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SCHOOL PREFECTS—1939.



Standing: R. Cook, Miss M. Pike, R. Rust, Miss B. Southerland, R. Pugh, Miss P. Lawrance, C. Tufnell.
 Sitting: Miss N. King, Miss P. Bungey (Senior Girl), Mr. F. M. Reedy B.A. (Headmaster), C. H. Skinner
 (School Captain), V. J. White, Absent Miss J. Kernutt.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS—1939

SCHOOL PREFECTS.

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V. White (Vice-Captain).
R. Pugh.
C. Tufnell.
R. Cook.
R. Rust.
Miss P. Bungey (Senior Girl).
Miss N. King.
Miss T. Kernutt.
Miss M. Pike.
Miss P. Lawrance.
Miss B. Southerland.

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Miss V. Willey, Miss I. Stephens, R. Rust,
F. Moore.

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Fiction Library: A. Ingleton, M. Porter,
D. Mills, A. Holmes.

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SCIENCE CADET.

C. Tufnell.

SOCIAL PREFECTS.

I. Stephens, A. Paterson, R. Cook,
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BELL PREFECT.

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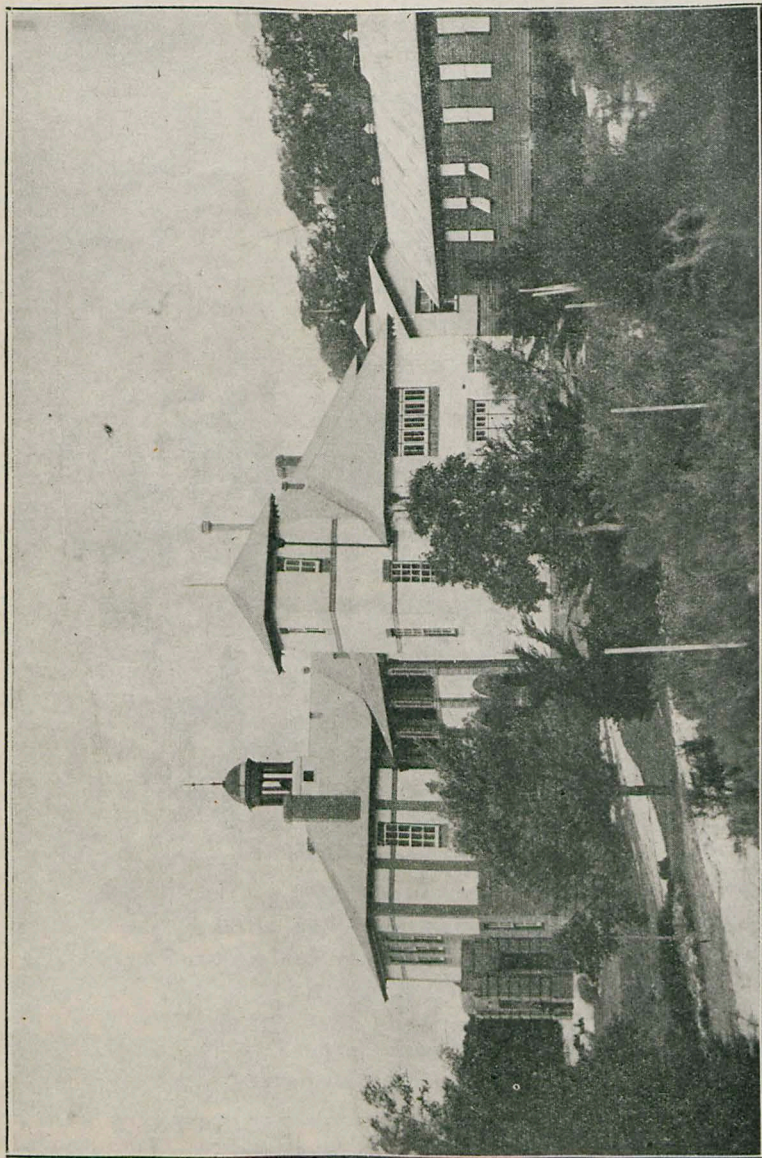
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E. Manuel, F. Womersley.

POUND PREFECTS.

R. Cook, R. Berry.

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EDITORIAL

Improvements in the school which have resulted from Mr. Reedy's travels last year were the inauguration of the Boronia Junior and the appearance of school news in a fortnightly column of the local paper, "The Albany Advertiser." "The Boronia Junior" was published twice this year—once at the end of each term. It contained the principal parts of the fortnightly columns plus certain other original matter. However, "The Boronia Junior" was mainly a review of current affairs while this, "The Boronia" should be something of permanent interest. The 1939 school year with all its happy events and happenings will never return, but in years to come you will be able to enjoy it once again by allowing your minds to wander over the pages of "The Boronia." The purpose then of "The Boronia" is to give you a record of your school days and thus, as it were, to make permanent the most enjoyable part of your whole lives.

Naturally, the introduction of "The Boronia Junior" and the fortnightly column has added considerably to our work as Editors. However, a few energetic members of the upper school have given us the helping hand necessary to carry on. For so helping us we most heartily thank them, but we would also appreciate more assistance from others. There are many people in the school, who, though capable of assisting us, have failed to do anything either for the fortnightly column, "The Boronia Junior" or "The Boronia" itself.

As the "Boronia Junior" was not quite self-supporting in a financial sense, the duty of these somewhat lazy students is plain. They should do their utmost to promote the sale and circulation of "The Boronia" and thus help to reduce the deficit outstanding on school journalistic enterprises.

