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Editorial

The outstanding event in Australia during the past twelve months has undoubtedly been the XVI Olympiad, held in Melbourne last November.

With the exception of those in Victoria, few school children were fortunate enough to see this wonderful event, which for the first time in history was held in the Southern Hemisphere.

Those lucky enough to be present will never forget the magnificent spectacle of the main stadium, in which over one hundred thousand people watched the chosen athletes of the nations of the world striving for victory.

The sight of that vast crowd rising bare-headed, as the National Anthem of a victorious country heralded the raising to the masthead of that country's flag, is a stirring memory which will never be erased from the minds of those present. Even to sit by a radio on this side of the continent, created a feeling which is hard to express in words.

In these days of international tension, human greed and strife, it is indeed most pleasing that the nations of the world can gather on the field of sport where the barriers of race, creed and colour fade into insignificance.

Throughout the Games, the impartiality of the crowd, who cheered with equal fervour the victors were they Australians or representatives of nations from outside or behind the Iron Curtain, was very evident.

The true spirit of the Olympics is one of sportsmanship, extending the hand of friendship to a fallen foe and being able to accept victory or defeat in the right spirit.

While relatively few of us may ever achieve world fame in Olympic or other material spheres, each one of us can win a far more enduring and prized reward by adhering fearlessly throughout our lives to the Christian teachings and ethics of true sportsmanship instilled into us in a Church school. By so doing, we will have played our part in the game of life, by helping to make our country and the world a better place.

The example we set will help those who follow us to realise that it is worth while keeping ever before them like a blazing torch our motto, "Labore et Honore".

SCHOOL OFFICERS, 1957

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COMMERCIAL

Commerce began with Adam and Eve, they traded their freedom for an apple!

History leads us through the Barter System when men exchanged animal skins for weapons, or sheep for pigs, to the valuing of shells and certain stones which permitted easier trading, and on to money as we know it today. As trading is not always on a cash basis, Necessity invented Book-Keeping to keep track of our money and promises. At first this was done manually, but time soon showed that machines could do it quicker and with a saving in cost, so these were developed until we have all the equipment known to modern Commerce.

Typewriters are comparatively new, two were invented in 1850 but these machines were extremely heavy and exhausted the men who pounded them, lighter models had to follow. Although it was stated that women would faint with the exertion of typing, the "machined" office work today has become the domain of women; men handling mainly the organisation and selling work. There are numerous types of machines from "pocket size" to "50-ton size", manually and electrically operated, to help women remain supreme in this work.

Shorthand was written before the birth of Christ, it being mentioned in the Bible in Jeremiah, Chapter 26, Verses 17 and 18. The great Roman Emperor, Julius Caesar, wrote shorthand. In Roman times, if there was a mistake in the transcript, the culprit could have his hands cut off or the tendons severed, and it is recorded that one shorthand writer was torn to shreds for his misdoings!

There are many shorthand systems to choose from, but "Pitmans" is an outstanding method built on sounds, not spelling. It has stood the test of time, can be used equally well for any foreign language and can be written faster than speech — which is a little faster than we hope to write it!

Commercial subjects were reintroduced into our school because of the multi-lateral trend in education. General education gives background and ability "to think clearly", but the day comes when one must choose a vocation in life. It is important to find the voca-

tion for which we are suited, and to remember that though we cannot get along without the professional worker, that group is equally dependent on the person with commercial ability.

The main reason for introducing vocational subjects into any secondary school is the hope that the students, once finding themselves in their suited vocation, will gain the incentive to work harder in the particular "general" subjects which give the best possible background to their chosen occupation.

The aim of the Commercial Class is not to send out the highly polished expert, but the well balanced junior worker with a solid foundation on which to build her years of experience in the Commercial Arts, and one point which may be a guiding factor in her endeavour to decide upon her "course"; in Commerce, experience counts — not age.

If students pass the Junior, and then concentrate on Commercial subjects, they are approximately two years' experience in front of those who remain at school to obtain the "Leaving" which has an academic bias; Accountancy being the only vocational subject. Some firms do make a monetary allowance for the new recruit who holds a Leaving Certificate, but this is the exception rather than the rule.

Our Commercial Class has everything possible to give us everything possible! We have a highly qualified teacher, new typewriters, new desks, new chairs and a very modern and up-to-date room, plus music, music, music!



CLUB OFFICIALS

Back Row: R. Hopkins, J. Kirkwood, V. Angus, G. Hill.
Front Row: B. Sloane, R. Boundy, V. Sutherland.

SCHOOL NOTES

BLIND SCHOOL

Late in second term four prefects visited the Institute for the Blind in Maylands. Mr. Cornish the manager kindly gave up his valuable time to conduct the visit and show the necessity for a campaign to raise money to improve the facilities for the blind in W.A.

The Blind School at Maylands was established sixty-two years ago by a group of citizens to look after the welfare of the blind people in W.A. Today it is still the only centre of its kind in the State.

When the Blind School first opened its doors in 1895 there were only four inmates—two adults and two children. Today there are one hundred and ten men, women and children. A number of these men have blind wives dependent upon them. A number, too, were blinded—and maimed as well—while serving in World War II.

The Institute consists of four main departments:—

1. WICKER WORK

Here chairs, tables, bassinets, cocktail bars, flower containers, magazine racks, laundry baskets, and even dog baskets are made.

As the thicker cane cannot be bent unless it is softened it is first placed in large troughs of water. When it is pliable the people with sight help the blind by preparing the frames for all the various types of cane work. Each individual has a special task to do and it is amazing to watch the skill with which these are performed.

2. BRUSH AND BROOM

In this department, apart from the usual household brushes and brooms, many brushes for industrial uses are manufactured; for example, brushes used to polish citrus fruits, apples and eggs. This is the only place in the State where citrus fruit brushes are made; of these brushes the largest is capable of polishing 60-90 cases of fruit per hour and are over 10 feet long. After the recent invasion of the codlin moth, special brushes were made by the institution to brush off the spray used to kill the moths. Brushes used to collect seeds from subterranean clover, industrial polishing brushes and many others are also made.

Many people will be amazed to learn that the brush jumps used in the ring events at the Royal Show are also made by these blind people.

3. MATS

In a room we saw, one man was feeding yarn from hanks on to bobbins. Another man was using the same machinery but he was winding green coconut fibre which was to be made into cricket matting. The main room of this department was taken up with gigantic hand looms worked by totally blind men.

Nine standard size mats are made for sale, ranging from 24in. x 14in. to 48in. x 30in., but others of different sizes will be made

if required. In one section of this department we were introduced to a blind man who was weaving designs into the mats. He explained the involved calculations and precision which was required to accomplish this.

4. CARPENTRY AND METAL WORK

We were surprised to see that these men were able to make iron backings for prams, using electrical equipment and following exactly a given example.

In another part of the same building was the carpenters' shop, where broom heads of all shapes and sizes were made from rough logs. Here with great skill totally blind men used electrical lathes and drills. The pattern for the holes which were to be drilled in the broom heads was marked on a replica of a broom head. The man operating the machine moved a pointer from one hole to the next in the replica and the machine drilled corresponding holes in the broom head.

Besides receiving the pension of £4 a week skilled workers are paid up to £10; in fact, £61,000 is paid out in wages each year. Despite the good sales of its excellent products, the School loses between £15,000 and £20,000 every year simply because blind people, no matter how well they have mastered their handicap, cannot compete as a group economically against industry employing sighted workers and using modern equipment. Therefore it is our duty to help the good work performed by this society, in every way possible.

COT AND RELIEF FUNDS

This year has seen some changes in our sponsored children overseas. Annemarie Schrebitz is a 16-year-old Austrian. She is working as an apprentice to a hairdresser, and as her wage was increased during her second year of apprenticeship, sponsorship was transferred to Edith and Stefanie Molch during 1956.

Edith, who was born on 10/7/46, and Stefanie 10/1/45, are also Austrian girls. So far two clothing parcels and one money order have been sent to them.

Dorothy and Anne Shaw-Spriggs have been replaced by an Italian girl, Guiseppa Militello. Guiseppa was born 11/4/49 and already one parcel of clothing has been sent to her since she has been under sponsorship.

Twins, Margarethe and Elizabeth Gussnig were six on 4th October and have an older brother and sister. As the family is a very young one, and badly off, a parcel has been sent to the entire family.

Nicole Brah was replaced by Genevieve Planche this year. Genevieve, her brother and sister, live with their grandparents, as they were abandoned by their parents.

Elizabeth Koslitsch's sponsorship has been transferred to one of her younger sisters, Gertrud, who is 15. Gertrud comes from a very large family and, as her father undergoes various operations, her sponsorship means a lot to them all.

Interesting letters have been received from Eliane Roux, Margarethe Liedl and Josette and Roger Dumelie with whom we have been corresponding for some time.

One money order is sent to each child once a year, as well as two parcels of clothing and a Christmas food parcel.

The Cot and Relief Fund representatives have done a marvellous job this year, collecting money from members of the class, and tuckshops held each week contribute greatly to these funds.

Money from the Cot Fund is sent to the Children's Hospital Cot, Braille Society, Deaf and Dumb School, Crippled Children's Society, Lady Lawley Home and St. Dunstan's Home for Blinded Soldiers.

THE SCHOOL BADGE

Somewhat over thirty years ago, Miss Margaret Saunders, the art mistress at the time, designed the present school badge. This was based on a combination of Presbyterian, Australian and school ideas.

A shield bearing the initials of the school was placed in the centre of the cross around which the badge is made up. This, the cross of St. Andrew, and the burning bush above it together represent the Church of Scotland. The gumnut symbolizes Australia and the black swan represents our State. The thistle, the Scottish emblem, is also shown and above all is the star of aspiration to which we are striving. These are bound together by a ribbon bearing the school motto — "Labore et Honore" — By work and honour.

HOUSE BADGES

Carmichael, Ferguson and Stewart were founded in 1934. Each House chose one of the school colours, Carmichael—navy blue, Ferguson—white, and Stewart—green. They took their mottoes from various languages. Carmichael chose English, "Play the game"; Ferguson, French, "Toujours tout droit" (Always straight forward); Stewart, Latin, "Per Ardua ad Alta" (Through hard work to the heights).

The symbols used to form the various badges were taken from Scottish clans. Carmichael, the thistle; Ferguson, the sunflower; and Stewart, the Royal Acorn.

In 1943, owing to the increase in the number of students it was necessary to form a fourth house—McNeil. It took a Gaelic motto, "Buaidh No Bas" — Victory or death. The symbol chosen was the mountain flower Dryas, and it was decided that yellow should be its colour.

In later years Carmichael changed its colour to pale blue and Ferguson to red as previously there had been trouble in distinguishing the four colours.

COOL DRINKS

After much discussion on the subject last year, it was decided that it would be profitable to sell cool drinks at school in the summer season.

Early this year we started off by selling humble glasses of lukewarm cordial to our rather dubious patrons. The proceeds of this went towards the Hungarian children.

Then we embarked on a far more ambitious and promising project, aided by the kindness of Mr. Lukin who presented us with a wonderful, large refrigerator. We ordered Coca Cola and Fanta at the colossal rate of thirty-five dozen per week—and sold them all!

A profit of £34 was made, which went towards the apparatus to be used to black out the lecture theatre for the showing of films and physics experiments.

PREVIEWS OF PROGRESS

On April 10th, we were lucky enough to have two representatives from General Motors Holden who presented to us the "Previews of Progress".

They opened their demonstration by telling us, that for convenience, they had small microphones attached to their collars.

The first demonstration showed how a glass bottle could be used to hammer a five-inch nail into a piece of wood. However, when a piece of flint was dropped into the bottle it broke immediately. This was explained by the fact that when the bottle was made, the outside cooled faster than the inside and the piece of flint, due to friction, broke the inside tension.

Caruso's method of breaking a wine glass by singing a certain note was demonstrated. A wine glass was attached to a machine which emitted a note gradually increasing in pitch. The glass vibrated rapidly and finally shattered when the period of vibration of the note was exactly the same as that of the glass.

Freon 12 is used as a refrigerant and insecticide. A cabbage leaf immersed in it was quickly frozen. It was also sprayed about the room by means of a pressure pack.

Mr. Stanley showed his cooking ability by frying an egg on a stove which was not hot. The iron particles in the frying pan, moved about by magnetism, created friction.

Improvements in lighting were shown by comparison of Edison's carbon filament, which is only 10 per cent efficient, and modern fluorescent lighting which is 30 per cent efficient.

Micro waves were able to pass from a transmitter to a receptor on opposite sides of the stage. However, when obstacles were placed in the path of the waves, the sound stopped as some of the waves were reflected and the rest absorbed.

A model jet engine was shown to us. When it was started the tail pipes became red hot at 1500 degrees F. and the noise was almost deafening. The exhaust gas was used to turn the wheels of a model machine, showing the power of a jet engine.

Carbon dioxide sparklets were used to demonstrate jet power, when they were placed in a model aeroplane which flew across the stage at thirty, fifty and eighty miles per hour when the gas was released.

All the senior school filled Carmichael Hall to watch this interesting demonstration. The girls and various members of the staff present agreed that it was an enjoyable and educational display, and we would like to thank General Motors Holden for their courtesy in giving us a demonstration.

SISTER MCKENZIE'S TALK

On May 3rd, Sister Catherine McKenzie from Korea, who was in Australia on furlough, came to the school to speak on the people of Korea and her work as a missionary there.

All the senior girls were present at her talk, which was held in Carmichael Hall in the usual examination periods.

Sister McKenzie showed us some little models of a Korean woman and man, and a small Korean girl's party dress. She also sang a Korean love song, and afterwards told us the English translation, which was rather an anti-climax. With the aid of diagrams she explained how a Korean house was arranged, with the kitchen built below the level of the living room, and with flues running from the kitchen under the living room thus providing central heating.

We all enjoyed the talk very much and are grateful to Sister McKenzie for an interesting and informative lecture.

"ST. MATTHEW PASSION"

On 17th April, the Department of German at the University put on a recording of Bach's "St. Matthew Passion". Those of the Sub-leaving German class who were interested went along and thoroughly enjoyed this magnificent work.

Mrs. Kay had previously outlined the oratorio and it was seen how closely it followed the wording of chapters 26 and 27 of the Gospel of St. Matthew.

The University supplied German texts which, it must be admitted, were a great help.

MODERN LANGUAGES EVENING

The annual evening of plays was held in the Assembly Hall on July 19th by the Modern Language Teachers' Association. Students from M.L.C., St. Hilda's, John Curtin High School, Christchurch Grammar School, Wesley College and P.L.C. helped to make the evening a great success with their well-performed plays.

The hit of the evening was a shadow-play, "Operation Chirurgicale" by Christchurch, although a great deal of the dialogue was mixed because of the laughter of the audience.

Mrs. Ladamiriska was the compere and she also led the community singing between the acts.

Rather unfortunately, there were two "Cinderellas" in German, one by the first year M.L.C. students and one by P.L.C. Sub-leavings. They were, however, very differently staged and acted, and both were well enjoyed.

The other item presented by the Sub-leaving actresses from P.L.C. was a French play "Le plancher cire", a comedy with the usual gangsters involved.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Kay and Miss Hope for the success of the P.L.C. plays, and to the teachers and pupils of the various schools who provided the evening's entertainment.

ACROSS THE TOP OF THE WORLD

— BY DOGSLED, CANOE AND ON FOOT!

Phillip Allen, lately returned from his second Arctic expedition, completing 30,000 miles travel through the North American hinterland, told a fascinating tale of sealing, stalking caribou, fishing and wild fowl shooting above the Arctic Circle.

He is an experienced photographer who has vividly caught the beauty and personality of the far north and its people, in colour.

We were told in the most fascinating way, valuable information in so short a time, and in such a manner that it would surely be remembered.

