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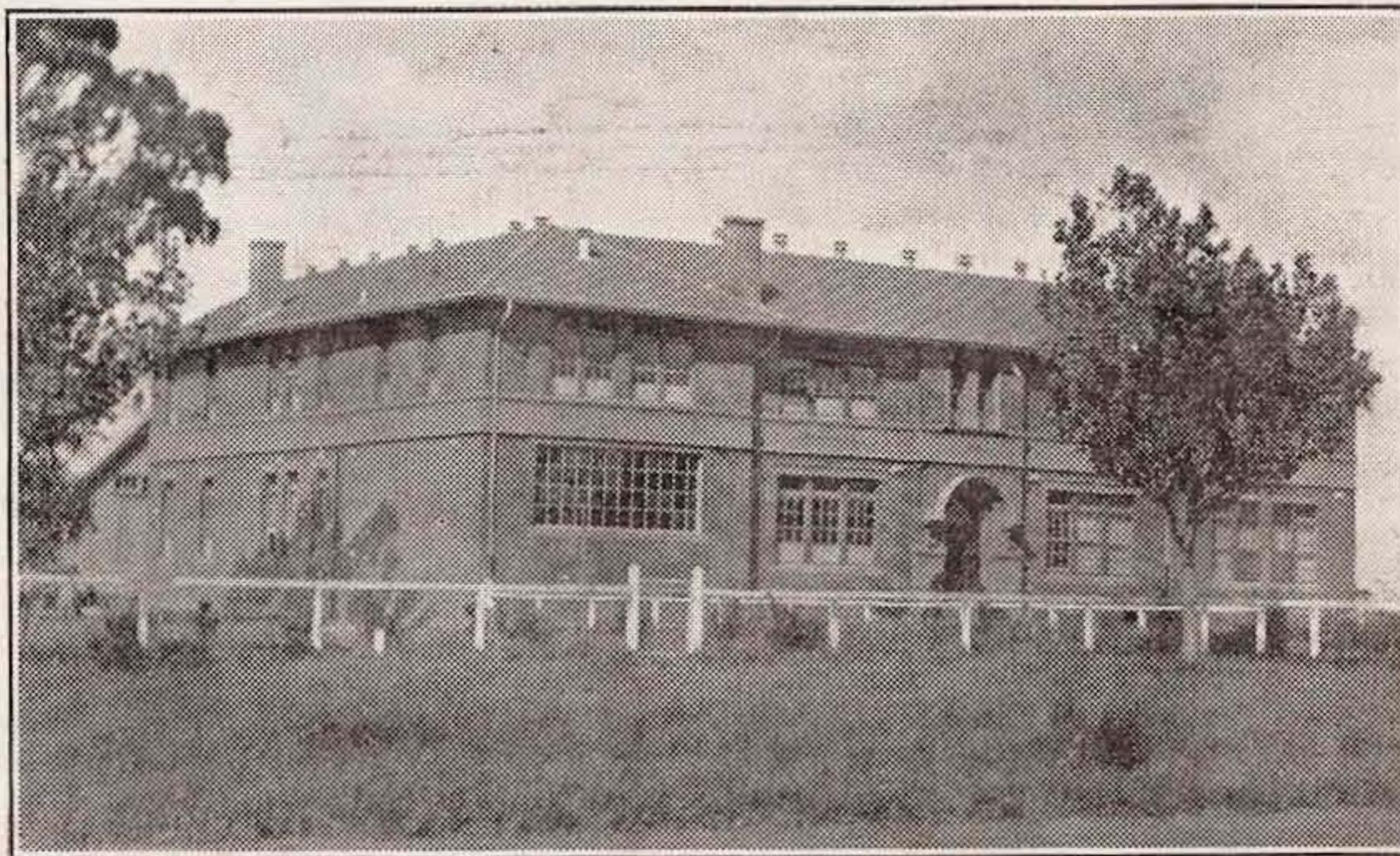
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EDITORIAL.

For many years prior to 1918, the value of secondary education received general recognition. During that year, the residents of Dandenong and district made their initial step toward securing these advantages for their children. A strong committee was formed, and their first appeal met with success, which proved that the Education Department was fully aware of the suitability of Dandenong as a High School centre. The original school council comprised the following gentlemen:—Rev. H. Buntine (president), Dr. F. E. Langley, and Messrs. J. Abbott, F. Groves, M.L.A., J. McAfee, C. Robertson, F. A. Singleton and W. B. Tharle, and Mr. Inspector A. S. Burgess, M.A. The continued success of the school has been a source of pleasure and pride to these gentlemen, and has been largely due to the enthusiasm they imparted to the movement. Since the departure of Mr. Buntine for Albert Park, Mr. Singleton has occupied the position of president, and Cr. E. C. Butler filled the vacancy. Mr. Burgess has been succeeded by Mr. Inspector W. Henderson, B.A., and Mr. C. W. Russell has followed Mr. Robertson. All these members of the council have well maintained the excellent standard set by the original council. The School opened in 1919 with 80 pupils and five teachers, and the Fire Brigade and Temperance Halls were placed at the disposal of the Department pending the erection of the present building. The original staff comprised Messrs. P. C. W. Langford (headmaster), and R. Frencham and Misses A. M. Frusher, T. Kirkham and D. McKinnon. Owing to the outbreak of pneumonic influenza, the school was not opened until March 10, 1919. This fact contributed largely to the difficulties that presented themselves to the staff, who already had sufficient to contend with in the temporary character of the buildings. The following year the attendance had almost doubled itself, and the staff was consequently increased to eight mem-

bers. This growth has been steadily maintained, over 350 pupils having attended for the year 1927. The staff also has reached the number of 18.

The foundation stone of the new school was laid by the Hon. W. Hutchinson, M.L.A., Minister of Public Instruction, on November 21, 1919. The school itself was officially opened late in the following year in the presence of Sir Alexander Peacock, Minister of Education, Mr. F. Tate, Director of Education, the late Professor John Smyth, and Rev. H. Buntine. The building was designed to accommodate a maximum of 150, and was found to be inadequate for the enrolment of 180 on the opening day. Accommodation for 70 more pupils was supplied, but the building is still inadequate, and room for 100 more at least is urgently needed.

The influence of the school has manifested itself in many ways, but it is particularly seen in its scholastic results. During the seven years in which pupils have been presented for University examinations, 118 have obtained the Intermediate certificate, and 47, who obtained honors in 23 subjects, have secured the Leaving certificate. Over 70 ex-students are now in the teaching profession, many of whom have gained distinction for the school at the Teachers' College both in the sporting and academic branches. Besides these, Misses K. Bloomfield and J. Mitchell, and Messrs. R. Henshaw, A. Russell and J. Standish won scholarships admitting them to the various University Colleges where they are worthily upholding the reputation of the school.

This is the first magazine the school has published, and it is hoped that in it parents and others interested in the school may find a faithful record of past and present activities.

"THE GATE."

In order to obtain a suitable name for this magazine suggestions, with reasons, were invited from the students. Kathleen Brumley's (E1) suggestion has been adopted; and its suitability is revealed in the reasons

which she submitted. "The Gate" is a good name for our magazine because Dandenong is the gate of Gippsland; our school is the gate of learning, and our magazine is the gate by which many of us hope to reach literary fame."

UNIVERSITY RESULTS

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LEAVING CERTIFICATE.

Passed in five subjects: Violet

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE.

Passed in eight subjects: Edna Ireland, ~~Annie Manks~~, Alan Corrigan, Henry Drake, Frank Pocknee.

Passed in seven subjects: Doreen Herrick, Betty Moran, Frances Neack, Aubrey Grigg, Malcolm Hall.

Passed in six subjects: Mervynne Elmore, Edna Hopkins, Marjorie Morris, Madge Macartney, Arthur Butler, and Leonard Roberts.

PARTIAL PASSES.

One student secured five inter-



THE STAFF.

Back row: Mr. C. E. Brook, Miss K. Crooke, Mr. W. L. Brumley.

Middle row: Misses D. McKinnon, E. E. Pope, E. R. Little, E. M. Schneider, A. Watson.

Front row: Mr. G. W. Slater, Mr. H. E. Glover, Miss D. B. Taylor, Mr. P. C. W. Langford (Head Master), Miss E. Jukes, Mr. C. H. Moore, Mr. C. R. Hill.

Chapman, Doris Hopkins, Edna Nabb, Maggie Norris, Ethel Vincent, Mollie Welsh, Louis Garlick, Eric Jenkins, Edward Wallace.

Passed in four subjects: Freda Bushell, Edna Griffiths, Bertha Lawson, Marjorie Painter, Wilbur Crossell, Eric Simpson.

mediate subjects, and three passed in three leaving subjects. These students may complete their passes at any subsequent examination.

HONORS.

Jack Standish, who had previously passed the Leaving examination, added second-class honors in Trigo-

nometry and third class in Algebra and in Mechanics to his list of subjects. Jack also won the Berthon Scholarship, valued at £30, entitling him to residence at Trinity College.

Ella Service, who also held the Leaving certificate, obtained third class honors in French and Drawing.

DEPARTMENTAL RESULTS.

During 1926 sixty-six candidates from the school obtained the Merit certificate.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

We are indebted to "The Age" for a handsome reproduction of the copy of the speech made by H.R.H. The Duke of York at the opening of Parliament at Canberra. On that historic day, our school assembled in the hall and listened attentively to that very speech and the other parts of the ceremony, which were so successfully broadcasted. Our thanks are extended to Mr. Frank Robert, an ex-student of the school, for installing a wireless set and two loud speakers for the occasion. Mr. Robert's efforts were rewarded by a very clear reproduction. This was highly appreciated by the assembled school, which was enabled to take a real interest in the proceedings. Our copy of the Duke's speech, kindly supplied by "The Age," will serve as a reminder of the great event and of the high favor won among us by the Duke himself and the charming Duchess.

OLD PUPILS' ASSOCIATION.

The Dandenong High School Old Pupils' Association continues to flourish, under the guidance of Mr. Langford, who has been president of the Association since its formation. His efforts are well supported by a large enthusiastic committee, which is representative of every activity of the association. We are pleased to acknowledge the practical interest of the staff in the doings of the old pupils. Mr. Brumley, as vice-president, has at all times given most readily his assistance and advice.

