

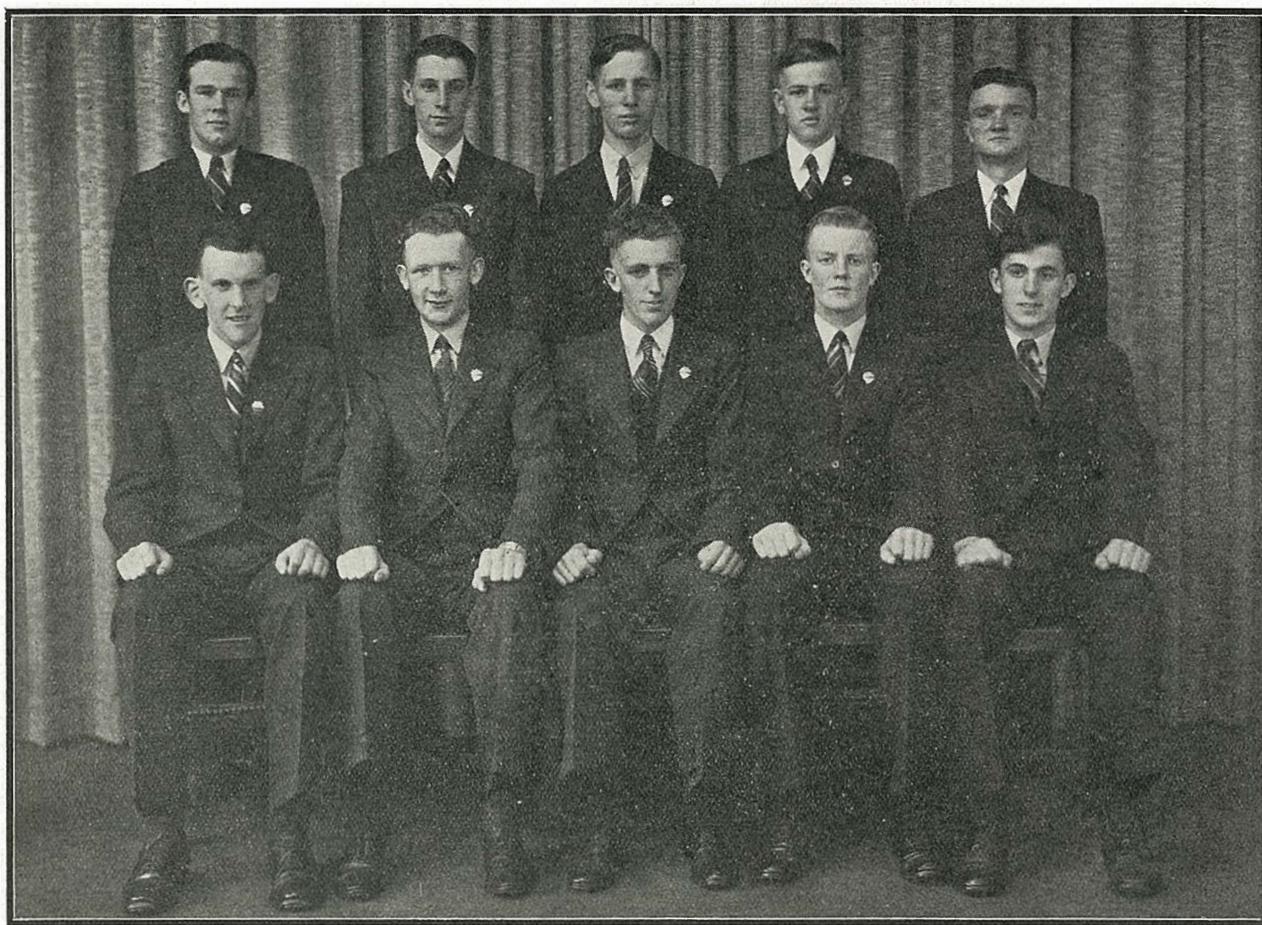
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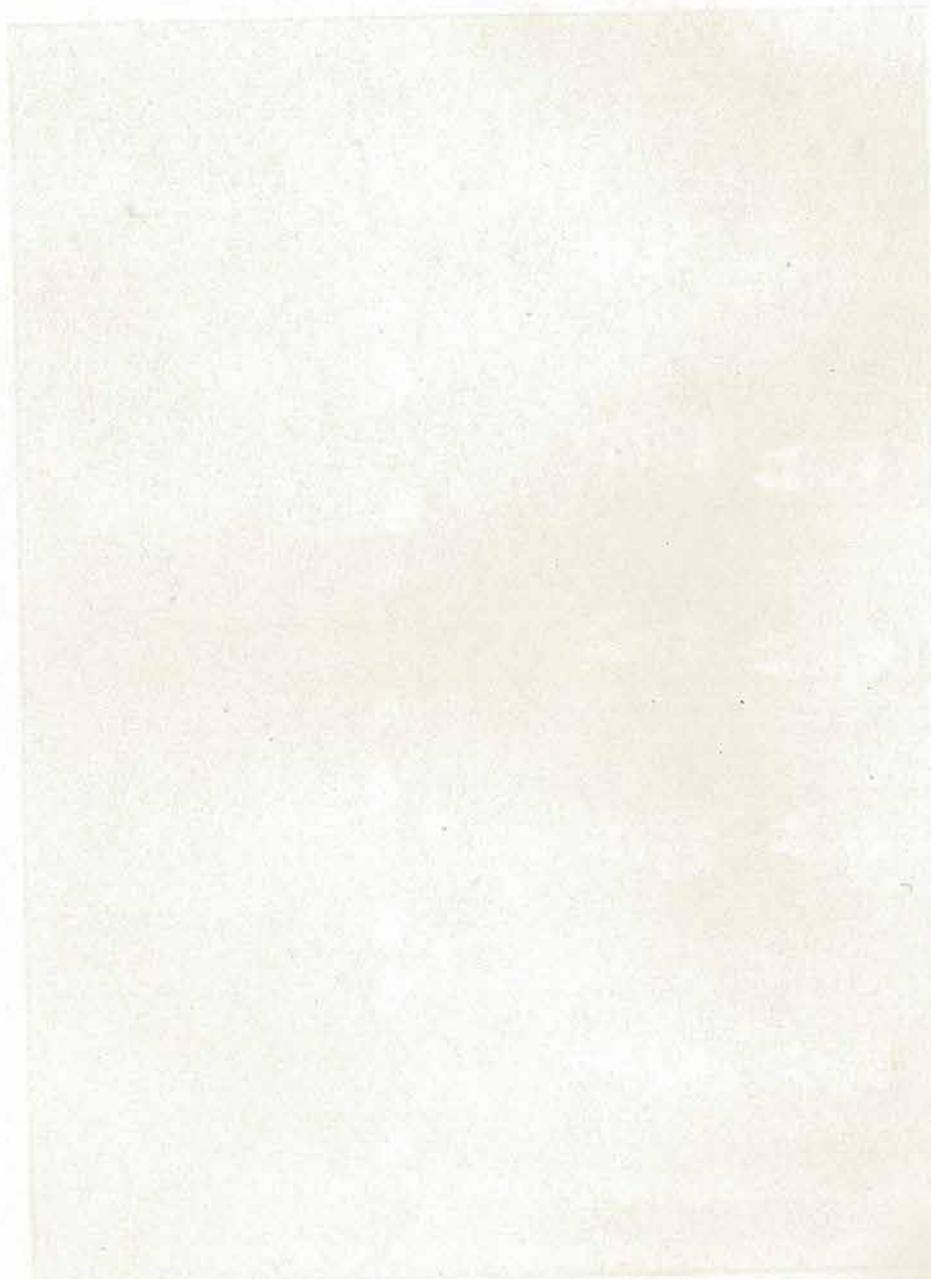
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Southland Boys' High School

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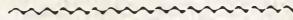
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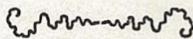
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School Officers, 1947



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CAPTAINS OF GAMES :

Football : 1st XV., W. A. Payne; 2nd XV., S. G. Preddy; 3rd XV., K. R. McKenzie,
4th XV., J. C. Alabaster; 5th XV., M. J. Imlay; 6th XV., B. C. Lavery; 7th XV., D. B.
Alabaster, 8th XV., G. Alabaster, 9th XV., P. Prebble.

Cricket : 1st XI., W. A. Payne; 2nd XI., M. B. Harrington, 3rd XI., A. B. Jenkins,
4th XI., J. B. Sheehy; 5th XI., O. G. Pierce; 6th XI., T. R. Ferguson.

Baseball : "A" team, L. J. Muirhead; "B" team, R. W. McKnight.

Hockey : 1st XI., M. A. Hillstead; 2nd XI., A. L. Naylor; 3rd XI., A. B. Jenkins;
4th XI., S. Slater.

Indoor Basketball : No. 1, W. A. Payne; No. 2, G. S. McKenzie.

LIBRARIANS :

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BULLETIN :

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SWIMMING AND LIFE-SAVING :

H. M. Harland, K. M. Davidson, K. Rogerson, O. Woodham, G. W. Knight, A. C. Lange.

TENNIS :

Senior : J. L. Lowery, M. A. Hillstead.
Junior : G. J. Griffiths, B. J. Bradley.

FIVES :

G. G. Haase.

Prize List, 1947

As the School was compelled to close before the concluding ceremonies of the year could be held, no presentation of prizes was possible. Because of the threat of an outbreak of infantile paralysis, nothing could be done except to clean up the building thoroughly in anticipation of interior decorating work being done during the long vacation, prepare the prize list for publication in the newspapers and arrange for boys leaving to obtain their prizes and certificates by calling later at the School. Arrangements were made for other boys to have their prizes presented early in 1948.

The published list is as follows :—

Form IID.—A. J. Potts: First Social Studies, first General Science, second English (first aggregate); K. R. Anderson: First English, second Social Studies, second Woodwork (second aggregate); C. N. Jensen: First Woodwork, first Drawing, third Mathematics; A. M. Sellars: General Progress. Certificate of Merit.—N. Helm: First Mathematics.

Form IIIC.—Prizes for Merit.—I. A. Stringer: First Science, first Social Studies, second English, second equal Mathematics (first aggregate); B. M. Rennie: First Mathematics, second equal Science (second aggregate); P. H. Preddy: First Woodwork, second equal Mathematics, second equal Science, Certificate for Merit.—R. J. Souness: First English, second Social Studies.

Form IIIB.—Prizes for Merit.—J. E. Staddon: First Science, first equal Mathematics, second Bookkeeping (first aggregate); D. O. Hay: First Social Studies, first equal Mathematics, second Woodwork (second aggregate); A. A. Watson: Second English, second Social Studies, second French (third aggregate); A. F. Holcroft: First English, first equal Latin; P. G. Boyd: First Woodwork, first Agriculture, second Science.

Form IIIA.—Prizes for Merit.—P. Chin: First Science, first Mathematics, second Social Studies, second French (first aggregate); A. W. Smith: First Social Studies, second Science, second Mathematics, second Drawing (second aggregate); S. W. Slater: First English, first French (third aggregate). Certificates of Merit.—H. C. Pomeroy: First Commercial Practice; W. R. Cawood: First Latin (equal); R. O. Double: First Agriculture; R. S. Thomas: First Woodwork; W. J. Heenan: Second Agriculture, second Social Studies.

Form 4D.—Prizes for Merit.—J. R. Smith: First Science, first Mathematics (first aggregate); G. W. Harrington: First English, second Social Studies, second Science (second aggregate); D. J. McRae: First Social Studies, second equal English (third aggregate). Certificate of Merit.—D. J. Brewer: Second Science, second Mathematics.

Form 4C.—Prizes for Merit.—A. T. C. Burtenshaw: First Science (first aggregate); J. E. S. Sutherland: First English, second Science, first Agriculture (second aggregate). Certificates of Merit.—R. H. Bell: First Drawing; P. E. Batchem: First Mathematics; L. S. Edmond: First Social Studies, second Mathematics.

Form 4B.—Prizes for Merit.—R. H. Loudon: First Science (first aggregate); D. G. Allan: First English, first Woodwork (second equal aggregate); D. R. Lawrence: Second Social Studies, second Science (second equal aggregate). Certificates for Merit.—G. R. Sutherland: First Social Studies, second English; K. G. Slocome: First Mathematics.

Form 4A.—Prizes for Merit.—B. J. McConville: First English, first History, first French, first Science, first Latin (first aggregate); P. C. Robins: Second History, second Latin, second French, second Woodwork, second Science (second aggregate); P. F. Burns: First Bookkeeping, first Mathematics, second Commercial Practice, second Social Studies (third aggregate); A. W. Mollison: First Social Studies, first Woodwork; A. R. Felton: First Commercial Practice, second Bookkeeping. Certificates of Merit.—E. J. Carey: First French, J. Blomfield: Second Mathematics, third Bookkeeping. M. A. Farley: Third English, third Latin.

Form 5S.—Prizes for Merit.—B. Strathern: First English, first Science, first History, second Commercial Practice; R. Hannon: First Mathematics, second Science, second History, second Bookkeeping.

Form 5M.—Certificates of Merit.—G. A. Grant: First English, third History. Prizes for Merit.—R. Clark: First Science, first History; T. R. Ferguson: First Mathematics, second Science, second Bookkeeping, second Commercial Practice.

Form 5A.—Certificates of Merit.—R. W. Webb: First Geography (5th B); J. N. Preston: Second English, third French; M. R. Leadbetter: Second Latin, third Science. Prizes for Merit.—D. R. Tait: First English, French, Latin, Mathematics, Science, second equal History; I. R. Dunlop: First History, second Mathematics, second French; A. W. Tritt: First Geography (5th A), first Bookkeeping, first Commercial Practice; G. E. Moir: First Bookkeeping, first Commercial Practice.

