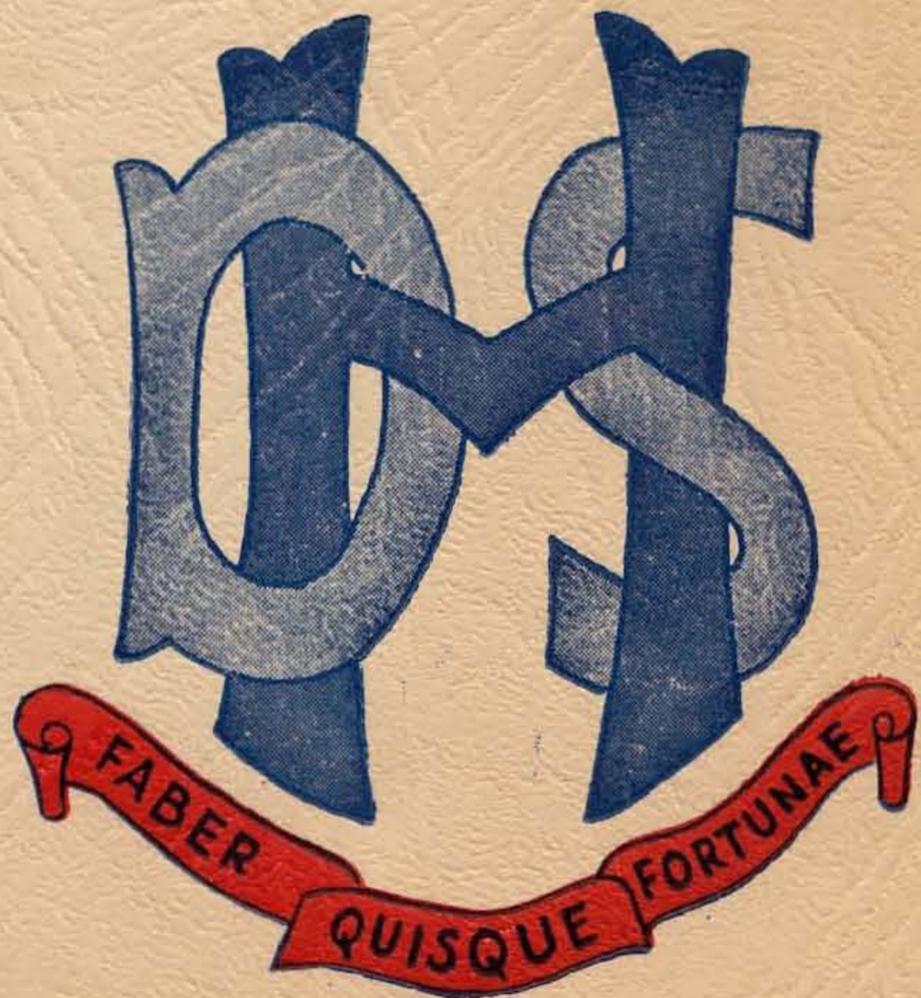


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HEADMASTER'S PAGE

That one of the main functions of a school should be the cultivation of scholarship no one will deny. It has become traditional to assess scholarship by means of examinations but it is greatly to be regretted that there is a tendency on the part of the general public, business houses and certain employing institutions to regard the result of examinations as the criterion by which to evaluate the whole of the educational process. At its best, an examination can measure, or try to measure, only a small portion, and that not the most important portion, of the effects of education. A moment's thought will show that no examination can possibly measure the influence of the teacher's personality on character, or the development of thought and feeling, or the cultivation of tastes and appreciations, or the depth and intensity of interests or the social qualities that make or mar us as citizens of a democracy. All the main effects of a true education are, in reality, impalpable and intangible.

With this thought in mind I would say to our boys and girls, and particularly to those who are about to leave school, that doubtless all of you have increased your factual knowledge while at school, but I hope you have also learned to think more clearly and dispassionately, for there are many vital problems that will face you in the world beyond the school and which will require the exercise of your powers of intellect. In particular I suggest that you ask yourselves the question—am I leaving school a better person than on my entry? Have I acquired more self-control and discipline, am I more ready to co-operate and work with others for a common good and not for my own selfish desires, have I learned to scorn evil and wrongdoing, in a word, have I acquired a sense of inner freedom? This idea is expressed so admirably by a writer of an article which was reprinted some years ago in a supplement to an Education Gazette, that I shall quote from it.

"The man who understands inner freedom has learnt that he has duties as well as rights. And that is a lesson we in Australia are learning at a price. Freedom is not doing what you like, for a time comes when the bill has to be paid. We thought that we were free to do what we liked with the land, to take as much out of it as possible and to give as little back, and now we find that the land has a say. By the price we are paying for the wealth we have taken from the land and the care we have refused it, we are being judged. Life is like that. He who clamours only for his rights and neglects his duties, finds his heritage at the mercy of the winds and, like the soil of the Riverina, swept out to sea and lost. Our regeneration can come only by discovering that we have responsibilities as well as rights."

R. W. ANDREWS.

EDITORIAL

Good citizenship! Is it the aim of our school to send out into the world people who are adequately prepared for their social responsibilities? Are we to provide only factual knowledge, or are we to strive for something more worth while? To inculcate wisdom must be our highest aim, for wisdom surpasses all knowledge.

It is in the class-room that we develop our academic resources. There too, we receive our training in logic—training which will enable us to think cogently and

to a definite purpose. Another lesson the classroom offers is that of tolerance and forbearance towards one's fellow beings.

The sports field too, plays an important role in our preparation for membership in a community. We learn to co-operate with one another for the benefit of the team, not for our individual honour and glory. We also learn to take victory and defeat as it should be taken; to accept victory as gracefully as we accept defeat.

It is not the sole purpose of education to provide scholarly people, but also to train them in accepting the responsibilities of a truly good citizen.

"Discimus, non scholae, sed vitae."

—Helen Downes, James Athorn, Co-editors.

STAFF NOTES

Another happy year has been enjoyed, although some changes have taken place. We were very pleased to welcome back Miss Hill, who had been overseas on exchange duty. Miss Hill had taught at Dandenong some years previously, and she returned to take up a senior position at the school. Mr. Sheppard, a teacher of art, also joined us at the beginning of the year. A further addition to the art staff was Miss Maxwell, from Scotland, who exchanged with Mr. McCubbin for twelve months. Next year Miss Maxwell will return to Scotland, and Mr. McCubbin will return to Dandenong. Mr. Byrt was transferred to Wodonga High School early in the year. Miss Gill joined our staff a little later on. She was subsequently transferred to Springvale High School, and was replaced by Miss Evershed.

Messrs. Carroll and MacDonald will not be with us next year. Mr. Carroll has been promoted to the headmastership of Seymour High School where he has taught previously, while Mr. MacDonald has received promotion to Nunawading High School. Mr. Rich has also received promotion, but we are pleased to say that he will be remaining with us. We congratulate these three members of staff on their success. We would also like to congratulate Mr. Menadue and his wife on their recent marriage, and Mr. and Mrs. Oldmeadow on a new addition to their family.

Next year we will be welcoming some new staff-members, and we trust that they will be just as happy here as we have been during 1955.

EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Ex-Students' Association still continues to flourish. As well as providing many entertaining functions for members, it also helps to cement the "esprit de corps" which is developed when students are still at school. All pupils are urged to become members when they leave school. The cost is small—15/- at first (which includes cost of badge), and thereafter 10/- annually, due on January 1 each year, payable in advance. The annual meeting will be held early in the new year, so students leaving school this year are urged to contact the Secretary, Richard V. Speed, Halliday Street, Mt. Waverley, as soon as possible. Be in it, and make the Association strong and virile!



STAFF

Back: Messrs. Menadue, Randles, Russell, Baines, Sheppard, Bryce, MacDonald, Oldmeadow, Worrall, Robertson.
Centre: Messrs. Brumley, Milne, Mrs. Pedder, Misses Hicks, Dee, Evershed, Mrs. Windsor, Miss Swann, Mrs. Eckstein, Miss Dawson, Messrs. Carroll, Rich.
Front: Mrs. Skinner, Misses Banks, Maxwell, Mrs. Everett, Mr. Higgs (Senior Master), Mr. Andrews (Headmaster), Miss Taylor (Senior Mistress), Misses Hill, Stainforth, Power.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Social Service activities were continued this year, with Mr. Randles again at the head of affairs. The usual weekly collections (in which every student is asked to contribute at least 1d.) have so far raised £79. Of this, the Prince Henry Hospital Appeal has received £10, and the Save the Children Fund £20. All other monies will be allocated before the end of the year.

The Menzies Home for Boys has again benefited from the efforts of two forms each week. The aim is to provide one egg and one piece of fruit per boy (of whom there are 72) each week for the whole 52 weeks of the year. This amounts to approximately £3 per week, but quite often a larger amount is raised, and extra fruit and eggs can be bought for the Home.

The Egg Appeal realized 445 dozen eggs and £95/4/2 in cash, making a total equivalent to 918 dozen eggs. The institutions benefiting from this appeal were the Royal Melbourne Hospital, the Royal Women's Hospital, the Alfred Hospital, the Dandenong and District Hospital, the Menzies Home for Boys, the Blind Babies, the Berry St. Foundling Hospital and the Dandenong Home for the Aged.

A further activity is the making of wooden toys by boys of Forms I and II. These are distributed to various institutions. All of these activities form a very worthwhile contribution to the community, and Mr. Randles is to be congratulated on the enthusiasm and efficiency which he displays in organizing the Social Service League at this school.

INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Our group was started in second term with Barbara Hudson and Valerie Hance as leaders, but later Miss B. Kingsley came as our permanent leader. We have had several missionaries to speak to us, including Miss Chapman, a retired I.S.C.F. staff worker.

We would like to thank Coralie Ling, our pianist, Miss Kingsley, our leader, and Miss Chapman for the hymn-books she gave us.

We would like to extend invitations to girls to come next year to Room 16 at 12.30 each Monday.

This is a text well worth remembering—

“Whatsoever ye do, do all to the Glory of God.”

