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Prefects : N. C. Clapp (Head), I. Rout, H. Shirreffs, N. Murray, N. Lennon, H. Gordon.

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Team.	Captain.	Deputy-Captain.
1st XV.	N. C. Clapp	C. Graham
2nd XV.	I. Mayhew	W. Hislop.
3rd XV.	I. Ronald	R. Henderson.
Junior A.	L. Morrison	A. Smellie.
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CRICKET.

1st XI.	H. Gordon	H. Shirreffs.
Juniors	F. Connolly	R. Baird.

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Secretaries: R. Page, M. McCurdy.

Tennis : H. Gordon, J. Hughes, M. McCurdy, N. Pryde.

Fives : H. Shirreffs, W. Maher, J. Bird, C. Treeby.

Cocoa Club : V. Jackson (Treasurer), D. Rhind, I. Manson.

Librarians : A. Rout, D. Deacon.

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EDITORIAL.

"PLAY THE GAME!"

Thirty years ago England was pre-eminent in field sports, but she can no longer boast that to-day. Other, and smaller countries, have played the games and played them sufficiently hard to enable them to beat all-comers. This rapid development of sports, which has shown itself in so marked a fashion on the Continent, is in itself a tribute to the value which all intelligent people attach to participation in games. One great point about games—and one which is too often lost sight of—is that the same qualities which are valuable and estimable in life bring success in sport. Action produces character. A boy becomes persevering in character by doing things with perseverance. Some boys have a natural genius for games, while others possess by no means the same amount of aptitude. However, it is the enthusiastic player who plays the game merely for the game's sake who will be most successful. If a man has pluck on the football field, it is not likely to desert him when he is faced with business difficulties. School sports are not introduced merely to fill in spare time, but are encouraged for their importance in the building up of character.

The record of the School on the field of sport during 1924 is one of which we may be reasonably proud, and is in every sense worthy of the last year we shall complete in the "Old School." A successful cricket season concluded with a meritorious victory over the Otago senior eleven. In tennis we retained the Junior Championship of Southland—both in Singles and Doubles—and won our only outside match, against Gore High School, fairly comfortably. The First XV, despite heavy losses from last year's team, acquitted itself with credit in the local competition and in the Secondary Schools' Tournament. Early in the year came the news of the success of the Shooting Team in winning the coveted Weekly Press Challenge Shield with a remarkably fine score, while just prior to going to press no fewer than six records were broken at the annual athletic sports.

Those who are fortunate enough to return to school next year will have but one or two months to spend in the present school before the completion of the new building, situated on the School grounds in Herbert street. It is an extremely ornate and elaborate structure, up-to-date in all its parts, but there will linger over it a newness that for some time will almost hurt. Those who were brought up in the old building will not have the same affection for it as they have for the "Old School," in which they fought their first trials and with which they were so familiar. They will admire this stranger for its beauty; they will hold it in reverence for what it signifies, but they will not love it as they do the old grey pile standing as it has for so many years in its prominent position in the town, a symbol of everything that the School stands for. But the new School has before it its career. Let us hope that career may be as long as and longer, as fruitful as and more fruitful even, than that of the old School whose days are now peacefully drawing to a close.

SCHOOL NEWS.

Presentation of Prizes.—The annual prize-giving ceremony was held in the Municipal Theatre on Friday, December 14th, the Chairman of the Board of Governors (R. A. Anderson, Esq.) presiding. As usual there was a very large attendance of the public. Speeches were practically eliminated, the programme including a number of pleasing selections from the Girls' School and an excellent exhibition of gymnastics by the senior boys, both these items being greatly

appreciated. The Dux medal, the gift of the Old Boys of 1915, was won by A. G. Harrington, who has achieved notable success on the field of sport as well as in the class-room. The Deschler cup, awarded for the first time for general merit in school and in games, went to E. Ottrey, the popular captain of the 1st XV. The Auckland Southlanders' Trophy, to the best all-round athlete in the school, was awarded by the staff to H. Geddes.

Board of Governors.—Messrs R. A. Anderson and A. F. Hawke retired at the end of 1923. Mr Hawke had been a member of the Board continuously for twenty-two years; Mr Anderson for fifteen, during ten of which he had been chairman. We are sorry to hear of their retirement, but hope they may both be spared many years and that their interest in the school will not be lessened. Both had evinced a warm interest in our school. It is no secret to tell that the credit for the new school is due to the persistent demand for it by these gentlemen. Particularly does the late chairman deserve his meed of praise for his tactful but firm support of the claims of Southland in the matter of an up-to-date Secondary school for boys. In their place the Government has nominated an Old Boy of the School, Mr John Gilkison, who has sent us three boys already, and Mrs J. A. Ilanan.

The New School.—It is worthy of being recorded that the tender for the new school was that of Messrs Wood and McCormack at £35,238 10s. The design and supervision are the work of the Government Architect's office. Its representative on the works is Mr Eric Price, an Old Boy of the School, who attended from Riverton. The building is finished so far as the exterior is concerned. The plastering, furnishing and finishing will, of course, take some time. Then the grounds and approaches have to be made. It will probably be Easter before we remove from the old to the new. According to the Board's annual report, the ways and means are found thus:—High Schools Board, accumulated fund, £8000. Loan secured on rents and endowments, £20,000; Government grant, £15,000.

The Staff.—Messrs K. McDonald, M.A., with first-class honours in History, and Mr A. McFarlane, M.A., with honours in History, joined the staff at the beginning of the year.

Congratulations to Captain Mawson, M.C., on passing his examination for a majorship. And congratulations also, tinged with much regret, at the news of his appointment for 1925 as first assistant in St. Andrew's Presbyterian College, Christchurch.

Departures.—Harrington to Otago University to follow a Science course; Scully and Watson to law offices; Bissett, Connolly, Geddes,

Wood and Wedderspoon have entered commercial houses; Morgan, Preddy, Shaw and Ottrey are following banking; Beck, Officer, Jolly, Fowler, Golden and McNaughton have gone on the land. Gilmour is articled to W. Stewart, chemist.

Mr Service resigned his position as caretaker at the end of the first term; Mr Lepper was his successor.

The annual ball—the outstanding event of the social side of our school life—took place in the United Friendly Societies' Hall on June 20th. Arrangements were in the capable hands of a committee consisting of the Rector, G. R. Hanan, H. Lea, H. Macdonald, and the Hon. Sec., C. Clapp. The artistic decorations in the School colours, and the excellent supper reflected much credit on the energies of the committee. Included in the fifty odd couples who attended, were the Rector and Mrs Pearce, Mr and Mrs Anderson, Mr and Mrs Page, Mrs Mawson, Mr Dakin, Mr Deaker and about twenty of our younger Old Boys. Our chaperones were Mrs Pearce and Mrs Page, while Mrs Macdonald, Mr Ferguson and G. Macdonald supplied the sprightly music. The committee, and also Mrs and Miss Pearce, who kindly attended to the catering, are to be congratulated on the financial and social success of a most enjoyable dance.

The Cocoa Club had its usual session around the little stove. Under the guidance of V. Jackson and the guardianship of I. Manson, W. Pickford and Jack Hamilton, daily services were held. There was generally a good attendance of worshippers at the shrine of the goddess of Cocoa.

Alex. Ross, of V.B. of Otautau, on leaving school for fruit-farming in Otago Central, presented the School Library with six books; S. Talbot, of Nightcaps, presented Long's History of Rome in six volumes. Go thou and do likewise!

On June 27th we had the pleasure of listening to Professor J. C. Newlands, of New College, Edinburgh. This gentleman entertained us by his recitals of Scottish literature, besides giving us good advice on the art of enunciation.

During his short visit to Invercargill, last October, His Excellency the Governor-General paid a farewell visit to the school. On his arrival his Excellency was greeted with prolonged cheers. Almost his first remark when he rose to speak was to ask for a half-holiday for us to mark the occasion. His Excellency then said he deeply regretted severing his connection with the youth of the Dominion, but he would always have happy memories of his sojourn in New Zealand. He had just examined the School Roll of Honour,

which should, he said, teach us a lesson of loyalty and self-sacrifice. He told us we lived in a beautiful and progressive land which formed part of an Empire to be proud of, and concluded by wishing us all the very best of luck and prosperity. When the cheers had subsided, the Head Prefect, Clapp, led the School in the haka, after which the staff was presented to His Excellency. He then congratulated the Head Prefect on the rendering of the haka, and left amid more cheering.

Professor Lindsay Bennet, dux in 1912, visited the school on his vacation in June last. He addressed the assembled school and entertained us with contrasts of life in the Northern Hemisphere. He holds the Chair of English Literature in Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

We take this opportunity of thanking those members of the "Long Tack Sam" Vaudeville Company, who treated us, during the visit of the company to Invercargill, to a most interesting gymnastic display. The visitors were afterwards given a demonstration on the horizontal bar by Mr Page and some of our more noted performers, who were the recipients of many congratulations from their professional brethren.

We are also indebted to Mr Tate, the noted juggler, for a most entertaining performance given to the school near the beginning of the third term.

To encourage contributions to the "Southlandian" from present pupils, a well-known Old Boy donated a prize of one guinea for the best original article or poem offered for this issue. The response was fairly generous and we regret that lack of space prevents us from publishing more of these literary efforts. We extend our thanks from publishing more of these literary efforts. The result of the competition was as follows:—

Best Verse contribution—R. Page. Best Prose contribution—R. Hutton-Potts.

We reproduce the winning contributions and three others which were next in order of merit. We would also express our thanks to the Rector and Mr R. J. Gilmour for acting as adjudicators.

DEATH.

POOLE.—At Invercargill, on October 3, Charles Poole; aged 16 years.

It is with deep regret that we have to chronicle the death of Charles Poole. He had been in attendance for almost three years, and his cheery disposition won him many friends. He succumbed, after a brief illness, to an attack of pneumonia following on a severe cold. His formates sent a handsome wreath, and with the Rector, were in attendance at the funeral.

SCHOOL ROLL.

VI.

Anderson, G.	Hanan, G. R.	Shirreffs, H.
Boyes, V.	Hirst, B.	Stephens, E.
Clapp, N.	Lea, H.	Strang, W.
Currie, W.	Macdonald, H.	Talbot, S.
Deacon, D.	Murray, N.	Tylee, A.
Ford, B.	Rout, I.	Wakeling, S.
Forde, H.	Ross, R.	

VA.

Barclay, W.	Hannah, E.	Nicholson, P.
Barham, C.	Hughes, J.	Paterson, A.
Brash, G.	Hynd, J.	Poole, G.
Carswell, G.	Jackson, V.	Pont, A.
Chamberlain, J.	Keown, H.	Rhind, D.
Collett, W.	Lennon, N.	Ritchie, P.
Collie, J.	Lyon, C.	Rout, A.
Dillon, A.	Maher, W.	Scott, C.
Gordon, H.	Malcolm, D.	Wallace, G.
Gough, G.	Mann, W.	Wilson, C.
Graham, C.	Manson, I.	
Griffiths, R.	Mayhew, I.	
Hall, M.	McKinnon, J.	

VB.

Butler, J.	Dillon, H.	Pentecost, C.
Bleakly, M.	Henderson, M.	Pickford, W.
Blue, D.	Hutton-Potts, R.	Rodger, M.
Broadbent, W.	Mitchell, G.	Ronald, I.
Clark, C.	Milne, J.	Tuck, R.
Carman, P.	McKay, R.	Wright, W.
Cairns, J.	Macdonald, G.	Waymouth, H.
Dakin, J.	Page, R.	

VC.

Bryant, R.	Joyce, O.
Compton, A.	Jolly, D.
Carswell, G.	McKenzie, A.
Cushen, A.	McDonald, C.
Fraser, E.	Mackintosh, C.
Goodall, R.	Macpherson, H.
Hamilton, N.	Myron, J.
Hallamore, S.	Maxted, C.

IVA.

Birss, T.	Hormann, R.
Boyes, P.	Horne, A.
Brown, A.	Howorth, A.
Cook, W.	Jenkins, G.
Cooney, J.	Kennedy, J.
Cox, G.	Kidd, A.
Fleck, W.	Macpherson, O.
Foster, O.	Matthews, J.
Gilkison, A.	McCurdy, M.
Hanan, R.	McGrath, I.
Hardy, R.	Murray, R.
Henderson, R.	Nichol, E.

IVB.

Butchers, W.	Hay, M.
Beadle, F.	Hardy, I.
Brodie, J.	Hefford, C.
Brass, D.	Homer, S.
Bird, J.	Hamilton, Jno.
Cameron, C.	Hamilton, Jas.
Dobbie, J.	Isaacs, F.
Falconer, A.	Jones, A.
Grant, N.	Lock, A.
Green, S.	Littlejohn, R.

IVC.

Atley, W.	Gough, R.
Anderson, A.	Hislop, W.
Bailey, C.	Hormann, M.
Buxton, W.	Jones, F.
Calder, A.	King, A.
Cameron, A.	Lehany, J.
Christophers, P.	Lyons, B.
Forde, J.	McMillan, V.
Fraser, S.	McNaughton, N.
Galbraith, T.	Moffett, W.
Gough, I.	Porter, W.

Mitchell, D.
Patton, C.
Poole, C.
Rout, C.
Reed, K.
Tilley, H. F.
Stuck, E.

Robertson, I.
Shiels, R.
Smith, J.
Stevenson, I.
Strang, D.
Tapper, W.
Tattersfield, W.
Trotter, L.
Tuck, R.
Todd, G.

Mayze, J.
McFadzien, H.
McNeill, E.
Maher, P.
Nichol, R.
Pollock, R.
Robbie, J.
Smith, L.
Taylor, F.
Wilson, A.

Provan, A.
Raines, L.
Rose, N.
Ross, F.
Sargeon, E.
Scott, R.
Thomas, C.
Waymouth, F.
Weodnorth, H.

IVD.

Anderson, J.	Kerr, F.	Stewart, J.
Bailey, V.	Lumsden, K.	Squires, S.
Ferguson, J.	McCalman, C.	Spencer, C.
Fletcher, T.	Martin, D.	Tapper, J.
Fulton, H. F.	Moloney, J.	Thomson, T.
Green, J.	Morgan, M.	Tilley, N.
Hili, E.	Pearce, H.	Watson, C.
Harris, W.	Reid, M.	Wilson, J.
Jenkins, W.	Ritchie, S.	