T. KERNUTT

E. HORSFALL

V. WHITE

Editors

SCHOOL NOTES

This year has witnessed at least one important advance in the development of the School curriculum. Early in the first term, in response to a general demand which made itself felt in the latter part of 1938, commercial courses, including book-keeping, short-hand and typing were instituted at the School. At present these subjects are taught in Forms II, III and IV only, but doubtless before long fifth year students may also take them. The School has purchased eight type-writers, second-hand it is true, but in good serviceable condition. The Albany Chamber of Commerce was kind enough to donate £10 towards the cost of these machines.

The Annual Sports Day in 1939, held on October 20, was an event of much more than usual interest, as it marked the official opening of our new Sports Ground. After the Headmaster had given a brief review of the history of the Oval since 1929 when the first sod was cut, the Mayor of Albany Dr. H. J. C. Hanrahan officially declared the ground open and, as he remarked, nature herself helped to make the occasion a notable one by being in her sunniest mood. Though the surface is not yet in first-class order, athletic performances on Sports Day were of a high standard. With anything approaching the sustained efforts which have brought it to its present stage, the Oval should within a few years be in excellent condition and from now on, through its proximity to the School, will prove an inestimable benefit. We were pleased so many ex-students were present to witness the first sports held on the new Oval, the existence of which is permanent evidence of their enthusiasm and co-operation over the last ten years.

The other customary annual events, the Swimming Carnival, Arbor Day and the Ball were held at the usual times. Though the gross receipts of the Ball were about the same as in previous years, the net profit was appreciably less owing to higher supper expenses. As a spectacle the Grand March was quite on a par with those seen at previous balls and consequently there have been special requests for the presence of the sets at other Town

social functions. The trip of our athletes and football and hockey teams to Perth was the most successful we have had, the outstanding individual performers being V. White and D. Read.

The following changes of staff took place during the year. Mr. Reedy after his 12 months leave in Africa, Europe and America resumed duty at the beginning of Term I. Miss G. Tate, B.A., who had been on the staff since September 1937, secured a transfer to Bunbury High School at the end of 1938. Miss M. Bridge, M.A., was a member of the staff for a few weeks in Term I, when she also was transferred to Bunbury. Mr. M. Moore after a year on the staff was transferred to the primary service and is at present at Highgate School. The only addition to the school staff this year has been Miss W. Little, who came here last March and who, besides taking all the school singing is in charge of all the commercial classes. We have much pleasure in welcoming Miss Little to the School and to Misses Tate and Bridge and Mr. Moore of whom we have the most pleasant memories we wish to send our best wishes.

PREFECTS' NOTES

Since I last put my pen to paper to record the doings (if any) of the Senior Prefects, we have lost two of our members. Jack Smith, one of the two surviving members of Vth Form Boys, left us early in the Second Term to take up a position in the New South Wales Bank in Perth. At the beginning of Third Term, the office of the Freezing Works became graced (?) by the presence of Dennis Brook. Bob Cook and Bob Rust have been elected to take the place of these stalwarts. We organised, (successfully, we hope), a social which was held as a wind-up to Sports Day. In conclusion, we would like to wish all those unfortunates who are taking Junior and Leaving examinations, the best of luck.

Many things are true in divinity which are neither inducible by reason, nor confirmable by sense.

—Sir Thomas Browne.

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FORM NOTES

I. G.

At the beginning of the year we were twenty-six in number, but since then two of our members have left to go to York. They were Jacqueline Scott and Dorothy Humphries, the latter a form prefect, but on her departure Lorna Groves was elected. We notice that Kath Furness has kept her position as prefect throughout the year and has done her duties very capably—keep the good work going, Kay.

Recently we had the misfortune to lose one of our form-mates for the rest of the year. Although it was a very sad happening, there is something in the incident which is quite laughable. This unfortunate member of our band was riding gaily along, eating one of the scones she had made at Domestic Science, when her bicycle decided that she, plus the scone, was too heavy for it, so did a side step in the gravel, and Crombo in falling fractured her ankle. We all send our best wishes to you, Gracie, and hope to see you out of hospital before the holidays.

The appearance of our room has definitely taken a turn for the better, as regards floral decorations. Flowers in B Room have been very numerous until the girls from other forms have taken them to decorate themselves. For example, in the morning we start off with a gorgeous vase of sweet peas but before long more than half have mysteriously vanished.

Certain members of the staff have condescended to mention that we are by no means the worst form they have had to deal with, while others complain of our dullness. But little notice do we take of them, for we know for ourselves, that we are far from dull!

The hockey season was very popular, and although some of us were accustomed only to using mallee roots and a tennis ball, "Fiery Kav" was successful in her attempts to obtain a place in the team travelling to Perth, while several others held a place in "B" team.

"Militia" Molly deserves mention on account of her "brilliant" display on Sports Day. She actually scored five points for her Faction.

Congratulations also to "Hitler," "Felix" and "Gravy" on obtaining first, second and third places respectively in the Junior Tennis Ball Throwing.

"Spider," our extremely brilliant poetess and artist, composed a verse and also sketched a very becoming portrait of our Maths Master. This was presented to the

honourable man himself during an Algebra period. He was deeply touched (?) but did not seem to be able to show his appreciation of the gift, at the moment.

We notice since the Sports Carnival that "Dotty Joy" has taken a violent liking to jockeys—or perhaps, a more correct statement would be—that she has taken a liking to one particular male third-former, who has ideas of becoming a jockey.