1. Corinthians, Chap. 10. Verse 31.

HEARD IN CLASS

The chief clause in Magna Charta was that no free man should be put to death without his own consent.

Nets are holes surrounded by pieces of string.

A monologue is a conversation between two people, such as husband and wife.

A Jamboree is the Sixtieth Anniversary of something.

Martin Luther did not die a natural death; he was excommunicated by a Bull.

—H. Muskens, Form VI, Orchid.

DIARY OF DANDENONG HIGH SCHOOL, 1955, by "KOOH DET"

February 1: School's In — Hooray !!!
 February 2: School visits Mayfair Theatre to see screening of "PRIDE AND PREJUDICE".
 February 11: Mr. Byrt transfers to Wodonga High School.
 February 28: Appeal for New South Wales flood victims opens.
 March 1: Commencement of religious instruction at the Town Hall, followed by induction ceremony of prefects and house captains.
 March 2: House Swimming Sports at the Baths. Result B-C-O-W.
 March 3: (Evening). Senior school attended production of "Arms and the Man" at the Town Hall.
 March 8: Appeal for N.S.W. flood victims closed with a total of £128/2/10.
 March 9: Evening. Senior School attended "Merchant of Venice" at the National Theatre, Melbourne.
 March 15: Inter-school Swimming Sports. Result Essendon, Camberwell, Frankston, Dandenong.
 March 18: Visit by summer teams from Warragul High.
 March 23: Official commencement of summer sport against Hampton canceled because of rain.
 March 23: Evening. Senior School attended "Hamlet" at National Theatre.
 March 28: Mr. Randles appointed Life Governor of Menzies Boys' Home.
 March 30: Matches against Frankston in summer competition.

April 7: School views General Motors display "Previews of Progress" at the Town Hall.
 April 13: Second round of summer sport against Mordialloc.
 April 21: Commencement of exams—groan! groan!
 April 27: Exams finish—hooray!!
 April 29: Correction Day—encore! encore!
 May 4: Completion of summer competition against Hampton.
 May 9: Presentation of summer colours.
 May 9: (Evening). Senior School Social in Scout Hall—very enjoyable.
 May 11: 71 boys and girls leave Spencer Street at 8.30 p.m. for Mildura.
 May 13: School ends for Term I—three cheers!
 May 16: Return of Mildura representatives—71 tired but contented boys and girls return from Mildura to sleep for the rest of the holidays.

Term II

May 24: School in for Term II—repeat comment Feb. 17
 June 15: Commencement of winter sport against Frankston—a new system similar to Warragul trips—we were the guests.
 June 21: Informative lecture and film by visiting PMG personnel to senior boys.
 June 22: Form V Fair and 5th and 6th boys' Hot Dog Stall.
 July 1: Visit from American, Miss Dutro, in Australia under the Fullbright Scholarship Plan—very interesting talk on the American way of life.
 July 6: School winter teams guests of Hampton High.



PREFECTS

Back Row: W. Osborne, M. Halliday, G. Stephens, A. Garbellini, P. Robinson, H. Muskens, I. Cocks, B. Grant, A. Neville.
 Front Row: M. Evans, B. Shadforth, D. Harmer, E. Hook (Head Prefect), Mr. Andrews, Miss Taylor, E. Carroll (Head Prefect), D. Begg, A. Pettigrove, R. Irvine.

July 8: Miss Maxwell, the "Highland Lassie" of our staff gives a very informative talk on Scottish schools.
 July 12: League umpire, Mr. Harry Beitzel, addresses footballers.
 July 13: (Evening). Senior school sees "Macbeth" at the National Theatre.
 July 15: Winter teams guests at Warragul High School.
 July 22: Concert in the Town Hall given by Mr. and Mrs. Allan Eddy—very enjoyable.
 July 27: Winter sport competition concludes with the visit of teams from Mordialloc.
 August 4: Exams start—repeat April 21.
 August 10: Exams finish—repeat April 27.
 August 12: Correction Day—repeat April 29.
 August 15: Forms V and VI visit Display in Melbourne Art Gallery.
 August 23: (Evening). Senior school social in Scout Hall—ditto May 9.
 August 26: Presentation of winter colours. Mr. F. Storan, president of DCA, presents Mr. Andrews with a cup for house cricket competition and Mr. S. Holding presents Clematis House Captain with DFC Shield for winning football competition.
 August 26: School's out for holidays!

Term III

September 6: School's In and the last round starts.
 September 8: Girls' school doctor commences examination.
 September 22: House Athletics at Showgrounds—result C-B-O-W.
 September 26: Egg Appeal starts.
 October 3: Egg Appeal closes with a total of 918 dozen.
 October 12: Mrs. Windsor and Miss Maxwell complete the school banner and it is shown to the school.

October 14: Inter-school athletics—result—Hampton, Frankston, Dandenong and Mordialloc.
 October 25: Messrs. Mercedith and Priestley from the University address students of forms V and VI.
 October 26: Mr. Turner of the Railways Investigation Branch addresses the school regarding vandalism in trains.
 October 28: Rev. Allan Walker addresses the school.
 November 5: Contributions for magazine finalized, but the schedule for the rest of the year is—
 November 21: Exams start.
 November 28: School exams finish, but Matriculation exams start.
 December 13: Matriculation exams finish. Speech Night in the Town Hall.
 December 14: Speech Day for Forms I and II in the Town Hall.
 December 19: HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!

JOKES & RIDDLES

Curious

Doris (catching her younger sister standing with her eyes shut before the looking glass): "What are you doing, Molly?"

Molly: "I'm trying to see what I look like when I'm asleep".

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What is that which, if you name it you break it?

Answer: "Silence".

Why is the letter D like a Wedding Ring?

Answer: "Because 'we' could not be 'wed' without it".

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Not Guilty

Teacher (to little boy): "Now, Tommy, how can you prove that the earth is round?"

Tommy: "Please, sir, I never said it was".



MAGAZINE REPRESENTATIVES

Form Notes

SIXTH FORM (BOYS)

As has been stated by a certain teacher many times this year, "We are the cream of the High School," but what this person forgets is that the cream is slightly sour.

We are privileged to have in our midst house-captains and prefects, leaders of the boys today and potential leaders of the world tomorrow. From these potential dictators and organizers have sprung many schemes, for example, compulsory volunteers for yard duty, and corporal punishment for strayers from the straight and narrow; no doubt they are training for their future vocations—slave labour overseers or income-tax collectors (or inspectors).

The field of leadership reaches to untold horizons. Some of the "physical jerks" even made the athletic team, JIM, the Captain, setting a good example by equaling the Hop, Step and Jump record and "HUMPHREY" winning the sprints (good practice for future life, running from the hordes of women clamouring for a glimpse of him). Other notables were BRUCE, captain of the baseball (always able to beat his fans away with a baseball bat) and TED, football captain (in training for kicking naughty little boys in the shins?)

On the academic side, CHARLIE astounds everybody but himself with his calculation.

The less notable characters are MAX, our time-honoured form-captain, JIM, editor of this world-wide magazine, COLIN, proprietor of the "Cafe de la Room 21," his able assistant (head waiter) RABBIT, and the one and only ME. (B.A., M.D., B.Sc., Q.E.D., M.A.D.).

Seriously though, the members of the sixth form are highly honoured to be connected with the High School. Most have given to as well as taken from the school, and we hope that the boys in the fifth form (Juniors) will uphold the tradition set by such notables as exist in our small domain.

Lastly, we wish to extend congratulations to our form-master, Mr. Carroll, on receiving promotion to the headmastership of Seymour High School, and we hope that the students of that school will appreciate his guidance and wisdom as much as we have. For lack of words, but not of grateful thoughts, we say "THANK YOU".

FORM VI GIRLS

DIANA BEGG:—

Favourite Saying: "Oh, You!"

Ambition: Famous violinist.

Probable Fate: Disc Jockey.

Favourite Occupation: Working in spares.

ELSA CARROLL:—

Ambition: Headmistress.

Probable Fate: Ditto.

Hobby: Talking.

Favourite Saying: "I had the most hideous dream last night".

HELEN DOWNES:—

Hobby: Reading "penny dreadfuls".

Favourite Saying: "I say, if

$$\frac{3x^3}{d^2} - \sqrt{\frac{y^2}{a-z}} = \frac{by^2}{wv} \left(x - \frac{y^2}{34}\right) \dots\dots\dots"$$

Ambition: Something to do with music.

Probable Fate: Piano-tuner.

MEGAN EVANS:—

Ambition: Radiologist.

Probable Fate—Diggin' spuds.

Favourite Saying: "Give me a look at your Latin unseen, Elsa".

Characteristic Activity: Eating.

ANNE GARNER:—

Ambition: Famous Ballet dancer.

Probable Fate: Chorus girl.

Pet Aversion: Being likened to Mona Lisa.

Hobby: Hoarding all the books from the reference library.

DOROTHY HARMER:—

Favourite Saying: "I must tell Anne . . ."

Hobby: Collecting art paper.

Ambition: To travel.

Probable Fate: Working in a tourist bureau.

JENNIFER JOBSON:—

Characteristic Activity: Telling jokes during French.

Peculiarity: The jokes.

Hobby: Talking about THE twins.

Favourite Saying: "The silly thing."

ANNE PETTIGROVE:—

Ambition: Secondary school teacher.

Probable Fate: Matric. 1960.

Favourite Saying: (on Monday morning) "Gee, I had a smashing time on Saturday night".

Characteristic Activity: Arriving late for House Assembly.

BEVERLEY SHADFORTH:—

Ambition: To be a retired schoolgirl.

Pet Aversion: Work.

Favourite Saying: "For heaven's sake, woman!"

Peculiarity: Being Beverley.

BEVERLEY WALKER:—

Ambition: Infant teacher.

Probable Fate: Cow girl.

Favourite Saying: "It's terrific".

Pet Aversion: School Socials.

WENDY WILLIAMS:—

Ambition: To be a famous Collins Street specialist.

Probable Fate—School Medical Examiner.

Favourite Saying: "Oh, that's simple".