IIIA.

Buckingham, O.	Kempton, B.	Fryde, N.
Barclay, B.	Lumsden, J.	Richards, J.
Cassells, S.	Ligget, C.	Ross, H.
Cramond, R.	McBean, A.	Spencer, T.
Featherstone, R.	MacEwan, K.	Smith, N.
Gilchrist, P.	McKillop, M.	Ussher, H.
Guise, O.	Mitchell, N.	Wilson, J.
Hallamore, R.	Macdonald, B.	Wise, R.
Henry, G.	Morrison, L.	Webb, J.
Hynd, J.	Neale, L.	Yule, G.

IIIB.

Boyce, A.	Kerse, B.	Smith, U.
Brash, J.	Liddell, A.	Stewart, D.
Broad, K.	Lennie, R.	Stuckey, K.
Butler, G.	Mackenzie, A.	Taylor, M.
Connolly, F.	McKenzie, G.	Tapley, E.
Dennis, R.	McCawe, C.	Treeby, C.
Derbie, N.	Preston, H.	Wale, O.
Garden, N.	Rewcastle, F.	Wilson, Alex.
Giller, H.	Rout, E.	Watts, H.
Hubber, R.	Smillie, A.	Wright, G.

IIIC.

Baker, H.	Forde, G.	Shaw, N.
Blyth, R.	Fraser, S.	Strang, W.
Baird, R.	Gilmour, D.	Tinker, W.
Barron, A.	Grant, A.	Trotter, E.
Carnie, L.	Hamilton, M.	Thompson, H.
Caughey, W.	Harvey, J.	Watt, D.
Dickison, R.	Holloway, C.	Williamson, D.
Davidson, J.	Liddell, E.	Wilson, J. W.
Elliot, E.	Martin, H.	

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

University Entrance Scholarship: with Credit—A. G. Harrington, I. D. Rout.

Engineering Preliminary—C. Clark, R. Hanan, H. B. Macdonald.

Matriculation—G. Anderson, W. Currie, C. Clapp, D. Deacon, C. Dickens, H. Forde, R. Gilmour, G. Gray, R. Kidd, N. Murray, O. Rout, B. Scully, R. Stephens, H. Sutton, M. Sheehan, W. Strang, S. Talbot, W. Titchener, S. Wakeling, F. Watson, R. Wilson, N. Wood.—22.

Partial Matriculation—W. Allison, V. Boyes, A. Dillon, B. Ford, D. Grindlay, B. Hirst, E. Ottrey, A. Pont, F. Ross, H. Shirreffs, A. Tylee, J. Todd.—12.

Ex-pupils—C. C. Hormann, A. A. Cook, A. Milne.

S.F.P. without further examination (Inspector's visit on July 8th).—62.

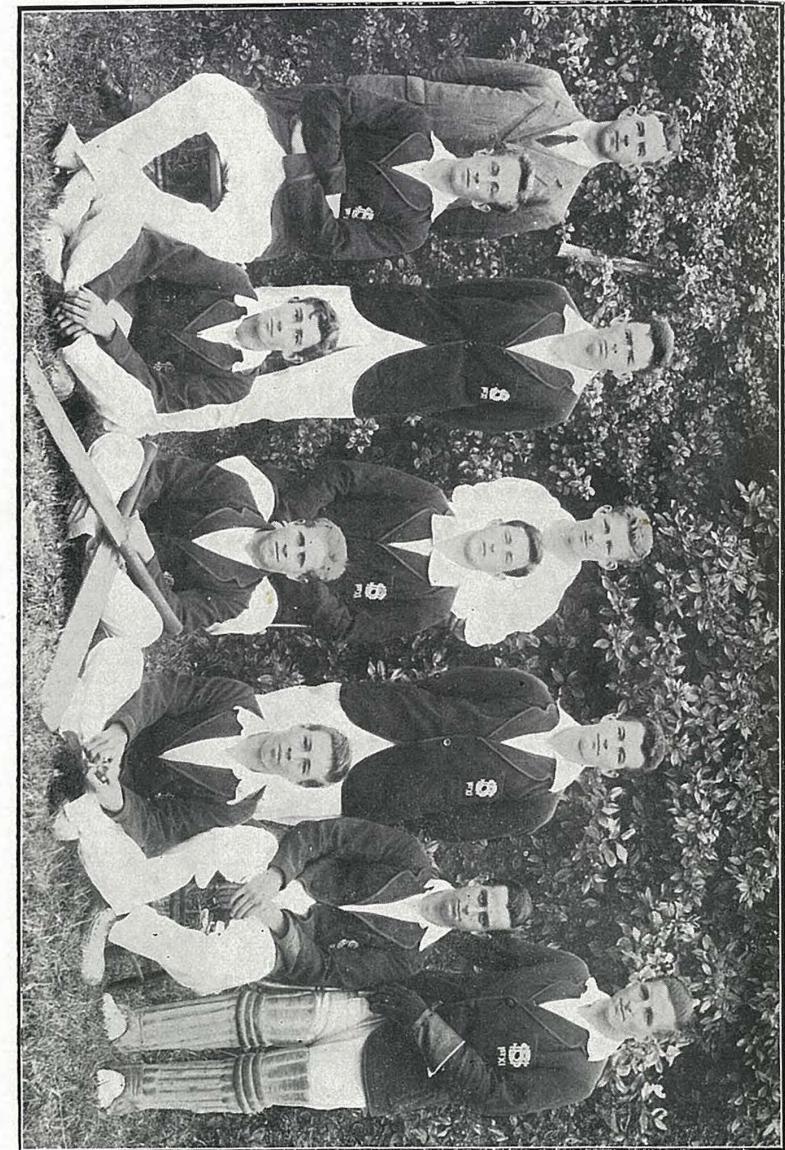
Awarded Junior National Scholarships—G. Macdonald, L. Trotter, I. McGrath, D. Strang, R. Tuck. G. Macdonald gained the highest marks in Southland.

Qualified for J. F. Place—D. Brass, G. Cox.

CRICKET.

Captain—Gordon. Deputy-Captain—Shirreffs.

On the whole the 1923-24 season may be considered a very satisfactory one. Conditions in Southland do not as a rule render cricket a particularly attractive pastime, and it is always a most regrettable fact that such a small proportion of the school indulge in this fine old summer game. Nevertheless, this year the few who did play, threw themselves with enthusiasm into the game. As a result we were runners-up in the Grade Competition and managed—for the first time in 11 years—to score a victory over the Otago Eleven. The success of the season has been largely due to the efforts of Gordon and Shirreffs, who have been remarkably consistent throughout. We would take this opportunity of offering our congratulations to Shirreffs on his inclusion in the Southland representative team. We would also express our appreciation of the interest taken in school cricket by Mr Butchers and Mr Deaker.



FIRST ELEVEN, 1923-24.

Back Row—Mr. Butchers, D. Blue, J. A. Hamilton, R. Page,

Second Row—H. W. Shirreffs (Deputy Captain), H. Gordon (Captain), I. Maynew,

Front Row—A. T. Anderson, D. Paton.

N. Murray,

G. R. Hanan,

Absent—S. Hallamore.

The matches resulted as follows:—

NOVEMBER 14th v. UNION.—Won by 100 runs. School declared with 6 wickets for 161 runs—Gordon (46), Shirreffs 37 (not out), Geddes (36). Union made 61, Kidd taking 2 wickets for 3 runs and Gordon 5 for 18.

NOVEMBER 21st v. MARIST OLD BOYS.—Won by an innings and 150 runs. Marist made 14 and 25, and School 189 for 8 wickets—Gordon (50), Hamilton (45), and Blue (29) batting best. Kidd (3 for 2), Shirreffs (2 for 2), Gordon (6 for 19), and Watson (1 for 4) took the wickets.

NOVEMBER 28th v. APPLEBY.—Won by 62 runs. School made 200—Shirreffs (55), Titchener (24), and Kidd (22) being the chief scorers. Appleby were all out for 138. Gordon took 7 wickets for 51 and Shirreffs 3 for 36. The School's fielding, particularly the wicket-keeping of Hanan, was a feature of the game.

DECEMBER 12th v. UNION.—Won by 7 wickets and 35 runs. Union made 101. Gordon with 3 for 13 secured the best average. School lost 3 wickets for 136 when time was called. Gordon (49 not out), Hallamore (44), and Kidd (23) batted well.

FEBRUARY 6th v. APPLEBY.—Won by 6 wickets and 31 runs. Appleby made 83. Blue (4 for 21) and Hallamore (4 for 29) bowled well. School lost 4 wickets for 114; Shirreffs contributing a fine 58 not out.

FEBRUARY 9th v. SOUTHERN.—Lost by 40 runs. School could total only 107, of which Hanan made 55. Southern replied with 147. Gordon took 5 for 64, McCurdy 2 for 25 and Shirreffs 1 for 14.

FEBRUARY 13th v. UNION.—School made 146—Murray (35), to which Union replied with 57 for 6 wickets. Blue took 3 for 22, Gordon 2 for 26 and Hanan 1 for 8. On the date set down for the completion of the match, Union defaulted.

FEBRUARY 16th v. APPLEBY.—Lost by 3 wickets and 40 runs. School made 107—Hanan (29), Tapley (27 not out), and Mayhew (26). Appleby lost 7 for 147. Blue (5 for 35) secured the best average.

FEBRUARY 23rd v. BLUFF.—Lost by 108 runs. School, batting short, reached only 37—Hallamore (11). Rain set in, handicapping the School bowlers. Bluff made 145. Gordon took 5 for 43, and Hallamore 3 for 37.

FEBRUARY 27th v. APPLEBY.—Lost by 7 wickets. This was practically the deciding match and was the only game School lost in the Wednesday competition. School were dismissed for 103—Shirreffs (39 not out) and Hanan (33). The last six batsmen made only three runs. Appleby reached our total with 7 wickets in hand. Hamilton (2 for 25) and Shirreffs (1 for 23) took the wickets.

MARCH 1st v. MARIST OLD BOYS.—Drawn. School made 120—Shirreffs 54, and Marist 62 for 9 wickets. Gordon took 4 for 19 and Blue 4 for 35. The School fielding was a feature of the game.

MARCH 5th v. UNION.—Won. School declared with 1 wicket for 121 runs. Hallamore (68 not out) and Shirreffs (50 not out). Union lost 9 wickets for 82, Shirreffs taking 3 for 13, Blue 2 for 14, and Gordon 4 for 28. Union defaulted later in the season.

MARCH 8th v. I.C.C.—Won by 4 wickets and 32 runs. I.C.C. were dismissed for 102. Shirreffs' fast deliveries were almost unplayable, and he finished with the fine average of 5 for 13. Blue (3 for 29) and Gordon (2 for 27) also bowled well. School made 134 for 6 wickets. Hallamore (58 not out) and Gordon (39) displayed good form.

MARCH 15th v. TISBURY.—Won by 194 runs. Tisbury's first innings realised 44—Gordon 7 for 17 and Blue 2 for 11. School replied with 238 for 4 wickets, Hallamore (79 retired), Shirreffs (45), Hanan (29 retired hurt), and Murray (27 not out). In their second innings Tisbury lost 4 wickets for 4 runs, Shirreffs taking 3 for 2 and Gordon 1 for 1.

1st XI. v. OTAGO B.H.S. 1st XI.

The most important match of the season took place against O.B.H.S. First Eleven on the Show Grounds on March 21 and 22. The weather was fine but cold and the wicket slow.

Gordon won the toss and sent Blue and Anderson to the wickets. Blue soon got into his stride, but Anderson found Rodger difficult and was caught at point—30—1—8. Hallamore followed, and after two overs was caught in the slips—50—2—3. Shirreffs was the incomer, but he soon lost Blue—54—3—37. Hanan took his place, but after starting well was caught at point—69—4—8. Gordon came in and with Shirreffs kept the wicket intact until the luncheon adjournment. After lunch both batsmen became set and a splendid partnership added 144 runs. Both had batted aggressively until Shirreffs was caught at deep leg, just 11 short of his century—215—5—89. Murray did not last long, being bowled by Rodger—232—6—2. Hamilton followed, but lost Gordon, who had previously given a

chance in the outfield—240—7—74. Mayhew hit out before he was bowled—262—8—9. Patton next followed him to the pavilion—273—9—9, and Page was soon out—276—10—2. Hamilton played a steady innings for 18 not out.

After the afternoon tea adjournment Otago went to the wickets and when stumps were drawn had lost two wickets for 72. The School fielding was patchy, Allan being dropped twice and Holden once.

Continuing on the following morning Otago were all out for 102. Blue and Gordon bowled very consistently, the batsmen taking every care with the former. Hallamore took 6 for 37.

Otago followed on, and Gordon's first ball dismissed A. Young. At the lunch adjournment they had lost 4 for 70. On resuming Rodger and W. Young looked like making a stand until Rodger was dismissed by Hanan. The tail did not wag and the side was out for 113. Blue and Gordon again bowled well, as also did Hamilton, who too 3 for 9. Gordon and Blue bore the brunt of the bowling, with 31 overs each. Blue's overs included seven maidens, for 56 runs, 6 wickets; Hallamore bowled 15 overs (2 maidens) for 56 runs, 6 wickets. Hanan, however, secured the best average, bowling three overs, two of which were maidens, for 1 run and 1 wicket. Gordon handled the bowling well, and by dismissing the strong Otago side for 102 and 113 the School scored a meritorious win by an innings and 61 runs.

Following are the detailed scores:—

S.B.H.S. 1st XI.

Blue, run out	37
Anderson, c Cavanagh, b Rodger	8
Hallamore, c Young, A., b Holden	3
Shirreffs, c Rodger, b Young, A.	89
Hanan, c Cavanagh, b Rodger	8
Gordon, c Jolly, b Rodger	74
Murray, b Young, A.	2
Hamilton, not out	18
Mayhew, b Rodger	9
Patton, c Young, A., b Jolly	9
Page, c Holden, b Jolly	2
Extras	17

Rodger, 4 for 103; Young, A., 2 for 82; Jolly, 2 for 38; Holden, 1 for 14.