As it was a very hot day he apologised for the way he had to "Rock 'n Roll" to don his fur outfit and when asked if the fur inside his trousers itched, he replied, "No, it tickles nice". We were also shown the nylons of the North, fur stockings seamed with gut, and shoes similar to dancing pumps. The fur on all clothing except gloves is on the inside of the garments to keep in the heat. Eighteen skins are required for one coat, therefore in the "Land of No Time" it is not wise to be out-sized.

The Eskimos are particularly skilled in building their Igloos under unfavourable conditions: with only the aid of a knife, one can be built by 2 men in 2 hours. Blocks of ice are cut into rectangles an arm long and elbow high. Owing to their treeless land if wood is needed they are compelled to import at the price of £1 per two feet.

The hospitality of these people can not be surpassed by any civilized race. The families, comprising parents and two or three children, take it in turns cooking the meals for their neighbours. An interesting fact is that their teeth never decay because of the raw food they eat. Like all boys, those of Eskimo Land consist mainly of stomach surrounded by curiosity.

Following his interesting and educational information Mr. Allen showed coloured slides with the aid of an automatic projector. These slides dealt with the implements, clothing, hunting, the children, animals, huts and beautiful scenery of the Arctic.

Brimful of interest from start to finish, this original talk held the interest of the entire school.

STAFF VERSUS GIRLS — AGAIN

July 6th dawned dull and rainy; the boarders were given a heavy, solid breakfast and dinner, and the members of the "A" hockey team were filled to bursting point by the Staff.

Why?

It was the day of the match between the Staff team and the "A" team and the Staff were doing their best to demoralise their opponents by converting them to mere barrels of humanity, incapable of any form of movement. Nevertheless, we were not in the least discouraged by this and resolved to repay them for their surreptitious machinations.



STAFF HOCKEY

There was great excitement throughout the school during the day and it reached a climax at 3.30 when half the school surrounded the hockey field to watch the exciting encounter.

At 3.45 the Staff team paraded solemnly onto the oval, wearing red battle jackets (which were soon discarded) over their gym tunics, followed by two Red Cross stretcher-bearers with crutches, refreshments and an armchair. The "A" team filed superiorly after them, each member wearing a notice of warning to the opposing team such as "Dead end, no thoroughfare", "Speed limit 90 m.p.h.", "No bulleying", "Danger, overwidth vehicle", "Dead centre. Detour", "Trespassers will be prosecuted" and so on.

Unfortunately, the Staff entirely ignored our good-natured warnings, and consequently the result was a sad and overwhelming defeat for them.

Before the match commenced we were reminded that we still had to observe the rule that we were expected to stand aside when the Staff approached, and also of the conditions laid out in a letter from the Staff to the Captain as follows: "We are using sixteen players, though we will never have actually more than eleven players on the field at any one time. Off-side does not count against us — our only way of getting the ball from one end of the field to the other will be by a series of off-side players. We will be penalised for kicking or using the back of the stick only when it is deliberate fouling. When the Captain of the Staff team appeals, one umpire will always blow her whistle. One umpire has also the right to take any free hit which she awards. The match will last a full hour divided into four quarters with a short rest period between each quarter. Should, however, the Captain or an umpire decide that the Staff team has been sufficiently exhausted, the match will be terminated, even if the full four quarters have not been played. In view

of the above the Staff team has deemed it advisable to provide both umpires for this match.

Looking forward to our friendly encounter, etc."

Incidentally we were forced to use a Soft ball owing to the dangerously rough play of the Staff.

Although the above was applied very strictly and was, of course, to a distinct advantage to the Staff, who attacked the ball viciously and also fouled most horribly, the "A" team exhibited a truly magnificent display of fairness and good-heartedness toward the Staff!!

The match was enjoyed by both players and spectators and the "A" team would like to thank the Staff very much for the game and congratulate them on their energy, sporting attitude and vigorous hockey.

HOCKEY HIGHLIGHTS

— or —

Ad Hoc(key) *et hic jacet* (translated as "They copped a packet")

The metrical peculiarities of this composition symbolise the peculiarities of hockey techniques, so much in evidence, and must not be attributed to the literary inadequacy of the perpetrator, whose ability is exceeded only by her veracity.

Attend all ye, who wish to hear
Our gallant gamester's praise;
We sing of marvellous results
Achieved in marvellous ways.

When that young team implacable,
Against us flung in vain
Their fleetest and their heftiest—
Their stars without a stain.

First forth there leapt the forward five
From out the ranks of youth:
With half a dozen blows they hoped
To iron out proud Ruth.

Though fast and hard the play became—
The ground all wet and plastery—
She set her teeth, laid back her ears,
And showed complete McMastery.

Jan laid one flat upon her face
With mud upon her sides and base,
While Binstead sadly seemed to lose
The square of her hypoteneuse.

And the thud of the players was heard out at sea,
And the noise of their gasping beyond North Baandee.

Above the din of stick on shin
Rang Rosemary's frantic yell:
"Labore et Honore",
She faltered as she fell.

But hark! the cry is "Chaplain",
And lo! the ranks divide,
As in his hand he wields his brand
And comes with stately stride.

They reel, and on the full backs, brave,
They lean one breathing space,
Before they leap with one accord
To put him in his place.

But up and down and round about
He fights with stubborn strength;
Then tucks the ball beneath his arm
And shoots a goal at length.

Our Ruse galloped bravely
The fault's not in him,
Though they smote him so hard
That his eyesight grew dim.

He at length shot a goal
And surveyed it with pride,
Though for all he could tell
He had been well off-side.

CANTO II

The day, it seemed was saved, when Sym
Flew past with eyes aflame.
"Ca va sans dire; avec plaisir!"
She wiffled as she came.

Then Tweedie shouted, "Wat'son?"
And Kendalled to the fight,
While Sanders raised her weapon
And smote with all her might.

With failing limbs we followed
Though Black burned now our Hope
Despite our umpires' succour
We could no longer cope.

The end was near, the victors cheer,
The splintered sticks were mended.
The stretcher-bearers stood at ease,
Their labours nearly ended.

Oh, Kay! Oh, Kay! our Captain
The ghastly fight is won.
Cried Cusack now we've shown them
How it must NOT be done.

Though we've bled and bluffed and cheated,
Though we've broken every rule,
Our last expiring whisper says,
"We did it for the school."

AN EXCURSION TO BROWN & BURNS BAKERY

An excursion to Brown and Burns Bakery was made on a Friday night during second term. The visit proved very interesting and educational and also very appetising.

We were first shown the cut and wrapped bread, which had already been prepared for delivery on the Saturday morning. This bread is cut by a special machine outside the bakehouse. The cooked two-pound loaf of bread is placed on a revolving belt, which moves the bread forward, through a set of blades and thence onto the wrapping paper, which is slightly warmed to melt the wax, and so seal it. Although many people say they prefer 'Procera' cut bread to "Reeves" cut bread, these and many other types are cooked, cut and wrapped by Brown and Burns.

We then went up some stairs to see the start of baking. Here in a large room we were shown a sifter, which sifts the foreign bodies out of the flour. Here, also, we saw eleven drums of dough in various stages of rising. This amount of dough would make 4,000 two-pound loaves of bread. The dough, which is made of yeast powder, flour, salt and water, is mixed by two machine driven arms in these large drums, which are lined to stop them becoming rusty. One pound of yeast makes 100 loaves of bread.

After standing for six hours this dough is poured into a chute in the floor, which runs down into the baking house.

Brown bread contains in addition to the usual ingredients, colouring matter and wholemeal. Procera bread has extra proteins added in the form of dry gluten.

At the end of the chute is a machine which cuts off pieces of dough, which weigh exactly two pounds four ounces. The loaves when they come out of the oven only weigh two pounds two ounces. The pieces of dough then pass into an intermediate prover, which aerates them for ten minutes.

The dough then passes into the final moulder, and so into the baking tins. The tins are placed on large trolleys and left to stand for three-quarters of an hour, for the dough to rise again. It is then placed in a warm, moist room, which is called the final prover, for half an hour.

The tins are then placed in one of three large ovens. The largest of the ovens bakes 1,300-1,400 loaves per hour. The loaves make one complete circuit of the oven, which takes 36½ minutes, and they are then cooked.

The next largest oven bakes 1,000 loaves per hour, and the smallest oven bakes 600 loaves per hour.

Poppy seed loaves, Roman bread, collars and currant buns are all shaped by hand, and cooked in the smaller ovens. The currant buns only take 18 minutes to cook. The horseshoe rolls are made in a machine which rolls the dough over rollers, into lengths, and they are then bent round by hand. All the fancy loaves are glazed with flour paste before baking.

The cooked loaves are removed from the oven and placed on wire trays to cool.

On a Friday night, the night of double-baking, the men work from 8 p.m. - 3 a.m. On other days they start work at 3 a.m.

Although the making of bread sounds easy, most of the work being done by machines, everything runs to a schedule and if one machine is help up for a minute, the schedule is upset.

ANZAC DAY

This year Presbyterian Ladies' College was invited to meet with the other schools at Christ Church Grammar School for the commemoration service.

From the Junior form upwards we were grouped into five squads and the marching was started in earnest — our thanks to the successful squad leaders appointed. We assembled at school on Thursday, 25th April, and after the usual adjustments of berets, marched to Christ Church.

When we arrived the Christ Church drum and fife band led us into position. When the official party arrived the ceremony opened with the singing of the National Anthem. This was followed by the first hymn, "O God our help in ages past". After a St. Hilda's girl had read the lesson, the Act of Remembrance was observed. This began with Rosemary Holmes reading from the Book of Revelation, chapter 7, verses 9-17; then a reading by the Captain of Scotch College. The Last Post was played, followed by a two-minute silence, then the Reveille was heard.

The Reverend A. J. Watt then led us in prayer and the address was given by the Rev. S. J. Jenkins.

The two hymns following: "Thy Hand, O God, Has Guided Thy Flock from Age to Age", and "God of Our Fathers, known of old", were separated by prayers said by the Reverend S. Slater.

The final prayer and blessing was given by the Reverend F. E. Eccleston.

Each school dispersed in order, to the accompaniment of the Christ Church band, and after marching along the Highway to Richardson Avenue, we were dismissed.



ANZAC DAY

COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SUNDAY

May 6th dawned bright and sunny for the British Commonwealth Youth Parade, which could therefore be held on the Esplanade.

Many schools as well as clubs of different kinds, Church bodies and other Societies were present, making a colourful scene in their different uniforms with banners and flags.

At 2 p.m. we assembled in our allotted position and awaited the arrival of the Governor who took his position on the dais at 2.15 p.m.

Mr. Little gave the Introductory Address of "Coming to the Crossroads", meaning the time which would come when we are grown up and have to make a decision that would not only affect ourselves, but Australia. His Excellency, Sir Charles Gairdner, presented the Loyal Message, which we sent the Queen, and Her Majesty's reply.

At a fanfare all the Bearers of the assembled groups moved to the road, where they were announced individually. The last bearer, on behalf of them all, mounted the dais and read the reply to Her Majesty's Challenge. At another fanfare they returned to their ranks.

The Dedication, based on the Pledge of the Youth of Athens, was then repeated by us all after Mr. R. E. Halliday.

After the National Anthem we marched past the Governor on our way to our respective Churches. P.L.C., led by the Scotch Pipe Band, marched to St. Andrew's where we took part in a short service.

Our successful 'March Past' was due to the help and time given by Mrs. Kay and Mrs. Blackburn to whom we would like to express our thanks, and our smart appearance was helped by banners into which Miss McMaster put much thought and work.

THE SCHOOL SERVICE

On 18th August the School Service was held in beautifully sunny weather at Ross Memorial Church, West Perth. The Rev. Dowding conducted the service and girls from first year upwards filled the church.

The Service started with an entroit by the choir, "The Heaven of Heavens", which was followed by Psalm 121. The first lesson, taken from Micah, was read by Valerie Angus and Glenis Kruse with various groups saying different verses, which was most effective. Hymn 388 was sung and followed by the second lesson, taken from the Gospel of St. Matthew, which was read by Rosemary Holmes. The choir then sang an anthem, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring", and a great deal of praise is due to Miss Hutchinson for the work and time she spent on these songs for the Service. After the singing of Hymn 640, Mr. Dowding gave us a short sermon. He spoke to us of the Christian basis of the school and the importance of what we believe. He told us that we are a privileged group attending this school and as so much has been given to us a great deal will be expected of us later. The School Song was sung next and a very beautiful service was concluded by "God be in my head", sung by the choir.

HOUSE NOTES

CARMICHAEL HOUSE NOTES

We started off very well this year by winning the swimming sports which were held at Claremont Baths. I think the hundreds of trips we all made to Crawley and Claremont in the boiling afternoons were quite worth the trouble. I would like to thank Brenda, Barbara and Penny for their help.

The lifesaving was very successful this year, with the School teams doing very well indeed. Our swimmers managed to get third place. Congratulations to Stewart for their winning effort.

We managed to win both the Tennis and Softball in first term and I hope that the teams this term will keep up the good work.

Congratulations to Stewart in winning the Hockey, and although we ended up as an exhausted team, we managed to get second place, and this was greatly helped by our very keen B team.

We again came second in the Basketball, which was won by a very good Stewart team, and I would like to thank Brenda for putting so much time into the basketball.



The next sporting event was the Athletic Sports and this year the Senior and Junior sports were held on the same day. I'm afraid our teddy-bear mascots only got us third place. Never mind, everyone did her best and congratulations go to Ferguson and McNeil for their efforts and especially to Diane. I would like once again to thank my great helpers, Brenda, Barbara and Penny.

We won the grounds in first term and if only everyone would do her share, I'm sure we could do it again this term.

The beautiful Carmichael voices (??) managed to do reasonably well in the House singing, but we did not succeed in winning in either of the first terms.

Lastly, there is the work section in which we do not seem to have excelled ourselves so far this year. I hope everyone will do her very best this term, and good luck to all those taking the Junior and Leaving in November.

I hope you will all keep on doing your very best for your House and remember and practise our motto, "Play the game".

FERGUSON HOUSE NOTES

We started the year off reasonably well by coming second with 116 points in the Swimming Sports. Congratulations go to Carmichael on their win, and congratulations also to Judy Townsend

on being Open Champion. Thanks go to all those who co-operated and came down to practices, and also to Sue Hack and Janet Greig who gained us many valuable points.

Although we did not outshine all the other Houses with our tennis, we came a tie for second. Congratulations, Carmichael, on your win.

In first term House softball was played, Ferguson winning only one match, and Carmichael again taking the honours.

Not many people could be bothered entering for Lifesaving awards, and consequently Ferguson received least points. It is to be hoped that next year more people will bestir themselves, and do something for their House. Congratulations this time go to Stewart.

In second term our "A" Basketball team acquitted themselves well by losing only two matches. Our "B" team did not do so well, winning only one match.



Ferguson still does not seem to have acquired any champion hockey players, and the best we could do was to gain fourth place. Thanks go to Diane for her organisation and encouragement.

In third term the Athletic Sports were held, and here we really showed what we could do. The Junior and Senior sports were held together and went off very well, due to Mrs. Tweedie's good organisation. Congratulations to McNeil on winning the Senior School section, but when both Junior and Senior were added Ferguson were the victors, gaining 280 points. Hearty congratulations to Diane Gribble for being Champion Athlete, and Gail Kopp as runner-up. Congratulations also to Yvonne Morey as Junior Champion.

Grounds, as always, are the sore point. It is left to the usual few to clean the grounds each morning. If every girl would only do it for a few minutes every morning, it would help considerably. You are all members of the house, and should all have some house spirit. In first term we gained second place for grounds, and in second term came a good first.

Ferguson has not shone in the scholastic field, but everyone can help by learning their work and trying just that little bit harder.