Form Upper 5.—Certificates of Merit.—W. Knight: First History, second Geography (5th A); P. Kemp: First Drawing, second Chemistry; P. W. O'Connell: First Mathematics; R. Kennedy: First Drawing. Prize for Merit.—H. M. Harland: First English, first Chemistry, second History, third Mathematics.

Form 6B, Endorsement of School Certificate.—J. C. Alabaster; A. E. Bainbridge; R. J. Brass; R. Bridgman; W. B. Bridgman; M. W. Christie; H. R. Cowie; W. E. Darnill; W. K. Drummond; A. J. Ellis; M. G. Faul; A. W. Gilchrist; K. W. Geddes; H. R. Cowie; W. E. Darnill; W. K. Drummond; A. J. Johnson; J. L. Lowery; G. S. McKenzie; M. E. McLean; R. McKnight; M. A. McMillan; W. S. McPhee; J. T. Mark; R. A. Matheson; W. A. Payne; T. H. Pickard; S. G. Preddy; L. I. Stevens; K. G. Sutherland; G. M. Templeton; R. D. Thompson; R. D. Walker; G. J. White-Parsons; K. A. Willocks; G. A. Wilson. Certificates of Merit.—W. E. Darnill: First Geography; W. K. Drummond: First Company Law, second Bookkeeping; M. W. Christie: First Bookkeeping; K. A. Willocks: First English (6th C); R. W. Bridgman: Second Mathematics, third Heat and Light, third Chemistry. Prizes for Merit.—A. E. Bainbridge: First Heat and Light, first Electricity and Magnetism, second mechanics; A. J. Ellis: First Mathematics, first Mechanics, second Chemistry; R. A. Matheson: First Chemistry, first French, second Heat and Light; H. R. Cowie: First History, second Geography, third English; E. Henry: First English, third History, third Geography.

Form VIA, Endorsement of School Certificate.—G. K. Sands: Higher School Certificate.—G. Haase; M. J. Imlay; A. C. Lange; D. McDonald; I. W. Malcolm; A. W. Menzies; R. S. Morison; A. L. Naylor; B. Russell; R. W. Smith; W. J. Swale; J. R. Withington. Certificates of Merit.—W. Reid: First Geography, second History; I. W. Malcolm: First History, second Geography; M. J. Imlay: Second English, second Latin; R. W. Smith: First Chemistry, third English; B. Russell: Second Chemistry, second Heat and Light. Prizes for Merit.—R. M. Fowler: First Mathematics, third Heat and Light, third Electricity and Magnetism, third Add. Mathematics, third Mechanics; R. S. Morison: First Add. Mathematics, first Mechanics, second Electricity and Magnetism, third Mathematics. Special in Mathematics and Science.—D. C. McDonald: First Heat and Light, first Electricity and Magnetism, second Mathematics, second Add. Mathematics, second Mechanics. Special in Languages.—V. G. C. Jones: First English, first French, first Latin.

Swimming.—Junior Championship Cup, O. C. Woodham; Senior Championship Cup, A. K. Rogerson.

Athletics.—Junior Championship Cup and Miniature, I. W. Cochrane; Borne Cup (Intermediate Champion), K. C. Sellars; Len Hanan Memorial Cup and Sports Trust Miniature (Senior Champion), R. B. Hoffman; Invercargill A.A. Cups (round-the-park races)—Junior, B. J. Bradley; Intermediate, N. F. Smith; Senior, R. Brass; Christophers Memorial Shield (Annual Relay Race, Old Boys v. Present Boys), Present Boys.

Fives.—Junior Singles, B. J. Bradley; Junior Doubles, B. J. Bradley and M. Watson; Senior Singles, A. W. Gilchrist; Senior Doubles, G. G. Haase and J. C. Alabaster.

Tennis, L.T.A. Championships.—Senior Singles, J. L. Lowery; Senior Doubles, J. L. Lowery and M. A. Hillstead; Junior Doubles, B. J. Bradley and J. B. Cockcroft.

Gymnastics.—Junior Championship, I. L. Fraser; Intermediate Championship, L. J. Lamb; Senior Championship, B. Russell.

Hockey Awards.—Lewis Shield, Intermediate Grade First XI, M. A. Hillstead.

Cadet Prizes.—Junior Shooting Championship, B. R. Padgett; Senior Shooting Championship, W. B. Bridgman; Platoon Championship, No. 3 (Sgt. J. C. Blackmore); Sergeant's Competition, Sgt. J. C. Blackmore; Ritchie Shield (inter-form shooting), VIA (W. J. Swale).

Band Prizes.—Drumming: Junior, W. J. McKnight; Senior, J. B. Cockcroft. Bugling: Junior, R. E. Jordan; Senior, B. J. Bradley.

Singing Prizes.—Junior (Mr W. H. Farley's Prize, A. E. Wilson) 1; Mr Kennedy Black's Prize, S. Forbes 2; (Mr Ritchie Fraser's Prize), I. A. Stringer 3. Senior (Old Boys' Prize), A. C. Lange 1; (Mr Kennedy Black's Prize), E. E. Henry 2; (Mr Ritchie Fraser's Prize), V. G. C. Jones and A. T. C. Burtenshaw equal 3.

Special Awards.—Athenaeum Committee's Free Ticket, Fourth Forms, E. J. Carey; Third Forms, W. R. Cawood; Deschler Cup (for greatest physical and scholastic improvement), G. K. Sands.

Public Speaking.—Senior (T. D. Pearce Memorial Prize), M. R. Leadbetter; Junior (Late Professor John Collie's Prize), W. H. Boyer; Award to Head Prefect (on grounds of character, leadership and service to the school), D. C. McDonald.



Examination Successes, 1947

University Scholarship List: D. C. McDonald, R. S. Morison, R. M. Fowler, A. L. Naylor, R. W. Smith.

University Bursary : V. G. C. Jones, B. Russell.

University Entrance : (By Accrediting and by Examination), J. C. Alabaster, R. W. Bridgman, A. E. Bainbridge, H. R. Cowie, W. E. Darnill, A. J. Ellis, E. K. Geddes, A. W. Gilchrist, M. B. Harrington, E. E. Henry, M. A. Hillstead, M. W. Johnson, A. C. Lange, J. L. Lowery, G. S. McKenzie, M. E. McLean, M. A. McMillan, W. S. McPhee, R. A. Matheson, W. A. Payne, T. H. Pickard, S. G. Preddy, W. Reid, G. K. Sands, L. G. Stevens, W. J. Swale, G. M. Templeton, R. W. Thompson, K. A. Willocks, G. A. Wilson.

School Certificate : D. W. Anderson, R. G. Balloch, G. Beale, J. C. Blackmore, R. T. Blanchard, D. E. Boyd, K. G. Cloughley, M. G. Cloughley, I. R. Dunlop, F. J. Evans, S. A. Gallagher, L. G. Gallop, B. W. Gibson, G. A. Grant, G. J. Griffiths, R. M. Hannon, H. M. Harland, P. G. R. Kemp, G. W. Knight, M. R. Leadbetter, A. E. Levett, G. E. Moir, R. G. R. Moon, J. G. Mortimer, L. J. Muirhead, S. F. Noble, A. N. O'Brien, G. G. Pearce, G. A. Pope, J. N. Preston, K. W. Ritchie, D. M. Rout, N. K. Smith, T. M. Stout, B. E. Strathern, D. R. Tait, E. J. Tresidder, A. W. Tritt, G. Vickery.

School Roll, 1947

VIA

Fowler, R. M.	McDonald, D. C.	Reid, W.	Withington, J. R.
Haase, G. G.	Malcolm, I. W.	Russell, B.	Wood, A. J.
Imlay, M. J.	Menzies, A. M.	Sands, G. K.	
Jones, V. G. C.	Morison, R. S.	Smith, R. W.	
Lange, A. C.	Naylor, A. L.	Swale, W. J.	

VIB

Alabaster, J. C.	Gilchrist, A. W.	McMillan, M. A.	Robinson, P. T.
Bainbridge, A. E.	Geddes, K. E.	McKnight, R. W.	Stevens, L. I.
Brass, R. J.	Gorton, G. S.	McPhee, W. S.	Sutherland, K. G.
Bridgman, R. W.	Harrington, M. B.	Mark, J. G. T.	Templeton, G. M.
Eridgman, W. B.	Henry, E. E.	Matheson, R. A.	Thompson, R. D.
Christie, M. W.	Hillstead, M. A.	Muir, J. W.	Walker, R. D.
Chandler, A. S.	Johnson, M. W.	Newson, W. E.	White-Parsons, G. J.
Cowie, H. R.	Jones, M. A.	Payne, W. A.	Willocks, K. A.
Darnill, W. E.	Keach, I.	Pickard, T. H.	Wilson, G. A.
Drummond, W. K.	Lowery, J. L.	Preddy, S. G.	
Ellis, A. J.	McKenzie, G. S.	Reeve, M. R.	
Faul, M. G.	McLean, M. E.	Robinson, E. G.	

V Upper

Anderson, D. W.	Fraser, A. G.	Knight, W.	Smith, R. A.
Anderson, R. E.	Harland, H. M.	McKenzie, K. R.	Stout, T. M.
Balloch, R. G.	Helm, B. B.	Muirhead, L. J.	Toogood, T. R.
Barnsdale, G. M.	Hoffman, R. B.	O'Brien, A. N.	Tuffery, R. J.
Beck, A. V. N.	Hoffman, A. G.	O'Connell, P. W.	Walker, W. B.
Bell, L. P.	Kemp, F. G. R.	Ritchie, K. W.	Watson, D.
Capitaneas, I. F.	Kennedy, R. R.	Robins, R. N.	
Gracie, J. J.	King, E. R.	Singleton, K. E.	

VA

Beale, G.	Gallop, L. G.	Noble, S. F.	Templeton, D. W.
Blackmore, J. C.	Griffiths, G. J.	Pearce, G. G.	Tresidder, J. E.
Blanchard, R. T.	Lavery, B. C.	Pope, G. A.	Tritt, A. W.
Boyd, D. E.	Leadbetter, M. R.	Preston, J. N.	Vickery, G.
Darnill, R. L.	Moir, G. E.	Rea, D. W.	Webb, R. W.
Dunlop, I. R.	Moon, R. G. R.	Smith, N. K.	
Evans, F. J.	Mortimer, J. G.	Tait, D. R.	

VM

Andrews, A. A.	Clouston, J. A.	Gordon, G.	Powley, R. W.
Aylward, A. D.	Croad, A. E.	Grant, G. A.	Rout, D. McD.
Ballantyne, W. T.	Davidson, K. M.	Grose, D. T.	Sheehy, J. B.
Bird, T. A.	Dyet, A. R.	King, J. M.	Smith, N. F.
Butson, R. B.	Ereckson, M. W. E.	Levett, A. E.	Smyth, C. G.
Church, T. S.	Farrant, G. L.	Macindoe, G. L.	Steele, R. H.
Clark, R.	Ferguson, T. R.	Marshall, J. A.	Tait, P. A.
Cloughley, K. G.	Fotheringham, R. G.	Mason, M. F.	Wilde, B.
Cloughley, R. K.	Gallagher, S. A.	Palmer, E. J.	

VS

Alexander, T. R.	Francis, G. J. R.	McKenzie, J. I.	Peake, D. C.
Ayling, S. J.	Gibson, B. W.	McIntyre, J. M.	Peterson, P. W.
Bennie, J. W.	Hannon, R. M.	McLauchlan, S. F.	Petrie, J. F.
Brough, P. F.	Hay, E. D.	Maley, A. T.	Potter, J. H.
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Dale, G. J.	King, H. D.	Miller, J. A.	Strathern, B. E. C.
Falconer, B. A.	McIntosh, I. McG.	Murray, B. R.	Welsh, J. V.

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Carey, E. J.	Felton, A. R.		McConville, B. J.	Sharpe, M. A.
Clarke, J.	Ferns, M. D.		Mollison, A. N.	Stevens, F. E.
Cockcroft, J. B.	Gunn, B. N.		Perry, E. J.	Thomas, N. C.
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Eastwood, H. R.	Lawrence, D. R.		Seaton, A.	
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Batchem, P. E.	Cochrane, I. W.	IVC	Lange, A. R.	Stuck, D. A.
Bell, R. H.	Cranstoun, I. K.		Legat, A. J.	Sutherland, J. E.
Bradley, B. J.	Driver, J. T.		Rendel, E. A.	Tarbotton, R. E.
Bridgman, D.	Edmond, L. S.		Rutherford, J. G.	Wham, M. G.
Brocket, G. N.	Forbes, S.		Scott, W. J. F.	Wright, J. I.
Burtenshaw, A. J. C.	Hunt, S. C. E.		Shand, G. W.	Woodham, O. C.
Clouston, H. N.	Hurd, J. T.		Stewart, R. G.	Rowley, R.
Beadle, B. H.	Dawson, B. R.	IVD	Johnson, C. A.	Sands, M. McD.
Brewer, D. J.	Eastlake, N. R.		McCrostie, K. L.	Sellars, K. C.
Brown, M. K.	Falconer, J. B.		McKenzie, J. A.	Short, T. P.
Clark, D. C.	Hamilton, M. R.		McRae, D. J.	Smith, J. R.
Crane, V. N.	Harrington, G. W.		Neilson, P. H.	Todd, B. C.
Alabaster, G.	Eastwood, H.	IIIA	Keane, D.	Turvey, L. K.
Bassett, P. B.	Fairweather, M.		Morton, E.	Wilson, A. E.
Beadle, P.	Fraser, I. L.		Pomeroy, H.	Wilson, D. M.
Cawood, W.	Harrington, R. A.		Rance, I. G.	Wood, E. G.
Chin, P.	Heenan, W. J.		Slater, S.	Robertson, G. A.
Crimp, L.	Humphries, M.		Smith, A. W.	Lamb, A. J. W.
Cumming, T. J.	Jenkins, A. B.		Thomas, R. S.	
Double, R.	Jordan, R.		Sutherland, R.	
Aitken, M. W.	Fraser, I. McL.	IIIB	Murray, R. C.	Swain, L. I.
Barnett, G. C.	Hay, D. O.		Norris, G. W.	Watson, A. A.
Boyd, P. G.	Henderson, R. A.		Pears, J. A.	Watson, J. M.
Boyer, W. H.	Holcroft, A. P.		Sim, T. G.	Wilson, L. R.
Brash, E. A.	Kelaher, D. W.		Sly, R. A.	Wilson, R. S. E.
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Brown, H. N.	Matheson, R.		Stafford, D. McR.	
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Beck, I. E.	Geddes, A. J.		Prebble, P. R. G.	Stringer, I. A.
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Browne, L. S.	McCrostie, H. C.		Potts, A. J.	
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Haywood, C. J.	McKnight, W. J.		Sellars, A. M.	

