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MR. GRIFFITHS SAYS FAREWELL

I find it difficult to realise that when School reopens next February I shall not be there to enrol new pupils and meet those returning to School.

When I came to Dandenong at the beginning of 1937, this School in common with others was recovering from the effects of the depression. It had had an enrolment of more than 450, with a Leaving Certificate form of nearly 50. During the depression the enrolment fell to less than 200, and in 1936 the Leaving Certificate form had 8 pupils.

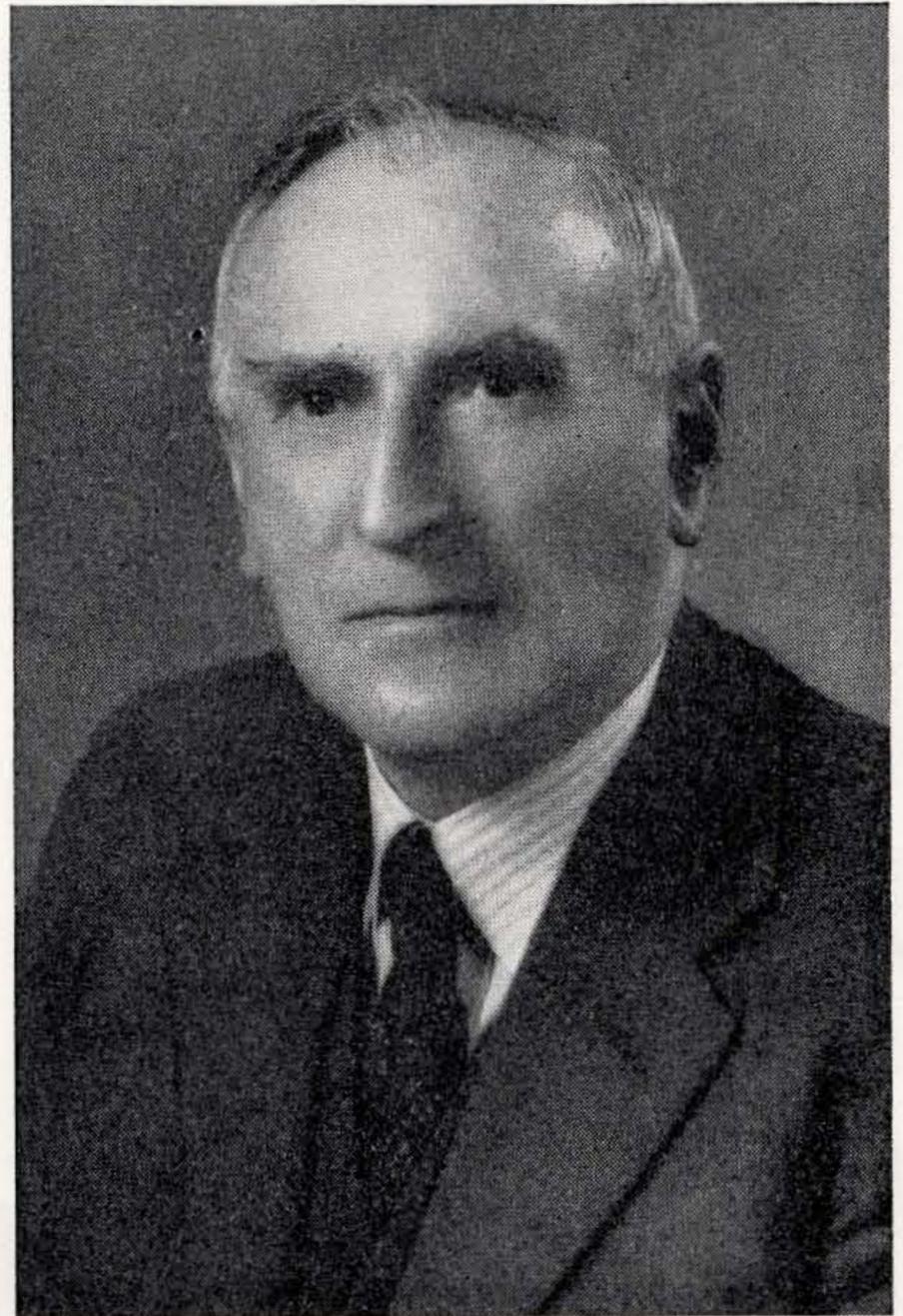
Pupils coming from a distance suffered many disabilities. Many travelled in dilapidated and very uncomfortable railway carriages attached to a goods train which started in complete darkness in the winter (lighting was not provided), and the journey took almost two hours. Sometimes the return journey did not commence until 6 p.m. or even later, but pupils had to be at the railway station by 4.30 p.m. in case the train was on time. Others arrived in Dandenong at 8 a.m. and did not leave until after 5 p.m.

There were no subsidised buses and no refunds of conveyance. Tuition fees were charged in all forms.

It can be understood that under such conditions boys and girls enrolled because they and their parents valued what the School could give them, and that they were not likely to leave without completing a course.

Early in 1944 the Advisory Council was promised that in addition to proposed extensions to the School a Hall to seat 1000 would be provided if the School raised £3000 in five years. The response was prompt and enthusiastic. The necessary money was raised in four years, and plans for the Hall were prepared. I hoped to see the Hall in use before I retired, but like the urgently needed additions, it remains something to be hoped for in the not very near future.

I have been disappointed that the number of pupils remaining to do the full school course has not increased with the increasing enrolment. I sincerely hope that very soon the number in



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Head Master, Dandenong High School, 1937-1952

the upper school will be in a continually increasing ratio to the number in attendance.

My sixteen-years stay at Dandenong High School has been made very pleasant by the ready co-operation of staff and pupils in all our undertakings, and by the very friendly atmosphere of the school. I value the friendships I have formed with both teachers and the boys and girls, and I know that these will endure.

In saying Good-bye! I wish each and all of you success at school and in your chosen careers.

J. L. Griffiths

Editorial

RETIREMENT OF MR. GRIFFITHS

This year we say farewell to our Head Master, Mr. Griffiths. His career has been a long and interesting one.

John Leslie Irwin Griffiths started school at the age of only one year and nine months at Illabarook, chiefly because both his parents were teachers, and his mother, who was assisting at the time at her husband's school, could not leave him at home during the day. Here he remained as a pupil and a temporary monitor until he was old enough to become a pupil teacher. After several appointments to small country schools, he was admitted in 1906 to the Teachers' College, entry to which was then by competitive examination. When his year's training at the College was completed, Mr. Griffiths held teaching positions in the country for some years. While at Konwak in Gippsland, he was recommended by the District Inspector for University work, and became a member of the "Diploma Twenty."

He joined the staff of the University High School in 1912, under the late Mr. L. J. Wrigley, and in 1915 was appointed Vice-Principal of the same school under Mr. M. Stanton Sharman, the successor to Mr. Wrigley. Mr. Griffiths remained at the University High School until 1936, when he became Head Master of Dandenong High School. This position he has since occupied continuously.

That Mr. Griffiths was esteemed by fellow members of his profession, and that a high opinion was held of his ability is indicated by the numerous administrative positions which he has also occupied. His election to the presidency of the Victorian Teachers' Union took place in 1932 after only one year of membership of the Council of the Union. In 1942 he was chosen as the Teachers' Representative of the Secondary Division of the Board of Classifiers, an appointment which he retained until 1951. For several years he has been a member of the Executive of the Schools' Board and also of the Standing Committee of Convocation of the University of Melbourne.

As head master of Dandenong High School, Mr. Griffiths has allowed a great deal of free-



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dom to the pupils, yet he has commanded their respect, obedience and love. Although fostering a love of learning and urging the pupils to honour the work, he has always held that Latin, Mathematics and English are not the whole education, so that school life for the pupils has been enlivened by socials, palais, picnics, school plays and entertainments, excursions to concerts, plays and factories, and trips by sporting teams to compete with other schools. School has been made a pleasant place, where the pupils can work and learn and enjoy themselves too.

We all join in wishing Mr. Griffiths a long and happy retirement.

STAFF NOTES

At the end of 1951 Mr. R. Barnes the popular and capable boys' sportsmaster, left to take up a position as head master at Orbst High School. Early this year the girls physical training instructress, Mrs. Nicholson also left. During the year, however, the duties of sports mistress and sportsmaster were efficiently carried out by Miss Stainforth and Mr. Shade. Some reward for the many hours spent by these teachers, in training and encouraging our athletes, was the praise-

worthy position obtained by our representatives at the Inter-School Sports in October.

During the year interest was created, particularly among the girls, by the marriages of Miss Whelan, and Mr. Worrall.

After being associated with the School for many years, our head master, Mr. Griffiths, is retiring at the end of 1952. Under his leadership, the school has run smoothly and efficiently and his kindly understanding and ever ready assistance gained him the respect and admiration of staff and scholars alike.

Several other teachers having received well-earned promotion will also be leaving us at the end of the year. Mr. Ellis will next year be taking over the duties of head master at Yallourn High School. Sportsmaster and history teacher, Mr. Shade has been appointed a Lecturer at Toorak Teachers' College. We wish these teachers every success in their new positions.

The head master next year will be Mr. R. W. Andrews, B.Sc. B.Ed. who was this year the head master of Camberwell High School.

New members of the staff at the beginning of this year were Mr. G. Stirling and Mr. R. Baines.



STAFF

Back: Mr. Lake, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Randles, Mr. Shade, Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Everett, Mr. Worrall,
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 Dee, Mrs. Sharpe, Miss Dawson, Miss Power, Miss Rofe, Mrs. Kelley.

D.H.S. EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The new Ex-students' Association is twelve months old. During this year it has consisted of a small, enthusiastic group of financial members and a fairly large but more elusive group of adherents. The purpose of its activities has been to renew acquaintances among past pupils and to create a foundation for a structure as forceful as the pre-war association.

The year opened with a successful dance at the school, which was attended by about eighty people. Parties attended "Kiss Me Kate" and an Ice-hockey match at St. Kilda, and in September an enjoyable Salamagundi Night was held. The event which brought together most ex-students was also that with which the association began its real job of helping the present school. This was the Ball in June which was organised by the Association and the Ladies' Welfare Club. The Town Hall was crowded with ex-students, and the resultant profit of almost £200 bought a sound projector for the school. It is hoped that the D.H.S. Ball will provide an annual re-union

for ex-students and an annual source of school improvements.

This can happen only if all ex-students who are even temporarily within reach of meetings will make the effort to support this new association. We can have a strong, worthwhile club if each ex-student who remembers something of his or her school-life will offer suggestions for its development and will make himself a financial member. This entitles members to receive regular notices of activities, and badges will soon be available. The secretary for 1952 is Miss D. Griffiths of 2 Stud Road, Dandenong (Phone. 404). The school will readily give information about next year's committee after the Annual Meeting early in 1953.

If your contemporaries are not yet interested in the association, why not ask them to form a party to come to a dance or social? The association needs older members, as well as those who have just left school. Whether the association will grow to be once again really helpful to the school, or whether it will die, depends wholly on your interest.



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Form Notes

FORM VI

Once again, in 1952, the sixth form has proved its superiority in all school activities. Next year, 17 brilliant and industrious students (and occasionally 'Butch' and Harj) will, providing all goes as planned, venture out into the big, wide, world, where their fate lies in their own hands.

Form VI was instrumental in organising such schemes as the Loud Tie Day, (when our representative, Ian, sported a gorgeous floral creation,) a Newspaper Appeal, which resulted in £10 for the Wilson Hall Fund, and sufficient paper to wrap Steve's fish and chips for an eternity. The term II social, when members of the senior school appeared attired in their most casual clothes, was yet another successful form effort.

Among our members are eight exceptionally handsome young men, somewhat haggard, however, after their year of unremitting toil. No

generalisation on their virtues should be made without first discussing sufficient examples. (Mr. Ellis, we really have learnt something, you see!)

Personalities:—

Joseph Rumble:—Rowdiest member of the sixth form.

Favourite saying:—"Gee, it's a lovely car."

Ambition:—To go bush.

Probable fate:—To return next year to matriculate.

Pet aversion:—Private study interruptions.

Favourite occupation:—Gardening, particularly when using a barrow and spade.

Neil Hewson:—The fighter of the form.

Favourite saying:—"Oh Mavis!"

Ambition:—To get married.

Probable fate:—To be a cow-cocky.

Peculiarity:—"A" in physics prac.

Favourite occupation:—Getting a head-lock on Joe.

Glen Prior:—Musician of the sixth, Prefect.

Favourite saying:—"Any clues?"

Ambition:—To be on time for French and Modern History.

Probable fate:—To be an organ-grinder.



HOUSE CAPTAINS

S. Tabor, G. Delmenico (Orchid); G. Evans, I. Stuart (Clematis); E. Ellett, W. Noblet (Wattle); N. Cussen, B. Simon (Bluegum).

Mick Kinsella:—General manager of the school and editor of the "Mag."

Favourite saying:—"How much Chem, did you do last night?"

Ambition:—To have a full page portrait of himself on the cover of 'The Gate.'

Probable fate:—"Diggin"

Peculiarity:—A clumsy character.

Regular partime:—Balancing 'social' funds.

Mr. Graham William Delmenico:—Prefect, house-captain and still-"black."

Regular pastime:—Balancing 'social' funds.

Probable fate:—To be a sergeant-major.

Pet aversion:—Irresponsible juniors.

Peculiarity:—Wearing his cap correctly.

Ian Stuart:—The suave prefect and house-captain.

Favourite saying:—"Had it been any better I could not have stood it."

Ambition:—To be a retired schoolboy.

Favourite occupation:—Doing Chem. homework on time.

Peculiarity:—His famous hair-cut.

Barry Simon:—Head prefect and house-captain.