Peculiarity: Passed in English Expression and Latin last year.

FORM V BOYS

Bramley, R.—God's gift to women (???)

Buntine, J.—I'm right, I've checked it three times!

Campbell, C.—So square he's a cube. Like a physics demo???

Cocks, I.—Hello honey, G's a kiss!

Collyer, B.—Chem. brain. Such vacant knowledge.

Crosbie, D.—Seen Wen? Plays most sports, and hard to get (especially before 10 a.m.)

Dale, R.—Essendon's potentially great full-forward.

Davidson, N.—Breaks the silence in Modern by telling jokes.

Ellis, C.—Peculiarity—Likes Physics.
 Esdaile, R.—Chemistry Cuckoo Clock.
 Garbellini, A.—Ambition—to drive father's car at 120 m.p.h. in first gear.
 Gilbert, B.—Cats still envious. Casanova and bigamist.
 Gilbert, P.—Plays marbles in French.
 Graefe, M.—Nothing could describe this one.
 Gersch, B.—Quickly established himself as big noise in form.
 Hadju, J.—Loves Latin (except when he has to do it).
 Hough, R.—Another of Terry Dear's intimate friends.
 Ireland, D.—Anyone like a fight?
 Irvine, F.—Proud possessor of an automobile. Want a push?
 Lewis, I.—Only real student in form.
 Marshall, N.—The book must be right. Maths brain (???).
 Phyllips, T.—Form's unwilling comedian.
 Roberts, R.—Silly sausage. Going down the rec. club?
 Robinson, P.—The roll-book can't be wrong.
 Smith, A.—Does he use Toni or Richard Hudnut?
 Thompson, R.—Biggest shrimp in the game.
 Treanor, L.—How to win friends and influence people.
 Wallis, B.—We won on Saturday, Dick.
 Whyte, F.—Goodday son, how're you going?
 Wood, V.—Anyone for a game of cards?

EPILOGUE:

We offer our deepest sympathy to those long-suffering diplomats of education who have suffered us in comparative silence during the year, but would like them to know that their efforts have not been entirely in vain. Mr. Russell, form teacher, deserves special thanks for his amusing, though invaluable, form assemblies.

FORM V GIRLS

It is, of course, taken for granted that we are superior to everyone in the school. One has only to look at the prefects, Sporting Champions and academic genuises in Room 30, to realise this. We have raised the most for social service; much of the credit for this must go to Nancy Huckson, our Form Captain, and her merciless rounds with the jam-tin each Monday. We must also thank Miss Taylor, not only for her interest in our examination successes, but also for the help she has given us in our fight against the dread disease, endemic goitre. And for those who are game enough to attempt Leaving next year, here is a short review of all the Subjects. For further details consult Matriculation Form, 1956.

ENGLISH: Consists of precis, essays and appreciations, with a bit of logic thrown in.

LATIN: If you're allergic to hard work don't try this.

FRENCH: All we've learnt is "Le Chef d'Orchestre. Point! Point! Point!"

BRITISH HISTORY: The main requirement is punctuality.

MODERN HISTORY: Never a dull moment.

GEOGRAPHY: Some weird diagrams watered down with some countries and pepped up with excursions.

MATHS A: Seems to consist of last year's hash warmed up and reserved.

MATHS 1: Exclusively for the energetic and intelligent.

MATHS 2: Merely a matter of learning 80 formulae.

PHYSICS: You must be prepared to carry around a notebook and have a few bites between meals.



ORCHESTRA

Back: J. Van Damme, M. Reader, J. Reader, I. Barker, C. Zoutendyk, I. Lowe.
Front: D. Begg, H. Mackay, J. Zeelander, J. Bumpstead, Mr. Menadue, E. Powell, F. Whyte, C. Gogel.



CHOIR

CHEMISTRY (Boys Only): Girls are outnumbered three to one.

COMMERCIAL: We can't tell you what this is because only Miss Banks knows.

TYPING AND SHORTHAND: Students automatically become members of Mr. Russell and Mr. Milne's battalions of private secretaries.

NEEDLEWORK: Gossip time for a certain teacher and one student.

ART: Sheets, artists, architecture, Mr. Higgs and more sheets.

FORM IVa

You have probably heard (of) us as we are "the big noise" of the school and our "gentle murmurs" are audible throughout the building. Let us tell you of a few of the bright spots that relieve our days of unremitting toil.

"Do you appreciate that fact? Well, where is your model to show the angles and curves?"

"I'd like a volunteer to scrub the benches and floors, and to clean the blackboard. No volunteers? Right Fiske, we'll have someone whose surname begins with F. Ah! Bruce—what a coincidence!"

"I haven't told you that one. Must have been the fifth-form."

Teacher: "Where is the thermal equator, Young?"
Bruce Y.: "Up the pole, sir."

W.M. performed the great feat of sleeping through a whole period.

"Now for the hero of the play. We need a big, fearless, brainy and handsome lad." The whole class stood up!

FORM IVb NOTES

This year has been a good one for IVb. We have had a lot of fun, but have worked well also. Our form captains are Bob Morris and Shirley Macpherson, assisted by Jon Lamb and Linda Ellet; we would like to thank them for helping us. Mr. Bryce, our form-master, has given us valuable assistance throughout the year, and we appreciate it.

Stalls, held by us, have raised money for appeals, and every Monday morning Shirl. has brought round the tin for the weekly donation, to which we have given generously.

So we end a happy year, hoping that the next IVb will do as well as we have.

FORM IVc NOTES

Hear ye! hear ye! Good pupils and staff of ye olde Dande High. Hear ye how six and thirty young lasses visited ye olde storehouse of great wealth, known as ye National Bank of Australasia Ltd., and there did spy ye bags of gold enough to buy ye neighbouring kingdoms.

And by grace of ye most highly respected principal did list to ye Queen's musicians perform works of great composers (not yet born) in ballroom of ye olde Melbourne Town Hall.

Ye Menzies Boys' Home did receive great bags of gold amassed by ye kindly lasses.

Mistress Banks, ye most highly honoured instructress of gold-making spells, hath reformed ye six and thirty lasses under her care.

Ye olde tournament (sports) was enjoyed by young lasses who cheered ye gallant knights on to victory.

Ye instructors of ancient arts hath been sorely tried by ye mischief makers in midst of ye lasses. Enraptured by ye olde Brandenburg Concerto ye lasses sit, day upon day, whilst ye most honourable instructor of musical sounds doth pour out his wrath.

Ye dainty lass widely known as Pam Cruickshank (form captain) did, every Monday, extract large sums of gold from ye hard worked lasses. And thereupon did proudly add to ye large pile.

Each and every Monday, ye most highly honoured Miss Banks did attempt to be rid of ye lasses by casting a spell on ye little white tablets. But ye lasses are still with us, so it was unsuccessful.

Ye instructors deem it necessary for ye lasses to be examined on spells learnt during ye year. Ye lasses deem it a waste of time, but as ye instructors know large numbers of spells ye lasses have to suffer this hardship.

Ye lasses of IVc wish everyone ye olde merrye Christmas.

FORM IVd NOTES

This is the sporting form of the senior school, with Mr. Robertson as leader and Glenys Hobson and Jim Young as his assistants. Our team consists of 20 girls and 25 boys, and our meeting-room is room 5.

On the boys' side we had 7 members in the senior football team, 5 in the senior cricket, and 2 in the baseball. Barry Shade was awarded a school colour for football and many of the other boys were awarded house or half-house colours. Jim Young, who is captain of Clematis House, is a champion miler who also established a new record in the cross-country run at the end of Term 2. We are very proud to have Jim in the form. Another athlete and all-rounder of note is Ken Bennett.

On the girls' side we had 3 girls in the basketball team, and 2 in the summer and winter softball teams. Four of the girls were awarded house colours for their efforts at sport.

Although we are kept busy at sport and work, we still have time to raise money for worthy appeals such as the Menzies Boys' Home and Social Service Appeals.

At the beginning of the year the form went to see "The Merchant of Venice," produced by the National Theatre Company, and Mr. Robertson said, "Never again". We have also attended other exhibitions, films and sports meetings along with the rest of the school.

Well, time marches on, and so must we. We all hope that next year's form IVd keep up our good sporting reputation, and that they have as much fun as we did in form IVd.

FORM IIIa NOTES

Hearken, O ye with necks unwashed, to the ageless wisdom of IIIa, who scintillate in Room 23 under the careful guidance of Miss Dawson, ably assisted by Eris Warmbrunn and Colin Thomson.

Diligently, yea, even strenuously have we laboured for Social Service, raising £3 by a stall and £4 by a concert.

Norma Smith has an infinite capacity for work, and there are several others in this line.

We also have our share of those who are good at sport. A guided missile followed by a guided muscle hits us. An orderly retreat is indicated.

Farewell until next year.

—IIIa.

FORM IIIb NOTES

Off to a good start, both boys and girls exhibited their customary common-sense when Janice Kenneally and Michael Bowen were chosen as form captains. Tears of pity on everyone's face did not daunt these two as they went to meet their separate fates.

We have held stalls in aid of the Menzies Boys' Home, but often last-minute collections have proved necessary.

We have been fully represented in most aspects of school life and those worth a mention for sporting achievements are Mary Troost, Michael Bowen, Lindsay Gordon, Janice Kenneally, David Homer, Margaret Gribble and "Mick" Morriss.

On the academic side Reet Sark and Janice Kenneally, who gained scholarships last year, are still making the going hot for some.

Last, but not least, we would all sincerely like to thank Mr. Milne for his guidance throughout the year.

And now for the benefit of those who find it uncomfortable perched on the edge of their chairs we will now sign off.

—IIIb.

FORM IIIc "CELL" NOTES

Cell No.—33.

Total Inmates—45 (female).

Governess—Miss Hill.

Wardresses—Cherrie Gillingham, Grace Shadforth.

Occupation—Hard(?) Work.

Favourite Sayings of the "Guards":

"Let's have a bit of quietness".

"Keep those feet still!"

"I must ask Miss 'B' about that".

"Girls, the funniest thing happened to me when"

"What!! only three lines?"