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Compiled by A. M. Menzies.

February 4. You know all about "Old Father Time," so blame him for our attendance once more at this institution now celebrating its 67th year.

It is not such a bad start anyway, because we are visited by the American athletes, Don Campbell and Al Hershey. They go through their paces and we are all impressed by the build of Al Hershey and the striding of Don Campbell. Perhaps there were some amongst us who thought in traditional schoolboy manner, "I wish I was him."

February 5-11. What takes place every year and is loved by some loathed by others? Barracks. Be careful of those Sergeants, they bite. February 12. Scholastics at last. Let's have some more barracks. February 13. Prefects appointed and are enthusiastically acclaimed for the first and last time.

February 19. Mr J. C. Dakin, an old boy of the school and son of the late Mr J. P. Dakin, a former master, gives a speech on "The African Boy." Mr Dakin's photograph can be seen in the Rhodes' Scholarship frame and he is now back in Uganda.

March 4. Here it is—the much discussed film "Henry V." We attend a screening of the film for schools. I wonder if school pupils would like their Shakespeare handed to them in this manner always?

March 11. What, no rain? Sports day again and only overcast. We have the school divided into houses this year and they induce keen competition. A mass relay including nearly all the school went off surprisingly well.

March 12. An illustrated lecture by an Old Boy, Dr. Hallam Howie, about China, where he is engaged in medical missionary work.

March 13 & 14. The cricket match School v. Kings High School at Dunedin results in a draw and our 1st XI see the M.C.C. in action against Otago. This was due to the generosity of Kings High in agreeing to the game being played at Dunedin for the second year in succession.

March 20. The four houses again keenly rival one another at the Annual Swimming Sports. Although the weather is a bit Invercargill, nobody gets wet because the baths are closed in.

March 24. We attend a recital by Leo Cherniavsky, violinist, at the Civic Theatre.

March 26. Weekly Press Shield presented to the school by Colonel Cockerill on the eve of his retirement. He was farewelled and a small photo of the school presented to his wife.

March 29. The Band have their first trip for some years when they go to Balclutha to take part in a Gymkhana. The hospitality is marvellous and in return the Band put on a fine show. A pity that its many critics from inside the School were not there to witness it.

March 31. We attend the Bodenwieser Ballet at the Civic Theatre.

April 1. Organization for winter sports and everyone debating their own and others' chances of getting "in the team."

April 2. We see the house system of the Girls' High School operating during their sports held on our grounds. Loud screaming accompanied by short leaps in the air seems to help its success.

April 3. Easter holidays commence, and finish only too soon.

April 10. We are given an address on "Malta" by Flight Lieutenant R. Hesslyn.

April 25. Anzac Ceremony held in hall, the address being given by Mr J. R. Hanan, M.P.

April 30. Mr King, A.A. Officer, an Old Boy, shows Safety First films in the hall and warns that the A.A. will be keeping a fatherly eye on High School boys especially on Elles Road.

May 3. The Septet, accompanied by Mr Black travel to Timaru. They all enjoy themselves.

May 9. We migrate to different parts of New Zealand to spend a two weeks freedom from worry.

May 27. Second term commences.

June 4. Our heads are given a chance to swell a little more upon the announcement of the Imperial Challenge Shield results, which, like the Weekly Press, were much in our favour.

June 6. Films on "Radiolocation" shown with the aid of a recent addition to the school, a movie projector of the latest type. Now all stoppages have been removed except for the frequent breaks in the film to give the school a chance to have a wriggle.

June 19. We go to another Art Exhibition.

June 20. Mr Sutherland's Friday Nights begin. Terms strictly cash and "This is a private dance."

June 25. Great excitement before, and great rejoicing after, when the 1st XV. defeat Otago Boys' High 19-11.

June 28. Many members of the school take part in CORSO appeal by accompanying postmen on their rounds and collecting.

July 8. Film "Pluto" (Pipe line under the ocean) shown to school and we were all amazed at this feat of engineering. One of the masters thought that we were to see a Mickey Mouse cartoon and dog Pluto. Isn't that terrible!

July 9. More football in which 1st XV v. Waitaki won 9-8. 2nd XV v. Waitaki 2nd XV won 12-6.

July 10. Prefects' Dance held in spite of the lighting restrictions, 7 p.m.-11 p.m. Congratulations to the 1947 Prefects because this dance was the best for many years.

July 15. Here they are again. Exams. "Why didn't I start swotting sooner; I will next term."

July 24. Football and hockey at Dunedin. 1st XV v. Kings draw 11-11. 1st XI v. Otago Boys' High School lost 4-3.

July 29. Teams travel to Gore. 2nd XV v. Gore 1st XV, lost 22-10. 5th Grade A v. Gore 2nd XV, won 10-9. 2nd hockey XI v. Gore 1st XI won 10-0.

July 31. The Girls' High School Dance in our hall. An excellent show and as usual a better supper.

August 2. Small choir perform at the Orphans' Club but could not give their best because on this day the Ranfurly Shield was wrested from our grip.

August 5. The orchestra perform in hall during the last period. We must not let the orchestra develop into a family affair.

August 13. Time off to see the football match, North Auckland v. Southland. A.A. officers' warnings are forgotten while High School boys dominate Elles Road in the rush to Rugby Park.

August 15. Films in hall. Shakespeare this time. What next? A very appreciative audience. Round the Park Race in the afternoon. Members of the school can be seen all over Queen's Park and some even on the correct course.

August 18. 1st XV suffered defeat by Timaru Boys' High, 14-3.

August 21. House football takes the place of form football and proves a real gala day. Who won was soon forgotten but the variety of togs, hats, banners and ferocious hakas were more successful than the standard of football. Even the masters became excited and it is thought that they might have had other interests in the games besides seeing them played.

August 22. Term ends and we say farewell to Mr Hobson and Mr Hobson says the same to us. We wish him as much success in his new position as he had with us.

September 16. When we return we find book lockers lining the corridors and bag holders under our desks.

September 19. Inspectors arrive and seem to have the knack, born of long experience, of not asking us what we know but what we don't know.

September 25. Septet sing over 4YZ.

October 3. An aerial photograph of the School and Queen's Park presented by Mr Hugh Ritchie.

October 4. Band plays "Fanfare" at Rugby Park during the Inter-Island match and received a good reception. The crowd thought that Lange was putting on the marching display by himself.

October 11. Secondary Schools' Tennis Championships include many entries from the School.

October 22. Singing Competitions.

October 24. Public Speaking Competitions uncovered budding statesmen of the future; some have already matured ideas of governing the country.

October 25. Labour week-end and Septet have contract with 4YA Dunedin. To see the country be in the 1st XV, the Septet, the Life-Saving team and the Band.

October 30. Platoon Competitions not at a very high standard owing to our climate. "Instead of drill the first period in the afternoon will be repeated."

November 17. Accrediting list announced and School Certificate Examination begins.

November 20. And yet more competition, Gym this time.

December 1. Scholarship and University Entrance begin.

December 3. We put on our "Demonstration Concert" in the Civic Theatre before a large and appreciative audience. Worry for a few, enjoyment for many.

December 5. 2nd XV v. Gore High School at cricket. A day for football rather than cricket, and a day when we noticed the excellent co-operation between coach and captain.

December 8. School breaks up because of infantile paralysis precautions but here the year does not end because all keen cricketers arrive at school in the afternoon to witness the big event of the year. The 1st XI v. the Masters' Eleven. A game full of incident. The masters cast their minds back to their cricketing days (some of them only imaginary) and prepare to show the most brilliant form of which they are capable. The 1st XI for once receive something for nothing—afternoon tea.

Anzac Day Service, April 24, 1947

The service followed the lines of those which have regularly been held in the past. After the singing of the Recessional a lesson was read by D. C. McDonald, the Head Prefect, and a prayer given by the Rev. K. S. Cree who had service during the war as a chaplain in the army. The address of the day was given by Mr J. R. Hanan, an old boy of the School, a one-time Mayor of Invercargill and a present Member of Parliament, who saw much service with the New Zealand Division and who was invalided home as the result of his wounds. We include in these notes the text of Mr Hanan's address :

"It is I think always a privilege for an old boy of a school to return to the scene of his early labours,—or skill in avoidance of such labours, and speak to the younger fellows coming on.

I have been given the honour of speaking to you on the subject of Anzac Day. It seems but a short space of time since I used to sit in one of your places and listen to some returned soldier of the first World War telling us about Anzac Day. When he had finished, we knew that Anzac Day, far from being merely a holiday, was the day of great importance to all returned soldiers. We were told of the great contribution made by this school in the first World War and of the 109 who made the supreme sacrifice.

Anzac Day in its original meaning commemorated the landing of Australians and New Zealanders at Gallipoli on the 25th April, 1915. The Gallipoli campaign was planned as a sudden surprise blow at Turkey to put that country out of the war—thus opening the Straits at the Dardanelles and giving us access to the Black Sea and the opportunity to assist Russia and initiate a campaign in the Balkans. As the Gallipoli campaign failed the Allied Nations were compelled to fight out World War I on the Western Front, which was a marathon blood bath lasting for three more terrible years.

The word "ANZAC" stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, and arose from the fact that for the first time in war they were assigned as distinct national units under combined command,—a vital role in the bold surprise attack on the Gallipoli Peninsula. A few years ago I met a naval man who was actually on the Gallipoli Peninsula six weeks before the landing with a naval survey party. They never saw a soul—and it may be that if your school cadet corps had been with them, they could have taken the Peninsula. Yet it is now tragic history, for when our forces attempted the landing on 25th April, 1915 they were met with overwhelming opposition, but in spite of this New Zealanders and Australians covered themselves with imperishable glory, achieved the impossible by gaining a foothold, and hung grimly on to the beaches for many months until another Dunkirk resulted in successful evacuation.

April 25th was a signal event in the history of the Dominion, for from then on we had a heritage, a tradition, an example, and an inspiration for the generations to come, and it came about that Anzac Day became a day of remembrance not only for those that fell in that tragic but glorious campaign on Gallipoli, but for all those who made the supreme sacrifice in the first World War. What I have told you we were told in the years we sat and listened to the speeches commemorating Anzac Day.

The years between the two World Wars were mainly prosperous times. The occurrence of another war with new and deadlier weapons was too awful to be contemplated, and it was easy to build up a sublime faith in the League of Nations—for did we not say that the first Great War was fought to end all wars?

On 3rd September, 1939 the 2nd World War began. It seems hard for me to realise that none of you were here on that day,—you were only children. The representatives of the people of N.Z. freely and promptly declared war on the Axis Powers, and there was the Call-to-Arms. The youth of the country responded, and thousands went forward. The whole nation was mobilised, and New Zealand's contribution in proportion to population was second to none—in fact, greater than any. Truly the pacifism of pre-war years was only skin deep.

"In the organization of the country for war, much depended on the secondary schools. As the secondary schools were the only institutions which provided training, it followed that the proportion of Officers and N.C.O's from this and other schools was very high. Almost all the old boys medically fit and of military age served in some capacity. 117 old boys did not return.

Why did each man go? To become a machine, regimented at every turn, his work and his pleasure strictly controlled, and a life of parades, fatigues and waiting in queues? They knew they were not going on a world conducted tour.

Why did a man willingly give up his freedom, as civilians know it, to follow the hard way of war conditions, and above all offer his life in battle? What was the driving force that made him go forward in spite of human frailties? They all knew fear, and he would be a bold man who would say he had not experienced it. What gave them the courage that could conquer fear? It is easier to say for what they did not go to war. It was not love of battle. It is not that they were supermen—it was not cold logic. They did not fight for capitalism or socialism or imperialism, or any other "ism". They came from the farm, the school room, the office, the factory, with all shades of political and religious beliefs, of all ages from boys to middle-aged men with wives and children. What was the driving force that spurred them on?

It was, I think, the combination of several reasons, first loyalty to their comrades because they would not let them down, and certainly a love of country, but very definitely and above all a faith in the justice of the cause. It was a simple faith, probably rarely expressed, that our way of living where men must be free should not be cast aside and replaced by a system of dictatorship, where the people are controlled by the will of a few, and because of the strength of their faith they were prepared to resist the challenge even unto the death.

"How well post war events have justified their faith. The appalling revelations of conditions in enemy countries, the incredible cruelties, the mass slaughter, which have shocked the civilized world, attest the consequences of what can happen where men are not free. Where a small minority are all powerful and have complete control of a nation, history has shown that human life is cheap. It is a remarkable fact that in Germany large numbers of the people seemed unaware of the cruelty and brutality being perpetrated by a minority of their countrymen. Such a condition of affairs would be impossible with a free press and freedom of speech and recognition of the conception of the freedom of the individual.

