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SCHOOL OFFICERS, 1928.

Prefects: B. Barelay (Head), P. Gilchrist, H. Ross, C. Smith, N. Derbie, O. Yule, R. Watts.

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Company Commander: Capt. J. Page.

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2nd XI. Captain: C. Smith.

3rd XI. Captain: G. Henry.

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1st XV. Captain: O. Yule.

2nd XV. Captain: J. Davidson.

3rd XV. Captain: M. Page.

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Swimming: Mr A. R. Dunlop.

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EDITORIAL.

THE OLD BOYS.

(B.B.)

For many years past the School has been but an incident in our ordered lives. It has been our home for four years or more, a stepping-off place to higher things, and after that—merely a pleasant memory, cut off from us forever. Nineteen hundred and twenty-eight has shown us that the School is more than that.

This year we, inside the School, have seen the birth, or should we say, the revival of the Old Boys' Association. In our School we are united in one large family, grieved by the troubles of the erring, rejoicing over the successful, commiserating with the unfortunate. We left School, and were forgotten. Now there is a united band whose numbers are daily swelled by additional members. The sight of that now familiar circular badge of the O.B.A. tells us, when we are in some alien town, that, although away from home, we are among friends.

Those who were present at the last Old Boys' Dinner were struck by an undcurrent feeling of youth and gaiety. Yet numbers of those guests had long since passed their prime, age had dimmed their sight and greyed their hair—but they remained school-

boys still. For one short hour they had shed the cloak of years, left behind them their everyday cares and worries, and had joined hands again with their fellows and their comrades of yesteryear. Again they struggled in the line-out and in the scrum; again they discussed the points of games lost and won; once more they saw with other eyes the pitfalls of Geometry, the subtleties of Latin prose, and the snares set for the feet of the unwary. Old and young, yet schoolboys all, they lived again. No more master and pupil, driver and slave, but Old Boys every one.

Do not think that this Association is but a mere name. This year we have seen the barren expanse in front of the School planted with trees which will, in the future, make a fitting foreground for the building beyond. In the years to come these trees will flourish and grow to maturity, an everlasting tribute to their donors. Imbued with the team spirit, the spirit of the School, they have formed a football club, a gymnastic class, and, with evenings of dancing feet and sounds of music, they have kept the School's name alive in the Social World. In Dunedin, with Mr J. G. Anderson, an Old Boy and an ex-master of this School, as President, the Old Boys acted as hosts, at a very enjoyable dinner, to the visiting School team. This hospitality was much appreciated by all the members of the team, and served to be a link joining, once more, present and past boys of the School.

So, through the medium of these pages, we implore you who still grace our portals, to give on your leaving, your whole-hearted and loyal support to this movement. It is only by the efforts of the Old Boys to be that the Association can carry on. It is by carrying on that we can hope to save the name of our School from obscurity.

You who are with us for the last year: let 1929 see your names on the Association rolls. Join its sports clubs, wear its badge, and support it all the time. If you don't play the sports that the Association plays at present, get other kindred souls and start a new club of your own. If you fail, at least you have tried.



Both these men were Whigs, but Pitt was a man of robust health.



He received a telegram saying he had been elected to parliament on a pitchfork.

THE SCHOOL HAKA.

Some alterations were made for the 1928 Haka of the School, by addition and by subtraction.

PART I.

HAKA.

Leader: Hone awha tira
Kia whaka ngawari
au ia hau.
Team: I . . AU . . E . . HEI.
Leader: Ko niu Murihiku
e haruru nei.
Team: Au . . Au . . Aue . .
Ha . . Hei.
Leader: Ko nui Murihiku
e haruru nei.
Team: Au . . Au . . Aue . .
Ha . . Hei.
Leader: A—Haha.

TRANSLATION.

Fold arms.
Let us prepare ourselves for
the fray.
We are ready.
The Southland storm is about
to break.
The sound of the breaking.
The Southland storm waxes
ficer.
The height of the storm.
Now then.

PART II.

Leader: Ringaringa pakia.
Chorus: Kia rite, kia rite.
Leader: Waewae, takahia.
Chorus: Kino kino, kino, kino.
Leader: Ringaringa, kai wahu
mau tonu.
Chorus: Kia rite, kia rite.
Leader: Kia maia i atonu.
Chorus: E Murihiku e,
E Murihiku e.
Leader: Kia maia i atonu.
Chorus: E Murihiku e,
E Murihiku e.
All: Kia kaha, hi !
Kia toa, hi !
E Murihiku e, ha !!!

Clap hands.
Altogether, altogether.
Stamp the feet.
Harder (4 times).
Hands extended,
stationary.
Altogether, altogether.
Be bold in play.
Ever, Southland, ever.
Ever, Southland, ever.
Be bold in play.
Ever, Southland, ever.
Ever, Southland, ever.
Be strong, ha !
Be warriors, ha !
Ever, Southland, ever !!!

SCHOOL ROLL, 1928.

VI.

~~Barclay, B.~~
~~Bell, H.~~
~~Blakie, W.~~
~~Smith, C.~~
~~Waymouth, H.~~

VA.

~~Barraclough, W.~~
~~Cooper, A.~~
~~Davidson, J.~~
~~Double, H.~~
~~Grenville, J.~~
~~Hughes, L.~~
~~Lynch, P.~~
~~Miller, R.~~
~~Oram, H.~~
~~Stewart, W.~~
~~Wallace, C.~~

VB.

~~Balneaves, M.~~
~~Brash, S.~~
~~Galt, A.~~
~~Hind, A.~~
~~King, G.~~
~~Murdoch, J.~~
~~Smith, Jas.~~
~~Tait, W.~~

VC.

~~Bath, C.~~
~~Henderson, E.~~
~~Lillicrap, J.~~
~~McDonald, D.~~
~~Roff, T.~~
~~West, J.~~

IVA.

~~Abbey-Jones, E.~~
~~Aitcheson, R.~~
~~Georgeson, H.~~
~~Hardcastle, D.~~
~~Jack, S.~~

Clifford, A.
~~Excell, W.~~
~~Macdonald, G.~~
~~Verity, R.~~
~~Xule, O.~~

Murchison, G.
~~Robertson, P.~~
~~Ross, H.~~
~~Watts, R.~~

Blampied, E.
~~Courbrane, M.~~
~~Dennis, R.~~
~~Garden, M.~~
~~Hawke, E.~~
~~James, F.~~
~~McLauchlan, K.~~
~~Nichol, L.~~
~~Scott, R.~~
~~Shand, T.~~
~~Christie, M.~~

Bisset, N.
~~Garrett, A.~~
~~Gardiner, J.~~
~~Hughes, G.~~
~~Lindsay, G.~~
~~Pickard, A.~~
~~Sefton, E.~~
~~Webb, E.~~

Chemis, J.
~~Hobson, E.~~
~~McNaughton, D.~~
~~Pollock, J.~~
~~Stewart, T.~~
~~Fleming, W.~~

Kerr, W.
~~McCurdy, L.~~
~~Polson, J.~~
~~Thompson, L.~~

Mackie, T.
~~Peterson, B.~~
~~Stewart, M.~~
~~Thomson, J. C.~~
~~Horne, Chas. K.~~

Anderson, G.
~~Blackburn, R.~~
~~Crawford, L.~~
~~Hudson, G.~~
~~Johnstone, J. C.~~
~~McKelvey, R.~~
~~Robertson, A.~~
~~Smith, John~~
~~Sherborne, C.~~
~~Tinker, A.~~

Allott, V.
~~Davidson, S.~~
~~Gregory, W.~~
~~Harper, L.~~
~~McCallum, R.~~
~~Raines, R.~~
~~Sefton, S.~~
~~Willett, W.~~

Anderson, P.
~~Broadbent, A.~~
~~Edie, E.~~
~~Hannah, E.~~
~~Kingsland, V.~~
~~Marshall, A.~~
~~McFarlane, D.~~
~~Paterson, J.~~
~~Whitaker, H.~~

Andrews, J.
~~Brown, W. S.~~
~~Fraser, W.~~
~~Hinchey, L.~~
~~Littlejohn, E.~~
~~McLauchlan, D.~~
~~Polson, N.~~
~~Stewart, R.~~
~~Von Tunzleman, G.~~

Mehaffey, S.
~~Rodger, R.~~
~~Sennens, H.~~
~~Toshach, L.~~
~~Page, M.~~

Anderson, G.
~~Barham, C.~~
~~Brown, M.~~
~~Davis, K.~~
~~Irwin, N.~~
~~Mackay, G.~~
~~Mitchell, N.~~
~~Roseow, J.~~
~~Strang, W.~~
~~Thomas, L.~~
~~Bisset, W.~~

Campbell, B.
~~Fraser, R.~~
~~Gumbley, E.~~
~~Hazeldine, J.~~
~~Murdoch, E.~~
~~Rankin, N.~~
~~Springford, B.~~
~~Wicks, H.~~

Bird, T.
~~Carswell, B.~~
~~Ferguson, P.~~
~~Henderson, G.~~
~~Lehany, F.~~
~~Mills, J.~~
~~McGrath, P.~~
~~Reid, R.~~
~~Williamson, M.~~

Barnett, B.
~~Crozier, L.~~
~~Gillanders, I.~~
~~James, G.~~
~~Lythgoe, I.~~
~~McCurdy, R.~~
~~Scandrett, J.~~
~~Thompson, L.~~
~~Witt, R.~~

Stevens, A.
~~Tannock, F.~~
~~Stanway, W.~~

Chisholm, D.
~~Dryden, G.~~
~~Johnston, J. A.~~
~~McGibbon, J.~~
~~Nimmo, R.~~
~~Smith, Jas.~~
~~Swift, L.~~
~~Tall, R.~~

Crowther, B.
~~Gregg, J.~~
~~Hamilton, S.~~
~~Henderson, Bruce~~
~~Pearce, R.~~
~~Roberts, L.~~
~~Tonkinson, C.~~

Boyd, R.
~~Courtis, J.~~
~~Grey, C.~~
~~Johnston, W.~~
~~Luzmoor, D.~~
~~McChesney, T.~~
~~Orgar, C.~~
~~Tomlinson, J.~~
~~Wesney, A.~~

Blondell, J.
~~Falconer, C.~~
~~Harper, J. T.~~
~~Laing, B.~~
~~McNaughton, W.~~
~~Moore, G.~~
~~Stevenson, J.~~
~~Vickery, H.~~
~~Morgan, J.~~

SCHOOL ROLL.

IVA.

IVB.

IVC.

IIIA.

IIIB.

SCHOOL ROLL.

IIIC.

Ayson, M.
Barnett, C.
Brown, S.
Calder, G.
Collie, A.
Colyer, R.
Cuttance, J.
Sutton, R.
Good, A.

Hamilton, D.	Murray, I.
Henderson, J.	Nevin, G.
Henderson, A.	Oliver, R.
Johnston, G.	Printz, B.
Kennedy, W.	Springford, F.
McNaughton, E.	Wilson, J.
Walker, W.	Wilson, D.
Mitchell, B.	
Morrison, D.	

IIID.

Blake, S.
Boyce, H.
Charlton, J.
Cournane, M.
Ferguson, W.
Fraser, R.
Fox, H.

Gardiner, R.	Macaulay, A.
Hastie, J.	Mangan, W.
Hamilton, M.	McElhinney, V.
Henderson, R.	McCorkindale, J.
Hobson, H.	Miller, E.
Jackson, H.	Plunkett, F.
Lawry, J.	Wesney, R.

SCHOOL NOTES.

(P.G.)

During the year which is now drawing to a close, we have frequently had occasion to be grateful to the Board of Governors, and to the Old Boys' Association. Whereas both bodies have always been willing to do their utmost for us, they have of late shown particular eagerness to help the Old School in every way. In the following notes there will be found ample justification for these remarks, and we seize this opportunity of expressing to them our gratitude for all that they have done for us.

We returned to school in February. The school itself was fresh and clean, the grounds were in perfect order—thus, in ideal surroundings, we commenced a new year's work.

At the end of last year Mr A. McFarlane, M.A., who had been a member of the staff during four years, left to take up a Divinity course at the Otago University. Mr McFarlane was a very popular master both in and out of school.

We extend our congratulations to G. Macdonald on his success last year. He was third in Electricity and fourth in Chemistry for N.Z.

During the first term the Rector granted us a half-holiday to see the Australian cricketers play at the Show Grounds. A fine exhibition of cricket was given.

The Secondary School Sports were held on Rugby Park on March 10th. The visitors were entertained on the Sunday by a drive to Riverton Rocks. We thank the many hosts for looking after our guests.

Our shooting team travelled to Trentham on March 10th, where they spent an enjoyable week.

The Gore High School 1st XI, and their Junior XI, played our 2nd XI and Junior XI at the school grounds on March 17th. Both our teams were victorious. The junior cricket of the school has improved of late years.

However we were not so successful in Dunedin. The 1st XI was beaten by the Otago XI in their annual match. The juniors lost also.

The gramophone still is popular. We have now a set of French records, interesting, of course, but nevertheless dull. Those boys who lunch at school appreciate Mr Dakin's mid-day recitals, even if some of the French records are included in the programme.

During the Easter holidays, a party of boys, in charge of Mr J. Page and Mr C. Clark, went for a walking trip to Green Lake. A great time was enjoyed by all. When they returned they wrote an essay on the trip. Two hunting knives were donated for the two best essays, one for the senior, won by R. Watts, and one for the junior, won by G. Israel.

Mr M. Macalister, President of the Old Boys' Association, addressed us on April 24th on the meaning of Anzac Day—the school took its usual part in the Anzac Parade.

In the first term Rev. Morton Ryburn visited the school. He spoke to us about the scholastic and political life in India. Unfortunately his time was limited, for we could have continued to listen to his interesting address.

This year swimming classes were commenced under the instruction of Mr A. R. Dunlop. We held our annual swimming sports again with every success. Owing to poor swimming conditions, for some years we have been unable to hold these popular sports. The municipal bath's officials aided us in every way, and we thank them for their whole-hearted support.

Football commenced in earnest the second term. The 1st XV played and defeated the University Old Boys' team early in the term. This annual match is a great practice for the school team.

On Friday, 1st June, the whole school attended the screening of the "King of Kings." A few days later the first series of the Educational Films were shown to us. Mr Gladstone Hill explained these pictures to us beforehand.

The 2nd XV played the Gore 1st XV on the school grounds, July 4th, and defeated them by 21—14. The juniors were not successful in their game. The score ended 11—9 in favour of Gore.

On Wednesday, 17th July, our 2nd XV played the Otago 2nd XV. We defeated the Otago team by 14—3, after a long, hard struggle.