SOCIAL.

The activities of our association are many, the social sphere being, perhaps, the most popular. A syllabus of social evenings, theatre nights, and dances brings together at monthly intervals those old pupils who live within easy distance. During show week, when so many of our country school teachers, who are ex-students, are on holidays, the association's annual picnic is held. This event, held usually in the Dandenong Hills, has pride of place among our gatherings, and when the "gang's all here" in a motor bus bound for Belgrave and "billy tea" (with ants in the sugar) the reason is not far to seek.

So far this year, our socials have been only moderately attended, but it is pleasing to note that those present are mostly the old pupils who left school at the end of last year. We welcome these new members, and would urge others to join up, but let us also see more "old" old pupils—those who were the foundation members of our club.

SPORTS.

The outdoor activities of the association are conducted as separate clubs and the following are short notes of these clubs' doings in the realm of sport:

TENNIS.

Last year our team competed in the newly-formed Dandenong Tennis Association, and though we did only fairly well we filled fifth position out of eight teams—our performances reading, 14 games played, won 4, lost 10.

This could have been bettered had our full team been available every Saturday. So many old pupils were already members of other teams in the competition, that we were sometimes without a team, and had to rely on players who lived away from Dandenong. The club owes much to Misses D. Dartnell, E. Biddle, M. Facey and C. Jowett for their loyal support in coming such long distances to take part in the games, while Misses G. Wilson and I. Branston

were regular members of the team. The most consistent among the boys were Geof. Gardner, Alan Russell and J. M. Hall.

CRICKET.

The team suffered owing to several members being away in England on tour to recover the "Ashes," but put up some great games. W. Brodie, who is usually reckoned on for a score, deserted his role of batsman and became the team's googly bowler. Jack Standish was the "star" of the season, and gave promise of developing into a good bat. His brother, Tom, still "keeps" in brilliant style when the fast bowler sends down his famous "head break"—or is it flighted?

Among the club's most ardent supporters must be numbered Mr. Singleton, the umpire, and president of the School council, and Irv. Hall who is a good scorer with one bad habit, viz., he puts "0" in the score column every time Mr. Langford goes out.

These notes would not be complete without reference being made to Messrs. C. W. Russell, G. Keys, Dr. Langley, and Rev. Lewin, who so generously placed their cars at the disposal of the team in matches played on other than the home grounds.

FOOTBALL.

The Old Pupils' Football Club has struggled for existence ever since its inception—three years ago. During its first year the team was strong, and one to be reckoned with, but later owing to the impossibility of training, interest waned, and this season the team has disbanded. It is a great pity that such a course was necessary, for an old pupils' team would have been very successful—if it had been possible. Some fine footballers have passed through the school as those who recollect the team which won the championship of Gippsland from St. Patrick's College, Sale, will remember such players at J. McAlpine (at present playing with Footscray), T. Standish (now with University B), R. Taylor J. Whitelaw, F. Searle, A. Mehrens, C. Buckley, H. and A. Tharle, C. McCord, K. Gregg and W. Brodie, and many others.

PERSONAL.

Many old pupils were seen at the Bambalina Cabaret on June 15 and August 11.

W. Ackerly, head teacher, Hill End State School, has bought a motor bicycle, and has intentions on the 'Drome speed records.

Vern Fleming refused nomination as Mayor of Binamwarrie—he not being Councillor, but Counsellor of the Youth of that city.

C. G. Henshaw is not Bertenshaw, authority on French grammar.

Vern Mullet is now "stationed" in central South Australia.

Harry Stephenson's Jazz Band may be heard on every show day at the annual p'nic.

E. J. Strahan is still at Nhill.

Bob Taylor has fallen to the lure of the royal and ancient game of golf.

Jean Waugh teaches Shakespeare at Garfield State School.

Jim Sharkie has proved an excellent worker for the O.P.A. as its treasurer, and Murray Hall an equally efficient secretary. Hugh Buntine is one of the best hurdlers in the amateur athletic world, and Jean has nearly completed her course at the Pharmacy College.

Bert Godfrey will soon be through his ordeal—the teachers' commercial course, at Essendon High School.

The best wishes of the School and the O.P.A. will accompany Madge Slater to the Pharmacy Finals next May.

During the second term, the Teachers' College Dramatic Society presented Rubens' musical comedy, "Miss Hook of Holland," and on each evening of the performance The Playhouse was crowded. The critics of the daily press were very favorably impressed, and we claim that a little of the success achieved was due to the presence in the large cast of the following Dandenong ex-students: Misses L. Jones, Thirza Quinn, Heather Buntine and Dorothy Fleming, and Messrs. Ernie Clarke, Ivan McAlpine, George Funston, Charles McCord and Derrick Chapple.

IN MEMORIAM.
LORNA CURRIE.

Died 10.10.27.

Ours is not a very old school, if one reckons the years since its foundation, but already one student has laid down her work at the Master's call and has passed to "where beyond those portals there is Peace."

Lorna Currie entered the school in 1922, after a very successful course at Noble Park elementary school and remained with us till she completed her Leaving Certificate course in 1925.

She was a diligent student, Dux of Form C in 1924, and 1st in Literary course in Form B. 1925. She was also an enthusiastic player, being captain of Boronia House, and a first-rank player in basket-ball.

But above everything else, Lorna had a fine character, and exerted a strong, yet gentle, influence for good on those with whom she worked and played in those four happy years. She held the position of Prefect in 1925, and her fellow-students will ever remember the gentle companion who gave such fine service in the various activities of the happy life at school.

D.B.T.

FORM NOTES

FORMS A.B.

A.B. Form resides in Room No. 13, rather an unlucky number. Three pictures adorn the walls and three vases the mantelpiece. The latter appeared somewhat suddenly, after a gentle hint from our Form Master that the A.B. Formites seemed to think they were in themselves sufficient adornment for the room.

During the year several new desks were placed in our room, giving it a

much better appearance than it had previously, when several old-fashioned desks (imported from the primary school) backless, carved and ink-stained, marred the pleasing aspect of our room. Of course, A.B. Form could not be like other forms, and have a blackboard attached to the wall. Ours stands on an easel, and provides a little diversion in the monotonous routine of the day, when it manages to fall down. Another little bit of unique A.B. furniture is our table, a drawing desk, behind which our instructors sit and calmly give us pages of home work, which require a half night's sitting. Two cupboards hold our books, the one allotted to the boys has been all the year in an extraordinarily tidy condition, but the good example set by the sterner sex has not had the effect one would desire.

We boast of Annie Manks and Malcolm Harvey Hall for Form captains. Their names at least are impressive, and it would seem that their personalities are too, when one sees a small F. formite enter the A.B. sanctuary and meekly ask to be excused while he empties the waste paper basket.

Few people realise that A.B. is a nest of promise. It may not be generally known that we number amongst us a musician, a professor of mathematics, and a comedian. Some day we expect to see many members of the present A.B. on the staff of the "Best School of All."

FORM C.

C Form! I suppose you have heard of it. No? That's strange. You cannot be a member of the Dandenong High School, because there it is always mentioned as being the best form in the school.

Being curious now, you will want to be introduced to the form and have its whereabouts made known to you. Having arrived on the balcony, turn to your right, proceed and again turn to your right. Behold! You stand in front of a room of wonders. This notable room is C Form, notable because of its occupant's numbering 41.

a larger number in conjunction with C Commercial than in any other year except 1922, when it was necessary to have two forms.

We must be a very honest class, for the school library is put under our watchful care.

On the wall is our honor board, whereon are inscribed the names of those who came first in the form. This year a girl's name will be added, Muriel Schinckel.

Out of all the forms in the school, our form, on the girl's side contributes the most members to school teams, but, nevertheless, one day a challenge for a hockey match came from the fearless combined D. The hockey field being in use, the match was played on an adjoining pavilion. Unlike the ground, the scores were even, being one all. The umpire experienced difficulty in following the play, while the players found it still more arduous to follow the ball.

On the boys' side we contribute three members to the school cricket team, and eight members to the football team. We also have three good athletes in C. Wynne, K. Facey and B. Evans.

We have almost reached the end of the school year, and examinations are drawing near. We hope that, when the list of successful candidates is published, we shall find there the names of many of Form C of the Dandenong High School.

FORM C.C.

Hello everybody! C.C. speaking from the Dandenong High School.

Well, though we're but a little group,

We all do very good work.

To cheating we would never stoop,
Nor home-work would we shirk.

At shorthand, we've a top-hole speed
Of two big words per second.
Once, when we even thought of speed,
On that we never reckoned.

Our practice books in book-keeping
A pleasure they are to see
Though some of us do ink smudging,
This refers to only three.

In our small form there are two boys
I'd almost forgotten to mention.
In school they make a terrible noise,
And give teachers small attention.

Our lockers are in need of extension.
Our books in the pound you may find.
That always means an hour's detention,
And a penny a piece we are fined.

Well, now my little rhyme I'll close,
You're tired of it I'm certain.
I'm glad it's C.C. Form I chose,
Now I'll end and draw the curtain.

FORM D.

At last we have obtained a safety valve: We can say what we think in our own paper. This is our first attempt and we hope to improve as time goes on.

Firstly, three cheers for the Magazine. May it have a long life and a merry one.

D Form this year, being the best room (not because it lives in Room 10 just over the office) is under the guardianship of J. Hunter and Birdie Revelman. In all we number thirty-nine, and amongst us we have some promising dramatists, debaters, nurses of the First Aid Club, and camera enthusiasts.

We are also represented in the school basketball, hockey and football teams.

On July 12 we played D.C. Form at basketball, and scored a victory.

Our combined social with D.C. in aid of the Dandenong Hospital was a great success.

FORM D.C.

This is the second year of D.C.'s existence. D.C. of course, means D. Commercial, and for the benefit of the uninitiated, we would like to describe our work for the year.