O.B.H.S. 1st ELEVEN.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
Holden, b Hallamore	14
Allan, run out	32
Rodger, b Blue	18
Cameron, hit wkt., b Hallamore	5
Young, A., b Blue	2
Priest, b Hallamore	4
Young, W., not out	17
Chapman, c Patton, b Hallamore	0
McLeod, c and b Blue	2
Cavanagh, hit wkt., b Hallamore	2
Jolly, l.b.w., b Hallamore	1
Extras	5
	102
	113

BOWLING.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.							
Bowler	O.	M.	W.	R.	O.	M.	W.	R.
Gordon	18	4	—	24	13	—	2	33
Blue	17	5	3	21	14	2	3	35
Hallamore	12.7	2	6	37	2	—	—	19
Shirreffs	9	3	—	10	3	—	—	12
Hamilton	1	—	—	5	5.1	—	3	9
Hanan	—	—	—	—	3	2	1	1

Following are the leading batting and bowling averages of the First Eleven:—

BATTING.

Batsmen.	Number of Innings	Times Not Out.	Highest Score	Total Runs.	Average.
H. Shirreffs	8	3	89	351	70.20
S. Hallamore	8	3	79 (n.o.)	259	51.80
G. R. Hanan	8	1	55	159	22.71
H. Gordon	9	—	74	157	17.44
I. Mayhew	8	1	27 (n.o.)	105	15.00
N. Murray	6	1	35	63	12.60
E. Tapley	8	1	27 (n.o.)	81	11.57
D. Blue	7	1	37	66	11.00

BOWLING.

Bowler.	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
H. Shirreffs	48.4	10	110	14	7.86
D. Blue	100	18	258	29	8.89
H. Gordon	139	30	351	32	10.97
S. Hallamore	39	5	165	13	12.69

COMMENTS ON THE TEAM.

- GORDON: Consistently good with bat and ball; a successful captain.
- SHIRREFFS : A representative cricketer and a first-classs port.
- HALLAMORE : Consistent batsman, with free style: and useful bowler.
- BLUE : Consistent left hand bowler; also capable of making a stand at the wickets when required.
- HANAN : Very useful batsman and bowler, but inclined to be self-conscious.
- MAYHEW : Very reliable in the field.
- MURRAY : Steady wicket-keeper; hits out in batting.
- HAMILTON : Promising batsman, but inclined to be stiff; useful change bowler.
- TAPLEY : Also a promising cricketer in all departments.
- PATTON : Fairly steady batsman, with sound defence.
- PAGE : Very valuable fieldsman; should practice more seriously.
- ANDERSON : Promising batsman: fielding requires attention.

JUNIOR CRICKET.

Owing to the Primary schools playing their matches during the week the juniors could not compete in that competition. Nevertheless, in view of the Otago match, practices were held as usual and practice games were played against Marist, South, and Technical. In the Otago match the team consisted of Connolly, Tapley, Baird, Butler, Cameron, Christophers, Cranmond, Dickison, Giller, Mayze, and Pollok. School batted first and made 52, Tapley making 18 by good cricket. Blyth 4 for 22, Dey 3 for 20, and Jolly 3 for 2, took the wickets for Otago. Otago replied with 60—H. Jolly 14. Baird took 4 wickets for 20, Tapley 3 for 18, and Connolly 3 for 10. In their second innings School were all out for 43. Tapley, with 13, was the only one to reach double figures. Blyth took 4 for 16, and Nicol 3 for 7. Requiring 36 to win, Otago knocked these off for the loss of 3 wickets. Tapley and Baird bowled well for School.

SWIMMING SPORTS

On the 4th of March the annual swimming sports were held at the Devil's Pool, Waihopai. The sports had been fixed for a former date, but owing to bad weather, had to be put off. However, this time they were held in the morning with the weather fine and the water warm. There was keen competition throughout, and some fine performances were given. The Senior Championship went to A. Rout, while L. Clark had no difficulty in winning the Junior Championship. This year there was more competition in the diving championship, which was won by A. Rout. The long distance events were not decided until later in the week, when L. Clark established new records for the 880 yards and mile. Several boys gained certificates for swimming distances.

The results were as follows:—

Senior Championship Springboard Dive—Bird 1, A. Rout 2, Ussher 3.

Senior 50 Yards Championship—Blue 1, A. Rout 2, Thomson 3. Time, 39 2-5 sec.

Senior 50 Yards Handicap—V. Vailey 1, Clapp 2. Time, 47 3-5 sec.

Junior 50 Yards Handicap—Taylor 1, McCurdy 2. Time, 43secs. Junior 50 Yards Championship—Clark 1, Morrison 2, Lyons 3. Time, 39 3-5 sec.

Fancy Dive—A. Rout 1, Lyons, Ussher 2 (equal).

Open 50 Yards Back Stroke—McKay 1, Blue 2.

12ft. Dive—A. Rout 1, Ussher, Thomson 2 (equal).

Senior 100 Yards Championship—A Rout 1, Blue 2, Thomson 3. Time, 93 sec.

Senior 100 Yards Handicap—Dakin 1, V. Bailey 2.

Junior 100 Yards Championship—Clark 1, Morrison 2, Lyons 3. Time, 95 1-5 sec.

Junior 75 Yards Handicap—Taylor 1, McCurdy 2. Time, 74 1-5 sec.

High Dive—Rout 1, Blue 2, Bird, Ussher 3 (equal).

Open 50 Yards Breast Stroke—Gough 1, W. Boyes 2.

Forms Relay Race—VB (Clark, Dakin, Blue) 1, IVD 2.

Senior 440 Yards—Rout 1, Blue 2.

Junior 440 Yards—Clark 1, Lyons 2, Morrison 3.

Half-mile—Clark 1, Lyons 2, A. Rout 3. Time, 15 min.

One Mile—Clark 1, Blue 2, Dakin 3. Time, 32 min.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

	50yds.	100yds.	440yds.	880yds.	Tl.
Rout, A.	3	5	5	5	18
Blue, D.	5	3	3	3	14
Thomson, T.	1	1	—	—	2

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

	50yds.	100yds.	440yds.	Tl.
Clark, L.	5	5	5	15
Morrison, L.	3	3	1	7
Lyons	1	1	3	5

Swimming certificates were gained as follows:—

1760 Yards—L. Clark, Blue, Mayhew, P. Boyes, Bird, McCurdy.
1540 Yards—E. Rout.

1100 Yards—R. Tuck.

880 Yards—W. Boyes, G. Mitchell, McFadzien, Thomson, Ussher,
Lyons, Gough.

660 Yards—V. Bailey.

440 Yards—W. Tuck, L. Morrison.



FOOTBALL.

FIRST FIFTEEN.

Captain—C. Clapp. Deputy-Captain—C. Graham.

The team this year, although lacking the brilliance of last year's side, nevertheless acquitted itself well. Only two of last year's backs remained—Page and Gordon—and the season was well advanced before a combination could be got together that was at all satisfactory. In the forwards, with experienced players in Clapp, Graham, Murray and Shirreffs, we were better off, but it was found necessary, in order to strengthen the backs, to shift Shirreffs to centre, and our speed in the pack suffered in consequence. Murray, however, was a notable exception. Although playing front rank, and doing his full share of heavy work, he was always up with the backs when required, and his record of one hundred and eleven points for the season in tries and goals is, under the circumstances, a remarkable performance. His efforts were ably seconded by Clapp and Graham. The former's work in the tight was as good as ever, and Graham's ability to open up passing rushes stood us in good stead

on many occasions. The measure of success achieved by the team was due very largely to the way in which these two held them together in the face of very severe handicaps.

In the backs, our mainstay both on attack and defence was Page. His work throughout the season was consistently good and often brilliant, but injuries unfortunately prevented him from doing himself justice in the tournament. Manson, Shirreffs and Maher also did well, and Gordon, though showing poor form in the earlier part of the season, improved greatly, and in the tournament played his two best games to date.

We cannot conclude these notes without expressing our deep regret at the impending departure of our coach. Since he joined the School staff in 1919 Mr Mawson has been associated with the first fifteen and the record of our senior team during these last five years is in itself a tribute to the excellent work he has done for the improvement of school football. Year by year he has ungrudgingly devoted an immense amount of time—often at considerable personal sacrifice—to raising the standard of our play, and we are sure that Old Boys who were privileged to work and play under Mr Mawson's able guidance will join with us in this inadequate word of appreciation and in our best wishes for his future success and prosperity.

The following are the results of the Club matches (2nd Grade):—

SCHOOL v. MAKAREWA.

Won—25 to 16.

Page and Maher scored two tries each, and Rhind, Murray, and Thomson one each. Shirreffs and Murray converted one each.

SCHOOL v. SOUTHERN.

Won—14 to 8.

Tries were scored by Shirreffs, Murray, Maher and Graham, one being converted by Murray.

SCHOOL v. INVERCARGILL.

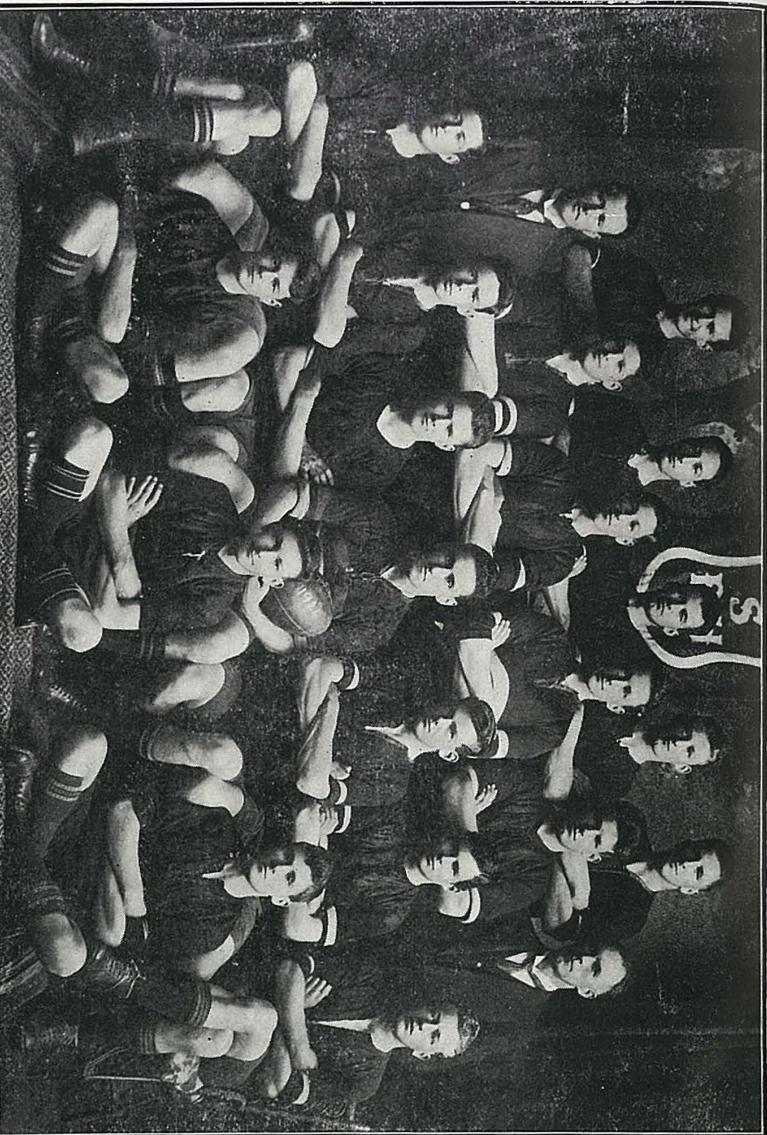
Won—23 to nil.

Tries were scored by Murray (2), Thomson, McCurdy, Shirreffs, Maher and Rhind, one being converted by Shirreffs.

SCHOOL v. MARIST.

Won—28 to nil.

Tries were scored by Shirreffs (2), Thomson (2), Manson, Maher, Murray (2), while Murray and Shirreffs converted one each.



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Back Row—W. Tapper, W. S. Maher, R. Page, J. M. Hamilton, A. N. Murray.
Second Row—Mr. Mawson, G. T. Mitchell, C. W. Ront, H. W. Shirreffs, T. J. Thomson, Mr. Page, J. M. McCurdy.
Sitting—H. C. Gordon, D. S. Blue, C. E. Graham (Vice-Captain), N. C. Clapp (Captain), T. O. Manson, M. Rodger, A. H. Cushing, D. L. Rhind.

SCHOOL v. CENTRAL DISTRICT JUNIOR REPS.

Won—39 to 11.

Tries were scored by Shirreffs (3), Murray (3), Manson (2), Hamilton and Page. Murray kicked a penalty goal and converted three tries.

SCHOOL v. SOUTHERN.

Lost—10 to nil.

SCHOOL v. INVERCARGILL.

Won—25 to nil.

Tries were scored by Shirreffs (2), Manson, Murray, Rout, McCurdy, and Rhind, two being converted by Murray.

SCHOOL v. STAR.

Won—27 to 15.

Tries were scored by Murray (2), Manson (2), Shirreffs (2), and McCurdy, three being converted by Murray.

SCHOOL v. MARIST.

Won by default.

SCHOOL v. SOUTHERN.

Lost—18 to 6.

This match, the final for the Grade Championship, was played during the holidays. The School team, lacking practice, were out-classed on the day's play, and Southern, ably skippered by Kilby, was a brilliant run by Hislop, which, carried on by Murray and Blue, covered more than half the length of the field and resulted in a try.

THE TOURNAMENT.

The annual tournament was held at Dunedin and resulted in a well-deserved win for Otago, to whom we extend our hearty congratulations. The weather was excellent throughout and all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Our thanks are due to Mr Morrell and all those who contributed to our entertainment.

In the first day's games Southland were defeated by Otago by 28 points to 5, while Timaru defeated Christchurch by 16 points to 11. The School team gave a very disappointing display, and seldom looked dangerous. The forwards, with Graham in the lead, played

a fair game, but the backs were poor. Gordon at full-back was very safe, and Page, in spite of several knocks, put in some good work on defence.

