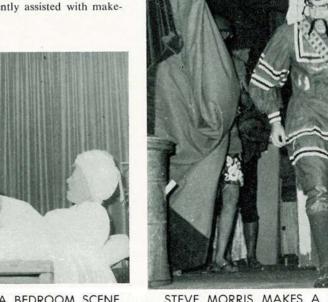
What is the purpose of Interact? "To provide an opportunity for young men to work together in a world fellowship dedicated to service and international understanding."

What does an Interact Club do? It carries out various service activities. Constitutionally, each club is required to have at least two service projects annually involving most of the membership. One must be in the field of creating international understanding; other local service projects may contribute in that they may be fund-raising projects to finance, for example, an exchange student.

Does Interact have any goals? Yes. To recognise and develop constructive leadership and person-



CARRINGTON BOYS-A BEDROOM SCENE



STEVE MORRIS MAKES A MIGHTY MOVE

al integrity. To encourage and practise thoughtfulness of and helpfulness to others. To create an awareness of the importance of home and family. To build respect for the rights of others, based on recognition of the worth of each individual. To emphasise acceptance of individual responsibility as the basis of personal success, community improvement and group achievement. To recognise the dignity and value of all useful occupations as opportunities to serve society. To provide opportunities for gaining increased knowledge and understanding of community, national and world affairs. To open avenues of personal and group action leading to the advancement of national understanding and goodwill toward all peoples.

Why should a school welcome Interact? Because Interact is dedicated to the principle of service, serving school and community, and because it extends the horizons of its members through its principles of international understanding. It thus reinforces and extends the work of the school.

These are a few answers to the many questions concerning Interact. It is hoped that next year will be an active one for the club. Remember "Service above self".

Library

A considerable effort has been made this year to encourage the learning of library skills, and Mr. Gordon has produced a detailed programme of purposeful library work for all levels. It is to be hoped that this work will continue and that all boys will learn to make full use of all that our library can offer.

A number of new books have been added to the shelves this year and a few old ones removed to make room for these. Money from library fines for the past two years amounted to \$68.56 and this was spent on new books. The science section has been built up and we now have a fine range of biology reference books. The sports section has been greatly added to, with books on unusual sports as well as the latest publications on cricket and Rugby. The music section has also been increased.

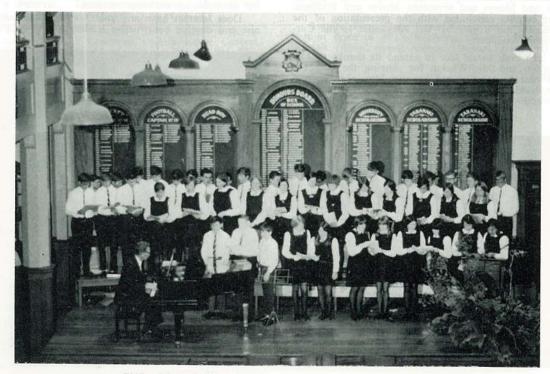
The library has acquired a peg-board display stand which has proved very worthwhile and provides a focus of visual interest. Displays have been presented on Travel and Exploration, The History of Printing, Fine Arts and Vocations.

During Arts Festival Week the library was the venue for a full display of visual arts and was visited by many boys and parents. It is hoped that the library will be used more often for the exhibition of boys' paintings.

We have had fewer pupil-librarians this year and it is hoped that there will be no difficulty in recruiting a keen team for next year. The following boys have helped through the year: M. L. Broomfield, R. Paulin, R. Wilson, S. Mace.

Mr. Gordon left at the end of the second term after two years and two terms as teacher-librarian. His inovations and contributions in that time have benefited the whole school.

The school is always grateful for the experience and competence of Mrs. McLaughlin, and it is largely her effort that gives our library its quality.



THE COMBINED CHOIR AT THE ARTS FESTIVAL

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Music

Musical activity has expanded in the School this year and there has been a perceptible improvement of standards. Most of the increased activity is directly related to the increased size of the music staff and the increased opportunity for musical performance.

At the beginning of the year Mr. Trevor Gibbs, an old boy of the School, was appointed to the staff, and his work with the band and learner brass classes has made a big difference to the standard of performance attained by the Band. Mr. Alton Rogers, who has taught woodwind instruments and piano at the Girls' High School for some years, came to the School at the start of the year as a part-time tutor of woodwind instruments. Mr. Leslie Coton joined the part-time music staff early in the year to teach stringed instruments and woodwind. Both Mr. Coton and Mr. Rogers have already had an impact upon the musical life of the School and next year should see some very interesting developments in instrumental music.

A choir was formed early in the year on a combined basis with the Girls' High School and has achieved a very good standard in the time it has been practising. Another rather specialised choir consisting of boys only has also been established, and the standard reached is most commendable.

Probably the most notable feature of music in the School this year has been the number of opporCLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

tunities given for public performance. The Band has been invited to play at many external and internal functions; both choirs have performed within the School, at the Arts Festival and at various functions in town. These opportunities are most important in the development of music in the School because they give the various groups a definite aim in their work.

It has also been noticeable that boys in the music room during class periods are far more prepared to discuss matters of musical interest than they were a few years ago. This would appear to indicate that the School as a whole and individuals within the School are starting to develop an awareness and consciousness of music as a pastime and as an art form which can bring pleasure to everyone.

Combined Choir

At the beginning of the year a Combined High Schools' Service was re-introduced at St. Mary's Church by the new Vicar, Archdeacon Butt, who requested that a choir should be formed to lead the singing at the service. With the joint co-operation of Miss Wilson, Principal of the Girls' High School, and Mr. Alexander, a plan for a combined choir was established. The recruiting of choir members commenced immediately and eventually, by the third Sunday in February, a choir of twenty girls and twenty-one senior boys made its first appearance in the chancel of St. Mary's Church.