Probable fate:—To be a housewife.

Pet aversion:—Catching the last train on Saturday night.

Favourite occupation:—Arranging tribunals.

Peculiarity:—Leaning on the balcony with a far-away look.

Frank Hicks:—Prefect, school football and tennis captain.

Future occupation:—Teaching unfortunates.

Hobby:—Keeping the roll books up to date.

Favourite topic of conversation:—Women.

Pet aversion:—Wearing a cap on the train.

We don't propose to conduct a detailed analysis of the girls' characters (they probably would not stand close investigation, in any case,) although they do possess numerous talents, even if there are well hidden. The year's labour has also left its mark on the fairer sex, and it has become apparent that they are gradually wasting away. Teachers have been astounded at their unusual powers of concentration. It seems, indeed, that studying so hard has given some members of the form abnormal appetites, which have even come to the notice of some members of the staff. Our members who live in Dandenong set a praiseworthy example for punctuality, for they never fail to arrive in time for second period, at least.

After our long and bitter struggle to have Room 21 officially recognized as the sixth form private study room, it has been noticed that members of the male staff have become decidedly more industrious in washing their dishes. Is it curiosity, perhaps!

At the end of the second term the girls accepted a challenge from the male members of the form who were anxious to display their prowess on the hockey field. Despite the presence of the girls' side of top-ranking members of the school team, the boys, though fewer in number, and somewhat handicapped by exhaustion due to a strenuous football match played against the staff, managed to force a draw, (even if underhand methods were employed). The girls' inability to score was undoubtedly due to Hicks, who ably defended the goal with a foreign implement, in the shape of a cricket bat.

Our thanks go to the teachers who have striven so nobly broaden our intellects, and in particular to Mr. Carroll, who has been an invaluable form teacher. Thanks go also to Beth and Frank, and their assistants, Nell and Mick, for their attempts to keep us in hand.

FORM V GIRLS

Come to room 31 on Friday mornings to see 25 hard working girls under the supervision of Form Teacher, Miss Armstrong!

We are marvels! Ask our teachers! First of all Mr. McCarthy. (Where's the bell?)

Then ask Mr. Alexander where his brainy yarns come from, and ask Miss Armstrong if the door of Hut D has been mended.

Now on to Geography: We found the International Harvester Co. very interesting, and the girls thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the bacon factory, but they'll never eat sausages again! And they don't like cows! We can dance too. Did you see the Modern Waltz at the second term concert?

We're not bad at sport either, in comparison with the boys. Did you see that basketball match in second term?

We welcomed two new girls this year, Helen Shaw and Diane Peach, and said goodbye to Helen Lawrence, who left at the end of term two.

Our girls freely contributed to such appeals as the Egg Appeal, and the Menzies Boy's Home, and throughout the year we have endeavoured to help the Social Service.

We are very sorry to say that you will only see six of our bright faces next year.

We must thank our teachers and Form Captain, Shirley Tabor, for helping us to achieve success throughout the year, and to make this year, the last for some of us, bright and happy.

FORM V BOYS

Not only are we the best form in the school, but we also have the best form teacher—Mr. Alexander. We consider ourselves the most indispensable form in the whole school. Who runs the third term social? What form does the tallest boy in the school belong to? Where do half of the house and team captains come from? Why, form V of course. It is understood that we have to have a form captain and a vice-captain. These occupations were forced upon Ian "Soapy" Jarvey and Maxwell "Carl" Stuart. Without these boys we would be lost, as they are the ones who twice daily carry the roll book between the various rooms—such a tiresome task. Mr. Alexander has again succeeded this year in extracting a small sum of our hard earned pocket money from our miserly grasp and putting it to various worthy appeals.

We have a number of criminals in our form including Maxwell Carl—and John Brian—. Chemistry is our favourite subject and the organised chaos which evolves in practical periods and turns red litmus blue brings caustic remarks from the teacher. Our form assemblies are always put to good use, such as finishing our homework etc. See that you keep up our traditions lowly, fourth form.

FORM IVa

"Allons enfants de la patrie."

Singing thus every member of IVa has again had a very successful year. We have more or less survived tests, deadly glances, and teachers, and have revelled in all other aspects of school life. From our leaders Miss Stainforth, Gwen Fry and George Gillingham we have developed that intelligence, that sense of humour and the courage so characteristic of IVa. We have given freely (with Miss Stainforth's persuasion) to The Menzies Boys Home, Hospitals, and The Blind Babies' Appeal. Early in the year we raised the enormous sum of £13 from a Fair which we held on the hockey field. It was a unique idea, but what else would you expect from IVa? We also contributed our share to the Annual Concert.

Although most of us will again feast on the joys of D.H.S. next year, it is certain that none of us will ever forget the following reminiscences of 1952:—

English: "Many of the answers to the Julius Caesar' question were entirely irrelevant."

French: Dicter? Oh, yes, we're pretty good at that.

Maths: Whether its A or B, its still just gloom, gloom, gloom!

Geography: "I don't see why we can't keep up with IVd."

Science: "Ruth, is that another test tube broken?"

P.T.: Red tunics are conspicuous by their absence.

Singing: If we had forty-five new voices, we would put the 'Luton Girls' Choir' out of business.

Latin: Latin Prose! "Please, I can't bear it!"

Art: Modern Art? Ha! Ha! Ha!

History: "I remember once during the Coral Sea Battle."

In general: "Ask another question to keep her talking. I haven't quite finished my homework for next prod. yet."

You would hardly believe it of IVa, would you?

FORM IVb

This is Form IVb, calling from Room 22. Mr. Baines is our Form Teacher, Heather Robertson and Richard Diggins are our Form Captains. We have had a very successful year, with many representatives in the different spheres of school life. Four of our members were included in the groups which went to Mildura and Albury; Jenifer Bursill represented the form in the school tennis team whilst Barry Burke, Richard Diggins and Bruce Willmott were in the football team.

Many appeals have been held and IVb have not been found lacking in generosity. For the Women's Hospital Egg Appeal the form organized a Soup Stall, £3.0.0 being raised. Menzies Boys' Home benefited to the extent of 12/6. During the first term when an inter-form competition was held for collection of papers for Wilson Hall, IVb collected the most. All this, in spite of the fact that our form is a very small one this year—consisting of six girls and fourteen boys. Another good deed performed by the girls and boys of IVb was the "blacking out" of Room 22 for pictures—

the girls sewing the curtains and the boys putting them up. We thank all our good teachers for taking such great pains with us during this most important "Inter" year, and extend to all our members good wishes for the coming year, for many will be leaving us, and others going on to the Leaving Certificate.

FORM IVc

We leave to the school memories of our achievements; social, sporting and intellectual.

Our social achievements have been many, but briefly the main ones are:—

Form assemblies where we have tried our skill as lecturers, entertainers and at thinking up excuses for dead flowers and unfilled ink-wells. Excursions, such as the trip to the exhibition of modern office equipment, the night tour of the Spencer Street G.P.O., and two orchestral concerts.

In the sporting field we have shone, having members in almost every sporting team. Eight of us represented the school at Albury, and at the sports at Williamstown those not taking

part played their part by barracking very enthusiastically.

Before we pass on to greater achievements in the commercial world we would like to thank Miss Banks, our form teacher, and Bev. Ackland, our form captain, for the help they have given us, and we do appreciate the painless way in which they extracted money from us for the various appeals.

FORM IVd

Under the supervision of Mr. McCubbin, and the two form captains, Merrill Hydon and Ian Gardner, form IVd has had a most successful year. Money was raised to aid the various appeals, such as the Egg Appeal, Menzies Boys' Home and the appeal for the Spastic Children.

Several of our members represented the school in sport. Joy Anderson (Andy) competed in the tennis, hockey and athletics, Dorothy Turner and Marlene Lawless in the hockey, and Ian Gardner (Sard) in the senior cricket and football.

For a small form (there are 23 of us, 12 boys and 11 girls) we did well in music with



ORCHESTRA

Back: M. Reader, J. Davis, K. Ellis, G. Watson, G. Begg, H. Detez.
Middle: M. Shade, M. Tucker, J. Bumpstead, L. Litera, M. Reader, D. Begg.
Front: F. Coutie, D. Prior, G. Evans, A. Wallace, Mr. McCubbin, Miss Rofe, M. Hill, M. Grove, M. Nemet, E. Fenn.
Drummer: T. Gell.

Herbert Detey, Robert Jones, Anne Wallace and Derek Prior in the orchestra, and Dorothy Turner in the senior choir. In addition we had five representatives in the dancing for the school entertainment.

Well represented in the school activities, IVd had a good reputation among the teachers.

FORM IIIa1

"The Naughtiest Form in the School."

Hullo, everybody. IIIa1 calling from Room 28. Of course you know we're all angels, but here's some more news.

Our form captains are Joyce Burls and Alan Davidson and our form teacher is Miss Dawson. Our form consists of 15 girls and 20 boys. During the year we had two stalls, one for Menzies Boys' Home, the other for the Egg Appeal. We also held a play for the Egg Appeal. We consider our average of 35.1 eggs apiece was very good. We were called 'dark horses' and asked where we got the money.

We were well represented at the school sports, Ken Rout and Alan Davidson being our most successful representatives. Besides these, we had boys in relay teams and one girl in a hockey team.

We thank all the teachers who have had the hard task of teaching us this year and wish every one in the school a happy Christmas.

FORM IIIa2

This is station IIIa2 broadcasting from Hut D. Our reporter, Mary Hudson, helped by Jeanette Orr, will now outline some of IIIa2's activities for the year.

This year we have helped the Menzies Boys' Home and we are now busy working for St. Vincent's Hospital.

We had four representatives in the Swimming Sports at the Olympic Pool and ten in the Combined Sports at Williamstown. If you look along the lists of members of the junior basketball teams, hockey A and B, and the softball team, you will be sure to find the names of some IIIa2 girls. We also had nine girls in the school concert and the choirs.

Four of our girls went to Albury to represent the school. Our form room is Hut D, but as it is too far away we have commandeered room 8, and there we have had many enjoyable form assemblies; that is after we have swallowed our iodine tablets and most of the

form have returned to the room after getting a drink to stop them from choking. If you were ever looking for IIIa2 in a hurry during the year you would most likely find us in room 9. We are the only form that will fit comfortably in there it seems, for there are only twenty-five of us, all sweet young girls. We think we have completed a very good year's work, thanks to all the teachers who put up with us, especially Miss Dee who helps us considerably.

FORM IIIb

This is form IIIb consisting of 43 pupils calling from Hut C, our form room. During the year we have had Heather Collison and Hank Muskens as form captains, and Margaret Russell, Ken Goldsworthy and John Holstran as vice-captains. Seven of our boys and six girls represented the school in cricket, swimming, football, rounders and basketball. During the year we have raised money for several appeals, including £8/14/- for the Improvement Fund, £4/-/- for Menzies Boys' Home, £19/12/8 for the Spastic Children's Appeal and 105 dozen eggs for the Egg Appeal.

Finally we would like to thank the teachers who have taught us through the year and especially Mr. Everett our form teacher for his willing assistance.

FORM IIIc

This year the IIIc Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Miss L. Rofe, Dip.Mus., has been continuously to the fore. Miss "Sooty" Souter and Miss Joan Leishman, our Leader and Deputy Leader, have led us in some of our brilliant performances.

First item on our programme was relayed from Sydney showgrounds, where Miss G. Beveridge was the soloist in a faultless performance of the Concerto on "G-G Commodore," (better than Major.)

Our next item was the Water Music Suite in 9 movements by F. S. Railway-yards at the annual swimming sports. The movements were:—Judy W., allegro, Joan L., presto, and Gwenda B., prestissimo. Also, in the Dandenong High School Celebrity concert, 18 of our fair members took part in the cantata, "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," and three of the aforesaid members made very suitable old and young ladies at "The Bathroom Door."

Some members were chosen to take part in a combined performance at Williamstown, but,

owing to lack of rehearsal only managed to scrape through as fourth violins.

One of our star trumpeters finds blowing rather difficult because of the continuous chewing, but we have been informed that this honourable member has turned over a new leaf of her manuscript.

Our well-known orchestra consists of three sections:—

1. Percussion, (tins) Janice D. and Wendy S.
2. Wind, (yapping) Pat G. and Margaret A.
3. Strings, (sopranos) Bev W. and Bev L.

Brilliant harping is done by Lotus B., while Dawn T., Val H. and Co. are experts at items containing long rests.

As a result of all our Charity Matinees during the year, we raised the sum of £11, and nearly, but not quite, came out on top once again.

We have enjoyed being in IIIc this year and are looking forward to IVc next year.

FORM IIIc GIRLS

We are IIIc girls writing from room 4. Our form consists of 14 girls. Our form teacher is Miss Power who has helped us greatly in raising £6 for charitable appeals. Dawn Stockdale and Roma Fox have been live wires in providing novel ideas for extracting cash from us. Our form-captain is Rita Martin and vice-captain is Pam Sheldon. Elva Cuckson is our only swimming star whilst Elva Cuckson, Pam Sheldon, Barbara Bowden, and Roma Fox helped their houses in the house sports.

Four of us figured in the school entertainment, Marjorie Tucker and Lucy Litera are orchestra members, Pam Sheldon is a choir member, and also made an imposing prima donna in the play, "The Bathroom Door." Roma Fox and Lucy Litera also took part in the dancing in the school concerts.

FORM IIa

IIa consists of 29 girls and 24 boys. Our form-captains are Margaret Norris and Roland Hough; our vice-captains, Claire Hartrup and Robert Adams.

This year we raised approximately £5 from two stalls. When the annual Egg Appeal came round, IIa had the grand total of 127 dozen. We have also given freely to other appeals.