The teams were as follows:—

OTAGO:—BACKS : Duff, Bathgate, Priest, Irvine, Young, Braithwaite, and Holden. FORWARDS : Watson, Aitken, Torrance, Currie, Sutherland, Jolly, Rodger, and McArthur.

SOUTHLAND:—BACKS : Gordon, Maher, Shirreffs, Manson, Page, McCurdy, and Rhind. FORWARDS : Murray, Blue, Rout, Mitchell, Tapper, Clapp, Thomson, and Graham.

Southland kicked off and Otago immediately began to attack. A free kick to Southland improved their position, but almost immediately Otago broke through and Southland forced. Shirreffs dribbled to half-way, but Young relieved with a good kick. Another free kick to Southland eased the pressure, but good work by Bathgate again obliged Southland to force. From the kick-off Graham and Murray broke through to the Otago twenty-five, but the latter returned to the attack, and from a passing rush Irvine scored. Bathgate failed to convert.

Otago 3. Southland 0.

Otago continued to attack, a determined rush being stopped by Gordon, but from another loose rush they again scored but failed to convert.

Otago 6. Southland 0.

From the kick-off in the second spell Southland attacked, and a good run by Gordon resulted in a force-down by Otago. Southland kept up the attack, and Murray secured to score and convert his own try. From this time onwards Otago steadily attacked and began to pile up the points. Five more tries were scored, one of which was converted by Bathgate. The final score was—

Otago 28. Southland 5.

Mr A. Eckhold refereed.

SECOND DAY.

The second day of the tournament proved to be a day of surprises. It was generally thought that, judging by the games already played, there was little to choose between Timaru and Otago, but the latter, with a fine display of dash and combination, ran out winners by twenty points to nil. In regard to the other game, after the good performance put up by Christchurch on the Saturday, even the most sanguine of Southland's supporters could only hope that

the margin of defeat would not be too great. As events proved, however, the School team, although eight points down at half-time, regained confidence in themselves and eventually ran out winners by sixteen points to eight.

The backs were rearranged, and played much better, Shirreffs, Maher and Page showing more of their true form, while Gordon at full-back again played a fine game. In the forwards Clapp, Graham, Murray, H. Thomson and Rout played splendidly, but the rest were little behind them. The most marked feature of the game was the tackling of the whole team, both back and forward. Rarely was a man missed, and this factor undoubtedly was the chief factor in the securing of the final result.

THE GAME.

Southland kicked off, Calder returning to touch. Murray and Graham headed a dribbling rush into the Christchurch twenty-five, but Buxton relieved with a long kick. School returned to the attack, and a succession of exciting scrums occurred on the Christchurch line, where School were unfortunate in not scoring. From a free kick Murray attempted a shot at goal but failed. School kept up the pressure and Christchurch were obliged to force. Christchurch then broke through, but Manson succeeded in beating Merritt in a race for the ball and forced. Shortly afterwards, however, from a passing rush, McMillan scored and Merritt converted.

Christchurch 5. Southland 0.

Christchurch returned to the attack and again scored, but failed to convert.

Christchurch 8. Southland 0.

After half-time, the School forwards attacked from the kick-off, and from a serum near the line Clapp scored. Murray failed with the kick.

Christchurch 8. Southland 3.

From a free kick near half-way Rout made a good attempt at goal but failed. Then from a good passing rush Shirreffs went over the line, but lost possession. From a free kick shortly afterwards, however, Murray goaled, bringing the score to—

Christchurch 8. Southland 6.

Play was now fast and strenuous. Shirreffs was unsuccessful in a shot at goal, but shortly afterwards Murray, who, with Graham, was playing a great game in the loose, broke through from near half-way and scored. Shirreffs converted with a fine kick.

Christchurch 8. Southland 11.

After this reverse Christchurch put in a strong attack, and for some time play was transferred to School territory. Christchurch were still pressing when Murray, taking advantage of a fumble by a Christchurch back, picked up and, after a good run to the twenty-five, passed in to Shirreffs, whose pace was just sufficient to enable him to beat the opposing backs and score under the posts. Murray converted. Time went shortly afterwards with the score—

Southland 16. Christchurch 8.

Mr R. McKenzie refereed.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

Captain—Mayhew. Deputy-Captain—Falkner.

The Seconds were handicapped during the season by the uncertainty as to the members of the First Fifteen. Repeated alterations prevented the development of good combination till towards the end, when the forwards began to pack well and the backs showed considerable cleverness on attack. In defence there was noticeable weakness, a result, probably, of the fact that the back line contained four rather light former half-backs. The team made a good showing against Gore and Otago during the early portion of the matches, but the weight handicap caused their downfall in the later stages.

Match.	Result.
v. PIRATES	Lost . . . 9—12
v. SOUTHERN	Won . . . 14—0
v. TECHNICAL	Lost . . . 9—3
v. STAR	Won . . . 14—3
v. PIRATES	Lost . . . 6—23
v. BLUES	Lost . . . 6—3
v. BLUES	Lost . . . 6—0
v. WAIKIWI	Won . . . 29—3
v. OTAGO	Lost . . . 28—4
v. PIRATES	Draw . . . 6—6
v. STAR	Won by default.
v. TECHNICAL	Lost . . . 3—6

THIRD FIFTEEN.

Captain—I. Ronald. Deputy-Captain—Henderson.

Match.	Result.
v. STAR	Lost . . . 16—19
v. TECHNICAL	Drawn . . 0— 0
v. MARIST	Lost . . . 9—20
v. MAKAREWA	Lost . . . 3—21
v. BLUFF	Won by default.
v. BLUES	Lost . . . 3—30
v. TECHNICAL	Won . . . 9— 6
v. MAKAREWA	Won by default.
v. MARIST	Lost . . . 3—27

Owing to the small number of boys available, it was a matter of great difficulty to place a complete Third Fifteen in the field Saturday after Saturday. Moreover, the Thirds were unfortunate in losing several of their best players, including the captain, to the Seconds; consequently, little could be expected of the team. Nevertheless, largely owing to the enthusiasm of a few boys, all arrangements, except one, which was interfered with by the school holidays, were fulfilled, and the Thirds put up some plucky fights against heavier and more experienced opponents.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

This year the Juniors, the majority of whom are first year boys, put two teams in the field. A large influx of small boys made it possible to enter a team in the primary competition under 6st. 7lbs. This experiment was quite successful, and though the team could not compete for the flag it won all its matches and played good football.

As usual a team was entered in the Senior Schools' Competition and this team lost two of its matches and finished runners-up. The feature of the Junior football was the back play. With plenty of pace in that division, and unselfish passing, the team's success is due mostly to them. The forwards, though possessing weight and packing well, were too slow in the loose. However, in the match against Gore High School, the forwards gave a good account of themselves. In the light team mention must be made of the good work of A. Wilson (captain), A. McKenzie, Hallamore and Pryde in the backs, nad Kerse, Harvey and Stuckey in the forwards.

In the Senior team Morrison (captain), Giller, Wale, Connolly were a fine combination in the rear division, and Smillie played well in the forwards.

The following are the results:—

Team under 6st. 7lbs.

v. ST. GEORGE	Won	11—3
v. NORTH	Won	13—7
v. WAIKIWI	Won	30—0
v. MAKAREWA	Won	6—3
v. SOUTH	Won	9—6
v. WAIHOPAI	Won	9—6
v. MARIST	Won	6—0
v. MIDDLE	Won	15—0

Team under 8 stone.

v. TECHNICAL	Won	14—13
v. SOUTHERN SCHOOLS	Won	8— 6
v. NORTHERN SCHOOLS	Lost	12— 6
v. TECHNICAL	Lost	6— 5
v. SOUTHERN SCHOOLS	Won	33— 6
v. NORTHERN SCHOOLS	Lost	24— 5
v. GORE HIGH SCHOOL	Won	15— 3

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The following account of the sports is adapted from that in the Southland Daily News:—

The annual athletic sports gathering of the Southland Boys' Higli School was held at Rugby Park on Wednesday, October 22, in ideal weather, there being a large attendance of parents, friends, and pupils of the sister school.

The gathering was as big a success as many of its predecessors and some very promising athletes took part. The ground was in good order, but the track was a trifle rough and inclined to be holding, which may have militated against the times in some of the events, although several records were broken during the day. A pleasing feature of the sports was the big increase in the size of the fields, not only in the handicap events but in the senior and junior cham-

pionships as well. The senior championship brought forward seven competitors—the biggest entry for many years—and six of them scored points. At the close of the day, with the mile still to be run, Rout was leading with 16 points, Manson one point behind. Rout came to light in the jumps, his fine effort of 20ft. 3ins. in the long jump being altogether capped by his display in the high jump. The record in this event, 5ft. 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins., established by R. L. Christie in 1911 and equalled by E. Squires in 1922, was easily surpassed, Rout clearing 5ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. comfortably. He proved himself a jumper who uses the minimum of effort both in run and take-off and with more experience should go very far in this branch of athletics. He also secured two seconds and a third in running events. I. Manson, who secured the championship, proved himself a very versatile performer, as he won also the Todd Medal for most points in the 100 yards, 220 yards and 120 yards Hurdles open handicap. He won the 100 yards handicap from scratch in 11 1-5 sec. and immediately ran in the 100 yards championship, winning in 11 2-5 sec. He was second in the high jump with 5ft. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. and deadheated for second place in the furlong. He won the half-mile championship in 2 min. 19 4-5 sec., thus establishing a good record for the first occasion on which the distance has been included in the championship. He crowned the day's performance with a win in the 120 yards hurdles, which he won comfortably in 18 3-5 sec., doing the first heat in 18 sec.—good time at the conclusion of a strenuous day.

Manson secured the championship by winning the mile the following week in 5 min. 14 sec. against a fairly strong wind.

G. Mitchell did well by winning the 220 yards and 440 yards championships in the fair times of 25 2-5 sec. and 58 4-5 sec.

The junior champion (under 15) was revealed in G. Macdonald, a very likely athlete, of light build, but possessed of a nice, easy action and showing good judgment in all his races. He was successful in lowering two records, the junior half and quarter miles, bringing the times down from 2 min. 31 sec and 65 sec. to 2 min. 25 sec. and 64 sec. respectively. A. L. Calder won the junior high jump championship with the fine leap of 4ft. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. and also shaped well in running events.

The outstanding competitors in the handicap events, apart from Manson, were E. Bryant, who won the Bews Medal by winning all three handicaps, the mile, half-mile and quarter-mile. Off 15 yards in the half-mile he made the good time of 2 min. 17 1-5 sec., and A. Wilson and Cox who ran very well in the 15-16 handicaps and the junior handicaps respectively.

Very keen interest was taken in the Forms' Championship, which remained in doubt till a week later, when the three mile run decided in favour of Form VA out of four possible winners.

The day following the sports saw another record go, when Shirreffs broke D. Holz's 1914 record of 99yds. 1ft. 11ins. in the cricket ball throw with the magnificent throw of 106yds. 3ins. The following week Jack Hamilton completed the list of six broken records by running the three mile road race against the wind in 18min. 19sec., thus lowering M. Harrington's time by 15 seconds. In the same race VC, by getting home four men before any other Form, won the Forms' 3-mile challenge shield.

The following is the detailed list of results:—

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

100 Yards—Manson 1, Rout 2, Page 3. Time, 11 2-5 sec. Inches only between first three.

220 Yards—Mitchell 1, Manson, Rout 2 (equal). Time, 25 2-5 sec. Won by three yards.

440 Yards—Mitchell 1, Page 2, Rout 3. Time, 58 4-5 sec. Won by eight yards.

880 Yards—Manson 1, Thomson 2, Page 3. Time, 2 min. 19 4-5 sec. Record.

1760 Yards—Manson 1, Thomson 2, Mitchell 3. Time, 5 min. 14 sec. Won by a yard.

High Jump—Rout 1, Manson 2, Lea 3. Height, 5ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. Record. Manson 5ft. 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.

Long Jump—Rout 1, Thomson 2, Page 3. Distance, 20ft. 8ins. Page 18ft. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. Thomson 18ft 10ins.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

100 Yards—Macdonald 1, Calder 2, Tapley 3. Time 12 1-5 sec. 18 inches between first three.

220 Yards—Macdonald 1, Tapley 2, Connolly 3. Time, 27 4-5 sec. Won by two yards.

440 Yards—Macdonald 1, Calder 2, Connolly 3. Time 64 sec. Record. Won by 30 yards.

880 Yards—Macdonald 1, Calder 2, Morrison 3. Time, 2 min. 25 sec. Record. Macdonald made his own pace.

High Jump—Calder 1, Macdonald 2, Morrison 3. Height, 4ft. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

Long Jump—Morrison 1, Tilley 2, Calder 3. Distance, 16ft. 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

TODD MEDAL HANDICAPS.

- 100 Yards, Open—Manson (scr.) 1, Ross (5yds.) 2, Hislop (scr.) 3. Time, 11 1-5 sec. Won by a yard. Two heats.
 220 Yards, Open—Ross (9yds.) 1, Hanan (8yds.) 2, Paterson (5yds.) 3. Time, 26 sec. Two feet between first and third.
 120 Yards Hurdles, Open—Manson (scr.) 1, Mitchell (5yds.) 2. Time, 18 3-5 sec. Manson won first heat in **18 sec.**

BEWS MEDAL HANDICAPS.

- 440 Yards, Open—Bryant (15yds.) 1, Fletcher (45yds.) 2, Reed (30 yds.) 3. Time, 59 4-5 sec. Won comfortably by ten yards.
 880 Yards, Open—Bryant (15yds.) 1, Ross (20yds.) 2, Hall (40yds.) 3. Time, 2 min. 17 1-5 sec. A fast race. Won by 30 yards.
 1760 Yards, Open—Bryant (50yds.) 1, McCalman (200yds.) 2, Scott (200yds.) 3. Well judged by Bryant.

JUNIOR HANDICAPS.