You have, no doubt, heard some strange noises proceeding from our room, and wondered perchance what it could be. Well, you will find it is some of our number sitting in front of typewriters, clicking away at the magic keys with, we hope, light skilful fingers but alas and alack, we frequently find they are often too light and oft-times not skilful enough. It will be a great relief, too, when someone invents a machine that will spell correctly.

As for shorthand, we read that the ancient Egyptians found hieroglyphics very useful to them, but we are quite sure they would be bewildered (as we sometimes are) at the heterogeneous collection of weird signs that appear on our black-board. We have not had much "speed" as yet, but from the little we have had, we are quite sure that it is more suitable for motor cars, and such things, than it is for fountain pens.

Book-keeping, you know, is remarkably easy. The important thing to remember is that if you put an entry in one place, you must make another somewhere else.

Our form is well represented in the school sports teams. Our form captains are Thelma Lindsay and Keith Hopkins, and our Form mistress is Miss Little.

FORM E1.

At first our form numbered about forty, but since then three pupils have left. Marjorie Herbert and George Hill were elected form captains. Our form room is not the best as regards comfort, and during the winter months it bears the name of "The Refrigerator." The benches are ornamented with beam balances and chemical apparatus. Thanks to our room monitors, the room is usually made to look more cheery with floral decorations.

The E1 Form is represented in the rounder team by Ruby Buckley (captain), Gertie Walden, Roma Ellis, Lyla Wilson, Gertie Chippindall and Nancy Butler. Miss McKinnon, who is the coach, is also the E1 form mistress. G. Hill, R. Brown, B. Myring, P. Latham, K. Rice and F. Weiss were members of the junior football team.

At our own sports and the combined sports several of E1 form won events. Basil Myring and Keith Rice were the representatives on the boys' side, whilst the "rounder" girls were again prominent.

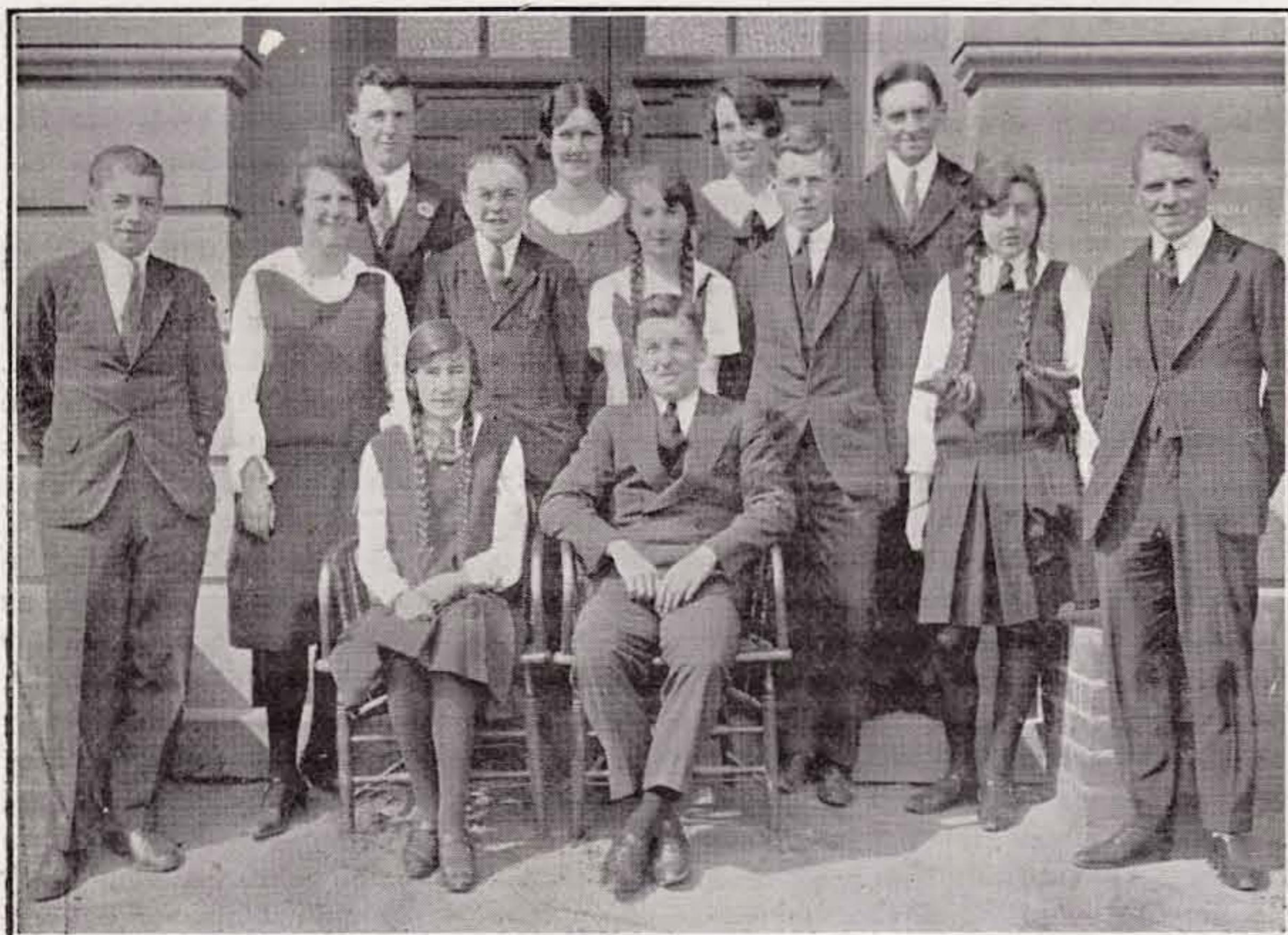
The girls of our form attend the cookery class every Tuesday, and as no deaths have resulted from our experiments, we consider our progress is satisfactory.

The E. Forms have been treated very kindly this year as regards social functions. During the first term we were taken to see "The Merchant of Venice." We all enjoyed ourselves immensely. During the second term we were the guests of D. and D.C. Forms at a social, held to help the funds of the Dandenong District Hospital. Later on the E1 and E2 Forms combined and held a social, inviting the senior school. The funds were this time given to the school for the purchase of a wireless set.

On the 22nd July, a very wet day, we were taken by Mr. Tonkin for a geography excursion to the Dandenong Creek. We were provided with a little amusement, for several pupils suffered falls in the mud. As a result of the first two terms the "Waratah" house has secured first place, with the highest average. We are all awaiting the final result for the year to see if our own particular house is on top.

FORM E2.

The third term has just commenced, and so we are drawing nearer to Christmas and good-bye to some of our friends. A short time back we held our school sports, which were a great success. We have the honor of having the junior cup winner, Bill Pelling, in our form. We lost our geography teacher, Mr. Tonkin



SCHOOL PREFECTS—Back row: C. J. Wynne, Muriel Schinckel, Lyla Pretty, A. Grigg. Middle row: F. Pocknee, Margaret Harvie, G. Cox, Alma Tharle, J. Derrick, Edna Ireland, L. Roberts. Sitting: D. Hopkins, M. H. Hall



HOUSE CAPTAINS—Back row: Kathleen Tivendale, K. Facey, Thelma Burhanan, K. Hopkins, Edna Ireland. Middle row: C. J. Wynne, Maisie Dobson, L. Roberts, Alma Tharle, A. Grigg. Sitting: M. H. Hall, Doris Hopkins.

during the year, but we are all hoping that he is going to return. We all think that our form is quite as good as any of the other forms (taking into consideration the stools). We are well represented in sport, as the boys and girls take a keen interest in it. We have a girl in the junior basket ball, and another in the rounder teams. Just before Mr. Tonkin left he took us down to the Dandenong Creek for a geography excursion, which we enjoyed immensely, although it was wet. We possess four aspirants for the Junior Scholarsh^{ip}, and we heartily wish them good luck.

FORM E3.

Although a newly created form within the school, E3 Form has already achieved several noteworthy distinctions. In the first place, we number fifty-eight, which we claim to be a record. Again, we have the greatest number of red headed girls, while some of our teachers inform us that we have an unenviable reputation for noisiness.

Early in the year the form elected Muriel Ridgway and Irwin Nicholas as Form captains, and, at the suggestion of our Form master, we purchased several vases to help in the decoration of our room.

Miss Schneider kindly took us to see the performance of the "The Merchant of Venice," which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Later, some of the boys tried to imitate what they had seen, and in this they were fairly successful.

Our form has contributed largely towards the various sporting activities of the school. In the football teams the following boys have given effective service: J. Cahill, D. Hooper, R. Oakes, I. Evans, G. Jarvie, G. Aitken, J. Bignell, A. O'Donoghue, E. Robertson, and S. Smith, while E. Robertson and R. Oakes succeeded in gaining a place in the first eleven of the school. Among the girls, Muriel Ridgway, Elva Miller and Irene Smith played in the junior basket-ball team, while Elva Hurley is the rounders cham-

pion of the form. We leave the readers of these notes to form their own conclusions as to whether our form has done its share towards making our school the best school of all.

FORM F1.

The outstanding feature of Form F1 is the unanimous desire to achieve distinction for and within the school. In this we are keenly aware of enthusiastic rivalry from out neighbors, Form F2. Jack Hillard and Jean Rogers are our form captains, and we hope that under their leadership we may secure a prominent position in the life of the school. With our rivals we are having a close contest in the scholastic sphere. We led at the first term tests; they retaliated in the second, but we confidently expect to win the final, which is due early in December. As a result of the general nature of our competition, both rooms present pleasing spectacles, adorned as they are by pictures presented by the F's of previous years, and by the flowers we bring at frequent intervals during the year. We have a "money-box," to which we contribute our small savings, and we hope to leave a nice picture in our old room when, with mixed feelings, we leave it next year. With our box we have already purchased seven pretty flower vases, and two big annuals, one for boys, and one for girls; these constituted a worthy addition to our library of over 30 books. Our form has done very well in sports, and we claim to have a little the better of our friendly contests. We are particularly proud of Thelma Hocking, who won the Junior Girls' Championship at our sports meeting in October. We have also two representatives in the rounder team, Helen Denman and Tessie Chapman. As we move on through the school we are going to be a strong factor in its progress in every department.