II. G.

After an epidemic of mumps, measles, flu, appendix, etc., we find ourselves once more involved in the brain racking task of writing form notes as if we didn't tax our brains enough as it is (somewhat surprising that the staff do not re-echo our ideas).

Although we don't shine at some things (arithmetic perhaps), we have among us, several budding, or should we say blown?, athletes, such as Irene Lay and Hilda Parker, who tied for Junior Champion on Sports Day.

Now here we have a few "skits" on certain members of our Form. No offence should be taken by the victims, as it is meant merely in fun.

"Phoebe Frog," lately re-named "Felix" by our Mistress, refuses to consider the Franch Class below and will not walk on her toes.

Now "Fifi," the accomplished artist, has introduced the use of elegant bows in her hair. We fear others have contracted the complaint.

Enid, another prominent member of II. G., seems to have developed an appendix, possibly due to over-exertion at "Gym."

"The King" has taken a violent liking to "Garlic," but suddenly went on "Strike."

We often find our Clarke training around Marine Drive. Not only before Sports' Day.

Another person has taken a fancy to "Brownies" more so than Guides of late.

But after all these people are not so bad as we make out, so please don't jump at conclusions. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and all the Junior and Leaving candidates, the best of luck in the coming examinations, we reluctantly close. Hoping to appear before you again in the near future with more scraps of Form news.

Cheerio Readers,
Form II. G.

II. B.

Oh! Bony was a cyclist,
 Who tried to make a name.
 He went to Perth a champion,
 But now he's back again!

"Bony" recently tried to earn a name for himself in the State's cycling circles. Champion of Albany's junior cyclists, he went to Perth to compete in the State Junior Cycling Championship races. Despite his efforts he didn't win, although, fortunately, he managed not to come last.

If you ever hear a noise resembling that of a crooner with the mumps, at the back of our class, don't get alarmed. It is only our whispering crooner "Twogun" trying his hardest to annoy someone. Just lately, however, he has been told, sometimes rather violently, to stop his noise and he complains that it is hard on an amateur crooner being stopped in the middle of his practice.

"Tweet's" reputation of coming late is becoming more notorious each day. According to him their cow keeps getting out and he has to catch it before leaving home for school. The Form gossips go on

to say that the cow must be practising for the Olympic Games, the number of times he has to chase it.

Our form twins haven't been recognised by everyone yet, and one of them found it rather inconvenient being blamed for not having done his homework which in reality the other had not done.

Our form room had a jammed lock and was fast turning into one of those rooms into which you could get, but had to leave via the window. Someone, probably thinking he was doing his good turn for the day, in attempting to mend the lock, broke it altogether! so that now, we have to continually put up with an open door. Through this slight inconvenience "Chippy" complained of cold feet and shifted his position in the class room. In fact he said the whole affair was rather annoying.

Without his bearskins "Astor" looks like a modern stone-age man, and when running it seems that a dinosaur or some such monster is fast following on his heels. He also seems to have the caveman breeding about him by the way he throws

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his weight around, as one unfortunate discovered.

Our unsuspecting chemistry students walked into a master's study and after joining hands at his request, had an electric current passed through them. Some of the "badder" lads protested against this however, as they said it reminded them of the time when they might go to the "chair."

One of the smarter occupants of our room on being asked "who brought Christianity to Ireland?" tried to convince the teacher that Cromwell did. Unfortunately his argumentative powers weren't as good as he anticipated because he failed in the attempt.

A LITTLE POEM TO OUR PREFECT.

Must we stand his tyranny more?
I ron shod he treads the floor.
C rushed beneath his foot we lie
K nowing that we can't defy.

D oes he think we are to kneel
U nderneath the tyrant's heel?
N ay, O brothers! Time has come
N ot for him we'll lose our fun.
E pitaph: "Mick's Dunn."

DISMAL DESMOND,
DOLEFUL DAN.

III. B.

Baker: Has given up all pretensions of becoming a statesman owing to the difficulty of keeping a non-aggression pact with a powerful and burly neighbour at his rear and in place has turned to morse code. You know the idea of a dash with a Dot.

Burnett: After certain experiences on the jetty is less inclined to scoff at the Japs for trying to extract silver from seawater.

Dickinson: Has a new recipe for a re-vitalising soup. As an anonymous friend I would advise him to act with a little more restraint during maths periods in A room.

Holmes: He was evidently in such ecstasies at the request that he quite forgot how to do some factoring for one of the members of the weaker (headed) sex.

Huggins: Provides a useful butt for all practical jokers and oppressed writers who have exhausted their brains searching for fresh form notes but, beware, Bulldog Drummond is investigating.

Ingleton: Bids fair to displace J.A. or is it M.S. Find consolation in the fact that even Woodhouse is a physical weakling.

Lemin: Has the form's sympathy over

his accident which excluded him from Sports Day when he was fancied for the Junior Championship.

Moir: Does not appreciate being considered a he-man and if you are under 13 stone or cannot break the evens in the 100 yards, I would not advise you to call him "Shaggy."

Richardson: Hasty actions may necessitate his cancelling of the projected visit to Little Grove. However, he has designs on another probable companion.

Smith: In order that our English teacher may find him easily I suggest that we present him with a sound-detector.

Tranter: His quarantine was a blessing in disguise for he had over a week of unrestricted freedom for fishing etc.

Southerland: Teachers are forever prone to set us impossible tasks: e.g. one of them suggested that we "knock some common sense into him."

Lewer: We wish to congratulate him on his performance on Sports Day. Provides the missing link between the ape and present-day "man."