The 2nd XV travelled to Balclutha to play their annual match with the Balclutha High School 1st XV. After a close game we proved to be the winners. This game is always fought in a very fine spirit, and we hope that Balclutha will "come at" us next year looking for revenge. We thank our hosts and hostesses for the splendid way they looked after us throughout the day.

Towards the end of the second term the Old Boys had an Arbor Day at the school. The improvement to the grounds, by the planting of trees, is tremendous. Some years hence the two elm trees will cast their shade, sheltering the boys from the fierce heat of sunny Southland.

The dancing this year has been disappointing. At the annual ball only twenty schoolboys were present. However the dance was a huge success, socially and financially. The chaperons have to be thanked for their great help. The success of the dance was really due to their untiring efforts and to the splendid management of the Head Prefect, B. Barclay. Perhaps a "Flannel Dance" could be held in the last week of the school year; it would surely be popular!

On October 17th the boxing tournament was held in the School Hall. This tournament was a distinct improvement on last year's. Mr Braithwaite and the stewards controlled the evening admirably.

We cannot close these notes without mentioning the name of Mr R. Lepper. He has proved in many ways that he has the interests of the school at heart. He is always ready to devote time and energy, not only to his official duties, but also to any activities likely to benefit the boys. We repeat the words of a former prefect: "He is the right man for the Board of Governors and for us."

This term we had the pleasure of welcoming to school Mr Calder, President of the Dunedin Branch of the O.B.H.S. Old Boys' Association. Mr Calder took advantage of the Rector's invitation to be present at prayers and congratulated us on our school and grounds.

School Register.—The Rector (Mr T. D. Pearce) has undertaken the compilation of a School Register. This will give the history and addresses of all Old Boys of the school from 1881 to 1930, a period of fifty years. He hopes to have the work completed by the end of 1930. Such a work involves great industry and research, and to be a success can only be achieved with the hearty co-operation of Old Boys. He has already circularised some outstanding Old Boys to see what response will be made to his suggestion. He feels heartened by the replies from those who have passed through his hands. He intends to proceed with the compilation, with the hope that Old Boys of former headmasters will rally around the school and support the publication. The work will in some way be a "Who's Who?" of Southland. It will be interesting of course and will be found to be useful for many long years in providing news of the former pupils of the school, their whereabouts, their careers and connections. Old Boys are invited to help in this matter of establishing a history and record of the school.

The School Motto: Non scholae sed vitae discimus. The school motto was adopted in the first year of the school's existence. Down through the years its interpretation has not caused much trouble. As a matter of fact the meaning is pretty obvious, viz., that the learning we get at school is only a means to an end in the preparation of us for life, the larger school of existence. Last July a correspondent in the columns of the "Southland Times" signing himself "W.M." questioned the traditional interpretation. On behalf of the school the Rector answered "W.M." There was more correspondence between the two, leading ultimately to an appeal by the Rector to the professors of classics throughout N.Z. The gist of the matter was that "W.M." insisted on taking **vitae** and **scholae** as locatives, instead of as datives of work contemplated or purpose. The upshot was that the four professors of Classics and Mr W. J. Morrell, M.A., of the Otago B.H.S., all gave it as their opinion that **scholae** and **vitae** were datives, and so upheld the traditional interpretation, as given in the words of the Girls' School Song, "not for school but for life we are learning." We were told by Professor Rankine Brown, of Wellington, that our motto was the motto of Aberdeen Grammar School. Again, a new trouble arose. It was discovered that the Seddon Memorial Technical College, Auckland, was about to adopt the same motto. The Rector wrote to the headmaster pointing out that this had been our motto since 1881. The headmaster (Mr Park) replied that he saw no harm in two schools, a thousand miles apart, having the same motto. An appeal was made to the Education Department; but the reply received was that the school colours were protected, not the motto. As if there

were not available plenty of mottoes equally good ! So Auckland Technical College is allowed by the Education Department to take our motto. It is true they have turned it around a little, into "Vitae, non scholae discimus." We should have preferred to have had it left to us. We are quite sure that had we been in their shoes and received notice that the motto about to be adopted already belonged to another school, we should have abandoned all thoughts of its adoption and started anew to select another motto.

Relieving teachers during March were Messrs Albert O'Reilly, B.A., and Robert Kidd.

Mr A. Harrington, M.Sc., joined the staff at the beginning of 1928; Mr Robins at Easter; and Mr J. C. Braithwaite, B.A., in June. We hope their stay with us will be long and enjoyable.

Mr Butchers had four weeks leave of absence from the middle of February to enable him to visit Melbourne, where he was successful in getting his M.Ed. degree. We extend to him the school's heartiest congratulations. His history of the beginnings of Education in N.Z. from the earliest times down to 1877 is now in the printer's hands. An advertisement setting forth its contents will be found in the November issue of the Education Gazette.

Mr J. L. Cameron, M.A., after ten years' service (1917-1927) left at the end of February for Takapuna High School, Auckland for a B grade position. Mr Cameron had endeared himself to all, boys and staff, by his loyalty of service and conscientious devotion to his duties. Full of energy and resourcefulness, he inspired the same qualities in others. As O.C. of the Cadets and coach in Football and Swimming he will be remembered by those whose pleasure it was to be under him.

Mr F. G. Stevenson, secretary to the Board of Governors from 1915 to 1928, retired on superannuation at the end of September. The staffs of the two schools and the Governors of the schools united in making him a presentation of a gold watch.

Mr Robert Brownlie, M.A., is Acting-Secretary in the meantime.

The secretaries to the Board of Governors have been as follows:

Charles Rout, 1881 to 1905; twenty-five years.

John Neill, 1906 to 1912; seven years.

Alex. Bell, 1913 to 1914; two years.

Fred. G. Stevenson, 1915 to 1928; fourteen years.

Mr J. B. Mawson, M.A., was appointed an Inspector of Secondary Schools last February, and during his first tour of inspection had the pleasure of renewing his associations with the old school—in a new building.

Departures.—Halsey Burke, to Butterworth's, Don Street; Norman Andrews, to the home farm at Cloverlea, Pine Bush; J. Ross Murray, to Mr E. A. Wilding's, Wilanda Downs, Ohai; Lyle B. Lindsay, to the U.S.S. Co.'s Office at Bluff; John Chaplin, to Southland Farmers' Co-operative Association; J. Swale, to home farm at Boggy Burn; John Hannah, to Parkinson and Co., Electrical Engineers; Roy Wallace, to Sargood's warehouse.

Scholarships.—David U. Strang was awarded the Invercargill Savings Bank Scholarship for 1928; Robert Tuck was awarded the second Invercargill Savings Bank Scholarship for 1928. Geoffrey Cox won the Lissie Rathbone Scholarship for 1928, tenable at Otago University. Both results followed on marks gained in the N.Z. University Entrance Scholarship Examination.

Messrs Caradus and Mawson, Inspectors, were present during three days in July, the 23rd, the 24th and 25th. As a result of their visit 56 Senior Free Places were granted conditionally for 1929.

1928 has seen four divisions in the first year boys.
The total enrolment for the year of new boys is 118.

1927 Examinations—Matriculation, 21.	
Engineering Preliminary, completed, 4.	
University Entrance Scholarship Examination, with credit, 4.	
Invercargill Savings Bank Scholarship, D. U. Strang.	
Invercargill Savings Bank Scholarship, R. Tuck.	
Lissie Rathbone Scholarship for Otago, G. Cox.	
Senior National Scholarship	1
Junior National Scholarship	4
Public Service Entrance	11
Qualified for S.F.P.	4
Qualified for J.F.P.	4

Matriculation, 1927—L. H. Allott, J. H. Bell, W. H. Blakie, A. Boyce, O. Buckingham, N. Buxton, J. A. Clifford, T. P. Davin, W. A. Excell, B. L. Flanagan, A. G. Hay, F. M. Hormann, J. R. Murray, D. M. McKillop, H. F. Ross, E. D. Sargison, T. D. Spencer, J. D. Trotter, J. R. Verity, H. R. Watts, O. J. Yule.

Engineering Preliminary—J. Brodie, W. Fraser, R. Gough, G. N. Macdonald, A. Townshend.

University Entrance Scholarship (Credit List)—G. Macdonald, G. Cox, D. Strang, R. Tuck.

Senior National Scholarship—C. Smith.

Junior National Scholarship—E. Blampied, F. Miller, G. Israel, D. Thomson.

Public Service Entrance—W. N. Buxton, J. R. Murray, N. A. Derbie, W. A. Excell, A. G. Hay, H. G. Oram, A. C. Provan, K. F. McLauchlan, E. P. Hawke, P. L. Lynch, H. D. Double.

Qualified for Junior Free Place—S. R. Gutzevitz, D. G. Hudson, H. J. Lilico, J. S. Mehaffey.

Qualified for Senior Free Place—A. W. Cooper, R. Dennis, G. H. Caddie, A. Wealleans.

ARBOR DAY AT SCHOOL.

I think that I shall never see
A poem as lovely as a tree.
A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;
A tree that looks at God all day
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;
A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;
Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with the rain.
Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.

—Joyce Kilmer (U.S. America), 1886—1918.

So energetic a body has been the Old Boys' Association that no time has been wasted in preparing a scheme for beautifying the school grounds by planting silver birch trees on each side of the two main avenues of approach. Native and exotic shrubs were planted between the trees with flower beds laid out at intervals. In the centre of the lawn in front of the school have been planted two elm trees, the beauty of which will grow with the years.

On July 26th, a few minutes after twelve o'clock, the school assembled in the hall where a number of short addresses were given. Amongst those present were his Worship the Mayor (Mr John Miller), Messrs R. A. Anderson, R. M. Strang, A. W. Jones, C. J. Broad, J. McPherson, F. G. Stevenson, W. Macalister, J. Martin, W. Carswell, the Rector (Mr T. D. Pearce), Rev. J. Lawson Robinson and members of the Old Boys' Association.

In addressing the gathering, Mr R. M. Strang (chairman of the Board of Governors), introduced Mr J. G. Imlay, who was presiding in the absence of the president of the Association (Mr S. M. Macalister), who was in Wellington on business. He wished to congratulate the Association on the active interest it was evincing in the welfare of the school, mentioning the supply of trees and shrubs as evidence of that interest.

Mr J. G. Imlay stated that it had fallen to his lot to preside at such an important function in the absence of the president, who, he felt sure, would regret not being able to attend. Two of the main objects of the Association was to hold the Old Boys themselves together, and to bind them to the school. The effort made by the Association in that connection formed as it were a tangible link between the old boys and the school. The Association had set aside out of the income received from subscriptions and special donations, a sum of nearly £50 for the purchase of trees and for the purpose of planting these, they had come together that day.

The next speaker was Mr W. Macalister, who stated that it was difficult to address the school without indulging in reminiscences, as it had so many old associations for him. As it was practically impossible for him to refrain from thinking and speaking about his old masters and some of his contemporaries he made brief reference to them. Continuing, he referred to the Old Boys' Association, which he congratulated heartily on the vigorous life it was experiencing and the good work it was carrying out. He was pleased to see Mr Anderson present as, in his opinion, he had done a considerable amount of work for the High School Board.

Mr R. A. Anderson expressed his pleasure at being present and on being called upon to plant a tree. It was the duty of every boy who had passed through the school to remember the place where he had received his education. He suggested that the Association should start a collection of portraits of boys who had made a name for themselves and brought fame to the school through the gospel of hard work. Concluding, he urged the present boys to join the Old Boys' Association upon their departure from school.

The Rector stated that his duty was simple, as he had to return thanks on behalf of the present boys, to the Old Boys' Association for their sustained interest and material gifts of trees. He asked the boys to show their appreciation, whereupon three hearty cheers were given.

Before the gathering adjourned to the grounds, Mr J. G. Imlay paid special tribute to the unflagging energies of the secretary of the Association (Mr C. Clark).

The ceremony of planting the trees was then proceeded with, Messrs W. Macalister and R. A. Anderson each planting an elm, which they declared to be well and truly planted.

A short dedicatory service in honour of fallen old boys was conducted by the Rev. J. Lawson Robinson, at the conclusion of which other shrubs were planted by the Mayor, teachers and old boys.

A haka by the school concluded the ceremony.

THE DANGERS OF THE ROAD.

At one time, and it is not so very remote, a pedestrian could leisurely cross a street or wander along a country lane without any thought of danger from vehicles. Now and again a small child or a person tottering under the burden of old age or staggering under that of liquor might fall and be trampled on by the horses and crushed by the wheels of a coach; but such occurrences were extremely rare. Collisions, too, seldom happened. That Golden Age is no more with us. The streets, the roads, and the lanes are given up to that vilest of all the vile productions of the modern world—the motorist.

To-day to cross a city street requires an ingenuity and agility superhuman. There is a chance in a thousand that one will get across safely, after doing enough dodging and manoeuvring to qualify one for the trapeze; but it is usually even chances between waking up swathed in bandages in a hospital bed and never waking up at all. Most people prefer to wait for the lull in the traffic which occurs every half-hour, if one is lucky. When one retires to the country, hoping to have blown away the dullness and stuffiness of the city by fresh country breezes, one hopes also to escape the motorist and his infernal machine, but alas! it is not so. One meanders along a country lane musing on the birds, the trees, and the flowers, rejoicing in the freedom and freshness of the atmosphere. Then a soul-rending screech. 'Tis the enemy, that bird of ill-omen, the automobile! One's sinews stiffen, one's blood boils, one's eyes flash, one steps aside. There rolls past a gorgeous limousine, replete with every modern luxury, its air-deprived inmates rolling over on their tongues and hugging to themselves the latest scandal

Following this, perhaps, there comes an impudent baby-Austin tenanted by two embracing lovers. Nothing is more dangerous than this, for lovers are utterly irresponsible and are liable at any moment oscularily to greet each other, leaving the wheel to its own devices, with the result that the car lurches and another pedestrian sees Kingdom Come. Less dangerous to pedestrians but more inimical to the beauties of the countryside are the gay parties that in a rickety Ford set out to picnic and leave in their wake as slight mementoes broken branches, tin cans, dirty paper bags, and banana skins.

The motorist daily becomes more callous. In the United States he reckons the number of "bags" in the shape of pedestrians he has got, and in the art of exaggeration, he is said to surpass the disciples of Isaac Walton. Now there is talk of giving him the right of the road. Can one wonder, therefore, that pedestrians read with fiendish delight of motor collisions, where motorists are injured, wounded, and killed? Some, indeed, piously believe that thus the motorists, in a sort of internece warfare, will be exterminated by themselves. Such is a vain hope, a delusion. The race is too prolific for that. Only when pedestrians are absolutely and decidedly no more, will motorists take to slaughtering each other for sport.