The colour for Ferguson is now "red", and I have noticed many girls still with white socks. I hope by next year everyone will have their red socks.

The singing competitions were fairly successful, most girls learning their words.

Best of luck in the future to all those taking Junior and Leaving, and remember our motto, "Toujours tout droit", and follow it your whole life through.

McNEIL HOUSE NOTES

Our first big event in the year was the Swimming Carnival at which we gained third position. Congratulations to Carmichael who won first place, Judy Townshend for being Open Champion—a splendid effort—and Carol McCrae for under 15 Champion. We proved very successful in Lifesaving this year, gaining second place with 116 points. I was very pleased to have J. Townshend, S and J. Copping gain pocket colours for the Award of Merit.

Carmichael again took the honours in the Open Tennis Competition. Unfortunately, in spite of the valiant efforts of our team, we did not get anywhere. The under 16 House Tennis will be played in third term.

Although we have not done so badly in sporting events, our work results are really cheering. In first term we came top in both term and exam marks. Second term we were maintaining a twenty-point lead and hope to keep it up. The results have been very pleasing and a lot of hard work must have been done to attain them.



Evidently McNeil has many talented singing stars as we have done very well in singing both terms. Let's hope we can keep up our reputation for singing in future years.

The first round of House softball was played first term. Carmichael took first place with Stewart, Ferguson and McNeil all equal second. It is hoped that in third term we will show the other Houses how really to play softball.

The winter sports were not very successful from our point of view. The basketball teams were, on the whole, very weak but it is hoped that next year we will excel ourselves. Congratulations to Stewart in the "A" and Carmichael in the "B". McNeil did reasonably well in the Hockey this year but only owing to the fine efforts of Valerie Angus and Heather Anderson in picking and coaching the teams. Congratulations to Stewart for their victory in the hockey.

Grounds! Grounds! Nobody can say that our ground marks this year are due to anything except a complete lack of House spirit and co-operation. The marks that we have managed to get have been gained by so very few. Admittedly, cleaning grounds is not the most pleasant duty, but we should share it. How about pulling your weight. Just ask yourself: "Have I done my share?" and the rest is up to you.

The beginning of third term during Show Week we had our Athletic Sports. Congratulations go to McNeil this time for gaining first place in the Senior sports. It was the result of everyone's fine House spirit and determination that won us the sports. Congratulations also go to Diane Gribble (Open Champion), Gale Kopp (runner-up), Junior Champion and Runner-up—Yvonne Morey and Sally Bird respectively. In the Junior School Sports, although we only managed to come third, I was very pleased to have Alison Fan and Christine

Waddell, under 12 Champion and runner-up. I would like to thank Valerie Angus for her most able help throughout the sports, and on behalf of McNeil I would like to congratulate the other Houses on their fine House spirit.

In concluding I would like to offer heartiest congratulations to those who have represented the school in any sport and gained tunic or pocket colours.

Good luck and best wishes for years to come.

STEWART HOUSE NOTES

"Per Ardua ad Alta"

With the success of last year before us Stewart certainly had something to live up to this year.

Our first activity was the swimming carnival which was not a very good beginning. Congratulations to Carmichael on their win and to J. Townshend and S. Hack on being open champion and runner-up respectively. The next item was the Lifesaving, which was a very convincing win to us, with McNeil, Ferguson and Carmichael filling the other positions. This was a terrific effort by all, and I hope the enthusiasm lasts for a few more years. Only the open tennis has been played so far with Stewart a long way behind. With this term's matches the results should alter slightly as we have some very promising juniors.

It seems as though we have made up for the tennis with the basketball. The "A" team managed to come second to Ferguson and the "B" did very well by coming first. I think Sue Flower deserves a special mention for her untiring effort in the "A" and Elspeth Thom did a good job with the "B." The hockey was taken over by Rosemary Holmes with the result that we won. Everyone who played deserves praise for this commendable achievement. The hockey seems to be one sport we can rely on each year.

The work marks of first and second term were quite promising, and if we keep it up we will give McNeil a good run for their money.



Singing results are the same as usual. It seems that Stewart never had and never will have any singers.

First term results for ground cleaning were not very good, but we were slightly better second term. This term, however, I have taken Carmichael on in a wager, so I sincerely hope we beat all their conscientious cleaners, and I also hope to see a few more than the "old regulars" out in future.

The athletics were not very successful from our point of view. It certainly was not from lack of spirit, just lack of athletes. The junior school came second to Ferguson with McNeil third and Carmichael fourth. The senior results were surprising with McNeil in

front of Ferguson by a fine margin. This was an amazing spirit and it proves quite simply that consistent teamwork makes a difference even if you have no runners. Congratulations to D. Gribble and G. Kopp for being open champion and runner-up in the senior division, and to Yvonne Morey and Sally Bird for the same positions in the junior division. With junior and senior results combined Ferguson won the athletics with McNeil close behind, and then Carmichael and Stewart. Perhaps we will produce athletes in the future.

Good luck for all those taking Leaving and Junior and any other exam.

Finally, I would like to thank all of you who have shown house spirit, and all those who have helped in team events. Keep up the good work, Stewart, and improve the not so good.

PREFECTS' NOTES

Never has P.L.C. been blessed with such talented and intelligent Prefects as those of 1957!

This year there are fourteen of us and we fit quite comfortably into our two rooms which we have decorated magnificently with maps and pictures of other countries—to improve our education of course.

Our first and foremost job as usual was to attack people without berets and gloves, and being the Prefects we are, we have devised some ingenious and effective punishments! Taking Preps. is also another of our duties and usually one sees the poor harassed prefect stagger from the turmoil of the library to recover in the peaceful haven of the prefects' room before resuming her other duties.

A prefects' afternoon tea was held in first term, to which Dr. Summers was invited, and another in second term which Dr. Summers, Mrs. Cusack and Miss Major attended. Both were enjoyed by all—especially the boarders.

Second term began with the School Dance which was very successful and the supper particularly was enjoyed by everyone. We would like to extend our thanks to all the mothers who so willingly gave up their time to come and do the supper and floral decorations.

Early in June two of us went with Dr. Summers to a Rotary Club luncheon at Civic Centre, to which prefects from the other secondary schools, St. Hilda's, M.L.C., Scotch College and Christ Church, were also invited. The main object of the meeting was a talk on juvenile delinquency which was very interesting. Each of us was given a card on which was the Four Way Test. 1. Is it the truth? 2. Is it fair to all concerned? 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned? We were told that we should always ask ourselves these four questions before carrying out any action.

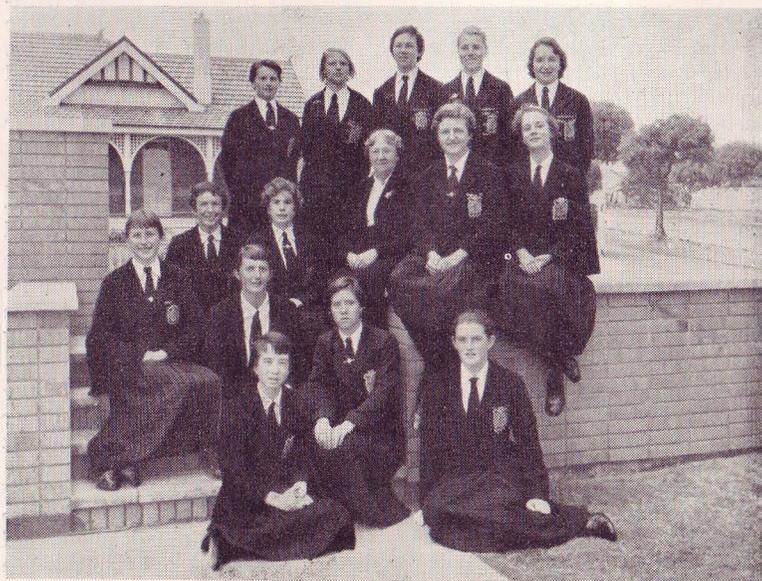
Later in the term we all attended the most colourful and impressive University Sunday Service at St. George's Cathedral, at which the University Choir sang some very nice choral verses and Sir Charles Gairdner read the second lesson.

The School Service on the last Sunday of second term went smoothly and successfully. Owing to most of the prefects being in the choir the four remaining ones were assisted by two of the Leavings in taking up the collection, and by some miraculous occurrence the money and plates managed to reach the Communion Table without any mishaps—aided perhaps by the superb singing of the choir!

Although we generally agree on most subjects, marking the grounds is one on which we do not. The house captains, having spent hours cleaning the grounds till nothing is left, are horrified to see certain of our number, who have eyes like hawks, on their hands and knees with a handful of minute pieces of paper—found on the paperless grounds.

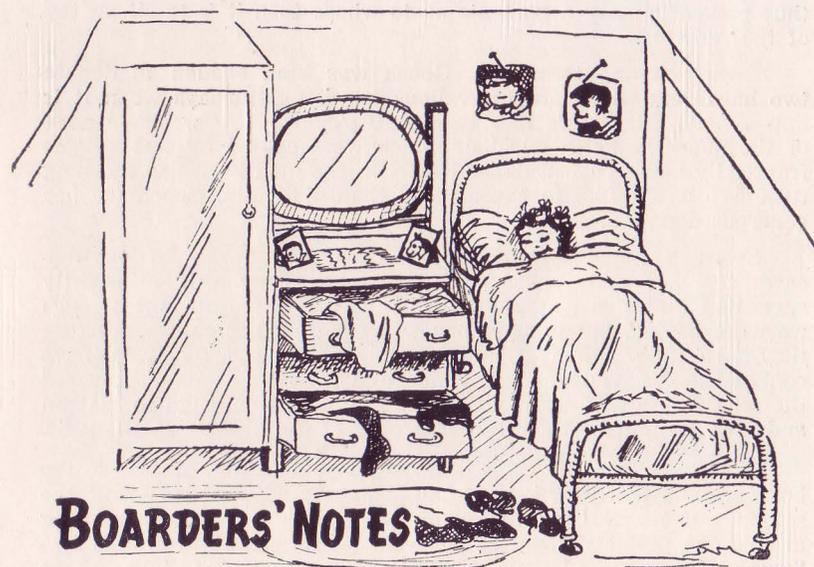
Throughout third term the quotation "Work" says my conscience. "Work not" says the fiend (with apologies to Shakespeare) will always be observed (or avoided) with respect to the forthcoming exams, but we will nevertheless face them with hopeful hearts and, probably, empty heads!

As the prefects of 1957 we wish future prefects the best of luck and hope they enjoy themselves as much as we have, remembering always the motto "Stick to your principles even if it means unpopularity."



PREFECTS AND HOUSE CAPTAINS

Back Row: V. Angus, R. Bonner, J. Staniland, G. Hill, M. Waddell.
 Second Row: B. Sloane, R. Boundy, Dr. Summers, R. Holmes (Head Prefect), J. Cottrell.
 Third Row: D. Gribble, P. Kerr.
 Front Row: V. Sutherland, E. Thomas, B. Baird.



Life in the Boarding House resumed its usual gay air with much noise and stamping in the corridors.

The Sub-Leavings have been rather unlucky this year as there has been an abundance of Leaving boarders to take the dormitories so that the Sub-Leavings have not been necessary.

The highlight of third term last year was the tennis party which the Sub-Leavings gave for the Juniors and Leavings on the Sunday before they began the ordeal of the Public Exams. It was surprising how the harassed and vacant looks vanished once the "tennis court riots" began and all energy lost during the afternoon was restored by the enormous afternoon tea which was consumed.

First term was not overshadowed by a polio epidemic so the swimming sports were held as usual. As is the custom we were fed on puffedaloonies for breakfast and these did not add to the speed required in the Boarders versus Day-girls versus Old Girls' relay. Perhaps if we had been given the alternative to puffedaloonies, which was fish patties, we would have been a little more suited to the occasion. Nevertheless, we did not admit defeat until we had shown our city champs just of what we country girls are capable.

The opening of the new laundry at the end of first term was greeted with sighs of relief, but it was not until the beginning of second term that everything was eventually in order. We have nothing to complain about now, except that we have to walk a little further, but at 6.45 or thereabouts we usually make the distance quite easily.

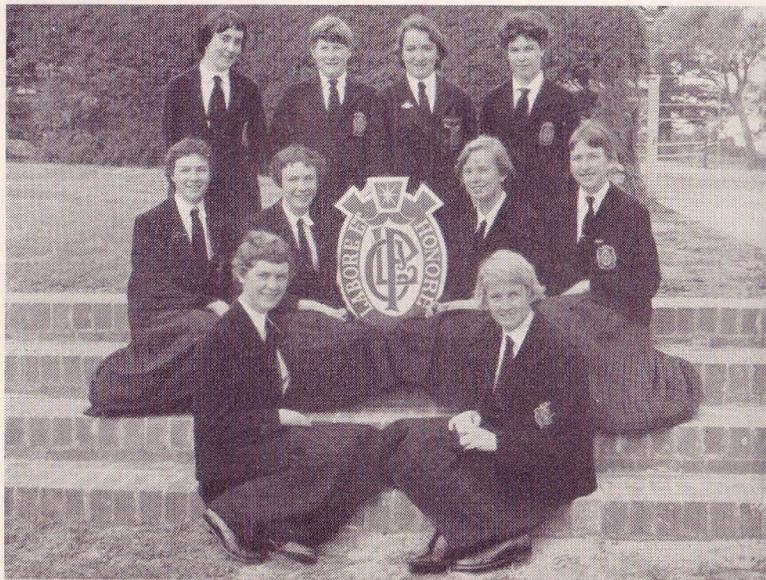
This winter there were less icicles found in the boarders' sitting room and library during the weekends, due to the effect of the two new heaters which the school has bought. These are very modern devices which circulate the warm air all around the room,

thus preventing any arguments as to whose turn it is to sit on top of the radiator.

During second term Mrs. Gooch was kind enough to donate two hairdriers which are marvellous for wet Saturdays when it is impossible to dry one's hair before 10 o'clock. Now we have none of the queer kinks in our hair which were caused by wet fringes frantically being pushed under berets in the mad Saturday morning rush. We would like to express our thanks to Mrs. Gooch for her generous donation.

Second term is never without its usual bout of infectious diseases and this year it was chicken pox. A young boarder brightly suggested that this was being caused by the extra amount of eggs we were having, but perhaps she was counting her chickens before they hatched. We thought that it would be easier for Matron if we contracted the disease one by one and so soon as one recovered the next victim was confined to Sick Bay. Our thanks go to Matron and Mrs. Linton for their constant care of us throughout the year.

Hockey seems to be the most popular sport amongst the boarders and this year keen enthusiasm was shown throughout the season. Every Sunday afternoon there was a great clamouring around the prefects' room as the younger ones hurried on the two "umpires" who were keen enough to give up an hour to take charge of a hockey match. Nevertheless, with all the practice that the boarders had, they were sadly defeated in the great Boarders versus



MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

Back Row: J. Stoddart, S. Johnston, M. Waddell, V. Uren.
Middle Row: J. Staniland, B. Sloane (Editor), J. Wilson, D. Gribble.
Front Row: M. Allanson, D. Chase.



FESTIVAL CHOIR

Day-girls hockey match held in the last week of second term. Any outsider would have been astounded to hear the cheering and booing which issued from the spectators who roared from the sideline. We were very sorry that Heather and Jenny were on the sick list and unable to play.

Dancing classes caused much excitement on Friday nights when the boarders from Sub-Junior upwards (excluding the more industrious Leavings) made frantic attempts to beautify themselves while the unfortunate mistress on duty tried to keep law and order. The seniors—the kindhearted souls—were always called upon to apply the finishing touches before the "beauties" sallied forth to be greeted by oohs and ahs from the rest of the Boarding House.

A roaring trade is being done in the boarders' tuckshop, which this year is managed most efficiently by Jenny and Jane. We should be able to give our annual pre-exam party with the profits.