- 100 Yards—Cox (6yds.) 1, Garden (10yds.) 2, Mitchell (8yds.) 3. Time, 12 1-5 sec. Three heats. Won by three yards.
 220 Yards—Cox (8yds.) 1, Mitchell (16yds.) 2, Garden (14yds.) 3. Time, 28 sec. Won by inches.
 220 Yards (under 14)—Henry (10yds.) 1, McCawe (scr.) 2, Watts (10yds.) 3. Time, 30 sec. Fourteen starters. Close race.
 440 Yards—Cox (40yds.) 1, Garden (35yds.) 2, Hormann (20 yds.) 3. Time, 62 2-5 sec. Eight starters. Won by a yard.
 880 Yards—Pryde (15yds.) 1, McCawe (20yds.) 2, Hallamore (40yds.) 3. Time, 2 min. 34 3-5 sec. Won by ten yards.
 High Jump—Rout (2ins.) 1, Yule (2ins.) 2, Hormann (3ins.) 3. Height, 4ft. 6½ ins. (with handicap).
 Long Jump—Mitchell (2ft.) 1, Cox (2ft.) 2, Dennis (3ft.) 3. Distance, 17ft. 7¾ ins. (with handicap).

HANDICAPS (15-16).

- 100 Yards—Wilson (4yds.) 1, Anderson (3yds.) 2, Dakin (6 yds.) 3. Time, 12 sec. Three heats. An easy win.
 220 Yards—Wilson (10yds.) 1, Hamilton (14yds.) 2, Hanan (8yds.) 3. Time, 26 3-5 sec. A ding-dong finish.
 880 Yards—Anderson 1, Dakin (30yds.) 2, Robbie (15yds.) 3. Time, 2 min. 25 sec. Won by two yards.

OTHER EVENTS.

- High Jump (Open)—Hamilton (5ins) 1, Mayhew (5ins.), Maher (5ins.) 2 (equal). Height, 5ft. 3ins. (with handicap). Hamilton cleared 4ft. 10ins. with a straight jump.

Long Jump (Open)—Mayhew (1ft.) 1, Bailey (2ft.) 2, Murray (2ft.) 3. Distance, 19ft. (with handicap).

Wrestling (under 7st.)—McDonald 1, C. Barclay 2. Very few competitors.

Wrestling (under 9st.)—Hanan 1, Hamilton 2. Very few competitors.

Wrestling (over 9st.)—Lea 1, W. Barclay 2. Very few competitors.

Potato Race—Paterson 1, Galbraith 2, Bailey 3.

Sack Race—Hanan 1, Moloney 2, Smith 3. The winner was an adept.

Half-mile Walk—Milne (30yds.) 1, Shirreffs (scr.) 2, McBean (70yds.) 3. Time, 4 min. 7 1-5 sec. Numerous disqualifications.

Relay Race—VI (Shirreffs, Lea, Hanan, Strang) 1, IVC 2, VA 3. Time, 1 min. 49 4-5 sec. A very keenly contested event.

Putting the Shot—Lea (36ins.) 1, Hislop (12ins.) 2, Rout (scr.) 3. 34ft. (with handicap). Lea put farthest with 31ft.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—Shirreffs (scr.) 1, Compton (15yds.) 2, Falconer (12yds.) 3. Distance, 106yds. 3ins. Record. A fair wind.

120 Yards A.A.C. Handicap—Morgan (scr.) 1, Geddes (6yds.) 2, Rein (12yds.) 3. Time, 12 4-5 sec. Well judged by Morgan. Three heats.

Tug-of-war, Senior—VA 1, VI 2. Some gruelling contests.

Tug-of-war, Junior—IVA 1, IVC 2.

Three Mile Road Race—M. Hamilton 1, Bryant 2, Shirreffs 3. Time, 18 min. 19 sec. Record. Against a head wind.

Forms' Challenge Shield, Three Mile Race—Won by VC (Bryant, Hamilton, Cushen, Stuck).

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

	100 yds.	220 yds.	440 yds.	880 yds.	1760 yds.	High Jump.	Long Jump.	Tl.
Manson	5	2	—	5	5	3	—	20
Rout	3	2	1	—	—	5	5	16
Mitchell	—	5	5	—	1	—	—	11

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

	100 yds.	220 yds.	440 yds.	880 yds.	High Jump.	Long Jump.	Tl.
Macdonald	5	5	5	5	3	—	23
Calder	3	—	3	3	5	1	15
Morrison	—	—	—	1	1	5	7

TODD MEDAL.

	100yds.	220yds.	120yds.	Total
	Hurdles.			
Manson	5	—	5	10
Ross	3	5	—	8

BEWS MEDAL.

	440yds.	880yds.	1760yds.	Total.
Bryant	5	5	5	15
Fletcher	3	—	—	3
Ross	—	3	—	3
McCalman	—	—	3	3

The Forms' Competition for highest total of points scored in all events resulted:—

VA, 53 points.

VB, 52 points.

VC and IVC, 47 points.

VI, 39 points.

S.B.H.S. RECORDS LIST.**SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP—**

- 100 Yards. Time, 10 1-5 sec. A. G. Harrington (1922).
- 220 Yards. Time, 23 secs. T. Baird (1908).
- 440 Yards. Time, 55 secs. R. L. Christie (1909).
- 880 Yards. Time, 2 min. 19 4-5 sees. I. Manson (1924).
- 1760 Yards. Time, 4 min. 56 sees. T. Baird (1909).
- High Jump. Height, 5ft. 4½ins. C. Rout (1924).
- Long Jump. Distance, 22ft. N. Millard (1908).

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP—

- 100 Yards. Time, 11 secs. S. Reid (1906).
- 220 Yards. Time, 25 secs. A. Kingsland (1917).
- 440 Yards. Time, 64 sees. G. Macdonald (1924).
- 880 Yards. Time, 2 min. 25 sees. G. Macdonald (1924).
- High Jump. Height, 4ft. 9ins. M. McCurdy (1923).
- Long Jump. Distance, 17ft. 10ins. J. Forde (1914).

OPEN HANDICAPS—

- 100 Yards. Time, 10 1-5 secs. R. Morgan (1922).
- 880 Yards. Time, 2 min. 25 secs. W. Bewes (1919).
- Half-mile Walk. Time, 3 min. 57 sees. A. Reid (1913).

120 Yards Hurdles. Time, from scr. 17s. R. Morgan (1923).

Time, from 15yds. behind scr, 18 secs. J. Moore (1906), N. Millard (1908).

Putting the 13lb Shot. Distance, 37ft. 9ins. G. Kingston (1917).

Throwing Cricket Ball. Distance, 106yds. 3ins. H. Shirreffs (1924).

3 Mile Road Race. Time, 18 min. 19 secs. J. M. Hamilton (1924).

**CADET NOTES.**

Owing to the almost continuous spell of fine weather, our parades this year have suffered little interruption, and early in the third term we had practically completed our training for the year. Our uniforms, too, came to hand much earlier than usual, and this enabled the company to turn out smartly.

At the beginning of the year Mr Macdonald took charge of No. 4 Platoon, and has proved himself a keen and efficient officer. Many of our most experienced n.c.o.'s left us at the end of last year, but those who took their places have done excellent work, and the company has fully maintained the standard of former years.

The following officers and n.c.o.'s have been in charge:—

Officer in Command: Capt. J. B. Mawson, M.C.

Company S.M.: H. Gordon. Company Q.S.M.: I. Rout.

No 1 Platoon—Captain J. L. Cameron. Sergts. C. Clapp and C. Graham. Corporals S. Talbot and N. Murray.

No. 2 Platoon—Lieut. J. R. Page. Sergts. H. Shirreffs and I. Manson. Cpl. C. Rout and R. Ross.

No. 3 Platoon—Lieut. A. J. Deaker. Sergts. R. Griffiths, G. Wallace and W. Barelay. Cpls. D. Blue and J. Hynd.

No. 4 Platoon—Lieut. K. Macdonald. Sergts. G. R. Hanan, J. R. Page and J. Dakin. Cpls. M. Rodger and L. Clark.

During the second term a Lewis Gun section, under Sergt. J. R. Page, was instituted, and has received regular instruction from S.S.M. Stewart. Towards the end of the week's drill the regulation course was fired, and, with more practice, the section should do well.

Last summer six n.c.o.'s from the company availed themselves of the fortnight's instructional course at Burnham. Although some suffered from colds, sunburn, and various other troubles, an enjoy-

able, though strenuous, time was spent. The value of such courses hardly needs to be emphasised, and it is to be hoped that the company will be represented by a still larger quota in future.

After the presentation of the Weekly Press Challenge Shield, on the 18th of June, Captain Weir also presented to Sergt. Clapp the Godley Cup awarded to No. 1 Platoon for the highest average for the battalion in the musketry course for last year.

Owing to unfavourable circumstances our annual week's drill had to be postponed until the beginning of the third term. We were fortunate in securing an unbroken spell of fine weather, and excellent progress was made. With the exception of one or two absentees, the whole company completed their musketry course, the average for the company being 82.7 out of a possible of 120. Additional interest was lent to the course of instruction by a demonstration of Vickers, Hotchkiss and Lewis guns in action, and by a lecture on the 18-pounder gun by Sergt. McLean, of the Permanent Staff. On the concluding afternoon Captain Weir put the company through various movements in ceremonial drill, and afterwards expressed his appreciation of the steadiness and efficiency displayed. Advantage was also taken of this opportunity to present to Cpl. L. Clark the medal for the highest score in the junior musketry course for last year.

The championship cups for this year's shooting go to Cpl. N. Murray (senior) with 108 and W. Collett (junior) with 111 out of 120.

We are again indebted to Mr Rigg (senior) for the presentation of a prize for the best n.c.o. in the company. The award will be made on the results of the n.c.o.'s examination, which will be held towards the end of the term.

The company took part in the general parade on Anzac Day, and also in the Garrison Church Parade, on November 9. On the 10th October, also, we furnished the Guard of Honour on the occasion of the departure of His Excellency the Governor-General, Viscount Jellicoe. In this instance the steadiness and general bearing of the Guard was particularly good, and His Excellency, at the conclusion of his farewell address, was good enough to compliment us upon it.

WEEKLY PRESS CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Last year, for the first time in the history of the School, we were successful in winning the Weekly Press Challenge Shield. The team consisted of picked marksmen from the previous year, and as

a result of a long and very thorough preparation by S.S.M. S. Stewart, they put up a very fine performance.

The presentation of the Shield took place on the 18th of June. For the following account we are indebted to the "Southland Times":—

"A ceremony that was robbed to a certain extent of its interest by the unfavourable weather, took place yesterday, when the Weekly Press Shield, which was won by the shooting team of the Southland Boys' High School in the recent competitions among secondary schools, was handed over to the winners by Captain N. McD. Weir, Officer in Charge Southland District. The School Cadet Company was assembled on the parade ground in Forth street under the command of Captain Mawson, and presented a fine soldierly appearance. Among those present were the Rector (Mr T. D. Pearce), Mr J. T. Carswell, Chairman of the High Schools Board of Governors, and Mr R. M. Strang, another member of the Board.

Captain Weir, who was accompanied by the Adjutant (Lieut. Maxwell), in handing over the Shield, expressed the pleasure felt by all sections of the community at the success achieved by the School in winning the Shield and in obtaining the highest number of points out of the 160 teams which had competed. The Southland team this year had put up a magnificent performance with an average of 67.4 points, their nearest competitor being the Thames High School team, which was second with 64.1 points. "In past years the Shield has remained in northern centres," continued Captain Weir, "and now that it has been introduced to Southland, I sincerely trust that it will take up its residence here for some time at least."

Captain Weir then asked Mr Pearce to accept the Shield on behalf of the School, after which he presented the medals to the individual members of the team.

The Rector, in replying, referred to the fact that the musketry training to-day was very different from that in vogue when he was in charge of the Cadet Company. He congratulated the School which it had secured by reason of the team's success, and also on the determination and persistence shown by the boys comprising the team. He hoped that the presence of the Shield in the School would be an incentive to the boys who were growing up, and that the team would succeed in retaining such a fine trophy for a year or two yet.

Mr Carswell, Chairman of the Board of Governors, also extended his congratulations to the School and to the team. As it is necessary to aim for the bull's eye in shooting, so was it necessary for the young man to have an aim in life, he said. "Therefore," he

concluded," aim as high as you can, and try to get as near the bull's eye as possible. I could not give you a better motto in life than that."

Captain Mawson, Officer in Command, said that he felt sure that he was voicing the opinion of his fellow-officers as well as of the boys when he said that they were proud of the distinction gained not only for its immediate honour, but also because it added something to the traditions of the School. They were greatly indebted for the help and encouragement given by the officers of the Defence Department, and especially their thanks were due to S.M. Stewart, whose coaching was primarily responsible for the team's excellent showing.

The scores of the team were as follows:—

	App. Poss. 28.	Rapid. Poss. 40	Agg. Poss. 68
Hardy, R.	28	39	67
Henderson, M.	28	39	67
Keown, H.	28	40	68
Mitchell, D.	27	40	67
Patton, D.	28	40	68
Ronald, I.	28	40	68
Rout, A.	28	40	68
Tattersfield, D.	28	40	68
Waymouth, H.	27	39	66
Wedderspoon, C.	28	39	67
Average			67.4

It is with feelings of the deepest regret that we have to chronicle the departure of Mr Mawson, our genial O.C. at the end of this term. Elsewhere reference has been made to Mr Mawson's work with the first fifteen. The same thoroughness characterised his work with the Cadets. Coming to the School shortly after his war experience, Mr Mawson infused a new vitality and spirit of enthusiasm into all branches of Cadet work. Under his able guidance the Cadet corps has obtained probably a higher standard of efficiency than it has ever had previously. We would take this opportunity of expressing our gratitude for the time and energy he has so unsparingly given, and of wishing him every success in his new appointment.

TENNIS.

Every season tennis seems to be obtaining a stronger hold on boys of the School, but this year interest among juniors seems to have sagged. It must be said, however, that the standard of senior play shows a general improvement, and much closer competition was experienced in both the Senior Doubles and Singles Championships. The Easter Tournament followed a match against Gore High School in the first term. The third term saw matches against the Girls' High School and also the School Championships.

Following are the results of the matches and championships played during the year:—

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP OF SOUTHLAND.

Singles (Final)—J. Hughes defeated J. A. Hamilton, 6—4, 5—7, 6—1.

Doubles (Final)—J. Hughes and H. Gordon defeated G. R. Hanan and G. Anderson, 6—1, 8—6.

v. GORE HIGH SCHOOL.