Another ingenious project is to dry up by some means all the petrol wells and so make the locomotion of vehicles by that fluid impossible. Unfortunately motorists would probably readily find other means of propelling their lethal apparatus.

Our great hope lies in the triumphant progress of aviation. Soon motors will be abandoned, as their predecessors were before them, in favour of speedier transit. That demoniacal band, the motorists, will become aviators. People travelling on the ground will travel, as their forefathers did, by horses or by foot. The streets will become as safe as the footpaths; the earth will be once more romantic. Of course the sun and the sky will be partially obscured by dense clouds of the ugly bird, of course we may all become chronically deaf by the constant buzzing overhead, of course all romance will vanish when we look up. But, while up in the sky there will be countless collisions and accidents and much bloodshed, those who stick to terra firma will not be involved in any disasters. An aeroplane may come hurtling down and pinion some people, but it is hardly likely to be a frequent occurrence.

Such visions may or may not come true. But one thing is certain, pedestrians must band themselves together for defence from, and attack on their common enemy, the motorist.

J. P. R.

CRICKET.

(C.S.)

This year all teams have shown a marked improvement owing to the assiduous attentions paid by Mr Deaker, Mr Drees and Mr Hogg to their respective teams. It is not so long ago that School was unable to field a full eleven, at any rate in the 2nd and 3rd XI's. More interest seems to have been taken in cricket this year. While the turf pitches were not a success, Mr Lepper, ably helped by Mr Deaker's fatigue squads, had the grounds in first-class order.

School has now a cricket blazer, which is certainly a big improvement; all that is now needed is a School cricket cap. The present skull caps are absolutely of no value to the cricketers. It has a distressing faculty for falling off at the slightest movement, while it affords no protection from the sun.

School played several inter-school matches this season. The 1st XI played Otago and Balclutha, the 2nd XI Gore twice, and the junior team played Otago and Gore.

We were fortunate in being able to witness the Southland-Australia match this season, a match from which we received many useful "tips."

FIRST XI.

Captain: R. Macdonald. Vice-Captain: L. Thompson.

Coach: Mr Deaker.

During the last season the 1st XI acquitted itself quite honourably as far as the grade matches were concerned, suffering defeat twice only and then by very small margins.

School had a very comfortable win over Balclutha, but the Otago match proved disastrous, mainly owing to the fact that the team have not had the opportunity of facing slow break-bowling which Otago handed out with the utmost generosity. As a result, this match made it very evident that some slow break-bowlers must be found.

The fielding of the team was, on the whole, good, but there is plenty of room for improvement; nevertheless the fielding in the Otago-Southland match was very satisfactory. Smith, from the 2nd XI, replaced Lynch behind the wickets, while Page, another acquisition from that team, showed signs of becoming a useful field and a steady bat. Thompson and McKelvey batted consistently throughout the season, while Barclay and Hawke gave plenty of variety by their well-timed and devastating "slogs." Macdonald has bowled consistently, capturing the most wickets.

During the season the concrete pitches were replaced by the turf ones, but owing to the lack of suitable soil, the new wickets soon began to wear and become, not only unplayable, but dangerous.

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

SCHOOL v. OLD BOYS.—School lost by 2 wickets and 32 runs. School made 44 and 70 for 4 wickets; Old Boys 76 and 57 for 3 wickets.

SCHOOL v. BLUFF.—Won by 1 innings 3 wickets and 70 runs. Bluff made 32 and 68, Macdonald (6 for 14), Murchison (5 for 20), Thompson (4 for 11). School made 170—Thompson 64, McKenzie 33, Hawke 24, McKelvey 20, not out.

SCHOOL 1st XI v. BALCLUTHA 1st XI.

1927.

School journeyed to Balclutha and batted first. Chiefly owing to McKenzie's 106 not out, they soon had 206 for 6 wickets. Balclutha only made 62, the School bowlers, Macdonald and McKelvey, being too good. Thus School won by 144 runs.

SCHOOL.

—First Innings—	
Lynch, b Barron	1
Jack, b McMillan	6
McKenzie, not out	106
Thompson, c Rutherford, b Noble	10
Murchison, c Murray, b Robinson	8
McKelvey, c Rutherford, b Robinson	2
Hawke, b Murray	28
Macdonald, not out	29
Byes	6
Wides	7
No balls	3
Total (for 6 wicket)	206

BALCLUTHA.

—First Innings—	
Noble, c Hawke, b McKelvey	7
Bell, c McKenzie, b Macdonald	0
McMillan, c Hawke, b Macdonald	3
F. Robinson, b McKelvey	1
Miller, not out	21
Murray, b McKelvey	22
L. Robinson, c and b Macdonald	0
Bowcott, c and b Macdonald	1
Sutherland, b Macdonald	1
Hurring, l.b.w., b Macdonald	0
Barron, c Ross, b Macdonald	1
Extras	5
Total	62

Bowling Analysis: Macdonald, six wickets for 21 runs, McKelvey, 4 for 11.

SCHOOL 1st XI v. OTAGO 1st XI.

School journeyed to Dunedin to play the annual match. School was badly beaten, finding the slow bowling difficult. Most batsmen were too aggressive, going in only to hit. Otago batted first, declaring with 8 wickets for 331 runs. School only realised 75 and 116. Thus Otago won by an innings and 140 runs. Details are as follows:—

OTAGO.

—First Innings.—

Moloney, c McKelvey, b Thompson	49
Ibbotson, b Brash	45
J. Cameron, c and b Macdonald	2
H. Cameron, c Smith, b Thompson	37
Salt, by Thompson	4
Holden, not out	104
Drew, c Hawke, b Barclay	33
Rangiheuea, b Wilson	31
McLaughlin, c Macdonald, b Brash	0
Chettleburg, not out	14
Extras	12
Total (for 8 wickets)	331

Bowling Analysis : Macdonald, 28 overs, 8 maidens, 65 runs, 1 wicket; McKelvey, 18 overs, 2 maidens, 76 runs; Wilson, 13 overs, 2 maidens, 53 runs, 3 wickets; Brash, 10 overs, 2 maidens, 28 runs, 2 wickets; Barclay, 7 overs, 2 maidens, 26 runs, 1 wicket; Page, 1 over, 12 runs.

SOUTHLAND.

—First Innings.—

Lynch, l.b.w., b Maloney	12
Thompson, b Salt	15
McKelvey, b Salt	12
Page, b Salt	0
Davidson, c Salt, b Maloney	0
Macdonald, b Salt	0
Hawke, c H. Cameron, b Salt	13
Barclay, c and b Maloney	8
Brash, run out	1
Smith, not out	4
Wilson, b Salt	0
Extras	10
Total	75

Bowling Analysis : Salt, 12 overs, 5 maidens, 19 runs, 6 wickets; Maloney, 11 overs, 3 maidens, 46 runs, 3 wickets.

SOUTHLAND.

—Second Innings—

Lynch, c Salt, b Chettleburg	1
Thomson, c Ibbotson, b Chettleburg	10
McKelvey, b Drew	7
Page, c Salt, b Maloney	9
Davidson, b Rangiheuea	18
Macdonald, c Maloney, b Chettleburg	27
Hawke, c Cameron, b Chettleburg	12
Barclay, st., b Chettleburg	14
Brash, not out	6
Smith, c Rangiheuea, b Chettleburg	4
Wilson, b Salt	0
Extras	8
Total	116

Bowling Analysis : Chettleburg, 10 overs, 1 maiden, 31 runs, 6 wickets; Rangiheuea, 8 overs, 2 maidens, 18 runs, 1 wicket; Salt, 11 overs, 6 maidens, 16 runs, 1 wicket; Drew, 4 overs, 2 maidens, 3 runs, 1 wicket; Maloney, 5 overs, 38 runs, 1 wicket.

1928-29 SEASON.

v. MARIST. Lost by 16 runs on first innings. School 90 (McKelvey 26, Macdonald 19). Marist 106. Macdonald 7 for 38.

v. WAIKIWI. Won by 94 runs on first innings. School 115 (Murchison 42). Waikiwi 21. Macdonald 2 for 9, Thompson 3 for 2, McKelvey 3 for 2, Murchison 2 for 7.

SCHOOL 2nd XI.

Captain: C. Smith. Vice-Captain, J. Davidson.
Coach, Mr Drees.

This year the 2nd XI fielded the strongest team for several years. Although they were beaten more times than they won, they played splendidly, many of their defeats being due to lack of confidence. Their fielding was good all through the season. The bowling was of a fair standard, but we had no really good bowler. The batting was of a high standard, the team have a tail which wagged vigorously on occasions. The 2nd XI felt the lack of aggressive batsmen, being inclined to poke too much.

The team played Gore twice, winning once and losing the other. Smith captured the most wickets, while Henderson and Ross made the most runs.

SCHOOL v. APPLEBY.—Won by 2 wickets and 171 runs. School made 242, 105 of which were contributed by Davidson after a fine stand. Rodger made 68. Appleby made 71 and 59 for five wickets (Pickard 5 for 12, Oram 5 for 21).

SCHOOL v. P. & T.—Lost by 78 runs. School fielded a scratch team, making only 71; Oram 17, Mitchell 14. P. and T. made 149.

SCHOOL v. WOODEND.—Lost by 6 wickets and 83 runs. School made 104 (Mitchell 35).

SCHOOL 2nd XI v. GORE 1st XI.

17th March, 1928.

Gore won the toss and put School in. School batted well, making 121. Gore then batted. The first six wickets went for 34, but the tail batsmen hit out, making Gore's total up to 98. School batted again. The opening batsmen were run out for 8, but Ross and Mitchell made a great stand, compiling 46 (not out) and 38 (not out) respectively. With 4 for 119 School declared. In the half-hour left Gore lost 5 for 33. Thus School won on the first innings by 23 runs. School bowled and fielded well.

SCHOOL.

—First Innings.—

Oram, b Matthews	11
Rodger, c and b McKee	5
Ross, b McKee	0
Davidson, c and b Piper	25
Page, b Matthews	24
Mitchell, c and b McGibbon	16
Henry, c and b Matthews	19
Smith, c and b Quilter	11
Blakie, c and b Quilter	6
Pickard, run out, b Quilter	2
Toshach, not out	0
Extras	2
 Total	 121

—Second Innings—

Oram, run out, b McKee	4
Rodger, run out, b McKee	4
Ross, not out	46
Davidson, run out, b Matthews	8
Page, c and b McGibbon	12
Mitchell, not out	38
Extras	7
 Total	 119

GORE.

—First Innings.—

McGibbon, c, b Oram	1
Quilter, c, b Mitchell	1
Piper, c, b Mitchell	6
McKee, run out, b Oram	8
Thomson, b Pickard	24
Macartney, c, b Pickard	0
Bond, b Page	2
Mason, b Page	6
Matthews, b Toshach	30
MacEwan, b Page	5
Aitken, not out	6
Extras	9
Total	98

—Second Innings—

Piper, c, b Davidson	12
McKee, c and b Toshach	6
Thomson, c, b Mitchell	8
Matthews, c, b Page	5
MacEwan, c, b Page	2
Total (for 5 wickets)	33

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings.			Second Innings.	
	Wkts.	Runs.	Wkts.	Runs.
Oram	1	26	0	5
Mitchell	2	12	1	5
Pickard	2	16	0	10
Page	3	24	2	12
Toshach	1	8	1	3
Davidson	1	1	1	1

1928-29 SEASON.

2nd XI v. TECHNICAL: Won by 75 runs (Polson 24, Mitchell 6 for 8).

v. APPLEBY : Lost (Blakie 22).

SCHOOL 3rd XI.

Captain, G. Henry. Vice-Captain, G. Anderson.

Coach, Mr Hogg.

Although the team played against much more experienced teams it acquitted itself very creditably. Much enthusiasm was shown by the members of the team, many of whom were promoted to higher teams. In this way the team has justified its existence as a valuable training ground for boys anxious to get into other teams.

RESULTS.

- v. P. & T.—Lost by 1 run. School 98.
 v. I.C.C.—Lost by 1 innings and 43 runs. School 25 and 68 (Blakie 18). I.C.C. 4 for 137 (Henry 3 for 11).
 v. APPLEBY.—Lost 1 innings and 69 runs. School 58 (Henry 29) and 35. Appleby, 8 for 162.
 v. MARIST.—Lost 1 innings and 38 runs. School 53 (Lemin 27), and 58 (Shand 19). Marist, 8 for 149 (Henry 4 for 32).
 v. WOODEND.—Lost 1 innings and 40 runs. School 14 and 41. Woodend 3 for 95 (Derbie 2 for 19).

The "Under 15" team played two matches this year, winning easily in one match, but suffering practically an innings defeat against Otago. Against Gore, School won by an innings and 115 runs. Mackie top-scored 43 not out for School. Polson took 6 wickets for 4 runs in both innings, a very creditable performance.

SOUTHLAND HIGH SCHOOL.

—First Innings—

Kennedy, b Heaps	0
Scandrett, c Anderson, b Heaps	23
Robertson, run out, b Small	13
Derby, l.b.w., b Heaps	10
Nevin, c and b Heaps	16
Anderson, c Heaps, b Small	1
Mackie, not out	43
Bisset, run out, b McAra	3
Polson, c Aitken, b Heaps	17
Hind, c Welsh, b Heaps	2
Roff, b McAra	33
Byes	5
Total	166

Bowling Analysis : Smalal took 1 wicket for 29 runs; Heaps, 6 for 57 runs; McAra, 1 for 40 runs; Barker, 0 for 10 runs; Aitken, 0 for 5 runs; Welsh, 0 for 5 runs.

GORE HIGH SCHOOL.

—First Innings—

Small	1
Heaps, l.b.w., b Derbie	1
McAra, b Polson	1
Welsh, c Roff, b Derbie	0
Anderson, c and b Derbie	4
Herron, c Derbie, b Polson	5
Wright, c Roff, b Polson	5
Parker, b Polson	9
King, b Polson	0
Aitken, not out	0
MacGibbon, c Bisset, b Polson	0
Byes	0
Total	26

Bowling Analysis : Derbie took 3 for 22; Polson took 6 for 4.

GORE HIGH SCHOOL.

—Second Innings—

McAra, b Polson	1
Small, run out	1
Herron, c Derbie	5
Anderson, c and b Derbie	4
Heaps, l.b.w., b Derbie	1
Welsh, c Roff	0
Wright, c Roff	5
Parker, b Polson	9
King, b Polson	0
Aitken, not out	0
MacGibbon, c Bisset	0

Total 25

Bowling Analysis : Polson, 6 for 4; Derbie, 3 for 22.