CHOIR NOTES

At the beginning of the year our choir practised some two-part songs on Friday afternoons till the arrival of the festival songs which were "Dream Pedlary" and "The Birds in Spring." We practised very hard on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch time and on Friday afternoons. The choir thanks Miss Hutchinson for her very hard work in conducting us and we also thank Miss Dorrington for accompanying us.

Just before the Festival Choir Miss Hutchinson gave us a lovely party with delicious things to eat. Dr. Summers was present and the old choir photos were shown.

Soon the Festival night loomed up and on Friday, the 5th of July, we went to the Perth Town Hall to sing. We had to compete against some very good choirs and in the end we came third with Sacred Heart, having been beaten by Santa Maria and Loreto Convent.

After the Festival we started to prepare for the school's church service. Our two anthems were "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach and "The Heaven of Heavens." All the choir sang the alto for the school song, and all the sopranos of the choir sang the descant in part of the hymn "Jesus Shall Reign" and the 121st Psalm. We also sang "God be in My Head" in two parts at the close of the service.

The choir is looking forward to singing for the school break-up where we shall be singing the songs we sang at the Festival.

LIBRARY NOTES

When we took the library over this year we were lucky in that the previous librarians had left us £3/10/- in hand. Some books were also donated, so we started off the term with a fair number of new ones.

At the beginning of the term the attendance was very good, but with sport and exams it tailed off rather towards the end.

However, we managed to make £4. This enabled us to buy several more books at the beginning of second term.

Some more books were then donated and with the money we have obtained we hope to buy again for next term.

Some of the new books this year are "A Man Called Peter," "Desiree," "A Town Like Alice," "Doctor in the House" and for the younger children the latest "Five" books.

We would like to say how much we have enjoyed being librarians, even including the end of term fatigue suffered from racing around looking for so-and-so who had a number of books out which should be back. We wish next year's librarians the best of luck and hope they will enjoy it as much as we have.

CLUB NOTES



DEBATING CLUB NOTES

This year the number of debating meetings was greatly reduced. However, the few meetings were well attended and interest in debating has by no means fallen.

Although this is only the second year Juniors have been allowed to debate, there is already a marked improvement in the debating. If this practice is continued, the Juniors should be encouraged so that their two years of senior debating will benefit from a sound background.

Christ Church challenged us to a Junior and Leaving debate on 29th March. Unfortunately our Juniors had not had enough practice at this early date, so only a Leaving team was sent. This team consisted of V. Angus, R. Boundy and C. Hamilton, the subject being "In view of the present economic situation, migration to Australia should be halted temporarily." The adjudicator, who classified himself as a harsh critic, gave Christ Church 70 points and P.L.C. 55 points. Although there was a large discrepancy in points the adjudicator pointed out that our points were lost by manner of presentation and not from lack of good subject matter.

This was followed by two prepared debates by four Junior teams. Although the standard of debate was not very high, the girls gave a good exhibition for their first attempt.

At the first meeting in second term, notes on the methods of debating were read. This was followed by a prepared Sub-Leaving debate. Several girls showed great promise, and it was an extremely successful and interesting meeting.

The next meeting consisted of impromptu speeches. It was surprisingly well attended and the debating was considerably better than during last year.

Hale challenged a Leaving and a Sub-Leaving team to a debate on 9th August. The Leaving team consisted of R. Smith, J. Stani-

land and D. Gribble, the subject being "Great Britain is on the decline." The Sub-Leaving team consisted of A. Ward, S. Duncan and A. McCooke, their subject being "Men and women should have equal wages."

The adjudicator congratulated the Leaving team on a very high standard of debate. Our team combined well and finally defeated Hale 67 points to 66 points. The Sub-Leaving team also debated well, but need a little more conviction. The adjudicator gave both teams 69 points.

We would like to thank Dr. Summers and Mrs. Cusack for their help in adjudicating and practical assistance which contributed largely to the success of the club throughout the year.



HISTORY CLUB NOTES

This year there have been unusually large attendances at the History Club meetings, and considerable interest has been shown in them.

Our first meeting was held on March 18th, when Valerie Angus showed us some slides of historical interest taken by her parents when they were abroad. In spite of the difficulty in blacking out the gym the slides shown were clear and very much appreciated.

Mr. Dowding gave us a very interesting talk on the island of Iona at our second meeting, held on April 29th. We were told about some of the legends of the island and about some of the old buildings.

Our third meeting was held on the 1st of July. This proved to be a great success. A competition had been arranged and this was won by Robin Smith. The second part of the meeting was spent comparing the reigns of Elizabeth I and Elizabeth II. The scenes showing the surgeons of the 16th Century compared with those of today were enjoyed by everyone.

Our fourth meeting was held on the fourth of August. The Sub-Leaving presented three scenes from "Victoria Regina." The first of these was concerned with Victoria learning that she would be Queen, the second showed the scene when she learned that she was Queen, and the third dealt with an attempt to assassinate her.

These were very successful and we would like to congratulate the Sub-Leavings, especially Annabella McCooke and Sandra Duncan who played the most important parts.

In conclusion we would like to thank Miss Hope for the help and interest she has always shown in the History Club.



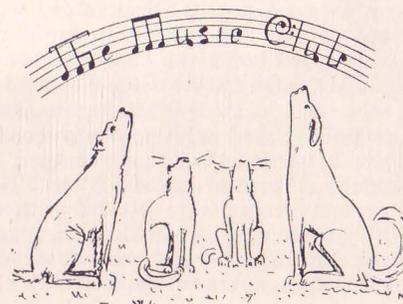
FRENCH CLUB NOTES

Cette année beaucoup de monde a assisté aux réunions du club français et nous espérons que les programmes ont été intéressants.

A la première réunion on a joué beaucoup de charades; à la seconde Dr. Summers nous a donné une conférence sur la Bretagne; à la réunion prochaine beaucoup d'élèves et aussi Madame Symington ont donné de petites causeries sur la géographie de France.

Le douze août nous avons eu deux petites pièces, dont l'une française et l'autre allemande que nos élèves ont présentées à la soirée des langues modernes. Nous remercions Madame Kay de ses efforts avec la pièce allemande.

Nous remercions Dr. Summers, Mademoiselle Hope et Madame Symington de leur aide et de leurs conseils pendant l'année. Nous souhaitons la bonne chance au club français pour l'année prochaine.



MUSIC CLUB NOTES

This year we were rather disappointed with the meetings held in first term.

The first meeting we acted the titles of a few songs and had a quiz.

The second meeting had to be cancelled because of the wet weather and because some of the performers were absent.

In second term, however, I am sure we made up for our bad start. At the first meeting of this term we had some of the senior girls, and also some of the more skilful younger ones playing the piano for us. We also played a few records and had a quiz which involved reading out some facts about certain composers. The audience then had to guess the names of the composers.

At the following meeting Mr. Ladomirski and Felicity Seale played a concerto by Mozart for us. Mr. Lado. also played a few piece by Chopin. We would like to thank him and Felicity very much for playing so beautifully.

To complete this term Mr. Calloway, the Director of Music at the University, was coming to talk to us about "Going to a Concert" but unfortunately he was ill on the date chosen.

Next term the Sub-Leavings will be taking over the Music Club and Jane and I would like to wish them the very best of luck with their work.

Our very special thanks go to Miss Hutchinson for all the assistance she has given us during the year.

FORM NOTES

LEAVING

The Leaving Form this year numbers twenty-seven, so we are still in the traditional Leaving classroom in the shadow of Carmichael Hall—thus in winter we may be seen only as walking icebergs!

In first term we went to the Anzac Service which was held at Christ Church, the school exhibiting its fine standard of marching. We also marched at the Youth Service held on the Esplanade and attended a short service in St. Andrew's Church afterwards.

Late in the term we went to the Observatory with Miss Major, but when we arrived it was too cloudy to see anything, and of course as soon as we arrived home the clouds vanished and the sky was as clear as a bell. We hope our next appointment will be a little more successful.

The end of the term closed with a penny concert put on by the Leavings. In spite of the small amount of time for preparation we managed to produce several reasonable items. Needless to say, the classroom and prefects' room were littered with whale carcasses, bloody bandages, kitbags, stewing pots, rifles and niggers for several days before the concert, but this did not deter our determined efforts and we produced a successful concert which was enjoyed by all.

The School Dance this year was larger owing to the new commercial class which also attended, but the larger numbers did not make it any less successful, and owing to so many willing helpers we were able to have plenty of attractive decorations both in the hall and in the supper room.

Customary to our tradition we elected the two best "money-grabbers"—Val and Barbara—as our Cot and Relief Fund representatives, both of whom seem to be able to extract from us un-

ending quantities of money. Two successful tuckshops have been held during the year as well as the Penny Concert.

During second term there was a Leaving debate against Hale School, and Robin, Jenny and Diane, after a long and loud dispute, finally convinced their opponents that Britain was not on the decline and won the debate by one point. They spoke very well and deserve congratulations for defeating the opposition who were far more experienced than they.

A great many Leavings are gifted with wonderful voices, so that in Assembly we sometimes sing a descant to the hymn, which we know is appreciated by the whole school!!

Another of our features is our outstanding ability in gym. When we use the new horse and springboard we have sympathy for the surrounding classes who must certainly be interrupted by our mirth. The springboard will not remain stationary unless two people sit on the wings on either side of the ramp. The two "victims" sit tensely but firmly on these and the "vaulter" faces the horse, streaks along the gym, hits the ramp, soars gracefully into the air and crash-lands on the box. Meanwhile the two "victims" have been shaken to the core after having rebounded about two feet into the air—it being of course a "springy" springboard.

In conclusion we would like to thank Miss Major for her unceasing interest and guidance in our activities. We have enjoyed being in the Leaving Form and are sure that future Leavings will also, and wish them the best of luck.

SUB-LEAVING M

"Now for a lazy year," said Sub-Leaving at the beginning of the year. However, what a disillusionment awaited us that same first day—the Leaving Maths syllabus was read, and the bubble was burst.

Still, despite the extraordinary amount of necessary work the year has been thoroughly enjoyable. Among the numerous extra activities were Anzac Day, Empire Youth Sunday, the various geography and hygiene excursions and the School Choir.

French, German and history plays have also been successfully (we hope) performed, several charades and short talks at the History Club, the French play "Le Plancher Cire" and the German one "Aschenbrodel" at both the Modern Languages Concert and a later French Club.

Now for the sporting side of Sub-Leaving life. Congratulations to Judy Townshend for her successes at the Swimming Sports and to all those who won their Tunic and Pocket Colours for the various sports.

Although getting money from a class of 40 is like wringing blood from a stone, Ann and Inky have proved particularly efficient as Relief and Cot Fund representatives.

Last, but certainly not least, was the School Dance which was a marvellous success. Congratulations to Rosemary and the prefects for organising it so well.

After such a hectic year it is to be hoped that we can remember how to settle down to work for 1958 and our Leaving. Meanwhile good luck to all those in the ordeal this year.

COMMERCIAL

We were pleased to have the Commercial Class revived again this year and we were very happy to welcome Mrs. Blackburn as our form mistress and commercial teacher. A House Captain as Form Captain gave a lift to the class.

During first term we were lucky enough to be taken on an excursion to the G.P.O., Perth, and found it both educational and interesting. We were astounded at the number of foolish Perth citizens who took great care and expense in wrapping up parcels, etc.—and forgetting to address them!

Our tuckshop was very successful and so few produced so much that we were begging the hungry boarders to buy and ended with a large total.

Second term began with girls all a fluster in preparation for our first school dance which was, due to capable mothers and Leavings, a great success.

Mrs. Blackburn arranged for us to be shown over the Leighton factory and office of J. Kitchen & Sons which made a very enjoyable afternoon for us and resulted in each girl being given samples of toilet soaps.

This, for us, has been a wonderful concluding year at P.L.C. with lots of fun, trouble and much work. We hope that the Commercials in the future master the wonderful invention of shorthand under the capable guidance of the patient Mrs. Blackburn as we have, or hope we have, and have just as happy a year.

To all the Leavings and Juniors of the future—good luck.

III a

At the beginning of the year we were pleased to welcome Miss McMaster as our form mistress.

Sue Milner and Joan Purdie are our Cot and Relief Fund representatives and have done well in collecting money from the none too willing.

The Swimming Sports were held first term at Claremont Baths and also lifesaving. Congratulations go to Sue Hack and Gail Ruse who received their colours.

During first term we went on an excursion to Masters' Dairy. The expedition and especially the free bottle of milk were enjoyed by everyone.

First term we also had a lot of marching practice for Anzac and Empire Youth Services and paid a very interesting visit for the hygiene class to an exhibition in the St. John Ambulance building.

We close by wishing all Junior and Leaving candidates the best of luck.

III b

This year we were very pleased to welcome Miss Hope as our form mistress.

Rosemary and Elizabeth were elected as our Cot and Relief Fund representatives. They did good work in collecting donations from us, and our tuckshops added considerably to the total obtained.

Luckily this year there were no epidemics, so the swimming sports were held much to the delight of everyone. In the afternoon we went to see "Richard III," which was rather gruesome, but otherwise quite enjoyable.

We attended two services this year; the first was the Anzac Service held at Christ Church Grammar School, which was very impressive, the second was the Empire Youth Service, held on a Sunday afternoon, and at which many associations and schools were present. Afterwards the groups marched to their respective churches for divine service.

Two excursions were enjoyed by the hygiene class, much to the envy of the Maths. "B" pupils, who were slaving at work while the hygienists were away. One excursion was to Masters' Dairy and the other to the St. John Ambulance. Both were very interesting and informative.

During second term we had our third and final polio needle. Everyone was greatly relieved when it was all over.

Dancing classes were held this year in Carmichael Hall at the beginning of second term. They were a great success judging by the large number who attended.

We were given two very interesting talks on Teaching and also on Nursing, which were most helpful and informative.

The highlight of second term was a hockey match between the girls and the teachers. A large number of spectators lined the field to watch and at times they were helpless with laughter.

In conclusion we would like to wish all the candidates sitting for the Junior and Leaving examinations every success.

III c

We began the year well with Mrs. Watson as our form mistress.

Jenny and Margot were elected as our Cot and Relief Fund representatives for the year, a job in which they proved to be successful.

During first term the Swimming Sports were held at the Claremont Baths.

Interschool lifesaving also took place during first term, and congratulations go to Helen and Christine who took part in the carnival and were awarded their Tunic Colours.

The Hygienists were taken to Masters' Dairy as an excursion. Everyone enjoyed it and especially the free bottle of milk.

In second term we were taken on another excursion, this time to the St. John Ambulance depot in Wellington Street. We saw many interesting things, including a film on Nursing.

In conclusion we would like to wish the best of luck to all those sitting for exams at the end of the year.

II a

At the beginning of the year we were pleased to welcome Mrs. Sanders as our new form mistress.

Our intentions for 1957 when we came back to school were to study with more enthusiasm, as it is only one year to the Junior.

Practically the whole class took Domestic Science. You could see the girls during prep. or any spare time with odd socks, darning them feverishly. They were usually surprised at their results in cooking.

In April a few girls from our class represented us at the Anzac Service at Christ Church.

In second term we went to a nursing exhibition given by St. John Ambulance. It was most interesting. One of the things which intrigued the girls very much was the iron lung. We also saw a film on nursing. When we came out of the projection room nearly every girl was determined to become a nurse.

The Cot and Relief Funds representatives elected were Sandra Davy and Dianne Hungerford and throughout the year they have fulfilled their duty successfully.

II b

This year with the name IIB instead of Sub-Junior we started off very well with Mrs. Kay as our form mistress. Elspeth Thom and Alison Thomas were elected as Cot and Relief Fund representatives and proved to be excellent money-grabbers. A successful tuckshop helped our funds along to be given to many useful causes.