We are well represented in all branches of sport, especially athletics, cricket and hockey. Anne Neville, Wendy Osborne and Ian Lewis represented us in the Combined Sports.

During second term a large number of boys and girls from IIa took part in the great performance of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin."

We all join together to thank Mr. Griffiths, our retiring head master, for his wonderful and enthusiastic service during the past sixteen years.

Also we wish to thank Mr. McCathy, our devoted form teacher, for his service and enthusiasm in making IIa such a happy form.

FORM IIb

This is IIb calling from our form room Hut A. Our form Teacher is Mr. Lake and our form captains are Shirley Walker and John Coney.

During the year we have raised over £16 for the Improvement Fund and about £12 for the Menzies Boys' Home. We also collected 112 dozen eggs for the Egg Appeal, averaging 28.1 eggs per person.

We were represented in the Combined Swimming Sports by Margaret McComb, Shirley Walker and Roger Lamb. In the Combined Athletics Sports we were represented by Luis Gazzola in the jumping and by Shirley Reyne, Norma Holbery, Helen Phillips, Fay Adkens, Shirley Walker, Gloria Gardner, Rosemary Thompson, Dawn Jenner, Margaret McComb, John Coney and Alan Garbellini in team events.

Our form room is about twenty yards from the famous Dandenong Tip. We are quite often reminded of this by the not-so-pleasant odour which floats in the window. In spite of this however the industrious IIb keep working.

FORM IIc

Our form, IIc, from point of numbers (52) is one of the outstanding forms of the school. Its Captains, Ethel Knowles and Don Mitchell have exercised a good influence over us, and we are indebted to them for guidance throughout the year. In Sport we have had a measure of success, as quite a number represented the school at the House and the Combined Sports. These were Gladys White, Beryl Gowty, Frances Gale, Elaine Tyrrell, Barbara Parker, Roma Eyre, Don Figgins, Graeme

Gardner, Ray Hebard, Don Mitchell and Robin Watson. We look forward hopefully to the end of the year when several members of our form may achieve distinction by carrying off some of the scholarships and free places available. Our form teacher, Mr. Langford, thinks we might, but he's a super-optimist.

FORM II d

Overheard in the schoolground during the first week in November. "The best form?" I'm glad you asked me. There is one that's a credit to the school—one of the teachers said so! Of course, they're useful, too. They raise money for appeals (you should have seen Margaret Anderson as the fortune teller). Such helpful people, they even pick up papers before they leave a room.

"You'd like to know some of them?" Well, there's Judith Begg and Wendy Proctor—the captain and vice-captain; you know—and 34 girls. Some are fast runners and some are slick with a basketball, and one is a house vice-captain, and—. What about boys? There aren't any.

FORM Ia

Our form captains are Dorothy Mackenzie and David Syer. On Mondays and Wednesdays we meet Mr. Worrall in Room 17 for form assembly.

We have conducted two stalls and held a concert, and collected £9/1/8 for charitable appeals. In the Egg Appeal we gained first place in the first forms. For the School Improvement Fund, Ia has raised £24/14/6.

During the year Mr. Worrall took us to the Town Hall to see a model of the Heinz Factory. Norman Hogg and Bruce Cripps represent the form in the First Junior Football Team, while Nancy Smith, Elizabeth Wright and Anne Bell were in the Basketball Team which played Dandenong West School. Also Jo McKenry and Pam Cruickshank were in the Inter-School Sports.

Two of our members Josephine Bumpstead and John Davis are in the School Orchestra.

We thank Mr. Worrall for helping us during the year, and are looking forward to coming back next year as IIa.

FORM Ib

We fifty young students make up form Ib for 1952. Our form room is room 8; our form teacher is Mrs. Harvey, and our form captains

are Gloria McIlvena and Earnest Hall, and our representative for "The Gate" is Marie Brown.

During the year we have responded to various appeals, raising over £5 on a stall for the Spastic Children, collecting eggs for hospitals, money for the Blind Babies and goods for the Menzies Boys' Home.

This year many of us, both boys and girls, have qualified to compete in the House and Combined Sports in various teams and events, and Lee Gell has showed great promise as a good soccer player.

Throughout the year we have attended various entertainments including the annual school concert, in which some of us took part. On another occasion we went to see a model of the new Heinz Factory.

Altogether we have had a very successful year, and we hope we have gained a good reputation.

FORM Ic

Our form room is 23; our form teacher Mrs. Sharpe; and our form captains Yvonne Kennedy, Barry Shade, Valerie Glover and John Kingman.

Some of the charities we helped are The Menzies Boys' Home, St. Vincent's Hospital, and the Egg Appeal. Many of our school mates represented us in the swimming and athletic sports.

We will end our form notes by wishing the school the best of luck for next year.

FORM Id

We are thirty-seven nice girls. Our form room is twenty-five and our form teacher is Mrs. Skinner.

All the fun we enjoy is led by Wendy Hook, our form captain, and Marjorie Woodlock our vice-captain. For various appeals throughout the year we raised satisfying sums of money. We were sorry for Elizabeth Davis who was sick during third term. We would like to thank all the teachers who helped us through a successful year's work.

FAREWELL

And is it true he's going,
The "Head" we love so well
I know that we will miss him
More than words can tell.
And here I'd like to wish him,
And I know my mates will too,
Years and years of happiness,
And worries very few.

—Jeanie Bayliss, Form IIIB, Clematis.

Sport

WINTER SOFTBALL

Captain: Beverly Winter.
 Vice-captain: Jill Phillips.

"From first to second bag we'd run,
 As it was sport we did have fun,
 Although we couldn't leave any bag fast,
 We ploughed our way and didn't come last."

Winter softball slipped off very well with a muddy win for Dandenong against Frankston, our one and only win.

Much laughter was caused that day as the Ann Street playing field was under water and the cows had left their traces behind them.

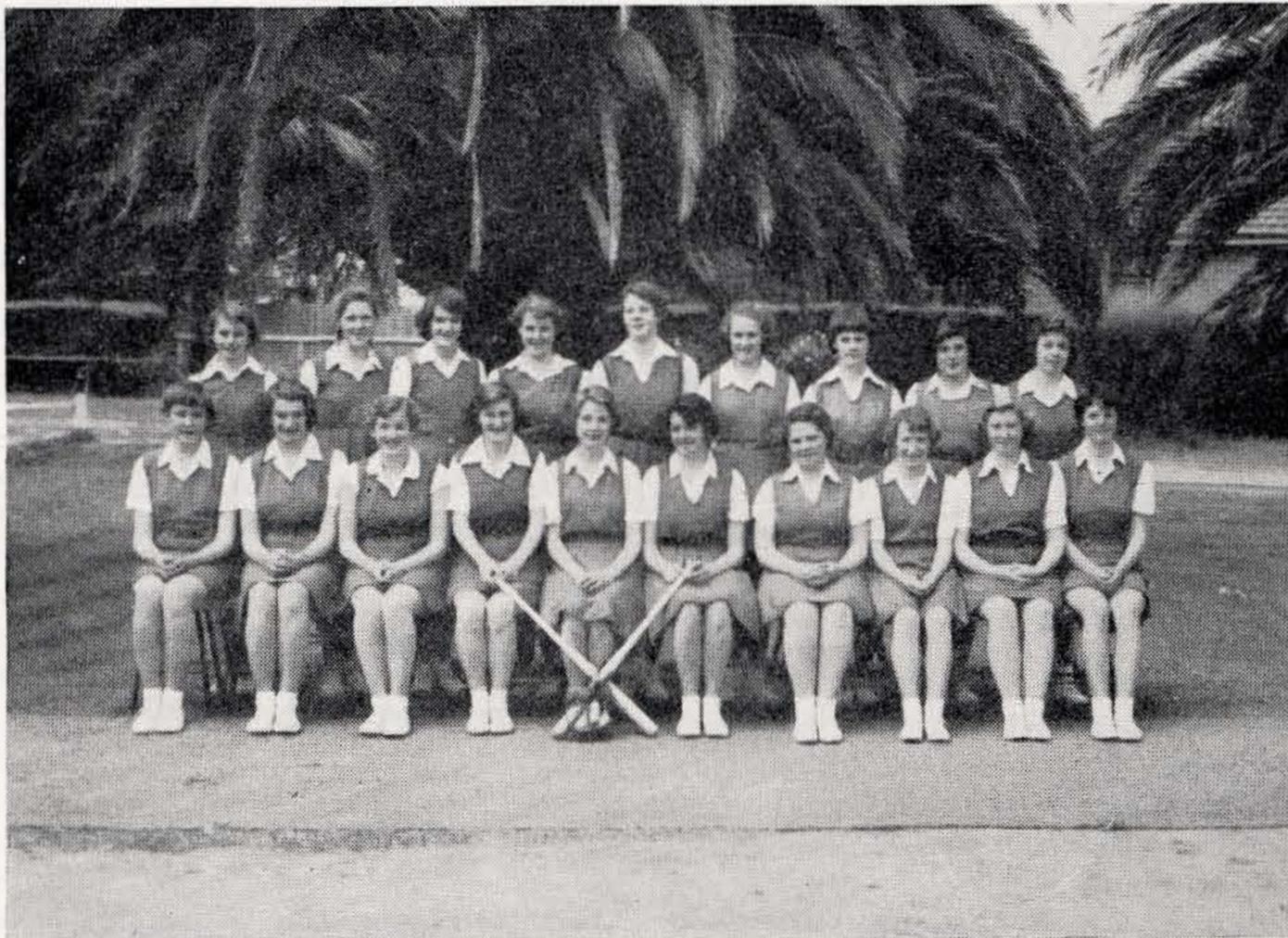
Although our champions did not win again they played very well. After the episode at Ann Street we moved our quarters to the tip (sorry, Hemming Park) where we were helped considerably by the soccer team's enthusiasm for their own team, the fragrant smell of the

tip, the sloping field and the water-bogged outfielders.

Another highlight was when the first team visited Hampton. (The second team played against Hampton only). Instead of going to the Hampton High School we ended up at Moorabbin Station. We turned round and arrived at the school only to see grey things running across the ground. They were the grey pedal-pushers worn by the softball girls. This event explains our defeat by Hampton. We had such a fright and did not fully recover until we had lost the match.

Never mind girls, there's always next year to do better. We took defeat with a smile. Had Warragul sent a team to play us we may have beaten them. (They must have been frightened of defeat).

Dandenong defeated Frankston	25-7
Dandenong lost to Hampton	11-51
Dandenong lost to Mordialloc	12-15
Dandenong lost to Frankston	11-25
Dandenong lost to Hampton	10-20
Dandenong lost to Mordialloc	19-34



WINTER SOFTBALL

Back: B. Laws, C. Nicholas, B. Ryland, B. van Nooten, R. Furnell, M. Bates, A. Pettigrove, N. Sullivan, M. Holcombe.
Front: M. Turner, M. Thomas, V. Rodber, H. Tatterson, B. Winter (C.), J. Phillips, K. Priestley, M. Carroll, P. Harden, L. Bon.

SUMMER SOFTBALL

For about three weeks before our first match it was a common occurrence to see crowds of girls on a hockey field, wielding softball bats, and throwing balls around with great enthusiasm. You set foot on the hockey field

team trying the tricks played on them by Warragul.

We would like to thank Mrs. Skinner and Mr. Edwards for their help and support throughout the season, and to wish the softballers of 1953 all the best of luck.



FIRST HOCKEY TEAM

B. Tonks (Capt.), B. Poole, N. Cussen, S. Tabor, L. Hewson, J. Hart, J. Anderson, B. Turner, N. Lawless, N. Hudson, L. Crawford.

at your own risk. After a hard task Mrs. Skinner picked her team, and with Beth as captain and Shirley as vice we embarked on our first match. Much to our disappointment we played only three matches; but we won all three to become premiers.

Our last match against Hampton was a thriller. We were all nerves till the fifth innings. Then everyone struck form and we had three or four homers in succession.

After our excellent showing throughout the season we were all confident that we had a good chance of beating Warragul, our friendly enemies, when we visited them in first term. However they were too good for us, and had an easy win, although we battled hard.

If you saw the house matches that followed and the queer antics of some of the girls, don't worry please; they were just members of the

VIGORO

The only match we played was against Warragul. It rained throughout the match, and we were defeated 155 to 80. The match was most enjoyable, although we had to climb through fences and search under blackberry bushes to retrieve the ball.

We thank Miss Dee for coaching us for this match.

FIRST HOCKEY

We had a lot of new recruits this year, and after everybody settled down, Miss Dawson had a hard job to choose the team. At last the eleven were chosen and with Beth and Shirley as our captain and vice we were ready for our first match against Frankston. It was at this match that Lillian had the misfortune to hit the ball with her nose. We heard that the nose has never been the same since.



SENIOR BASKETBALL

G. Evans (C.), E. Ellett, G. Vance, V. Fink, E. Ashton, E. Buckland, L. Whelan, W. Gafford, B. Ackland.



JUNIOR BASKETBALL—FIRSTS

V. Roberts (C.), M. Fink, H. Evans, D. Harmer, G. Fry, J. Leishman, M. Smith.

We played two rounds of matches and were able to beat Frankston and Hampton twice, and after drawing with Hampton first round, beat them the next time to become premiers.

Our match at Hampton was played in heavy rain, and we learnt two things from it; what the girls look like with straight hair and how to dry wet clothes on the heaters.

In the middle of our hockey field there is a small hole which after there has been some rain, seems to hold a fatal fascination for some of the girls. After our second match against Hampton, we all knew how to fall gracefully to the ground. It was certainly a source of amusement for everybody but the unfortunate ones.

Did anyone notice how hoarse three of the team were after each match? Their shouting seemed to have a good effect all the same for it seemed to put the other team off.