FORM F2.

Form F2 holds a very pleasant and convenient position on the ground

rior of the school, pleasant because of its outlook over the garden, and convenient through its nearness to the boys' lockers—at times too convenient. Our outlook has been a little spoiled by the frosting of the windows, but we manage to keep them open most of the time. We have tried to make the inside of the room as bright as the garden outside by keeping it filled with flowers. To do this we had to provide fresh vases to take the place of the pickle jars, so we decided to bring a penny each once a week, and by this means we saved enough money to buy six nice green vases. We have also presented to the school a picture, called "The Golden Helmet," which is a copy of a painting by Rembrandt. We got the money for that, and for our room clock, by holding a concert in second term. We have had several matches in rounders, hockey and football with Form F1, with varying results.

Early in the year we formed a library by lending books from our own homes, and every Friday those who like reading have been able to get new books. Our librarians, sports captains, and form captains have looked after us well, and so we have had a very pleasant first year at the D.H.S.

F2 FORM CONCERT.

In the second term an enjoyable entertainment was provided, for the sum of one penny per head, by the members of Form F2, who had all worked hard for a month previous to make it a success. The programme opened well with a pianoforte solo by Phyllis Rashleigh, which was immediately followed by a scene from "Alice in Wonderland" entitled "The Mad Tea Party." In this May King as Alice, Jack Ford as the Mad Hatter, Alf. Verey as the March Hare, and Clive Boote as the Dormouse, all acted their parts convincingly, so that the Hatter and Hare seemed very mad indeed, Alice, the inquisitive little girl that she was, and the Dormouse's slumber quite realistic.

This item was followed by a recitation delivered with clearness and fervor by May King. Next came an amusing scene from David Copperfield in which Peggy Hunter acted as the buxom landlady of the inn where David (Jack Ford) ate his dinner on his way to school, attended by the lugubrious waiter (Bob Stevens), who unfortunately for David seemed to have a special fancy for all his dishes. Perhaps the most amusing incident in this item was unrehearsed.

The Awkward Squad took its turn next in trying to entertain the company, in which, to judge by the volume of sound in the crowded hall, it certainly succeeded. Gerald Sedman was the leader of the squad, with Privates Clark, Morcom, Strahan, Herdman, Crout, Palmer, Doolan, and McCahen obeying his orders with enthusiasm, if not with entire accuracy. Though the previous items had been presented by only a few members of the form, the whole heartily co-operated in the final item, a part song, entitled "Before the Sun Awakes the Morn," which was a fitting end to a very successful concert.

OUR LITERARY PAGE.

RECESS.

The whistle blows at the end of the period, and, with my books under my arm, I rush from the class-room to reach my locker, which fortunately, is on the top row. On the way I collide with someone, and, after extracting myself, reach the lockers to find many girls there before me. On all sides I hear the cry, "What are the next periods?" and "Where do we go this period?" After much difficulty I (with my long arm ? ?) succeed in opening my locker, which bangs the head of the girl next to me. An avalanche of books descends on the girls who have lockers under mine, and hastily picking these up, I grope for the desired books. Finally I find the ones I require, and hurry off to the form room. The whistle blows for the next period to commence, and in

my haste I stumble over some cases that have been left lying about (woe to their owner should they be impounded). At the rate of 60 miles per hour (88 feet a second Q.E.D.), I arrive at the room just before the teacher herself enters. Looking and feeling very flushed, I then take my books out of the desk, happy because I have the right ones.

LOCKER 114-ITE (C.c.)

A TIMELY WARNING.

"La Fontaine,"
"Twelfth Night."

C. Form,

Dear children,—While wandering through "Palgrave's Golden Treasury" with "Warner and Marten," I met "Hall and Stevens" who were studying "Australian Civics." "Dent's Exercises" were too strenuous for "Blackwood and Osborne," so they tried his "Grammar" before looking at the "French Picture Books." I asked "Hart and O'Grady" if they had read "Loan's Essays." They gave a negative response, but directed me to a place where "Baker and Bourne" composed the "Histoire D'un Conscrit" in an "Austral Garden Verse." Being wise to the "Tale of Two Cities," I left, but interrupted a lesson on "Junior Chemistry," "Intermediate" and "Special Geography."

C. Form, look out for the pound; watch your text books, and don't leave them on "Mathematical Tables," for "Morrison's Drawing" near.

Yours for ever,
"KENNY."

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Why is the school inclined to be religious?

Because it has a Pope and an Abbot.

What are the main geographical points in the Dandencng High?

A Hill, a Moore(e), and a Brook.

How is it that all the children dress well?

The good old school sports a Taylor.

Which is the most fearless form in the school?

The commercial form, because their teacher is Little.

Why were the school foundations fortified?

Because there was a Crook(e) Slater about.

What do the De boys say?

Don't let Mac in on the joke.

Why did Lang cease walking?

He got a Ford in the end.

Why doesn't Mr. Moore wear his hat?

Because its got a Dentin.

Why isn't the staff complete?

They have a Duke, but the duchess didn't arrive.

Why do the physics experiments fail?

They say its brummy apparatus.

Who is the best gun at basket ball?

It's hard to say, but the teacher's a Schneider.

Why are the pupils inquisitive?

They always want to know "Wat's on."

Why are the juniors often caught unawares?

Because their teacher has a Light-foot.

When will the boys be able to settle their differences?

When we find another Glove or two.

EVENING IN AUSTRALIA.

Behind the mounts of azure blue
There sets a golden sun,
Tingeing the clouds with a crimson hue,
Telling that day is done.

Twilight falls upon the land,
The shadows gently creep;
The green gum trees, by breezes fann'd,
Are lulling one to sleep.

The moon is shining in the sky,
A wondrous orb of light;
Silver bright are stars on high,
This peaceful, Austral night.

MARJORY SCOBLE.
Form Cc.

C. FORM.

We develop some noise in our way,
When we as a class try to read;
We question and question all day,
About things we can't possibly need.
We don't do the things we are told,
Unless we are taken by storm;
And us all the day you must scold—
And yet we're a good little form.

Our noise—well, it's innocent noise,
It's healthy, and happy, and glad;
We're rough, we're rough as most
boys.
And yet—well it's nothing that's bad.
We do not say "Yes, Ma'am" and
"Sir"
In a way that sounds courteous and
warm;
You're worried a bit over us—
And yet we're a good little form.

We worry a lot over things
That really don't matter so much;
And then ends the day, and it brings
The night with its tenderer touch.
Then down on your knees you will
fall,
Forgetting your usual storm;
For deep in your heart, after all,
You know we're a good little form.

UNA RUSSELL.

THE HILLS OF DANDELONG.

By Capel Boake.

The fair blue hills of Dandenong are
many miles away,
I see them from my window at the
first faint blush of day;
O'er smoky roofs and dusty streets,
they rear their heads on high,
The gentle hills of Dandenong, so soft
against the sky.

I like to think that from their heights
they watch the noisy town,
And send from out their solitudes a
gentle message down;
So when the wind blows keen and
sweet, I raise my eyes to see
The kindly hills of Dandenong spread
out in front of me.

The fair blue hills of Dandenong, so
friendly, calm serene,
I love their gentle wooded slopes, the
soft harmonious green;
I love the valleys dark and cool, where
wild things have their nest;
I love that home of deep content, of
sweet and blissful rest.

The fair blue hills of Dandenong, they
they are the hills of dreams,
So gentle are their kindly shapes, so
sweet the rippling streams;
And surely there the wild bird trills
a deeper, richer lay,
When o'er the hills of Dandenong he
sees the flush of day.

The blue blue hills of Dandenong, I
watch them from afar,
I see them merging into night when
burns the first bright star;
And wandering down the land of
dreams, I raise my eyes and see
The friendly hills of Dandenong still
waiting there for me.

GEOMETRY.

Oh, Geometry is terrible!
Although I do my best
To learn each proposition,
I fail in every test.

To learn the "theorems" from the book
Is easy, I'll agree;
But if the figure were turned round,
I don't know where I'd be.

The other maths I do adore,
The languages are prime;
This stuff they call Geometry,
Gives me a dreadful time.

MAY KING.

Form F.

SUNSET OVER THE SEA.

The great red sun shines o'er the sea,
As he makes his way to rest;
And in his wake lies a path of gold,
With spendour blest.

O! Nature's Artist of all time.
Well have you done your work:
The sky gleams gold, and orange, and
red
And pale lights lurk.

Now he has sunk down in the sea,
Down to the depths below;
There to sleep, casting about him
A lurid glow.

MURIEL SCHINCKEL.

Form C.

THE SCHOOL'S INSTITUTIONS.

THE COOKERY CENTRE.