School won by 9 matches, 9 sets, 99 games, to 3 matches, 3 sets, 71 games. This match was played at Gore. We would like to thank the Gore team for their hospitality. One and all spent a thoroughly enjoyable day. We are hoping for a return match before the end of the year.

v. GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

The boys conceded the girls a handicap of "owe 15" in each game, but in spite of the handicap and the splendid quality of the girls' play the boys proved too strong and won by 8 matches, 57 games, to 1 match, 35 games. Our thanks are due to the girls for a dainty afternoon tea, and to Miss Cumming for the excellent manner in which she carried out the arrangements for the matches.

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GYMNASICS.

The annual competition for 1923 resulted as follows:—

Senior Championship (possible 100)—Hirst 84, Lennon 78, Lea 76, Squires 76, Rout, A., 75, Mayhew 72.

Second Year (possible 100)—Rout, C. 89 Tattersfield 85, Wedderspoon 74, Robinson 73, McKenzie 65, Wright 65, Hamilton 64, Patton 60.

Junior Championship—Hislop IIIB, 75; Thomson IIIC, 73; Ross IIIA, 70.

Forms Competition—IIIB 264, IIIA 254, IIIC 242.

Mr Cree acted as judge.

THE LIBRARY.

The following new books have been added to the Library this year:—

Donated by A. F. Ross—Benita (H. Rider Haggard), A Mystery of the Sea (Herbert Haynes), Captain Allen Gardiner (Jesse Page), The Rifle Rangers (Capt. Mayne Reid), The House on the Hudson (Frances Powell), The Missing Ship (W. H. G. Kingston).

Donated by S. Talbot—Decline of the Roman Republic, Vols. 1—5. Long.

Painted Windows ("A Gentleman with a Duster"), Joan of Arc of the North Woods (H. Day), Into the Frozen South (Scoutt Marr), Literary Lapses (Stephen Leacock), Desert Valley (J. Gregory), The Shack Locker (F. W. Wallace), The Pride of Palomar (P.B. Kyne), The Elephant Man (Sir F. Treves), When a Man's a Man (H. B. Wright), The Gaspards of Pine Croft (R. Connor), Collected Poems of J. Masefield, Wonder Tales from Greek and Roman Myths (G. Davidson), Fifty-Fifty (A. N. Lyons), Enquire Within (H. Jenkins), Corinthian Days (A. Soutar), The Calling of Dan Mathews (H. B. Wright), The New Henry Ford (Allan L. Benson), College Days (Stephen Leacock), The Book of Pirates (J. Finnmore), Godfrey Marten Schoolboy (Chas. Turley), Wonder Tales from Scottish Myth and Legend (D. A. Mackenzie), The Problem of Armaments (A. Guy Enoch), The Underworld of London (Sid. T. Felstead), Cappy Ricks Retires (P. B. Kyne), Land and Sea

Tales for Scouts and Guides (R. Kipling), Practical Wireless Valve Circuits (J. Scott Taggart), Radio for All (H. Gernsback), Lawn Tennis Tip Book (A. E. Beamish), First Steps to Rugby Football (W. D. Giddon), The Hot Springs of New Zealand (Herbert), The War Effort of New Zealand (Drew), First Steps to Lawn Tennis (A. E. Beamish), The Maori (Elsdon Best).

A TRIP UP THE TASMAN GLACIER.

Let us hope this does not read too much like a geography lesson. It was my privilege during the September holidays to spend some ten days at the Hermitage, during which we spent three days in an excursion to Malte Brun hut near the top of the Tasman Glacier. The Tasman is the greatest glacier in the world outside the Arctic regions and is some twenty-four miles in length. The first day was spent in getting to Ball Hut on the lateral moraine of the Ball Glacier which runs parallel to the Tasman, along with the Hochstetter, Haast and Darwin glaciers. From this hut we climbed on to the lateral moraine, about 150 feet high, and had a fine view of the terminal moraines of these glaciers which are deposited altogether. We had been all afternoon in getting past these moraines. They are about 8 miles long and cover about 30 square miles. My childhood ideas of glacier geography were rudely shattered. I can remember teachers saying: "A terminal moraine is a collection of large stones brought down." Very true—but what a collection! Many of the stony heaps were over 200 feet high and had cores of solid ice with boulders sprinkled over the top. It is from this ice that the glacier rivers begin.

We got away early after a comfortable night, and carrying skis, crossed the Ball glacier and reached the ice field proper of the Tasman before the sun was up. In winter the hollows and crevasses are snowed in and the glacier is on top a level platform of snow. In the early morning this is frozen and we were able at this time to travel quickly. In places the ice hummocks on the glacier were protruding through the snow. On the left we encountered the glorious Hochstetter ice falls of steep moving ice, over 1000 feet high, full of crevasses, of a deep turquoise blue in many places, and moving at the rate of 12 feet per day. Even as we watch great chunks of ice came crashing over a stony face. It is a glorious walk up this glacial valley with snow-covered mountains on all sides. Mt. Cook in the rising sun is a fine picture. When the last ice has been passed we make a sledge with our skis and drag them behind. On reaching

the last bend in the valley we are rewarded with a fine view. To our right the beautiful Minarets, in front Mt. Elie de Beaumont, the wonderful Hochstetter ice dome, to our left Mt. Malte Brun, a perfectly shaped peak. With all these attractions the wonderful ice platform with its cap of softening snow is always interesting. About 6 miles from the top of the glacier we climb a stiff 600 feet and reach Malte Brun hut. In the afternoon we spend the time ski-ing round the slopes at the back of the hut. Our vigorous but none too skilful efforts made the place look like a roughly ploughed paddock. In spite of heaps of blankets and a kerosene heater the temperature is felt (altitude 6700 feet). Avalanches are heard roaring at intervals during the night. Another glorious day awaits us. In spite of the unrelieved snow fields the heat from the sun is oppressive. It was a treat to ski down the long snow fields of the Tasman. After travelling for 8 miles down the gentle slopes we reluctantly quit our skis and clamber over ice and stones again. Occasionally an ice cave, issuing milky water, is passed. In the sun the ice is of a fine blue colour. We stop at Ball Hut for afternoon tea. A newly-arrived party of Christchurch High School boys have much to say about the Payne trophy match but refuse to discuss this year's tournament. We continue and after 12 miles fast walking reach the Hermitage, covering the 24 miles in about 7 hours. Our guide on this occasion was Mr Norman Murrell, an ex-Southland High boy—an instructive and interesting companion.

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

A WEARY WORKER'S LAMENT.

A five-pound note is not a joy forever:
It's loveliness decreases; and 'twill ever
Pass into nothingness; it will not keep
Me in small pleasures for a week; I weep
When dreary bills keep on arriving.
And I, with mighty money matters striving,
Find that, when the thrice curse'd things I pay,
No nice new notes I have to put away,
To give in manner kind; to lighten hearts
To heal my soul of deep-cut, aching smarts
In finest vintage; yes, I would give all
To be in some fair land far from the pall
Of this economy.

—R. Page.

APOLLO.

O King, who art retiring in a blaze of glory to give place to thy gentle regent, how wonderful art thou! All through the centuries thou has gazed on the weary, foolish Earth, torn by petty troubles and tried by trifling discords. Thou hast seen Empires rise and decay and fall. The Kingdom of the Jews, the Old Rome and the New Rome, the Empire of Charlemagne and the proud might of Spain all have passed before thee in a glorious pageant; thou hast seen them at the zenith of their glory and at the depths of their degradation. Thy age-old eyes have seen Atlantis vanish and America arise. Underneath thy burning gaze two small islands have become the centre of the greatest Empire which has dominated the world. In thy wisdom thou hast said: "It too, great and powerful as it is, shall fall and be conquered." The powers of the Earth, the rulers of men, have passed before thee in review. At all thou hast laughed in scorn —what are they but men? Men who must die, their tasks unfinished or completed only to be torn down by their successors. "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity."

Thou art glorious and kingly, but proud and cold, and thy rule is harsh. Thy gentle consort thinks more kindly of the tired Earth than thou. Her wise eyes have seen the World in all its tranquil beauty. At her gracious command, the toiling peoples cease their labour and under her peaceful rays the wounds of the World and its millions are healed, and a calm beauty which thy fierce nature scorns enfolds the Universe.

—R. Hutton-Potts.

"NONSENSE RIMES."

Down the Hopeless Sea we drifted,
Beached our boat upon a strand,
Climbed the Never Shall Be mountains,
Reached the Never Never Land.

Here a Hippo. watched our coming
With a smirk upon his snout,
And a monkey leaped upon us,
Told us rudely to get out.

We thanked the Hippo. for his smirk
And hung some beads around his throat.
We took the moneky by the tail
And threw him far into a moat.

Behind the moat, a castle rose,
Fierce and forbidding, strong and grim.
We knew it held a giant huge
Who'd quickly tear us limb from limb.

He rushed at us with savage yell,
I turned and fled, I knew not where.
Then as he reached to pick me up,
I looked and lo! he was not there.

But though I searched each inch of ground
For fear he'd hid behind a log,
All that I found was one wee ant
Which as I looked became a frog.

The frog grew fat and fatter yet.
I could do nought but stand and stare,
A fearful bang ! a cloud of dust,
A loud explosion rent the air.

Then I was falling through a void,
And heard a locomotive scream,
The bed-post hit me on the head,
I woke and lo ! 'twas all a dream.

—G. Macdonald.

"NON SCHOLAE SED VITAE DISCIMUS."

How long, O School, have we to wend our way
Along those sunlit paths of wondrous youth?
How long, O School, to wait the dawn of day,
And seek in vain the coming light of truth?

The time, dear home, alas is all too short;
The seasons wane and months, years pass away.
Ambition, sorrows, joys, avail us nought,
Till life's a failure, time the while says "Nay!"

And so, in years, when boyhood's days are gone,
When on life's stormy seas at last set out,
Thus we, bewildered, turn to thee alone,
And raise our voice to thee in anxious shout.

From thee, we seek life's yearning and the light
That makes the dark cloud hovering o'er us bright.

—W. Barclay.

A TALE OF ROOM 2.

In the dim past when my sisters and I dwelt in our dark cave, then was I supreme. With my wondrous eye I could see all the whole, wide world—its peoples and its cities, its hills and its plains, its lakes and its seas. Alas! all has changed—my eye has grown dim, its lustre has gone and now my tiresome gaze is confined to a strange room, cheerless and drab, beyond whose effective barriers, the walls, I see nothing. My nocturnal reveries terminate with the clanging of a bell in the morning. Immediately the room throbs with life—the air is discordant with the noise and clatter of countless mortals; they are endless, they come and go. There is silence for a moment, my gaze is focussed on a tall chief. At a signal from him, the assembly performs the same strange rituals which they have done for years, and evidently will do in future years. A monotonous chant is heard, gaining in volume until, by a gesture from the chief, it terminates abruptly. He then introduces from his cupboard of mysteries, a magic wand and applies it to several of the company who skip about and emit cries, even louder than before. The assembly, after this interruption, continues while I watch interestedly. Suddenly, the chief turns round and with a white stick he marks something down on a large black board. Turning to his class, he indicates these strange marks with his wand. The same monotonous chant is repeated; often it is in strange languages which cause my thoughts to wander back down the ages to the times of the "fiery Franks" and the Ceasars. Day in, day out, the chant goes on; the stream of mortals who perform the rites, continues, from the young and inexperienced, to the old and grizzled veterans of wisdom.

And thus the wheel of Time grinds on.

—S. Cassells.

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N.Z. UNIVERSITY—DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, 1923.

(Notified in April.)

M.A.—J. G. Anderson, M.Sc. in History.
A. J. Deaker, in History.
R. G. Lockhart, in History.
K. C. McDonald, in History.
A. McFarlane, in History.
R. G. McDowall, in Philosophy.
E. A. Cockroft, in Economics.

B.A.—W. H. Jackson.
J. F. McKay.
A. J. Sligo.

J. M. Meffan.

LL.B.—G. J. Kelly.
C. J. Praim.
J. M. Laing.

M.B., Ch.B.—J. P. Donald, A. Cumming, W. R. Ryburn.
B.Sc. (Engineering)—A. Buckingham.
Diploma in Education—J. H. Murdoch.
Diploma in Social Science—H. O. Jefcoate.
First Professional—W. J. Wells.
Second Professional—Chas E. Reid, E. F. Thomson.
Third Professional (1st Section)—C. D. Read, R. F. Roberts.

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TERM EXAMINATIONS, 1924.

G. A. McGregor—3rd Degree Latin, 3rd Advanced Education I.

W. J. Lennon—2nd Junior Greek, 3rd Degree Economics, 3rd Degree Modern History.

A. D. Horwell—2nd Elementary Greek, 3rd Degree English, 3rd Degree Modern History.

G. M. Cameron—1st 2nd year Advanced English, 1st 2nd year Advanced French.

D. S. Pickford—2nd Degree English, 3rd Degree Mathematics.

R. S. Johnstone—3rd Degree English, 3rd Degree Education, 3rd Degree Modern History.

H. L. McKinnon—3rd Degree English, 3rd Degree French, 3rd Degree Modern History.

H. D. Morgan—2nd Degree French, 2nd Advanced Education I, 2nd Degree Modern History.

A. J. Campbell—3rd Degree French.

J. E. Stevens—3rd Degree French, 3rd Degree Mathematics, 3rd Applied Mathematics.

H. B. Laytham—3rd Degree Psychology, 2nd Degree Ethics, 1st Degree Education.

R. G. Kitto—3rd Degree Psychology, 3rd Advanced Economics, 2nd Degree History.

A. Milne—3rd Degree Ethics, 1st Degree Education.

R. P. K. Kania—3rd Degree Education, 3rd Advanced Mathematics II.

A. Ferguson—3rd Degree Education.

J. G. Leckie—3rd Degree Education.

C. C. Hormann—3rd Degree Education.

John W. Cameron—2nd Degree Modern History.

T. A. MacFarlane—3rd Degree Modern History.

C. Walker—3rd Degree Modern History.

A. G. Harrington—1st Advanced Mathematics I, 1st Degree Mathematics, 1st Applied Mathematics, 1st Degree Physics, Beverly Scholarship in Pass Degree Physics.