Practices have been held on Tuesday evenings, at the Girls' High School, and on Friday afternoons,



ARTS FESTIVAL-THE SCHOOL CHOIR

at St. Mary's. Attendance at practice is usually considered as a measure of the efficiency and keenness of a choir and it is pleasing to note that, throughout the year, very few choir members have missed more than one or two practices. Indeed without the two hours' weekly practice the choir could never have attained the high standard it has consistently produced. All except a very few members were totally inexperienced in choral singing at the start of the year.

Despite many difficulties concerning music reading, the choir gradually achieved a degree of competence and had become a well-balanced and skilful ensemble by the time it met the challenge of its first public performance as part of the School's Arts Festival at the end of the second term when it sang several sacred and secular works to a most appreciative audience.

In the third term, the choir was invited to perform as part of a public concert sponsored by the "Save the Children Fund" Committee. This concert was given at the War Memorial Hall in New Plymouth and the Choir's contribution was given an appreciative reception and evoked favourable comment from the Mayor, Mr. D. V. Sutherland, and the local Press.

So that choir members will have a memento of their musical experiences throughout the year, a recording has been made of the music they have learned during the year, including works performed at the Arts Festival and in the Church.

The members of the choir feel that they have been involved in a worthwhile activity. This is reflected in the fact that only one member left the group during the year. It is hoped that now this institution has been established it will continue to flourish during the future years, and that other High School pupils will recognise the musical and social advantages of the Combined Choir.

Special Choir

At the beginning of the year a small group of enthusiastic boys formed a special singing group with the idea of giving those who had already achieved a degree of musical competence the opportunity to study works of a serious and demanding nature. Two works were selected early in the year, namely, "Mass for Three Voices" by the 16th Century composer William Byrd, and "Rejoice in the Lamb" by the 20th Century composer, Benjamin Britten. These works, both of major proportions, enabled the choir to gain experience of the entirely different techniques required in the singing of polyphonic music and music in the 20th century idiom.

The first performance of the Byrd Mass was given at the Taranaki Secondary Schools' Combined Music Festival. Despite the brief time available for practice and rehearsal before the festival, the Choir gave an intelligent and creditable performance under adverse singing conditions.

On Saturday, 19th July, the Choristers were the guests of the New Plymouth Civic Choir at their annual concert in the War Memorial Hall. The evening proved to be both interesting and stimulating because the major work in the first half of the programe was "Rejoice in the Lamb", performed in conjunction with four visiting soloists, including Marriane Gray, a well-known New Zealand contralto, who, later in the term, sang at the School's Arts Festival as a guest artist.

At the end of the second term the Choir presented both its major works at the Arts Festival. The Mass by this time had gained polish and the performance was much better balanced. The presentation of "Rejoice in the Lamb" was not as good as it could have been because the already small soprano section was depleted by an epidemic of influenza. However, the four soloists, bass N. Collie, tenor N. Phillips, alto V. Hutchinson and soprano I. Urquhart, acquitted themselves very well indeed.

This year's work has been very rewarding for all members of the Special Choir and it has been most satisfying to end the year by making a recording of three parts of the Byrd Mass as a reminder to members of their work throughout the year.

Members of Choir. Basses: N. Collie, W. Kibby, R. Paulin, R. Glover, B. Lay, B. Feather, W. Taylor; Tenors: N. Phillips, J. Grange, P. Kirby, N. Faull; Altos: I. Urquhart, V. Hutchinson, R. Taylor, D. Thompson, C. Graham, S. Wright.

Philatelic Club

The School Philatelic Club resumed meetings at Wednesday lunchtimes in Room 28 after the May holidays. There have been good attendances at most meetings and Room 28 has assumed the air of an auction market as collectors have bought, sold and exchanged stamps. The club has regularly received the N.Z. Stamp Monthly magazine to keep members aware of new issues. There have also been available copies of the latest stamp catalogues so that members can see the value of the stamps. It is hoped in the near future to purchase a New Zealand Specialised Catalogue for the benefit of members.

Club members M. Baker, G. Jury, V. and G. Hutchinson and Mr. Watson contributed material for an exhibit as part of the Arts Festival held at the end of the second term. One feature of this exhibit was the high standard of presentation, especially amongst the junior members. The exhibit received commendation from all who saw it.

Health stamp sales were down this year on last year, perhaps because there were three stamps instead of the usual two, and because the designs have fallen off in quality.

The highlight of the philatelic year was, without doubt, the National Stamp Exhibition Tarapex, held 6-11th October. Two club members entered, G. Hutchinson gaining two bronze medals in the open class, and V. Hutchinson gaining a certificate of merit in the junior section.

Although it was not possible for a school party to attend the exhibition, bus boys were allowed a period off to see it. On display were stamps from all over the world and some rare and unique items were featured.

It is good to see the club so active under the guidance of Mr. Watson after two years in recess, and it is hoped to enlarge the scope of its activities next year.

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Student Christian Movement

Looking back over the year's programme, one may ask what it has achieved. Certainly not the impact of Rugby, the Hansard Cup or the Tramping Club. Yet these too are all part of life. What then is the purpose of the S.C.M.? Surely to challenge. And what more challenging than the faith that goes back four thosuand years into Arab history, and still, through creative ferment, is challenging all countries today. At the heart of that faith, unchanged for half its history, are incredible happenings and affirmations about a Person. Countless millions of ignorant and learned, rich and poor. of every colour and language, give allegiance simply saying, "That Person is alive, Godlike and has helped me to life."