One of the most successful departments within the school is the cookery centre, where about 80 girls receive a course of 12 months in Grade 1 cookery. The duration of the course is unfortunately limited owing to the fact that, despite the generous accommodation already provided, the demand for instruction is very great. Pupils visit the centre from Noble Park, Springvale, and the two local primary schools, as well as from the High School. The course is also availed of by nurses in the district. The importance of a course in cookery is obvious, and the extent of the area catered for by the centre indicates a growing recognition of its importance by parents. The girls receive a thorough training in every branch of plain cookery, and attention to detail is not the least commendable feature revealed in a visit to the class-room. The girls and their instructress present a pleasing spectacle in their white costumes, and a note of industry is readily sensed by the visitor. A daintily decorated dining room is attached and is availed of by about 30 regular diners. The pupils learn habits of cleanliness, so essential to successful housewifery, in every incident in the day's work. The equipment is complete and most up-to-date. Five spacious stoves, including kerosene, fire and electric stoves, are in commission, and the girls learn to efficiently control each type. An inventory of kitchen utensils reveals an ample supply of necessities, which are maintained in very good order—an object lesson in itself. A series of

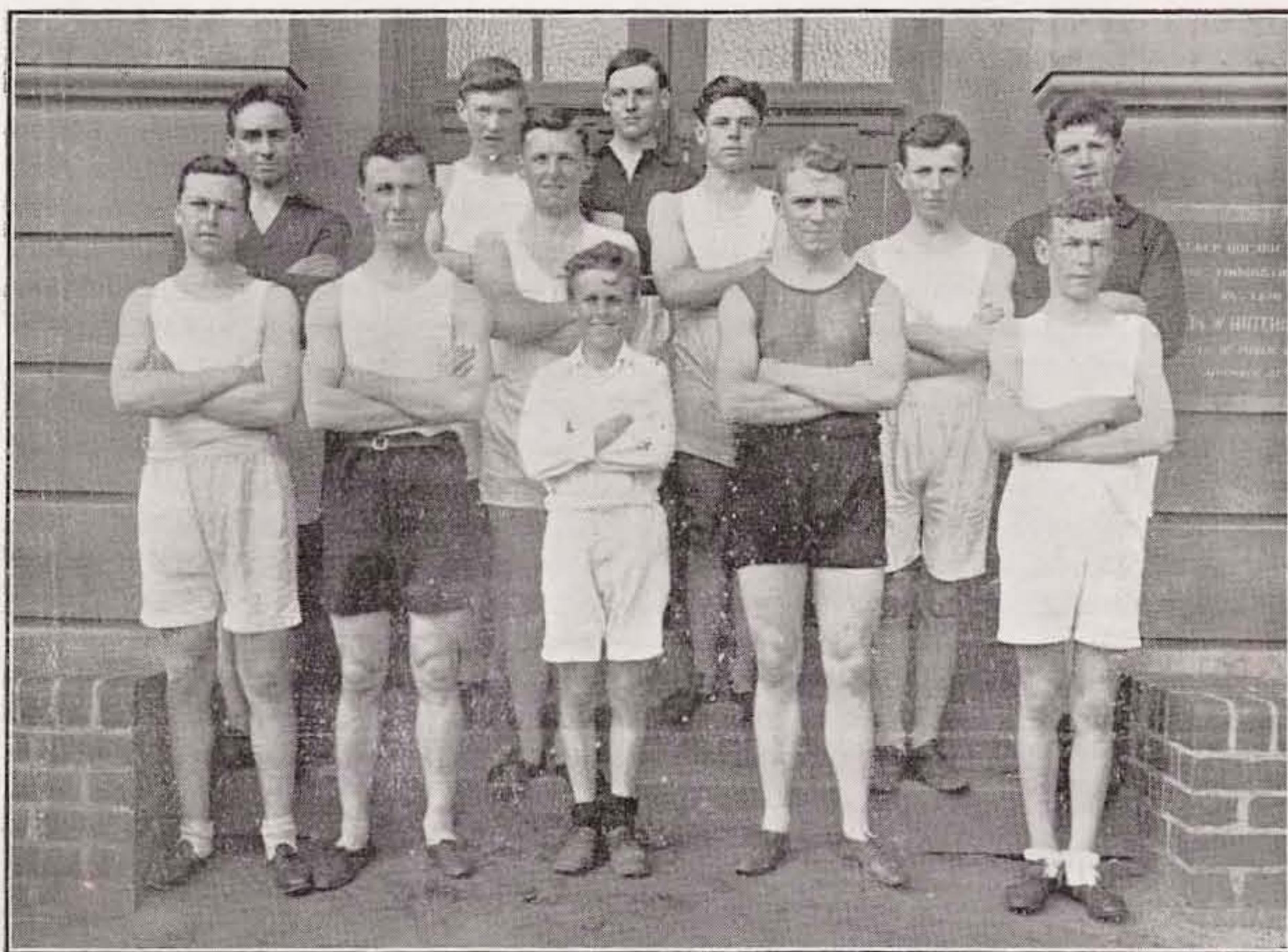
wall charts illustrating diagrammatically relative values of food stuffs, adorn the walls of the kitchen. Further teaching aid is supplied in the form of a blackboard. Seven tables, specially constructed to contain equipment for each girl, are placed conveniently in the kitchen, and a pantry, scullery and two large cupboards also provide accommodation for utensils and stores. The centre is electrically lighted, and the general lighting and ventilation are thoroughly up-to-date.

A sample of the girls' work was tested on the occasion of our annual sports. The committee invited the judges, stewards and parents to afternoon tea at the centre, and all expressed high satisfaction at the hospitality extended. Cr. E. C. Butler, president of the Dandenong Shire, moved a vote of thanks to Miss Denton, who is in charge of the centre, and her girls. He expressed pleasure at the high standard revealed, and at the thoroughness with which the girls had obviously performed their duties. Cr. H. S. Barr, president of the Berwick Shire Council, supported Cr. Butler, complimenting Miss Denton, and thanking her for the afternoon tea her class had supplied. Mr. Langford, who replied for Miss Denton and the girls, said that the school is proud of its cookery centre, and will be glad to entertain the parents in a similar manner and just as hospitably at future sports functions.

SLOYD.

Sloyd, which had its origin in Swedish schools, was introduced into Victoria 28 years ago by Mr. J. Byatt, who had been a pupil of Otto Salomon, the originator of the movement, at Naas, Sweden. The word "sloyd" means sleight of hand or dexterity.

The object of the work is not of a technical nature, but rather educational. Sloyd boys are not being trained to become carpenters, but the course is meant to teach habits of accuracy, neatness, patience and tidiness, through the agency of tools.



BOYS' ATHLETICS—Front row: K. Facey, C. J. Wynne, K. Rice, L. Roberts (capt.), E. Pelling. Back row, left to right: A. Grigg, B. Evans, M. H. Hall, B. Myring, K. Hopkins, C. Cleary, D. Hooper.



GIRLS' ATHLETICS—Back row: Mary Anderson, Mary Hayward, Una Russell, Irene Smith. Second row: Ronnie Ryan, Thelma Hocking, Lydia Wilson, P. Buckley. Third row: M. Mudge, B. Revelman, G. Chippindall, G. Groome. Sitting: E. Vincent, M. Scobie, T. Lindsay.

Sloyd work is not necessarily limited to work on wood, but could be applied with much advantage to other than woodwork tools, and to the work done in metals or other suitable medium.

The course of models originally introduced has been somewhat modified in an advantageous direction, to suit conditions in Victoria. In the country of its origin people are more easy going and slower in their habits on account of the climatic conditions, the nights being long and the days short. The sloyd course contained many models, in the making of which the knife, one of the most primitive tools of man, was used to an excessive extent. These were really whittling exercises very slow, tedious, and not a very good training when completed. We can understand this in the Swedish course when we remember the long cold nights, the blazing fires, and in many instances the cold bleak days. The family would gather round the hearth, and quite naturally, the menfolk would start whittling the soft pine to help pass away the dragging hours. In the original course the axe was also used to shape some of the models. In some of the crowded cities of the world, this is a very useful exercise as many of the boys have very little opportunity to use the tool.

The classes here are held in an old time worn building, which had been moved five times before it was located here to finish its days. The room is not large enough for efficient work, but we must look patiently to the future, for we have been promised an up-to-date room with all necessary conveniences attached.

Arrangements are in progress to remodel the present room as a sports pavilion, with dressing and bath rooms, when the new room is erected. The new room will require some fresh decorations in the way of specimens of timber, pictures of trees, and the preparation of timber. It would greatly help the work if the boys could bring any such to the school from time to time. These would be hung on the walls and used in the

course of the lessons.

The classes at present are composed of five squads from the High School, and five from the primary schools of the district. Up to the present boys of the VIII., VII., and VI. Grades have been allowed to attend, but owing to the limited accommodation Grade VI. boys in the coming year will be excluded unless they are over thirteen years of age. Many of the boys now attending do not receive the full benefit of the work, but in future years, after they have left their school days behind them, and are capable of more self reliance much of the teaching instilled during their sloyd days will return to them, and be of great assistance in their domestic and business lives.

ACCIDENT FUND.

For some time a system of insurance against accident had been mooted within the school. This year a scheme was devised by which each child may subscribe a shilling and enjoy thereafter the benefits of the school's insurance society. Most of the pupils have availed themselves of the opportunity, and the funds are lodged in the State Savings Bank. Several pupils who met with accident since the inception of the fund will benefit at the end of the year.

CAMERA CLUB.

Meetings of the school Camera Club have been held throughout the year. Helpful discussions have taken place, and individual work has been reviewed. The absence of a "dark room" prevents practical experiments from being carried out. There are eight enthusiastic members.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

Early in the year it was found possible to establish a Debating Club for the senior section of the School. The debates were held on Wednesday afternoons. Naturally, the speakers were somewhat diffident at the outset, but with practice, confidence has come, and now the subject for the

afternoon is usually well and fully debated. Next year the juniors are threatening to "take the platform." The subjects already discussed cover a fairly wide range, such as "The Yallourn Strike," "Are Present Day Pictures Beneficial to the Public?" "Country and City Life," "Fire Brigade Demonstrations," and "White Australia," and several short papers have been prepared and read to the society by its members.

DRAMATIC CLUB.

Early this year a school Dramatic Club was formed. It has a fair membership, most of whom, however, are girls, the boys being shy at the possibility of having to raise their voices above the gentle tone they commonly use. Miss Schneider, Miss Watson, and Miss Little direct the work.

During the month of August a one-act play, "Followers," was presented by members of the club, to aid the Dandenong Hospital. Alma Tharle, Keith Hopkins, Muriel Schinckel and Marjorie Butler took parts in the play.

"Followers" is the story of a middle-aged lady of the Victorian era, whose former lover returns to ask her again to be his wife. She refuses, much to the disappointment of the audience, on the plea that her love for him is dead, although from her actions it is apparent that such is not the case. The play was a success, more than £3 being raised for the fund.

The club is now preparing under the guidance of Miss Schneider and Miss Watson, another short play, to be presented as part of the speech night entertainment.

JUNIOR RED CROSS.

Our J.R.C. circle meets each month after school in Room 7, and all members contribute threepence per month towards purchasing material to be made up for one or other of the institutions for which we work. This year we have sent parcels to the Babies' Homes at Berry-street, East Melbourne, and at Broadmeadows, and we are now making up a gift for the

children at Fairfield hospital. Edna Ireland replied, on behalf of the circle, to the letter from Exmouth-street Girls' School London, and was able to secure some nice views of Dandenong, and of our school and playing grounds, to send to the London circle.