Now Anzac Day commemorates not only those who fell in the First World War, but those who fell in the last war. It is the day when the whole nation remembers in sorrow and humility all those who gave their lives for their country. Those whom we honour today indubitably died that mankind might continue to be free. They have left us a great heritage that must be passed on, and remembering them on ANZAC Day we must dedicate ourselves to the task of ensuring that they did not die in vain. We who served with them will doubtless do our best, but in a few short years the duty will fall on your shoulders. It may be or it may not be that the atomic age has made war impossible. And I do not know if you will be called upon to defend the British way of life, to which you are tied by history and by destiny, from aggression by other countries, but if not it may fall to you to defend the free way of life from attack from within this country. There is one thing of which we can be certain—the future belongs to you."

At the close of this speech the School sang the hymn "O Valiant Hearts" whereupon the act of remembrance followed: first, by the reading of the names of those men who died in both wars; (this was done by the Rector) second, by the wreath party, moving to the foot of the memorial and third, by the sounding of the Last Post and Reveille by the band stationed by the front steps of the School.

The service was simple and short and served its proper purpose admirably.

School War Memorial

The initiative in this matter was taken by the Old Boys' Association some twelve months ago, when it was decided that a Memorial Committee be set up to receive and consider suggestions, arrive at a decision and set in train all arrangements. On the committee were representatives of parents of old boys killed on service, ten Old Boys' Executive, older old boys, the school staff, parents of present boys and High School Board.

Several proposals were brought before the committee, with supporting argument. Considerable time and patience were wisely expended in an attempt to reach common ground, which eventually proved to be the Hall proposal. The details of this scheme have been widely publicised. Briefly the intention is firstly to place on the wall a memorial plaque, recording the names of old boys who fell in the Second World War; and secondly to make the Hall a place of beauty and dignity, worthy of the School and of the memorials which it will contain.

The estimated cost of the scheme is £2000; and the appeal for subscriptions has been sent out to every part of New Zealand. Latest information shows a steady response.

A vast amount of preparatory work has been done by Mr W. R. Strang, President of the Old Boys' Association, and Mr J. C. Braithwaite, a master of the school, who are acting as joint secretaries. Any information can be obtained from them; and they will be pleased to receive subscriptions. By the time the next "Southlandian" is published it may well be possible to record a full description of the memorial proposal—complete in its entirety.



Tennis Notes

By J. L. Lowery.

Tennis began well in 1947, for we reinstated the school club after the break during the war. Ladders were arranged, and the school was found to have about one hundred players.

In the first term school entered two teams in both the senior and junior inter-school competitions. The results were very good for these teams won and were runners-up in their respective competitions. In the Southland Junior Championships three of the semi-finalists were from school.

The third term saw the arrangement for practice night, and we thank the Invercargill Tennis Club who generously gave us the use of their courts. The inter-Secondary Schools' Championships held our tennis interest during the term, and this time we may claim all the semi-finalists.

Lowery had a successful year, winning the Southland Junior Championship, the inter-school championship and being runner-up in the Otago Junior Championship. Hillstead and he were runners-up in the Otago Junior doubles, and won the inter-school doubles. Congratulations to Bradley and Cockcroft on winning the inter-school doubles (age under 15), and to Bradley on being runner-up in the singles.

The school has had a very successful year in tennis, and for this we thank Mr Deaker whose work made possible the smooth running of so many events.

Demonstration Concert, December, 1947

After a good deal of earnest debate, it was decided with some reluctance that we should try to improve our finances by giving a public concert in the theatre. The time of the year brought obvious worries, but, on the other hand, it had not been the fault of the School that the concert had to be changed from the second term and a good deal of the worry proved to be groundless. A programme of good quality, thoroughly mixed from the available ingredients of music, singing, sketches, gymnastics and public speaking proved a popular draw and the purposes of the concert were fulfilled. We made a good profit and showed our audience that there was much in the realm of entertainment that we could do well. Mr Partridge's orchestra was a pleasant surprise for most people who probably thought that such a result might be beyond us; Mr Page's gymnastic squad was up to standard (that says a very great deal indeed); Mr Black's choir and septet maintained their reputation; Mr Pickard's comedians earned the roars of laughter that were hoped for. The general production was again in the capable hands of Mr Dunlop and no accidents occurred on the stage to prevent the concert from running fast and smoothly. As far as we know our ushers did not show any people into the wrong seats.

The full programme is given below :—

PART I.

1. The Orchestra—March from "Carmen", Bizet; Five Waltzes, Schubert.
2. The Choir—Border Ballad, F. Cowan; Rocked in the Cradle, Knight; Excerpts from "Romeo and Juliet", Gounod.
3. A Speech—"Otago and Southland Centenary", M. R. Leadbetter.
4. Gymnastic Display—Form IIIA.
5. An Interlude—Senior Balancing.
6. The Septet—Come Radiant Spring, Mendelssohn; Maureen, Roberton; Bandmaster's Song, Rubens. (Miss Hook of Holland). G. S. Gorton, E. E. Henry, V. G. C. Jones, J. L. Lowery, W. J. Swale, B. E. C. Strathern, I. F. Capitaneas.
7. Sketch—"Cross-Talk".
8. Vocal Solos—"The Two Grenadiers", Schumann; "I Love Life", Mana-Zucca.
E. E. Henry.

PART II.

1. The Orchestra—Melodies from "Rigoletto", Verdi; Minuet and Trio from "Surprise", Haydn; Symphony.
2. The Choir—Adeste Fideles, Traditional; Silent Night, Gruber; 23rd Psalm, D. J. Dykes; Courage Brother, Kennedy Black; Sussex by the Sea, Ward-Higgs.
3. Bb Baritone Solos—"On Wings of Song", Mendelssohn; "Little Old Garden", Hewitt. I. F. Capitaneas.
4. A Speech—Some Modern N.Z. Developments, D. R. Tait.
5. The Septet—Remember Me, German Folk Song; Silent Worship, Handel; Laughing Song, Abt.
6. Sketch—"Please Renew Your Radio Licence".
7. Vocal Solos—"Myself When Young", Lehmann; "Follow the Plough", Sarony.
A. C. Lange.
8. The Choir—Haere Tonu, R. Horne; Road to the Isles, Kennedy Fraser; Rugby Song. (Words by Eric Marshall, 1st XV, 1913; Music by Kennedy Black.)

"God Save The King".

Cadet Notes

By W. E. Darnill.

During a week of fine weather, which favoured most other training days, the cadets were initiated into the mysteries of army life. In both the first and third terms the fine weather permitted the full training syllabus to be carried out, with the result that at the end of the first term, the cadets formed a well-trained battalion. This high standard was due to the hard work of the N.C.O.'s and the Officers throughout the year.

Another feature of the cadet year was the high standard of shooting obtained by the shooting teams, resulting in the winning of the Weekly Press Shield for the School.

The composition of the Battalion for 1947 was as follows :—

Commanding Officer : Major J. C. Braithwaite, E.D.

R.S.M. : D. C. McDonald. (R. B. Hoffman.)

Headquarters Company —C.O. : Captain J. Page, E.D. **C.S.M.** : W. J. Swale.

Artillery :—Lieut. R. C. Tuck. Sgt. P. G. R. Kemp. Sgt. M. W. Christie.

Signals :—2nd Lieut. A. G. MacRae. Sgt. A. E. Bainbridge.

Mortars :—Sgt. D. R. Tait.

M.M.G's :—Captain H. Drees. Sgt. W. A. Payne. Sgt. W. Reid.

No. 3 Platoon :—Sgt. J. C. Blackmore.

No. 4 Platoon :—Sgt. W. S. McPhee.

Armoury :—Mr A. G. Pickard, Mr G. C. Martin. **Q.M.S.**: A. J. Wood.

A Company :—

C.O. : Captain A. R. Dunlop.

Mr A. H. Robins.

C.S.M. : W. E. Darnill.

No. 5 Platoon : Sgt. R. G. Balloch.

No. 6 Platoon : Sgt J. R. Withington,

(A. E. Croad).

No. 7 Platoon : Sgt I. W. Malcolm.

No. 8 Platoon : Sgt G. G. Haase.

A.T.C. :—

C.O. : Major A. J. Deaker.

Mr L. V. Blaikie.

W.O. : R. S. Morison.

No. 1 Flight : Flt. Sgt. B. Russell.

No. 2 Flight : Flt. Sgt. R. W. Smith.

BAND :

Mr N. F. Sanson.

Drum-Major and Conductor : A. C. Lange.

Drum Sgt. : R. W. Bridgman. **Bugle Sgt.** : G. A. Wilson.

During the first term, R.S.M. Hoffman left school and his place was taken by D. C. MacDonald.

Shooting :—Due to the hard work put in by Major Braithwaite, Mr Martin and Mr Pickard and the enthusiasm of the teams the school won the Imperial Challenge in 1946. When the medals came to hand in August 1947, an investiture was held in the Hall by Captain Fleming and W.O.I. Allan. Those boys, whose names were recorded in the previous Southlandian, were awarded their respective medals. In all, nine silver and five bronze medals were won by the School.

Form Shooting : As a result of man firing practices held during the year, a form average was worked out for the Form Shooting Competition.

VIA gained first place with 153.6 points, while VIB was second with 151.79 points and Upper was third with 151.34 points.

By his excellent shooting throughout the year W. B. Bridgman gained the Senior Shooting Championship, while B. R. Padget gained the Junior Shooting Championship.

Weekly Press Competition : With an excellent average score the school No. 1 team gained first place with 95.5 points in the South Island Weekly Press competition, the second team being second with 92.6 points. Thus the school retains the Shield for another year.

Sergeants' Competition : After a keen contest the judges, Captain Y. K. Fleming and W.O.I. R. Allan, proclaimed Sgt. Y. C. Blackmore as the best N.C.O. for 1947. Sgt G. A. Wilson was second, with Sgt R. W. Bridgman third.

In the Platoon Competition, No. 3 Platoon was first, while No. 1 Platoon and No. 1 Flight, A.T.C., were second equal.

Band Competitions : Drumming—Senior : J. B. Cockcroft; Junior : W. McKnight. Bugling—Senior : B. J. Bradley; Junior : R. Jordan.

After receiving an invitation from the A. and P. Association, the Band travelled to Balclutha in February to give a display of Marching, Drumming and Bugling at the A. and P. Show. While the M.M.G's carried out a successful live shoot at Otatara in the First Term, the Artillery gained some very useful and practical information at their 18 pounder shoot at Bluff.

Not to be outdone, the Mortar Section also had a live shoot at Otatara, the targets being in the Estuary. Owing to the hard work put in by the cadets and instructors, the shoots were a great success.

As usual during the year, Captain Lepper and W.O.I. Allan held an N.C.O. class at the Drill Hall on Saturday mornings, and many prospective N.C.O.'s gained valuable experience for the coming year.

In both the specialist and general courses held at Burnham in January, the school was well represented and the courses proved a great success.

It is to be hoped that the cadet year for 1948 will be as successful as was the 1947 training year.

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Hockey Notes

By E. E. Henry.

With only two "caps" back it was decided to enter the First Eleven in the Intermediate, or Senior B grade competitions. Playing consistently, although never brilliantly, they won the Lewis Shield, the trophy for this grade. Matches played 13; won 12; lost 1. Goals for 85; against 26. Principal scorers, Haase 24; Clark 22; Ayling 16.

The annual match against Otago Boys' High School was lost 4-3. This lapse was unfortunate since School had not been defeated since 1936.

During the season, E. E. Henry and G. G. Haase won places in the Southland Junior Team. A team consisting of M. A. Hillstead, H. J. A. Clark, G. G. Haase, E. E. Henry, J. R. Withington and A. J. Ellis won the Senior B six-a-side competition.

The Second Eleven won the Lythgoe Cup, (presented for the first time) for the Junior grade competition. Matches played 11; won 10; lost 1. Goals for 94; against 9. Principal scorers, Eastwood 34, Lamb 22, Naylor 14. They also had a convincing win over the Gore High School First Eleven with a score of 10-0.

The Third Eleven, or Colts (as they preferred to call themselves) had a successful season in the Junior grade, playing 12 games; winning 8; and losing 4. For players with little experience they finished well, by gaining second place equal, in their grade. A six-a-side team from the Colts was also runner-up in the Junior Tournament.

Congratulations to A. B. Jenkins on gaining the Hinton Cup for the most improved player of the season.

And now a word of the coaches. Mr A. E. Dakin coached the 1st and 2nd Elevens, and without his enthusiasm and able help, little could have been attained by either team. Many thanks are due to him for his valuable time spent, not only on the teams, but with individual players.

Mr Hobson coached the 3rd and 4th Elevens. At the end of the second term he left for Christchurch Boys' High School—it will be a long time before the school is fortunate enough to secure another hockey master as enthusiastic, hard-working, and as competent as he.

Music Notes

By A. C. Lange.

Once more the musical life of the School has been widened, this time by the inauguration of a very fine orchestra. Although founded in 1946, it did not reach a very high standard until this year. This venture had been attempted before but had never met with success. The untiring efforts of Mr Partridge together with a good musical knowledge, and an acute sense of system have reaped a harvest. Where previously the instrumentalists were absorbed into the singing class on Wednesday and Friday mornings, they now go to a vacant room and practise their orchestral parts. When the School assembles on Monday for singing the orchestra does likewise and solid practise is put in. This has given those with ability an interest where they were, perhaps, not so happy in the singing class.

The first public appearance of the ensemble was in a School assembly early in the year, and it was evident that a high standard could be expected. The second performance was at the North Presbyterian Hall, when the W.E.A. staged plays. Items, which were well received, were given by the orchestra.