Read: A keen student of Chinese geography but is intolerant of others ignorance of the matter and does not like being asked if he has visited certain of this country's cities.

Clarke: Dislikes open motor boats and red jumpers.

Biglin: Although known to be a "fiddler" of the of the musical variety, it was with some surprise that we found him taking an interest in the marine species.

Elliott: A "fiddler" of yet another type with rubbers, etc., as his tools of trade.

Finally we, the above-mentioned, would like to wish our suffering brethren of the fifth good luck in the approaching exams.

III. G.

I thought I heard some elephants,

Doing gymnastic whirls,

I had a look and saw it was

Those fearful Third Form girls.

Public opinion of our worthy little band is neither delicate nor complimentary. The above verse is a typical example of such opinion, and shows some people's ignorance of the intricate contortions of our little young bodies, and of the split-second timing of our picturesque rhythmic efforts on Wednesday afternoons. We must admit that we have a couple of O.S. or X.O.S. figures among us, but surely this body surplus of some is compensated by the golden curls and sylph-like forms of others, not to mention the

heavenly chorus, as of singing angels which issues from room A in moments when our blithe, innocent souls, unhindered by staff supervision, have the opportunity to express themselves.

We feel sure that our magnificent work in all branches of learning is not appreciated, and are about to impress upon those with sufficient intelligence to grasp it, that we are a most valuable asset to the school. In fact we are probably indispenable.

For instance, there is our great contribution to the field of science. One of our members disclosed to us the other day her remarkable discovery that the caterpillar possesses a pair of wings on the thorax. In her early days at the school a promising young lady of the form informed us that the fish are transported from the North Sea to the Japanese fishing banks in icebergs, and we hope that, as a result of this discovery, icebergs will soon be utilised on a large scale as economical and novel means of transport. We must also remember a certain fair historian's positive statement that the Reform Bill was presented to Charles I.

We feel that it is unnecessary to go into the details of our great prowess, as a form, on the sports field and in the social activities of the school, as those are obvious to the duller of intellects, but of course we do not want anyone to overlook it.

Thus we feel that we have said enough to indicate to the reader our various merits, but have wisely left quite a lot unsaid, and so, before we forget ourselves we must round off this profound piece of literature by wishing our superiors all the luck they deserve in the forthcoming examinations.

IV.

In spite of the many troubles which beset us, we are still "hanging together" as it were. The "mumps" caused the most disturbance, and were a great topic of conversation, which grew so realistic that everyone imagined they were developing them, and walked disconsolately around holding their necks. There are some poor unfortunates who have been doing their utmost to catch this malady, but as yet have failed to be inflicted. One member even took the precaution to have an envelope of germs sent to school for her little self, but alas! she has still a sound body if not (perhaps I shouldn't say) a sound mind. One girl having succeeded in developing appendicitis at the end of last term, was not satisfied with that, but

had to be a' la mode this term and catch the mumps. Some people have all the luck.

Another very outstanding feature of this term is the effect of the charms and wiles of a certain 5th former upon our boys. I wonder how long No 3 will last. We all wish him the best of luck and everything that goes with it. It has also been noticed, that a member of our form has followed her good example and his tried both by fair means and foul means, to relieve a certain 3rd. former of her chaperon. Her luck's out, I'm afraid.

We are well represented on the Sports fields, and several stalwarts upheld the reputation of the form in football and hockey matches against other Secondary Schools in Perth. A streak of light, or perhaps White had the misfortune to break a school record—no he didn't have to buy another. Congrats old boy.

Owing to fifth form being so small, several of our members have been honoured by being elected as School Prefects. We were very sorry to lose one of our most popular prefects, Dennis Brook, who is at present employed in the office at the Freezing Works.

The boys of 4th form are varied, so here is something to give you some idea of their characters whether bad or good. The first on the list is:—

Robert Ogden Cook: A wolf in sheep's clothing, declares his innocence of things which don't concern him. He seems to have no fear of measles as he frequents an infected area.

Big-shot Brucy's: Interrogative remarks have considerably dwindled this term, much to the relief of both his teachers and form mates.

Doth mine ear hear the mighty R—
W. Rust has fallen for the charms of some exotic young damsel?

Franklyn Moore: Seems to have been the apple of the female portion of the school's eye, and competition has been keen. No doubt he has been enjoying himself. At present he is not afraid of being burnt in the fiery "furness." He even airs at "kings."

Patto: Has been suffering from a severe headache—he is an exception to the rule "absence makes the heart grow fonder."

Dux Sloman: Seems to have migrated from the back seats. P'raps he thinks we can't hear his "new" pen scratching when he's at the back.

Blanc: Seems to be having a gay time. Maybe the trip to Perth caused him to

forget how to swot, or perhaps he is leaving it all until next year.

Pugh: For solution of matrimonial problems, apply R. Pugh, detective agency.

Tufnell: Revealed himself as quite a professional as far as the sport's field is concerned. He seems to go in for horse-racing as he wins by a neck.

"Dog:" Still works in the dark. He's apparently too tactful for the investigators of the "Gossip Weekly."

In conclusion, our sympathies and best wishes are extended to those sitting for University examinations.

V.

You are now about to hear from the form which you have probably heard described as "the Unique Five."

In the forthcoming Leaving examination we all feel quite confident that we are really going to break a record in obtaining 100 per cent. passes.

The recent epidemic of mumps had rather a serious effect upon us, 20 per cent. of our members contracting the disease. In our younger days we once learnt in an English period that the male

sex is more subject to this malady than is the fairer sex. This statement has proved to be quite correct so far as we are concerned.