During first term we had a visit from the police, and also a very interesting talk by a woman from Korea about the hospitals and orphans over there. In second term also we had an entertaining talk, this time by Mr. Allen, a travelled Canadian. Later in the term General Motors Holden provided us with an interesting but rather noisy science exhibition. Near the end of second term we were taken to a Hygiene Exhibition in the St. John Ambulance rooms in Perth. This was enjoyed by all of us, especially when it came to be jabbing needles into the nurses, clambering into iron lungs, etc.

Most of us were enthusiastic about sport this year. As a result quite a number of our form were in the swimming, softball, hockey and basketball teams throughout the year. We congratulate Ann for getting into the softball team and gaining her tunic colours.

On the whole we have had a very successful year and we wish next year's Sub-Juniors all the best.

I a

This year we started off very well with Laura Bisset as our form captain and a new form mistress, Miss Vardon. We had twelve newcomers in our class who I hope are all very happy at their new school. We were all very excited about our first algebra and geometry lessons, and at the beginning of second term seven people had their first lesson in German. Later on in the term the hockey players of the first years were very excited as there were some interschool matches.

We are sure we all appreciate the co-operation of our teachers and their efforts to try to get something to sink into our brains. We have had a happy year and only hope we do not drive the teachers crazy.

I b

Notes about such a model class as we are must, of course, be short and sweet, as we do not find ourselves in scrapes—not much!

We seem to be doing our share in the life of the school and when not concentrating on these terrible weekly examinations do our best on the sports fields. So far we have had three girls in the swimming and four in the under 15 basketball team. Several of our boarders played in the hockey team which opposed St. Hilda's boarders. After a great struggle the match finished without either side scoring. We emerged victorious from two vigorous basketball matches against the other first years—IA and IC.

All the new girls have fitted in well to the school routine and we are a very happy family.

I c

We began 1957 with Mrs. Symington as our new form mistress and were glad to welcome the many new girls.

Our Cot and Relief Fund representatives for first term were Judy and Rosalyn. Rosalyn was again elected this term with Diane Pugh as Cot, and they have been quite successful in their search for our threepences and sixpences.

This term we have played some inter-class basketball matches—we beat Ia, but lost against Ib—and the hockey players have played some very exciting interschool matches this term.

We have enjoyed ourselves this year and hope we have learned a little bit more and have not been too exasperating to the staff.

VII H

With Mrs. Hunt as form mistress VII H started well this year.

We elected C. Waddell and S. White as Cot and Relief Fund representatives, who have found it hard to get money out of us.

Last term we all enjoyed an excursion to the North Wharf at Fremantle, accompanied by the other 7th form. We asked many questions, took quite a number of samples of the cargoes and went up in the lift to the wheat silo.

Basketball began this term and we played a match against 7W. Although we lost in the "B" team match we won in the "A" team and they were both good matches.

On the last Monday this term we hope to be presenting an Indian project, but that depends on how hard we work.

VII W

This year we were pleased to welcome Mrs. Woodend as our form mistress and we hope that she has not found us too trying.

Our class and our twin class of Mrs. Hunt went for an interesting excursion to Fremantle Harbour.

During the second term we held class discussions and a display about India in Carmichael Hall.

We would like to thank Mrs. Woodend, Mrs. Tweedie, Mrs. Gobolós and Miss Norris for trying to improve our little knowledge, and the Cot and Relief Fund representatives and Form Captains for controlling our classroom activities.

SPORTING NOTES

SWIMMING NOTES

The custom for each school to have an invitation relay race, in which the various schools are invited to compete, was observed as usual this year.

Our teams performed extremely well by gaining first place in every senior relay and second and third in the diving competition.

The first of these good performances was at St. Hilda's on 1st March. The team consisted of six swimmers, two swimming free-style, two backstroke and two breaststroke. By winning in record time, 4 minutes 11.6 seconds, they set the swimming season off to a good start.

At Perth College on 5th March a diving competition was held in place of the usual relay. G. Hill came second to St. Hilda's and R. Wildy gained third position.

At our own sports we won comfortably with St. Hilda's second and Perth College third. This was followed by another record win at the M.L.C. sports on 15th March.

Those who swam in the various teams were:—J. Townshend, G. Hill, B. Baird, R. Hines, R. Wildy and S. Hack.

The Inter-House Swimming Carnival was held on Friday, 8th March. It was very well attended by parents and Old Girls, who watched the morning's swimming under pleasant conditions.

After two weeks of afternoon practices at the baths House Captains had finally discovered their best swimmers and divers and had trained teams for novelty events.

After a close competition between Carmichael and Ferguson, Carmichael finally drew ahead, to win with 130½ points. Ferguson with 116 points came second, followed by McNeil and Stewart with 91½ and 50 points respectively.

Records were broken by J. Townshend, R. Perry and J. Evans, each of whom gave a very fine performance. Judy broke the 55 yds. under sixteen freestyle record previously held by P. Dures. Robin and Joy broke the under thirteen backstroke and breaststroke records respectively. Both of these were previously held by C. Law.

Congratulations go to J. Townshend and S. Hack who were Champion Swimmer and runner-up respectively. Congratulations also go to C. McCrae who was under fourteen champion.

Once again the Day Girls-Boarders-Old Girls Relay Race was of great interest. The day girls took up their usual position of first, with the not-so-old Old Girls second, the Boarders bringing up the rear.

In conclusion we desire to express our thanks to the staff for officiating so ably and willingly throughout the sports.

Congratulations go to all those who gained pocket and tunic colours.

Pocket colours: G. Hill, B. Baird, J. Townshend, S. Hack.

Tunic colours: H. Ambrose, R. Wildy, R. Hines, C. McCrae.

LIFESAVING, 1957

Practice for the annual Lifesaving Carnival, held this year on the 30th of March, was begun early in the term. Mrs. Tweedie chose the teams and practices were held at lunchtimes for land drill and at Crawley Baths after school for the water work. The land drill for the Lady Mitchell Trophy was held a week before the carnival at a private house in Crawley. However, in spite of this shortening in the time for practice we managed to gain first place in this event.

At last the day of the carnival arrived, and was a very successful one for P.L.C. as we gained three firsts, one tie for first, two seconds and one third. The teams and their placings were as follows:—

Bunbury Cup: R. Hines 1. L. Baird 2. C. Collins 3. B. Beaumont 4.

Halliday Shield: H. Boys 1, C. Law 2, S. Flower 3, G. Ruse 4. P.L.C. 2nd.

Madame de Moucey Trophy: B. Baird 1, G. Hill 2, J. Townshend 3, J. Wain 4. P.L.C. 1st (no time).

Lady Mitchell Memorial Trophy (Instructor R. Bonner): B. Baird 1, G. Hill 2, A. Parker 3, S. Copping 4. P.L.C. 1st, 119.5 pts.



LIFESAVING TEAM

Back Row: K. Fisher, J. Townshend, J. Wain, M. Dann.
Middle Row: S. Copping, A. Parker, B. Baird, G. Hill.
Front Row: R. Bonner, J. Baird.

Mrs. J. M. McFarlane Shield. "A" team Instructor, R. Bonner. B. Baird 1, G. Hill 2, A. Parker 3, S. Copping 4. "B" Team Instructor, M. Dann. K. Fisher 1, J. Baird 2, J. Townshend 3, J. Wain 4. P.L.C. "A" 1st, "B" 3rd.

Baden Memorial Cup: S. Hack 1, C. Law 2, H. Ambrose 3, C. McCrae 4. P.L.C. 2nd.

McKellar Hall Cup: J. Townshend 1, B. Baird 2, G. Hill 3, S. Hack 4. P.L.C. v. Geraldton High 1st (dead heat); time, 2 min. 27 sec.

At the end of term colours were awarded to the following people:—

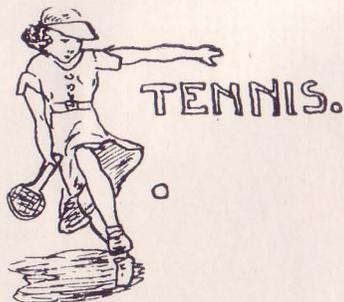
Pocket Colours: B. Baird, G. Hill, A. Parker, S. Copping, R. Bonner, J. Copping, J. Townshend, J. Wain, M. Dann.

Tunic Colours: C. Law, H. Boys, G. Ruse.

Congratulations go to all these girls and also to all those who gained lifesaving awards later in the term.

Nineteen gained the Elementary, 21 the Intermediate, 5 the Intermediate Star, 54 the Bronze, 11 the 2nd Class Instructors, 6 the 1st Class Instructors, 8 the Award of Merit.

The house points as a result of these awards were:—1st, Stewart, 167 pts.; 2nd, McNeil, 116 pts.; 3rd, Carmichael, 112 pts.; 4th, Ferguson, 91 pts.

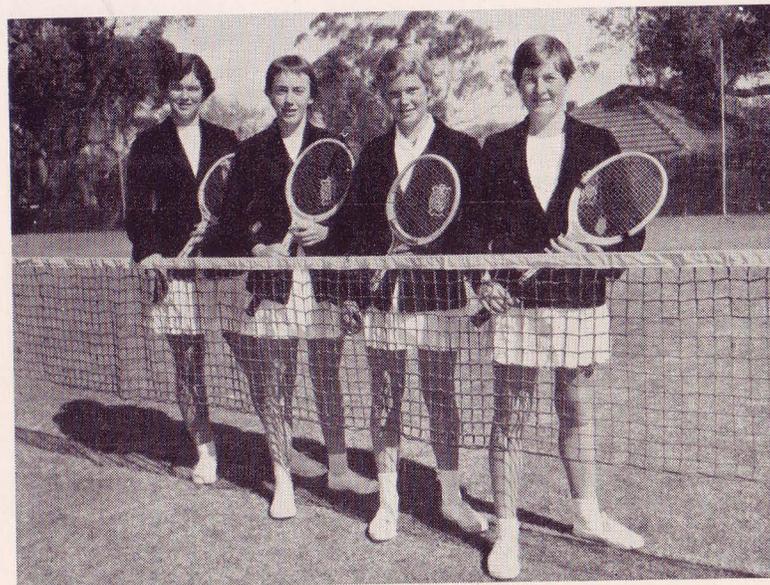


In third term, 1956, the tennis season was rounded off with the school Open Championship. The winner proved to be Joanne Eyres who defeated Jillian Eyres in the final (6-4, 6-0). Congratulations, Joanne.

This year more interest was shown by members of the school, especially by some of the younger girls, who should do well in future years.

Our thanks go to Miss McMaster and Mrs. Gobolos who coached and selected the teams, as well as umpiring various matches.

The girls chosen to play in the Slazenger Cup consisted of D. Chase, J. Staniland, R. Holmes (capt.) and R. Hitchings. However, J. Staniland was unable to play on the day so J. Johnston played as fourth player. This team was beaten badly in the first round by Sacred Heart, who had a decidedly stronger team.



MURSELL CUP TEAM
E. McDougall, P. Walsh, J. Johnston, S. Johnston.



SWIMMING TEAM
Back Row: G. Hill, B. Baird, S. Hack, J. Townshend, R. Hines.
Front Row: C. McCrae, R. Wildy, H. Ambrose.

The Mursell Cup team fared no better, also being beaten in the first round by M.L.C. The girls playing in the team were S. Johnston (capt.), P. Walsh, E. McDougall and J. Lukin.

The Herbert Edwards Cup team consisted of J. Eyres (capt.), Y. Morey, F. Higgins and D. Mullings. This team was unlucky to be beaten in the semi-finals by Perth College, as it had put up a very good fight in the previous rounds. It is the strongest under 15 team we have had for many years, so perhaps with these young players coming on we may manage to win back the Slazenger Cup in a couple of years' time.

Interschool matches were held again in first term every Thursday. These proved to be unsuccessful for us for we failed to win a match.

Pocket colours were awarded to R. Holmes, J. Staniland, D. Chase and R. Hitchings, and tunic colours to Y. Morey and F. Higgins.

BADMINTON NOTES

Second term again aroused the interest of many boarders in badminton. Owing to the area and height of Carmichael Hall it is an ideal place to play.

Miss McMaster very kindly spent some of her time on Sunday afternoons coaching us and we would like to thank her not only for this but for the matches she arranged for us.

We played our first match against the Old Girls, but owing to the latters' practice since we last met them they revenged their previous loss by defeating us 11-1. Their team consisted of S. Baird, P. Pottinger C. Crosby and J. Mayrhofer and ours of E. McDougall, K. Fisher, J. Abernethy, S. Johnston, J. Eyres and S. Holmes. The Old Girls very generously donated the supper, which was much enjoyed.

Another match was arranged but this time Old P.L.C. and Old Scotch challenged Present P.L.C. and Present Scotch. The opposing teams comprised S. Baird, P. Pottinger, C. Crosby and J. Mayrhofer, Old Girls and Old Boys J. Hodgekin, A. Waddell, R. Hudson and I. Purdie. The Present P.L.C. girls were E. McDougall, K. Fisher, S. Johnston and J. Eyres and Present Scotch F. Gow, B. Daghish, P. Drummond and I. Graham. The Old Boys and Girls won 10-1.

On the same night two Malayan students came and gave an exhibition. Their quick movements and force behind the shuttle amazed us. When they had finished they gave us some tips on positions on the court and other things which we will try to practise. To end the evening a very good supper was served.

It is sincerely hoped that the increased interest in badminton evident during this year will continue next year so that our activities can be further extended.



Only two members of last year's "A" basketball team returned and so we started 1957 season with practically a completely new team, comprising five Leavings, one Sub-Leaving and one Junior. During the season we played extra matches against Princess May and University, and were successful against Princess May but University were just too good.

The "A" team commenced well by defeating St. Mary's 27-16, Perth College 36-24, St. Hilda's 37-15. Unfortunately we suffered our first defeat against Perth Modern School, the score being 29-38. The most exciting match of the season was that against Methodist Ladies' College. It was the only match in which P.L.C. really played like a team and it was a great disappointment to us when by superior play they managed to beat us in the last few minutes. The score was 20-22.

In the second round it was a great shock when Perth College defeated us. We managed to beat Perth Modern School but Methodist Ladies' College proved too strong once again.

The "B" team had a successful season, being beaten only by Perth Modern School 16-29 and Perth College 26-29. The "C" team and the under 15 also had successful seasons, losing two between them.

We are sorry to have lost the shield this year but we were triers. Maybe if we had been a little faster in our teamwork we

could perhaps have taken the honours. However, we had good exciting games all through the season and after all that is the main thing.

The house matches this year were surprisingly close and they caused great excitement.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Miss McMaster and Mrs. Hicks who helped Mrs. Tweedie with the umpiring.

A TEAM CRITIQUE

Merilyn Waddell (Captain) (attack wing): Extremely fast, intelligent player. Experienced and adaptable, her untiring efforts in every match and practice were an example to the team.

Marion Teasdale (defence): A mainstay in the team, she saved many a match with her spirited defence. Agile and tenacious, she battled hard throughout every match.

Sue Flower (goalie): A fast, powerful player who used her height to advantage. An accurate goalie, she combined well with the attack wing but was inclined to be somewhat emotional in a crisis.

These three were the best players for the season.

Brenda Sloane (defence wing): Most improved player in team, especially in regard to ball handling. Fast-moving and intelligent,



"A" BASKETBALL TEAM

Back Row: B. Sloane, M. Teasdale, A. Newton, S. Flower.
Front Row: R. Bonner, M. Waddell (Capt.), G. Hill.

she combined well with defences, but needs to develop tenacity and strength.

Andrea Newton (assistant defence): A strong player who adapted to a new position very quickly and always performed creditably. Hesitation in passing to centre was her main fault. Better player than she thinks she is.