"Those chairs aren't rocking horses".

"I will see this class at 12.15 tomorrow without fail".

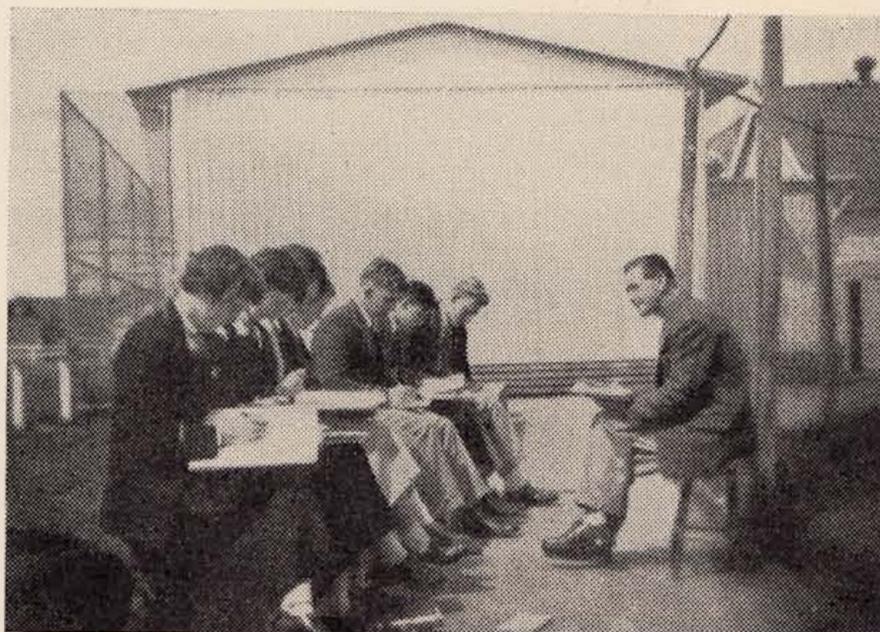
"Does that help you at all?"

"Diana J., was that you talking?"

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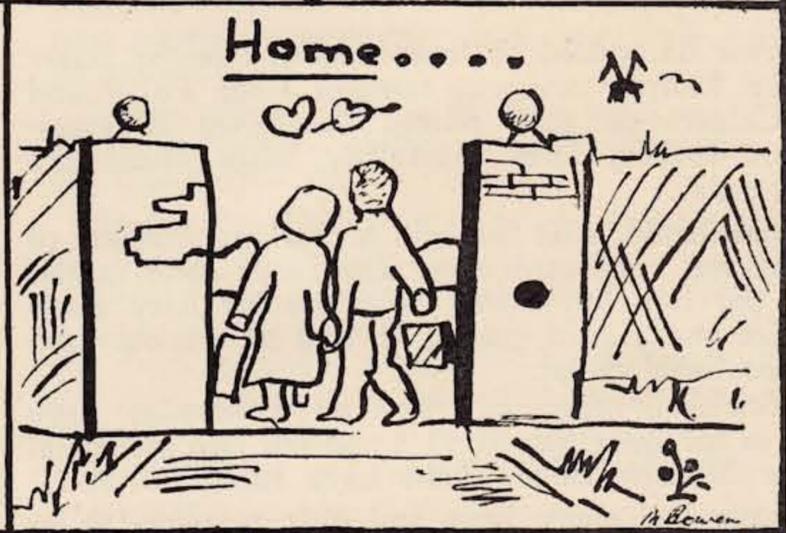
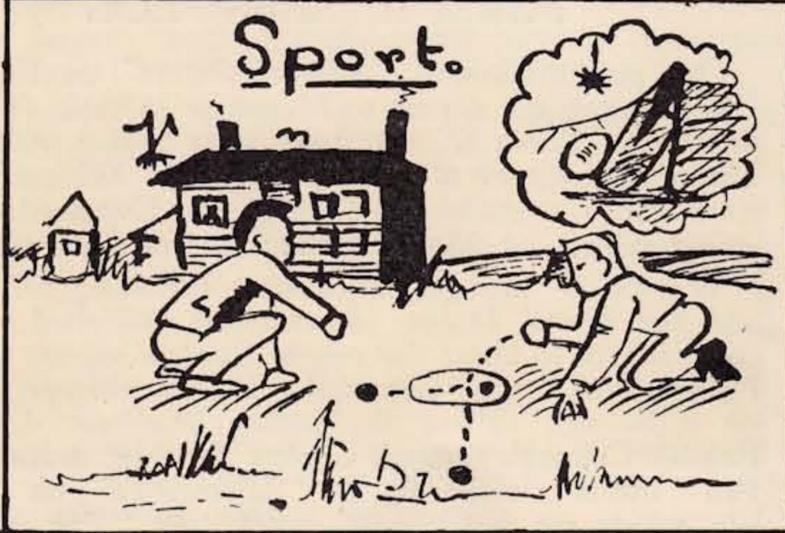
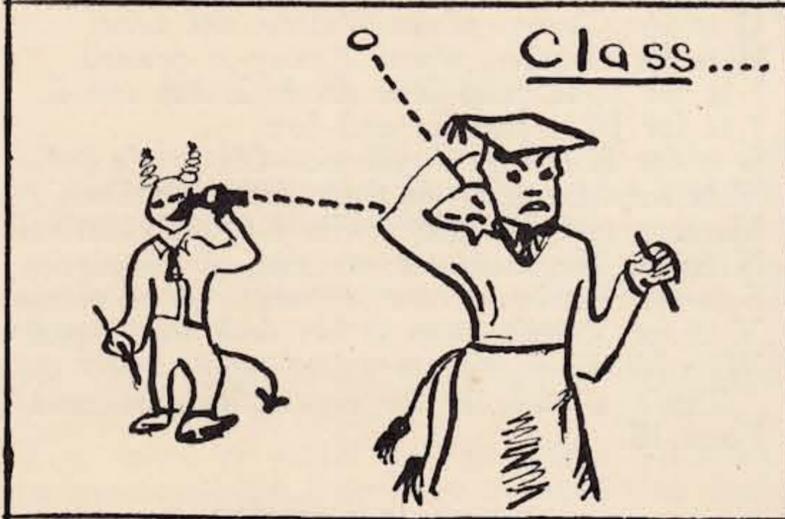
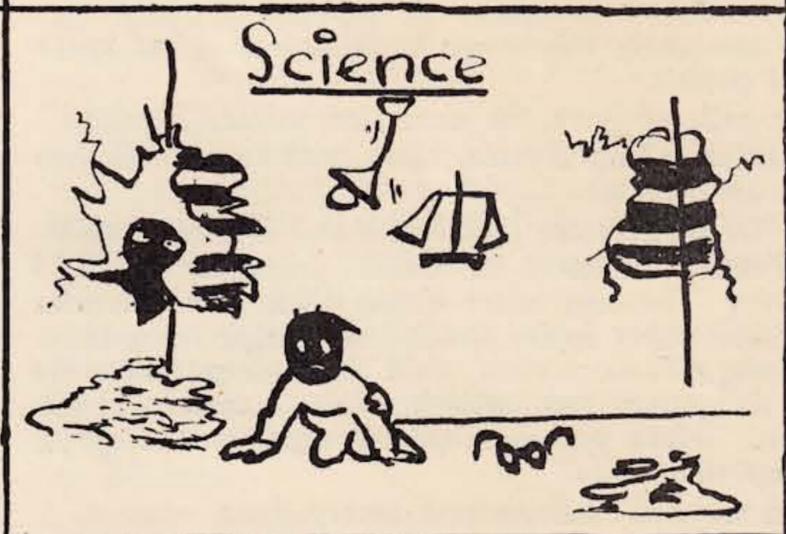
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Matriculation French Class at Work.

'HIGHLIGHTS' of IIB 1955

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M. Bowen

money was gained by our effort, and we hope that everyone enjoyed it as much as we did.

—IIIc.

FORM IIIc NOTES

We are 38 prisoners of cell 31. We number 17 females and 21 males.

Each Monday morning money is extracted from us to support various charities. But we have our recreations, being entertained by several of our instructors.

The Prison's sportsmen are—**Football:** C. Marshall, G. Lombardo, J. Topp, E. Knowles, G. Bowman and D. Morton. **Cricket:** C. Marshall and G. Lombardo, and **Baseball:** W. Murray.

Some famous sayings heard from instructors, Warders, and prisoners are—

"Hillard, stop chewing."

"No! you can't have library, we'll do some work for a change."

"We're all little 'angels'."

There are many others we could mention, but space does not permit.

In our cell we have the champion talker, "Beehive". Our Wardress, Miss Power, often tries to out-talk him but isn't in the race.

The chief plotters are Jack Smith and Noleen Robins.

The Female Prisoners are usually in agony by 12.15 P.M. every Thursday after eating their own mixtures of flour and water folded around some ripe horse-meat, representing pies or pasties, while the male prisoners are making dangerous contraptions with hammers, nails, saws, etc. "Have you ever had the experience of sitting on an upturned tack?"

If not, we don't advise you to try it.

Should we ever escape, Australia would be in a sad plight, for one prisoner put Mt. Everest in Australia and another gave us terrific earthquakes (Prisoners at play in cell 31). To conclude these notes we have a Limerick by one of our chief plotters.

IIIc is the name of our form,

When there's no warder there's always a storm;

But we all pay attention,

When a warder says "detention,"

Then we all think it's time to reform.

38 Prisoners bid you farewell until recaptured next year.

FORM IIa

This year IIa, guided by form-captains Dorothy Baker and Colin Murphy and vice-captains Edna Potter and Darell Calderwood have proved themselves an excellent, hard-working form (especially when exams are drawing near).

Mr. Macdonald, with the help of various members of our form, has conducted many interesting form assemblies in our tidy form-room 16. Here we have given little talks and played games, as well as worked hard for Junior Scholarships.

Our Social Service collections on a Monday have brought in the large sum of 49/4 and our two successful stalls for Menzies Boys' Home have raised £5/14/7.