Perhaps the S.C.M. will not really come alive in the school, until a small group of Seniors, either convinced Christians from their own churches or those questioning, are determined to probe Christian history for answers to many riddles. It is good that we have four masters, Mr. Wright, Mr. Wendelborn, Mr. Melvin and Mr. Barnitt, attempting to challenge us.

We are always grateful for visiting missionaries, this year including a singing, swinging, guitaring group from America. A record of the most memorable may rekindle the challenge to life. Mr. Worrall brought his slides of South India. We have also had Moral Re-Armament films showing youth on the march in that fascinating land.

Rev. David Brett gripped us with his work with the Cross and the Switchblade teenage gangs of New York. Tribal life of the Philippines was brought in colour slides by Miss Gwen Lay. Mission to Lepers and Bible Society films are always outstanding. Primitive life in the Upper Amazon, and in the jungles of New Guinea, where fighting with poisoned arrows is still a national pastime, rocked us.

Who will forget Pastor Wurmbrand's passionate story, or Shell Oil's "Food and Famine", or Bishop Wilson's "Singapore Story" in the notorious Changi P.O.W. Camp? What does it all add up to? A rough Cross. The answer is more fundamental to life than getting to the moon.

Whistle

"The 'Whistle's' with it; 950 saw it; the boys did it." This sums up the success of this year's swinging periodical. Containing details of the School's year in all activities, and sold to a record number of subscribers, it is still produced entirely by a group of enthusiastic senior boys. This fourteenth year of publication saw some exciting and exotic inovations. By expelling advertisements, the space of typescript was nearly doubled, the number of photographs tripled, front and back pages were revised, and new features appeared, all utilising a smaller number of pages.

Our policy comprised seven main objectives:

(a) A coverage of events of academic, sporting or cultural interest;

(b) The fostering and encouraging of all groups and clubs and the moulding of the newspaper into an organ of interest to all pupils, whatever their activities;

(c) Lighter reading and entertainment from time to time;

(d) Information on the more distant past of school activities and a brief outline of forthcoming events;

(e) The featuring of special current interests;
 (f) A photographic record of the year's activities;

activities; (g) The encouragement of pupils' opinions and original contributions.

During the year many school institutions and pursuits were covered in fourteen issues, from prefects, racing and Rugby, to the Arts Festival and the Chalet Classroom. If these facets of school life did not receive deep coverage in central features, they were reported regularly in shorter articles. New "regulars" to be introduced included personality columns, "Points to Ponder", "Scene by Periscope", "Natural Gas" and "What's On?" Individual students were able to see themselves in group photographs; 384 boys' faces were actually identified in one issue.

Written material in general was of high quality; for this the editorial staff is to be congratulated. The photography too, was again of a high standard.

Thanks are extended to the Commercial Printing staff of Taranaki Newspapers; their endless patience with our shortcomings was appreciated. Thanks too, to Mr. Herbert for the many hours he gave up to assist us.

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LIGHTS OF HOME

The winds buffet my small dinghy, And the waves spill freely aboard As I strive, though not successfully, To keep my craft afloat.

Bailing with all my might For my life depends on it, I happen to glance through the pitch black night And see a small and friendly light.

Slowly through the white flecked waves And all the wind-whipped fury, I make my way to that welcoming light Where two warms hearts await me.

Ray G. Taylor, 3P4.

FAR AND NEAR, UNDER THE SUN

Sea shell, sea shell, Sing me a song, O please. What kind of secrets do you hide, Behind your shelly walls? Of ship-wrecked mariners, high and dry, Beyond the Spanish Main? Or bloodthirsty pirates and buccaneers Riding the waves in ships filled with gold And with cutlasses jewelled and fine?

Or do you dream of peaceful scenes Of islands far away, Where never a human foot has trod Upon the golden sands, Where palm fronds sway with the breeze Atop the slender palms?

Oh, sea shell, sea shell, Sing me a song, O please.

Ray G. Taylor, 3P4.

NIGHT WANDERER

The sound came clear, my blood ran cold, For when courage is needed, I'm all but bold, I saw the legs all scaly and red, The rest of the body resembled the dead. The trees reached out, their branches searching; The ravens chuckled, on branches perching-And then it struck, that blood-curdling scream-My sister awoke from another weird dream.

B. Land, 4P3.

INNOCENCE

What is wrong with love and peace? A baby sleeping knows more I'm sure than all the men with guns and war. They die and never really work out why. The child turns restlessly and yawns and sighs. But it needs no reason or excuses And on waking is still capable of low and high. Better to live than die. Better to love Than know the reason why. Innocence never suffers, for It does not understand the cry Of peace and war.

L. Borok, 6A.

DRIFTWOOD

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Jutting up from among the smooth weather-beaten stones. Jagged, gnarled and bleached by ever-present sand. salt and wind,

Washed up by fierce, raging storms,

Stripped of their covering and turned pale by the weather:

Crushed by stones, rolled and turned by foaming tides.

Forever being joined by more silt and debris.

B. J. Sim, 3P1.

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a new happiness.

were much like sheep.

lambs upon the meadows.

to take.'

tenance.

celebration.

outcome.

And the young, affected by the wickedness of

the evil stranger, went out into the streets and con-

gregated on the street corners, where they talked and

pondered. Soon they grew wondrous different from

their seniors. And they liked it and were filled with

hobbits (who called themselves Squires) and ungentle

hobbits (whom the gentle hobbits called hobbits)-

all congregated at the village hall and the village

"Verily, 'tis foul and I am fain to know what action

sage presided over the solemn gathering:

In the meanwhile the village hobbits-gentle

"Men of Brinkle-Brook, the plague is upon us!"