Our very efficient secretaries this year are Doris Hopkins and Jack Oliver, and the committee members are Edna Ireland, Annie Manks, Alma Tharle, Mena Jackson, Muriel Schinckel and Marjorie Butler.

This year Mr. Langford has given us permission to use the "pound" money, and our members scout enthusiastically for stray books, so that the "Pound" proves at present a great source of revenue. Any new members will be always welcomed.

"LEADER."

PHYSICAL CULTURE CLASS.

For a long time the pupils of the D.H.S. have wanted a physical culture class at the school, and recently their wishes were gratified, when a class of about seventy-two pupils was started under the leadership of Miss Holt. The school hall is the place used for the class work, the desks being cleared away immediately after the end of the last period on Friday afternoons.

The class works from 4 to 5.30 p.m., but owing to many of the pupils being obliged to catch trains, only about two-thirds of the class remain at the end.

At the termination of our physical culture lessons a display of the work learned was given in the Boomerang theatre. During the year the class was divided into two groups, and an equal number of items was rendered by each. The class colors were navy and tan with white dresses for most of the fancy items.

The work included rods, free arm, plastic and eurythmic exercises, and various other fancy items. All items were successfully given, but the most outstanding were Rondo, Eastern Scene, and the interpretation of Orpheus and Eurydice by the A group and the Crinoline by the B group.

The medals donated by the instruc-

tress, Miss Holt, were presented by Mr. Langford to the following girls in the A group: grace medal to Maisie Dobson, championship medal to Thelma Buchanan; first girl, Phyllis McCahon; and second, Alma Tharle. In the B group two girls tied for first place, Sheila Blake and Elva Davidson.

In recognition of the kindness shown by Miss Taylor in connection with the display, a bouquet was presented to her by the girls. Also Miss Holt received a similar bouquet and a present from her pupils.

The display was a success as regards both the attendance and the work given.

"ONE OF THEM."

PENNY SAVINGS BANK.

The number of students who patronise the Penny Bank each week has now increased to 69 and the total amount banked since July 1st 1926, is about £40. Many of the students have banking accounts at the State Savings Bank, and it is generally only students of E and F Forms who are thrifty enough to save pennies. Perhaps the seniors feel that they are too grown-up for such things as pennies, or maybe, the proximity of the tuck shop affects the pockets of the plutocrats of the senior Forms.

"BANKER."

"AS PART OF EDUCATION."

TWELFTH NIGHT.

During the latter part of March the C's visited the Princess Theatre to see "Twelfth Night." We had been looking forward to our "practical English" lesson, and after the last morning period we hurried off to catch the train.

Maria seemed the most popular lady, while Feste, the clown, won his way to the children's hearts by his mischief and nonsense. Allan Wilkie, as the conceited Malvolio, was greeted with loud applause, but this was largely on account of his four

comical attendants who did exactly as Malvolio. The heart of the fair Olivia, much to the regret of Aguecheek, was captured by Viola (in masculine attire), who in turn was in love with the Duke Orsino. The play was complicated towards the end, but all ended happily, as per usual, when the twin brother and sister, Sebastian and Viola, were reunited. After the play we dispersed with less fear of the English exam.

U.R. (C.).

THE GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION.

On Wednesday, the 20th April, the school, escorted by the staff, visited the Dandenong police paddocks to gain a practical knowledge of surrounding geography.

We set out about 9.30 a.m. full of excitement and eagerness. Many paddocks were traversed, and many troublesome fences climbed ere we reached the homestead in the police paddocks. There the first stop was made, and good stock was taken of the black trackers by inquisitive little boys.

After resting a while, we set off down a gully with instructions to wait at the first dam. Here we were addressed by Mr. Langford and Mr. Tonkin, who informed us that the dam aided in supplying Dandenong with water, which came underground from Belgrave. We then followed the water course till we came to the second dam, where fires were lit and luncheons partaken of. Much fun was obtained by those brewing tea—they evidently forgot to rid their tins of kerosene. After this longed for rest, Mr. Tonkin, heading the procession, led us to a nearby standard which supported the electric wires from Yallourn. Here we were informed about Yallourn and the transmission line.

Yallourn is the largest brown coal area in the State. The deposit stretches out for about 70 miles; the coal itself being 25 feet below the surface. This 25 feet of overburden is removed by steam shovels. The coal is cut by an electric shovel which can lift two tons at each dip. It is then taken to the screening house, where

it is graded, the smaller pieces going to the briquetting plant, while the rest is taken to heat the boilers and thus drive the dynamos in the power station.

Standards costing £200 each are erected every quarter mile along the transmitting line. Aluminium wire is used and allowance made for the sag. These standards are erected around Melbourne, and patrols are employed to prevent fires. The whole scheme, which cost about £7,000,000, is under the State Electricity Commission.

After this interesting lecture, we proceeded to look for the quarries. This created much fun, for no one knew the exact position of them. We walked through the bush for a long time, when one tiny chap said that he knew where they were—they were just over the hill! Which hill he meant we did not know, but after climbing about half a dozen we arrived there. Here we found great boulders of granite. We were then told that granite, unlike sedimentary rocks, is formed by heat underneath the earth. The interior of the earth being in a molten condition, the molten substance is forced to the surface and flows over the land and solidifies, thus forming volcanic basalt. To form granite it comes near the surface, but then cools and has to be mined. It is full of tiny specks, each of which has a crystalline form some small and others large. The chief component parts are quartz, mica, felspar. That was the last sermon; we were then free to dismiss.

The day was a very enjoyable one, and the amateur geologists went home taking with them large and weird objects which bore a more or less close resemblance to the originals.

U.R. (C).

THE DANDENONG BACON FACTORY.

The Dandenong bacon factory is situated near the railway station, not very far from the main streets of the town. It is a fairly large building,

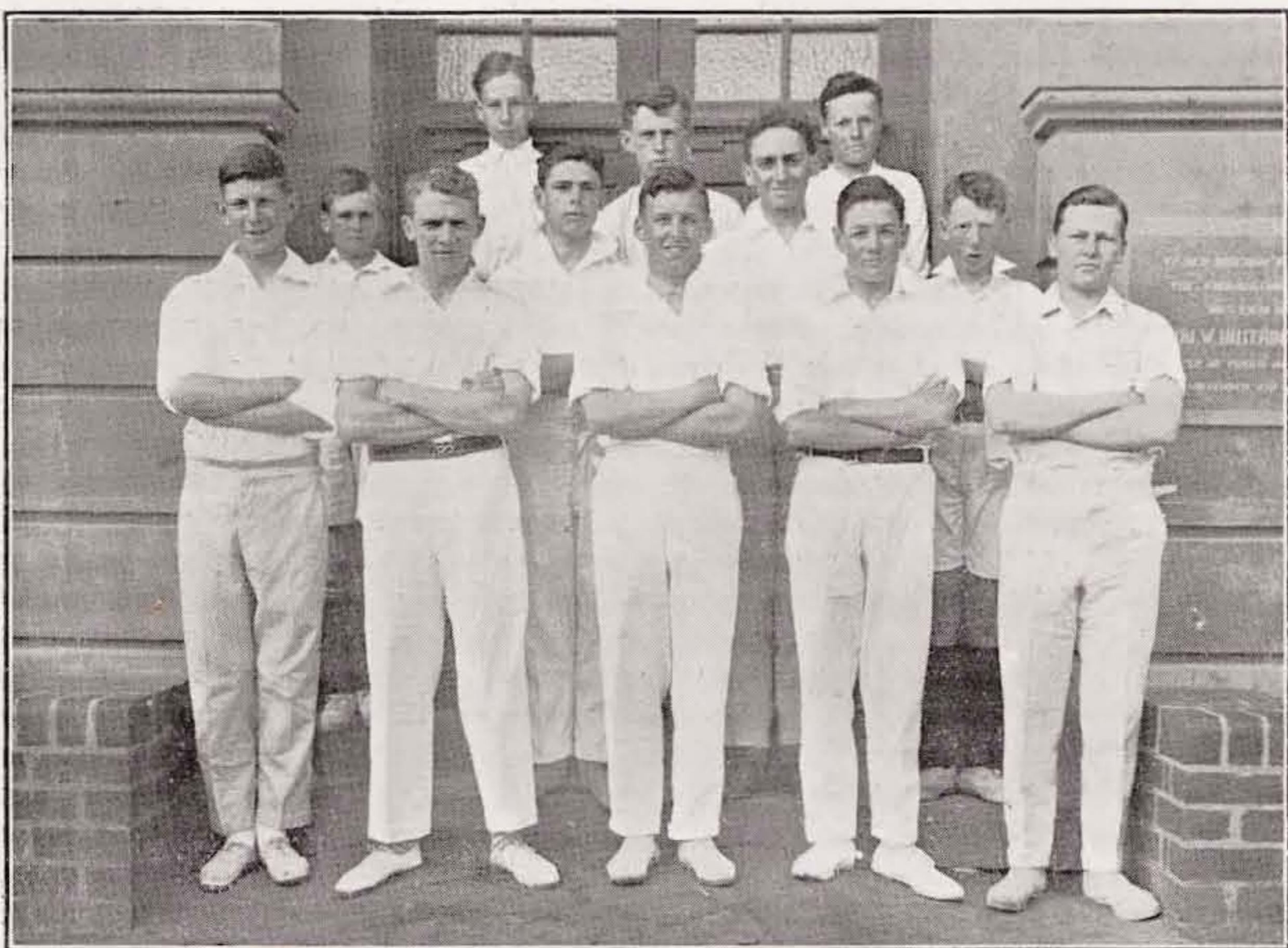
and employs many men. If you are shown through the building the first place you are taken to is the slaughter room. Pigs from all parts of Victoria are sent there to be cured. The pigs are taken into the slaughter room and tied to a big copper wheel at the end of the room. As the wheel is turned by machinery, the pig that is hanging there head downward has its throat cut. It is then put into a big vessel of boiling water, where it is scraped and all the hair taken off it. After it is taken out of this it is hung on a hook and cleaned. After being cleaned it is hung on to another hook and then taken into a corridor and weighed. It is then taken into a freezing room and left there until it is quite hard. Each pig as it is taken into the room has to be stamped. After a few days it is taken into another room, where its head, trotters and other parts are cut up and put down different chutes, the different parts falling into a big concrete tank of brine about two feet six inches in depth. They are taken out of this and put into another tank, where they are cured. In other rooms sausages and salamis and such things are made. The mixture for sausages is put into a big machine, where it is ground up. From this it is put into another machine where the skins are put on by means of a compression pump which is worked in the engine room. When the pigs are going to be smoked they are hung on hooks in a room and smoke is let into there from the furnaces in another room. There is an onion factory not far away, and in this building they are now making a new mixture in the form of dried onions.