Towards the end of the last term Miss Birkhead took us to various beauty spots around the South Coast. Through our boy scout instinct and with the help of our capable (?) male sex, together with the shelter of our coats, we kindled a fire and made a hearty meal of grilled chops and sausages, accompanied by celery, gerkins, pickled onions, oranges, apples and bananas. During our travels we visited Frenchman's Bay, the Salmon Holes, the Blow Holes, the Gap and the Natural Bridge. Rain fell at intervals but despite this, we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, especially those two who had a strong tendency to linger behind the party.

While speaking of this subject we should like to thank Miss Birkhead for kindness towards us.

This being the last time that you will hear from us through the pages of the Magazine, we wish to say "au revoir"



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to the Staff and to our schoolmates. It will be very hard to do this when the time actually comes for we all regret very much leaving the old school. We should like to thank the staff for all they have done for us during the five years we have attended this school and wish you all the best of luck in the future.

I.S. (Girls).

"Never do today what can be put off till tomorrow"—is our pet slogan, and has helped us considerably through the trials and tribulations of our first year at this school, for what is the use of working one's fingers to the bone, and developing a very unsound nervous system, when one can enjoy life by forgetting time? We even venture to become so bold as to offer a little advice on the matter to our superiors, although of course we know that it will be contemptuously spurned. Still, don't say we never tell them anything. Getting down to more personal matters we must remark that it grieves us to the soul to have recently lost five of our most honoured and respected members. Sorrow reigneth but not for long, for we still have Jo's perpetual giggle and Laurel's persistent grin, to buck us up. We regret that one of our fairer members does not possess the artistic talent required of her by the art mistress, but would like to state that what she lacks in the finer arts, she possesses doubly in—shall we say?—volume and velocity.

We know that we are considered extremely unimportant, and therefore shall not take up any more valuable space, other than to wish the third and fifth forms the very best of luck in their forthcoming exams.

I. B.

The first form were well represented in the sports this year. The boys won many races including the under fourteen Championship which was carried off by our hurricane, Newby. Barker also scored well for his faction.

Up till lately we had a human dustbin in our room and, while he was with us, our room had the reputation of being tidy. Now, however, the room is looking rather dirty for our dustbin is in hospital with appendicitis. Accordingly we are earnestly hoping for his speedy recovery and return to us.

Up in the Pine Plantation we have been working hard, having cleared some experimental blocks, but the fatigue of this work is compensated by the pine-cone fights we have at intervals.

GIRL GUIDE NOTES

Another year of happy guiding in the history of our Company has passed and we have much to show for it.

Thanks to the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Mills we were able to hold a most successful fete in the Priory grounds. The proceeds from this (£14) went towards equipment for our Easter camp. Mrs. Davies kindly lent us her cottage at Emu Point and we feel we owe the happy time we had there to her.

When the Red Cross launched their appeal, we helped Boy Scouts to lay a chain of pennies and were proud to be able to hand in £14/15/6.

We also helped by selling sweets at the concert held in its aid in the Town Hall.

Since September 11, the 1st Albany Company have joined with us and we are glad to welcome them. Miss Bernasochi and Mrs. Wittenoom take the combined meetings in turn.

We are looking forward to the December week-end camp with Miss Martin and all hope to have gained the Second Class Badge by then.

During the year we held a camp fire on Guide Rock, which all enjoyed immensely. We wish to thank the Boy Scouts for their co-operation with us in many enterprises and also our Captains. Miss Bernasochi and Mrs. Wittenoom, who have presided over many happy meetings.

The problem that remains to the Statesman is to devise in detail a set of political relations for the specific purpose of realizing the moral condition we call peace.

—Ramsay MacDonald.

Once when a history question such as this was asked: "Where did King John sit when he was in council with his knights?" one bright lad shot up his hand and replied, "At a corner of the Round Table."

Our "Watchman" who generally gives a weekly talk on "the news behind the news" has lately become a victim of the mumps so we are far behind in news of the European situation.

At geometry we are very original for the brainy lads of the class show their superior knowledge by making up new theorems.

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GIRLS' SPORT

Great enthusiasm has been shown this year in all branches of sport. At the beginning of the first term we held our Annual Swimming Carnival. The Open Championship was won by N. Smith and the runner-up was M. Moir. N. Smith was also Junior Championship while Y. Ford was runner-up. The total Faction points gained were as follows:—Boronia first with 52½ points; Gold second with 50½ points; Brown third with 45 points and Green with 37 points.

At the end of second term a hockey team representing the School was sent up to Perth to compete in the Inter-High School Sports. P. Bungey was captain of the team, which was successful in all matches except one, when it was defeated by Northam. Among the new hockey players, K. Furness, S. Moir and E. Burnett are outstanding.

Rae Berry is still top at tennis while among the young players, B. White and K. Furness show promise.

L. Kernutt and V. Willey hold basketball pockets and P. Prideaux, P. Moir, L. Yates and J. Oldham are promising players.

Basketball this year has been chiefly practice, only a few matches being played.

This term a number of girls have joined a Cricket Association and matches are played every Saturday afternoon.

Our Annual Sports Day was held on Friday, October 20. This year the sports were held for the first time on our School Oval which was officially opened by the Mayor of Albany. P. Bungey and D. Fitzpatrick tied for Open Champion honours, while H. Parker and I. Lav tied for Junior Champion.

The Faction captains for this year are:

Gold P. Bungey.

Green T. Kernutt.

Brown N. King.

Boronia P. Lawrance.