Finally the School concert.

Quite one of the best received of the items was the Minuet and Trio by Haydn. A foundation has been laid at last. There is no telling what the future will hold for the orchestra.

The other side of the music in the School has not been over-shadowed or forgotten entirely. Some very fine performances were given by the choir and septet while a fine representation of the School has been made by several soloists.

The choir performed, as usual, at the Orphan's Club and once more the coffee was proclaimed the best ever. A small group sang at St. Andrew's Society and were well received in their Scottish numbers.

For the first time since their being formed the choir and septet sang in First Church. It was on the occasion of the end of the year Church service on December 7th. It is to be hoped that this will be an annual event.

The septet had a particularly busy year. It was engaged to sing over station 4YA and it also had a broadcasting engagement with station 4YZ. Visits were made to the Orphan's Club, the Dominican Convent, a concert at Edendale, St. Andrew's Society and the Borstal Institution. It also performed at Christmas parties held by the Rotary Club and the Travel Club.

The Friday choir sang to Mr Hayles the visiting Trinity College examiner, who made the usual remark to the effect that he was very pleased to hear such a high standard.

Competitions:—The standard of the competitions was very high in the senior section but unusually low in the junior. Mr J. McCrostie was the judge and proved to be very quick in summing up and certain in his judgment. A. C. Lange, who did well in the Competitions Festival in May, won the senior section, winning comfortably from E. E. Henry. He was in his usual form with "Myself When Young". Henry's choice was "The Two Grenadiers". Third place was divided between V. G. C. Jones ("Charming Chloe") and A. T. C. Burtenshaw ("Hine e Hine").

A. Wilson won the junior section with "Who is Sylvia" and, although not a powerful singer, he shows considerable promise.



FIRST HOCKEY XI, 1947

T. B. Butson, J. R. Withington, J. M. Ellis, J. L. Lowery,
H. J. Clark, M. A. McMillan, A. E. Bainbridge, E. E. Henry, Mr A. E. Dakin (Coach),
G. Fowler, S. J. Ayling, M. A. Hillstead G. G. Haase, B. Russell.



FIRST FIFTEEN 1947

A. W. Gilchrist, R. W. Bridgman, M. B. Harrington, G. A. Wilson, G. S. McKenzie, K. E. Singleton,
M. W. Johnston, K. W. Ritchie, G. S. Gorton, L. J. Muirhead, R. G. Balloch, M. A. Jones, T. H. Pickard,
A. N. O'Brien, J. W. Muir, M. W. Christie (Vice-Capt.), W. A. Payne (Capt.), D. W. Anderson, G. K. Sands,
K. C. Sellars.



FIRST HOCKEY XI, 1932

Taken after the game with Otago Boys' High School on School grounds. First game between two schools.
Won by Southland 5-1.

J. C. Hazledine, J. J. Taylor, P. W. S. Anderson (Captain), P. J. L. McNamara, A. E. Dakin (Vice-captain),
H. O. Mackley,
C. J. K. Lythgoe, C. W. McLean, D. J. Kennedy, A. H. Brown, F. T. Poole.



SECOND HOCKEY XI, 1947

F. J. Evans, L. J. Lamb, R. D. Thompson, J. M. Ellis, I. G. Cochrane,
H. R. Eastwood, A. S. Aylward, A. L. Naylor, G. L. McIndoe, A. R. Lang, D. R. Tait.

Football

From the point of view of general play and results, the School enjoyed a most successful season in 1947—perhaps the best in recent years. With the encouragement of the Rector and masters, all teams, both grade and house, played with a characteristic zeal.

COMMENTS ON FIRST XV.

The 1947 First XV possessed seven “caps”, but, before the inter-school competition began, there were only five—Johnson, who had been showing outstanding form at second five-eighth was injured in the fifth game, and Reid withdrew from school football to play for Ohai seniors.

The forwards, with their tearaway tactics, and intense backing-up, proved themselves a hard-working pack. The line-out work was near first-class (five six-foot specialists), but there were definite flaws in the hooking department, and this was never totally remedied. Altogether, it was one of the finest packs to have represented the School in recent years. Special mention for brilliant backing-up, must be made of Wilson, while Christie excelled as a grand pack leader. Harrington, with his twelve and a-half stone frame worked feverishly throughout the season, scoring eight tries, and Muirhead impressed as an all-round forward. Every other man in the pack worked energetically and intelligently.

The backs were more of a mediocre combination. At times they attacked with sharp penetration, but generally, they excelled as a solid wall of defence. Pickard was a sound full-back, perhaps a little slow, but a safe kick with both feet, and an outstanding goal kicker—he kicked 86 points during the season. But for lapses of indifferent handling, Sellars showed very promising form on the wing, and Ritchie, when in the mood, displayed all the attributes of a polished three-quarter. Balloch, at the beginning and end of the season showed dashing form, while Anderson at centre, though not in his natural position, played competently. In the five-eighths, Muir showed glimpses of real ability, and Sands at first five-eighths, a light player, was very reliable. Payne (captain) at half-back, led his team inspiringly.

There was cohesion between backs and forwards for most of the season, which resulted in well-directed attacks up mid-field. However, chain passing was not neglected, and the three-quarters scored 30 tries to the forwards 24. Ritchie, who touched down 12 times, was the main try-scorer.

The team played 22 games, won 14, lost 5, drew 3 and scored 294 points to 130 scored against it. They were very close runners-up in the local third grade competition.

A team's play, to a certain extent, is what the coach makes it, and what success the First XV may have achieved in 1947, must be attributed largely to Mr Braithwaite, who worked untiringly in the interests of the team. He turned out a team which thoroughly appreciated his work.

THE FIRST XV'S SCHOOL GAMES :

v. OTAGO.

I quote from The Southland Times—“Secondary school rugby lived up to its best traditions on a heavy surface at Rugby Park, when the Otago and Southland High School First XV's played their annual game. A pleasing feature of the game was the number of tries scored from concerted work. The backing-up of the forwards was of a high standard.”

After 12 minutes, Otago scored a smart try and led 3-0. Not long after, good passing by Otago's backs looked dangerous, when Sellars intercepted brilliantly, and changed the attack in a flash. He swung infield beautifully, raced away from the full-back, and scored a thrilling try behind the posts. Pickard converted and Southland led 5-3. Two minutes before half-time, the Southland forwards handled, passed on to the backs, and Ritchie scored in the corner. Southland led 8-3.

Right on the resumption of play Otago scored a converted try, which made the scores 8-8. Later, Payne centered a penalty kick, which landed about a yard from the Otago goal line. An Otago player fumbled, and before he could recover it, Harrington was on the spot. The later fielded the ball, and dived simultaneously to score a spectacular try at the posts. Pickard converted so Southland led 13-8. After a ruck, Payne ran Ritchie into position on the blind side, for the winger to score his second try. Southland 16, Otago 8. Otago scored again making the score 16-11. The last incident in a bright game was a penalty goal, kicked by Pickard right on time, making the final score Southland 19, Otago 11, which about summed up the relative merits of the teams. Payne's leadership and kicking was exemplary, as was Christie's work in the pack.

v. WAITAKI.

I quote from The Southland Times—"The Southland Boys' High School First XV, scored its second win in two games, when it narrowly defeated Waitaki at Rugby Park." The score of 9-8 reflects fairly well the performance of both teams on the day. Southland won the first half decisively, but Waitaki definitely had the better of the second half.

Pickard opened the scoring after six minutes with a penalty goal from the 25 mark, and Southland led 3-0. The local team at this stage, was getting all the ball. After 10 minutes, Waitaki equalised with a penalty. For the next quarter of an hour the exchanges were fairly even, but later, Southland's use of the short punt paid dividends. Pickard hit the post from a penalty kick, but two minutes later he goaled his second penalty and Southland led 6-3. A few minutes before half-time, Gilchrist barged his way over the line after Payne had made a clever break following a line-out. Halftime score—Southland 9, Waitaki 3.

Waitaki played enterprising football in the second spell, and early reduced their deficit when they scored a splendid converted try—Southland 9, Waitaki 8. Waitaki attacked for most of the spell, but solid tackling by the Southland backs and an extremely efficient cover defence provided by fast-moving groups of forwards, enabled Southland to retain the lead. A feature of the game was O'Brien's hooking against a heavier pack.

v. KINGS.

The First XV travelled to Dunedin and played Kings on 24th July. Conditions were perfect, and the game was played at a fast pace.

The Southland team, playing in new conditions took time to settle down. When they had settled down, they found themselves at a six point deficit—two penalty goals. Late in the half, Anderson dashed strongly up midfield to cross for a good individualist try. Pickard converted. Half-time score—Kings 6, Southland 5.

In the second half infringements were frequent and slowed play up considerably. Kings scored an excellent converted try and led 11-5. Pickard kicked a well-judged penalty to make the score 11-8. To even the score Southland worked the best movement of the game. Sands drifted through an opening for forwards and backs to handle, Ritchie touching down. Desperate efforts were made by the Southland team to force a win in the final ten minutes, but they could not cross the line, and the game ended 11 all. McKenzie was outstanding in the line outs, as was Christie in the tight, and Wilson on defence.

v. TIMARU.

Playing at Timaru, the First XV suffered its first school defeat of the season, losing 11-14, after being down 3-14 at half time.

Southland attacked with short passing rushes from the kick off, narrowly missing a try. But Timaru swung into action and registered 11 quick points. At this stage Timaru were on top, back and forward—the Southland team's showing was disappointing. However, Southland staged a rally. Ritchie raced down the touch line and passed in to Muirhead who scored. Timaru concluded the first half with another try, making the score 14-3.

With the resumption of play the Southland forwards played with new vim. Showing more cohesion in the tight, and playing more as a pack, they held a distinct territorial advantage. Unfortunately, the backs did not take complete advantage of the forwards' work. Pickard kicked a good penalty. Southland kept on the pressure, and McKenzie bullocked his way through the defence for a try, converted by Pickard. Southland 11, Timaru 14.

Pickard saved when a Timaru attack looked dangerous, and right on time, Wilson took a kick at goal which fell short and the game ended with Timaru taking the honours. Bridgman did a very heavy day's work in the tight.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

The 1947 second fifteen was equally strong, if not stronger than the previous year's team. However, after the first six games they had lost no fewer than six players, all of whom were promoted to the first fifteen. Two of these players, Sands and Ritchie, played only two games, and so Mr Tuck's greatest problem was to keep a good combination.

The fourth grade competition was of a higher standard than usual, and after drawing with the winners and defeating the runners-up, the school team finished third—five points behind the winners. The Waitaki fifteen was defeated after a very hard struggle. The forwards, led by Preddy and Menzies in the tight, and Walker and Singleton in the loose, just shaded their opponents, while the backs played an excellent defensive game. In the Gore game, however, such was not the case. The forwards did not pack, and a lack of understanding between the half-back and the inside five-eighth, combined with indifferent handling, were the principal factors in their defeat. The final score was 20-10.

Mill as full-back was quite promising, but his positional play was frequently at fault. Blanchard was more adapted to the full-back position, although he gave several sound displays as an inside back. Swale and McPhee both improved greatly, as did Balloch who later was promoted to the first fifteen. W. Reid was by far the most dangerous back on attack, scoring both the tries against Gore, (one after a 75 yard run) and three against the Technical College, but his positional play left much to be desired. Geddes and Faul were adequate as five-eighths, and Drummond, the half-back, was the most consistent member of the team.

Menzies was the best all-round forward. Preddy, the team's captain worked hard in the tight, and was a fine leader. Malcolm and Toogood were excellent locks, while Bird, the back-row forward played quite well. Bird, however, is still inclined to play too loose. Walker, as the line-out forward, also played well in the loose. His play proved invaluable, and he was admirably assisted by Singleton. Fraser and Croad, the two remaining front-row forwards improved with every game, and they completed an excellent pack of hard-working forwards.

The team is once again indebted to Mr Tuck who devoted much of his time to coaching the second fifteen.

FIFTH GRADE A.

The Fifth Grade A team again won their competition this year, but very narrowly, by one point from Pirates. The team won 13 of its 15 matches, and scored 311 points to its opponents 40.

With only Alabaster and Bridgman back from last year's team, we had some difficulty in sorting out a suitable combination and lost the first match of the season while experimenting. However, the team quickly settled down against rather weak opposition, and was playing really well by the middle of the season. Here unfortunately, there were some breaks because of byes and postponements, and the team, on resumption never really took up again where it had left off. The difficulty was always to find a good centre. There was none about, and Harland, who is really a wing, went through the season at centre; but then the trouble was to find wings who could stay with him. The fact that

he scored 23 of the team's 78 tries, while Rout, the best wing scored 16, illustrates this point. Consequently the attack tended to go more up the centre of the field. This called for support from the forwards, and by the end of the season they had developed this so well that they had scored 26 tries. (The three-quarters scored 41, and the five-eighths 7.) This in-and-out play between forwards and backs was beautifully worked against Tech., to the tune of 55-0; but the classic try of the season was Rout's against Pirates. In the second spell of a hard slogging game, with no score, we heeled the ball, Ballantyne threw it out through the chain, Millar and Harland worked a scissors, Millar coming round again to make an overlap and send Rout away with 40 yards to go and a good full-back to beat. This he did beautifully in copybook fashion, turning in to check the full-back, then swerving out around him, and leaving him vainly stretched at full-length on the ground. That try really won us the competition.