After the matches for the premiership, we played two matches, one against Warragul and the other against Albury.

Warragul were able to beat us after a very close match, 3 goals to 2, and at Albury we also had a very good match, but we were defeated 3 goals to 1.

It was very hot at Albury, and after the match it was hard to tell where our red tunics ended and we began.

SENIOR BASKETBALL

This year the senior basketball team, with Gwyneth Evans as captain and Elvie Ellett as vice-captain, was runner-up in the premiership, the successful school being Hampton.

The scores throughout the season were as follows:—

Frankston, 19 d. Dandenong, 20.
 Dandenong, 16, d. Hampton, 13.
 Dandenong, 24 d. Mordialloc, 3.
 Dandenong, 36 d. Frankston, 6.
 Hampton, 20 d. Dandenong, 6.
 Dandenong, 35 d. Mordialloc, 4.

After these matches, Warragul made their annual visit with resulted in a win for Dandenong, 21-18.

Our most outstanding and enjoyable match for the year was played at Albury High School, when the Dandenong teams were invited to stay at Albury for a week-end. The match was played in very hot weather, and the scores were level for most of the match. Dandenong how-



JUNIOR ROUNDERS

G. Fry (C.), M. Fink, S. Fenton, F. Grigg, B. Newton, B. Pinney, M. Evans, V. Pigdon, H. Collison, M. Smith.



SOCCKER

L. Gell, K. Hazlett, T. van Heel, G. Robertson, T. Gell, G. Goldsworthy, T. Ball, C. Muskens, C. Snell, H. Muskens, P. White (Vict-Capt.).

ever managed to snatch the victory in the last few minutes with a final score of 20-18.

Throughout the season Miss Stainforth spent lunch hour coaching us, and we would like to thank her for all the help she rendered to the team.

THE JUNIOR BASKETBALL

It was very gratifying to see the large number of girls who tried for selection in the junior basketball teams, which represented the school during the winter term.

The first round of matches were: Dandenong 29 defeated Frankston 9; Hampton 28 defeated Dandenong 16, and Dandenong 10 defeated Mordialloc 9. The return matches results were: Dandenong 23 defeated Frankston 19; Dandenong 11 drew with Hampton 11; and Mordialloc 21 defeated Dandenong 18.

The junior seconds results were: Hampton 8 lost to Dandenong 26, and on a return match Hampton 5 lost to Dandenong 16.

The season was rounded off with two enjoyable matches, a visit from Warragul and a two-day trip to Albury. Warragul 20 defeated Dandenong 17, and Albury 5 defeated Dandenong 4.

The girls would like to thank Miss Power, our coach, for her guidance, encouragement and untiring efforts during the season.

GIRLS' TENNIS

This year the girls had a very good season and some very close games, and we ended up being undefeated premiers.

The first match was against Mordialloc, which we won forty games to twelve. At Frankston we had another easy victory, the score being forty games to fifteen, but our trip to Hampton was much more exciting. The first two pairs lost 10-8, 10-9, but the third and fourth pairs won very comfortably, thus making it our match and premiership.

The season ended with two very enjoyable trips; one to Warragul, where we had another convincing win, and the second trip to Albury, where we had a narrow victory by one set, which was a fitting end for a very successful season.

We would like to thank Mr. Oldmeadow for his coaching throughout the year, and would also like to wish next year's tennis team all the best of luck.



GIRLS' TENNIS

Standing: V. Rodber, B. Ackland, E. Peters, B. Robbins.
Sitting: J. Anderson, G. Vance (Capt.), V. Roberts, J. Orr.



BOYS' TENNIS

Standing: K. Begley, C. Johansen, G. Begg,
Sitting: W. Kerr, B. Simon, F. Hicks (C.), L. Green.
Kneeling: G. Ellis.

BOYS' TENNIS

The 1952 season was a most successful one. Coached by Mr. Lake, and captained by Frank Hicks, we succeeded in winning the inter-school premiership. The pairings were: first, B. Simon and F. Hicks; second, L. Green and C. Johansen; third, W. Kerr and G. Begg; fourth, G. Ellis and K. Begley.

Matches and scores:

Dandenong, 2 sets 35 games defeated Frankston, 2 sets 23 games.

Dandenong, 4 sets 40 games defeated Hampton, 0 sets 25 games.

Dandenong, 4 sets 40 games defeated Mordialloc, 0 sets 12 games.

The annual visit to Warragul was most enjoyable. Dandenong, 5 sets 36 games defeated Warragul, 3 sets 30 games.

SENIOR FOOTBALL

This season our senior firsts were runners-up once more to Frankston, who gained the premiership for the second year in succession. Frankston are to be congratulated on their fine achievement.

At the opening of the season, we met Frankston on their home ground and prospects look bright at oranges, but the last quarter was a tussle, and Frankston managed to force a draw. The second match at home against Hampton resulted in an easy win for us, and in the next match away at Mordialloc, Dandenong were again victorious.

We then entered the second half of the first round, and at home were defeated decisively by Frankston, who showed fine form, playing some fine football. In our second encounter with Hampton on the Sandringham oval, almost the entire match was played in driving rain, but our boys showed their versatility and came out on top. Mordialloc visited us for the final match of the series and once more were overcome by the "Dandy nongs." The scores for the round were:

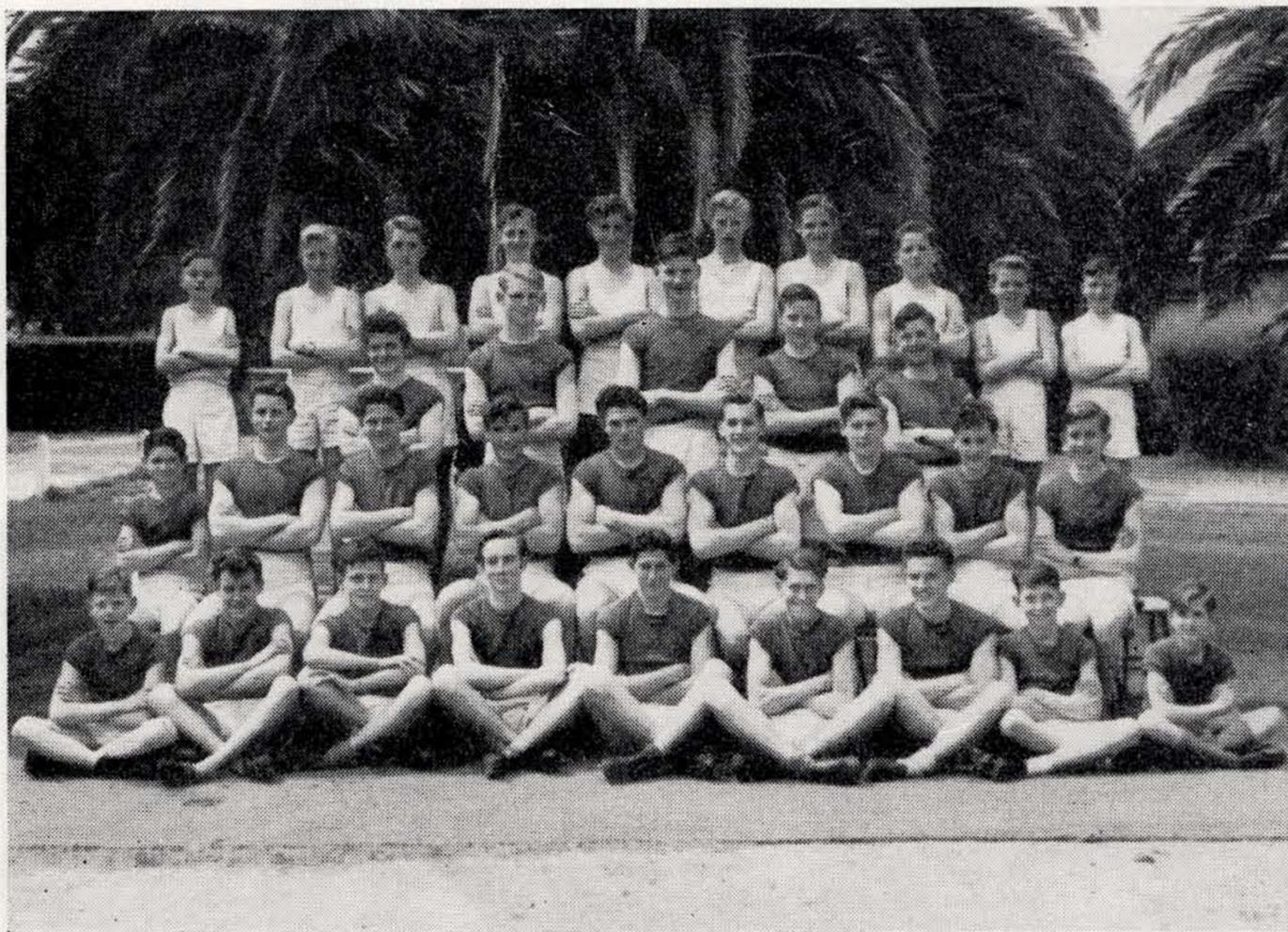
Dandenong, 3-8 drew with Frankston, 3-8.

Dandenong, 18-14 d. Hampton, 2-7.

Dandenong, 7-10 d. Mordialloc, 5-8.

Frankston, 13-5 d. Dandenong, 5-4.

Dandenong, 3-9 d. Hampton, 3-4.



BOYS' ATHLETICS

Back: K. Hudson, N. Hogg, J. Coney, A. Garbellini, R. Bretell, C. Muskens, B. Cripps, L. Gazzola, R. Thompson, B. Young.

Third: R. Kelson, G. Prior, G. Pentland, B. Rodd, T. Hook.

Second: I. Lewis, R. Diggins, B. Simon, A. Davidson, B. Burke, M. Stuart, R. Ashe, K. Rout, K. Dimsey.

Front: J. Kingman, D. Bienvenu, C. Campbell, G. Stephens, K. Methven, J. Viggers, D. Middleton, E. Hall, B. Page.



SENIOR FOOTBALL

Back: R. Diggins, G. Hogg, B. Simon, B. Burke, J. Mengler, J. Holahan, R. Kelson.
Middle: M. Kinsella, G. Gillingham, I. Gardner, G. Prior, W. Kerr, L. Green, J. Hudson, D. Middleton.
Front: K. Methven, D. Bienvenu, G. Woodward, M. Stuart, Mr. Everett, F. Hicks (Capt.), W. Noblet, R. Ashe, G. Delmenico.

Dandenong, 8-8 d. Mordialloc, 4-9.

Dandenong, 6-4 d. Warragul, 4-5

Then came the long awaited trip to Mildura. The day of the football match, the temperature in the shade was about 80 degrees. The Mildura boys were accustomed to such conditions, but not so the "Dandy nongs." Supporters on the sidelines were busy with wet towels throughout the match. This was the most exciting and gruelling match of the season.

Mildura, 6-5 d. Dandenong, 5-7.

The best and most consistent player for the season was the vice-captain, Barry Simon. The team was capably captained by Frank Hicks. John Hudson finished the year with the highest number of goals, fourteen, to his credit.

This has been a most enjoyable season. A spirit of co-operation existed between players, coaches and supporters.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

In the Inter-school football the D.H.S. Juniors (under 14) fielded two XVIII's.

The firsts had only one win in seven matches and the seconds won three out of four matches.

In the first match we were the hosts of

Frankston who won in the last few minutes of play, the scores being 6 goals 10 behinds Frankston, to 6 goals 4 behinds Dandenong.

We visited Hampton a week later. Here we suffered another defeat by only 3 points, scores being Hampton 4 goals 5 behinds to 4 goals 2 behinds.

A week later we recorded our only victory. It was against Mordialloc, scores being 6 goals 2 behinds Dandenong, against 4 goals 8 behinds Mordialloc.