The sports prefects are V. Willey and I. Stephens.

Looking back over the geological record it would seem that Nature made nearly every possible mistake before she reached her greatest achievement, Man.

—Professor Eddington.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

Have you ever been to the beach when the wind is rising, and the flying clouds cannot quite obscure the moon? That is when the sea, in a restless mood, murmurs of far off wonders and strange adventures and now and again makes a petulant dash on to the shore and impatiently swishes back again. You don't notice how its voice is getting gradually louder and angrier, because you are trying to catch what it is saying all the time, and your eyes never leave its troubled surface because then you might miss seeing the line of silver starting away to your left and travelling round as a wave breaks in the moonlight. These are only fitful beauties, though, because a cloud might suddenly darken the moon and the silver vanishes like an extinguished flame. In the moments following, the waves mutter a little more loudly and the ceaseless murmur of the sea seems more sullen.

Anyway it was on a night such as this I saw "The Thing." Of course you could never have an experience like this unless you were by yourself on an empty, wind-swept beach. So you see it could have been my imagination—only it wasn't.

I was walking away from the lights and in a peaceful mood the sea on my right seemed friendly, while the wind whipped a pleasant warmth into my face. I was "way off"—my mind in the clouds, and the slight movement on my left, tho' I knew of it, registered no impression. I wandered on. A splash that should not have occurred so soon after a breaking wave on my right, passed over me in the same way. It was perhaps five minutes later when I stumbled, and came back to earth with a jerk. Out of the gloom darker shadows closed in on me and I began to feel just a tiny bit afraid, so I started to whistle, decided to turn back when the tune was finished, then stopped dead. There it was, again on my right, that strange unnatural splash. I recalled the other and the dim blur I had seen move on my left. I glanced round fearfully, and turned abruptly to retrace my steps. But the lights seemed miles away and the sea's voice became ominous. Determined not to panic I walked steadily for about ten steps. Then my knees turned to water, my feet to lead, the hair stiffened on my head and an icy-cold shiver ran down my back.

The moon shone for a moment on the

sea and a wave seemed to open up and disgorge a white, unhuman shape. The bulk of it was a blur but two gleaming horns and a pair of strange luminous eyes were at the top, and came steadily shorewards—me-wards. My mouth must have been open and a terrified cry was strangled in my throat. "It" came nearer. The steady patter of feet became confused with the moaning of the sea and the icy gusts of wind. Clouds covered the moon—and "The Thing" came on. I could not move. If my life had depended on it I could not have moved. The supernatural blur was two or three feet from me. Its hot breath was coming on to me, and the world began to darken. Then the moon came out with what seemed blinding brilliance and I saw it, and,—well, who on earth would have thought a cow enjoyed moonlight bathing.

The history of bridge on the whole has been remarkably free from bloodshed.

—E. V. Knox.

AFTER-RAIN

The clear, gay rill of a magpie's song
In the almond trees above the lane;
Storm-black fences gleaming wet,
In the golden light of after-rain.

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Diamonds of price on the bending grass;
Hearts of pearl in the yellow flowers;
Afield, there's brightness on the wing—
The dusty gleam of after-rain.

....

The old brick walls are redly warm—
The sweet relief of after-storm.

—"X.E."

Charity, indeed, may be said to have found its richest expression in the writings of Dickens and Lamb.

—Robert Lynd.



THE ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL "A" HOCKEY TEAM—1939.

Back Row: (Left to Right). D. Fitzpatrick, M. Porter, M. Moir.

Standing: R. Clarke, N. Dickenson, M. Castle, D. Deane, N. King, C. Sanders.

Front Row: I Stephens, P. Lawrance, (Vice-Captain), P. Bungey (Captain), K. Furness, M. Furness.

"A" Hockey Team Criticism

P. Bungey (Captain): Centre forward. Energetic and reliable player.

P. Lawrance (Vice-Captain): Centre half back. Has good tackling ability. At her best is of great assistance of the forward line but sometimes not so good.

N. King: Right full back. Plays a consistent game, clears speedily, but is often slow in getting back into position.

I. Stephens: Right inner. Combines well.

M. Furness: Left inner. Is an experienced player, combines well, but is often inaccurate in the circle.

M. Porter: Goalie. Has filled a difficult position successfully, has a clean hit and clears to advantage.

C. Sanders: Right wing. Has shown great improvement during the season, has speed, but frequently her passes are ill-timed.

M. Castle: Left wing. Is fast, has an accurate eye for angle shots but often gets off-side.

M. Moir: Right half back. Is quick and plans her strokes well.

N. Dickenson: Left full back. A consistently good tackler, lacks confidence.

K. Furness: Left full back. A very promising player.

D. Fitzpatrick: Emergency forward line player, has improved during the season, but is inclined to fumble and lacks ability to shoot.

R. Clarke: Emergency half back. Has a good idea of the game.

of the four boys who have volunteered for that purpose, be completed by the end of the year. The limitations imposed by lack of room and equipment debar any increase in the present membership, which is twenty-six.

The popularity of the Dramatic Club still continues and, as during 1938, it operates in two sections, a Senior and a Junior. Miss Birkhead and Miss Little are in charge. The members of the club presented the play "The Babes in the Wood," to a very appreciative audience as the final item of the concert at the end of Term I. At present the club programme is a very full one, rehearsals of the following plays being in progress: A Marriage has been Arranged, Women at War, Five Birds in a Cage, and Hop o' my Thumb.

In the Wireless Club each member has this year constructed a small radio set. Also several very interesting and instructive lectures have been given by members but it is generally believed that lectures have an adverse effect on the membership, which is not what it might be.