1928-29 SEASON.

v. MARIST. School 33 and 11. Marist 138. Strang 2 for 14, Swift 2 for 19. Lost by an innings and 94 runs.

v. TECHNICAL. School 138 (King 43, Reid 21, Blakie 20, Strang 15). Toshach 7 for 8 and 7 for 4. Won by an innings and 92 runs.

v. I.C.C. School 108 (Dakin 39). I.C.C. 135 for 3. Tait 2 for 19, Smith 1 for 17. Lost on the first innings.

This year the "Thirds" and "Fourths" played inter-Form matches. It is to be hoped that these are played annually, as the smaller boys are unable to play in the grade matches owing to their size. IVB won the competition with IVA runners-up. Mr Dunlop and Mr Harrington spent a great deal of time on these matches and did a great deal to keep up the competitive spirit of the teams. The batting was usually weak as was the fielding, but the bowlers came out with miraculous averages. Kennedy, Semmers and McCallum each did the hat-trick in the course of the games.

Form.	No. Won.	No. Lost.	2 pt.	3 pt.
			Wins.	Wins. Points.
IVB	5	—	5	10
IVA	4	1	3	9
IVC	2	3	2	4
IIIA	2	3	2	4
IIIB	2	3	2	4
IIIC	0	5	0	0

JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

A team : Although the conditions were altered at the beginning of the season so that the School weight limit was 7lbs less than the primary, the team under the leadership of J. Polson played enthusiastically and finished the season with an unbeaten record, winning the Rugby Cup for 1928. Mr Hogg looked after the team during the season.

v. WAIHOPAI	...	27—0
v. SOUTH	...	12—3
v. MIDDLE	...	12—0
v. HIGH B	...	25—0
v. MARIST	...	17—0
v. ST. GEORGE	...	17—0
v. MARIST	...	7—3

B team: This team, coached by Mr Robins, was very small and light and unable to cope with the heavier teams in the grade. However, they played pluckily and turned out consistently with J. Smith as captain.

v. MARIST	...	0—26
v. NORTH	...	Won by default
v. ST. GEORGE	...	9—3
v. WAIHOPAI	...	5—0
v. MIDDLE	...	0—21
v. HIGH A	...	0—27

INTER-FORM CONTESTS.

A new feature of first-year school life was instituted this year at the close of the second term. An inter-Form contest was arranged between the four first-year forms, and, judging by the keenness and enthusiasm shown by the boys, both players and non-players, the contest should become an annual event.

Two afternoons were taken up by the matches. On the first afternoon IIIA were drawn to play IIIC, and IIID to play IIIB. IIIA overwhelmed IIIC by the huge score of 44—6. For IIIA Bird and Wesney worked hard, though the whole team played well. For IIIC Kennedy and Morrison did a lot of hard work. In the other match of the day IIID defeated IIIB by 9—6 after a very tough struggle, in which the advantage was with neither side for any length of time. Polson, Stevenson and James were the outstanding players on the IIIB side, while Hamilton, Wesney, Henderson and Blake were perhaps the pick of IIID, who owed their victory mainly to the weight of their team, both back and forward.

TENNIS and GYMNASTICS.

Unfortunately we have not yet school tennis courts of our own. Other clubs allow us to use their courts at certain hours, provided the courts are not required for the use of members. Nevertheless, both intra-school and inter-school contests have been organised. Within the school senior and junior doubles and singles championships are being played, competitors arranging to meet on one or other of the town courts. About forty boys took part in these matches during the 1927-28 season, the winners being:—

Senior Singles: J. Davidson.

Junior Singles: W. Strang.

Senior Doubles: J. Davidson and L. Hughes.

Junior Doubles: W. Strang and R. McCallum.

In the inter-school contests under the Junior Lawn Tennis Association, School put in two teams representing the Fifth and Sixth Forms. These played a series of triangular matches on Saturday mornings with the Technical College and the Fifth Form team was successful. It thus won the Association's Challenge Cup, to be held for the year.

In April of this year the Association's Easter tournament for the secondary schools of Southland was held at the Invercargill Club courts. There were no competitors outside those from our own school, from which some twenty-five boys entered. The results were the same as for the School's tournament, Hughes and Davidson sharing the honours.

As no other schools than our own entered for this summer's tournament, the competition for the possession of the Challenge Cup was confined to our three teams, "A," "B," and "C." Of these "B" represented VA, "C" the fourth forms, and "A" the VI, VB and VC combined. The winners were the fourth form team, who defeated VA by five sets to four, and the combined team by eight sets to one. The winning team was: W. Strang (capt.), R. McCallum, A. Dakin, R. Rodger, C. Barham and L. Swift.

The intra-school ladder competitions have, as usual, excited a great deal of interest, no fewer than 71 challenges having been played. The top positions on the ladders are :

Senior: Strang, Davidson, Shand, Yule, Hughes.

Intermediate: (Fourths) Strang, McCallum, Dakin, Swift, Barham.

Junior: Hobson, H.R., Mills, Printz, Scandrett, Broadbent.

The annual school tournament at present in progress has good entries. The keen interest shown in tennis renders it all the more imperative that steps should be taken to lay down, without further delay, the first of, say, three courts at school.

TENNIS RESULTS, 1928.

Open Championship Singles (Final) : Davidson beat Garden 6—4, 6—1.

Doubles : Davidson and Hughes beat Shand and Strang 6—4, 7—5.

Intermediate Doubles : Dakin and McCallum beat Mitchell and Anderson 6—3, 7—5.

The Gymnastic Championship results for 1927 were as follows:—

Senior: R. Littlejohn; E. Hawke runner-up.

Second Year: H. Thomson; R. Taylor runner-up.

Junior: M. Page; R. McKelvey runner-up.

IF I WERE A CRICKETER.

If I were, per chance, a-playing at cricket,
I'd take up my stand (in front of the wicket),
And smite like a Trojan, may be not quite,
Strike at the sphere with all my might;
Making of boundaries by all cricket laws,
Making a century amidst great applause,
While all say to their neighbours who surely agree,
There ne'er was nor will be a batter like me.

Then would I show what a good bowler may do,
With a run and a jump and a hop or two,
Sending yorkers and leg-breaks at deadly speed,
Making balls pass the bat as if 'twere a reed,
And bowling "hat-tricks" as if I were at Lords,
While every close watcher quite loudly applauds,
As each says to his neighbour, who's sure to agree,
There ne'er was nor will be a bowler like me.

At each place in the field where I chanced to play,
I'd give exhibitions not seen every day,
I'd do deeds of wonder as matters of course,
While excited admirers shouted them hoarse,
And each said to his neighbour, who's sure to agree,
There ne'er was nor will be a player like me.

S. M.

FOOTBALL.

The 1928 season can be written down as an enjoyable one in school football. The weather altogether was satisfactory, although June and July were very wet months and the notice, "Matches Postponed" was seen all too frequently. Except for the memorable trip to Pukerau, the senior players were remarkably free from serious accidents. The second fifteen had a very successful run in their matches with other secondary schools, and won all the games. In their games in the grade competition they played well, but were generally overweighted. The winning of the third grade was a pleasing wind-up for the first fifteen after hard matches with Marists, Borstal, and Blues. Amongst the forwards there has been keen competition and the picking of the places has often been difficult. Led generally by Yule, Cournane, Fleming, and Smith, the pack cannot be said to have been mastered by any other pack during the season. In the tournament their close scrummaging was very good and school got much more than their share of the ball.

In the back division the loss of Macdonald was serious, and the same sparkle and dash was rarely seen after his injury. The inside backs remained unchanged through the season. Crowe and Derbie were always sound at five-eighth, the latter sometimes brilliant. Watts, at first on the wing, and later at centre, was generally dangerous and always sound on defence. Mitchell, sometimes nervous, played many fine games at full-back and in Dunedin left nothing to be desired. The lack of fast and dangerous wings was felt towards the end of the season. The grounds lasted very well and the cinder path at the back was invaluable for practice. Long may it remain cinder.

1st XV.

GRADE MATCHES.

1st XV.	v. OLD BOYS	Won	31—0
	v. BLUFF	Won	61—0
	v. PIRATES	Won	77—0
	v. BLUES	Won	17—15
	v. BLUES	Lost	10—12
	v. STAR	Won	32—0
	v. HIGH B	Won	27—0
	v. MARIST	Won	17—6
	v. MARIST	Won	19—9
	v. SOUTHERN	Won	Default

v. SOUTHERN Won Default
 v. BORSTAL Lost 0—3
 v. BORSTAL Won 3—0
 v. BORSTAL, for the final of the 3rd Grade Competition. School won 7—3. Murchison scored and Hawke dropped-kicked a good goal.

Points for—300. Against—48. Played 12—won 10, lost 2.
 OTHER MATCHES.

v. VARSITY OLD BOYS Won 23—17

Much to the surprise of both teams the 1st XV came out victors against a team which was individually much superior.

v. PUKERAU Lost 9—12

Played at Pukerau. The school team was outclassed by Pukerau's heavy forwards. For School Macdonald played a particularly good game.

v. OLD BOYS Lost 6—12

We are much indebted to the Old Boys' Club for the interest they have taken in school football. They played us three times; two games against scratch teams being won by School, while the third one was lost.

THE TOURNAMENT.

The annual tournament, which was held in Dunedin, resulted in a well-deserved win for Christchurch. The weather was excellent throughout and all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Our thanks are due to Mr Morrell, our hosts and to all those who contributed to our entertainment.

In the first match, Southland, contrary to school traditions, excelled themselves and were exceedingly unlucky to draw, 16 all with Timaru. The Southland forwards were well led by Yule, Ross and Cournane, and they played a slashing game, showing marked superiority over the opposing pack. Watts was the outstanding back, while Mitchell with Hawke and Derbie deserve special mention.

THE TEAM.

N. Mitchell (10.0)		
R. Murray (10.12)	R. Watts (11.4)	J. Davidson (11.4)
N. Derbie (10.8)	T. Crowe (10.5)	
E. Hawke (8.12)		
C. Smith (9.9)	J. Gardiner (11.2)	
O. Yule (11.12)	W. Blakie (11.2)	M. Cournane (11.4)
B. Barclay (11.6)	H. Ross (11.5)	
W. Fleming (11.3).		

Referee: Mr A. Eckhold.

Southland kicked off and with Yule and Ross in the van carried play to the White 25. White retaliated and good work by Moore, King and Duke ended in Palmer scoring a great try in the corner. Duke converted. Colours now pressed and Murray failed to goal from a penalty far out. Southland forwards made a series of rushes, but Duke, King and Laing staged a lightning counter-attack, going from their own 25 to the Southland line, where Cox scored. Duke missed.

Timaru 8. Southland 0.

Hawke, Crowe, Watts and Derbie now did good individual play, but their efforts were nullified by an irresistible White rush. King scored. Duke missed an easy kick. Southland started the second spell in promising fashion, Smith, Ross, Barclay and Yule being in front of slashing dashes. After a brilliant run by Watts, Derbie scored between the posts. Murray converted.

Timaru 11. Southland 5.

Southland attacked and Mitchell and Hawke had unsuccessful pots. King broke through and Laing scored. Duke converted.

Timaru 16. Southland 5.

Good play by Mitchell and Hawke saw Smith fling the ball to Watts who scored brilliantly under the posts. Murray converted.

Timaru 16. Southland 10.

Good play by Colour's forwards, in which Smith, Fleming and Yule were prominent, brought play to White's 25. From a scrum Hawke dived over and scored. Murray missed. Good play by Ross and Mitchell put Colours on attack and after a good passing movement Davidson scored. Murray failed to convert.

Southland 16. Timaru 16.

Soon afterwards the game ended with no further score and Southland on the attack.

Timaru played in the final, as they had a better record in previous tournaments.

SECOND DAY.

In the second game Murchison replaced Davidson. It was thought that the Southland-Otago match would be a very even game, but School showed a complete reversal of form and seldom looked like scoring.

From the kick-off Otago attacked in sensational style and soon Salt scored. Maloney converted. Southland retaliated and several loose rushes were headed by Courtnane, Blakie and Barclay. In a good passing rush by Murray, Hawke, Gardiner, Murchison, School just failed to score. Otago pressed to Southland 25, but good runs by Courtnane and Barclay brought play to half-way from where Yule led a dribbling rush to the Otago 25, but Nicholson saved with a good line kick. Half-time sounded.

Good work by the Blue and White backs put Otago on the attack. A feature of this half was Ross's sound defence. He was here, there and everywhere. Again the Blue and White backs attacked and Ibbotson scored. The kick failed. Courtnane and Smith backed up by Gardiner and Hawke brought play to the Otago 25, but the School's weak tackling allowed Wilson to break through and Salt scored. Drewe converted.

Otago 13. Southland 0.

Good play by Murchison, Derbie and Watts brought play to half-way just as the final whistle sounded.

Mr A. Eckhold was again referee.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

The Second Fifteen again played as High School B in the Rugby Union's Third Grade competition and suffered defeat in nearly all its grade matches. The fact that the seconds must necessarily be a "chopping block" for the firsts accounted for its lack of success.

Fortunately the picture has another side, for in the three school games played, the team did splendidly, owing mainly to good packing by the forwards and by the penetrating ability of Mitchell in the backs. By the end of the season Mitchell had graduated to the 1st XV.

The following is the record of school matches:—

v. GORE 1st XV. Won 21 to 14.

Gore brought down a heavy fifteen which was expected to make School work hard to avert defeat—for some reason Gore failed to play up to expectations, and although they put on good scores at the end of the second spell, School came out with a good victory.

v. BALCLUTHA. Won 15 to 3.

This match was played on a good dry ground at Balclutha. The home side looked, in the first spell, like sure winners, but failed to hold out School's attack. Blakie played a fine game in the School forwards. We thank our hosts for their very hospitable entertainment, and our own Rector for the gift which enabled us to eat much fruit on the way home.

v. O.B.H.S. 2nd XV. Won 14 to 3.

Here again, Southland was opposed by a much heavier team, but whose backs were inclined to get out of position. School took advantage of this, holding the upper hand during the greater part of the second half. The forwards packed low and tight. Mitchell, with room to work in, was always dangerous, scoring two good tries.

THIRD FIFTEEN.