They trembled and another spake forth and said.

"Yea!" they all chorused in unison-for they

"Our sons and daughters seem much as the questing beasts." And thus the gathering spake most solemnly of the situation. And after many days of

cogitation they rested and repaired to the ale-houses,

for they were very fat and greatly in need of sus-

they emerged in Spring, but they were shattered, for

the warm weather had merely enhanced the growth

and the rot had multiplied much as the new-born

wizard of Godzone-Sir Godfrey B. of the ancient

house of Bowen, and muchly rejoiced when he

arrived. And they danced a little (for they were

very fat) and ate a lot, for it was a time for great

upon his fiery steed, Sir Godfrey B advanced with red-striped lance and gilded sword. And he set up

his quarters in a great field and prepared himself

for battle with the evil Jagger, and his preparation was long, for he was of Godzone.

was amidst strange rumblings and toxic gases in a

fearsome chariot of thin armour-plating. And the

hobbits were amazed by its great eyes and trans-

loud and the blows hard and a great dust rose

around them and they were obscured from view.

The people of Brinkle-Brook watched with great

interest the first day and brought with them tumul-

tuous piles of food and the picnic was long and much

enjoyed. But interest in the battle waned and after

the eighth day they left the field and retired to their

homes, leaving some poorer folk to watch for the

come very thin and were in dire need of food, and

they left the great field. And in the middle of the

field was a vast cloud of dust from which came the

After the seventh week these poor folk had be-

Several years passed and the citizens of Brinkle-

parent sides and drew back in fear.

cries of the battling wizards.

At great length Jagger arrived, and behold! He

And a mighty battle ensued and the cries were

Resplendent in his glistening armour and proud

With hope in their hearts and ale in their bellies.

In desperation they summoned the great white

ODE TO LIFE

Life consumes years of time, From birth to death it passes, It cannot be stopped or turned back, Like a clock that is fast, Though many wish that this was so. When young, the time lags, And one wants years, for maturity; But soon it is realised how quickly, Youth goes when age is upon us. Oh, how I wish my youth was again, But alas! These are futile thoughts. The aged can only remember, And dream of life and time passed. It is so hard to live with this reality, Of growing old, but it must be faced. Three score and ten is little time. To live with nature on this earth. But more will grow old and remember Past life, both happy and sad. Life will go on with time,

G. A. Rail, 5P2.

A MEDIOCRE TALE

Once upon a time in the far-off land of Godzone there stood the sleepy sun-baked village of Brinkle-Brook where the yellow waves lapped and curled against the grey collars of sand. The inhabitants of Brinkle-Brook were nice people, upright and Godfearing, and, although small of stature, were loud of voice. These happy folk loved to talk; they cared not where-at the banqueting tables, in the ale houses and at supper, of which they partook most

An evil magician named Merlin Jagger appeared. The amplification of his arrival was heralded by scrolls of yellow parchment which appeared on the walls of all the taverns. And he cast a great spell upon the young Brinkle-Brookians and they were filled with rebellious thoughts and they became enshrouded in a strange growth as the evil magic flowed over them. As he screamed amidst the loud wailings of his strange harp, the magician instilled fear into the hearts of all who beheld him and lo! they were sore afraid and watched with trembling knnes and the grass grew relentlessly and throttled the ears of corn.

DESTRUCTION OF TIME

with no joke. It used to play with me but I lost. So, I destroyed it. Time is a game, with no fun. It used to excite me but it hurt. So. I destroyed it. Time is a word, with no end. It used to amaze me, but it fooled me. So. I destroyed it. Time is a life. with no destination. It used to puzzle me but it beat me. So, I destroyed it. Time is a language, with no dictionary. It used to help me. but it hindered me. So. I destroyed it. Time is time, a laborious task. It used to move. but it stopped. So. I destroyed it.

D. G. Baxter, 4P1.

FIRE

Out of the smoke-filled trees they came, Behind them towered a giant of flame; Rabbits and deer, birds in the sky, All sorts of animals racing by,

Still the fire comes surging on, Everything behind it gone; At last the flames begin to quiver; A water barrier is the river.

The last tree crashes down: Nothing left-not a sound; Ashes sprinkled miles around: Nothing moving on the ground.

The panic of this dreadful scar Will spread its evil wide and far; But nature will again create, And living things regenerate.

T. Snowdon, 3P3.

frequently. They were very fat.

One day a great pestilence fell upon the town.

Only if time ceases to be.

Brook no longer visited the battlefield, for they had lost all interest. They had grown accustomed to the strange diseased growth on their young and thought little about it. In fact, everyone except the two wizards lived happily ever after.

C. Rodrigues, B. Gilbert, 6A.

THE TWILIGHT WATCH

Down through the gathering mist On the edge of the lake crystal clear, Fall gently the sparkling snowflakes To a glistening bed of luminous white.

Only a slight breeze disturbs the air, Creeping through pine-needles green Like whispering to my ear, And silently the dusk advances.

My camp-fire dies as the night grows old To a bed of red glowing embers, While through the night, far away, A wolf howls to his pack, And my team of trusty huskies, with ears pricked high, Growl softly, answering to The call of the wild.

Ray G. Taylor, 3P4.

CORRUPTION OF CONVENTION

"The time has come," sly Ishmael said, "To talk of many things: Of bombs that bloom—and income tax— Of ravages—and flings— Why politics are boiling hot— And whether death has wings."