Rosemary Bonner (centre): An agile player, who handled a ball well, but did not always combine well with rest of team. Had a tendency to lead too early.

Geraldine Hill (assistant goalie): Accurate goal-thrower who passed well, but moved too slowly and was too easily discouraged.

Annette Parker (reserve): Conscientious, willing reserve who showed as much enthusiasm as any of the team. A useful centre but must learn to move quickly and put up more of a fight for the ball.

Tunic Colours.—J. Kirkwood, F. Higgins, R. Powell, M. Palmer, N. Harvey, E. Moffatt, A. Campbell.

Pocket Colours.—S. Flower, A. Newton, B. Sloane, M. Teasdale, G. Hill, R. Bonner, M. Waddell.



"B" BASKETBALL TEAM

E. Moffat (Captain), R. Powell, R. Hines, F. Higgins, A. Campbell, N. Harvey, M. Palmer.



Towards the end of first term hockey enthusiasts began inquiring about the possibilities of hockey starting, and throughout second term keen interest and enthusiasm were shown by all players, especially the beginners who seemed to want to play on indefinitely regardless of the hapless umpires and coaches.

Only two of the previous "A" team members remained this year, but we played well throughout the season with good combination in the forward line, losing three matches, one to M.L.C. and two to St. Hilda's, drawing with M.L.C. once in the first round.

The first team we played was P.C. who showed plenty of fighting spirit but whom we managed to beat 3-2. The second match against them was played on their oval and we defeated them again 5-3.



"A" HOCKEY TEAM

Back Row: S. Holmes, D. Mullings, H. Anderson, D. Gribble, B. Baird, D. Chase.
Front Row: S. Johnston, J. Lukin, R. Holmes (Capt.), C. Hamilton, J. Abernethy.

We also beat P.M.S. 3-1 in both the rounds.

We were beaten by St. Hilda's twice, 4-2 and 2-0 respectively, but both were very good games and we made them work for their victory. After a tense and hard battle we drew with M.L.C. in the first match 2-2 but were defeated 4-1 in the second. We were very sorry our goalie was unable to play, but were not deterred by the fact and had an enjoyable game. We would like to congratulate M.L.C. on their second consecutive win and also St. Hilda's who came a close second.

During the season we also had several matches against various other teams which consequently gave us plenty of practice. Claremont Teachers' Training College defeated us in one match 3-2 and drew, with no score, in the second—perhaps partly due to the fact that half the team had gone rambling in a swamp and had not returned!

Graylands T.T.C. trampled us underfoot, or perhaps we should say Miss Hyde did, with her excellent stickwork and tactics, but we learned a great deal from her, both during and after the match.

We also played the Christ Church "B" team whom we defeated 5-3 and had an organised boarders match with Scotch College, but were unable to play owing to wet weather. We drew 3-3 with the Old Girls who gave us a good game.

One of the most interesting, and I think one of the most delightful matches of the season was that against the staff, who



"B" HOCKEY TEAM

Back Row: K. Fisher, E. McDougall, J. Townshend.
Middle Row: J. McDonald, E. Officer, J. Johnston, R. Hitchings, G. Hamilton.
Front Row: K. Palmer, J. Staniland (Capt.), M. Dann.

despite their age, which apparently totalled over 300 years, exhibited a fine standard of hockey (?) and true sportsmanship, and the "A" team would like to thank them for a most enjoyable match.

In the last week of term the boarders encountered the day girls in a vicious and exhausting hockey match in which the "country slickers" used their weight and the "city slickers" their brains. By some inconceivable means the latter's brains overcame the former's weight—the result being 12-3 in the day girls' favour, much to the amazement and disgust of the whole Boarding House!

House matches were played with the usual vigour, and the determination by all concerned resulted in some very close matches.

The "B" team had a very successful season, losing no matches and drawing in one. The "C" team had several wins and also several defeats, but generally played well during the season. The under 15 and Sub-Junior teams did not have many interschool matches but those they did have were not by any means a disgrace to their standards. The beginners' enthusiasm was climaxed by several interschool matches, which caused great excitement among the players.

The season has passed very quickly and has been full of matches, so much so that we have had to refuse many requests for games owing to lack of dates.

In conclusion I would like to thank Mrs. Kay particularly for starting the young on the right road, Mrs. Blackburn who has been a valuable and helpful umpire in all our matches, and Mrs. Binstead who umpired, leaving Mrs. Cusack free to coach.

Congratulations to the following people who were awarded their tunic and pocket colours:—

Tunic: K. Fisher, G. Hamilton, J. Lukin, E. Officer, K. Palmer, J. Staniland.

Pocket: J. Abernethy, H. Anderson, B. Baird, D. Gribble, R. Holmes, C. Hamilton.

This year's "A" team at the top of its game played good hockey but it had weaknesses which reduced its effectiveness. The greatest fault was inexact passing. Too often the ball was sent to where it could be received not to the best spot and frequently the time thus lost meant the ball lost to an opponent.

The standard of the "B" team's play was high as their results witness and the "C" team acquitted themselves well showing a good sporting spirit.

In the lower teams lack of experience was made up for by enthusiasm and the experience will come next season.

GENERAL REMARKS TO ALL PLAYERS

Anyone who uses one hand only, except for a left-hand jab to avoid obstruction by the right shoulder, will never be a good player. Anyone who uses reversed stick is leg-lazy.

Too much fiddling is fatal for good back play as it gives time for opponents to mark the forwards.

A ball passed reaches the right place more quickly than a ball taken.

Halves may hold a little longer than backs to draw opposing defence; the subsequent pass must be particularly accurate.

"A" TEAM

R. Holmes (Captain) (centre half): Dependable and untiring. Holds her team together well both in defence and attack.

B. Baird: Fast mover and very strong but combination could be improved.

D. Gribble: A very useful wing with speed and judgment in passing.

D. Chase: Much improved during the season. Over-anxious; must trust the other players.

S. Holmes: Generally fast and neat; beautiful crossfield drive. Needs to vary tactics.

S. Johnston: Conscientious player with unusual tendency to pass right too much.

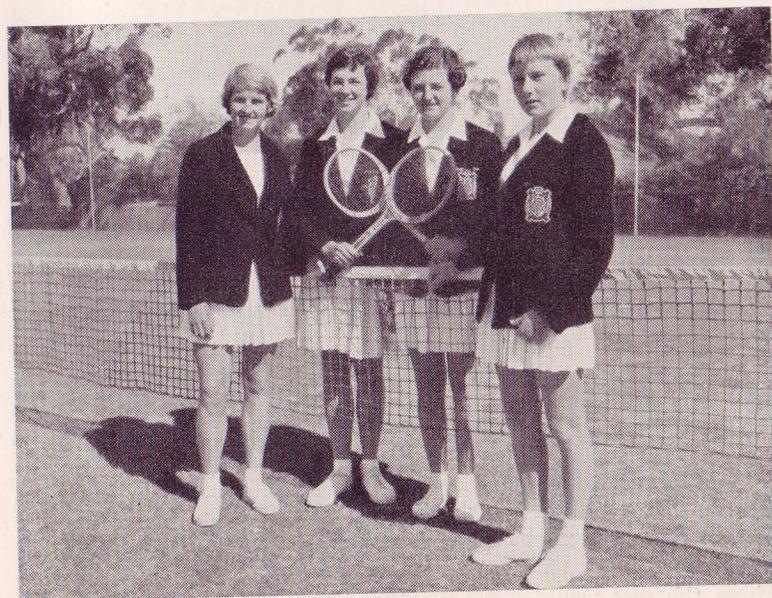
C. Hamilton: Plays best when hard pushed. Good judgment in tackling.

D. Mullings: Has the makings of a very good player with good eye and strong hit. One-handed tackling is a weakness.

H. Anderson: Great improvement in the season's play. Excellent teamwork and most dependable.

J. Lukin: Tackles with judgment; has good stick work. Needs more confidence.

J. Abernethy: Played very well as goalie the whole season. Has judgment and can meet emergencies.



SLAZENGER CUP TEAM
D. Chase, J. Staniland, R. Holmes, R. Hitchings.



At the time of writing the softball season is still in progress but the following girls have been awarded colours:—

Tunic: K. Fisher, A. Johnston, R. Kent.

Pocket: A. Carroll, S. Flower, D. Mullings, M. Teasdale, J. Townshend.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

This year the Senior and Junior interhouse sports were held on the same morning, October 1st, during Show Week. It was a hot day, and the Sub-Leaving lemon drinks were in such demand that it was a case of "You'll have to wait until I squeeze a lemon for you."

The first event was the interschool relay. Congratulations to St. Hilda's for winning. St. Mary's came second, and the P.L.C. team consisting of D. Gribble, A. Ward, J. Hines and G. Kopp came third with M.L.C. fourth.

So the programme went on, until the long-awaited boarders-day girls-Old Girls race came. Inspired by their cheering ranks the boarders came first followed hotly by the day girls and Old Girls.

Congratulations to Diane Gribble for being the school's champion athlete, and to her runner-up, Gail Kopp. The junior champion was Y. Morey with S. Bird coming second.

At this stage our thanks must go to all the officials, without whom the day would not have been such a success. The Junior School would like to thank Mrs. Gobolos for helping so much with their events and relieving the House Captains.

The final result, adding together the results of both the senior and junior sports, came to: Ferguson, 280 points; McNeil, 260; Carmichael, 187; and Stewart, 174.

In the interschool events P.L.C. was, on the whole, quite successful. Two teams went to St. Hilda's. The senior team—D. Gribble, A. Ward, J. Hines and G. Kopp—came second, and the junior team—S. Bird, A. Johnston, P. Clarke and Y. Morey—came sixth.

An overhead pass ball team went to P.C., and although it did not shine brilliantly the event was enjoyed by all! However, as a compensation a winning relay team consisting of D. Gribble, G. Kopp, Y. Morey, A. Fan, S. Bird and C. Waddell ran at the St. Mary's sports.

Finally at the M.L.C. sports there was a junior and senior representative team, which came second and fourth respectively.

Altogether the athletic season was thoroughly enjoyed and many thanks are due to Mrs. Tweedie, the House Captains and their aides.

Colours.—Pocket: D. Gribble, G. Kopp. Tunic: J. Hines, A. Ward, S. Bird.



"A" SOFTBALL TEAM

Back Row: J. Townshend, A. Carroll, P. Walsh, M. Waddell (Capt.), K. Fisher.
Front Row: J. Lukin, M. Teasdale, M. Dann, D. Chase, S. Johnston.

Original Contributions

PREFECTS

As all Prefects are humans
Which dwell upon the earth,
Then I suppose that also
They have a bit of mirth,
Although they never show it
And always have to be
So stern and so suspicious
And not like you and me.

ANONYMOUS.



INTERSCHOOL RUNNING TEAM

Back Row: M. Waddell.
Middle Row: G. Kopp, D. Gribble.
Front Row: S. Bird, A. Ward, P. Clarke.
Y. Morey absent.

TUCKSHOP

Was your tuckshop a success? The following suggestions by the Leavings will guarantee successful tuckshops for years to come. They have proved the worth of each recommendation.

CHINESE CANDY

Ingredients

7½ cups puffed rice
½ cup peanuts

1½ cups sugar
¼lb. butter

Melt butter in a large pot, add sugar and stir to avoid burning. Allow to cook until sugar and butter turn into syrup form, oil begins to separate and sugar is thoroughly dissolved. Immediately add rice and peanuts. Mix thoroughly. Pour into flat cake pan and flatten. Cut when still warm.

COCONUT ICE

Ingredients

¼lb. Cofpa (melted)
1lb. icing sugar (sifted)
½lb. fine desiccated coconut

2 whites of egg
½ teaspoon of essence of vanilla

Method.—Mix together the sugar, coconut, egg and vanilla. Then stir in hot (not boiling) Cofpa and mix well. Line a cake tin with greaseproof paper and spread in it one-third of the mixture. Colour half the remainder pink and spread over white layer. Mix a teaspoon of cocoa with the rest and spread over pink layer. Stand in a cold place to set.

MARSHMALLOW

Ingredients

1 cup sugar
3 dessertspoons gelatine
Juice of 1 lemon
Coconut
1 cup water

Chopped nuts
½ teaspoon cream of tartar
1 dessertspoon rose water
Icing sugar

Method.—Mix together the sugar, water, gelatine and cream of tartar; simmer for 10 minutes, allow to cool, and add the lemon juice and rose water and also the nuts. Beat the mixture till white and thick, pour into a greased tin and leave for a few hours. Cut into squares and roll in coconut or icing sugar.

HONEYCOMB

2 tablespoons golden syrup
4 tablespoons sugar

1 tablespoon butter
1 teaspoon carb. soda

Put syrup and sugar in a pot. Add butter, let it melt and bring it slowly to the boil. Boil for seven minutes. Remove from the stove, add soda. Stir quickly and pour into a greased tin.

CORNFLAKE MERINGUES

Ingredients

Whites of 2 eggs
1 cup of castor sugar
¾ cup chopped walnuts

3oz. chopped preserved ginger
2 cups Kellogg's cornflakes

Method.—Beat egg whites stiffly, then gradually add castor sugar, then walnuts and ginger and lastly cornflakes. Cook in slow oven as for meringues.

WOMAN

Analysis of the creature known as woman . . . as seen through the eyes of the chemist.

Symbol: WO.

Accepted Atomic Weight: 120.

Physical Properties: Boils at nothing, and freezes any minute. Melts when properly treated, very bitter if not used well.

Occurrence: Found wherever man exists.

Chemical Properties: Possesses great affinity for gold, silver, platinum and precious stones. Violent reaction if left alone, able to absorb great amount of food matter. Turns green when placed beside a better-looking specimen.

Uses: Highly ornamental, useful as a tonic in acceleration of low spirits and an equalizer of distribution of wealth, is probably the most effective income-reducing agent known.

Caution: Highly explosive in inexperienced hands.

With acknowledgments.

SINGAPORE

Singapore is a very different place from Perth. Apart from the streets, cars and buildings, the people and their way of life are different. We in Perth would be shocked to see women working in the streets with picks and shovels, but in Singapore it is a common thing to see women making roads or building houses. These women are all Chinese, and they wear baggy trousers, usually blue, with a black blouse coat. On their heads they wear either a very peaky coolie hat, or a piece of brown paper coming from their foreheads to the back of their necks. The paper is worn to keep the dust off and to hide their faces from their friends.

In the middle of the city is an alley, similar to London Court, called Change Alley. At the entrance to this alley are Indians who call out as you enter, "Change money. Money change." You never change money from these Indians for they will always beat you. As you pass down the alley the shopkeepers all call to you to come into their shops to see their wares. Many of the things are very beautiful, and very different from things to be bought in Perth. If you think an article is too dear you try to bring the price down, and then walk away. Usually the shopkeeper calls out after you that you can have the article for the price you said. Imagine doing this in Perth!

One Sunday, when we were out driving in the outskirts of Singapore City, we saw a Chinese funeral. There were a number of trucks decorated with bright cloth and flowers. On the backs of these trucks were some Chinese men banging brass gongs which made a terrible noise. This noise was supposed to keep away evil spirits. Chinese funerals are always held on Sundays and if a Chinaman dies on Monday his body is kept till the following Sunday before he is buried.

A friend of ours had a special permit to visit the Crown Prince of Johore and we went with her to meet him in Johore Bahru. When we arrived at his palace we found he had a private zoo in his grounds, and in it was an Australian kangaroo!

The Prince took us to his stables where we saw racehorses from France, England and Ireland. We then saw his International Polo Club building and the track where his horses are trained.

Afterwards we drove to a lake on which we saw beautiful white swans and even some black swans from Western Australia—a little bit of home a long, long way from Australia.

V. UREN.

A SCHOOL LIBRARY

"The Big Game Hunter" by Kilmore Lyons.

"Springtime" by Theresa Green.