Under Mr Drees as coach and M. Page as captain the Third Fifteen finished third in the 4th Grade competition. The following played regularly for the team:—Page (captain), Derbie (vice-captain), McLauchlan, Barraclough, Robertson, James, Polson, Jack, Willett, Rodger, Hind, Morrison, Lindsay, Kennedy, Hannah, Bird.

v. TECHNICAL	Won	6—3
v. BLUES	Won	6—3
v. WAIKIWI	Won	21—0
v. MARIST	Won	36—0
v. TECHNICAL	Drawn	8—8
v. BLUES	Lost	0—14
v. SOUTHERN	Lost	0—9
v. TECHNICAL	Won	6—3
v. WAIKIWI	Won	25—0
v. MARIST	Lost	0—20
v. SOUTHERN	Lost	4—17

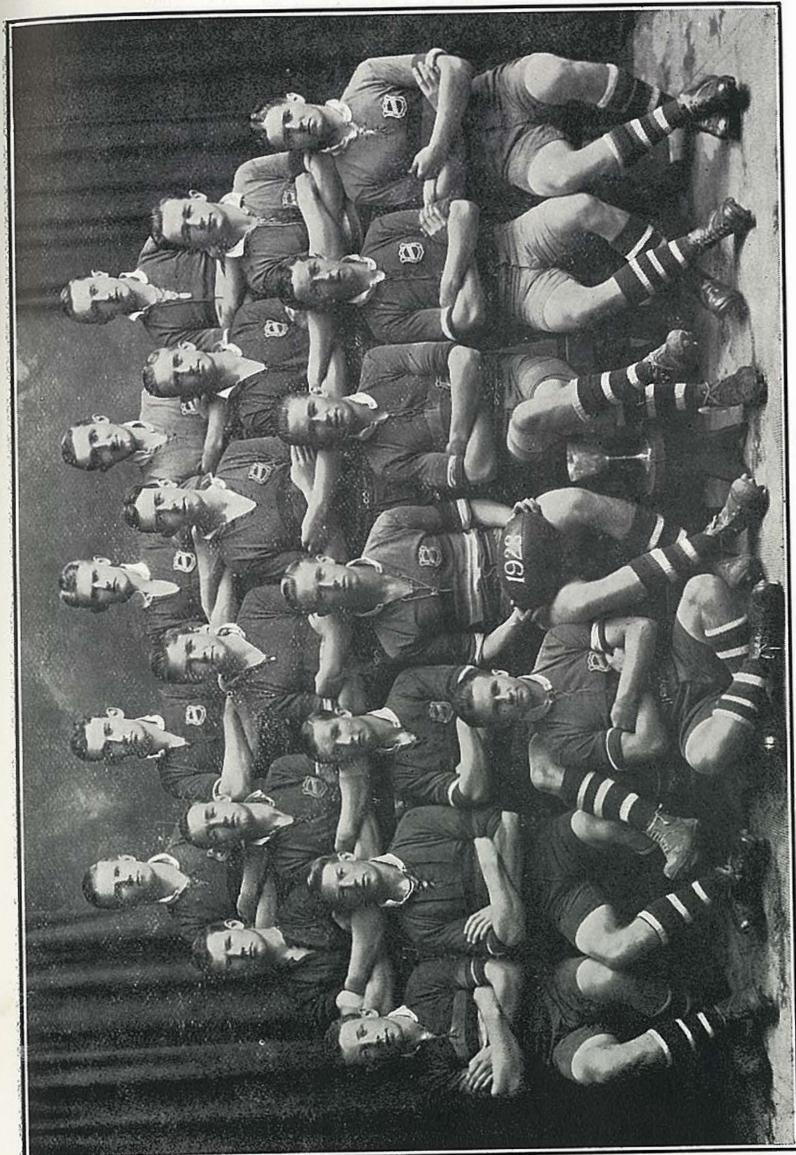
FOURTH FIFTEEN.

School entered two teams, A and B, in the 5th Grade competitions, but the B's failed to win a match. The A team, coached by Mr Harrington, did fairly well.

- v. MARIST. Lost 0—23. Lost 0—8. Lost 0—25.
- v. TECHNICAL. Lost 3—12. Drew 0—0. Won 6—0.
- v. SCHOOL B. Won 12—3. Won 14—5. Drew 13—13.

THE GORE MATCH.

A combined team under 8st. 7lb., captained by Page, played the annual junior match against Gore, and were just beaten in the last few minutes by two points: Gore 11, School 9.



FIRST FIFTEEN, 1928.
Back Row: B. Barclay, A. Pickard, P. Gilchrist, M. Courtnane, E. Gumbley.
Second Row: W. Fleming, N. Derbie, P. Lynch, H. Ross, R. Watts, J. Gardiner.
Sitting: N. Mitchell, G. Murchison, C. Smith, O. Yule, W. Blakie, T. Crowe, J. Davidson.
E. Hawke.

In the second IIIC played IIIB for the wooden spoon, but were unable to retrieve their fortunes. IIIB were too good in all departments and won handsomely by 14—0. For IIIC, perhaps the hardest working forward was McNaughton, who was always on the ball. In the final match IID soon asserted a decided superiority over IIIA, who were badly outclassed. IID's win was due to a great extent to M. Hamilton, who played a very fine game. This boy should go a long way in the game if he receives proper coaching. He has all the natural requisites—speed, swerve, side-step, and kicking power. The whole of the IID side played with more combination and dash and ran out comfortable winners by 29—0. Bird, the IIIA captain, did the work of three men in his effort to stop the disaster.

Several incipient stars were to be noticed in these games, which also serve a good purpose in helping selectors to pick out the cream of the first-year boys.

INTRASCHOOL FOOTBALL.

Of the groups which were arranged during the season for boys not already taking part in any practice, the "Greeks" proved themselves easily to be the winners, being able to defeat a team drawn from the combined forces of the other groups. In this match the "Greeks" were led by S. Brash and the combined groups by Roberts. The most prominent players among the former were Brash, D. Maedonald, Galt and S. Hamilton in the forwards, and M. Hamilton, A. Hamilton and B. Kerse in the backs. For the Rest, Roberts, Chisholm, Jenkins, S. Davidson, Henderson and Miller played well.

THE GREEN LAKE.

New Zealand! Land of snow-clad mountains, blue skies and gentle breezes. How aptly it is named "God's Own Country." Its wide open spaces far from the taint of big cities, its rolling plains and roaring rivers, and its bush, grand in its silence! There man comes close to Nature and may meditate on the wealth and splendour of a great forest or the quiet simplicity of a clear sparkling brook.

With these objects in view a party from School set off from Invercargill in the hope of seeing some of Nature's beauties which they had read of, and which they heard so much about. They were not disappointed. Some of the finest sights in the world were revealed to them on that trip, sights that will be imprinted on their minds as long as beauty and the glories of creation are held in high esteem.

From the outset fortune smiled upon the party, the clerk of the weather was on his best behaviour and had his praises sung many times. After a rickety ride in a Morris truck we arrived at Monowai very tired, very dusty and very hungry. After a refreshing sleep we were up and away to our permanent camp, which is a six hours' tramp from Monowai. Here the shepherds' hut was claimed in our name, the tents were pitched, and we were fairly starting our mountain life.

The walk to Green Lake was a memorable one. Through a rolling ridge of dense bush, up a mountain side, the fertile plains of Southland away to the south and the Waiau winding its way like a silver snake far below. The picturesque Green Lake now burst into view, and as we gazed upon its peaceful silence, we wondered how people could be content in the town when there was, a few miles from their door, scenery that even the most boastful American must call enchanting. A few minutes' rest, then away again; dinner at the lakeside, the climb back to the camp, a substantial tea, and everyone in the best of health and spirits. Could anything be more enjoyable or invigorating?

Mt. Cleugharn loomed up into the early morning, mist-like—a grim, dark sentinel. All were interested in the peak, for to-day the object of the walk was to reach the top of the mountain. We set off, and our laughter and talk echoed strangely from peak to peak as if the silent hills resented our intrusion into their little-frequented territory. Across the Devil's Staircase, with its awe-inspiring steep rocky sides, then along the grassy ridges, until lunch was served at a mountain tarn at the foot of the frowning peak. The last stage was obscured with mist, thus robbing us of the finest views of all. We were disappointed; but success and failure go hand in hand on a walking tour.

Back to the base through the mist, where the evening meal was prepared, the fire was lit, and soon the pleasant odour of cooking reached us. Darkness set in. Far away behind the dark profile of hills the mellow moon rose, and soon the glade was bathed in her soft gentle light. The great world slept, an occasional roar of a deer disturbed the silence; the wind rustled the leaves, and stealthy forms crept to bed awed by the majesty and peace of an Easter night.

The scene changes. Next day back to the dreary town, the grey streets and a monotonous routine of everyday life. But I shall never forget it, the air, the meals, and even the packs seem old friends. I am certain that if ever I get the chance I am going there again.

G. M.

SWIMMING.

(N. D.)

The opening of the new Municipal Swimming Baths marked a renewed interest in school swimming. In the first term classes were formed and boys attended the baths on Tuesdays and Fridays after school. However, owing to the great number of boys who wished to avail themselves of these classes during the summer months it was found necessary to have the boys attending on four days a week instead of two as previously.

All boys attending these classes have shown a great improvement in their swimming, and many swam successfully for distance certificates.

Towards the end of the first term, the combined Girls' and Boys' sports were held in the Public Baths, and as these were the first swimming sports to be held since 1924 a great interest was taken in the advent of the new sport. The standard of swimming was, on the whole, very high and the events were keenly contested throughout.

The most outstanding senior competitors were A. Carman and E. Gumbley, while H. Wicks and J. MacGibbon swam well among the juniors. The results were as follows:—

66 2-3 Yards Junior—Bath 1, G. Anderson 2. Time, 64 2-5 secs.

66 2-3 Yards Handicap—Toshach 1, Belsham 2. Time, 68 2-5 secs.

Springboard Dive (open)—A. Miller 1, A. Carman 2, M. Blake 3.

50 Yards Senior Championship—A. Carman 1, E. Gumbley 2. Time 33 3-5 secs.

50 Yards Junior Championship—H. Wicks 1, S. Blake 2, B. Printz 3. Time, 39 3-5 secs.

33 1-3 Yards Junior Handicap (First heat)—P. McGrath 1, H. Wicks 2. Second heat—J. MacGibbon 1, G. Anderson 2. Third heat—A. Wesney 1, Blake 2. Final—MacGibbon 1, Anderson 2, Wesney 3. Time 30 secs.

Learners' Two widths—J. C. Thomson 1 and J. MacGibbon 1 (equal), Roseow 3. Time 22 3-5 secs.

33 1-3 Yards Senior Handicap (First heat)—N. Derbie 1, M. Blake 2. Second heat—Belsham 1, Hilton 2. Final—Hilton 1, Belsham 2, Derbie 3. Time, 27 1-5 secs.

100 Yards Senior Championship—A. Carman 1, E. Gumbley 2. Time, 92 3-5 secs.

100 Yards Junior Championship—H. Wicks 1, N. Irwin 2. Time, 102 1-5 secs.

High Dive (open)—A. Wesney 1, W. Kennedy 2, J. Murdoch 3.

25 Yards Learners' Race—First heat—J. MacGibbon 1, Lawry 2. Second heat—McDonald 1, Wesney 2. Final—McDonald 1, Wesney 2, Lawry and MacGibbon 3 (equal).

33 1-3 Yards Breaststroke, Senior—Gumbley 1, Chaplin 2. Time, 36 secs.

33 1-3 Yards Junior Breaststroke—Miller 1, Kenendy 2. Time, 37 secs.

Senior Championship Springboard Dive—Blake 1, Carman 2, Kerse 3.

Junior Championship Springboard Dive—Kennedy 1, Miller 2, Blake 3.

Long Plunge—Carman and Gumbley (equal) 1, Campbell 3.

Forms Relay (teams of 4 swimmers, each swimming one length)—Form VI 1, IIIC 2, IVC 3.

Senior Champion—A. Carman.

Junior Champion—H. Wicks.

EVENING.

Breezes, whispering, softly fragrant
With a memory of woodland perfumes,
Sweet dew-steeped violets

And eglantine
Tenderly ruffle the dusking waters.

Lights of a distance shyly glimmer;
Enthralled, the world grows sweetly dimmer.
The twilight haze gives forth
Nature's lullabies,

Drifting through the fading shadows.

Disturbing not the silvern sheen,
Awhile the sighing winds their keen
To twinkling mysteries afar
Hauntingly moan;
Gliding ghost-ships steal silent by.

N. G.

CADET NOTES.

(R. W.)

With the idea of obtaining maximum efficiency from the company, a week under canvas was enjoyed in the third week of the first term. The programme of work prepared was rigidly adhered to, and efficiently carried out under perfect weather conditions. During the week the camp was inspected by Major McHugh and General Young, O.C. N.Z. Military Forces, who commented favourably on the work done. The whole company shot for the Imperial Challenge Shield and put up a creditable average. In order to relieve the monotony of camp routine, a concert, which unearthed some remarkable talent, was held, to the enjoyment of all present. Throughout camp the messing arrangements were in the capable hands of Staff S.-Major Little. Our thanks are again due to Rev. Lawson Robinson for acting as padre during the week.

Owing to Government economy only six school N.C.O.'s were permitted to go to Burnham in January for instruction. Our representatives underwent an intensive musketry course, infantry being omitted from the syllabus because of more general efficiency in this department.

Early in March Captain J. L. Cameron left us to take up a position at Takapuna, Auckland. Although for a time he was greatly missed, his place has now been ably filled by Captain Page, who formerly was second in command. We welcome Lieutenants Braithwaite and Harrington as commanders of Nos. 3 and 4 platoons respectively. Mr Drees is at present in command of Headquarters platoon.

This year the navy blue school uniform has been adopted instead of khaki. This change very materially adds to the comfort of the wearer and also greatly increases the smartness of the company on parade. The first public parade of the company in new uniform took place on Anzac Day, when the senior urban portion paraded, with other units, at the Show Grounds. After a short open-air service the company took part in the route march through the town; but since most of the company was wet through our attendance at the service in the Theatre was cancelled.

In March six School N.C.O.'s and Cadets competed in the Army Rifle Championships at Trentham and acquitted themselves creditably. Two of the party succeeded in getting into the Southern Command Cadet Rifle team, which won the C.A.C. Challenge Shield.

During the second term intensive training was abandoned owing to the weather; but was resumed with vigour in the third term. With the commencement of the third term the company began firing, by platoons, the classification shoot on the school butts. From these results and also the Imperial Challenge Shield scores, the team to compete for the "Weekly Press" Challenge Shield was picked. This team immediately started practice, and at the time of going to press was shaping well.

On 10th November several N.C.O.s and Cadets of the company competed in an Area Rifle meeting at Otatara. Although there were no outstanding scores registered, on the whole the shooting was of a high standard.