Ian D. Cameron—3rd Degree Mathematics, 3rd Degree French, 3rd Degree Physics, 2nd Degree Geology, 2nd Geology I.

C. C. Roberts—2nd Degree Botany, 3rd Degree Zoology, 3rd Advanced Chemistry I.

C. W. Lea—3rd Degree Geology, 3rd Degree Physics, 3rd Advanced Chemistry I.

B. C. Haggitt—3rd Jurisprudence, 2nd Torts.

W. F. M. Ott—3rd International Law, 2nd Roman Law, 2nd Conflict of Laws.

P. Gilfedder—3rd Roman Law, 1st Torts.

B. Scully—3rd Criminal Law, 2nd Torts.

A. G. Butchers—1st Torts.

R. F. Wilson—2nd Intermediate Biology, 3rd Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry, 3rd Intermediate Organic Chemistry, 3rd Intermediate Physics.

M. M. Macdonald—1st Property I, 2nd Contracts, 2nd Property II, 3rd Practice and Procedure.

E. H. J. Preston—3rd Property II, 3rd Practice and Procedure.

A. W. Jones—3rd Evidence.

M. S. Wells—3rd Intermediate Biology, 3rd Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry, 3rd Intermediate Organic Chemistry, 3rd Intermediate Physics.

Hector M. Marshall—3rd Dental Anatomy, 3rd Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry.

PHARMACY BOARD EXAMINATIONS.

Section A—Albert A. Aris, Christchurch (formerly of Wyndham).

Section B—James S. Francis, Walter E. Galbraith, Ernest W. Kerr.

Section C—William T. Green.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

(For C and D Certificates.)

Passed for Class C.—H. D. Morgan.

Passed in 3 subjects for Class C.—J. E. Stevens.

Passed in Class D.—Arch. Ferguson, John R. Gardiner, Ewart Hannah, A. Ramsay Howie, Stuart E. Kettellwell, R. A. Kidd, J. E. Stevens, Jas. G. Templeton, J. E. Willett.

Partial Pass for Class D.—H. C. Cullen, A. E. Fortune, W. O. W. Hormann, C. B. Lopdell, A. P. McDonald, A. W. Milne, W. O. Neas, W. Titchener.

Partial Pass in 3 groups for Class D.—W. Allison, W. C. Cleine, D. Manson.

Partial Pass in 2 groups for Class D.—C. Clark, W. Currie, S. Foley, H. Forde, S. Talbot, J. C. Todd.

Pass in one group for Class D.—W. Anderson.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS.

Pupil Teachers—R. Kidd, Middle School; W. Cleine, North School; W. O. Hormann, Makarewa; A. Milne, Wyndham.

Probationers—W. Titchener, Waihopai; J. C. Todd, Bluff; J. A. Mitchell, Kennington; W. Allison, Mataura; W. O. Neas, Nightcaps; C. Clark, Otautau.

Ray. G. Kitto, assistant at Gore (March); James G. Templeton, Waikaka Valley (March); Nelson G. Saunders, Tahakopa (April); Alex. Baxter, headmaster, Kaiapoi.

Norman M. Matheson, B.A., was appointed in July second assistant at Palmerston South D.H.S.

Clarence Young (from Winton), first assistant at Wairoa, Hawke's Bay, 1923-4.

Don. Cox, sole teacher at Forest Hill North (June).

W. Anderson, sole teacher, Granity.

John Watson (from Winton) after being headmaster at Browns for two and a half years was last May appointed headmaster of a school near Gisborne.

Douglas Brown was appointed organising teacher for Southland last May.

Alfred Rowe was appointed headmaster of Otautau School last May.

The following were at the Otago Training College this year:— Archie Campbell, Jas. G. Leckie, Tom A. D. McFarlane, Hugh McKinnon, Carvel Hormann, Dick S. Johnstone, Arch. Ferguson, Clem. Walker, H. B. Laytham, John Cameron, Peter Kania, Arch. A. Cook.

The Editor of the Old Boys' section is not personally acquainted with all Old Boys and it may be found that items of news about Old Boys are sometimes omitted. The natural remedy is that Old Boys in possession of news about their contemporaries, should forward same to the Editor (E. C. Isaacs), Old Boys' Column, Box 135, Invercargill.

A very successful re-union and dinner of the Southland High School Old Boys' Association was held in the Federal Rooms on 30th May, Mr W. Macalister presiding over a large attendance of old boys.

The Chairman, in his opening remarks, said that the Old Boys' Association had been dead for some years past and an endeavour was now being made to revive activities and to encourage boys leaving school to take an interest in the welfare of their alma mater. The intention of the Association was to form a debating society

during winter months and a meeting for that purpose would be held shortly—debates against Marist Old Boys, W.E.A. and Old Girls' Association, and also present boys. A dance would probably be held early in July, and one or two smoke concerts during the winter. All old boys should join the Association and take the magazine, "The Southlandian." There would be plenty of scope for old boys when the new school was completed as £150 might be needed for the moving of the gymnasium to the new site—otherwise the assembly hall would require to be requisitioned for gymnastics. He was pleased to see representatives of other associations present—Christchurch, Waitaki and Otago B.H.S. O.B., and Marist Bros'. Old Boys.

The toast of "The School" was proposed by J. H. Reed, who expressed his delight at having the opportunity of meeting so many Old Boys at such a gathering. He noticed that there were usually two or three decades missing—those boys who had attended the school between 1890 and 1910—but there must surely be some of this period in Invercargill at the present time. If a real live revival in the Association's activities took place, no doubt these Old Boys would take an added interest in the affairs of the Association. The speaker, who commenced his secondary schooling at the Southland Boys' High School in 1882, remained there for about four years. That was in the "Blanchflowerian days." In over 40 years of school life, there had been only four rectors at the School, Messrs Blanchflower, Highton, Fowler, and the present Rector, Mr T. D. Pearce. When the speaker attended the school, there were only about 62 names on the roll, now there would be between 300 and 400. The old building had served its time and there had been only one addition to it during the School's history. Through the courtesy of the Rector in allowing a portion of his house to be used for schoolrooms, the congestion had been relieved somewhat. Very soon they would be housed in the new school at Gladstone, which would be second to none, of its kind, in the Dominion. This seemed to indicate that the powers that be recognised the requirements of this portion of the Dominion. They now had excellent and extensive playing fields. The School was favoured by possessing a fine Board of Governors, which had performed many services for the School. The School could be gratified at producing so many notable men, including two Rhodes' scholars. Old Boys were prominent in every profession and were taking a leading part in public life in town and country.

The Rector, Mr T. D. Pearce, who responded, expressed regret at the severance of their connection with the Board of Messrs A. F. Hawke and R. A. Anderson. Mr Hawke had been a member of the Board when the speaker first came here, and for a period of twenty-

three years, and since his elevation to the Upper House, had been of good service to the Board. Mr Anderson was a capable chairman, and it was by his tact and perseverance that the new school was being erected. He hoped they would all use their best endeavours to procure a hostel for the Southland Boys' High School. It was almost scandalous that there was no school hostel in a district of such large dimensions, so that boys from the country could go to the school instead of going elsewhere. He thanked Mr Reed for his inspiring and spirited address. The goal of education was good citizenship, and he referred to the fact that the Chairman of the Board of Governors at the present time was Mr J. T. Carswell, an Old Boy. Previous chairmen in the speaker's time were Messrs R. A. Anderson and W. Macalister. He did not know whether it would be practicable to remove the old gymnasium to the new site, but he would like to see a new gymnasium. He suggested that the opening of the new school next year might be made the occasion for a magnificent re-union and dinner in the new hall. There should be a procession for the old school to the new of Old Boys of the various decades, just as was the case in Dunedin and elsewhere. He was pleased to state that the School was doing well from every point of view. In its last matches it defeated Otago at both cricket and football. It was holding its own at the University, and in a few days would be presented with the Weekly Press Challenge Shield for shooting. There were now 12 on the staff, but they were much hampered for room. The age was remarkable for much discussion on education. The subjects on the curriculum might change, but the ultimate goal was the manufacture of good citizenship. He was proud of the products of the School, both before and during his time. If the Old Boys were taking a leading part in the life of the town and country, then the School was functioning properly. The old question of the classics was still debated, and he thought that the teaching of Latin was rapidly dying. Although he loved the classics, he was not altogether sorry, for everyone was not suited for Latin. Latin was spoken of as mental gymnastics, but it had a fixed vocabulary and fixed idioms. It was unalterable because it was dead. It would be far better to study a living language, such as French or Spanish, because it was not fixed and fresh literature could be obtained. There were debates as to what should be taught in mathematics, and the old system of teaching geometry had gone. Still, the authorities were not satisfied, and further alterations were being made. Mathematics had its use but, like Latin, the higher reaches of it were not suited to everyone. The main staple in the School must be the mother tongue, which must be encouraged in oral and written expression. Why shouldn't an Englishman know his own language?

The marking at the recent University examinations was absolutely unfair. A boy, after studying only three or four years at French, should not be the equal of a boy studying English for the same time. They could never properly master English, which was a wonderful language.

The Chairman proposed the toast of "The Masters—Past and Present," and stated that he had attended the School over 40 years ago. He remembered quite well that the prospectus in those days pointed out that not only was Latin taught but German, Greek, and French as well, and not much else. He referred to the splendid teaching ability of the first Rector, Mr Blanchflower, who was a wonderful languages' scholar. The other master at that time was a Mr Martin, the mathematics master, who was a brilliant scholar, but did not reign long. Mr Blanchflower had passed away, but he did not know what had become of Mr Martin. The speaker went on to deal with the other rectors and masters who had taught in the School, and in conclusion stated that he himself had occupied a rather unique position, being successively pupil, master and member of the Board of Governors.

Messrs J. P. Dakin, J. S. McGrath and A. G. Butchers responded.

"School Athletics" was proposed by Mr J. S. McGrath, who referred to the great success achieved by the School in this branch of its activities. In recent years—since 1918—the School had performed remarkably well at the Inter-High Schools' football tournament, having won the honours in 1918 and 1922, and in the latter year nearly defeating the great Auckland Grammar in the Moascar Cup final, although Southland had played three games in one week. The gymnasium instructor (Mr J. Page) was doing a great work in building up the boys. The difficulties encountering cricket would probably be overcome when they entered into the new school. He issued a warning to boys not to enter first grade football too young as he could quote 20 instances of boys who had shown great promise but had ruined their careers by playing against men too soon.

Messrs J. Page and J. R. Martin responded.

Other toasts honoured were: "The King," "The Board of Governors," proposed by A. W. Jones, responded to by Messrs J. T. Carswell and R. M. Strang; "Kindred Associations," proposed by E. C. Isaacs, responses by Lieutenant D. T. Maxwell (Christchurch), Messrs N. Rein (Waitaki), V. Hawke (Otago), and W. Wills (Marist); "The Ladies," proposed by P. Gilfedder, responded to by G. Reed; and "The Press."

During the evening community singing was indulged in and items were rendered by the following:—Messrs R. Kingsland (song), G. Reed (recitation), and J. S. McGrath (song).

The gathering concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King."

A. W. Jones was elected a member of the Southland Education Board. He takes a very lively interest in educational matters and has been chairman of the South School Committee for a number of years.

At the Otago Amateur Athletic Championships in March last, H. D. Morgan (School Champion in 1918-19), won the 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, and 120 yards hurdles provincial championships and for the second time in succession he won the F. M. Reid Challenge Cup (most points in championship events). At the New Zealand Amateur Athletic Championships Morgan broke down after falling in the 120 yards hurdles championship. Owing to his studies he was unable to accept nomination for the "All Blacks" now touring Great Britain. He would have had a great chance of inclusion. He played in only one representative match for Otago during the season, scoring three tries against Southland.

W. L. Bews was second in the 880 yards championship at the Otago Amateur Championships, both he and B. Geddes representing the Invercargill Amateur Athletic Club at the meeting. Geddes won the 220 yards handicap (under 18) and was second in the 120 yards handicap (under 18). At the New Zealand Amateur Championship meeting in Dunedin, Bews was third in the 880 yards championship of New Zealand, visibly impressing some of the experts.

J. P. Joyce (1915-18) was deputy-captain of the Invercargill Rowing Club last season. Other Old Boys taking an active part in regatta rowing were J. Trotter, A. Kerse, H. Curtis, P. Meffin, and H. R. Wilcox. P. Meffin was stroke of the maiden crew which filled second place at the Invercargill Regatta.

Frank Kilby, who was in the first fifteen in 1921-22, captained the Southern Football Club to victory in the second grade last season, School being defeated in the final. Kilby is the only School player to make a century against Otago B.H.S., and he is now fulfilling the promise he showed at school, as he made 40 runs in Southland's only innings against Otago last season. Both he and W. Nisbet (first eleven 1922) are promising colts in one of the local teams.

Tom Mahoney (1915-18) represented Nelson at football last season.

Ray Bell captained Southland in all four representative matches last season. He also played in three of the "All Black" trial matches. Bell has been playing representative football for five years and has a great record, having played in 60 representative games in

New Zealand and Australia. He toured Australia with the Maori team in 1922 and 1923, and represented New Zealand in 1923. He is with the Railway Department.

The Annual Ball was held on September 22, and socially it was a decided success. Owing to the wet night the attendance was not as large as was anticipated. This affected the financial position, but W. Green, who was joint secretary of the Ball Committee, had every reason to feel gratified with the success of his arrangements. The sub-committee which controlled the ball had the valuable assistance of a Ladies' Committee, who rendered yeoman service in various ways.

Old Boys are well represented in both the Invercargill newspaper offices. On the "Southland Daily News" are the following Old Boys:—F. Hinton, E. C. Isaacs and J. Moffett (reporting staff), W. G. Lenihan, J. Ferguson, and W. Jenkins (commercial staff), and D. Martin (mechanical staff). B. H. Ayling was appointed advertising manager some time ago. On the "Southland Times" are: J. M. MacKenzie, C. H. Ive and E. Miller (reporting staff), R. L. Rigg (assistant sub-editor), R. Lynch and J. Robertson (reading staff).