The spade work, of course, was always done by the forwards. They packed very well always, in fact they were better in the tight than in the loose, and were never dominated in any game. In the middle of the season, in the mud, they dribbled well, and later, when the ground was drier, they helped themselves to the plums in the open. Their tackling and chasing were their weakest points; they seldom hustled the opposition backs and in the curtain-raiser at Rugby Park to the Otago Shield match, while they packed and rucked splendidly, they neglected their other jobs in the open. However, in their primary job as packmen they were intelligent and hardworking. Alabaster led them magnificently, both by example and by word. He was in everything, often more than once, and scored 7 tries. Millar developed into a very useful goal kicker, and put on 71 points with his boot.

On the whole, the team played good football, and one was lucky if one saw at the Park in the afternoon football of as good quality as the Fifth Grade A team had played at School in the morning.

The team was as follows :—Forwards : J. C. Alabaster (captain), J. Tresidder, Strathern, McCrostie, N. Smith, R. Tuffery, W. Bridgman, R. Keast, A. Levett (sometimes). Backs : W. Ballantyne, T. Short, A. Millar, H. Harland, D. Rout, W. Webb, R. Hannon and R. Levett (other times).

SIXTH GRADE.

Last year the Sixth Grade competition was played on Saturday mornings, and this represented the last stage in the long struggle for recognition by the Rugby Union. School entered only one team, a strong one, and it had a very successful season, winning their competition with an unbeaten record, scoring 238 points and having only 27 points scored against them. Their line was crossed 6 times in 13 games.

The forwards, ably led by Lavery, were the best in the competition, but the backs lacked cohesion necessary for a really efficient back line, for the inside backs were too prone to go on their own. There was not much between the two top teams (School, Marist and Tec.), but School always held its own, winning all games except one, when it drew with Tec., A, neither side scoring. The team played Technical A on Rugby Park as a curtain-raiser for the Otago—Southland Boys' High Schools match; winning 8-nil.

A. Bell, at first five-eighth, and Church as full-back, were the best of the backs, the former being elusive on attack and invaluable on defence. Church left half-way through the season, and M. L. Watson, also a good full-back, took his place. Harrington was also an elusive player, but as a five-eighth he held the ball too much, and in consequence the wings, Fotheringham and Cowie, received few chances to show their paces. Later, when played as a wing, Harrington developed into a dangerous attacking back, and Cowie too received more opportunities. Cox, Dyet and Lowery were fast-breaking forwards and were good line-out men, while R. Bell, Bassett and Mortimer worked hard in the rucks. Sly, Fotheringham and Lavery were good goal-kickers for the side.

The team was as follows :—Church, Cowie, Sly, Fotheringham, Harrington, A. Bell, Harper, Mortimer, Pierce, Cox, Dyet, Bassett, R. Bell, Lavery (captain), Rea.

During the season Dyet, Church and Fotheringham left, and were replaced by Beadle, a front-row forward, M. L. Watson, a full-back, and Payne, a good centre.

A seven-a-side team consisting of Mortimer, Cox, Bassett, Payne, Harrington, Bell, Sly and Cowie (captain) won the 6th Grade seven-a-side tournament, defeating Pirates, Tec. A, and Marist.

SEVENTH GRADE.

To replace the 6th Grade competition, which had been formerly played on Tuesdays, an inter-school 7th Grade competition was held on Tuesday afternoons, three school teams being entered. Much was expected from the A team, for several 6th Graders turned out for them, including Bell, Payne and M. L. Watson. They lost twice to Marist, however, and once to Tec A, drawing with the School B team.

Preddy and Burns were the best forwards, while in the backs the 6th Graders, with D. Alabaster, half-back and captain, and A. Watson, a strong-running winger, were the most consistent.

The B team captained by G. Alabaster, improved as the season progressed. They drew with School A, lost twice to Tec A, but held Marist admirably. The forwards were good, with L. Smith and Rance predominant, while the best backs were Alabaster, Brocket a centre, and Grose, a fast wing.

The C team lost all games except one, which they drew. It was a light team, captained by P. Prebble, lightest of all. The backs had little combination, but the forwards, led by Roff and Burtenshaw, were of fair ability, while Leadbetter and Redpath were the best backs. The young players in this team gained much useful experience for the future.



Cricket Notes

By E. K. Geddes.

The 1946 season has seen the departure of Gilbertson, Agnew, Jones and Robinson but most of the veterans returned to help or hinder the side. W. B. Bridgman, Gibson, I. D. Payne, Pickard and Watson have risen to fill the gaps and have all settled down well.

Payne, McKenzie, Wilson, Pickard, Gilchrist and Alabaster were the most consistent batsmen. Payne has an easy yet forceful stroke which scores readily from both back and front foot—indeed without his contribution to the innings total many of the scores would have looked very small. Playing forward mostly G. A. Wilson made many good stands and with a little more concentration on defence could be a hard man to shift. Gilchrist played a much improved game towards the end of the season and his hook-shot became a consistent scorer. Alabaster and Pickard were changed to the opening pair, and whether the reason for the transformation was psychological or not is hard to say, but the changed batting position turned each one from an indifferent batsman to a competent all-stroke player—they really looked like an opening pair.

McKenzie showed little of his scoring form, but when the bowling was to his liking he showed that he could still produce cricket up to the standard of his last seasons performances. Watson, I. D. Payne and Gibson who rose to the firsts at the start of the third term have all shown the ability to score and have put up some good individual totals. Muir has scored no big totals as yet, but he is fast improving. He has taken some good catches. With a quicker, and more frequent movement of his feet Bridgman could be a dangerous batsman. He bowls a steady turning ball. In the first term, Geddes was showing much-improved form, and it is unfortunate he could not play in the third term owing to a football injury.

The stock bowlers, Wilson and Gilchrist, had a very successful season. Replacing Agnew as the fast bowler, Wilson was treated with respect, perhaps too much to get the results Gilchrist achieved as the medium spin bowler of the team. Alabaster as the slow bowler improved towards the end of the season and troubled the opposition a great deal. Payne as the best all-rounder was the chief change bowler with a ball that was always accurate and steady.

The team has performed well up to the usual high standard of play set by past XI's, losing only two games for the season completed. Once again, thanks to Mr Pickard for his invaluable coaching and continual interest.

Payne anticipating Hammond, won the toss and asked his opponents to bat under what looked to be ideal conditions. His theory worked, Kings had 3 down for 36 and later 5 down for 49. It is hard to say just how this happened. Our bowling deserved and got careful treatment, but the King's batsmen were not obviously distressed. They would come in, play a few comfortable shots, and go out. Payne took a smart catch, Robinson very briskly ran Shiels out, Wilson and Gilchrist bowled steadily. Then Patterson and West played themselves in and took the score gently along to 88. The fielding was not loose, the batsmen were not aggressive, they just kept on staying in and at lunch found they had added 42 runs. After lunch we climbed back on top, five successive maidens were bowled, then Gilchrist rapidly took the remaining five wickets for 17 runs, and Kings were all out for 109. Asked to account for his success Gilchrist said, "The breeze moved around a bit".

This comparatively small total was made to look much bigger when Wilson was bowled third ball, Robinson edged one into slips (brilliantly snapped up by Templeton) and Jones tried to scoop a straight one round to leg. Three down for 15. Meanwhile at the other end Pickard coolly watched this disaster and continued with his innings as an opening bat should. Payne came in and slammed the door hard in the bowlers' face. These two batted with determination and finally when Payne's patience deserted him, they had added 38 runs. In the cold breeze Kings' fielding lost its edge, and while Gilchrist and Pickard overhauled their total, they continued rather forlornly to chase the ball. Pickard's was the sixth wicket to fall. He had looked the most like a batsman showing fine concentration. Gilchrist and Alabaster carried the score past 109 and the side finally scored 127. It was rather a patchy performance with three ducks.

The Kings' openers, Page and Bray, defended stubbornly for the remaining half-hour, and resumed the next morning with a most watchful defence, pushing the ball resolutely back to the bowler. After 50 minutes play Bray who had added 8 to his overnight score was caught and bowled by Gilchrist and the board read 1 for 35. Geddes snatched the next wicket, taking an unbelievable dive catch at square leg, and a little later Kings had three down for 46. So far so good, but the next wicket fell at 135, Page and Cunningham defying everything that Payne and even McKenzie could think of. By lunch they had crept to 97 but straight afterwards they opened out vigorously, and the other followed their lead. The bowlers appeared helpless, four followed four and when Kings declared with 5 down for 228, the last 130 runs had been scored in 95 minutes. Cunningham made an excellent 85 not out. The only one who did not share in the general weakness was Gilchrist—he took 3 for 50 off 30 overs.

At 3 p.m. Pickard and Alabaster went to the wickets to make a start with the job of scoring 211 runs in 2½ hours. They carefully played themselves in, but as time went on our hopes of getting the runs became remote—the playing-in process lasted too long.

Alabaster batted 50 minutes for 11, Pickard 70 minutes for 32. And two ducks occurred, 3 for 34. Payne again came to the wickets at a nervous moment, but he and Pickard made light of the difficulties, and our hopes lifted. Jones replaced Pickard, the merry pace continued and the thing again looked possible, but at 65 Jones was brilliantly snatched up in slips, Templeton making his second flashing dive-catch. Payne realising now that it would be impossible to get the runs in time withdrew his heavy artillery and contented himself with a light defiant Bren. Just before time he went out after scoring 51. Kings, eager for a quick collapse, were running to their change-over positions in the field, but the seconds they saved were of no avail and at "time" we still had two wickets in hand. It was an honourable draw, but if the points go to the side that looked least like defeat, they must be awarded to Kings.

1st XI v. KINGS.

KINGS
1st Innings

G. W. Page b Wilson	9
G. Bray c and b Payne	7
I. Shiels run out	13
H. Templeton c Wilson b Robinson	5
J. Cunningham b Payne	9
M. W. West b Gilchrist	15
G. A. Patterson not out	39
P. M. Sim c McKenzie b Gilchrist	2
L. L. Lucas b Gilchrist	0
W. F. Edgar b Gilchrist	0
J. W. Hargreaves c Muir b Gilchrist	2
Extras	8
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	109

Bowling—

A. Gilchrist	5 for 17
W. A. Payne	2 for 16
G. A. Wilson	1 for 25
P. T. Robinson	1 for 13

KINGS

2nd Innings

G. W. Page	54
G. Bray c and b Gilchrist	13
I. Shiels c Geddes b Payne	6
H. Templeton lbw b Payne	4
G. Cunningham not out	85
G. A. Patterson c and b Gilchrist	16
M. W. West not out	23
Extras	27
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Total for 5 wickets Declared 228

Bowling—

A. Gilchrist	3 for 30
W. A. Payne	2 for 17

SOUTHLAND

1st Innings	
G. A. Wilson b Cunningham	0
J. H. Pickard lbw b Cunningham	34
P. J. Robinson c Templeton b Edgar	2
M. A. Jones b Edgar	3
G. S. McKenzie c Lucas b Edgar	7
W. A. Payne b Edgar	23
A. Gilchrist lbw b Cunningham	26
K. E. Geddes c Templeton b Cunningham	0
J. C. Alabaster c Page b Cunningham	13
G. Muir b Cunningham	0
W. B. Bridgman not out	6
Extras	13
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127

Bowling—

J. Cunningham	6 for 46
W. F. Edgar	4 for 45

SOUTHLAND

2nd Innings	
J. H. Pickard c Cunningham b Bray	32
G. Alabaster b Cunningham	11
P. J. Robinson lbw b Bray	0
G. S. McKenzie b Bray	0
W. A. Payne b Bray	51
A. Gilchrist b Bray	5
G. A. Wilson b Edgar	6
M. A. Jones c Templeton b Cunningham	14
K. E. Geddes not out	7
G. Muir not out	0
Extras	4
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Total for eight wickets 130

Bowling—

G. Bray	5 for 20
J. Cunningham	2 for 16
W. G. Edgar	1 for 14

2nd XI.

M. B. Harrington the captain was the best all-rounder of the side. He was a forceful left-hand batsman, having an average of 12 runs. Though he excelled in the hook-shot, at times he was inclined to be impetuous. As the main fast bowler, he bowled extremely well taking 45 wickets at an average of 5.5 runs per wicket.

T. H. Pickard increased his pace to good effect taking a majority of wickets until his promotion to the 1st XI. He batted attractively with a wide range of strokes. By far the most consistant bat in the team was B. Gibson, with a beautiful on drive and

showing signs of becoming a better than average medium paced bowler. G. K. Sands being able to break both ways was the stock slow bowler of the side, taking 30 wickets at a very low cost. D. Watson and L. P. Bell proved a most valuable opening pair, Watson having an excellent average of 30 runs. N. F. Smith kept wickets in a competent manner, and G. Moir showed up as a steady batsman who could take wickets with his left-hand slow spin bowling.

3rd Grade A.

This team has had a very successful season, leading in the competition without the loss of a game. The most consistent batsmen in the team have been G. B. Sheehy, G. Gordon, L. T. Pearce, P. Beadle and C. G. Johnson. Sheehy and Gordon have both topped the 50 mark while the others have scored consistently good figures. Beadle, a first year shows promise—a good bat, and the best fielder combined with his being a useful change bowler make him one of the best all-rounders in the team. The stock bowlers are Sheehy, Gordon and J. G. Mortimer with Sheehy having taken 30 wickets for 83 runs in 4 games. Another promising player is S. G. Dryden who with practice should develop into a good slow bowler.

3rd Grade B.

This is a team composed mainly of young players who show a great deal of promise. So far Pierce, Sly and Fraser have borne the brunt of the bowling with Sly gaining the outstanding figures of 30 wickets for 97 runs, including the hat-trick which he took in his first game. The best batting performance so far has also gone to Sly who has an average of 19.2 runs. Other batsmen who have shown the ability to score are Fraser, Rance, Roff and Harper, the first two being the fastest scorers when runs are required in a hurry.

3rd Grade C.