The School company appeared in full force at the parade on Armistice Day, and made a very good showing notwithstanding the unfavourable weather conditions. The parade was held in Victoria Park, a position which necessitated a comfortable route march to and from the Drill Hall.

The artillery and signalling squads which were formed last year have completed a course of instruction at the Drill Hall. Under the tuition of Staff Sergeant-Majors Sutton and Stewart the Vickers and Lewis gun sections have undergone a course of instruction which included firing practices.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

On Wednesday, 24th October, the School betook itself to Rugby Park for the holding of the annual sports. The day was pleasant but dull. The track was in good order but on the heavy side. Throughout the afternoon there was a good attendance of parents, pupils from the Girls' High School, and the general public.

It was expected that the performances at the sports would be affected by the lateness of the football season—the first fifteen having been on the field a week before the sports—but the standard of the athletics compares favourably with that of any year.

The handicappers had done their work well and many hard-fought finishes were seen. L. Thompson lowered the Half Mile Championship record to 2 min. 14 3-5 secs., the record having been previously held by G. Macdonald. N. Mitchell succeeded in lowering the Junior Half Mile record, also held by G. Macdonald. The time

now stands at 2 min. 24 secs. In the Three Miles Race G. Murchison reduced his own record to 16 min. 48 secs. The Senior Championship Cup for the best performance was awarded to L. Thompson. This boy showed excellent form and judgment in many events, and if he confines himself to middle distance running will do well later. The Junior Championship was won by N. Mitchell. He has developed quickly and is a boy of fine physique. The Junior Cup is in worthy hands.

P. Gilchrist won the Todd Medal by securing first places in the 100 yards handicap and in the 120 yards hurdles handicap. Gilchrist showed good form, surprising pace, and deserved his win.

The Bews Medal goes to N. Garden, who annexed the 440 yards open and the half-mile open. He is another promising middle distance runner.

We are again indebted to Messrs Galloway, Burn, Munro, and Murdoch for their assistance as officials.

The following is a list of the results:—

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS.

100 Yards Championship—J. Gardiner 1, T. Crowe 2, O. Yule 3. Time, 11 secs. A fine race and a close finish.

220 Yards Championship—G. Henry 1, O. Yule 2, C. Smith 3. Henry began quickly and lasted long enough to win with a little to spare. Time, 26 3-5 secs.

440 Yards Championship—J. Gardiner 1, O. Yule 2, R. Scott 3. Gardiner led throughout. Time, 58 secs.

Half Mile Championship—L. Thompson 1, M. Cournane 2, G. Murchison 3. Thompson began quickly and led all the way; Cournane, however, relentless in pursuit, was within two yards of the winner at the finish. Time, 2 min. 14 3-5 secs—a record.

One Mile Championship—L. Thompson 1, R. Scott 2. Cournane began at a very hot pace, but later succumbed, leaving Thompson with no one to dispute the issue.

High Jump—L. Thompson 1, S. Brash 2, R. Watts 3. Height, 4 feet 11½ inches. A close contest.

Long Jump—J. Gardiner 1, L. McCurdy 2, R. Watts 3. Distance, 17 feet 8 inches.

120 Yards Hurdles—B. Barclay 1, R. Watts 2, G. Henry 3. Time, 19 2-5 secs. Barclay has a good style and won comfortably.

Altogether thirteen boys competed in the Senior Championship, and there was never less than three competitors in any event.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

100 Yards—N. Mitchell 1, M. Page 2, M. Hamilton 3. Time, 12 secs.

220 Yards—N. Mitchell 1, M. Page 2, G. Calder 3. Time, 27 2-5 secs.

440 Yards—N. Mitchell 1, M. Page 2, G. Calder 3. Time, 61 secs.

Half Mile—N. Mitchell 1, G. Calder 2. Time, 2 min. 24 secs.—a record.

Long Jump—N. Mitchell 1, M. Hamilton 2, M. Page 3. Distance, 16 feet 8 inches.

High Jump—M. Hamilton 1, M. Page 2, N. Mitchell 3. Height, 4 feet 9½ inches.

In this competition Mitchell proved himself a powerful runner and his unpaced effort in the half-mile was a very good performance. M. Hamilton's jump of 4 feet 9½ inches is also worthy of note. A fine jump for a small boy.

HANDICAP EVENTS.

100 Yards Handicap (under 15)—First Heat: J. Paterson (1yd) 1, H. Whitaker (6yds) 2. Eight starters. Second Heat: S. Jack (scr) 1, E. Millar (5yds) 2. Eight starters. Third Heat: J. Mills (scr) 1, R. Henderson (2yds) 2. Nine starters. Fourth Heat: McCorkindale (6yds) 1, R. Reid (6yds) 2. Eight starters. Final: J. Mills 1, S. Jack 2, W. McCorkindale 3. Time, 13 1-5 secs.

100 Yards Handicap (15 to 16)—First Heat: A. Derbie (scr) 1, D. Chisholm (1yd) 2. Second Heat: A. Smiley (scr) and S. Davidson (1yd) dead-heat. Third Heat: G. Lindsay (3yds) 1, G. Calder (9yds) 2. Final: A. Derbie 1, S. Davidson 2, G. Lindsay 3. Time, 12 secs.

100 Yards Handicap (open)—First Heat: O. Yule (scr) 1, G. Henry (scr) 2. Second Heat: W. Fleming (5yds) 1, T. Crowe (scr) 2. Third Heat: P. Gilchrist (6yds) 1, K. McLauchlan (6yds) 2. Final: P. Gilchrist 1, G. Henry 2, T. Crowe 3. Time, 11 3-5 secs.

120 Yards Hurdles (open)—First Heat: F. James 10yds and 1 hurdle down) 1, W. Fleming (12yds and 1 hurdle down) 2. Second Heat: S. Brash (12yds and 1 hurdle down) 1, P. Gilchrist (10yds and 1 hurdle down) 2. Third Heat: E. Hawke (12yds and 1 hurdle down) 1, A. Carman (12yds and 1 hurdle down) 2. Final: P. Gilchrist 1, F. James 2, S. Brash 3. Time, 18 secs.

Half Mile (15-16) Handicap—R. Rodger (10yds) 1, D. Chisholm 2, A. Derbie 3. Time, 2 min. 21 4-5 secs. Fourteen starters.

220 Yards (under 14)—J. Mills (scr) 1, A. Wesney (8yds) 2, J. Stevenson (6yds) 3. Mills made no race of it. Fourteen starters. Time, 29 2-5 secs.

220 Yards (under 15)—R. Millar (16yds) 1, S. Jack (scr) 2, H. Fox (25yds) 3. Time 28 4-5 secs. Fifteen starters.

220 Yards (15—16)—A. Derbie (4yds) 1, A. Smiley (2yds) 2, B. Henderson (8yds) 3. Sixteen starters. Time, 28 1-5 secs.

220 Yards (open)—W. Fleming (12yds) 1, K. McLauchlan (12 yards) 2, W. Stewart (12yds) 3. Eight starters. Time, 26 1-5 secs.

440 Yards Handicap (under 15)—S. Jack (scr) 1, T. Bird (16yds) 2, M. Stewart (10yds) 3. Time, 67 secs. Ten starters.

440 Yards Handicap (open)—N. Garden (scr) 1, T. Crowe (scr) 2, D. Chisholm (14yds) 3. Time, 57 2-5 secs. Ten starters.

Half Mile Handicap (under 15)—H. Fox (70yds) 1, W. Kennedy (40yds) 2, S. Jack (scr) 3. Time, 2 min. 41 1-5 secs. Six starters.

Half Mile (open)—N. Garden 1, W. Stanway 2, J. Davidson 3. Time, 2 min. 17 secs. Eight starters.

Half Mile Walk—R. Dennis (10yds) 1, B. Aitchison (30yds) 2, E. Gumbley (scr) 3. Time, 4 min. 18 4-5 secs. Seventeen starters.

Relay Race—Form IVB (Mitchell, McKelvey, Chisholm, McKay) (50yds) 1, Form VB (Gardiner, Smith, Derbie, Pickard) (18yds) 2, Form VA (Henry, Macdonald, Cournane, Garden) (10yds) 3. Eleven forms competed.

Sack Race—I. Malcolm 1, I. Gillanders 2, H. Whitaker 3. Twenty-three starters.

Potato Race—G. King 1, J. Polson 2, A. Wesney 3. Twenty-four starters.

Long Jump (open)—L. Thompson (scr), 18ft. 6½ins. 1, J. Gardiner (scr) 2, J. Polson (24ins.) 3. Eleven competitors.

Long Jump Handicap (under 15)—S. Jack (6ins.), 15ft. 6ins. 1, J. Paterson (9ins.) 2, R. Reid (12ins.) 3. Thirteen competitors.

High Jump (open)—P. Gilchrist (7ins.), 5ft. 1½ins. and R. Macdonald (3ins.), 5ft. 1½ins., equal, A. Clifford (7ins) 3. Gilchrist and Macdonald tied for first place. Seven competitors.

Old Boys v. School 440 Yards Relay—Old Boys (J. Hamilton, C. Rout, I. Manson, A. Harrington) 1, School 2. Won by five yards.

Putting the Shot (13lbs)—L. Thompson (scr) 1, O. Yule (6ins) 2, R. Watts (12ins) 3. Distance, 35ft. 4ins.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—R. Macdonald (15yds) 1, L. Thompson (scr) 2, R. Verity and B. Henderson (20yds) equal, 3. Distance, 100yds 2ft 9ins.

Tug-of-War—Senior VA 1, VI 2; Second year—IVA 1, IVB 2; First year—IIID 1, IIIC 2.

Mile Open Handicap—W. Stanway (50yds) 1, L. Thompson (scr) 2, N. Derbie (60yds) 3. Fourteen starters. Time, 5 min. 2 secs.

One Mile Bicycle Race—A. Campbell (200yds) 1, H. Wicks (200yds) 2, L. Crozier (420yds) 3. Time, 3 min. 38 secs.

Hop, Step and Jump (open)—G. Henry 1, J. Gardiner 2, L. Thompson 3. Distance, 38ft. 8½ins.

Hop, Step and Jump (under 16)—A. Derbie 1, J. Polson 2, A. Smiley 3. Distance, 35ft. 2½ins.

Hop, Step and Jump (under 14)—A. Wesney 1, H. Whitaker 2, G. Anderson 3. Distance, 31ft.

Three Miles—G. Murchison 1, M. Cournane 2, L. Thompson 3. All three broke the existing record. Time, 16 min. 48 secs.

Three Miles Forms' Challenge Shield—VA (M. Cournane, R. Scott, N. Derbie, R. Dennis) 1, IVA 2, VB 3. One hundred and twenty-seven starters.

Forms' Championship (all events)—VA, 100 points, 1; IVA, 66 points, 2; VB, 60½ points, 3.

The annual secondary schools' athletic championship of Southland and Otago were held at Rugby Park on Saturday afternoon, the 10th March. School was primarily responsible for all arrangements although the meeting was run officially under the control of the Invercargill Amateur Athletic Association. This meeting was the second held—the first one having taken place in Dunedin. The following schools competed:—Otago Boys' High School, King Edward Technical College (Dunedin), Gore High School, Riverton and Wyndham District High Schools, Southland Boys' High School.

Seven records were broken during the day. Otago Boys' High School won the Macassey Shield with 29 points, School being runner-up with 13 points. The Arthur Barnett Shield for the juniors was won by Gore H.S., 11 points, Southland again being second with 8 points.

In the senior events points were scored for School by Gardiner, Murray, Barclay, Yule, and the relay team won that event, Macdonald, Yule, Blake and Gardiner running the mile in 4 min. 27 2-5 secs.

Junior championship points were scored by A. Hamilton, M. Page and M. Hamilton.

PARODY.

The shades of night had fallen fast,
When through the darkened street there passed
A staggering form so bright and gay;
And as it passed I heard it say,
“Exshelshior!”

His head was bare, his eye was dark,
And gleamed from out a dull black mark,
Whilst still he sang in monotone,
Like half a laugh and half a groan,
“Exshelshior!”

“This will not pass,” the bobby said,
Down came the cudgel on his head.
“The prison cell is long and wide—”
But then arose from by his side
“Exshelshior!”

There in the prison, cold and gray,
With head upturned and bare he lay;
Then to the sky from one who'd sinned
There rose a voice like moan of wind,
“Exshelshior!”

R. D.

BOXING NOTES.

A boxing class was again held in the School Gymnasium on Wednesday evenings during the second and third terms. Mr W. Crowley was appointed instructor, and carried out his duties in a highly efficient manner. He teaches the boys a very fine style, and takes great pains with each one.

About 40 boys joined the class at the beginning of the term. Some, however, discontinued their attendance, while new members joined up during the season. At the end of the classes there were 35 regular attenders, a very satisfactory number, considering that boxing is a comparatively new school activity. It is hoped that more will join next year, and take advantage of the opportunity of learning the noble art under the able tutelage of Mr Crowley.

The annual Boxing Tournament was held in the School Hall on Wednesday, 17th October, before a large and appreciative audience of the staff, Old Boys, present boys, parents and friends. The tournament was a much greater success than that of last year, the arrangements being perfect and the bouts clean and interesting. Particularly pleasing were the displays of the junior boys in the under 7st. class. Throughout all the bouts was evident the solid grounding and good style inculcated by the instructor.

The thanks of the club are due to several gentlemen for the interest they have taken in the boys. Mr R. T. Stephens, an Old Boy of the school, very kindly donated three medals, one to be given to the winner of the 10st. class each year. Also the referee at the tournament, Mr A. Tall, presented a cup to A. Wesney for the best exhibition of footwork he had seen for many years. Then again, Mr A. Dallas and Mr G. McEwan, two well-known pupils of Mr Crowley, came along to the class on several occasions and helped a lot with their tuition.

The School Championship was won by E. Hawke, J. Chemis being awarded the cup for the most scientific boxer. A. Wesney won Mr A. Tall's trophy, while O. Bath won the Stephen's medal. W. Fleming was awarded the Rector's medal for the best loser.

The following are the results:—

Under 6st.—H. Semmens beat R. Sutton.

Under 7st.—N. Polson beat P. McGrath, J. Scandrett beat J. Courtis, J. Scandrett beat A. Wesney. Final: N. Polson beat J. Scandrett.

Under 8st.—B. Printz beat L. Hinchey, J. Polson beat D. Hardcastle, J. Chemis beat B. Printz. Final: J. Chemis beat J. Polson.

Under 9st.—A. Hind beat E. Abbey Jones. Final: J. Smith beat A. Hind.