"But wait a bit," the Students cried, "Before we have our chat; For some of us have mixed-up minds And other things like that." "Do hurry!" said the Radical. "You know you're on the mat."

"A book of rules," sad Ishmael said, "Is what we chiefly need: To understand both ugly sides Of poverty and greed— If you follow me, my students, You won't agitate or breed.

It is good of you to sit, And help us stamp out vice." The students all said nothing but "I've read this red book twice. The answer is in Mao's thoughts And comes from eating rice."

"My flowers!" said bad Ishmael, "We'll die here in the sun, The others all can rot in hell!" Dissensions there were none: And this was scarcely odd, because They'd converted every one. L. J. Old, 6A.

MAN

Man walks on the earth and moon. Mars next! How soon? Man has achieved a lot: People starve, people rot!

The automated world of today, To the pauper is far away. Week after week, weak after weak, They die like dogs in their sleep.

T. Snowsill, 6H.

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

HELL'S REVOLUTION

If I stop and look around me, I see the tall gold blackboards that surround me, Going round and round in endless fusion. Breaking now, with brilliant colours— Colours pale and in confusion. Brilliant rays of endless dazzle, Staring words and foreign tongues All mixed up in one big whirlwind, Ready to burst in a golden sunset.

Birds are flying round this halo, Striving to make a break for freedom, Caught up in the race of piercing sunlight Still rotating, round and round.

Get me out! Get me out! I'm stuck in God's hell and I can't get out. People are moving in living centrifuge, Subterranean fires of burning people, Living forms, but nothing I know. Just the race, the race for heaven Striving to make the greatest possession Of all creation under the heaven.

They don't know, they can't care, The heat is on and they all start spinning, Tumbling, falling, right through heaven. Meeting the sun on their own level, Seeing concrete pillars so hard and so tall No one can move them, the fire leaves them still Stubborn and steadfast, through good and all evil

At devil's command, The world and its people.

T. E. Sampson, 5P2.

LOST IN THE DESERT

Struggling on through the glowing heat, Sweating, they tread on the boiling sand. Up! the side of a sand dune. Down! the side of a sand dune. "Palm trees" they yell, Or a mirage from hell. Half dead, Half mad. Onwards they struggle, Through the sand and sweat-Some water left yet-Onwards they struggle Through the sands and the dunes. Onwards! repeat, Never retreat! As the sands of the desert grow cold in the night, The pride of the lost ones is mingled with fright. Sagging, choking, dropping down; The last has collapsed—a heap on the ground. The water drips out of the canteen.

D. Thompson, 3P3.

WASTE

Sun shimmers on a ruffled ocean lapping into a silent shore, wasted. Soaring white wings hang in a coludless sky of an endless deep blue, unnoticed. People shuffle among a concrete jungle of noise, machines and time, unwanted.

K. A. Morris, 6A.

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DREAM HOUSE

Hollow-nested haven. O thou peaceful son of green How you rapture, capture peace; Peace, resting unseen among the flowers. Birds do sing To the paroxysm of Peace, When I, walking, stalking turmoil Within your scent, do simmer And pacify these grinding thoughts. Influence of peace Quiet now; floating, hovering Sounds—lonely yet warm—secure.

M. G. Tuffery, 6A.

RETREAT

Sparkling dew on willow-white Would shine with crispness, Crunched by the frost-bound boughs; Bowing, bending under a weight Delightful to bear. Come, drift through a make-believe world; Captured, held for that brief second When all is calm, And the agonies are held afar.

M. G. Tuffery, 6A.

THE ROCKER

He's a misfit, the sort you don't want to know. He rides a machine and man can it go, A 650 twin; cool as ice, With his bird on the back—very nice. When out in the open—the devil may care; Fast rushing wind, free flowing hair. With open throttle he's hit the ton. It's more than a thrill, more than just fun. It's a world apart, just he and his bike Cruising along, he can do what he likes. An escape, perhaps, from everyday blues. But I'd swap with him now if able to choose. R. Dallas, 4P1.

GARDEN GLORY

Sea of colour With air, saturated scent, like a blanket Of whimsical being, covering Suffering, seems, by the light of revelation: Revealing latent bursts of glory (Coloured throughout with aroma-angelic.) Of such—no man living—if he be—will ignore. Search further: The unfolding of splendour is paradoxical In its manipulation of unseen riches. Whether 'tis flower, tree, bird Flight is unthinkable as, agog, One bathes, basks in warmth.

M. G. Tuffery, 6A.

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

THE SEA

The sea glistens and gleams, Like a picture in a dream. The wind blows gently, Making ripples and tiny waves. The waves grow bigger And tumble and turn; They swish and swirl And gleam and curl And splash with a crash On to the pebbly beach. The bigger waves lap and slap, And reach the dark black sand; Then they slowly subside, Over and under the pebbles With a loud SWISH!

R. W. Pearce, 3P1.

WINTER

The air about is cold and chilled; A blanket of leaves covers the sleeping grass And the last of the leaves Flutter to the ground as graceful as butterflies. A cold south wind whistles through the trees, Waking them from sleep. Their long arms Reach out and sway madly; Pointing their bony fingers in every direction. The black clouds form over-head And race across the sky. Suddenly there is a flash of lightning, A clap of thunder! And spears of rain Attack the earth from out of the dark sky.

R. W. Pearce, 3P1.

ME ON MY TREE

I am a leaf Upon a tree, A leaf upon a tree-that's me! I love to sit, and look, and see From my place here on my tree. But summer's past and I can see, Autumn coming to my tree. Autumn's here now, Can't you see I'm turning brown. Too bad for me! Now I'm falling from my tree. I fear this is the end of me.