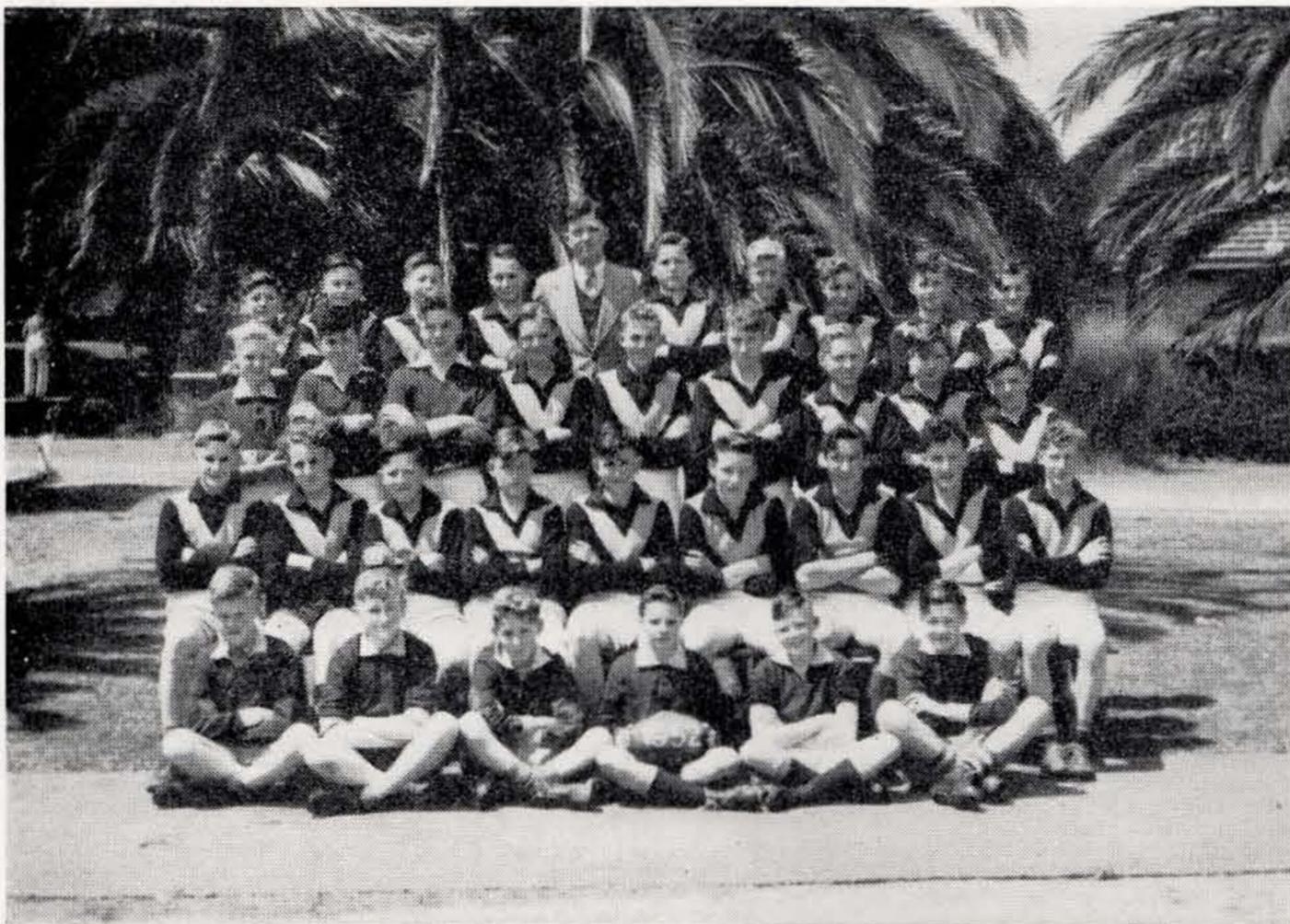
We travelled to Frankston next, confident of recording another victory, but we were soundly beaten: Frankston 8 goals 15 behinds to our 4 goals 3 behinds.

In our next match Hampton were the victors, 6 goals 4 behinds to our 3 goals 2 behinds.

When we visited Mordialloc, they won, 7 goals 10 behinds to our 2 goals 3 behinds.

Our last match was against Warragul who were our visitors on 28th August. We went down 3 goals 7 behinds to Warragul's 4 goals 6 behinds.

Earlier in the season we selected Bernard Ridd as captain; Ted Hook as vice-captain and



JUNIOR FOOTBALL TEAMS

Back: R. Garth, K. Hudson, M. Banks, T. Phillips, Mr. Worrall, L. Gazzola, N. Hogg, B. Shade, R. Hough, B. MacDonald.
Third Row: V. Wood, J. Athorn, J. Baird, B. Cripps, G. Gardner, R. Leeson, C. Neville, A. Hickmott, J. Harris.
Second Row: B. Kemp, J. Breasley, I. Campbell, I. Cocks, T. Hook, B. Ridd (C.), A. Davidson, K. Rout, A. Garbellini.
Front: K. Cole, M. Hill, S. Scadden, J. Young, B. Young, F. Johnson.

Alan Davidson as selector. Ray Dale kicked most of the goals for the first eighteen.

Neil Campbell and Barry Kemp were captain and vice-captain respectively of the second eighteen.

We all thank Mr. Worrall, our coach, and hope that the juniors next year can win seven out of seven matches.

BASEBALL NOTES

We took to the diamond this year under the leadership of Bryan Woodward, who was aided by his vice-captain Daryl Fischer.

Results:—

Hampton, 20 d. Dandenong, *1.
 Mordialloc, 7 d. Dandenong, 5.
 Frankston, 17 d. Dandenong, 0.
 Dandenong, 6 d. Hampton 2.
 Mordialloc, 8 d. Dandenong, 5.
 Frankston, 4 d. Dandenong, 3.

SENIOR CRICKET

With three of last year's players back, and some promising recruits, we began this year

with a strong team. Bill Noblet was elected captain, and Graeme Delmenico vice-captain. Mr. Everett was our coach.

Matches:

Dandenong, 7 for 141 defeated Mordialloc, 113.

Frankston, 6 for 126 defeated Dandenong, 9 for 106.

Dandenong, 170 defeated Hampton 47.

Warragul, 4 for 100 defeated Dandenong, 53.

We were runners up to Frankston for the premiership.

JUNIOR CRICKET

Our team won only one out of four matches this year.

Mordialloc, 79 defeated Dandenong, 6 for 60.

Dandenong, 8 for 80 defeated Frankston, 75.

Hampton, 83 defeated Dandenong, 4 for 67.

Warragul, 8 for 59 defeated Dandenong, 49.

We thank Mr. Worrall for his coaching during the season.

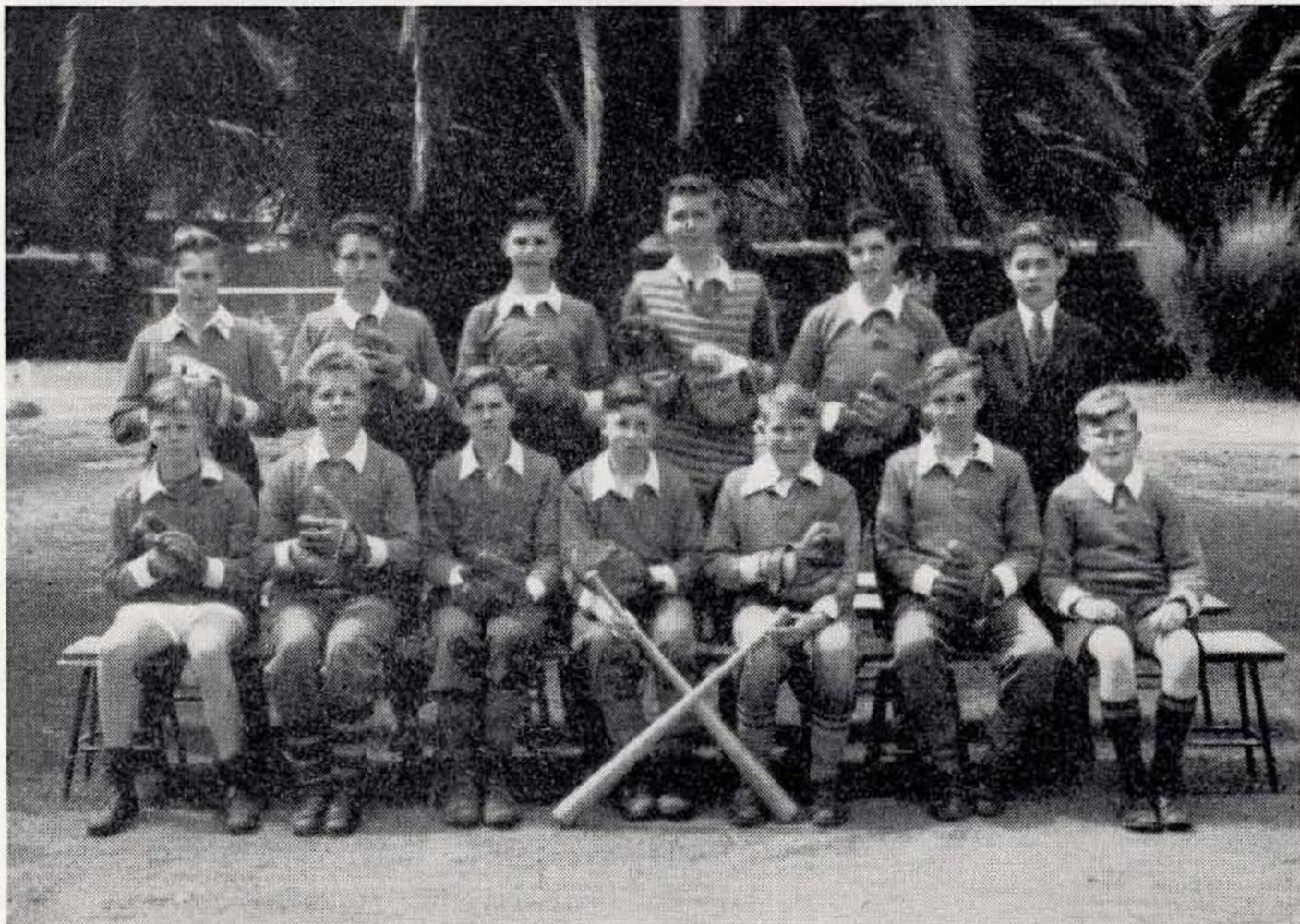


SENIOR AND JUNIOR CRICKET TEAMS

Back: T. Phillips, I. Cocks, P. Robinson, G. Gardner, B. Ridd, H. Adams, J. Harris, M. Banks.

Middle: R. Diggins, G. Gillingham, G. Bird, J. Hudson.

Front: R. Kelson, D. Bienvenu, G. Woodward, W. Noblet (Capt.), G. Delmenico, D. Middleton, I. Gardner, R. Harmer.



BASEBALL

Back: W. Coleman, G. Ellis, B. Fisher, B. Woodward (Capt.), G. Bell, L. Davis.

Front: J. Kingman, B. Newton, H. Detez, G. Pounceby, W. Murray, I. Campbell, L. Reader.

INTER-HOUSE ATHLETIC SPORTS

After having been postponed from the preceding Friday because of rain, our Thirty-third Annual Inter-house Sports was held on Friday 8th October in warm sunshine, and in the presence of a crowd of parents, friends and ex-students.

Only one record was broken during the afternoon, by Jim Viggers of Clematis, who cleared 5 feet 2 inches in the 14 years high jump. At no time during the whole meeting was there a great margin between the teams, but Bluegum kept its nose in front, winning with 212 points. Wattle was second with 198½ points, Clematis third with 191 points, and Orchid fourth with 189½ points.

Results: Boys'

Open: 100 yards, M. Stuart (C.); 220, M. Stuart (C.); 440, G. Prior (W.); 880, R. Kelson (B.); mile, W. Noblet (W.); relay, Clematis; broad jump, G. Prior (W.); hop, step and jump, G. Prior (W.); high jump, G. Prior (W.); weight putt, A. Gazzola (C.).

15 years: 100 yards, R. Diggins (B.); 220, R. Diggins (B.); relay, Clematis; broad jump, R. Diggins (B.); hop, step and jump, R. Diggins (B.); high jump, I. Gardner (O.).

14 years: 100 yards, A. Davidson (O.); 220, A. Davidsin (O.); relay, Wattle; broad

jump, A. Davidson (O.); high jump, J. Viggers (C.).

13 years: 75 yards, K. Rout (C.); 100, K. Rout (C.); relay, Clematis; broad jump, K. Rout (C.); high jump, R. Dale (B.).

12 years: 75 yards, I. Lewis (O.); 100, I. Lewis (O.); relay, Wattle.

11 years: 75 yards and 100 yards, E. Hall (W.).

Girls:

Open: 75 yards, G. Vance (O.); 100, G. Vance (O.); relay, Orchid; hockey race, Wattle-Orchid; basketball passing, Orchid; diamond throw, Orchid; high jump, G. Beveridge (B.).

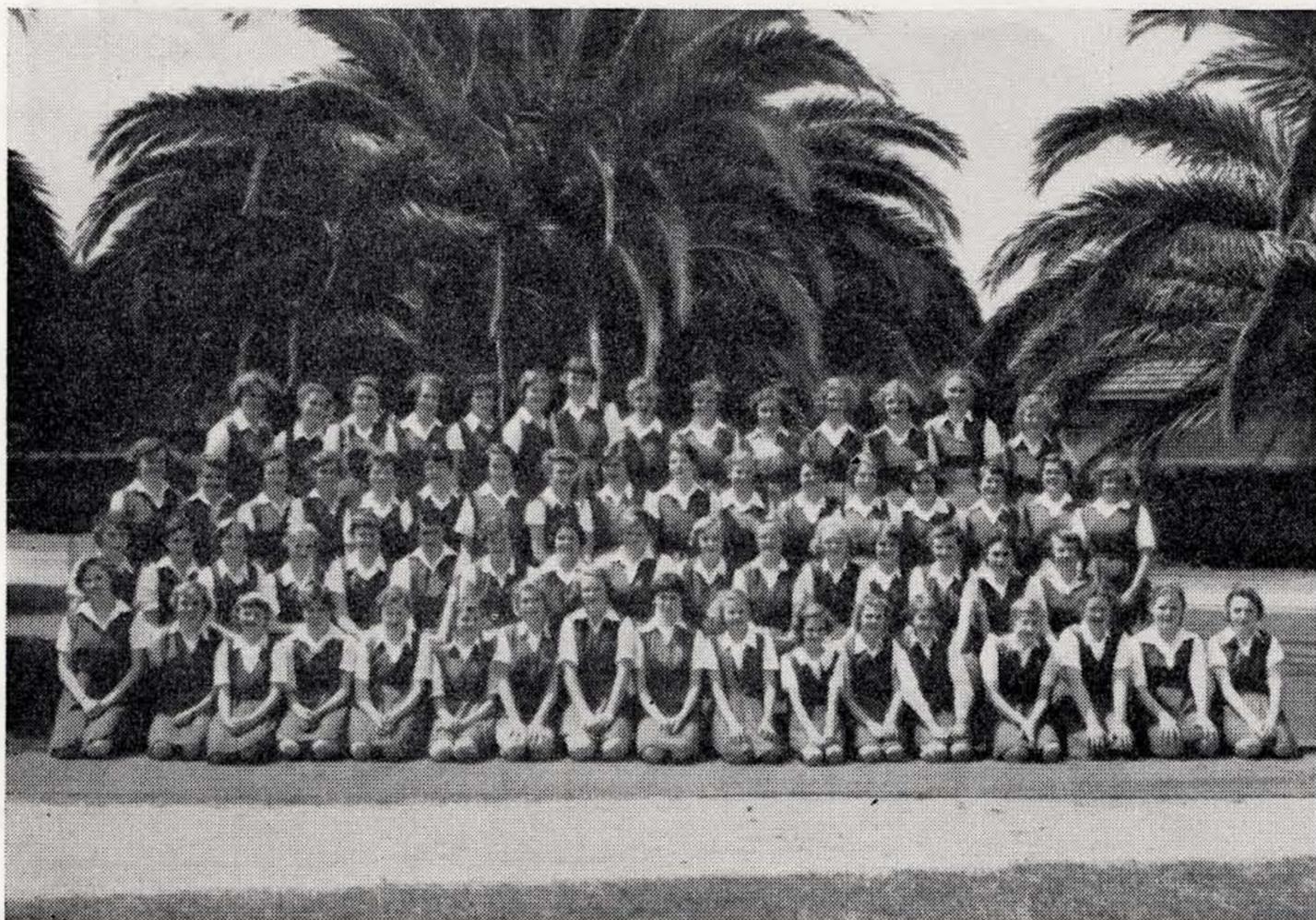
15 years: 75 yards, J. Mayhew (B.); 100, M. Bates (C.); relay, Clematis.