"The Naughty Schoolboy" by Ben Dover.

"The Lunatic" by M. T. Nutt.

"Sacked" by Hugo Holme.

"The Cannibals" by Henrietta Mann.

"Over the Cliff" by Willie Comeback.

"The Unpaid Bill" by Owen Moore.

"The Arm of the Law" by Clapham N. Irons.

"The Drought" by Pauline Lamb.

"Stand and Deliver" by Ann Dover.

"Starvation Point" by Nora Bone.

By M. T. BOOK.

THE RESTLESS HEART

The uneasy quiet is broken by the rustling of a page,
And our pens scratch never-ending as our heads bend to our tasks.
"Why do you sit still and freezing with your fellows in this cage,
Why do you remain imprisoned?" my rebellious heart asks.

For the night is dark and secret and the wind sobs in the trees.
And the rain is falling gently on the wild stormy sea.
All the mystery of the ages is soft whispered on the breeze.
As it moans among the sandhills, never fettered, ever free.

Why are you not down there, walking where the waves with
muffled roar
Swirling ceaseless up the sodden sand, retreat among the rocks,
Throw themselves with tireless anger on the unresisting shore,
While the line of shadowed sandhills by its calm their fury mocks.

Why are you not down there walking with the rain upon your hair,
With the sad spray on your eyelids and the wind free on your
face?

All alone along the empty beach and rolling sand dunes bare.
All alone the one spectator to the waves' triumphant race.

So I listen heavy hearted to my heart's impatient plea,
While I long to have the freedom to go walking in the rain.
But obedience holds me stronger than the calling of the sea,
And my mutinous heart tempts me from my schoolbooks all in
vain.

MOG

BATH TANGLE

"When I was in England," said Mofkin, "we used to go down the river to Bath every Saturday."

"Fancy," said Bofkin. "You must have been badly off? Don't they have baths in England?"

"No, silly," said the other. "I don't mean we went down the river to bath, I mean we went down the river to Bath, the town."

"Really?" said Bofkin. "Couldn't they bath themselves?"

"Don't be obtuse. I mean the town Bath."

"Oh, you went down to bath in the town bath. Well that is better than the river, more private."

"No," said Mofkin. "Bath with a capital B."

"Of course," acquiesced Bofkin. "I always say that bath should be spelt with a capital B. After all, it's very important."

Mofkin gave it up and continued with his reminiscences. "We used to go down to Bath in a wonderful little boat."

"Fancy!" exclaimed Bofkin. "Well there is no accounting for tastes. I, myself, prefer a convenient tub in the bathroom but that's no reason why you should. We've got a boat on the river here if you like that, but I think it will sink if you put too much water in it."

"I've had enough of this," snapped Mofkin. "We went to Bath, the town Bath."

"Well don't get snooty," said Bofkin. "There's no reason why you shouldn't. How much did you have to pay, or was it free?"

"Bath is a town in England," explained the other.

"I suppose it is called that because they have a lot of baths there?" smiled Bofkin. "What a pity you didn't go there. They probably would have let you have a bath for nothing!"

"But we did go there," shouted Mofkin.

"How nice," said Bofkin.

"We went down the river to Bath."

"Ah." Bofkin at last saw light. "I see now; you went to the town but found their bathing arrangements too dear. Very sensible, my dear chap, but I hope no one saw you."

"No," shouted Mofkin.

"That's alright," said Bofkin.

"You don't understand," screamed Mofkin. "We went to Bath, to Bath, to Bath, the town!"

"You said that before." Bofkin had been patient but now he was getting huffy. "And I said I saw no reason why they couldn't bath themselves. I always do, but perhaps people in England don't."

"Bath, Bath, Bath," raved Mofkin. "Bath is the name of a town in England."

"It's also a tub in our bathroom," said Bofkin. "Didn't you know that before? Look, go straight down the passage, third door on your left and you'll find it. The white thing, you can't miss it, hot and cold water. . . What is the man crying for?"

A.McC., Sub-Leaving.

A BULLOCH was charging through a GROVE, CLOSE by BRODIE HALL near MONTEATH in KENT. On the other side of a WELL BAR'D gate stood an OFFICER and a PALMER, towards whom the Bulloch ran.

A BIG-N-OLD SHEPHERD approached. Speaking to the Officer, he said, "PAT-ER-SON!" to which the Officer replied, "I wouldn't DARE. I would just as soon pat a LYON." "WAT-SON! Well, if you won't, then I WIL-SON!" said the Shepherd named MULLINGS.

At that moment the CAMP BELL rang, distracting their attention, and they noticed Misses SCRYMGEOUR and UREN picking FLOWERS, FERNS and ROSEMARY, while some ROBYNS were hopping about, in ANN adjoining field. "Those girls will be COPPING it hot because the farmer will SUE them if he discovers them," said the Officer.

Farmer CRESSWELL did see them, and putting down neither his FAUCK-NER his spade, he strode towards the girls, who, on seeing him approach turned on charming smiles. "Don't give yourselves EYRES," he said. "Go WEND your way home to your NANNY before I put solicitor HUELIN onto you!"

Being respectable college girls, the ladies quickly obeyed (and now that we have named all the class we may conclude by adding they "lived happily ever afterwards").

R.V., IIIb.

A BUTCHER GOES COURTING

Dear "heart," I'm in an awful "stew"
How to re"veal" my love for you.
I'm such a "mutton" head I fear,
I feel so "sheepish" when you're near.
I know it's only "cow"ardice
That makes these "lamb"entations rise.
I'd dread a "cut, let" me explain,
A single "roast" would give me pain.
I should not like to get the "hooks"
And dare not "steak" my hopes on looks.
I never "sausage" eyes as thine.
If you should "butcher" hands in mine
And "liver" around me every day
We'd seek some "ham"let far away.
We'd "meat" life's frown with love's caress
And "cleaver" road to happiness.

PROGRESS IN BUILDINGS AT P.L.C.

Looking back on my first school days at P.L.C., I can see how much has been done to improve the school in the way of buildings and sporting amenities.

I started school in 1946, immediately after the war, during which no buildings other than extremely necessary ones were allowed to be built.

My first sight of P.L.C. was my classroom in Finlayson House, which is now Blue dormitory for eight boarders instead of a classroom for about thirty young pupils. The rooms off the hall in Finlayson House were used to hold boarders and teachers, and the other room of this house was used for domestic science.

The grounds were not very impressive then, where now the lovely two-storeyed Junior school stands was a large open paddock of sand, with a few banksia trees growing on it.

No great improvements were done in the next six years, and then just as I was old enough to go into the Senior school the new Junior school was started in McNeil Street, next to Summers House, and finished in 1953. This two-storeyed building, which it is hoped will eventually have another wing added to it, allowing all the classrooms to be on the ground floor and the upper storey to become dormitories for Junior boarders, has two classrooms and a balcony cloakroom enclosed by louvres on the upper storey. The ground floor contains two more classrooms, an ablution block, staff room and a small front hall.

Also in this year of 1952, where the rest of the open paddock was left, with the aid of bulldozers and tractors eight new grass tennis courts emerged.

In 1953 the oval came in for some rejuvenation. Originally this ran parallel with McNeil Street, there being three old bitumen tennis courts along one side, which were surrounded by a wonderful crop of weeds, and an old wire fence which completed the sad picture. The rejuvenation began by the arrival of a team of men and a bulldozer. After many men and more dust two new hockey fields developed, with a beautiful retaining wall, handsome wrought iron gates, and accommodation for spectators.

The following year of 1954 saw the completion of the new brick science block, in McNeil Street, comprising two laboratories and a lecture theatre. The wooden classrooms were made unrecognisable by smart coats of cream and green paint, the canvas shutters being replaced by clear glass louvres.

Also in this year the two old basketball courts which ran parallel with View Street were removed, and a start made on the long-awaited Carmichael Hall. At the same time the new ablution block and sleepout built onto Finlayson House improved and increased the boarding accommodation.

In 1955 the Carmichael Hall, which had been rearing its head above the other school buildings, was completed, and officially opened in 1956. This building contains a large assembly hall, while underneath it has a gym, a changing room and a sports room.

At the beginning of 1956 everyone was pleased to see the old gym converted into a colourful library and boarders' sitting room. Louvres were put on two sides of the building, providing ample light for working.

New asphalt paths were laid around the classrooms and music block, which much improved the general appearance of the school.

During the May holidays the canvas window shutters in top and bottom dormitories were replaced by louvres.

The outside walls of Korrawilla were also painted at the end of first term, and a new system of buzzers installed in every classroom.

This year, my final year at school, many minor alterations have been done to the school to change its appearance.

A new path was laid early in second term, along the side of Carmichael Hall. The spare block of ground next to Carmichael Hall, which for several months had been looking untidy, was cleared and planted with grass and a smart stone wall built around it.

Several lots of steps were built on the approaches to the hall, and at the front cement slabs were laid. All these alterations have put the finishing touches to the Carmichael Hall and made it, I am sure, the very nicest of school halls in this State.

One of the oldest landmarks of P.L.C., the old, wooden laundry, which has been replaced by a new, modern one at the back of Baird House, was demolished during second term and lawns planted in its place.

The main drive from McNeil Street had its old wooden kerbs pulled up and a new sweep of bitumen put down.

Every girl in P.L.C. can see from this what has been done for the improvement of the school during the past six years.

GERALDINE HILL

SCHOOLDAYS IN SCOTLAND

"There she is over there. The new girl."

From that moment, when there was someone newer than I, I became part of the Greenock Academy. A slightly unusual part to be sure and still to be regarded as something of an oddity right up to the time I left.

I had gone through the worst part of the winter, through January when there was only three and a half hours of sunshine, through weeks of cold during which I wore six layers of thick clothing. From the first day of school at the beginning of second term in January I had undisputed right to the seat nearest the hot water pipes in every classroom. Then the spring came. As the people I stayed with said, the sunny days were noticed more because they were so rare, and were appreciated to their fullest when they came. There were long cycle rides along the Firth, picnics on the moors, and late in the summer walks punctuated for the more adventurous of us by dives into bramble bushes for handfuls of purple seedy berries.

I had also become assimilated into the fourth year although the length of my stay there seemed at first rather precarious. When I first arrived I was put into any class that had room. Thus I found myself in Higher French, Lower German, a monstrous class of three, Higher History, Lower English and Higher Maths. Only those really talented among the Classical scholars are allowed to take more than five subjects and they as an extra take either Latin or Greek. It took me a while to get used to the system of Highers and Lowers whereby the pupil who is not so good at a certain subject can take in his Higher Leaving Certificate a Lower in that subject. This means, for example in French, that he will have to do translation of French into English, comprehension, interpretation of French prose and an essay. The Higher class, however,

must do these on a higher standard, including interpretation of poetry and also translation of English prose into French. I quote French as an example as after spending some time in Higher French I was demoted. [After the second term exams in March I was told by a tactful member of one of my classes that as long as I was in the class he wouldn't be bottom. This encouraging opinion was also displayed during the third term exams in May, but to my great surprise, after the summer holidays of July-August, I was put into fifth year.] As the Highers are taken in March, there was only a term left for those taking them and nervous tension was very high. After the November exams there was a wholesale weeding of the Higher classes. I was not one of the victims, only because I was going before the Highers. To go to University it is necessary to have at least three Highers and the remainder Lowers. Those of my class who suddenly found themselves with not enough Highers were faced with the necessity of returning for sixth year and turning their Lowers into Highers that year.

During my time there I learnt many interesting things about Scotland, including the date of the Battle of Bannockburn (1314 for the sake of the ignorant), the most important battle in history, the Scottish army won; all about the iniquities of the Sassenachs, those living south of the border; and the meaning of various idioms that baffled me at first. I also learnt some even more interesting things about Australia. For instance I was told that the "colony" of Australia consists entirely of rabbits and convicts and that most of its inhabitants still live in wurlies.

Although by leaving in December I missed the worst of the winter, I was sorry to leave the Academy and my school friends there.

M. de C.

EXTRACTS FROM 'ARNOLD'

- "Danger or death awaits thee on this field."—Hockey.
- "Tis not what our youth desires."—School.
- "Well, I know what they feel."—Polio injection.
- "Creep into thy narrow bed."—Midnight.
- "Life-like angels appear."—Gym lessons.
- "So much unlearnt."—Before exams.
- "The organ carries to our ears"—School service.
- "Life, emotion and I."—School dance.
- "Far, far from here."—Mind, during maths.
- "Stagger for ever in vain."—Trying to pass Leaving.

WHAT IS A PREFECT

Somewhere in the Leaving classroom at P.L.C. one finds fourteen sweet creatures called Prefects. The saying was once, "Sugar, spice and all things nice, that's what little girls are made of," but has since changed to "Swats, names (and of course) brains, that's what prefects are made of."

Prefects are found everywhere—marking grounds, inflicting punishments, in the prep. room, swotting, practising for a school team, serving out lunches and drinks and at the local jazz centre.

Prefects adore—weekends, holidays, telephones, hit parades and talking; but don't seem to care very much for Monday mornings, taking preps, sweeping the hall, cleaning grounds or swotting.

Teachers depend on them, seniors loathe them, juniors adore them, kindergarten members idolise them, and Heaven protects them.

The ambition of all prefects is the same—to give and take equally (?) and this is usually conceived by punishments.

The mood of a prefect can be determined quite easily, by what she is doing. If she's sweeping the hall properly, she's angelic; cleaning ground, she's silly; swotting, she's unbearable.

No one seems to be able to do more than a prefect between th hours of 8.45 and 9 o'clock. That includes sweeping the hall, cleaning the grounds, finishing homework that had to be handed in the previous day, looking up reference books, collecting cot or relief funds, then rushing to the classroom, to find she has been marked late again.

Apart from these setbacks we feel proud when we look back over the year and see the change (for better or for worse) which has taken place during our reign.

ON PREFECTS

- "The High and the Mighty."—Holmes.
- "My dreams are getting better all the time."—Suth.
- "The Old Philosopher."—Fung.
- "Anything you can do, I can do better."—Barb.
- "Flower that never blooms."—Eth.
- "I Met a Man Called Peter" (!)—Merril.
- "Drummer Boy."—Cottrell.
- "Oranges and Lemons."—Bonner.
- "I've Got Sixpence."—Grib.
- "Smiley."—Bren.
- "Butterfly."—Ruth.
- "Pick up this and that."—Gerry.
- "Bee Bop et Lu La."—Jenny.
- "Ain't Misbehaving."—Penny.



SIXTH GRADE

When we came to school in first term we sixth grade found that Mrs. Philmore was to be our form mistress as the former mistress had gone to Victoria.

When we arrived at school in second term there was a smell of fresh paint about us, for the stairs leading to the upper storey of Junior School had been painted mushroom pink.

Towards the end of first term and during the first part of second term everybody had a craze on knucklebones.

We had a successful tuckshop from which we made £6/10/-. After the morning's excitement over the tuckshop everybody was content to sit in school sucking stick-jaw toffee—much to the annoyance of the teacher.

Our form mistress decided that it was high time something was done about projects. McNeil did "New Zealand," Ferguson "Animals of the Jungle," Carmichael "Australia" and the Stewart-ites put their heads together on "Countries of the World." Each girl helped her house in her own way.

Somebody had the bright idea that basketball would fill in our lunch hour. Now we have learned the correct way in which to play the game and enjoy our practices a great deal.

GRADE V

At the beginning of first term we had swimming lessons with our gym mistress.

At the end of first term we had a picnic down at the river, and on the last day of the term we had a very amusing penny concert from the Leaving, which we thought was the best we have had so far.

In second term we started projects. Two girls read papers about their projects each week, mostly on Thursdays.

We saved enough money to buy some new records, which we all enjoy very much.

We have had two very successful tuckshops from which we got quite a lot of money for Cot and Relief Fund.