Later the bacon factory firm is going to spend a great deal of money on having better conditions at the works.

SPORTS.

HONOR BOARDS.

In the school hall, six honor boards are used to decorate the walls. On



CRICKET (First XI).—Back row: J. Duff, J. Derrick, E. Robertson. Middle row: R. Brown, K. Hopkins, A. Grigg, K. Malcolm. Front row: R. Sedsman, L. Roberts, M. H. Hall (capt.), B. Russell, K. Facey.



FOOTBALL (First XVIII).—Back row: C. Cleary, C. J. Wynne, A. Grigg, C. Morrison. Middle row: J. Cahill, A. O'Donoghue, F. Pocknee, K. Facey, K. Hopkins, W. Worth, E. Peeling. Front row: D. Hooper, R. Sedsman, D. McIven, M. H. Hall (capt.), L. Roberts, B. Evans, B. Russell.

Two matches were played between the school and the staff. The school won the first fairly comfortably, but the staff had its sweet revenge in the second encounter. An admirable standard of sportsmanship is maintained in all matches; in many cases the boys make most exacting concessions in this regard, far beyond the extent required by ordinary interpretation of the rules. The school does its best to encourage and maintain this admirable spirit. It finds further opportunity in this direction in the inter-house contests, which began in the early months of the year, and will be completed before Christmas. So far Bluegum and Clematis houses are leading, and one round of matches remain to be played.

FOOTBALL.

The football competitions for the year have been attended by a fair measure of success for Dandenong High School; and even if we gained no pennants, the boys certainly derived all the pleasure and fun which is to be gained from the sport. We entered teams in the senior and junior divisions of the Metropolitan High Schools' competition. In the first our boys were far too small; we had only two of the eighteen whose ages warranted playing in the class, but most of the games were closely contested. The junior team being better matched, enjoyed quite a successful season. They lost to Essendon and Coburg; and University High School managed to beat them by three points on a wet day. Our victories included the matches against Melbourne A, Melbourne Z, Frankston, and Mordialloc. The match against Williams-town was abandoned, and our team finished equal fourth on the list. The boys attended practice very regularly and thoroughly deserved their successes.

Besides these external competitions, the six houses played a series of matches to decide the premier house for the year. Clematis, Wattle and Bluegum won their first round, with Orchid fourth on points. Wattle

and Clematis were left to contest the final, which the former won by one goal and Bluegum beat Orchid comfortably in the match to settle third place.

The main event for the year was the visit to Sale in return for the visit of St. Patrick's College boys during the cricket season. The importance attached to the encounter with Sale has warranted the writing of a special article by our regular correspondent.

Another important match was that between the school and the staff. A subscription in aid of the Dandenong Hospital was taken at this match, and realised £1/5/7. Unfortunately for the players, the day was very wet. Good football was impossible, though the spectators enjoyed watching the aquatics. The school won by 4.12 to 2.5, and G. Cox umpired in first-class manner.

VISIT TO ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE, SALE.

Our senior football team visited Sale St. Patrick's College on Tuesday, August 23rd. Although we arrived there fairly late, there were some boys at the station to meet us. They conducted us to the college, where we had a light supper. We were astir early next morning, and were shown around the grounds and college before the match. We were again defeated by a team whom, at first sight, we expected to trounce us. At half-time we were only two points behind, but they broke away from us half way through the third quarter. Hall played a steady game, and displayed even greater pace than usual. Roberts was at his best, and did very valuable work in the centre. Though we succeeded in bringing the ball to the forward line many times, our forwards could not score against the opposing full back, who is already an accomplished footballer. Grigg played exceptionally well from start to finish. Russell was prominent on the wing, while Cocknee was very useful in defence, though the full forward was a bit too tall for our defenders. Brother

Norbert's umpiring was all that could be desired. The scores were:

St. Patrick's College: 12 goals 13 behinds.

Dandenong High School: 5 goals 6 behinds.

Goal kickers for us were Hooper (2), Hall, Facey O'Donoghue. After the match we returned to the college, where Malcolm Hall moved a vote of thanks to the Sale boys and the Brothers, and was seconded by Len. Roberts. Greetings were exchanged and we were further shown around

Rate, Eunice Vincent, Beryl Randall, Alma Tharle, Frances Noack, Thelma Lindsay, and emergency Doreen Herrick.

The matches played against Mordialloc, Melbourne Z, and Williamstown resulted in victories for Dandenong Dandenong scoring against Mordialloc 9 goals, against Melbourne 2 goals, and against Williamstown 8, the opposing teams hitting no goals. The match against Williamstown resulted in a draw, neither side scoring any goals. Dandenong was therefore the



HOCKEY—Standing: Doreen Herrick, Annie Manks, Thelma Lindsay, Alma Taarie, Eunice Vincent, Lorna Andrews, Marjory Butler. Sitting: Maisie Dobson, Dora Rate, Doris Hopkins (capt.), Beryl Randall, Frances Noack.

Sale. We witnessed a game played up there known as handball. We were accompanied back to town by some of the boys who were returning for term holidays, and thus concluded a very enjoyable trip.

HOCKEY.

The Hockey team this year included the following girls: Doris Hopkins, Annie Manks, Lorna Andrews, Marjorie Butler, Maisie Dobson, Dora

premier team in the southern section. However, it was defeated in the final match by University High School, who secured 3 goals to nil.

The next match, that against the staff, was one of the most interesting played during the season. The strong forward line of the staff won the match, but the girls defended the circle so well that they prevented the winners from scoring more than one goal.

All members of the girls' team played well in all the matches, but special mention may be made of the captain, Doris Hopkins, who was invaluable in her position on the right outer wing.

The second team, which contained several girls from Form F, was always eager for a game, and gave promise of some good players for future years.

The ex-students' hockey team had a successful season. It was defeated only in the final match, which the Training College B team won by one goal to nil.

ROUNDER NOTES.

This year proved rather an eventful one for the rounder team. At the beginning we were not very hopeful of any great success. For our first match we visited Mordialloc and easily defeated our opponents. In the Frankston match a little later the teams were very evenly matched, and our victory was by a very narrow margin. In order to be premiers of our section it was necessary for us to win the last match against Williamstown. This match was played at Williamstown, and owing to the slippery state of the ground, it was a difficult matter to obtain a run or a catch without having a fall. The game proved even more exciting than the previous match, for at one stage our opponents were defeating us. However, at the end of the game, we were satisfied to find our side had won the match.

The team throughout the season was captained by Ruby Buckley, who was a member of last year's team. The remaining members were Lyla Wilson, Gwenda Bush, Tessie Chapman, Helen Denman, Roma Ellis, Gertie Chippindall, Gertie Walden, Elva Hurley, and Nancy Butler (emergency and scorer).

The final match of the season between the premiers of the two sectors was played on the Oakleigh reserve. Our opponents Essendon, in this match, easily defeated us. They played an excellent careful game, and secured 33 runs to our 21.

SWIMMING.

With the opening of the new Dandenong baths at the beginning of the 1926-27 season, swimming became an important branch of the school's activities. The school is affiliated with the Royal Life Saving Society, which provides examiners and demonstrators. Thus we are from time to time acquainted with the best methods. During the last season the following pupils secured the junior certificate: C. R. Boote, H. J. Blay, D. S. Coombe, A. R. Frandsen, A. A. De La Rue, W. F. Weiss, G. T. Dillow, L. B. Stuart, W. McM. Henshaw, R. J. Brooks, D. Hooper, L. R. Fergusson, N. W. Brownfield, R. Lamb, J. E. S. Ford, H. V. Jordan, B. F. B. Russell, K. S. Hopkins, R. H. Sedman, H. R. Simmons, K. A. McKay, J. Hunter, H. A. Bishop, R. H. Moran, W. I. Worth, C. J. Wynne, H. W. Morrison, I. J. Nicholas, C. K. Ritchie, F. R. Focknee, Marjorie Sellers, Gertrude Walden, Nancy Butler, Jean Keys, Phyllis McCahon, Lucey Alford, Edna Nichols, and Ruby Manrel. The following secured the senior certificate: J. S. Orr, G. R. Hill, J. M. Brodie, R. J. Oakes, K. M. Williams, J. A. Melven, D. G. Melven, E. E. Giles, G. Cox, W. I. Worth, K. G. Rice, and Kathleen Brumley.

At present 50 boys and 22 girls in the school hold the junior certificate, and 15 boys and three girls have secured the senior certificate. These figures, of course include those who obtained the respective certificates before this year. One girl holds the Education Department's silver medallion.

The annual swimming carnival was held at the Dandenong baths. Points (3, 2, 1) were allotted to the places, and the six houses contested the premiership. At the end of the sports, an interesting demonstration of the methods of rescue and release was given in the water. Messrs. W. B. Tharle, E. C. Butler, J. Abbott, W. L. Brumley and H. F. Tonkin judged the events, and Mr. C. H. Moore was the official scorer. Mr. P. C. W. Langford acted as starter. Results:



SENIOR BASKETBALL—Left to right: Edna Hopkins, Ronnie Ryan, Elsie Grant, Margaret Mudge, Marjorie Scoble, Muriel Ridgway, Alice Hall. Sitting: Alison Winfield (capt.)



JUNIOR BASKETBALL—Left to right: Betty Gillies, Ruth Beck, Irene Smith, Elva Hurley, Evelyn Blick, Muriel Ridgway. Sitting: Thelma Buchanan (capt.)