We have had many boys and girls representing us

in different sports throughout the year and many of us have been awarded Half House Colours. Five of our girls were lucky enough to be chosen for a basketball team which went to Frankston and Warragul to play and which also played schools when they visited Dandenong. Some of our boys also went on these trips in the junior football team.

Here are some of our teacher's favourite sayings:

"If you don't want to work, pack up your books, report to the office and tell them you've finished".

"Now, where are all those people without their tracing paper?"

"Why are all you boys late? Surely you haven't been so long getting changed from P.T."

Hope to see you again next year in Form 3.

FORM IIb NOTES

IIb has had quite a good year, with Mr. Rich as form master. The three place-getters at the Second Term Examinations were Beverly Tyres, John Leah and Lorraine Davidson, with many others following closely behind them. On the sporting side, we have quite a number of notable personages. Brian Kenneally captained the Junior Football team, and was also vice-captain of the Junior Cricket team. Other footballers are Doug. Hamilton, Merv. Mason, Peter Clarke, Graeme Glover and Graeme Bayley. In Athletics we were represented by Brian Kenneally (quite an all-rounder, this boy!), George Taylor and Graeme Glover (also of cricket fame.)

With regard to the girls, we have a little rhyme which we think describes them adequately:—

A is for Alison, who always wears glasses,

B is for Beverley, who tops all the classes.

D is for Dorothy, who came late in the year,

G is for Glenys, whom Valerie sits near.

H is for Heather, whose history is praised,

I is for Irene, who from Form I was raised.

J is for Julie, Jennifer and Joy,

L is for Lorraine, a redhead—Oh, boy!

M is for Margaret—of these there are five,

Margery and Marianne, who did lately arrive.

N is for Norma—there are two of these,

S is for Sandra, whose arithmetic does please.

V is for Valerie, who in her desk does squat;

With Mr. Rich as form-master, we've learnt quite a lot.

That's all for IIb for now. See you next year in Form III.

FORM II "SEAS" LOG

Our presentation of "Admiral Peters" on Education Day directed our course to Magazine Wharf. The ship this year, "Room 8," was true in its course with Janice Moore as Skipper at the helm, Glenys Milligan as 1st mate and Commander-in-Chief Miss Evershed issuing iodine tablets on Monday mornings for "Sea-sickness"!

We sailed through our lessons dreaming of?—home, and the Naval Depot (downstairs) supplied various commanders to chart the course through stormy seas, to French Island, past Geography Fiords, changing course on a Science Breeze to History Harbour, down the English Channel, through Cookes Straight, around Latin Pen "insula" anchoring at "Arithmetica" on Library Isle, where we met some Geometarians. For entertain-

ment our Sirens sang Music, "Yo! ho! etc." in the Art Galley. After this voyage all the crew fished from the desks for a big percent "fish" and later scrubbed the desks with great enthusiasm for Menzies Boys' Home. Five members of the crew, we are sorry to say, "walked the plank" this year and during the trip seven new ones signed on, to our pleasure. Another seven of the crew excelled themselves in basketball.

Ship Ahoy, crew mates!

A Happy cruise during the hols., and
"Bon Voyage" to Form III next year.

FORM IId's NOTES

This is "Two Dee" broadcasting from studio 4, D.H.S.

We are about to give a brief commentary on our year's round-up.

Miss Maxwell was our compere, assisted by our chief announcers, Joyce Cruickshank and Helen Grant.

We have been a small but happy form of 25 girls.

The sponsors of Social Service asked station "Two Dee" to stage an appeal for Menzies Boys' Home for which we raised a grand total of £2/15/-.

In studio 16 we discovered our singing star, Heather Livingstone, for our choir competition.

Time, BREAK UP P.M.: And now we come to our sports round-up and the highlights of the basketball match with one of the other broadcasting stations. Two of our representatives were Wilma Batters and Faye Barrot as our grand defences. Our goalers did well but the better team won.

We would like to thank our various "sponsors," for helping our programmes on various subjects to exist.

This is station "Two Dee" from D.H.S. signing off and wishing you all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

FORM 1a NOTES

Our form is composed of 26 boys and 23 girls, led by John Andrews and Joyce Thompson, who recently relieved Roger Barlee and Lorraine Baker.

We have a very good and popular form teacher in Miss Dee. Our form-room, 34, is the most northern of the prefabs.

Congratulations must be extended to the whole form for an excellent effort in raising funds for Social Service.

We have taken an active part in school activities. Nearly a quarter of the form have obtained their half-house colours. John Andrews and Gavin Mooney were in the Junior Football team. Our athletes performed creditably in the House and School Sports.

We have had a very happy year and hope to be with you next year in Form II.

FORM 1b

Fort 35,
Dandenong High School.

Dear School,

Our lady of the fort is Mrs. Eckstein. We have had some terrible visits from Maths., Art and Geography. Hm!! We won't mention the average of those subjects, but we did fairly well in the others.

Captains of the form are Silvio Favero and Judith Avard. We have some different personalities in our form:—

David Buntine—coming late.

Bill Mentiplay—calling out in class.

Ursula Wahr—arguing with teachers.

We also have some fine sportsmen:—

Silvio Favero—Football.

Peter Hall—Football.

Michael Dykes—Running.

On the whole Ib had a good year.

Yours successfully,

Ib.

FORM Ic

There are 55 of us, and I think you will agree that a form of so many pupils, especially of the talkative female variety, could not possibly run smoothly. We are the ones who constantly cause traffic-jams in the corridor of the prefab., and who block the way across the quadrangle while waiting outside room 17. We're all frantically trying to catch up with work, etc., because we take half of every period to sort ourselves out.

Nevertheless we have tried, and in many ways we're proud of our efforts. Our weekly Social Service collections have yielded 72/- so far, and for the Menzies Boys' Home we have raised £5/9/9 from two stalls.

Ute has won a half-house colour for swimming and she deserves a full one for talking.

Stephanie Barbour is our form captain, and Jenny Crook vice-captain. They both are to be congratulated for the work they have done for us.

Lucy is always fussing when she should be working or thinking.

Jennifer works while Carla talks. How she manages it is a mystery.

Mrs. Everett, our form teacher, sees that the best kept room in the school is 36. In spite of all our troubles, not one of us would choose to be in a different form.

FORM Id's TRAVELOGUE

Station — 37. Station Mistress — Mrs. Windsor. Porteresses — Beverley Haggis and Jeanette Gibson. There were 54 passengers on this train. One passenger, Irene Klopotoski, who topped the form in terms 1 and 2 was promoted to train IIb.

The first sports we had were a great success: Three passengers were awarded half-house colours and in the next sports 5 passengers from our train were in the Basketball team.

During terms 1 and 2 we held stalls on the platform for Menzies Boys' Home; the passengers spent well and we raised £9/11/6.

On Parents' Day some of the passengers acted a play at stations 23 and 24.

There's the guard's whistle; time to alight; all passengers change to platform 2 for 1956. On behalf of the passengers we would like to thank all the guards and drivers who have made this journey such a pleasant success.

Merry Xmas and good travelling to everyone in the next year.

Sport

The House Competition this year has been decided in sport and the annual hospital Egg Appeal. Boys' summer sports were cricket, tennis and athletics standards, while the girls' sports were vigoro, tennis, softball and rounders. Both boys and girls competed in swimming, athletics and athletic standards. Winter saw the boys playing football, baseball and soccer, with basketball and hockey for the girls.

The House swimming sports were held at Dandenong Baths on 2nd March, and Bluegum were the winners. During first term, 18 Junior Swimming Certificates and 10 Senior Swimming Certificates were gained by pupils.

In second term, Wattle House gained most points in baseball, while winners in soccer were Bluegum and Clematis Houses. The football competition for the Dandenong Football Club Shield resulted in a win for Clematis House, and Jim Young, the captain, was presented with the shield by Mr. Syd. Holding, President of Dandenong Football Club. This is the second year this trophy has been contested. At the time of writing, no clear-cut winner is obvious in cricket or tennis. The winning house in cricket will hold the Dandenong Cricket Association Cup which has been presented by Mr. Frank Storan, President of the Association and a former prefect of the school. The boys' athletics standards competition was won by Wattle House.

Girls' summer sport saw Wattle House win the vigoro, softball and tennis in the senior section, while in junior sport Clematis won the vigoro and Wattle the rounders. In the second term, the hockey competition was abandoned because of the water-logged state of the ground. The senior basketball competition was won by Wattle House, which also shared the lead with Clematis House in the intermediate section. Clematis won the junior basketball. The competition in athletics standards has not yet been finalized.

The Egg Appeal was won by Wattle House, which raised 257 dozen eggs in a school total of 918 dozen.

The House Athletic Sports, held at Dandenong Showgrounds, on 22nd September, were won by Clematis House.

With regard to last year's tennis championship, which was not completed in time for last year's magazine, the boys' championship was won by Ian Cocks and the girls' section by Helen Wills. Thirty-two boys and thirty-two girls took part in the competition, which was followed with keen interest by all.

During recent years, a number of improvements have been made to school grounds and equipment. With the co-operation of Dandenong Shire Council, the fields are mown periodically, and this spring the oval was filled, levelled, and top-dressed with super, at a cost of £75. Sports fees have been wisely used, and besides the usual replacement of equipment, new athletic singlets and spikes have been bought (we now have about sixteen pairs). Almost every year, one sport comes in for a major outlay, and this year the school baseball team has been equipped with new uniforms and gloves at a cost of £80.

It has not been a winning year for us in inter-school competition. The reason for lack of success on the

boys' side may lie in the fact that we have fewer boys than other schools. Outstanding performances by individuals are recognized in the award of school colours. This year, school colour winners were Daryl Crosbie (swimming); Ted Hook, Peter Robinson, Jim Viggers and Jim Young (cricket); Bruce Young (tennis); Ray Dale and Bary Shade (football); Bill Murray (baseball); Colin Campbell and Geoff Warman (soccer); Ken Bennett and Alan Barlee (athletics); Wendy Osborne (hockey); and Leonie Hitchen and Heather Ralph (softball). School Colour awards not yet finalized will appear in next year's edition of "The Gate". This list does not include colours already awarded.