One Saturday we went to see Sorcar the conjuror. He was very clever and interesting.

We also had a visit from the police who showed us films on road safety.

Half way through third term our form mistress, Miss Mellor, announced her engagement. She is not leaving us till the end of term but we are very sad to lose her, though we wish her every happiness in the future. As we hope to be VI grade next year we would have lost her anyhow, so it is really next year's V who are unlucky.

GRADE IV

Our class is the smallest in the Junior School. There are good points and bad points about this. There is more time for each of us to receive extra attention in our work and our reading, but if we want to misbehave we are more easily seen.

For yard duty and tuckshops we have to work twice as hard as the larger classes and, if one of us is foolish enough to fall out of the back of a bus or hurt her ankle by falling downstairs, it makes our class smaller still.

GRADES II AND III

This is a combined class. This year we have had a lot of pleasure as well as a lot of hard work.

We enjoyed the visit of the Eskimo man, particularly as we are learning about Eskimos in class.

The Safety First policemen always get a good welcome, and we really do try to do what they tell us to keep ourselves safe.

When we have been especially good we have a record afternoon of music and stories.

KINDERGARTEN NOTES

First of all we would like to say a big "thank you" to the Old Girls for our lovely Davey Crockett house. We (the girls) have tea parties in it and we (the boys) play cowboys and Indians.

Last term we had a most exciting time inspecting the Fire Station and riding on the fire engine. We also had a diesel ride to the Fremantle railway station and a visit to the wharf.

This term we have been very busy making clay models of all our old friends in the nursery rhymes.

Now you must all realize that as we are only very small people we cannot manage to write very long notes for our magazine, but before we say goodbye you may like to hear that Miss Eastwood reminds Helen very much of the "Orsova," and though Eastie is crabby, Nunnie is Sharkey.

Junior School Contributions

THE STORM

With choppy seas and angry skies,
Quickly now the storms arise,
Lightning flashes, thunder roars,
And wind whistles 'neath the doors.

Boats are creaking 'gainst the quay,
Tossed in fury by the sea.
One poor fisherman out alone
Desperately rows towards his home.

WENDY MILLINGTON, age 10.

THE WILD HORSES

Over the grassy plains they run,
Galloping, trotting and having fun,
Sometimes feeding on cool green grass
Or drinking water clear as glass.

Sometimes running up and down,
Never daring go near town,
For men who hunt them may live there,
Of them they have to take great care.

JAN HARTZ, age 10.

THE FAIRY'S HOUSE

There's a little fairy's house,
Quite far inside the wood.
I've never ever seen it,
But, oh, I wish I could.

My Mummy never lets me
Go far into the wood,
But if she'd ever do it
I would, I would, I would.

L. SEXTON, Grade V.

THE FAIRY

I saw a fairy
Dancing in the wood,
She curtsied daintily
As any fairy should.
When she turned and saw me
She hid behind a tree,
Though I searched so carefully,
Her I couldn't see.

M. ANDERSON, Grade V.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

LEAVING

Banks, Elizabeth
Bell, Penelope
Duff, Pamela
Grose, Jenny
Hughes, Maureen
Ladomiska, Joan

Lukin, Susan
Lutz, Barbara
Pilmer, Joy
Powell, Jocelyn
Vincent, Judith

JUNIOR

Abernethy, Jenny
Avery, Geraldine
Baker, Elizabeth
Barton, Judith
Bennett, Jillian
Broun, Delia
Brownson, Jill
Carroll, Anne
Cato, Jocelyn
Chamberlain, Raylee
Chandler, Susan
Chase, Diana
Clarke, Elizabeth
Clarke, Mary
Dann, Margaret
Dean, Lynette
Dempster, Marjorie
Duncan, Sandra
Ellis, Margaret
Fevearyear, Robin
Glasson, Leith
Graham, Lesley
Harris, Margaret
Hines, Janet
Huelin, Kirstine
Inkpen, Dorothy
Johnston, Lesley
Kent, Elizabeth
Loader, Margaret
McCooke, Annabel
Mackintosh, Robin
Mayrhofer, Rosalind
Morgan, Christine
Ockerby, Robin
Owen, Patricia

Palmer, Margaret
Pugh, Janice
Robinson, Olive
Sharp, Helen
Stimson, Jane
Fallon, Glenys
Fisher, Katherine
Gordon, Margaret
Green, Gillian
Harris, Margaret R.
Hitchings, Robin
Humann, Valerie
Johnston, Jane
Johnston, Susan
Kruse, Glenys
Lukin, Julia
McDougall, Elizabeth
Marshall, Ann
Moffat, Elizabeth
Muir, Estelle
Odgaard, Judith
Palmer, Kaye
Richmond, Pamela
Robinson, Rosemary
Snell, Margaret
Teasdale, Marion
Todd, Catherine
Townshend, Judith
Urquhart, Margaret
Wain, Jocelyn
Walsh, Penelope
Ward, Allison
Whittaker, Robin
Yeo, Jenny
Young, Daphne

Old Girls' Association Notes

The annual general meeting began the round of successful social functions for the Old Girls' Association on Tuesday, 12th February, in Carmichael Hall. After the business had been dealt with Dr. Summers told us of the commencement of the Commercial Course, also that the new laundry building was well under way.

This year the Association organised its first Ball, and as it was such a great success we are hoping to make this an annual event. We would like to arrange a Debutante Ball next year, but this will depend on the response of girls leaving school.

As usual we celebrated the school's birthday by having a dinner on August 20th in Carmichael Hall. Dr. Summers, Mrs. Cusack, Mrs. Baird and Miss Hutchinson were our guests for the evening. Mrs. Barrett-Hill presented Dr. Summers with a cheque from the Association and this will be used to buy books for the library. After dinner we were treated with a skit on "Cinderella" by some of our more talented members.

We arranged two further functions this year, the first being an "At Home," to which we invited the President and Secretary from the other Old Girls' Associations, besides our own members. The afternoon was held on September 28th in Carmichael Hall.

Then on October 21st Miss Margaret Stewart arranged a golf day for us at the Cottesloe Golf Club and any Old Girls were made welcome, regardless of their golfing abilities, and it was a great success.

Our Country President, Mrs. Jenour, arranged a luncheon party at her home in Wellington St., Bunbury, on November 12th. This function was mainly attended by South-West members, but a car load from Perth also went down for the occasion.

As usual we held a stall at the School's Sports. The money raised at this stall will be used to purchase a hot plate for social functions held at school.

The Seven Stars Ball was a great success this year. There were 30 debutantes presented to the Lord Mayor. P.L.C.O.C.A. received £33 approximately, as their share of the profits, and this, together with the proceeds from our Ball, was given to the school to buy equipment for the Science Laboratory.

Our notes are not as detailed as usual this year, as we have recently published a "News Sheet," in which we sent news of interest to all girls who left school in the last three years, also to financial members. In future this news letter will only be sent to all those who are financial members, so how about joining, girls! For your information the fees are as follows:—£7/7/- for life membership, 10/- for town and 7/6 for country members.

We extend a sincere welcome to all girls leaving school this year, and hope you will be at our annual general meeting in February.

NEWS SHEET

Members and Friends,

This is our first publication of what we hope will become a regular "News Letter." We can only hope to make it a success if we have your full support.

Membership.—This comprises town members 221, country members 59, life members 47, as at the 30th June, 1957.

Through the publication of this News Letter we hope to increase these numbers considerably.

School News.—Since the beginning of this year the new laundry has been finished and the old one we knew so well has been demolished. Dancing classes have been started, with Scotch College being the guests every Friday afternoon and evening.

The school has received from the Old Girls' Association the sum of £35, being the proceeds from the Seven Stars Ball Committee, and a donation from the Old Girls' Ball for obtaining new equipment for the Science Laboratory.

I should like to make a plea for a special effort from you all to gather together any news of Old Girls you may know or hear about and forward it to the assistant secretary.

Personal Items.—Since the last notes in the "Kookaburra" there have been many engagements, weddings and births to record in our growing lists.

Joan Pilmer, Leila Herman, Alison McNeil, Robin Sinclair, Meryl Pritchard, Adele Lang, Jean Seddon and Carol Summers, to name a few, are among the many engagements to whom we offer our best wishes.

We hear news from London of Gay Lynne's marriage to Peter Ibbotson. She and her husband have now returned to Australia and have gone to Melbourne to live.

Married in London was June Eggleston, who has now with her husband returned to the West, and married in Banbury, London, on 3rd May was Jane Knowles. Jenny Black was in London at the time and was able to be Jane's bridesmaid. Jane and her husband have a flat in London.

Recently returned from two years in England and South Africa is Barbara Baty. Wendy Addis has now completed her Physical Education course at the Melbourne University and is teaching at Melbourne Church of England Grammar School. Also in Melbourne is Dianne Turnbull who is studying Occupational Therapy at the University. Jocelyn Gollan is also at the same University studying Speech Therapy.

A long letter, giving items of news of Old Girls in Singapore and Malaya was received from Geraldine Lowe, who has been working in an airlines office. Geraldine told us that Jane McNeill is attending a school on the Isle of Wight, and that Ann Freathey has returned to England.

At present on tour of England and the Continent are Mrs. Precious Johnston (nee Rose) of Bunbury and Mrs. Joyce Evans (nee Stevens) of Perth. Mrs. Johnston's daughter Marilyn spent some time with them on their tour.

Congratulations to Jan Nathan who recently obtained a Qantas Air Hostess Scholarship. Sorry to hear that plans made by Carol Davy and Lesley Stone for their working holiday in Victoria and New South Wales had to be cancelled owing to Carol's accident. However, Carol has recovered now, so maybe further plans are in hand.

Angela Vincent and Elizabeth Sinnott have both gone to the Eastern States where they have joined up with the W.R.A.N.S.

Congratulations are extended to:—

Mr. and Mrs. Ian Bushell (nee Diana Stone) on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chute (nee Lesley Kenworthy) on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Johns (nee Jenny Easton) on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Kaye Paterson (nee Bettine Birdseye) on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Keogh (nee Bea Cooke) on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Potter (nee Barbara Allan) on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenworthy (nee Ethel Mary Cook) on the birth of a daughter.

Tess White (nee Nunn) recently passed through Fremantle with her husband Professor F. White on an overseas tour during study leave. Helen Balme (nee Cooke) has returned to Perth from Sydney with her husband and two children. Mr. Balme is a lecturer in geology at the University of W.A.

Prudence Vincent, Elizabeth Anderson, Susan Ferguson-Stewart, Ionie Stewart, Jillian Dry, Joan Thornton and Beverley Bird have all been touring the different parts of the Eastern States during the year.

Old Girls are well represented in this year's Inter-Varsity Carnival at Adelaide: Helen Purdie, Judith Vincent, Jocelyn Powell and Margot Brown are in the basketball team, and Joan Stewart, Susan Baird and Susan Lukin are in the hockey team. We are pleased to see so many Old Girls representing W.A., but we are disappointed that they will be away for the annual dinner.

Mrs. D. Glasfurd (nee Ena Roberts) and her husband are coming to live in Viking Road, Dalkeith, now that their two sons are married and living on the farm.

Penelope Norwood has returned from Sydney and is teaching at St. Hilda's Girls' School. Many Old Girls have gone to "greener pastures" in the Eastern States: Jan Perrin, Elizabeth Vincent and June Gwyther are working in Melbourne, Morwenna Vincent is doing a librarian course in Melbourne, and Sylvia Murray is working in Canberra. Dianne Creightmore is a manageress of a hotel in Melbourne and her sister Meredith is studying at the University.

Judy Bolton, Margaret Gallash, Sue Rozier and Fiona Bunning have recently joined the nursing profession.

Rita McGibbon (nee Robertson) was over in Perth recently from Melbourne for a short holiday.

We offer our congratulations to the following girls who have recently been married in Perth—Ann Lisa Mills, Pam Bracks, Jocelyn Buttsworth, Nova Richardson, Margot Watson, Judy Becher, Val Bailey, Jill Underwood, Val Robins, Pam McKenzie, Sue Paterson, Anne Watkins, Enone Whight and Dianna Morgan.

In closing I would like to make a plea for any information of Old Girls you may hear of from time to time, for without your support we cannot possibly make this a success.

SALVETE - 1957

Aitken, A.
Anderson, M.
Barnes, L.
Barnes, S.
Beaumont, B.
Bedells, E.
Bird, S.
Bishop, N.
Black, Sally
Black, D.
Black, Susan
Blackburn, E.
Blackwell, C.
Bradley, F.
Brearley, J.
Burgin, J.
de Castilla, M.
Cammilleri, J.
Collins, K.
Cook, E.
Cox, A.
Cresswell, E.
Dempster, M.
Devlin, G.
Drummond, M.
Ducoulombier, P.
Eddleston, M.
Edwards, P.
Ellis, J.
Ellis, B.
Evans, J.
Evans, B.
Eyles, J.
Fan, A.

Fauckner, C.
Fraser, C.
Gardam, R.
Grigg, C.
Hamilton, G.
Hawley, K.
Hawtin, K.
Hodgson, R.
Hoffmann, R.
Hunter, E.
Johnston, E.
Johnstone, J.
Keogh, N.
Kidman, R.
Kopp, G.
Ladomirski, A.
Lane, V.
Lange, G.
Leonard, M.
Love, C.
Lovelock, D.
Maguire, J.
Martin, J.
Medcalf, M.
Meharry, D.
Miles, J.
Moore, N.
Munro George, J.
Murphy, K.
Mackenzie, J.
McClelland, R.
McGregor, J.
McKenzie, H.
McMillan, M.

Naughton, P.
Novakov, H.
Paterson, O.
Pearman, R.
Piesse, M.
Pugh, D.
Reay, J.
De Roode, I.
Rosenthal, C.
Ross, J.
Saint, E.
Samson, M.
Sander, S.
Sedgwick, C.
Sexton, L.
Simpson, J.
Simpson, S.
Sinclair, A.
Spaven, R.
Staton, B.
Swan, R.
Symington, R.
Teakle, J.
Thompson, W.
Todd, S.
Tremlett, Y.
Utting, L.
Waddell, C.
Walker, J.
Walkerden, A.
Willan, M.
Wiltshire, M.
Young, J.

VALETE - 1956

Ambrose, R.	Eddy, M.	Marshall, A.
Angell, N.	Edwards, V.	Mead, P.
Arnold, A.	Ellis, J.	Melsome, J.
Atkinson, B.	Eyres, J.	Muir, E.
Banks, E.	Fallon, G.	North, M.
Barton, J.	Gaunt, E.	Norton, J.
Bell, P.	Glasson, L.	Oldham, P.
Bennett, G.	Graham, M.	Pilgrim, J.
Black, E.	Green, G.	Pilmer, J.
Branch, D.	Grose, J.	Powell, J.
Broun, D.	Halbert, M.	Reilly, K.
Brown-Bedford, E.	Harris, M.	Rutter, J.
Burnell, W.	Hawker, C.	Sexton, D.
Bush, A.	Hood, M.	Sharp, H.
Castilla De, J.	Huelin, E.	Sinnott, E.
Caesar, L.	Hughes, M.	Snell, M.
Cessford, D.	Humann, V.	Sutherland, A.
Chamberlain, R.	Jackson, D.	Symons, L.
Clapton, J.	Johnston, L.	Suthers, R.
Clarke, M.	Jones, L.	Vincent, A.
Clarkson, B.	King, J.	Vincent, J.
Craig, K.	Ladomirska, J.	Watts, J.
Craven, A.	Love, A.	Weldon, J.
Crooks, J.	Lukin, S.	Whittaker, J.
Crosby, M.	Lutz, B.	Winter, P.
Davidson, M.	McDonald, P.	Woods, P.
Dempster, S.	McGregor, G.	Zimpel, J.
Duff, P.	Mackintosh, R.	

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