Under 10st.—O. Bath beat W. Stanway, J. Grenville beat T. Bird, D. McNaughton beat A. Robertson, O. Bath beat J. Grenville. Final: O. Bath beat D. McNaughton.

Open Championship—E. Hawke beat W. Fleming.

Exhibition Bout—L. Thompson v. R. Stewart.

The officials were:—Referee: Mr A. Tall; Judges: Messrs Rogerson and Gellatly; Ring Master: Mr W. Ward; Timekeeper: Mr A. Burn; Announcer: B. Barclay; Glove Stewards: P. Gilchrist, C. Smith; Towel Stewards: G. Murchison, K. McLauchlan; Call Stewards: R. Watts, O. Yule.

THE SLAYERS.

Through the vasty aisles of the forest deep
Sounds the clash of axe and the saws deep roar
And the conqu'ring steels of the axes creep,
Agleam with each tree's life blood
And whet with a lust for more and more,
O'er plain, down dale and up the slope,
At whose crest and towering o'er the world
There stands with proud and haughty mien,
The last proud sovereign of an immemorial line.

The destroyers pause and gaze behind;
Their work of ruin spreads out far below.
Then with freshened vigour they attack the last.
Thud, thud, thud. The steel bites deep and slow
And the monarch of a thousand years submits to man.
It shakes and totters and with submissive groan
It crashes to the forest floor and dies its death in thunder.

J. N. C.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

(Mr E. Stout, Secretary, National Bank, Invercargill).

During 1928 the O.B.A. has been very actively in existence, the many interests of the Association being enthusiastically supported by members. Two football teams played regularly during the winter, one in the second grade and one in the third grade; although neither of these teams did well, a start has been made and only the loyalty of boys leaving school is necessary, eventually, to see Old Boys carrying off the Galbraith Shield. As our football notes show, old boys gave considerable help to the School fifteen previous to the tournament.

To stimulate an interest in boxing the Association has donated two cups, one for the most scientific boxer and one for the School championship. The former is won outright each year, and the latter is held at school and a miniature presented to the winner.

A Gymnastic Club has also been formed by some enthusiastic gymnasts who have paid half the cost of the installation of electric lights in the school gymnasium. Swimming, too, has come into its own, a club known as the Southland High School Ex-pupils' Swimming Club, represents the old pupils of both the Girls' High and the Boys' High School.

In our School notes will be found references to the fine work done by the O.B.A. in regard to the beautifying of the school ground. This work alone is a tribute to the energy of the late secretary, Mr C. Clark, and the unflagging energy of his committee. We note elsewhere, also, the formation of a strong Old Boys' Branch in Dunedin.

The annual meeting and dinner of the Association was held in the Federal Tea-rooms on Friday, 21st September, when there was a large attendance presided over by Mr S. M. Macalister. The election of officers resulted as follows:—

Patrons: Messrs W. Macalister, R. A. Anderson, J. T. Carswell, R. M. Strang and T. D. Pearce (all re-elected).

President: Mr S. M. Macalister (re-elected).

Vice-Presidents: C. E. Borne, R. J. Gilmour, J. D. Shand, J. A. Fraser, J. R. Martin, J. G. Inlay, A. W. Jones (all re-elected), and R. Brownlie, E. A. Nichol, G. J. Yule, John Gilkison.

Committee: C. Clark, C. Rout, E. Squires, K. Robbie, T. Pryde, A. Harrington, H. Sutton and L. Patterson.

Secretary and Treasurer: Eric Stout.

Assistant Secretary and Treasurer: J. Hughes.

Hon. Auditor: H. R. Wilcox.

At this meeting, Mr R. M. Strang, the Chairman of the Board of Governors, promised that if the Association could find one half of the money necessary to establish tennis courts, then the Board would find the other half. This alone, should show boys leaving, the tremendous help they can give the school in all matters by actively participating in the membership of the Association.

CRACK ! CRACK ! CRACK !

Crack, crack, crack,
On my shins and battered knee !
And I would that my tongue could utter
The thoughts that arise in me.

O well for the surging mob
As they shout and roar on the line !
O well for the lucky man
Who hasn't got shins like mine !

And we stately forwards sweep on
To our haven under the bar:
But curse that touch of a varnished boot
Which made me see a star!

Crack, crack, crack,
At the foot of the referee!
And the tender spots on this day that are formed
Will always remain with me.

H. O.

OLD BOYS' COLUMN.

F. H. McDowall, M.Sc. (N.Z.), D.Sc. (London), A.I.C., was appointed last December to be Dairy Research Chemist at the recently instituted Massey Agricultural College at Palmerston North. He was dux of this school in 1917, coming to it from Waianawa. He went to England in October, 1924, and for three years carried out in the chemistry laboratories at University College, London, a research on "The Essential Oil of the Ngaio Tree." The oil has proved to be a new type of considerable academic interest but not likely to be of much commercial importance. In June of 1927 he was granted a D.Sc. degree of London University for a thesis embodying the results of his research. He was also appointed Assistant Lecturer in Organic Chemistry, beginning his work there last October after a hurried trip to N.Z. This year, in view of his appointment, he has studied the application of chemistry to dairying in England, Holland and Denmark. He has examined the handling and storage of dairy produce from N.Z. in London. He has recently returned to N.Z. after visiting institutions in U.S.A. and Canada and has begun work at the Massey Agricultural College. We extend to him the congratulations of his old school on his appointment.

Jim Lehany is farming at Wyndham.

Reginald F. Roberts, M.B. Ch.B., after a year's practice as locum tenens and a year at New Plymouth Hospital, left last August for London. In six weeks he gained his first section of the F.R.C.S. We understand this usually takes six months.

Arthur H. Cavell (from Riverton) is practising as a solicitor in Christchurch.

Rupert Hay (from Gala Street) is with the Public Works Department, Balclutha.

William Fraser (Layard Street) completed his Engineering Preliminary. He was transferred in the Public Works Department to Invercargill during the winter.

Chas. Poole, journalist, left for Sydney last January.

Archie J. McDowall (from Nightcaps) is Secretary of the Grey Power Board, Greymouth, West Coast.

Wilfred Barclay passed last February in History of Architecture and Freehand Drawing in the First Professional in Architecture for membership of N.Z.I.A.

Jack Wesney, in the service of Bank of N.Z., after many years in Waimate, left last December on transfer for Palmerston North.

Gordon Gifford (1911-12, from Bluff) is now with the Vacuum Oil Co. in Invercargill.

James G. Leckie was in good form at the Otago University sports last March. He threw the hammer 134ft. 8in., breaking his own record at these sports. His best throw, however, was 148ft. 6in. in December, 1927, at the Otago Amateur Athletic Sports. In the High Jump he cleared five feet.

W. N. A. Allison was second in the 880 yards.

James Hamilton (Captain 1927 XV) joined the staff of Wright, Stephenson and Co., Dunedin, last March.

James A. Fraser (1918-19) has been for three years in the Customs Department, Wellington.

James Miller, National Bank, has gained his Banker's Diploma.

Dr. Alex. Cumming, F.R.C.S. Edinburgh, after three years' residence as surgeon in Middlesborough Hospital, Yorkshire, has returned to N.Z.

Mr John Gilkison, one of our Governors, returned to Invercargill last January, after some nine months' absence abroad.

Dr. Charles Reid, after two years' service at the Dunedin Hospital, has begun private practice at Darfield, North Canterbury, 30 miles from Christchurch.

Harry Gray (from Nightcaps) is Chief Surveyor to the South African Railways.

S. Morell Macalister was a candidate for Parliament during the recent elections. He contested the Invercargill seat against Sir Joseph Ward.

Ray Romans (from Arrowtown) was last March transferred in the service of the Bank of N.Z. from Dunedin to Melbourne.

Dr. Alister Brass was transferred from Samoa to Rarotonga or Cook Islands last April.

Dr. Lyall Christie is medical officer in charge there.

Harold G. Royds (from Otatara) during 1926 and 1927 was a Construction Engineer for the Vacuum Oil Co. Proprietary, Ltd., and was stationed in Auckland and in Otago. In April he left N.Z. for a sojourn of several years abroad in England and America to gain further experience in Civil Engineering.

James P. Wilson (from Waianawa, at School 1892-3) is Valuer to the Public Trust, Christchurch.

George Overton (1902-3) is an Inspector of Schools in the Wellington district.

Ernie Eliot (from Waimahaka) joined the staff of the N.Z. Insurance last March.

R. Stewart Green, Secretary of the Gore Racing Club, was last January on the eve of his marriage the recipient of a well-filled wallet from the members of the Club.

Dr. Thomas Wyllie (from Winton), practising at Waimate, was farewelled by his townsmen last February before he left for Europe for a ten months' holiday. He has been visiting old scenes and studying at various hospitals. He resumes practice in December.

Alf. Buckingham (of Drummond), Bach-Engin.; is Engineer-Secretary to the North Canterbury Electric Power Board, with headquarters at Rangiora.

Herbert Sutton has transferred from Dalgety's to the Vacuum Oil Co.

George Wraytt, Garston, is Chairman of the Southland County Council.

E. Roland Bryant, who has been studying at the Heald Engineering School, San Francisco, has returned to Invercargill.

J. R. Sheehan (1913-14) joined the staff of reporters on the Auckland "Sun" in September.

Dr. Edgar F. Thomson was appointed last July as Assistant Professor in Bacteriology at Otago University.

E. W. Kerr in Dunedin, and R. V. Gilmour and E. A. Owles in Christchurch, passed Section C of the Pharmacy Examination.

Ian D. Cameron was granted his Associateship of the Otago School of Mines last July.

P. C. Carman was appointed Student Demonstrator in Chemistry last July at Otago University.

Edgar McKillop, A.M.I.C.E., having finished the installation work at the Waikaremoana Hydro Electric Scheme, was appointed last June to be Engineer in Charge of the Wellington City Waterworks.

E. Haining Smith, Assoc. N.Z. Institute of Architects, who for some years was in the employ of the Public Works Department, Victoria, went to U.S.A. for larger experience. After eight months

in Chicago, he went to New York. He hopes after a stay there to go on to England and then to return to Victoria.

Thos. James (of Aparima) is now accountant with the N.Z. Express Co., Invercargill.

"Paul Longuet has proved an ideal type for Motion Picture Work. In 'The Far Paradise' he is Peter Lawton and fits in excellently." (Extract from the Sydney Mail of July 1st). "The Far Paradise" is an Australian production by three courageous Sydney girls, the Misses McDonough. He was during the winter touring West Australia with a comedy company.

Grant Sherborne (1927) settled in Christchurch in July and is now in attendance at Christ's College.

Ed. S. Miller joined the staff of the Auckland "Sun" in July.

Fred Calder (of Lochiel) left the P.O. Service in Wellington and became an apprentice to engineering in Johnston's Foundry, Leet Street, in October.

Gordon McCaw was appointed Assistant Engineer to the Penawat (Malaya) Tin Dredging Co., Batu Gajah, in April last.

W. C. Cunningham (1927) joined the Invercargill staff of the Bank of Australasia in August.

Neill Porter left J. G. Ward and Co.'s office in the autumn for a position in the Bluff Harbour Board's office at Bluff.

T. P. Davin (1927) joined the N.Z.R. in Wellington in June.

A. Ernest Reynolds, Registrar of Supreme Court, Timaru (from Riverton).

H. Welton Smith, Licensed Surveyor, joined the Southland Public Works Department last April.

J. Carlyle Irving, Editor of "Farm Economy" for Messrs Wright, Stephenson and Co., Wellington, visited the school in June.

Dr. Warren H. Young, High Street, Carterton.

Cedric Treeby, 1924-1927, is settled in Christchurch.

Cecil Masters, of the staff of the National Bank, was transferred in May to Wellington.

Stuart Macdonald joined the Otago Daily Times staff as a reporter last March.

William Macalister, Junr. (1916-17) is the agent for the Quick-Fix Fencing Droppers.

B. C. Haggitt, LL.B., Dunedin, was admitted a barrister of the Supreme Court in October.

I. Mayhew and N. Beck have returned to N.Z. from Australia.

Tom Pryde, for some years resident in Gore, was admitted some months ago as a partner by Messrs Smith and Dolamore, solicitors. He was appointed resident partner in Invercargill, with an office in the Savings Bank Building in Don Street. On the

occasion of his leaving Gore, he was farewelled at a public meeting and declared to have been a good and useful citizen of Gore.

Eric H. J. Preston began business in Dee street, Invercargill, as a solicitor on the first of May last.

Murray Ott, LL.B., dissolved partnership with Gordon Reed on the first of May and entered the service of the Public Trust Department, Invercargill.

Cecil Mills is secretary to the Linton Coal Co.

Angus Macdonald is manager of the Plains Station, Mossburn.

David S. Smith, LL.M (1902-3) was made a Judge of the Supreme Court last April. He is a son of the Rev. Gibson Smith, formerly minister of First Church, Invercargill.

Hector Marshall is now a House and Land Agent in Dunedin.

John T. Gilkison, B.Sc. in Engineering, has been this year in the employ of the Public Works Department, with headquarters at Dunedin. He played football for the Pirates Club.

Frank D. Capitanreas (from Nightcaps) played for Alhambra Football Club in Dunedin this season.

Geoff. Fortune was transferred to Dunedin last April in charge of the Pensions Department.

Anthony Rowlands is now with Vesteys, Ltd., meat merchants, London.

Oliver Cheyne, in the service of the Commercial Bank, was transferred to Dunedin last March.

In the Easter Tournament of the N.Z. University College, held at Wellington, Henry Lea was manager of the Canterbury Athletic team; J. G. Leckie and W. Allison were members of the Otago team.

INTERPROVINCIAL FOOTBALL.

Southland Reps. for 1928 were : G. Oughton, B. Geddes, E. H. Diack, J. R. Bell and H. Bird. Diack and Bell captained the Southland teams, each on more than one occasion.

N.Z. Reps. in South Africa, 1928, were Frank D. Kilby, half-back; Lance Johnson, Archie Strang.

Major R. N. D. Fraser, N.Z. Military Forces, was posted in August to the Retired List.

J. Rutherford Bligh, in the service of Bank of N.Z., has been transferred from Winton to Dunedin.

Robert Blyth in the same service to Winton.

Cecil Masters, in the service of the National Bank, from Invercargill to Wellington.

Eric Dyer from Wellington to Sydney in the Bank of N.Z. He has gained his diploma in Banking.

H. E. Dyer, of the staff of the Christchurch Boys' H.S., has gained his B certificate.

H. O. Jefcoate of the same staff successfully coached the Christchurch B.H.S. XV for the S. Island tournament.

J. Crichton Prain, LL.B., began practice as a solicitor in Esk street in July.

J. William Stead has shut up shop and joined J. Kingsland and Co. in Tay street at the Red Boot.

Tom Burt, of the N.Z. Land and Survey Department, has been stationed in Gisborne for six years.