The membership of the Wood Work Club is full and, as in the Engineering Club, intending members must put their names on a waiting list. By means of money on hand from last year, and by the construction and sale of various useful articles this year, the club has been able to buy two valuable tools for the Manual Training Centre. The making of models goes on apace, but there is a sad lack of variety in the articles made by the Juniors—this we hope to see remedied before long.

The members of the Knitting Club have been most industrious during the year, each member having knitted at least one article. Some members have volunteered to knit socks and scarves for the Red Cross, but owing to the shortage of wool in the town, they have not been able to make a start so far.

In the Fancy Work Club various new branches of work have been undertaken. These include tatting, Florentine embroidery and handkerchief making. Latterly several members have been devoting their time to cutting and folding bandages for the Red Cross.

The Boys' Knitting Club also known as the "Kitting" Club or the "Old Women's Club" was organised at the beginning of Term II and is a flourishing concern. Having been initiated early into the mysteries of plain and purl, both of them are now plain sailing for members. One boy has finished a jumper and has embarked on a pair of socks. Various other articles

HOBBIES

Through lack of space it is impossible to publish in this issue a detailed report of the work of the various hobby-clubs. The clubs are as active and as interesting as ever, and, in addition to those previously in operation, the following new clubs have come into existence:—The Garden Club, under Mr. Paul's direction; the Boys' Knitting Club, under Miss Bera-sochi's control and the Sketching Club which derives its inspiration from Miss Little.

In the Engineering Club, the progress made with individual models has been noted each week and the steam engine commenced last year should, with the help

are in preparation for the use of the members themselves and for the Red Cross.

The membership of the Debating Club is still small and the absence of some members through the illnesses so rife in Terms II and III has been another difficulty. Debates and lectures on political and economic subjects were all the rage during the earlier part of the year but a recent revolt on the part of lady membership has switched our thoughts to such matters as the effect of classical music on fish, goats and residents of Suburbia.

Beginning with a membership of nine girls at the commencement of Term II, the Garden Club has steadily increased in popular favour and now has several boy members. The poppies, lupins and calendulas grown by the club within the School grounds are of such quality that Mr. Colgate has hopes of their winning prizes at the Albany Show. Round the rockery built this year members have planted portulaca and phlox, petunia, celosia and zinnia seedlings are also ready to be planted out.

As the Sketching Club is still in its infancy, not much can be reported by way of achievement. Members have sketched various scenes in the School grounds and, though at present rather diffident about these sketches the members hope before long to display these as completed works of art before the critical eyes of staff and students.

The First Aid Club has been carried on as previously in two divisions, the Girls in Miss Lamb's care and the boys in Mr. Collins'. Work during the earlier part of the year centred round the treatment of fractures, shock, bleeding, the location of pressure points and incidental work such as the preparation and tying of slings. During the last few weeks members have been busy rolling bandages for the Red Cross.

The Stamp Club has this year devoted a good deal of time to the School Album, which, by the way, is worth something now. Members have been paying a small sum per week, the proceeds being used from time to time in buying stamps of some value. Weekly competitions have also been held, each member in turn preparing a set of questions relating to stamps, marks being assigned for correct answers. There has been some stamp-exchanging among members and reading of philatelist literature, particularly the Stamp Monthly.

Agricultural Science Pastoral

Scene I. (G. Room).

(Enter Science Master).

Mr. Science Master: Ready for some notes, boys.

Sir Robert: A lot of weather we've been having lately Sir.

Brucie: Yes sir, an excellent opportunity to view the cottage plots.

Mr. Science Master: Yes boys, we'll take a look at those tobacco plants. They'll want watering again, probably. No tobacco to be oxidized, you know, boys.

Dog: Yes sir. Will we put our books away?

Mr. S.M.: Yes boys, hurry along. Tufnell, go and find a rake (exit boys to their lockers).

Scene II. (The Cottage Plots).

Mr. S.M.: Here boys, make notes on this cluster clover; it was not in flower last time we examined the plots.

Tufnell: (repeating aloud as he write) Cluster clover in flower, the flowers being yellow.

Sir Robert: Don't be mad Tuff, they're pink.

Mr. S.M.: Yes boys, make your notes and hurry along.

(Boys walk on the Veldt grass).

Mr. S.M.: Now boys, this Veldt grass is in flower, and is turning out to be a very good specimen.

Cook: Yes sir, quite fair, but not as good as these Dunn field peas. (A pod enters Cook's capacious cavity).

Mr. S.M.; Now boys, take a look at this Crimson Clover. (Mr. Colgate appears. Cook disappears behind the field peas).

Mr. Colgate: Leave those carrots alone Cook. the wife is watching you through the window, and if you take any of them, I'll carve you up. (Cook emerges from his place of concealment, looking very innocent).

Cook: What do you mean, Kip? I just slipped down the bank, I don't want your carrots.