OLD BOYS' SECTION

FROM THE PARENT ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting for 1969-70 took place, as usual, on Sports Day at the School. The following officers were elected: Patron, Mr. G. J. McNaught; President, A. W. Lander; Vice-Presidents, O. A. Masters, T. N. Wolfe; Secretary, R. S. Street; Treasurer, D. R. Denham; Committee, J. West, A. N. Wilson, L. R. Bublitz, L. V. Giddy, D. D. Archibald, J. O. Morton, J. V. McIntyre, I. S. Jones, J. Raine, G. Earl; Auditor, J. D. Ridland.

The Executive has met on six occasions since its election, and much business has been discussed, the most contentious subject being the New Assembly Hall Appeal Fund and ways and means of improving its financial position. To those Old Boys who have contributed we express our sincere thanks, to those who haven't we suggest it is not too late to do so.

Successful activities this year were the Combined Old Boys' and Old Girls' Cabaret held in the Girls' Assembly Hall in August and the social get-together at the Tasman Hotel after the Wanganui Collegiate v. First XV Rugby match at New Plymouth in July. Our congratulations to the South Taranaki Branch for a most successful, well organised and efficiently run golf tournament at Te Ngutu in June. The Parent Association has also had one or more of its Executive attend Annual Meetings and functions in other centres, these visited this year being Wanganui, South Taranaki, Wellington, Hawke's Bay, Poverty Bay, Waikato and Auckland. Generally these functions were well attended and certainly much enjoyed by all taking part.

Three masters, all with outstanding length of service to the School, T. N. S. Watt (33 years), R. R. Penney (26 years) and J. J. Stewart (21 years), are leaving the School this year. Tom Watt and Bob Penney are retiring, and on behalf of every Old Boy we extend to them our warmest wishes for a wellearned retirement. John Stewart leaves to take another appointment and to him we extend our best wishes for a most successful and happy period as Principal of Flock House. Old Boys throughout the country will also be pleased to learn of Alaric Wilson's appointment as Deputy Head. He is no stranger to the School, having been on the staff since 1956 as well as being an Old Boy. We congratulate Mr. Wilson on his appointment and wish him a happy and successful period of office.

In conclusion we, the Executive, appeal to every Old Boy to pay the small annual subscription required to join the Association, and take an active interest in the everyday happenings of their old School.

New stocks of Old Boys' Ties have arrived. Those who ordered them during the reunion will have them posted to them. Any one else who wishes to purchase one can order one from the Secretary.

NEW PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1968

Gentlemen, I have the honour to report as follows:-

The School Reunion, 12th-15th April, 1968

The Jubilee Celebrations marking the School's 85th Anniversary were the highlight of the year under review. Full details of the proceedings appeared in the Association's notes in last December's "Taranakian" and it is unnecessary to comment at length in this report. However, it is pleasing for your Executive to acknowledge completion of the Jubilee film. This production was made possible through the helpfulness and hard work of the Charters family to whom we are greatly indebted. Its cost has been met partly by those who attended the Reunion and partly by the School. In the immediate future it will be invaluable for branch visits



THE SCHOOL IN 1915

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and in later years as an archive depicting in a lively way an important event in 1968.

I sincerely thank all who helped to make the Reunion the very great success it was, in particular the Headmaster and Mrs. Alexander and the members of the Reunion Committee, a large number of Old Boys' wives who worked very hard, and the School staff for their non-stop work in catering for those who attended.

With costs as they are today we were unable to budget for a large profit from the Reunion, indeed, the margin was rather fine; after meeting the final commitment on the film it appears the profit will be just under \$100 from total registration receipts of \$5832. This latter figure does not take into account contra items such as hotel deposits, income from sale of ties and blazer badges, and donations to the Hall Appeal.

It is regretted that the supply of ties has not yet been received from the manufacturer. Those Old Boys who paid for ties during the Reunion will receive them immediately they come to hand.

The Assembly Hall Fund Appeal

The fund is now increasing slowly and at the time of writing this report we have a total of \$18,185 banked and invested after paying all expenses connected with the launching of the appeal towards the end of 1966. We acknowledge the support given by a large number of Old Boys through the pledge system by which means we are hopeful that moneys will continue to accrue to the fund over several years. To all who will be reading this report in the next issue of the "Taranakian" in December, 1969, I renew the Association's most urgent appeal for financial contributions towards this project. Apart from construction of the Assembly Hall itself there will be a continuing need for funds to provide essential equipment and facilities to make it a functional building with seating, lighting and sound amplification of best standards.

It is not within my province to anticipate an approximate date for the long awaited commencement of the new block's construction but your Executive is hopeful most of the delays are now behind us. Since the amalgamation with the Technical Department in 1927 it is doubtful whether any event or undertaking has occurred having such farreaching significance for the School's future development as will the new School block and Assembly Hall.

General Purposes Fund

This fund, standing at \$5132, continues to provide the Headmaster with an annual cheque with which to purchase essential equipment or teaching aids beyond the scope of permissible acquisitions from Departmental grants. The sum paid this year amounted to \$207, being the full income of the fund.

The Association's Membership

While matters pertaining to the new hall must absorb much of our energies in coming months the task of building up financial membership remains high on our priorities. Younger Old Boys are required to take an increasingly active and prominent part in the affairs of the Association. Without this participation it will be difficult to carry out the important function of keeping new Old Boys in touch with School affairs and, of equal importance, the duty of assistance, advice and encouragement for those in need of help of this nature. I imagine in every district there are Old Boys of all ages who are down on their luck or who are encountering exceptional difficulties. To my way of thinking this is one of the Association's significant opportunities for

service to those who once were pupils here.