The year has seen some change in the type of inter-school visit, and the formation of zones for competition in swimming and athletics. Dandenong, Frankston, Hampton and Mordialloc form the Peninsula (Senior) Subdivision of the Metropolitan High Schools' Sports Association, and the first athletics meeting under this system was held at Dandenong on October 14, being won by Hampton. An account of this meeting appears elsewhere. In swimming, where we were in "B" section under the old system, we ran fourth to Camberwell, Essendon and Frankston at Olympic Pool.

The new system of inter-school visits remedies a defect in the old system, where teams went straight on to the field, played their matches and left immediately afterwards. Visits are now less frequent, but a whole

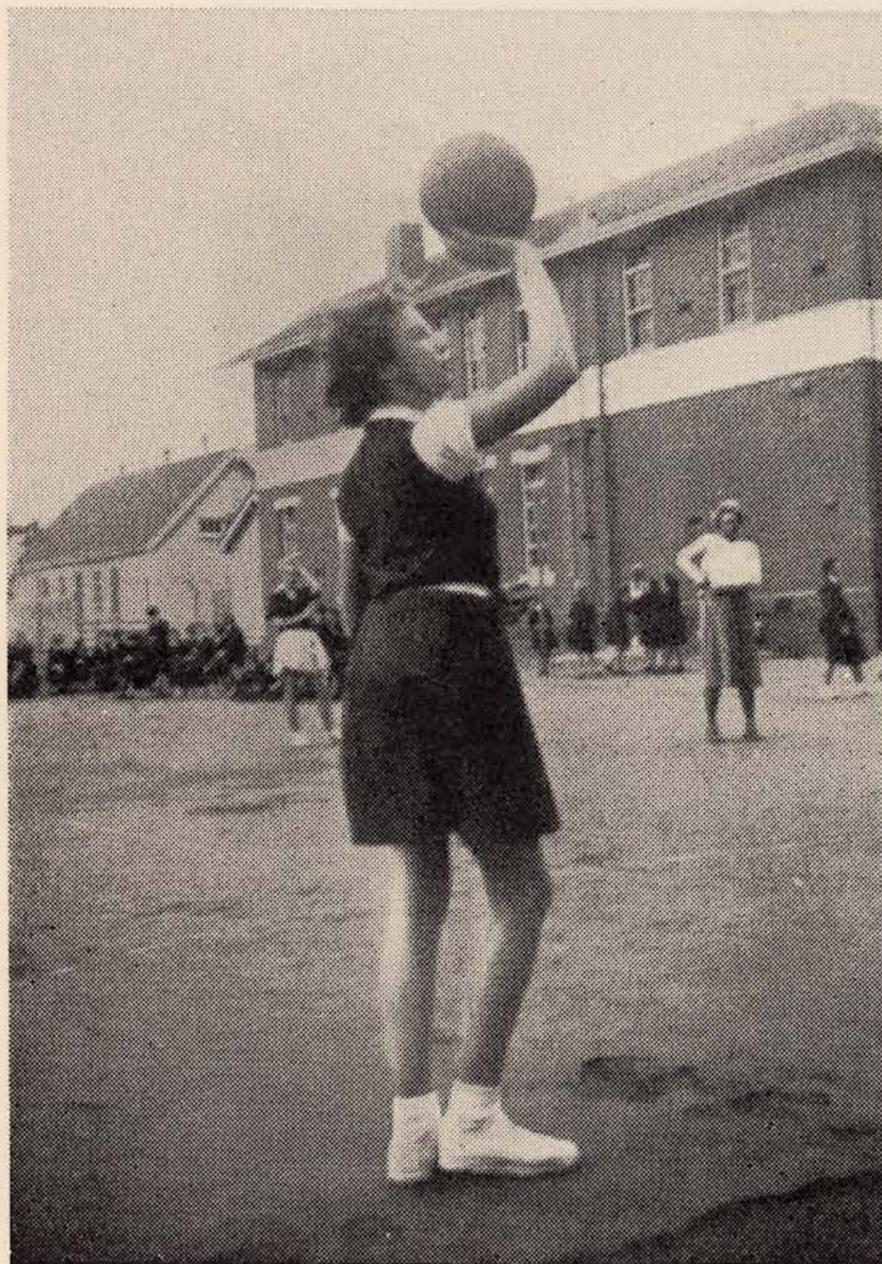


Leonie Hitchen.

day is taken, allowing team members to become acquainted with their hosts and see something of other schools. Boys' sports played were cricket (senior and junior), tennis, football (senior and junior), baseball and soccer, while the girls competed in softball (summer and winter), tennis, rounders, basketball and hockey, with two teams in each of the two last-named sports.

Visits were also exchanged with Warragul. Dandenong boys won two matches, while Warragul boys won five, and Dandenong girls won one match against Warragul girls' eight. The trip to Mildura (11th-15th May) saw Dandenong boys win in tennis and baseball, losing the cricket to Mildura, while Mildura girls defeated Dandenong in tennis, basketball and softball. The girls in Forms 1 and 2 have played basketball against Spring Road Central School, Malvern, while the boys played against Dandenong Technical School, winning two matches to Technical School's one.

At the end of last year, a tennis exhibition was given on the school courts by Keith Rogers, John Frazer, Ashley Cooper, and Bruce Leembruggen. Wally Driver, ex-Australian cricketer and baseballer, has assisted in coaching the school baseball team, while Thorold Merrett, Collingwood star, helped at football training. Harry Beitzel, leading V.F.L. umpire, lectured on the rules of football. So although the year has not seen any premier-ships come to Dandenong, it has been both varied and enjoyable.



Dawn Jones.

THE COMBINED HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

This year saw the inauguration of a new system of inter-school athletic competition. Whereas previously the enrolment of the schools had been the main determining factor in dividing them into the various sections, it was decided this year to base the division largely on districts. So it was that Frankston, Hampton, Mordialloc and Dandenong High Schools found themselves in the Senior Section of the Peninsula Group of High Schools. The location of the athletic meeting was determined by ballot, and it fell to Dandenong's lot to stage the first meeting in the new grouping.

After a great deal of preliminary organization, the meeting was held on Friday, October 14, at the Dandenong Showgrounds. There were a number of guests present, including Mr. R. J. Wiltshire, M.L.A., and Mrs. Wiltshire, Cr. G. Rae, vice-president of the School Advisory Council, and Mrs. Rae, Mr. Streader, District Inspector, Cr. R. Jeffers, President of the Shire of Dandenong, who declared the meeting open, and Mr. A. McDonnell, Chief Inspector of Secondary Schools, who announced the final results.

The oval was in excellent condition, due to the sterling efforts of the curator, Mr. Hogben, and his staff, and, despite rather adverse conditions created by a strong northerly wind, some excellent performances were witnessed. One record was broken and another equalled. In the 14 years section Alan Barleee clocked 24.3 seconds to break the existing record held by Ken Rout, a former Dandenong pupil. Jim Viggers equalled John Coleman's record of 44ft. 7½ins. in the Open Hop, Step and Jump. Although these were the only records, many other fine performances were witnessed. It would perhaps be unfair to name any other individuals but one must mention the fine work of two athletes from other schools, namely R. Heine of Frankston and G. Halford of Hampton.

Although the boys' events comprised the greater part of the programme, the performances of the girls must not be forgotten. There were many fine efforts, both in the individual and team events, and the girls contributed their share of the points gained by the various schools. When results were finalized it was found that Hampton had finished well in front, followed by Frankston, Dandenong and Mordialloc, in that order.

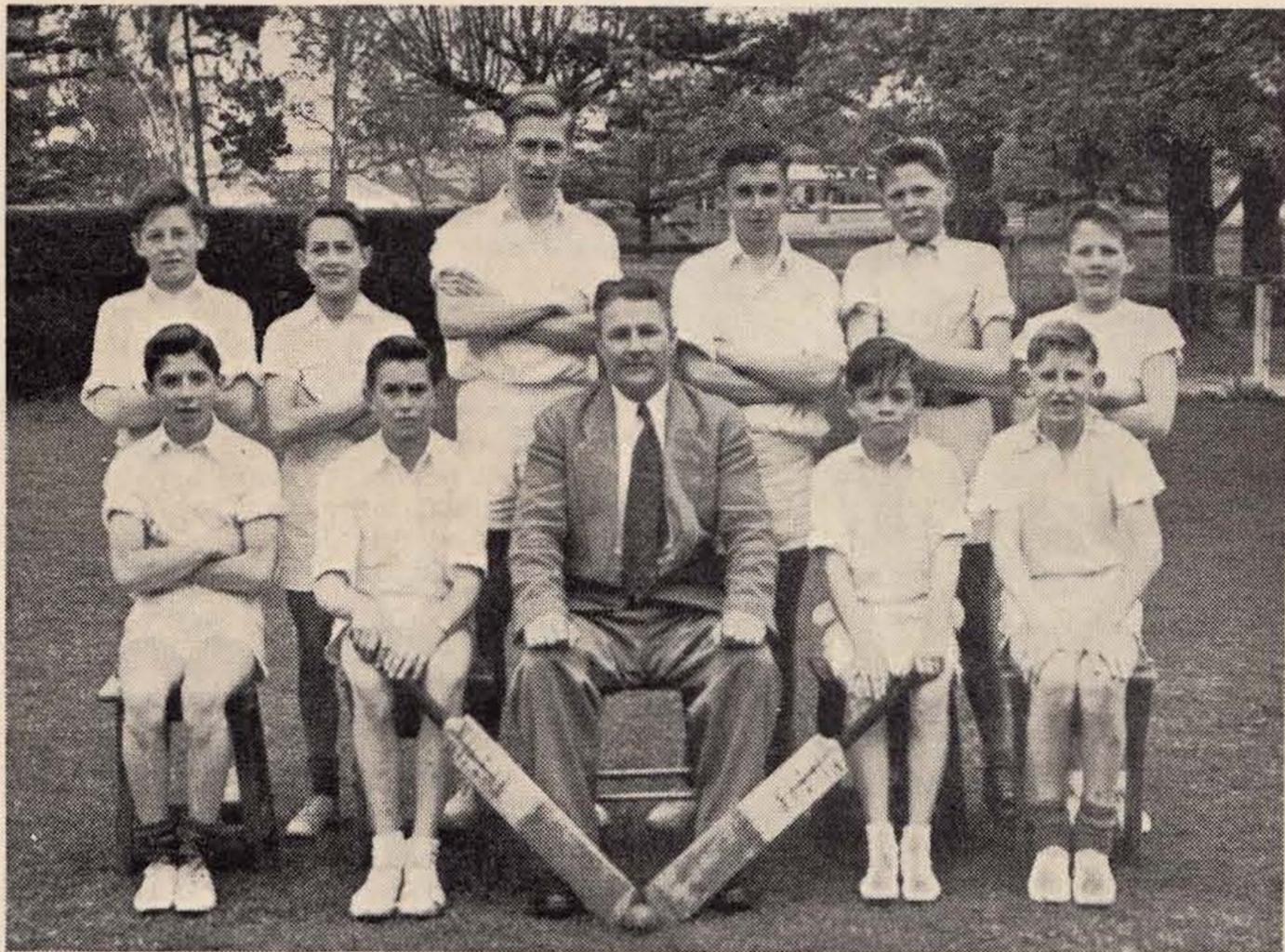
On the whole, it could be said with certainty that the meeting was an outstanding success, but this would not have been possible without the assistance of many individuals and groups. Thanks are due to the Dandenong Shire Council for making available and preparing the oval, and to the Dandenong and District Agricultural Society for the use of their buildings. Mr. Wally Driver and Mr. Reg Carr did fine jobs as starter and referee respectively. Thanks go also to the Ladies' Welfare Club and to the many parents and friends who made donations of food for the morning and afternoon tea.