Mervyn Mayze has gone to Sydney.

Russell Page came out sixth of 155 passes at Sandhurst Military College, England. He was third for Physical Culture. He has been posted as Lieut. to the Yorkshire Light Infantry.

Thos. B. Sheppard, Licensed Surveyor, after two years' service in Samoa, went to Sydney in October to a new appointment.

Les. Greig is with the Bank of N.Z., Gisborne.

Masson Greig is with the Survey Department, Dunedin.

The following is the Old Boys' Committee in Dunedin :—J. G. Anderson (President), H. D. Morgan and R. McDowall (Vice-Presidents), George Henderson, Geoff. Fortune, J. C. Collins, Grigor Cameron, T. Plunket.

Rev. Hubert Ryburn, M.A., B.D., has received a unanimous call to the important charge of St. Andrew's Church, Dunedin.

TEACHERS' MOVEMENTS.

II. D. Morgan, Fifth Assistant, Macandrew Road, Dunedin.

Nelson G. Saunders, Headmaster, Otepopo, Otago.

A. Ramsay Howie, Hillend, Otago.

Cyril Stuck, after eight years at Waimatua, left in November for Te Aroha, N. Island.

Stuart E. Kettellwell was appointed to Waimatua in November.

J. Willett received an appointment in November in the Marlborough Sounds.

Norman Murray, B.A., joined the staff of the Riverton D.H.S. in September.

W. S. C. Templeton is head teacher at Springhills.

E. Squires is at the North School.

W. Cleine, B.A., at the Middle School, 7th assistant.

Duncan Manson at the Middle School.

James G. Leckie, Maclennan, Otago, in June.

Eric R. Service was appointed by the Otago Board as Head Teacher at Waikoikoi last April.

Ian McLeod (from Winton) is a teacher at Hastings.

C. McGregor Cameron, M.A., was last March appointed Assistant to the Professor of English at Otago University.

Clem. Walker, at Chatto Creek, Central Otago.

Harold B. Laytham, 3rd assistant, Gore School.

Archie Ferguson to Mokotua.

Geo. F. Griffiths was appointed Head Master of Bluff School at the beginning of the year.

E. H. Diack to Invercargill North in September.

Cyril L. Matthews to Sunnyside School.

John E. Willett to Wairekiki.

Alfred C. Iggo to Ferndunlaw, near Otautau.

The following probationers have been appointed to schools by the Southland Education Board:—

John A. Forde to Nightcaps.

Francis Beadle to Invercargill North.

R. Arthur Littlejohn to St. George.

Ian Gough to Invercargill South.

Alex. Milne was appointed in October First Assistant at the South School.

W. D. H. Gazzard was appointed First Assistant at the North School.

A. Lindsay McCaw was in November appointed Head Master of Woodlands School for 1929.

The Dux Medal and Prize Fund received contributions amounting to £6 8s 6d from 20 Old Boys of 1919. After payment for the medal and some prizes, the balance went towards the purchase of some French records for the gramophone. These have been much appreciated by the School. The following are the addresses of the contributors:—

A. Mervyn Branks, "Record" Office, Winton.

Wm. Cleme, B.A., Teacher, Middle School.

R. F. Crane, Teacher, 58 Hensley street, Gladstone, Invercargill.

James Chamberlain, Farmer, Orawia.

Ian Dow, Engineer, Eye street, Invercargill.

Lindsay de la Perrelle, Solicitor, Winton.

Jas. Francis, Chemist, Southland Hospital.

A. E. Fortune, Teacher, 254 Crinan street, Invercargill.

A. C. Iggo, Teacher, Ferndunlaw, Otautau.

Cecil W. Lea, B.Sc., Technical School, Dunedin.

Hugh McKinnon, M.A., Teacher, Waihopai School, Invercargill.

Ian McK. Miller, Com. Agent, Box 579, G.P.O., Wellington.

A. W. Milne, Teacher, 67 Bourke street, Invercargill.

Irwin Norris, Pastoralist, c/o J. W. Miller, Rural Delivery, Queenstown.

Ed. Ottrey, Bank N.Z., Gore.

Ian Rout, Student, 8 Mechanic street, N.E.V., Dunedin.

J. Robertson, H. & J. Smith, Advertising Dept., Tay street, Invercargill.

C. C. Roberts, M.Sc., Teacher, Technical School, Dunedin.

John D. Sinclair, Box 17, Nightcaps.

Francis Watson, c/o Watson & Haggitt, Esk street.

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO.

TERM RESULTS, 1928.

Jas. C. Dakin—1st class, Stage II, Latin; 1st class, Stage I, Greek; 1st class, Stage II, French; 1st class, Stage I, German.

Ian B. Stevenson—2nd class, Stage I, Latin; 3rd class, Stage I, English; 2nd class, Jurisprudence; 3rd class, Constitutional History.

Geoff. S. Cox—2nd class, Stage I, Latin; 1st class, Stage I, English; 1st class, Stage I, History; 3rd class, Constitutional History; Gilray Memorial Prize (equal).

Hugh K. Carswell—3rd class, Stage I, Latin.

W. Phil. Ritchie—3rd class, Stage I, Latin; 3rd class, Torts; 3rd class, Property I; 3rd class, Contracts.

David U. Strang—1st class, Applied Mathematics, Stage I; 2nd class, Pure Mathematics, Stage I; 1st class, Chemistry, Stage I; 1st class, Physics, Stage I; Beverly Scholarship for Physics, Stage I.

M. C. Bleakly—3rd class, Applied Mathematics, Stage I; 3rd class, Pure Mathematics, Stage I; 3rd class, Chemistry, Stage I; 3rd class, Physics, Stage I.

John C. Todd—3rd class, Applied Mathematics, Stage I; 3rd class, Pure Mathematics, Stage I; 3rd class, Physics, Stage I.

John M. Butler—1st class, Chemistry, Stage II; 1st class, Physics, Stage II.

A. E. S. McGrath—3rd class, Chemistry, Stage II; 3rd class, Physics, Stage I.

N. W. Pryde—3rd class, Inorganic Chemistry (Intermediate); 3rd class, Organic Chemistry (Intermediate); 3rd class, Biology; 3rd class, Physics (Intermediate).

A. Hallam Howie—2nd class, Inorganic Chemistry (Intermediate); 3rd class, Organic Chemistry (Intermediate); 2nd class, Biology; 3rd class, Physics (Intermediate).

J. Monty McCurdy—3rd class, Organic Chemistry (Intermediate); 3rd class, Biology; 3rd class, Physics (Intermediate).

Phil. C. Carman—Passed in French Science Reading; passed in German Science Reading; 1st class, Pure Mathematics, Stage III; 1st class, Applied Mathematics, Stage III; 1st class, Chemistry, Stage III; Smeaton Research Fellowship; Beverly Scholarship in Mathematics, 1928 (honorary).

W. N. A. Allison—3rd class, Stage II, Education; 3rd class, Stage II, Chemistry; 3rd class, Stage I, Physics.

Allan D. Hamilton—3rd class, Stage I, Education; 3rd class, Stage I, History.

D. A. Blue—3rd class, Stage I, Economics.
 Rob. J. Griffiths—3rd class, Stage I, Economics.
 W. Grant—3rd class, Economics, Stage III.
 Pat. F. Scully—2nd class, Accountancy; 3rd class, Mercantile I;
 2nd class, Bookkeeping and Accounts, Stage I.
 M. B. Scully—3rd class, Property I; 3rd class, Practice and
 Procedure.
 Alex. C. Horne—3rd class, Dental Anatomy and Biology.
 Les. P. Clark and Tom. R. Plunkett—Completed the Medical In-
 termediate last January.
 Dav. L. Rhind—3rd class, Stage I, English.
 H. W. Sherriffs—3rd class, Stage I, English; 3rd class, Stage I,
 Education.
 G. W. Wright—3rd class, Stage I, English; 3rd class, Stage I,
 Education.
 J. Milne—3rd class, Stage II, French; 3rd class, Stage I, Educa-
 tion.
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 II, Philosophy; 3rd class, Stage II, History.
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 Pure Mathematics (Honours course); 1st class, Applied Mathe-
 matics, Stage III; 2nd class, Physics, Stage III; Sir George Grey
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 Education; 2nd class, Physics, Stage I.
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 D. S. Deacon—3rd class, Stage II, English; 3rd class, Stage I,
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 Stage I.
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 prudence; 2nd class, Constitutional History.
 H. R. Keown—3rd class, Stage I, English; 3rd class, Stage I,
 French.
 First Places in their classes were gained by:
 J. C. Dakin—Latin, Stage II.
 G. S. Cox—History, Stage I; English, Stage I.
 D. U. Strang—Physics, Stage I; Chemistry, Stage I.
 P. C. Carman—Pure Mathematics, Stage III; Applied Mathe-
 matics, Stage III; Chemistry, Stage III.
 Four Prizes or Scholarships were won by four students, two of
 whom were eligible for two but could hold only one.

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 M.A.—Hugh L. McKinnon, with second-class honours in His-
 tory; W. Hawton Jackson, Sumner D.H.S., with marks equivalent to
 first-class honours.
 M.Sc.—Allan G. Harrington, with first-class honours in
 Mathematics.
 B.A.—Will. C. Cleine.
 B.Sc.—Ian D. Cameron; Cecil W. Lea.
 LL.B.—Bryan C. Haggitt.
 A.O.S.M. (Associateship of Otago School of Mines)—Ian D.
 Cameron.

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First Professional—A. Tennyson Howie.
 Second Professional—Maurice S. Wells, Roland F. Wilson,
 R. Murray Scott.
 Third Professional, in Applied Anatomy and Medical Juris-
 prudence—William J. Wells.

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(Results of August Examinations).

Class C—Stuart E. Kettelwell.
 Class D—Cecil P. Beck, Ian T. Gough, Rob. C. Littlejohn.
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 Hugh L. Brown.
 Passed in 2 subjects for C—Herbert P. Bryant, Ernest H.
 Diack, John A. Forde, Arthur G. Linn, Aubrey C. Witting.
 Partial Pass for D—Francis J. Beadle.

MARRIAGES.

REID—BURNS-WATSON.—On October 23, Dr. Chas. Reid, of Dar-
 field, N. Canterbury, to Miss Burns-Watson.
 SPEIRS—WHITE.—On December 6, John D. Speirs, of Dee Street,
 to Sister Jean White.
 BENNET—SANDFORD.—On August 9th, at All Saint's Cathedral,
 Halifax, Nova Scotia, Professor Charles Lindsay Bennet,
 formerly of Gore, to Helene Sandford, of Halifax.
 GILMOUR—REID.—At Christchurch, in September, Robert Gilmour,
 Chemist, eldest son of R. M. Gilmour, Winton, to Elsa Reid,
 daughter of Rev. J. S. Reid, Linwood, Christchurch.

MEFFIN—McNAMARA.—On September 5th, Percy P. Meffin, Invercargill, to Frances Catherine McNamara, of Wright's Bush.

GILKISON—HARDY.—At Christchurch, in mid-August, Lindsay S. Gilkison, Farmer, Castlerock, Lumsden, to Margaret Hardy, of Sumner.

ROYDS—GEDDES.—At Invercargill, on August 15th, John S. Royds, Merchant, Messrs Kirk and Royds, to Reta Geddes.

COX—POTTER.—At Easter, Don Cox, Teacher, Round Hill, to Ida Potter, of Invercargill.

ROYDS—HAWKE.—On May 16, at Invercargill, Rex Royds, to Sally Hawke.

WATSON—GRAY.—On January 11, Robert G. Watson, Headmaster Tekaraka D.H.S., Poverty Bay, to Mina Gray, of Lawrence.

EUNSON—KERR.—On 4th April, Stanley Eunson to Hazel Kerr, both of Invercargill.

MCDONALD—WILLIAMSON.—On 11th April, at Invercargill, Colin H. McDonald, Agent, to Mavis Lorna Williamson, both of Invercargill.

ROBERTS—JEFFREYS.—On December 20, 1927, at Dunedin, Charles Clarence Roberts, M.Sc., Dunedin Technical School, to Jessie Jeffreys, of Buluwayo, and grand-daughter of W. R. Jeffreys, Mornington.

EWART—MCKENZIE.—At Invercargill, on December 28, 1927, John F. Ewart, Teacher, Waituna, to Muriel McKenzie, of Rannoch, Dipton.

SMITH—HERTSLET.—At Waimate, on December 7, Oliver A. B. Smith, LL.B., Solicitor, Winton, to Sheila Hertslet of Waimate.

DALZIEL—RUSSELL.—At Melbourne, on 11th November, 1927, Robert T. Dalziel, Union S.S. Co., to Helen Russell, of Malvern, Victoria.

HAMILTON—TOWN.—On August 1st, Ronald H. Hamilton, of Winton, to Olive May Town, Oreti.

GREEN—GRAHAM.—In January, 1928, R. Stewart Green, Accountant, Gore, to Mavis Graham, of Gore.

DEATHS.

KERR.—At Wellington, in October, Alfred George Kerr, aged 38 years. (From Gore, in 1906). The late A. G. Kerr was in the office of the Land Registrar, Invercargill. Of a bright, cheerful disposition, he bore up well against his deep-seated trouble. He was a member of the N.Z. Forces in the Great War.

MAIL.—At New Plymouth, on August 1st, 1928, James William Mail, Teacher, of Midhurst, Taranaki.

MULLAY.—Frank H. Mullay, on June 18, 1928; aged 27 years. At School in 1914, from Point Road, Bluff.

JONES.—Felix John Jones, of Waikiwi, on 11th May; aged 19 years. (1923-4).

HENDERSON.—On March 30th, at Wanganui, Guy Hallam Henderson, son of the late A. C. Henderson, Clyde Street; aged 40 years. (1901—1903). Guy was a brother of Geoff, and Alan Henderson.

RAINES.—Harry Alfred Raines, at Invercargill on 19th August, 1927. At School 1919—1922. On leaving, he engaged for a short time in the teaching profession and later joined the staff of the United Friendly Dispensary, where he showed considerable keenness and ability. Of a quiet and amiable disposition, he was generally liked. He was a member of the school first fifteen in 1921 and 1922.

DESERT FEVER.

(After Masefield.)

I must go back to the Desert again, to the dreary sand and the sky;

And all I want is a humped-back steed and my knowledge to guide him by;

And the sun's heat, and the day's dust, and a grey vulture flying,

And a mock mirage on the sandy soil, and a small stream sighing.

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