Branches

One of the most pleasurable duties of members of the Executive is that of occasional visits to branches to attend Annual Meetings and "get togethers" or formal and informal dinners. In this respect 1968 witnessed a number of such visits and I sincerely acknowledge the many courtesies we have received. It is anticipated that it will be possible to have screenings of the reunion film and of the collection of coloured slides which it is hoped to accumulate over a period; through these media Old Boys of other districts should gain a good impression of the School's development.

Mr. R. D. J. McCaw

Mr. McCaw, originally on twe've months' leave from the School staff, has now taken a permanent position at Napier. As a Vice-President of the Association Mr. McCaw did outstanding work and we are very sorry to lose his services. We wish him well in this new apointment.

Obituaries

With extreme regret we record the death of two prominent Old Boys, both at one time office-bearers of the Parent Association. Austin Bewley was President in 1922 and Phil Atkinson Secretary and Treasurer for several years in the 'twenties. To their respective relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

As outgoing President may I express my appreciation of the helpfulness of all members of the Executive during my term of office. My thanks are also due to the School for the courtesies extended to me. In particular I valued greatly the opportunities to attend Assembly on several occasions for special events.

To the Headmaster, members of the Staff and the School office staff the Executive extends its thanks for the facilities made available to the Association during the year.

J. WEST, President.

BRANCH NOTES

AUCKLAND

The Annual General Meeting and "Smoko" was held in June. Forty Old Boys attended.

The following were elected to the Committee: President, Vic Fookes; Vice-President, Rob Insull; Secretary, John Syme; Committee, Don MacIver, Jim Paynter, Ian Montgomery, John Russell, Nigel Dingle.

A combined cabaret with Girls' High School Old Girls was also held in early November.

Blair Babcock and Dave Bennett graduated M.A. in Geography.

Lewis Rushbrook is now at the University of Townsville, Australia.

Geoff Furness, after graduating B.E. in 1967, is now in Canada.

D. W. MacDiarmid, who was at School during the first decade, lives at Keri Keri.

Lawrence Inch has written a book of verse called "My Scrip of Joy." Several of the poems were influenced by his Taranakian upbringing.

The Auckland Branch has also initiated a new branch activity in producing a newsletter. The first appeared in June and consisted of a single foolscap sheet. John Syme, the secretary, hopes that the next will be even larger. The following news is taken from that first publication:

Several Old Boys are making their mark overseas in various ways. **Ralph Bourne**, for instance, was geologist in charge of an exploratory drilling crew in Australia last year after graduating from Auckland the year before.

In London, Richard Croxson is in private practice as a Cardiologist, while David Gill has a dental practice in the same city. In Athens, Greece, we have **Tom Fookes** studying town planning. Tom was formerly with the Auckland City Council.

A shift to Wellington has been made by **Dick Logan**, who has been appointed Assistant Director of the Dental Division of the Health Department. **Dennis Swan** is active in the capital city as we note from the 1968 "Taranakian" he is on the Wellington Old Boys' Committee.

In Auckland, **Ken Diprose** has been appointed Headmaster of Epsom Normal Primary School, while **Craig Saxton** is the local man for a Wellington Public Relations firm. Also in the news is **Peter Erskine**, who has been appointed managing director of Tonka Corporation (N.Z.) Ltd.

A recent arrival is **Hughie Jackson**, a pharmacist at Takapuna, while **Ross Bertenshaw** now has a bookshop instead of practising pharmacy. Visiting New Zealand from the United States was **Colin Dingle** with his wife. Colin is a Chiropractor at Idaho and is in New Zealand for a few weeks only.

WANGANUI

The Annual Reunion took place at the Grand Hotel, Wanganui, on 9th June. The guest speaker was Mr. W. E. Alexander. Arthur Lander and other representatives from the Parent Branch attended.

Local Old Boys present included L. Anderson, W. Blair, J. Brereton, H. Erskine, C. Croad, K. Gibbons, I. Elliott, B. C. Flight, G. Horrocks, L. Horrocks, S. J. Kurta, S. B. U. McKenzie, A. Mc-Donald, N. Neilson, F. L. Read, P. Scott, J. Quin, K. Taylor, L. Wilson, D. Burton, M. Dickie, J. Dryden, R. Alexander, D. Belton, R. Fieldes, A. Gibbs, L. T. Hone, G. Lennox, E. Lennon and A. Watkins.

J. Brereton is manager of the D.I.C. in Wanganui.

D. H. Brown has been selected as a member of a six-man team to tour Central California next year on a Rotary Group Study exchange scheme. Dennis was selected from 80 nominees put forward by clubs in Rotary District 294, covering the southern portion of the North Island. D. Burton has a Men's Wear shop.

C. Croad has transferred to the Hawera branch of Newton King Ltd. President of the local branch, he takes an active interest in golf.

OLD BOYS' SECTION

H. W. Erskine has a manufacturing business.

- W. O. Evans is with the Railways Department. D. B. Gray is a probation officer.
- **D. B. Hawken** remains active in local body affairs.
- A. P. McDonald farms in the Turakina Valley.
- S. B. U. McKenzie is farming at Kai Iwi.
- O. G. Moore, farming at Wanganui, is also active
- in horticultural matters.
- N. Neilson is farming at Okoia.
- F. L. Read is an insurance assessor.
- B. J. Rountree is teaching in Wanganui.