With regard to the organizing of the Sports meeting itself, it can be said that virtually the whole of the staff of Dandenong High School was involved in some way—Mr. Worrall in general charge of training, assisted by members of the men's staff; Miss Stainforth and lady staff members, who assisted in training the girls, especially for the team events; Mr. Russell, who organized the marching and did such a fine job as announcer. Our headmaster, Mr. Andrews, who generously made extra time available at lunch-times for training, and who pre-



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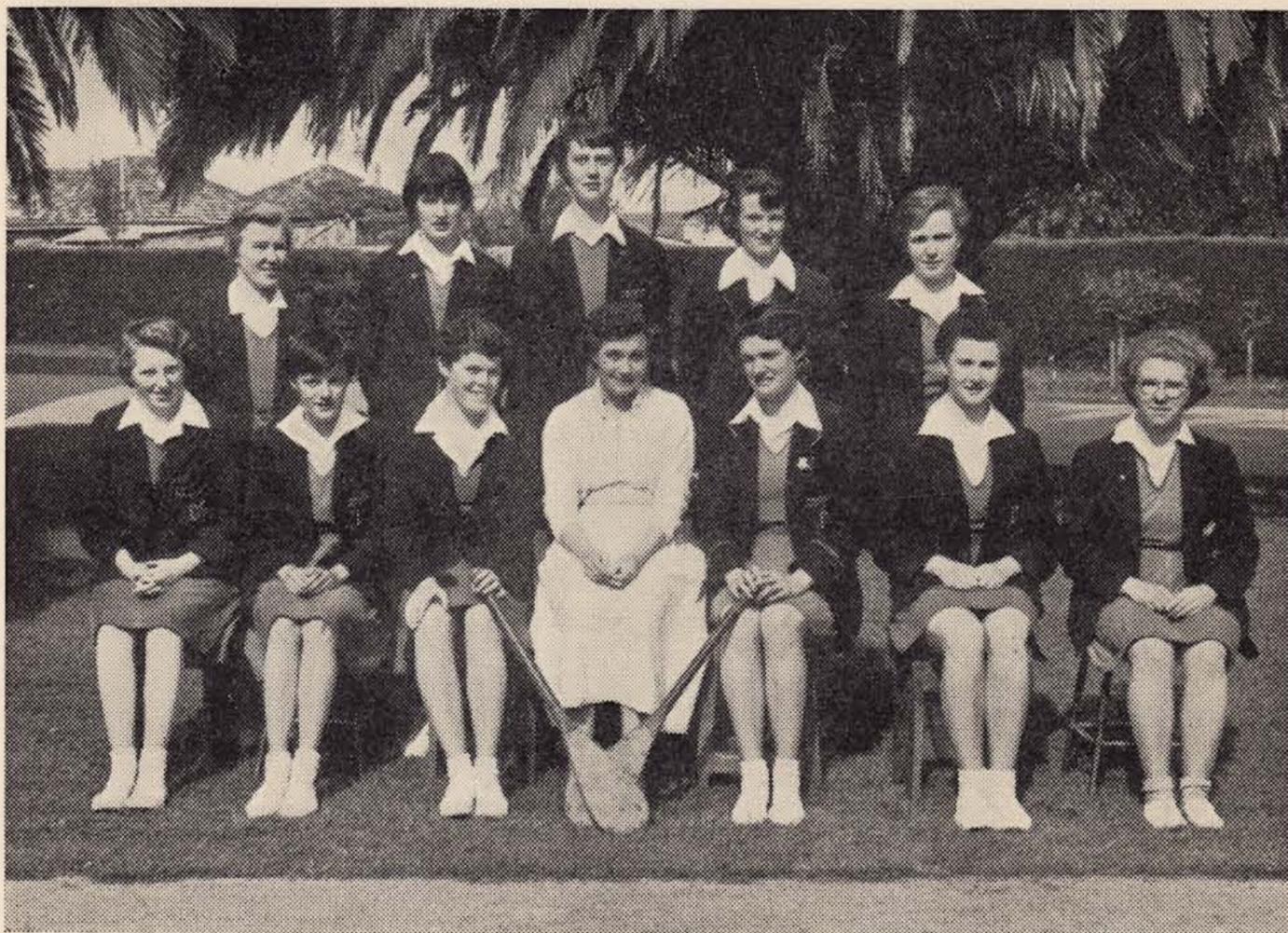
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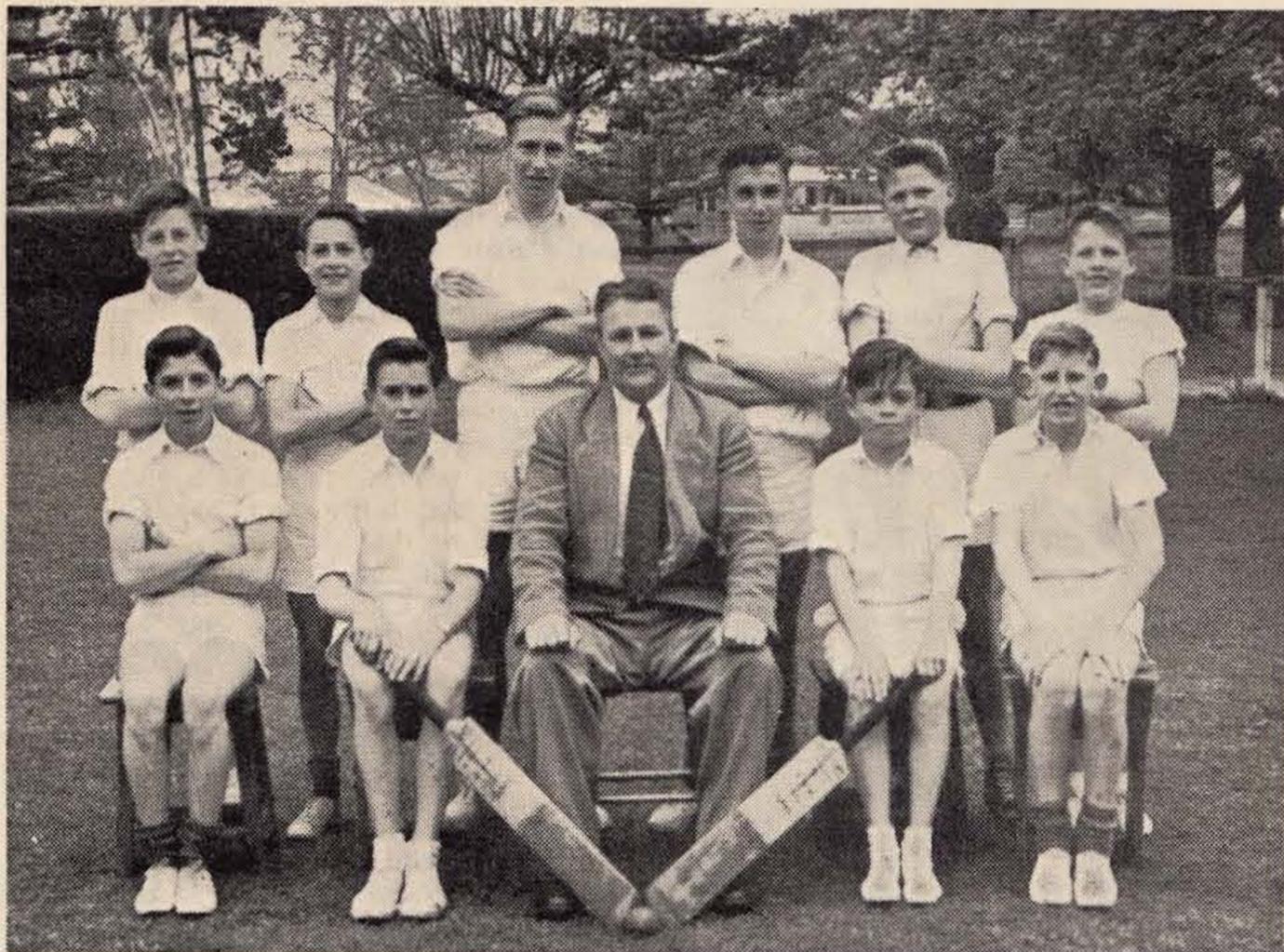
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BASKET BALL "B"

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Front Row: D. Turner, J. Davies (Capt.), W. Craven (V. Capt.), J. McKerry.