14 years: 75 yards, G. Fry (B.); 100, G. Fry (B.); relay, Orchid; hockey race, Wattle; basketball passing, Wattle.

13 years: 75 yards, A. Neville (O.); 100, A. Neville (O.); relay, Bluegum; hockey race, Orchid; basketball passing, Bluegum.

12 years: 75 yards, J. Huckson (B.); 75 yards skipping, J. Raymond (C.); relay, Bluegum; basketball passing, Bluegum.

11 years: 50 yards, J. McKenry, J. Cruickshank (B.); 50 yards skipping, P. Cruickshank (B.).



GIRLS' ATHLETICS TEAMS

SWIMMING SPORTS

House Carnival:

It was not an accident that the House Sports were held on a dull day. Mr. Shade thought a change was clearly indicated, so used his astronomical powers accordingly.

Competitors shivered, and this made them all the more anxious to get in the water—to keep warm. Competition as usual, was very keen. The Dandenong Baths, packed to capacity with enthusiastic supporters, saw Bluegum win with 137 points, followed by Clematis and Orchid 127½, then Wattle 110.

N. Hood (C.); breaststroke, P. White (C.). 12 years: backstroke, freestyle, J. Rogers (B.); breaststroke, N. Hogg (W.). 11 years and under: freestyle, breaststroke, M. Brown (W.); backstroke, D. Gibbons (B.).

Girls:—15 years and over: E. Buckland (O.) backstroke; S. Tabor (O.) freestyle, breaststroke. 14 years: E. Cuckson (B.) freestyle, backstroke; L. Winchcombe (W.), breaststroke. 13 years: freestyle, backstroke, G. Beveridge (B.); breaststroke, F. Gale (O.). 12 years: freestyle, backstroke, M. McComb (O.); breaststroke; A. Laurens (B.). 11 years: back-



GIRLS' SWIMMING

Back: B. Lewis, B. Tonks, W. Gafford, L. Winchcombe, C. Cruickshank, Y. Kennedy, J. McKenry.
Middle: F. Gale, N. Carey, B. van Nooten, A. Muskens, S. Walker, J. Waldie, E. Buckland, L. Bon, E. Carroll.
Front: A. Pettigrove, G. Beveridge, J. Leishman, M. Moldern, M. Grant, S. Tabor, G. Trainor, M. McComb, S. Reyne, A. Laurens, G. Vance.

Those who gained first place in their races and represented the school at the combined swimming sports:—

Boys:— Diving: Senior, G. Hogg (W.) Junior, Figgins (W.).

15 years and over: G. Hogg (W.) 50, 100 yds. freestyle, backstroke; B. Hood (C.) breaststroke. 14 years: backstroke, G. Ellis (O.); breaststroke, H. Muskens (O.); freestyle, R. Diggins (B.). 13 years: freestyle, backstroke,

stroke, breaststroke, B. Lewis (O.); freestyle, Y. Kennedy (C.). Girls' Diving: senior, G. Vance (O.), junior, F. Gale (O.).

The Combined School Sports were held at the Olympic Pool on March 15th. The weather was perfect for swimming—but not so good for the spectators. (Was it excitement that caused beads of perspiration to show on many brows?)

Frankston narrowly won the grand aggregate with 154½ points from Camberwell 151½

points. Dandenong 96 points took third place followed by Upwey and Mordialloc with 81½ and 49½ points respectively.

Successful Dandenong competitors who gained first place were: F. Gale 13 yrs. diving; A. Laurens, 12 years girls' breaststroke; M. Brown, 11 years boys' breaststroke.

The girls' 15 years' relay (M. Grant, E. Buckland, D. Barron, S. Tabor) broke the record for that event by two seconds.

INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS

This year, Dandenong, after two successive wins in C Section, was promoted to B Section of the Metropolitan High Schools' Sports Association. The meeting was held on October 18th at Williamstown Oval. We competed against Coburg, Frankston, Geelong, Warragul and Williamstown. Dandenong boys won their aggregate, and the girls came third. The grand aggregate was shared between Williams-

town and Dandenong with 149 points. Thus we brought home half the bacon, which was not quite as much as Mr. Shade hoped, but a good result for our first year in a new section.

The boys did very well, winning 10 events out of a possible 30, and 8 seconds and thirds. Prior won the open 440 with one of the most determined efforts I have seen; he also gained minor placings in the broad jump and hop, step and jump. Max Stuart won the open 100; and Richard Diggins won the 15 years long jump and took minor placings in the 220 yards, 100 yards and hop, step and jump. Davidson won the 14 years 220 and 100, and Ridd the broad jump. Ken Rout won the 100 and the 75 in the 13 years age group. The boys won three out of five relays, and in the open relay were just beaten.

The girls were most successful in team events, winning the hockey races 13 years and 15 years, and the basketball passing 13 years.



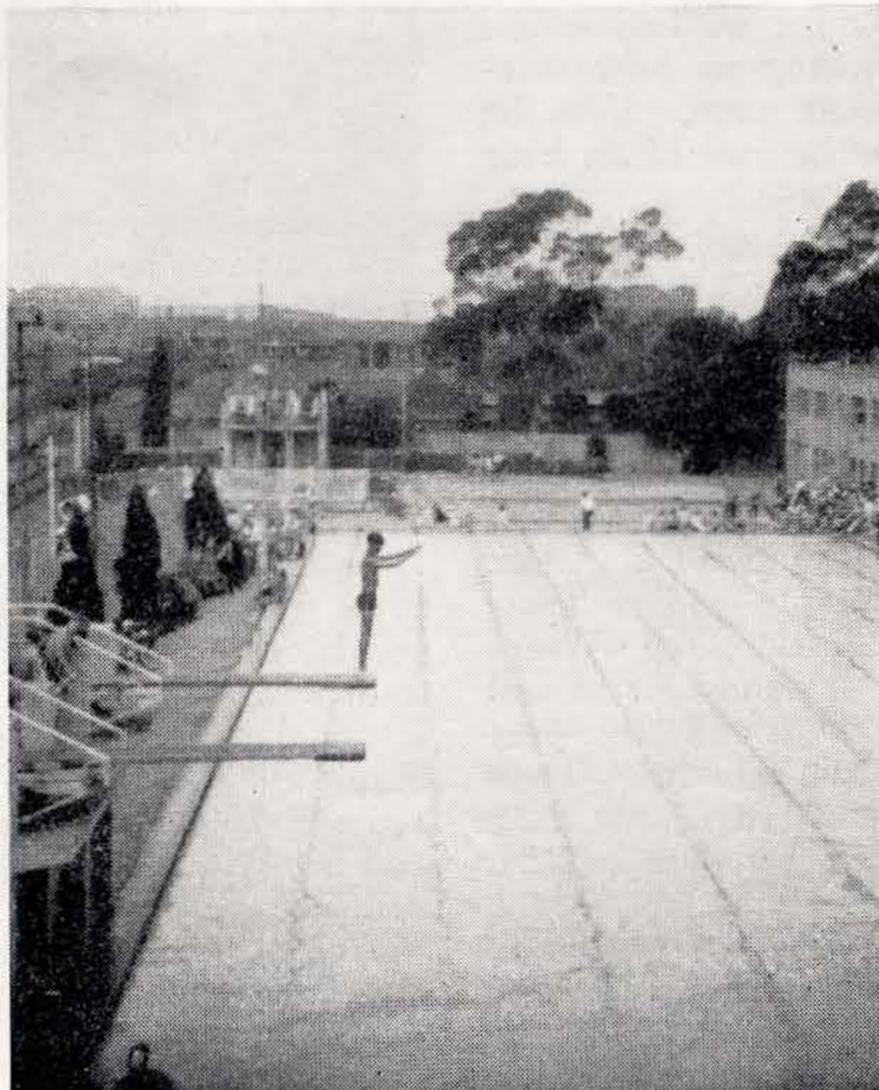
GIRLS' ATHLETICS: SPRINTS

Back: G. McPherson, C. Gogel, S. Walker, A. Neville, C. Cruickshank, M. Bates, L. Bon, G. Vance, J. Anderson, S. Tabor.
Middle: J. Raymond, M. Smith, J. Leishman, G. Fry, B. Warman, G. Beveridge, M. Grove, J. Painter, M. Allen.
Front: P. Paroissien, M. Carroll, J. Orr, Y. Smith, J. Huckson, W. Osborne, G. Trainor, D. Harmer, M. Grant, P. Cruickshank, J. McKenry.



BOYS' SWIMMING

Back: J. Rogers, J. Hartnell, R. Lamb, R. Watson, P. White, T. van Heel, G. Hawkins, M. Brown.
Middle: G. Phelan, L. Paroissien, B. Hood, H. Muskens, W. Kerr, B. Burke, B. Simon, L. Gilligan,
 K. Carroll, E. Slater.
Front: N. Hogg, J. Viggers, G. Ellis, R. Diggins, G. Hogg, D. Prior, J. Lamb, R. Thomson, E. Hall,
 D. Gibbons.



Albury Trip

At last after months of waiting, thirty-five lucky girls and two teachers boarded the Albury Express on Thursday, September 26th. Forty-five boys came to see us off. Miss Stainforth came to give us our tickets and see us on the train. Miss Armstrong also came to see us before we left—just as we had done away with hats and gloves. The 'stand clear' was heard; then the last minute warnings of "Have a good time," "Look after yourself," and "Don't spend too much money;" all the things girls never forget any way, and the train started to move. With heads and arms out of the windows we waved until we could only see specs on Spencer Street station.

Now that we were in the train we had to get really settled. Cases, hockey sticks and coats were stowed away, food and magazines brought out, and then we all sat down. Indeed for most of the journey we read and ate alternately. At Seymour we stopped and renewed our food supply, and visited the dining car frequently. From then on we were impatient to get to Albury. The porter surely got tired of telling us how far we had to go. The same person loved telling us how marvellous Albury's sports teams were. Was he wrong? We spent the last quarter of an hour in making ourselves presentable.

Then the train slackened speed.

We're here! No, only flood waters.

(Apparently Dandenong is not the only place where it rains.) Heads popped out everywhere to see a dark expanse of shining water; then we had to put our hats on again.

It was 9.40 as the lights of Albury showed in the dark. Soon we drew into the platform. We walked along a seemingly endless platform, and when we got outside, the Albury girls were waiting for us. Friendships of last year were renewed and new friendships were made all in the space of two minutes. Then off to our homes for the next two days. On Friday morning tennis matches were played. The weather was good—for the spectators. That afternoon a hockey and two basketball teams played matches. We hockey players were practically laid out by the weather. We lost the hockey. The junior basketball team did like-

wise. However, the senior basketball upheld the name of the school by winning. (Who wouldn't with the Albury boys barracking for them?). That match was said to be the most exciting of the season.

Friday night was the social, where we were officially welcomed. And late that night we tumbled into bed.

Remembering last night's warning, we all managed to get to the bus depot by 9.30 next morning. We toured through Wodonga and then went to the Hume Weir. Here we took



photographs, autographed the New South Wales side of the bridge, and drank pure New South Wales water from the fountain.

After rattling over Bethanga Bridge we returned to Albury and went up Monument Hill, whence we saw a splendid view of the surrounding country.

We had to be at the station by one o'clock. After good-byes and thank you's to our friends' parents, we went to the station. By the time we found our seats, the train was due to leave, so it was a hurried good-bye we said to our friends; then war cries filled the air as we drew out.

Coming home everyone was tired, so we spent most of our time talking to a porter and trying to find out football scores. The mail train was slow, and it was not until half past seven that we arrived at Spencer St. Miss Stainforth was there to greet us.