Boys' Events—Senior Division—Free Style: Giles, 1; Chambers, 2; Barr, 3. Breast Stroke: J. Melven, 1; Macpherson, 2; D. Melven, 3. Back Stroke: Macpherson, 1; J. Melven, 2. Relay Race: Wattle, 1; Orchid, 2; Boronia, 3. Neat Dive: Macpherson, 1; Giles and Oakes, equal, 2. Intermediate Division.—Free Style: Macpherson, 1; Kosky, 2; Giles, 3. Breast Stroke: J. Melven, 1; D. Melven, 2; Oakes, 3. Back Stroke: Giles, 1; Latham, 2; Oakes, 3. Relay Race: Wattle, 1; Orchid, 2; Boronia, 3. Junior Division.—Free Style: Kosky, 1; Blay, 2; Rice, 3. Breast Stroke: Latham, 1; Kosky, 2; Hill, 3. Back Stroke: Latham, 1; Brooks, 2; Kosky, 3. Relay Race: Boronia, 1; Orchid, 2; Wattle, 3.

Girls' Events.—Senior Division.—Free Style: A. Tharle, 1. Breast Stroke: A. Tharle, 1. Relay Race: Orchid, 1; Clematis 2; Bluegum, 3. Neat Dive: M. Sellers, 1; M. Schinckel and N. Barca, equal, 2. Intermediate Division.—Free Style: M. Schinckel, 1; M. McKenzie, 2; E. Roulston, 3. Breast Stroke: M. Schinckel, 1; M. McKenzie, 2. Junior Division.—Free Style: N. Barca 1; M. Sellers, 2; H. Walker, 3. Breast Stroke: H. Walker, 1; K. Brumley, 2; M. Sellers, 3.

Points were also awarded for the securing of swimming certificates; each medallion carried three, each senior certificate two, and each junior

certificate one. The final result was: Orchid, 67½ points; Wattle, 46½; Clematis, 42½; Boronia, 39; Waratah, 27; Bluegum, 26½.

TENNIS.

This year we are fortunate in having obtained the long wished for tennis courts.

Local effort, subsidised by the Education Department, £ for £, has made such possible. Through Mrs. Cox the sum of £10/9/6 was raised, and in all £173/4/1 has been expended on two fine courts, one for the boys, and the other for the girls.

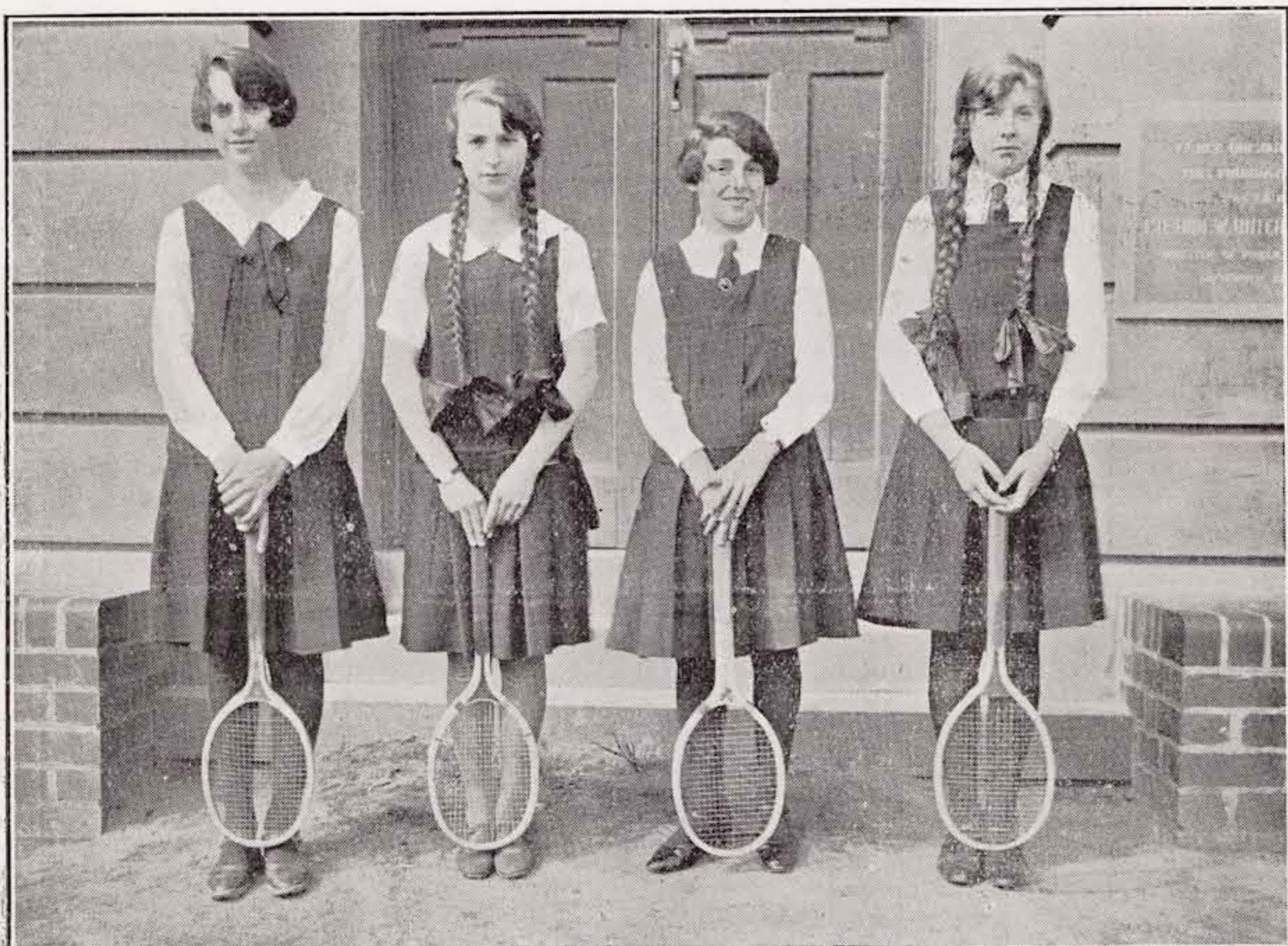
The girls' tennis team competes in the Metropolitan Schools' Association, and our first four are Alma Tharle (captain), Edna Ireland, Frances Neack, and Lyla Pretty.

On May 18th our team visited Williamstown, and lost by 19 games to 15. The game was very keen and was much more exciting than that played against Frankston on June 8, when we won fairly easily by 24 games to 10.

Our match against Melbourne Z on 14th September resulted in a draw, scores being 19 games. In our final contest we lost to Mordialloc by 20 games to 16.

House matches are now proceeding, and ere the year closes we will have played off for the cups kindly donated by Dr. Langley.

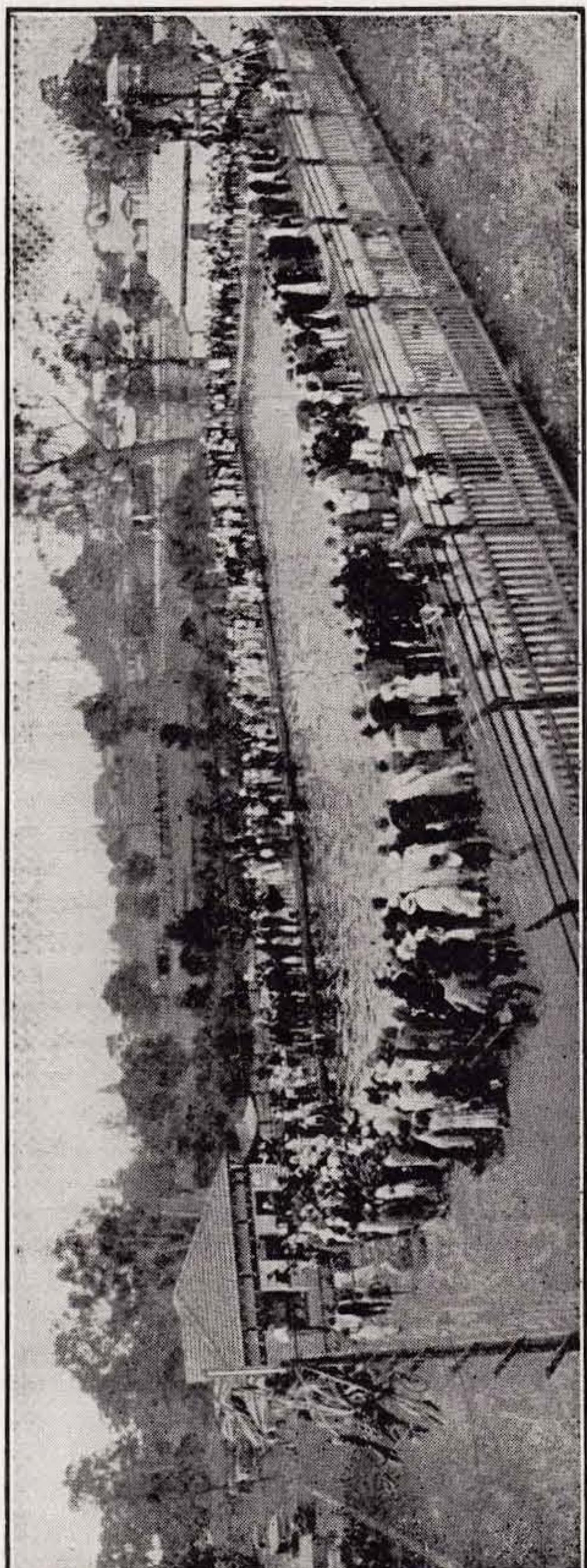




TENNIS—Lyla Pretty, Alma Tharle, Frances Noack, Edna Ireland.



ROUNDERS—Left to right: Lyla Wilson, Helen Denman, Gertie Waiden, Maisie Corrigan, Nancy Butler, Elva Hurley, Gertie Chippindal, Gwenda Bush Roma Ellis. Sitting: Ruby Buckley (capt.).



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