THE MILDURA TRIP

From a Boy's Point of View.

Thirty-four lively and very excited boys were to be seen on a Spencer Street Platform on the night of Wednesday, May 11, hurriedly kissing goodbye to parents, relatives and (girl?) friends. To the sound of cheers and the School Song, we pulled out from Spencer Street accompanied by Messrs. Worrall and Robertson, and thirty-seven young ladies, including Misses Stainforth, Power and Maxwell.

From Melbourne to Ballarat we spent the time trying to find seats, when we were not very chivalrously seeing that the girls were comfortable. At Ballarat seventy-one dishevelled and shoeless people left the train to take a breath of fresh air.

However, the refreshment booth was closed, and we were soon all aboard again, the next stop being Maryborough at about midnight. We pulled into Maryborough after midnight and everyone fell out and sleepwalked to the refreshment booth where the majority were highly amused by the antics of several sleep-eaters and sleep-drinkers.

With the cry of "All Aboard," we fell into our bunks and Wardens Worrall and Robertson tried hard to put us to sleep. However, as the next stop was Ouyen, we decided to show the girls that we could sing as well as they. At about 5.30 that morning the train pulled in at Ouyen.

Here we fell out again and dispersed for the usual sandwiches and coffee. The sugar partakers were very wary of the brown sugar as they had heard that it was a local product—sand!

After watching the sun rise, commenting on the landscape—geography teachers please note—and getting suitably attired, we were ready for Mildura. Several of the boys left us at Red Cliffs and Irymple. However, the majority said farewell to the train at Mildura.

From there we were taken to our respective hosts' homes for breakfast which was thoroughly enjoyable and welcome after such an exhausting and sleepless trip.

After breakfast we were taken to school. Then we were taken on a tour of the district, which included the inspection of a fruit-packing plant. At the end of the trip we were brought back to school for the commencement of the matches.

We started the cricket match by winning the toss. It was some consolation! We decided to field so that we could wake ourselves up. A word of praise for the Mildura turf wicket. It was in excellent condition and would rival any that could be produced in Dandenong. We dismissed Mildura for 96 and went in to bat. The writer will offer no excuses for our failure—all out for 45—but it will suffice to say that we were as good as the girls' softball team, which lost 12 to 21.

Thursday night was a night that our boys will remember. It was a wonderful evening and many of us had an opportunity of seeing Mildura by night in excellent company.

At 10 o'clock next morning the baseball and basketball matches started. Although the girls were beaten 17-10 our baseballers came to the rescue with a 12-9 win. This was highlighted by some mighty batting by some of more illustrious and wakeful hitters. During the afternoon our girls' tennis team was beaten 95-15, but



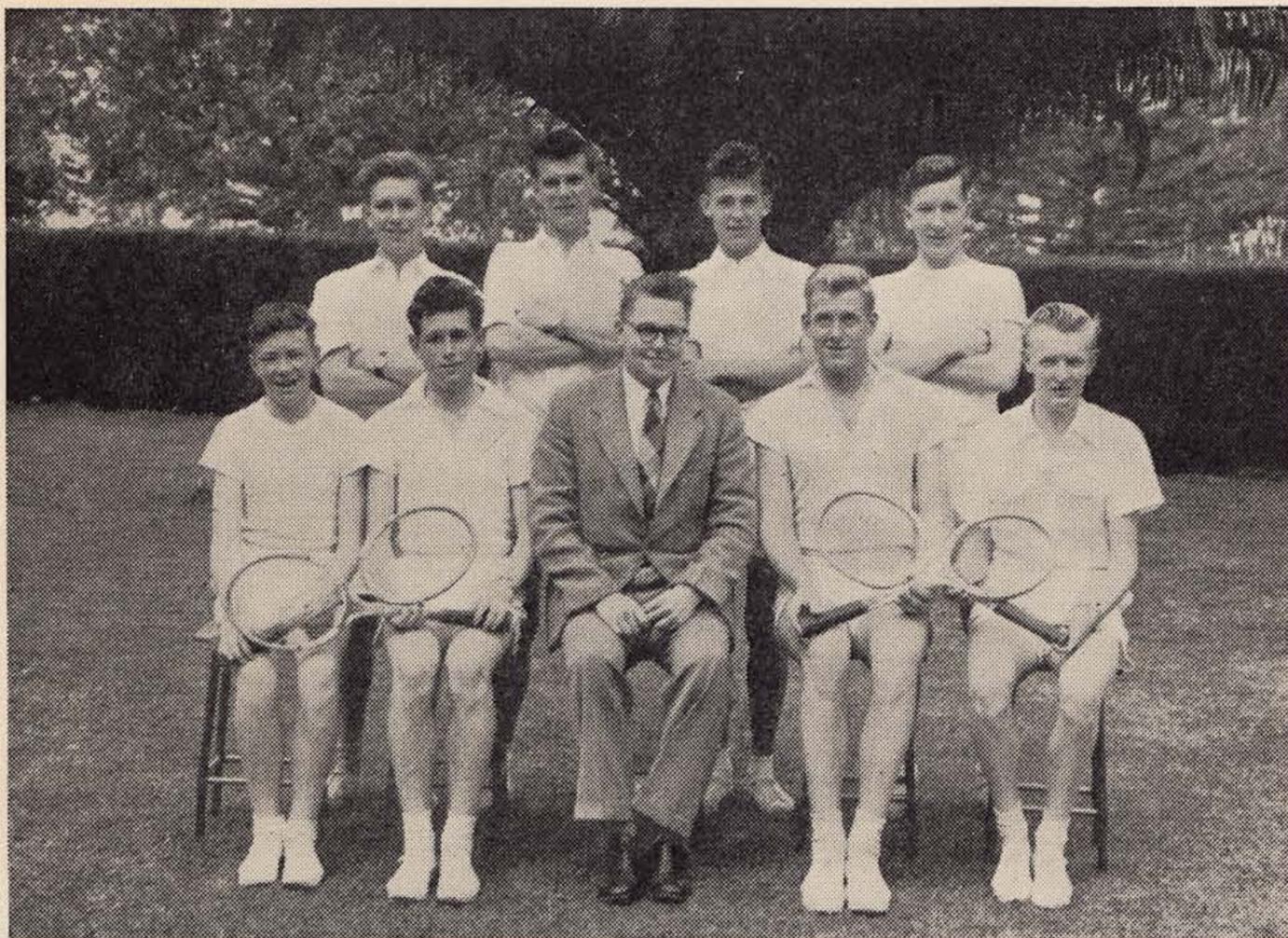
ROUNDERS

P. Cruickshank (Capt.), L. Ellett (V. Capt.), E. Adams, J. McLenehan, D. Syer, E. Wright, J. Scott, J. Kenneally, J. Gordon. **Absent:** Miss Dee (Coach).



GIRLS' TENNIS

Back: Miss Power, P. Howey, D. Pigdon, P. Davis, J. Peart, J. Hedges.
Front: N. Murphy, B. Shadforth (V. Capt.), R. Gillies (Capt.), G. Hobson.



BOYS' TENNIS

Back: B. Gilbert, R. Dale, C. Campbell, G. Winter.
Front: B. Young, I. Cocks (Capt.), Mr. Baines, H. Muskens (V. Capt.), V. Wood.
Absent: G. Stephens.

once again the boys came to the rescue by winning 66-64.

The evening was free, and although some of us went to the pictures, the wiser ones slept in preparation for Saturday's happenings.

Saturday morning was busily spent sending telegrams home and buying souvenirs. During the afternoon most of us went to football matches where we were involved in noisy debates with the locals when comparing our game with theirs, which in reality is of a high standard.

Saturday night was spent in visiting the picture theatres, followed by many visits to cafes, particularly those with jukeboxes, and taxi rides around the town. Some of the more adventurous danced at "The Old Mill," with varying degrees of success.

Sunday morning was spent in sleeping. During the afternoon most of us were contemplating a ride on the paddle-steamer but unfortunately the army had beaten us. However, some of our golfers decided to try their luck at the golf-course—results varied from 40 for 3 holes to 90 for 8 holes. Since the paddle-steamer were out, many of us spent our time sightseeing around the district by various means—bicycle, taxi or walking.

Sunday night on Mildura station had to be seen to be believed. After profusely thanking our hosts' parents we then considered it etiquette to thank our hosts' sisters. Well!! Amid heartbroken farewells and tearful good-byes the train pulled out from Mildura and after picking up more heartbroken boys at Irymple and Red Cliffs we were on our way to Dandenong and HOME!

—Ted Hook, Form VI, Bluegum.

THE MILDURA TRIP—A GIRL'S ANGLE

It was decided this year that the girls' senior basketball, softball and tennis teams would accompany the boys to Mildura.

After months of waiting, on Wednesday, May 11, thirty lucky girls and three lady teachers boarded the Mildura train, of which both girls and boys occupied a whole carriage. For a while there was complete confusion as we changed into old clothes and tried to fit ourselves and our luggage into a far too small space. About 11.30 we decided to try to get some sleep. However our attempts to sleep were mainly unsuccessful.

We stopped at Irymple and Red Cliffs, where a few of the party left the train to join their hosts, whilst the rest continued to Mildura, which they reached at about 8 o'clock. We were taken home by our hosts and given breakfast. We then went to the High School, where we joined in the school community singing, and afterwards we were taken on a tour around the city, seeing the broad well-planned streets, bordering well-kept lawns and gardens. We inspected the new baths, a local vineyard of 103 acres and the Mildura Co-operative Packing Sheds.

The following afternoon the softball match was played. Of course we could not be expected to win, with our players blinded by dust and suffering effects from the Doradilla grapes which we had been given. That night was the social, where we were officially welcomed and had an enjoyable evening. Friendships



BASEBALL

Back: M. Brown, B. Gilbert, W. Murray, A. Barlee, R. Bramley, L. Gell.
G. Harkness, B. Grant (Capt.), Mr. Milne, B. Young, G. Diggins.
Absent: L. Treanor (V. Capt.), G. Pettigrove.