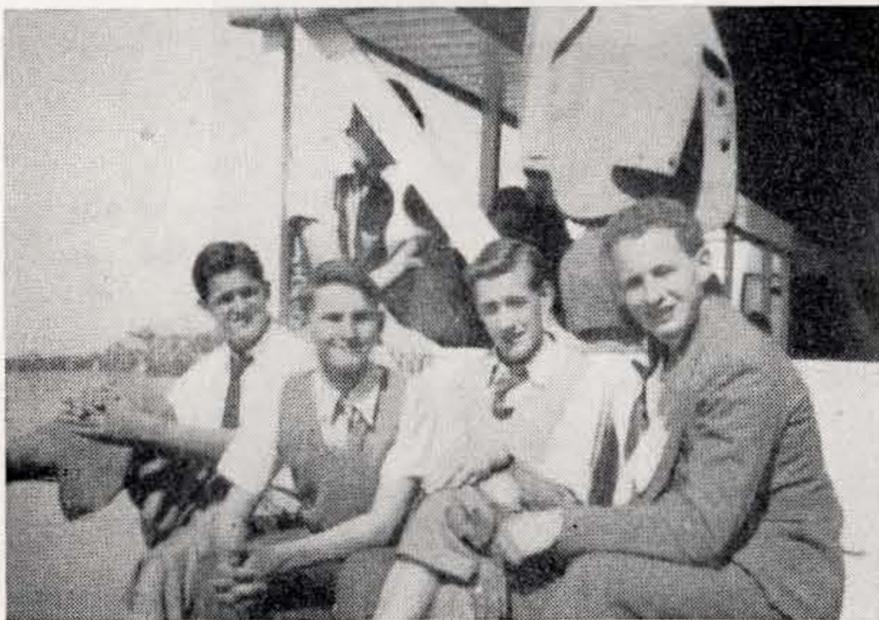
Then there was a last minute rush for tickets and the Flinders St. train, an even more hectic rush to the platform (who invented hockey sticks?). Only five of us managed to scramble into the Dandenong train just as the bell was ringing. What an end to a trip!

—Shirley Tabor, Form V, Orchid.

Mildura Visit

It was decided this year that the senior football team should pay an extended visit to a distant High School, as some of the girls' teams did last year, when they visited Albury. After some discussion Mildura was chosen and arrangements with the staff and pupils of that school began. It was arranged that we should send 32 representatives, comprising the senior football team, two members of the staff and sufficient "extras" to complete the party. As this was the first trip of this type, it was eagerly looked forward to by all those chosen.

We gathered at Spencer Street station on the evening of Thursday 25th September, laden with suitcases and other travelling equipment. There we were met by the two staff representatives, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Oldmeadow. After dividing ourselves into groups of eight, we proceeded to take possession of our four compartments. For a while there was complete confusion, for there seemed to be more luggage than space, but we soon settled down to make the most of the all-night journey.



At about 11.30, we decided that we should try to obtain a little sleep, and accordingly, we proceeded to pile the luggage between the two seats, while two members in each compartment ascended to the luggage racks. However, our attempts to sleep were mainly unsuccessful.

We stopped at Red Cliffs at about 7 o'clock on Friday morning, and here a few of the party left the train to join their appointed hosts, while

the remainder of us continued on to Mildura, which we reached about half an hour later. There we joined our hosts and accompanied them to their homes, where we enjoyed a hearty breakfast. We then went to the High School, where we were officially welcomed by the head master, Mr. Stockdale. We were rather dismayed to learn that the football match had been arranged for the same afternoon, but as this was the only time convenient to Mildura, we had to make the best of it. After the assembly, a bus arrived to take us on a tour of the city and surrounding districts. We saw the chief attractions of the city including the water pumping stations, and were shown through the Mildura Preserving Company's large factory.

After lunch the chief attraction was the football match. Although the oval had been flooded only two days previously, it was extremely hard, and with temperatures bordering on the eighties, all the players found the game a severe strain, especially the Dandenong players who were unaccustomed to the heat and were suffering from lack of rest. However, despite the conditions, they proved themselves nearly equal to the Mildura boys, who gained the honours by three points during the final minutes of play.

On the Friday night, the senior students organized a social to welcome us to their school and to give us the opportunity of becoming more closely acquainted with the fairer sex. Certain members of our party were not backward in taking full advantage of this opportunity. However, the actions of others were retarded by lingering thoughts of home. Nevertheless, all present had an enjoyable evening. The orchestra provided music for both modern and old time dances, while an excellent supper was a welcome addition to the evening. The social was held in the school hall, which constitutes the entire upper floor of the high school. With a seating capacity of 800, it is a valuable asset to the school.

The following morning, those of us who were billeted near the city had an opportunity to buy souvenirs and inspect the city's attractive shopping centre. Mildura has broad well-planned streets, bordered by well-kept lawns and gardens. Most of the buildings are large and attractive, notable ones being the churches, club buildings, the hospital and the new nurse's home. Sporting and recreational faci-

lities are excellent, especially the bowling greens.

The chief attraction on the Saturday afternoon was the football match between Mildura and Minyip. That night, the city's two picture theatres were well patronised by Dandenong visitors. On Sunday, our activities largely depended on those of our individual hosts. During the afternoon, several members of our party went for a cruise on the river boat. Reliable reports state that a certain student found more than the scenery along the river to interest him.

Sunday evening came all too soon. We gathered on the station platform shortly after 7.30, to board the train which was due to depart at 7.55. We left Mildura to the sound of cheers and the Dandenong war-cry.

J. Rumble, VI.

NOW WE KNOW

First boy: "What do the teachers do at the staff conference?"

Second boy: "Oh, they swop the comics they have taken from the children."

COMPETITION WITH WARRAGUL

The competition for the A.N.A. Shield between Dandenong and Warragul was revived this year. Dandenong went to Warragul for the summer sports, and the winter sports were held at Dandenong at the end of second term. Dandenong won the girls' tennis, rounders, senior basketball A and B, boys tennis and senior football (firsts). Warragul won the winter and summer softball games, vigoro, junior basketball, hockey A and B, senior and junior cricket, senior football (seconds), and junior football. Warragul, 40 points, won the shield from Dandenong, 24 points.

THINKING

I am thinking of words,
Words that will not come,
No matter how I try;
I never think of some;
It's a nuisance, I agree.
I sometimes sit and wonder
What will become of me.

—Shirley Walker, Form IIB, Clematis.



SENIOR CHOIR

Back: Miss Rofe, K. Kruger, G. Prior, G. Pentland, B. Woodward, J. Baird, W. Noblet, G. Delmenico, L. Winchcombe.
Middle: D. Turner, J. Waldie, J. Leishman, G. Page, J. Marshall, L. Hicks, P. Gale, N. Morriss, H. Mitchell, J. Fitzgerald, W. Schmuther, C. Nicholas, B. Warman
Front: D. Tucker, P. Sheldon, N. Brown, F. Smith, R. Burgess, J. Barker, D. Bicknell, M. Quiltie, E. Fenn,



ANNUAL CONCERT

Our annual entertainment was held on Monday and Tuesday, August 25th and 26th at the Dandenong Town Hall.

As the house lights faded, the curtain rose to reveal a modern ballroom, where couples were dancing the *Pride of Erin*. When this scene was faded out, a lilting fifteenth-century tune heralded a *Fantasy of Dancing* through the ages, and shepherds and sheperdesses (form III pupils) danced a gavotte. Scene II showed the merry maids and men of a seventeenth century village dancing on the village green (form 11 pupils). The fiddlers for this scene were Ken Ellis and Gerald Begg. Then we saw a *Court Ball* in progress in the eighteenth century, with gentlemen and ladies from form I, dancing the minuet to the music of Haydn played by violinists Mary Nemet and Diana Begg, and cellist Derek Prior. Then pupils of form IV, waltzed to the "Blue Danube", and pupils of form V, gilded across the stage in the *Valse Moderne*. As the fantasy began to fade, we saw water-nymphs playing with the bubbles from a fountain, and IVc girls formed the beautiful tableau "The Grecian Fountain." Form V pupils brought the first item to a close with the Mexican Hat Dance.

An amusing one-act farce, "The Bathroom Door" was then performed by members of Mr. Everett's dramatic group.

The final item was a musical presentation of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin", words by Robert Browning, music by Rathbone. Narration of this familiar legend was by the senior mixed choir. Graham Delmenico sang the part of the Mayor. The townsfolk were members of the Choral Club, and the children members of the junior choirs. The piper certainly was "the strangest figure"—Glen Prior. Other soloists were Leila Winchcombe, Felicity Smith, John

Langmore and David McLean. Elaine Fenn was the pianist.

Miss Rofe, Miss Dawson, and Mr. Lake trained the choirs; Mr. McCubbin conducted the orchestra; Miss Dee and Miss Dawson trained the dancers; Mr. Carroll and Mr. Randles managed the stage; Mr. Everett produced the one-act play; and with everyone working willingly the two performances were very successful.

THE HIGH SCHOOL BALL

The Ex-students' Association and the Ladies' Welfare Club combined to organize a Ball on June 20th at the Dandenong Town Hall to raise funds for a much needed film-projector for the school. A feature of the ball was the attractive decorations, in shades of red, light blue and dark blue, the school colours. A novel touch was imparted to the stage decor by a replica of the main school gates, complete with badges. Together with the four House flags a replica of the new Ex-students' Association Badge was suspended from the balcony railings.

Music for the continuous dancing which included both modern and old-time dances, was provided by the Swingmasters' six-piece band.

The delicious and generous supper was the work of the Ladies' Welfare Club, and our grateful thanks go to those mothers who responded to their appeal for assistance in kind.

Mr. Mason proved a capable Master of Ceremonies, and everyone present had an enjoyable evening.

The ball was not only a social success, but was also successful financially, as a profit of £193/5/10 was made.

THE EGG APPEAL

This year the hospitals benefited by 1040 dozen eggs from Dandenong High School. As was done last year, the appeal was conducted as an inter-form competition. IIIaI won the competition averaging 35.1 eggs per person, with IIIb not far behind (29.3), then IIa (29.1), 2b (28.1). IIa brought the greatest number of eggs, 128 dozen, and IIb, 112 dozen.

MENZIES BOYS' HOME

Last year the school sent £105 worth of goods to the Menzies Boys' Home, and at the time when this magazine went to press, £114 worth of goods had been sent this year.

JAPAN

This small country is one of the most beautiful in the world. It struck me, and I was very young, as a queer place full of equally queer people. I lived, along with my father, mother, sister and brother in a village specially constructed for the B.C.O.F. in Japan. There were houses of many different colours. We lived in a green house, but the village was appropriately named "Niji-Mura", which means Rainbow-village. Niji-Mura also contained a school for the American, English and Australian children, a picture theatre where all the latest films were to be seen, and a swimming pool. Instead of having streets we had blocks. For instance we lived in Y block. There were also T, U, V, W, X, Y and Z blocks. In the centre of each block there was a playground for the children containing swings, slides and see-saws. The nearest Japanese town was Hiro. Here, the little shops were closely jammed together and everywhere there were big signs in Japanese hanging above the shops and houses.

Hiro is a prefecture of Kure, which was the nearest big city to us, and the base of the army and navy. The air force was based on an island named Iwa-Kuni just out from Honshiu. Five miles out of Kure was Hiroshima, the place where the first atom bomb was dropped.

The Japanese people after six long years have still not rebuilt this devastated city, and ruins are everywhere.

The Japanese women do as much heavy work as the men, if not more. It is not an uncommon sight to see a woman lifting large railway sleepers or pulling "honey-carts". These women strap their babies to their backs while they work, and unconcerned about flies or the heat or cold the small members sleep for the best part of the day. In every inch of available land Nippon people are working to cultivate the land to make paddy fields.

At harvest time the whole family turns out to paddle in the muddy water, up to their knees all day. It is the custom when entering any Nipponese home to remove the shoes and enter bare-footed.

The Japs sit on the floor at all meal-times, and at night sleep on hard "tatame" mats. In spring-time, when all the cherry-blossom is out, Japan is a lovely sight. The Geisha girls in their gaily-colored kimonos and sandalled feet, and the cherry trees in bloom certainly make a beautiful picture.

On Niji-Mura island there was one church for Methodists, Presbyterians, and Church of England.

At the schools, after finishing the eighth grade we had to take work by correspondence. We had all the modern conveniences and three servants, so were very comfortable.

In conclusion, the Japanese are quick to adopt our way of living and Japan should soon become a leading country.

EXAMS.

The occasions which mar school life most are exams, especially several on the same day.

Throughout the hours before the exams pupils have been known to wander around the school mumbling, "Friends, Romans, countrymen," $x^2 - y^2 = (x+y)(x-y)$, "It is a far, far better thing I do," "Cyclones are formed by — — —" and so on.

Any person seeing these unfortunates promptly sends for a straight-jacket, having forgotten his own schooldays.

How terrible it is to see the previous class stagger out, faces white and drawn, and realize that you are about to go through the same mincing machine!

Once you get in, you notice with horror that the questions are exactly what you did not learn; or that you have forgotten everything.

How indescribably horrible to hear how much longer you have to live when the apparition commonly known as an examiner says, "Five minutes to go; finish up now please," and you are only working on the second question. Then the whistle sounds your knell of doom. You stagger out amid "I know I've failed," "Wasn't it awful?" ringing cheerfully in your ears. Then groups gather, talking in hushed voices, like people at the funeral of a dear friend.

Then comes the time when the papers are due back. There is an awed silence when the teacher strides grimly into the room, clutching that fateful bundle of papers. You wait with bated breath and! "I haven't quite finished correcting them yet." Then joy and sorrow mingle together in a cry that makes the teacher look down his nose through his glasses (if any), and quell the class with one withering glance.

Finally the papers are given out and there is a sigh of relief until next time.

THE SCHOOLBOY UNION

Many school boys would like to see established at every educational establishment a Union which would control their education in such a way that school would be a pleasure instead of a detestable necessity! This union would be for the stronger sex, although it would be probable that the weaker, fairer sex would form their own union after the boys had led the way.

If such a union were formed the following rules would doubtless be adopted:

1. No homework. (Teachers infringing this rule to be liable to a heavy fine).

2. Gas masks must be supplied to members of chemistry classes when preparing hydrogen sulphide (rotten-egg gas) Chem. masters please note.