Ernie Fleming, who was a member of the first fifteen in 1917, is farming at Titiroa. He represented the Southern District Sub-Union at football.

Jack Gilkison (1916-20), the son of an Old Boy, is at Canterbury University College. During the past football season he was a member of the 'Varsity first fifteen and also was second string for his 'Varsity in the middle-weight class at the New Zealand Inter-University Boxing Tournament.

Stan Foley, who played in the first fifteen in 1921-22, has been transferred from East Gore to the Middle School as a pupil teacher. He arrived here too late for the football season, but represented Eastern District junior reps.

Rex Murray (1918-22), who was captain of the School fifteen in 1922, is on the staff of the Bank of New Zealand. He was out of football last season, but has been one of the prime movers in the formation of the Old Boys' Club.

J. Todd (1917) is now stationed at Alexandra.

A Shakespearean Society was established locally during the winter months, our old friend and teacher, Mr McGrath, being elected President. Old Boys are well represented.

We regret to announce the death which occurred during the year of Douglas Cox, one of our younger Old Boys. He was at School in 1916 and 1917, then going into the Southland Education Office..

Later he accepted a position on the staff of the Commercial Bank of Australia, by whom he was employed at the time of his death. He played an active part in junior sport at School and on leaving became secretary of the Pirates Football Club. He was a member of the Pirates second fifteen and also played second grade cricket for I.C.C. He was treasurer of the Old Boys' Association in 1921, and was also a member of the Invercargill Amateur Athletic Club. Doug. Cox was very popular, both at School and after leaving, and his quiet and unassuming manner won him a host of friends. He was on holiday in Wellington at the time of his death. To his parents and brothers, we extend our sincerest sympathy.

J. M. Fraser, a member of the first fifteen in 1919, who represented Southland in 1923, was kept out of the game last season owing to an illness which laid him low early in the year. He had shown great promise and was regarded as a "possible" for "All Black" honours. He is with J. E. Watson and Co.

J. G. Leckie (1918-20), who is in his last year at the Dunedin Training College, won the heavy-weight boxing championship at the New Zealand Inter-University Tournament in Wellington at Easter time. He won his "Blue" at boxing and athletics at Otago University. Leckie, who hails from the Wyndham district, won the light heavy-weight championship of New Zealand at the New Zealand Amateur Boxing Championship meeting in August.

Paul Longuet (1916-18) is now on the stage. He had a part in the famous Irene Vanbrugh's Company which toured New Zealand and Australia. O. Longuet is with the National Mortgage and Agency Co. at Otautau.

W. Macalister, the President of the Old Boys' Association, is now the first President of the Invercargill Rotary Club.

J. Murdoch (1902-1906), who was first assistant at St. Andrew's College, Christchurch, has been appointed Headmaster at Scot's College, Wellington. He was a member of the School first fifteen for four years, being a brilliant five-eighths. By his departure from Christchurch, our own old School will lose the valued services of Mr J. B. Mawson, who has been here six years. During that time he has won the respect and admiration not only of those at school but of Old Boys as well. His place will be hard to fill.

Frank Holz (1918-1920), who was in the first fifteen in 1919, played for Marist in Wellington last season.

W. Whyborn and L. Johnson both played for the Wellington Club.

Alan Greig (1917-20), who was junior athletic champion in 1918 and later went to Napier Boys' High School, is with a law firm

in Napier. He played for Old Boys' first fifteen in Hawke's Bay last season.

Eric Dyer (1918-21), who was captain of the first fifteen in 1921, sustained a broken leg in a first grade match in 1923, and has been out of the game during the past season.

Ray Dunnage (1918-20), who was gymnastic champion in 1920, is in the Railway District Engineer's Office, Invercargill.

Jack and Duncan Blue are on their uncle's farm at Waianiwai.

Cedric Noble-Campbell (1918-19) is on the reporting staff of the "Evening Post," Wellington.

Eric Marshall, who was a Parliamentary Reporter in Wellington for some time, is now with the "Daily Guardian," Sydney. There are several other New Zealanders on the staff of this paper.

W. S. Green passed his final examination in Pharmacy in August, being well up the list. He is with W. Stewart, another Old Boy, in Dee street.

Rewa Stephens (1914-1917), who has been with the National Mortgage and Agency Co. at Invercargill for the past seven years, was transferred to Dunedin as auctioneer in August. "Dick" was very popular locally and prior to his departure was the recipient of several handsome presentations.

Archie Campbell, who was a member of the School first fifteen in 1920, is a leading light in the Dunedin Training College and played for Knox College at football.

A. Kerse, A. Butcher, and A. Wilson are with the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.

George Cleland and Doug. Irving are both with Wright, Stephenson and Co. Doug. Irving being stationed at Otautau.

E. Miller left J. G. Ward and Co. to accept a reportership on the "Southland Times."

Harry Dykes, on the staff of the Commercial Bank of Australia, was transferred to Auckland. W. N. Dunnage, of the same bank, is now stationed at Wanganui.

P. Rice, G. Cleland, and R. Oughton represented Southland at football during the season, Percy being deputy-captain of the team.

Ted Ottrey, who was captain of the School 1st XV last year, is on the Bank of New Zealand staff at Otautau. He captained the Western District Sub-Union representatives at football and was an emergency back for Southland in all the games.

T. Meredith was again elected President of the Southland Rugby Union and was a delegate to the annual meeting of the New Zealand Rugby Union.

J. Stobo was a member of the Management Committee (S.R.F.U.).

J. N. Millard, who is on the staff at Wellington College, has been elected sole selector of the New Zealand Universities' team for some years and was again appointed for the matches against Sydney University which were ultimately cancelled.

During the season the Old Boys' Football Club was formed, but the annual meeting of the delegates to the Southland Rugby Union rejected the proposal to admit us. We contemplated entering second and third grade teams. Our thanks are due to the School coach, Mr J. B. Mawson, for his efforts on our behalf. At time of writing it is likely another endeavour will be made to secure the admission of the Old Boys' Club with first and second grade teams. Some of the chief opponents of our admittance were Old Boys connected with the Invercargill Club.

Lance Johnson played for the Wellington Football Club this season and won representative honours for Wellington in every game, being captain against Wairarapa. He was in Invercargill with the Wellington team in September and played a fine game against Southland.

Dick Johnstone (from Wyndham), who was a member of the first fifteen 1918-19-20, is at Training College and put up a fine performance in his first year at College by winning his place in the Otago Varsity fifteen, winners of the championship in Dunedin. He was considered the best half in first grade football there. He represented Otago as half-back for the season.

Archie J. Hawke, for ten years on the staff of the National Mortgage and Agency Co., Invercargill, was appointed to Gore last January as Produce Manager.

S. C. Sutherland is now manager of Messrs Wright, Stephenson and Co.'s Dunedin business.

Of the many first grade footballers the School has produced few have had a longer or more distinguished record than A. White. Our heartiest congratulations on his well-merited inclusion in the 1924 All Blacks.

Dr. Alex. Cumming (formerly of Waikiwi) is on the staff of the Christchurch Hospital.

B. Edginton (of Bluff) is articled to L. O. Beal, Civ. Engineer, Dunedin.

H. Douglas Irving is at Otautau.

Robert Duncan, of the National Bank, was transferred to Christchurch last April.

Jas. M. Laing was admitted to practice as a barrister and solicitor at Masterton.

A. D. Horwell, who for two years was Home Missionary in the Presbyterian Church in Kennington and Myross districts, was given a fine farewell by the District when he left to further his studies at Otago University.

Oswald Sanders, after a year in Auckland, has entered into partnership with John Wilkinson in Dunedin, as Barristers and Solicitors.

Alex. Sanders has married and settled in England. He is running two pharmacies.

Tom Honywood bought a sheep farm at Stag Creek, opposite Josephville and is now settled there.

T. Nisbet has joined the office of the Royal Insurance Co.

Geoff. Henderson was promoted last May to the management of the Royal Insurance Co., Otago and Southland Branch, with headquarters at Dunedin.

George Kelly, LL.B., and Murray Ott were admitted last May to practice as solicitors.

Ernest A. Reynolds, formerly of Riverton, has been appointed Clerk of Magistrate's Court, Timaru.

James Alexander (Gummies Bush), Bank of N.Z., was transferred to Dunedin last May.

Hallam Howie, employed by Wright, Stephenson and Co., has been transferred from Invercargill to Wellington.

Ernest Diack (of Thornbury) has been teaching at Alexandra D.H.S. during the winter and spring.

Dr. George Kingston has been acting as locum tenens for Dr. Trotter at Riverton.

J. W. Dickson, our former Drawing Master, left New Zealand last February, to settle in England.

Geo. Agnew writes from Samoa:—"It may interest your magazine editor to know that five S.B.H.S. old boys have turned up here in Apia. Dr. Christie (R. L.) is a local medico. Philip Wild is Treasurer to the Administration. Geo. Agnew is headmaster of Matifa School. Dr. T. R. Ritchie is Chief Medical Officer. W. Watson is Head of the Public Works Department."

In the Professional Accountancy Examinations last November, J. M. Alexander, R. T. Burt and A. T. Howie obtained partial passes.

R. T. Dalziel, of Suva, Fiji, who was on furlough last January in Invercargill, had the unusual experience of seeing Fijians in the native ceremonial of Fire-Walking in the island of Beqa.

Frank Rose, the enthusiastic founder of the Invercargill Radio Club, was farewelled by his fellow members prior to his departure

for Christchurch and presented with an inscribed pair of receivers. In recognition of his past services he was also elected an honorary life member of the club.

Dr. J. P. Donald has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Cook Islands.

Charles Clark, of Otautau, has left the teaching service to enter the N.Z.R., as an engineering cadet. He is at present in Greymouth.

H. Dykes, of the Commercial Bank, was transferred last September to the Auckland Branch.

O. A. B. Smith, LL.B., was admitted as a Barrister of the Supreme Court at Dunedin last August.

F. O. V. Acheson was transferred early in the year from Wanganui to Auckland. As Judge of the Native Land Court he has now jurisdiction over 12,000 natives. He took a trip to England at the same time as the All Blacks as one of the official party. He is uncle of Les Cupples, a member of the team.

Errol Cupples, Taupo, has been appointed a J.P.—Congratulations.

Cecil Davies joined the literary staff of "The Sun" at the beginning of 1923.

The literary staff of "The Sun" newspaper, Christchurch, have honoured the memory of an Old Boy of this school, George McKenzie, by hanging an enlarged photograph of him on their walls. George McKenzie came from the Bluff and was a good sport in cricket and football. He was killed in the Great War.

The Rev. Alex. T. Thompson, B.A., B.D., who for some years has been Agent in N.Z. for the British and Foreign Bible Society, has received the appointment of general secretary for Australia and New Zealand. He will leave New Zealand towards the end of this year to consult with the committee of this society on his work in Australia.

Ted Blaikie (formerly of Ryal Bush) has abandoned the sea for a land job. He is now one of the engineers in the Dunedin Tram Sheds.

Colin Allan, at the end of February, won the B Grade Championship of Wellington of 440 yards in 54 3-5 sees.

At the Otago University Faculty Sports last March, the Arts Faculty had as its Relay team four Southlanders—H. D. Morgan, Macdonald, A. Harrington, and H. B. Laytham. They won, and also helped materially to win for their faculty the Inter-Faculty Athletic Shield. The Arts Faculty had not won this shield for twelve years.

H. D. Morgan won the Barrett Cup with five firsts, viz.:—100 Yards Championship, 10 4-5 sees; 16lb Shot Championship, 33ft;

120 Yards Hurdles Championship, 16 1-5 secs; 440 Yards Hurdles Championship, 62 secs; 220 Yards Championship, 23 3-5 secs.

A. G. Harrington 440 Yards Championship, 57 1-5 secs; J. Leckie throwing the Hammer Championship, 112ft. 2 inches; H. Laytham 2nd Hop, Step and Jump Championship, 40ft. 2in.

H. D. Morgan and J. G. Leckie represented Otago at the Easter University Tournament in Wellington.

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TRAILL—MOFFETT.—On 29th October, Roy Traill, of Stewart Island, to Dorothy, daughter of T. D. A. Moffett, Invercargill.

IRVING—GOW.—On 23rd April, at Opotiki, J. Carlyle Irving, editor of "Farm Economy," for Messrs Wright, Stephenson and Co., Wellington, to Catherine Gow. Formerly of Roslyn Bush.

BRIGHTON—BENNET.—On 8th April, Ariel Brighton (formerly of Nightcaps), N.Z. Railways, to Violet Bennet.

HOARE—HEENAN.—On December 26th, at Nightcaps, Eric Hoare, Pukerau School, to Jane Heenan.

JEFCOATE—MACKINTOSH.—On December 26th, Harold Jefcoate, M.A., Christchurch Boys' High School, to Vida Mackintosh, of Invercargill.

TRAPSKI—MCKENZIE.—On November 28, at Gore, Fred. Trapski, to Vida Gertrude McKenzie, of Pukerau.

LOPDELL—HOWIE.—On 18th December, Frank Lopdell, Technical School, to Helen Howie, of Waikiwi.

MCDONALD—MCKAY.—In November last, Arnold McDonald, to Winnie McKay, of Coldstream.

CAMERON—TORRANCE.—On December 12, at Bluff, J. Laurens Cameron, M.A., to May Torrance.

FOSTER—CUMMINGS.—On November 21, Wallace Foster, farmer, Thornbury, to Stella Cummings, of Riverton.

KEACH—RULE.—On September 4, Leslie Keach, Otautau Dairy Factory, to Margaret Lillian Rule, Mataura Island.

TUSON—WEALLEANS.—On August 27, George Tuson, Public Trust Office, to Thelma Wealleans.

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DEATHS.

YOUNG.—At Dunedin, on June 8th, John James Young, of Orawia; aged 20. [1918-1923.]

COX.—At Wellington, on March 20, after an operation while on a holiday, Douglas Cox, of the Commercial Bank of Australia; aged 22 years. [1916-1917.]

TIMPANY.—At Invercargill, on May 24th, suddenly, Thomas Timpany; aged 32 years. At the time of his death he was manager of the Linton Coal Co. He enlisted with the Main Body and served right through to 1918. [1906-1907.]

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