With the season nearing its end and five matches played the team has given a very good account of itself, having had 3 four point wins and 2 two point losses. The fielding of this team was very poor, and there was room for ample improvement. Of the batsmen, Ferguson and Forbes were the most consistent while Blomfield, Lavery and Slater deserve credit for the effort they put into their cricket. Lavery and Blomfield were the stock bowlers being a little more steady than Ferguson and Eastlake the two change bowlers. The best performances were Eastlake's 5 wickets for 2 runs and Ferguson's 68 not out.

COLTS TEAM.

The Colts began the season in the Junior B Grade and after two narrow losses won their next three games fairly comfortably—these included wins over the 2nd XI and the competition winners, Georgetown. The two best batting averages were those of Bradley and Payne with 17.25 and 14 respectively. Of the bowlers Bell and Payne were the most successful. Bell took 16 wickets for 62 runs while Payne finished with 9 for 9. Watson was a very efficient wicket-keeper and at the end of the season he and Payne were promoted to the 1st XI, their places being taken by Broad and Redpath. Jenkins became captain and Bell vice-captain for the remainder of the season. With the departure of Mr Hobson we have to thank Mr Dakin for his interest in the coaching of this team.

Baseball

By M. B. Harrington.

The "Big Ball Game" is rapidly assuming a place of prominence among the summer sports of Southland. The game has been well fostered at the School with the result that the two teams entered in the Invercargill competition performed with considerable success. What was wrong, however, was that many players failed to take the game seriously enough with the result that much ragged play was seen and many of the finer points of the game were not fully appreciated. As yet there is no junior competition to hold the interest of the younger enthusiasts.

Muirhead, Anderson, Harrington and Preddy were all that remained of the 1946 team and it was around these that the nucleus of the new team was built. Watson and Bell, two new players, proved themselves to be able out-fields although their batting showed room for improvement. Muirhead, the captain, pitched accurately and with speed but was unable to maintain pace for any length of time. Anderson used his head at backstop and was the most consistent run-getter in the team. Harrington, while performing well on first base was not the most reliable of bats. Preddy, second base, and Singleton, third base, were both sound without being outstanding. Christie, while a sound fielder was rather disappointing as a batsman. Walker and Muir were both very good fielders.

The team finished third in the 1946-47 season behind Old Boys and Marist, two older and more experienced teams. With four games played in the 1947-48 season the team has a record of three wins and one loss.

School	24	Marist	9
School	8	George Poole's	17
School	5	Old Boys	12
School	41	Calder Mackays	13

The team was as follows :—L. J. Muirhead (captain), R. E. Anderson, M. B. Harrington, S. G. Preddy, K. E. Singleton, M. W. Christie, D. Watson, L. P. Bell, R. D. Walker, J. W. Muir.

B TEAM

This group had the makings of a good team but the indifference of the players to turning out on Saturday mornings resulted in some disappointing performances. With a regular practice they might well have made their presence in the competition more keenly felt.

McKnight as captain, did his best to build up the team. He is inclined to sky the ball when taking strike. Hannon was a good all-rounder but his attendance was irregular. Ellis and O'Brien both batted well while Drummond was the best out-field in the side. Third term results were:—

School	40	Borstal	25
School	34	Marist	35
School	20	Panthers	32

The B team consisted of :—R. W. McKnight (captain), R. M. Hannon, A. J. Ellis, M. A. Hillstead, Knight, N. A. O'Brien, W. K. Drummond, K. R. McKenzie, R. G. Brass, B. Strathern.

Swimming and Life Saving

These activities have prospered during the year under Mr Tuck's leadership and with the enthusiastic co-operation of the School's swimmers. Once again we have won provincial and national championships to a stimulating extent while members of the School carried out valuable duties with the Oreti Surf Club on those occasions when beach patrols were needed to ensure the safety of the crowds enjoying the salt sea waves.

Life-Saving awards of the year were:

Intermediate : J. C. Blackmore.

Bronze Medallion : R. M. Hannon, G. A. Wilson, W. B. Bridgman, A. E. Croad, M. J. Imlay, J. B. Blomfield, D. M. Rout, C. J. Macdonald, P. H. Preddy, M. Fairweather, R. G. Wood, G. Price, E. C. Morton.

First Bar to Bronze : R. M. Hannon, D. M. Rout, G. K. Sands, A. K. Rogerson.

Second Bar to Bronze : K. M. Davidson, G. W. Knight.

Bronze Cross : G. A. Wilson, D. M. Rout, R. M. Hannon, K. M. Davidson, A. K. Rogerson, G. W. Knight.

First Class Instructor : K. M. Davidson, A. K. Rogerson, G. W. Knight.

The Sports were held in the tepid baths on Thursday, March 20, when a long programme was disposed of in rapid time. In spite of the undoubtedly quality of many of the performers, the times recorded were not what was expected while some of the fields were on the small side. A large number of boys took part, however, and the afternoon was an enjoyable one in every way. The results were as follows:

HANDICAP EVENTS

33 1-3 Yards Junior.—A. Grade : P. Robins 1, B. Cockroft 2, B. Bradley 3. Time, 21 1-5. B Grade: First heat: I. Fraser 1, E. Morton 2, J. Mortimer 3. Time, 21sec. Second heat: R. Stewart 1, W. McKnight 2, R. Smith 3. Time, 24 2-5. Final: Fraser 1, McKnight 2, Stewart 3. Time, 21sec. C. Grade: First heat: E. Perry 1, J. Valli 2, S. Slater 3. Time, 24 4-5. Second heat: N. Brocket 1, C. Jensen 2, M. Farley 3. Time, 24 1-5. Final: Brocket 1, Jensen 2, Perry 3. Time, 24sec.

33 1-3 Yards Senior.—A. Grade : D. Turnbull 1, G. MacIndoe 2, R. Webb 3. Time, 20sec. B. Grade: First heat: A. Croad 1, D. Anderson 2, B. Helm 3. Time, 23sec. Second heat: J. Blackmore 1, G. Pope 2, A. Lange 3. Time, 20 3-5. Third heat : D. Rout 1, I. Wright 2, J. Alabaster 3. Time, 21 3-5. Final: Croad 1, Rout 2, Wright 3. Time, 24 4-5. C Grade: First heat: K. Singleton 1, R. Robins 2, J. Preston 3. Time 21sec. Second heat: White-Parsons 1, McKnight 2, R. Blanchard 3. Time, 20 3-5. Third heat: C. Johnson 1, A. McLean 2, A. Gilchrist 3. Time, 22sec. Final: Robins 1, Singleton 2, Johnson 3. Time, 23 3-5.

Novice Dive : W. Bridgman (22pts) 1, D. Watson (17pts) and R. Webb (17pts) second equal.

66 2-3 Yards Junior Freestyle : R. Murray 1, P. Robins 2, D. Rea 3. Time, 47 2-5.

66 2-3 Yards Open—A Grade : B. Helm 1, A. Croad 2, K. Rogerson 3. Time, 51 4-5. B Grade: I. Wright 1, G. Pope 2, A. Lange 3. Time, 52.

33 1-3 Yards Third Form—A Grade : R. Smith and P. Preddy first equal, C. Macdonald 3. Time, 19sec. B Grade: A. Wilson 1, C. Jensen 2, A. Henderson 3. Time, 24 2-5. C Grade: S. Harper 1. Time, 37 4-5.

50 Yards Junior Breaststroke : Murray 1, M. Fairweather 2, M. Hamilton 3.

50 Yards Open Breaststroke : G. Wilson 1, J. Tresidder 2, D. Rout 3. Time, 41 1-5.

Ribbon Dive : R. Anderson 1, R. Webb 2, K. Singleton 3.

50 Yards Junior Backstroke : C. Macdonald 1, R. Wood 2, A. Smith 3. Time, 38sec.

50 Yards Open Backstroke : H. Harland 1, K. Rogerson 2, P. Neilson 3. Time, 34 2-5.

Inter-House Relay : Blue 1, School 2, Red 3.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

50 Yards Freestyle : H. Harland 1, K. Rogerson 2, J. Francis 3. Time, 31 1-5secs.

100 Yards Freestyle : K. Rogerson 1, H. Harland 2, J. Francis 3. Time, 70 3-5secs.

220 Yards Freestyle : K. Rogerson 1, K. Davidson 2, J. Smith 3. Time, 2mins 54secs.

440 Yards Freestyle : K. Rogerson 1. Time, 6mins 19secs.

Dive : R. Hannon 1, J. Smith and J. Francis equal 2.

50 Yards Backstroke : H. Harland 1, J. Francis 2, J. Tresidder 3. Time, 34 3-5secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke : K. Davidson 1, G. Wilson 2, R. Hannon 3. Time, 42secs.

Senior Champion : K. Rogerson.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

50 Yards Freestyle : O. Woodham 1, R. Murray 2, P. Preddy 3. No time taken.

100 Yards Freestyle : O. Woodham 1, R. Murray 2, M. Fairweather 3. Time, 72 2-5secs.

220 Yards Freestyle : O. Woodham 1, R. Murray 2. Time, 3mins 14secs.

Dive : P. Preddy 1, O. Woodham 2, C. Macdonald 3.

50 Yards Backstroke : C. Macdonald 1, P. Preddy 2. Time, 40 2-5secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke : R. Murray 1, M. Fairweather 2, C. Macdonald 3. Time, 44secs.

Junior Champion : O. Woodham,

Athletic Sports, 1947

Organized and run for the first time fully under the conditions now imposed, the Sports were a great success as a busy spectacle of consistently large fields followed on in a programme which occupied the whole day. The changes made are simple but very effective: instead of having championship and handicap races or events in which the handicap represents the effort made to bring the competitors to an equality at the tape, all events were divided into grades from A to D. Seniors, Intermediates and Juniors were all placed under this system and by a good deal of careful preliminary investigation, Mr Page allotted all competitors to their grades or otherwise helped them to find their own level. The result was that all the usual, laborious, hit-or-miss handicapping was avoided and the A grades in each section—Senior, Intermediate or Junior—represented the championship class. It is unlikely that anyone will ever wish to return to the older method.

A new record was made by N. F. Smith in the 880 yards intermediate which he ran in 2mins. 10secs. reducing the existing figures by $3\frac{1}{2}$ secs. K. W. Ritchie equalled K. F. M. Uttley's 1931 record of 16 4-5 for the 120 yards hurdles while R. B. Hoffman seemed certain to break the high jump record but failed by about one-quarter of an inch.

The relay races were held on a man-sized scale with a large number of runners representing the Whites, the Blues, the Reds or School (red, white and blue), and the race at some stages was reminiscent of the same event in the swimming sports where there seem to be racing bodies everywhere.

The results of all events are as follows:

OPEN

One Mile : A Grade : N. F. Smith 1, J. S. Brass 2, R. G. R. Moon 3. Time, 4mins. 58 4-5secs. B Grade : A. E. Levett 1, G. K. Sands 2, W. B. Bridgman 3. Time, 5mins. 2 4-5secs. C Grade : J. Mark 1, K. A. Willocks 2, M. A. Hillstead 3. Time, 5mins. 32secs. D Grade : R. McEwen 1, B. C. Roff 2, H. D. King 3. Time, 5mins. 44secs.

Our teams chosen to compete in the Schools' Championships at Oamaru did not distinguish themselves. Waitaki made a clean sweep of the three shields, our most notable contribution coming from N. F. Smith, who set a new intermediate record of 2mins. 6 2-5secs.

The following were the Southland placings:

Senior—880 yards, R. Brass 2; High Jump—K. W. Ritchie 1, R. B. Hoffman 2, 5ft 3in.; Mile Relay—Southland 2. Intermediate—220 yards, H. Harland 2, D. Turnbull 3; Broad Jump—K. Sellars 3; High Jump—G. S. McKenzie 3; 100 yards—K. Sellars 3; 880 yards—N. F. Smith 1, 2.6 3-5; 880 yards Relay—Southland 3. Junior—440 yards, R. Lamb 3; 440 yards Relay—Southland 3.

SENIOR

100 Yards—A Grade : R. B. Hoffman (R) 1, K. W. Ritchie (R) 2, R. G. Balloch (R) 3. Time, 10 4-5sec. B Grade : L. Lowery (B) 1, E. Henry (W) 2, W. K. Drummond (B) 3. Time, 12sec. C Grade : A. Naylor (S) 1, R. T. Blanchard (W) 2, J. White-Parsons (R) 3. Time, 12 4-5sec. D Grade : M. Imlay (S) 1, G. Haase (S) 2, R. Thompson (B) 3. Time, 12sec.

220 Yards—A Grade : R. B. Hoffman (R) 1, R. G. Balloch (R) 2, — Reid (R) 3. Time, 25sec. B Grade : T. Pickard (B) 1, L. Lowery (B) 2, M. R. Reeve (B) 3. Time, 26 2-5sec. C Grade : A. Naylor (S) 1, Irving 2, W. S. McPhee (B) 3. Time, 27sec. D Grade : M. Imlay (S) 1, G. Haase (S) 2, R. Thompson (B) 3. Time, 27sec.

440 Yards—A Grade : M. Johnson (S) 1, W. Reid (R) 2, K. Singleton (B) 3. Time, 56 2-5sec. B Grade : R. W. Bridgman (B) 1, M. Faul (R) 2, H. Irving (W) 3. Time, 61 4-5sec. C Grade : Naylor (S) 1, I. Haase (S) 2, A. M. O'Brien (B) 3. Time, 60sec.

880 Yards—A Grade : R. Brass (S) 1, D. W. Anderson (R) 2, Bridgman 3. Time, 2.11. B and C grades : T. Toogood (W) 1, A. Gilchrist (B) 2, J. W. Muir (B) 3. Time, 2.21 1-5.