3. A twenty-five hour week including 5 hours sport.

4. All work must cease immediately the whistle blows.

5. The maximum number of notes to be written in one period is one page.

6. Under union rules swats to be banned.

7. All examinations and tests to be banned.

8. If the school consists of more than one storey lifts or escalators to be provided.

9. Automatic blackboard dusters to be provided.

10. The preparation and properties of gun-powder should be included in leaving Chemistry.

—Bryan Woodward, Form V, Wattle.

AUTUMN TINTS

My heart leaps
When I behold
Russet, yellow, red so bold;
The path is carpeted with gold.
Three months the loveliness keeps,
And then it turns to mould.

G. Cravino, Form IA, Orchid.

SOFT EVENING

The sun declined behind the hills, leaving the wet green country not glowing and bright in the afternoon sunlight, but equally beautiful in the September evening. The paddocks, pale green, were left looking like a soft carpet, never-ending. Whiteness here and there suggested white gates newly painted.

The evening was calm, so calm that the trees made no movement, but stood stark and gaunt in their dark green robes against the darkening

sky. The dam was like a mirror set in a pale green carpet. The trees were looking at themselves mirrored in the softly rippling water.

The birds still sang and chirped as if the day had just begun. They have no fears, no cares: their house is easily built, and they rejoice in their young ones.

The light dims. God says the day is done, for everything, bird and beast as well as man, must rest. Our pasture, our dam, our trees, our sun, our sky; all must sleep.

"O glorious day, thou shalt not spoil:

A day of work, of joy and toil,

Another day by creek and mill,

By pastures green and dam so still."

—E. Goodrem, Form IIB.

EVENING BY THE LAKESIDE

The cool breeze softly blowing
The ripples on the lake;
The moon its pale light bidding
The young night to awake.

The owl with wide eyes staring
From the hollow tree does peep;
While the far-off howl of a dingo
Haunts a flock of sheep.

The old ghost gum by the lakeside
Stands, lone in the still of night;
While the very last ray of sunlight
Fades rapidly from sight.

I turn my gaze to the twinkling stars
Dancing above the trees;
And the fragrant scent of the flowers
Goes wafting on the breeze.

And as I stand here watching
The wonder of nature at eve,
I know I'll find it very hard
Beauty like this to leave.

—Dawn Young, Form IIA, Wattle.

HYMPRESSIONS OF THE SCHOOL

Bell: "Hark! What a sound," and "Too divine for hearing."

Prefects: "In this world of darkness, so we must shine."

After Exams: "Rescue the perishing, care for the dying."

Socials: "All things bright and beautiful."

Inspection: "Meekly wait and murmur not."

Boys: "Take no thought for food or raiment."

Another exam: "Once more the solemn season calls," or "That day of wrath, that dreadful day."

The National Anthem (on Monday morning):
"O, for a thousand tongues to sing."

Friday night: "Now the busy week is done."

—Ted Hook, Form III AI, Bluegum.

FORM III^d BOYS

We are best behaved boys in the school
 Because we always obey the school rule,
 For appeals we have raised £6, which is swell
 And our members are seen on the sports field as well.
 The baseballers three, the footballers six,
 And five of our number the soccer ball kick,
 The high jump and cross country school record figures
 Are hit for a six by our dashing Jim Viggers,
 We are captained by popular, tall Bernie Ridd
 And the vice-captain Ivan is another tall kid.
 So before closing down 'tis fitting 'twould seem,
 Our respects and our thanks
 To the HEAD and his TEAM.

INTRODUCTION TO THE UNINITIATED

Each room in the school has a prescribed and official purpose—except the mysterious Room 21. Before beginning on the subject of 21, it may be a good thing to warn the reader 'there are more things in R. 21 than are dreamt of in anyone's philosophy'—ranging from football jumpers to hydrogen sulphide.

Any unauthorized person entering this room, does so at his own risk, for he would find that a 'spare in 21' is really 'a custom more honoured in the breach than in the observance,' and the occupants, anxious to hide the real state of affairs, would greet him with, 'thou wretched, rash, intruding, fool'.

If he survives this insult, he is likely to be overcome by 'some horrible form, that may deprive his sovereignty of reason'.

However, even members of our select form are undoubtedly astonished at the way in which their fellow-students interpret the word 'spare'. A history-student may think that a chemistry-student is doing a miraculous experiment, when in reality it is a suicidal attempt. It seems that two chemistry-students do not 'set their life at a pin's fee'—one sitting on the Bunsen burner evidently wishing that his 'too, too solid flesh would melt, thaw and resolve itself into a dew'—the other producing a 'foul and pestilent congregation of vapours' with the gas-burner.

Indeed it is not only those outside form VI who find an inexplicable state of affairs. What student of humanity can explain the 'turbulent and dangerous lunacy' of two Calculus students, who are sitting on the couch and writing weird symbols to 'confound the ignorant, and amaze indeed, the very faculties of eyes and ears?'

The present situation leaves me wondering whether there is any validity in the statement—

'Liberty, Equality, Fraternity'.

However, despite the fact that 'all occasions do inform against us,' we hope that future occupants will overcome the handicaps of their private study periods and at the same time retain the happy atmosphere that has prevailed.

—Mary Nemet, Form VI, Wattle.

DAWN

The stars pale, a rooster crows;
 The darkness of night softly goes;
 The meadows sparkle with morning dew;
 The inky blackness turns to blue;
 Through the pines peeps the golden sun;
 The thrush trills, and day has begun.

—Loretto Mooney, Form 1A, Clematis.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SCHOOL THIS YEAR

The erection of four pre-fabricated classrooms is the greatest improvement to the school buildings this year. At the time when this magazine went to press, the foundation stumps had been set; and it is hoped that the classrooms will be ready for use when school opens next year. It was necessary to remove Room 33 to the other side of the oval, a process which enlivened our school sports day.

The proceeds of the school ball conducted by the Ex-students' Association have been used to purchase a sound projector, and classes now frequently enjoy lessons illustrated by films. Blackout curtains have been fitted to the two science rooms, bringing the total number of projection rooms to four.

Sets of house football guernseys have been bought, and also equipment for the newly formed soccer and baseball teams. Score boards have been erected near the oval and the hockey field. New books are being continually added to the library.

THE BEST HOUSE OF ALL

Now every Wednesday in Room 19,
 One special House meets, the best there has been,
 No not a whisper and only one guess,
 Is Orchid the best House? Undoubtedly yes!
 We have won the most points for the last winter sports,
 We're supreme on the tennis and basketball courts,
 Many places in school teams are filled with our girls,
 While at hockey Shirl. Tabor's as precious as pearls.
 Now the Sport Days are coming you'll see a display
 Of so many neat girls in the red tunics array,
 You will say, "What a good House I know this to be
 For their captain makes them work to win victory.
 You should know that our Captain is Shirley Tabor,
 She always will lead us and teach us the law
 We're to strive for the highest and work with our might
 To put Orchid the Best House on top. That is right!

—Jill Phillips, Form V, Orchid.

THE HOUSE COMPETITION, 1952

	BLUEGUM	CLEMATIS	ORCHID	WATTLE
CAPTAINS	Nell Cussen	Gwyneth Evans	Shirley Tabor	Elvie Ellett
VICE-CAPTAINS	Barry Simon Beth Tonks	Ian Stuart Glenys Evans	Graham Delmenico Eileen Buckland	Bill Noblet Mary Nemet
HOUSE MISTRESSES	Frank Hicks Miss Power	Max Stuart Miss Banks	Bill Kerr Miss Rofe	John Hudson Miss Dawson
HOUSE MASTERS	Mr. Lake Mr. McCarthy	Mr. Baines Mr. Worrall	Mr. Everett Mr. MacDonald	Mrs. Skinner Mr. Oldmeadow Mr. Robertson

GIRLS' SPORT

ROUNDERS				
Junior Firsts	Third	Equal First	Fourth	Equal First
Junior Seconds	Fourth	Equal Second	Equal Second	First
Senior Firsts	Equal Third	First	Second	Equal Third
Senior Seconds	Equal Third	Equal Third	Equal First	Equal First
SENIOR TENNIS	Second	Fourth	First	Third
BAT TENNIS				
Junior	Equal Third	Equal First	Equal First	Equal Third
Senior	Fourth	Second	Third	First
SOFT BALL	First	Third	Second	Fourth
BASKETBALL				
Junior Firsts	Third	First	Fourth	Second
Junior Seconds	Equal Third	Equal First	Equal Third	Equal First
Senior Firsts	First	Fourth	Second	Third
Senior Seconds	First	Fourth	Second	Third
HOCKEY				
Junior	Equal Third	Second	Equal Third	First
Senior	Equal First	Fourth	Equal First	Third
SWIMMING	Third	Second	First	Fourth
ATHLETICS	First	Third	Second	Fourth

BOYS' SPORT

FOOTBALL				
Junior	Third	First	Second	Fourth
Senior	Third	Fourth	Second	First
BASEBALL	Equal First	Fourth	Equal First	Equal First
SWIMMING	First	Third	Fourth	Second
ATHLETICS	Third	First	Fourth	Second
CRICKET	Equal Second	Equal Second	Equal Second	First
SWIMMING	First	Equal Second	Equal Second	Fourth
GRAND AGGREGATE	137 Points	127½ Points	127½ Points	110 Points
ATHLETICS	First	Third	Fourth	Second
GRAND AGGREGATE	212 Points	191 Points	189½ Points	198½ Points

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES, 1951

MATRICULATION:

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| Lesley Barnes (English Expression, Second Honour English Literature, Second Honour British History, Second Honour Geology, Geography). | Wendy Burke (Second Honour English Expression, Second Honour English Literature, Second Honour British History, Modern History, French). |
| Marilla Bird (English Expression, English Literature, Second Honour British History, Modern History). | Margaret Carroll (English Expression, English Literature, British History, French, Art). |
| Anne Buckland (Second Honour English Expression, English Literature, Geography, Second Honour Art). | Gwenyth Lloyd (English Expression, British History, Modern History). |
| Eric Burchett (English Expression, Pure Mathematics, Calculus and Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry). | Graeme Simon (English Expression, Pure Mathematics, Calculus and Applied Maths, Physics). |

LEAVING CERTIFICATE:

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| Frank Alderton (6 subjects) | Gwyneth Evans (6) | Mary Nemet (7) |
| Peter Bruce (5) | Shirley Guest (5) | Judith Painter (7) |
| Neil Hewson (6) | Betty Harris (6) | Valerie Rodber (5) |
| Francis Hicks (5) | Marjorie Harvey (6) | Gail Russell (4) |
| Michael Kinsella (6) | Maureen Hazlett (5) | Erica Schlesinger (5) |
| Joseph Rumble (6) | Dorle Hein (5) | Nancy Taylor (6) |
| Louis Russell (4) | Alma Henshaw (6) | Beth Tonks (7) |
| Barry Simon (5) | Margaret Hill (6) | Elaine Waters (6) |
| Ian Stuart (6) | Lois Hunter (6) | Betty Broughton (6) |
| Nell Cussen (7) | Enid Law (5) | Pamela Brown (5) |
| Betty Dilworth (5) | Marian MacLean (6) | Nola Bursill (6) |
| Patricia Egan (5) | Margaret Norris (6) | |

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE:

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| John Bird (9 subjects) | Coral Torney (6) | Grace Kemp (9) |
| Kenneth Carroll (9) | Dorothy Tucker (9) | Maureen Laidlaw (8) |
| Ronald Chatfield (9) | Glenice Vance (9) | Joan Loveland (8) |
| Graeme Hogg (9) | Beverley Winter (9) | Betty Miles (9) |
| William Kerr (9) | Yvonne Woodward (8) | Helen Plant (9) |
| Leslie Minotti (9) | John Crawford (7) | Audrey Rate (9) |
| John Nielson (9) | Michael Egan (6) | Jean Robinson (8) |
| Leon Paroissieu (8) | Ian Jarvey (7) | Dorothy Schreck (7) |
| Russell Smith (9) | Alfred Johanson (8) | Helen Tattersson (8) |
| Maxwell Stuart (9) | Ian Mackay (9) | June Viggers (9) |
| Manwell Syer (9) | Robert Mackay (9) | Patricia Woolhouse (9) |
| Edith Barratt (9) | John McDonald (7) | Robert Ashe (9) |
| Lilian Crawford (9) | John Mengler (9) | Lawrence Davis (8) |
| Elvie Ellett (8) | Douglas Morley (7) | Reginald Edwards (8) |
| Thelma Eyre (8) | John Stewart (8) | James Favers (7) |
| Glenys Evans (9) | John Walkadine (7) | Kelvin Hobson (8) |
| Roberta Furnell (9) | Lima Bon (9) | John Hudson (9) |
| Meryl Grove (7) | Eileen Buckland (9) | William Noblett (9) |
| Lorna Hill (9) | Marlene Carroll (7) | John Rose (6) |
| Helen Lawrence (9) | Wilma Lucas (9) | Ronald Savory (9) |
| Ivy McKaskill (9) | Beverley Robbins (9) | Peter Wearne (9) |
| Margaret Pedder (8) | Valerie Banks (7) | Peter Woodlock (6) |
| Jill Phillips (9) | Mary Beal (9) | Brian Woodward (8) |
| Miriam Reader (8) | Joyce Breasley (9) | Elaine Barnett (6) |
| Marie Rickard (9) | Elizabeth Daborn (9) | Margaret Currell (6) |
| Margaret Russell (9) | Dorothy Downes (7) | Pamela Harden (9) |
| Moreen Shade (7) | Yvonne Evans (8) | Judith Porteous (9) |
| Shirley Tabor (9) | Joan Harris (7) | Brenda Robins (7) |
| Margaret Thomas (9) | Damaris Hepworth (6) | Patricia Sellick (7) |
| Barbara Tolley (9) | Elaine Joseph (9) | |