D. R. Smart is with the Inland Revenue Department.

L. B. Wilson is farming in the Wanganui area.

OTAGO

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Staff Room, University of Otago, on Friday, 26th September. Those present included Jim Talbot, Peter Burford, Tim Carey-Smith, Peter Rich, Terry (Whistling Harry) Gulliver, Ross Hayton, Ian Mc-Cullough, John Harris, Graeme Scales, Paul Stephens, Mike Whitwell, Greg Ross, Dave Someton, John Muir, Richard Crush, Rob Wagstaff and Campbell Calder.

Officers elected: President, Jim Talbot; Secretary-Treasurer, John Muir. Two girls present who attended classes at Boys' High in 1968 were elected Honorary Members of the Branch—a most unconstitutional move!

The meeting was socially a great success, with many old exploits discussed. Toasts were drunk in honour of the School, Absent Friends and the Older Generation.

It was decided that next year the meeting would take place as a formal dinner, the time and date to be arranged.

General News

Keith Fifield and Lyndsay Maine, both at Auckland University, have been awarded Fulbright Travelling Scholarships next year.

Allan Poletti (Dux 1955) is now Professor of Nuclear Physics at Auckland University.

Bruce Sampson has been on Sabbatical Leave from the Botany Department, Victoria University, studying at Berkeley University, California.

Bob Henderson, after completing Post-Doctoral Research at Harvard, is lecturing at the University of Townsville, Australia.

Those completing degrees and capped this year include **Brian Goodwin**, who gained a B.E. Honours degree, specialising in Chemical Engineering.

Others recently completing degrees include D. C. Lowe, B.Sc.; R. H. Bray, B.Sc.; A. R. Burn, B.C.A.; J. S. Hales, B.A.; G. W Johnston, BC.A.; P. G. Lay, B.Sc.; J. R. Priest, B.A.; M. C. Rich, B.Com.; P. R. Honeyfield, M.B., Ch.B.; D. C. White, B.E. (Hons.); D. Steven, B.Sc. (Hons.); H. T. Mills, B.E.; I. S. Frame, B.E.; W. D. Allison, B.Ag.Sc.; J. R. Clearwater, B.Sc.; D. F. Coddington, B.Sc.; G. W. Davidson, B.Vet.Sc.; I. C. Harvey, B.Ag.Sc.; J. P. Parkes, B.Sc.; J. H. Ross, B.Vet.Sc

A R. Burn, a B.C.A. and University Blue for Yachting, has been awarded the 20th Travelling Scholarship of the Incorporated Institute of Accountants. He expects to spend two years in London with a firm of chartered accountants.

Ronald Alan Candy was awarded an O.B.E. in the Queen's Birthday Honours.

N. C. Waters, a Senior-Sergeant in the Police Force at Wairoa, was awarded a B.E.M. in the New Year Honours.

Norman Cullen has been appointed Trade Promotion Manager at the Lyttelton Harbour Board. He reports that three other Old Boys are also on the staff there. They are Jim Graham (Traffic Manager), Wynn Croll (Assistant Engineer), Claude Francis (Wharfage Dues Supervisor).

Old Boys playing Provincial Rugby include: P. J. (John) Rumball (Hawke's Bay); M. Bridger, T. N. Wolfe, R. C. O'Dowda, B. O'Dowda, R. Feather, A. Gardiner and T. Jenkins (Taranaki); J. Kirkby (Wellington); F. Te Mata (Waikato); K. Taylor (Wanganui).



Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Donnelly Visit the School

M. Irvine, a member of the Hutt Rowing Club, was a member of the New Zealand Champion Four's who have recently toured Europe.

F. R. (Richard) Routley is now Associate Professor of Philosophy at Monash University, Melbourne.

Alan Quin graduated Bachelor of Architecture this year. Murray Williams, who was married in September, is going to London for further studies in Zoology.

OBITUARIES

JOHN BUTTERS WALKINTON: At his residence, "Belmont," Waverley, on October 29th, in his 56th year.

John Walkinton was a boarder during the period 1927-30. Since then he has been farming at Waverley.

WILLIAM CLELAND: At New Plymouth on August 23rd. Aged 59 years.

Mr. Cleland was a well-known business man in New Plymouth. He was a foundation member of the Fitzroy Rotary Club and President of the Taranaki Timber Merchants' Association.

HARRY LEONARD McNEILL: At New Plymouth on July 4th, 1969. Aged 63 years.

Mr. McNeill was a well-known racehorse owner. Among his other interests were music, poultry breeding and speedboat racing.

RICHARD FREDERICK STONNELL: Suddenly in Auckland Hospital on December 8th, 1968.

Mr. Stonnell was a joint managing director of Conroc Ltd. He was responsible for the design and construction of the first ready-mixed concrete plant in Taranaki. He was also an active member of the Taranaki Gliding Club, the New Plymouth Aero Club and the New Plymouth Operatic Society. Mr. Stonnell was also a past director of the Fitzroy Rotary Club.

WILFRID MAURICE GROOMBRIDGE: In Wellington. Aged 60 years.

Mr. Groombridge, the first secretary of the Taranaki Alpine Club, before the war represented Taranaki at cricket and was a keen golfer. During the war he served with the Third New Zealand Division in the Pacific.

He had a successful career in the Lands and Survey Department, reaching the position of Commissioner of Crown Lands in Blenheim. After retirement he joined the Marlborough Catchment Board.

CHARLES FREDRICK ROWE: Died in a plane crash in Nairobi. Aged 56.

He was a pilot of 20 years' experience. He flew bombers during the war and since has been a pilot with B.O.A.C. After retirement he joined the Police Air Wing in Kenya, and was flying a mission for them when he was killed.

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