120 Yards Hurdles—A Grade : K. W. Ritchie (R) 1, G. A. Wilson (W) 2. Time, 16 4-5sec.

Long Jump—A Grade : W. Walker (S) and G. A. Wilson (W) equal 1, R. G. Balloch (R) 3. Distance, 18ft 4in. B Grade : R. E. Anderson (B) 1, L. Muirhead (B) 2, J. Keach (W) 3. Distance, 17ft 3in.

High Jump—A Grade : K. W. Ritchie (R) and R. B. Hoffman (R) equal 1, Walker 3. Height, 5ft 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. B Grade : A. Chandler (B) 1, A. Lange (R) 2, M. Jones (R) 3. Height, 4ft 9in.

Shot Putt (open)—A Grade : W. Reid (R) 1, W. Walker (S) 2, G. S. McKenzie (B) 3. Distance, 35ft 11in. B Grade : A. McMullan (W) 1, R. E. Anderson (S) 2, J. Muirhead (B) 3. Distance, 31ft 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. C Grade : Faul 1, M. R. Reeve (R) 2, N. Tufrey (B) 3. Distance, 30ft 1in. D Grade : B. Gibson (W) 1, Capitanas (R) 2, L. Bell (S) 3. Distance, 23ft 7in.

64-A-Side Relay, 110 yards each runner (open).—Red House 1, Blue House 2, School House 3, White House 4. Time, 15.2.

INTERMEDIATE

100 Yards—A Grade : K. Sellars (S) 1, H. Harland (B) 2, D. Turnbull (R) 3. Time, 11sec. B Grade : A. C. Fraser (S) 1, B. B. Helm (S) 2, L. S. Church (B) 3. Time, 12sec. C Grade : T. Stout (R) 1, N. K. Smith (B) 2, G. Macindoe (B) 3. Time, 12 3-5sec. D Grade : H. R. Cowie (R) 1, G. Vickery (S) 2, Smythe 3. Time, 13secs.

220 Yards—A Grade : H. Harland (B) 1, D. Turnbull (R) 2, G. S. McKenzie (B) 3. Time, 26sec. B Grade : J. Petrie (B) 1, S. F. Noble (W) 2, M. Harrington (R) 3. C Grade : G. Sutherland (S) 1, B. Helm (S) 2, M. A. McMillan (W) 3. Time, 28 1-5sec. D Grade : G. Haase (S) 1, R. A. Matheson (S) 2, H. R. Cowie (R) 3. Time, 28 4-5sec.

440 Yards—A Grade : G. E. Moir (B) 1, R. G. Moon (S) 2, A. C. Levett (W) 3. Time, 59 1-5sec. B Grade : R. K. Cloughley (W) 1, J. Petrie (B) 2, G. Templeton (W) 3. Time, 60 3-5sec. C Grade : A. E. Croad (S) 1, T. Stout (R) 2, N. Tuffery (B) 3. Time, 62 4-5sec. D Grade : A. Aylwood (B) 1, Burtenshaw (R) 2, R. A. Matheson (S) 3. Time, 64 2-5sec.

880 Yards—A Grade : N. F. Smith (B) 1, R. G. Moon (S) 2, A. E. Levett (W) 3. Time, 2.10—a record. B Grade : A. E. Croad (S) 1, T. P. Short (R) 2, E. G. Tresidder (W) 3. Time, 2.25. C Grade : W. T. Ballantyne (S) 1, Bird 2, Fotheringham (R) 3. Time, 2.26 2-5. D Grade : J. G. Mark (R) 1, S. F. McLauchlan (S) 2, J. Francis (R) 3. Time, 2.13 3-5.

90 Yards Hurdles—A Grade : G. S. McKenzie (B) 1, D. M. Rout (R) 2. Time, 13 2-5sec. B Grade : K. Davidson (S) 1, G. A. Pope (S) 2. Time, 15 4-5sec.

High Jump—A Grade : J. S. McKenzie (B) and T. Turnbull (R) equal 1, K. Sellars (S) 3. Distance 4ft 11in. B Grade : J. Rutherford (R) 1, Tresidder 2, K. Davidson (S) 3. Height, 4ft 6¾in.

Long Jump : K. Sellar 1, D. M. Rout 2, R. G. R. Moon 3. Distance—17ft. 10ins.

JUNIOR

100 Yards—A Grade : J. Cochrane (B) 1, B. R. Ferguson (S) 2, P. Robins (W) 3. Time, 11 4-5sec. B Grade : D. J. Brewer (R) 1, M. F. Mason (R) 2, J. Clark (B) 3. Time, 12 2-5sec. C Grade : G. W. Harrington (R) 1, H. Eastwood (R) 2, P. Preddy (S) 3. Time, 12 3-5sec. D Grade : Fraser 1, F. Scott (W) 3. Time, 13 1-5sec.

220 Yards—A Grade : T. R. Ferguson (S) 1, O. Woodham (S) 2, T. B. Butson (W) 3. Time, 27 2-5sec. B Grade : D. J. Brewer (R) 1, M. F. Mason (R) 2, R. Matheson (R) 3. Time, 28 1-5sec. C Grade : C. Geddes (S) 1, D. E. Boyd (W) 2, B. J. McConville (W) 3. Time, 29 4-5sec. D Grade : G. W. Harrington (R) 1, Sly (B) 2, J. Falconer (B) 3. Time, 29 3-5sec.

440 Yards—A Grade : L. J. Lamb (B) 1, E. Sutherland (W) 2, H. M. Sands (B) 3. Time, 62 3-5sec. B Grade : R. Matheson (R) 1, M. F. Mason (R) 2, Gardner 3. Time, 63 3-5sec.

80 Yards Hurdles—A Grade : T. Cochrane (B) 1, D. C. Clark (B) 2. Time, 13sec. B grade : G. Preddy (S) 1, S. Harper (R) 2, A. A. Andrews (W) 3. Time, 14sec. C Grade : O. Beadle (S) 1, J. H. Potter (W) 2. Time, 14 2-5sec. D Grade : I. Cumming (B) 1, H. F. Ferguson (R) 2, Scott 3. Time, 13 3-5sec.

880 Yards—A Grade : B. Bradley (W) 1, Shand (B) 2, M. K. Brown (W) 3. Time, 2.29 3-5. C. Grade : M. Watson (W) 1, L. Crimp (W) 2, Rendel (B) 3. Time, 2.30. D Grade : D. Kelaher (B) 1, D. J. McRae (R) 2, B. C. Roff (B) 3. Time, 2.32 2-5.

High Jump—C Grade : M. Fairweather (W) 1, L. Wilson (W) 2, G. H. Smith (B) 3. Height, 4ft. 4in.

Long Jump—A Grade : J. Cochrane (S) 1, R. Matheson (R) 2, A. M. Sellars (W) 3. Distance, 15ft 9in. B Grade : D. T. Gross (S) 1, S. Forbes (W) 2, I. R. Dunlop (R) and W. R. Andrews (W) equal 3. Distance, 14ft 0½in. C Grade : R. Jordan (S) and C. McD. Macdonald (B) 1, K. G. Slocombe (W) 3. Distance, 13ft 9in. D Grade : T. Cumming (B) 1, A. Bartlett (W) 2. Distance, 12ft 5in.

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All Old Boys wishing to join the Association or in any way wanting to acquaint themselves with its affairs, should communicate with either of these officials.

OLD BOYS' NOTES :

The Auckland Branch of the Old Boys' Association has been an active body during the past twelve months, five functions being held in that time. Three lunches and two smoke concerts were well attended, some thirty members being present on each occasion. Out of a membership of fifty, this is a good record. The Branch hopes to begin the 1948 "season" with a Ladies' night in March. The death of T. R. W. Pope, referred to below was a severe loss to the Branch. R. D. Cox, B.A., B.Com., now in business as an accountant and auditor, and N. H. Gilmour from whom information and inquiries have been received, are prominent in the affairs of the Branch.

S. T. Barnett, at school 1915-17, has been appointed Assistant Director (Administration) in the Education Department. He will be responsible for the control of all non-professional personnel in the department, the intention being to free professional officers for matters of educational policy and practice. He spent from 1918 to 1937 in the Lands and Survey Department, moving then to the post of chief clerk in the office of the Public Service Commissioner. He had much to do with staff training in the Public Service. In 1946 he was appointed Assistant Under-Secretary in the Lands and Survey Department. He took his law degree at Canterbury College.

T. E. Roff, 1926-30, after considerable commercial experience and some five years in the Air Force is now Managing Director of R. Powley and Coy., Dunedin. He has also completed with distinction the examination for B.Com., F.R.A.N.Z., F.C.I.S.

V. C. Officer, who has had a brilliant academic career in New Zealand is now at Melbourne University on the staff of the Physics Department. He won a Savings Bank Scholarship in 1940 and took his B.Sc. in 1943. He won the Beverley Scholarship and followed this up by winning the Smeaton Research Scholarship for 1947. He took his M.Sc. degree in 1946 the delay being accounted for by two years war work with the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. While in Melbourne he proposes to go on with physics for his degree of Ph.D.

W. Strang, 1920-24, after five years with the Lands and Survey Dept., is now farming at Waimatuku.

D. McK. Henderson, 1912-16, has since 1922 been in business as a chemist in Balclutha.

P. P. Meffin, 1916-18, after serving in five different branches of the State Fire Office is now manager at Timaru.

J. G. Templeton, 1908-12, is now headmaster of the public school, Lumsden.

The Rev. L. Jones has been Presbyterian Minister at Riverton since 1945. Prior to that, he had been stationed at Mosgiel.

Father John F. McKay has been in charge of the Wyndham parish since 1941. He was at school 1912 and later graduated from Otago University and Holy Cross College, Mosgiel.

E. T. Thwaites takes up his first teaching post this year at the Wyndham District High School.

E. J. Barnes, 1938-42, is now in the Christchurch office of the Public Trust. He is busy on courses in commerce and accountancy and hopes to complete B.Comm. and Accountancy Professional this year.

G. K. Speirs, 1939-42, after two years at Lincoln College, is now farming in the Waikaka district.

R. D. Robb, 1935-40, now has a sole charge school at Kyeburn, Otago.

D. O. McLauchlan has for the last ten years been in the employ of Cory, Wright & Salmon, Ltd., Engineers, Wellington.

C. N. Watts, 1929-32, after wide experience at Lincoln College and in the Lands Department, was then a farm manager in the Ashburton County. He is now farming at Hedgehope.

K. J. Gray, 1935-39, is at present teaching at the Winton District High School.

C. N. Moffat, who distinguished himself at Lincoln College, 1940-41, and was later in the Army and the Air Force, is now farming at Eastern Bush.

H. G. Sutton, 1920-23, after 20 years with the Vacuum Oil Coy., is now their representative in Central Otago with headquarters at Alexandra.

W. R. Aitchison, 1920-33, who graduated M.B. Ch.B. in 1942 is now in private practice in Wairoa, Hawkes Bay. Ian B. Watson is completing his training at the Southland Hospital before moving to fresh fields, while J. C. Hazledine who graduated in 1941 is in practice at Musselburgh Rise, Dunedin. N. H. Wilson has resigned his post at the New Plymouth Hospital to spend a year on a post-graduate course at the School of Medicine, Melbourne. T. R. Plunkett is successfully established in practice in Auckland.

A. F. Ross, 1931-23, is now the works manager for the Love Construction Company, Dunedin.

L. F. Hannon, who began as a journalist on the "Southland Times," is now a sub-editor of the "Sydney Morning Herald." He contemplates going to Toronto in the near future.

I. B. Stevenson, 1923-27, who was President of the Otago District Law Society in 1946, is still in practice in Dunedin as a Barrister and Solicitor.

J. T. Paterson (1928-31) is in business in Riverton after four years' service in the Middle East. Two other brothers, B. J. Paterson, of the National Bank, Napier, and H. G. Paterson, now manager of J. R. McKenzie's, Nelson, complete the family trio.

OBITUARY

Garnet Jeffrey Yule, after a period of indifferent health, died in Invercargill during the year. He was at school in 1896-7 and graduated later D.D.S. at the Ontario Royal College of Dental Surgeons, Toronto. That was in 1906. He enjoyed further experience in Chicago and began practice in Invercargill in 1907. His brother, also of this school, practised as a dentist in Australia and his son, Dr Owen J. Yule is in practice in Toronto and lecturing at the Dental School, Toronto University.

John V. Hanna, gymnastic instructor of the school from June 1902 until September 1906, died in Dunedin in September, 1947. He was highly expert in his duties and the school was more than fortunate in being able to obtain the services of Ian G. Galloway, his successor in 1907. John Hanna was of the old school of gymnasts, detailed, precise and skilful to a degree.

Denniston Cuthbertson died in March, 1947 after a long and trying illness. He was at school 1897-99 then joining his father's accountancy and secretarial business. After his father's death in 1913 he carried on the business until the Great War claimed him as an officer of the Rifle Brigade. His brother Douglas died of wounds in France in 1918 during the same conflict. Denniston Cuthbertson returned to business in Invercargill taking a prominent place in the life of the town, where he was President of the Invercargill Club and of the Repertory Society. Failing health compelled him to retire from business a few years before his death.

Thomas Robert W. Pope, after a severe illness of three months, died at Otahuhu, Auckland, at the end of 1947. He was at school in 1914-15 and entered the service of the National Bank which transferred him later to Christchurch. After some changes he was appointed in 1938 to manage the Otahuhu Branch on its opening and at the time of his death his branch ranked among the first six in the Dominion. He served his community well as President of the Rotary Club, Chairman of the District High School Committee, Treasurer of the Technical High School Committee, President of the Otahuhu Bowling Club and as a prominent associate of his church. He made his mark in the town of Otahuhu and his death was greatly regretted.