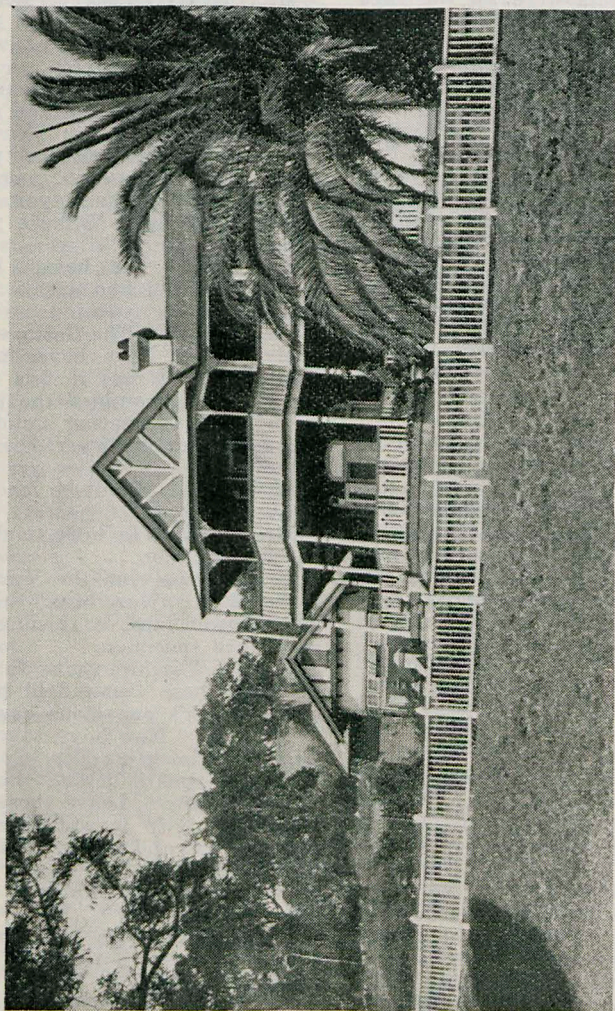
Mr. S.M.: Hurry along boys, we'll now adjourn to the orchard plots.

—DUX.

There has never been anything worth doing that has not been dreamt of first of all.

—Ramsay MacDonald.

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INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS

This year Albany was once again represented in the Secondary Inter-School Sports held annually in August at Perth. Usually the Albany team fares rather badly, but this year the position was different. At one stage we actually had a good chance of winning the Staff Cup or as Mr. Calcutt put it: "It's not just a matter of winning a few points—there is now every possibility of our winning the Cup." But whether we were then too optimistic or whether we did not live up to expectations, was not, in fact cannot be decided upon—suffice it to say we did well—better than any other A.H.S. team has ever done.

In the total points gained we finished third after Eastern Goldfields and Northam in that order. Of the two sexes in the team the girls did best. They had, it is generally agreed, the best hockey combination in the sports—only losing one match out of five. The team beat Perth, Bunbury, Geraldton, lost to Northam and beat Eastern Goldfields thus earning 40 points of the 82 points that the whole team won.

If the girls were better than the boys, the latter were not far behind. By winning three matches out of five in football they showed themselves to be a combination to be reckoned with. For the first time in the history of the sports, an Albany football team defeated Perth Modern School. This match was a close, hard-fought contest throughout, the A.H.S. team getting its nose in front from the start and never relinquishing its meagre lead. The ball used for this match is now in the School's possession. The team also defeated Geraldton and Northam, being themselves beaten by Bunbury and Eastern Goldfields. Nevertheless the standard of football played throughout the series showed that this, the 1939 A.H.S. football team, was a strong determined combination built up of keen, enthusiastic, small (in most cases) but clever players.

As was expected our athletes did not gain many points. But for all this they by no means shamed their school. Don Read distinguished himself as a hurdler by winning the 120 yards hurdles in fine style. With fine weather he would probably have secured a record. However, this privilege was given to V. J. White,

who won the mile in the record time of 4min. 46 4-5 secs. This was a most surprising result not only to his team-mates, but to himself. Don Read also showed that he was a fine jumper. He cleared a height of about 5ft. 4ins. thus finishing in second place. C. Tufnell was the only other athlete of the team to win points. He finished 3rd. in the 440, and seeing he was only a few yards behind the Bunbury competitor (finished second) who recently ran the distance in 52 seconds odd, his performance must have been good.

The net points won from the athletics were 12 and these, added to the girls' 40 and the boys 30 gave us the third best total of 82.

The team not only showed that it was capable of a high standard of hockey, football and athletics but also showed that it could behave itself as well off the sports field as on it. In all, the trip was a definite success, all enjoying themselves and still doing their bit in the sports.

STOMACH

What's the matter with you?

Ain't I always been your friend?

Ain't I been a pard to your?

All my pennies don't I spend
In getting nicest things for you?

Don't I give you lots of cake?

Say, stomach, what's the matter

That you had to go and ache?

I gave you more plum pudding

Than you'd ever had before;

I gave you nuts and chocolates,

And fruit and drinks galore.

Why, I loaded you with good things,

Couldn't eat another bite.

Yet you ached, you awful stomach

That ain't treating me just right.

Say, what's the matter with you?

Ain't you satisfied at all?

I gave you all you wanted—

You were hard, just like a ball!

I've been a pal to you, I have;

You ain't no friend of mine!

They gave me castor oil last night,

Because you made me whine;

And I'm feeling awful sick this morning,

And feeling, oh! so blue,

Because you don't appreciate

The things I do for you.

DOPEY and DOC.

Form IG.

Football XVIII. Criticism

B. Moir (Captain): A capable and tireless player—a safe mark and kicks well with either foot. Has led the team well throughout the season.

R. Rust (Vice-Captain): A well equipped player—a reliable mark, kicks well with either foot and has plenty of dash.

V. White: Centre. The stylist of the team. Handles the ball deftly but is inclined to wander.

D. Brook: Centre half forward. The spearhead of the attack—disposes of the ball well with either foot.

D. Read: Centre half back. A fearless back—very good mark but kicking still uncertain.

G. Elliott: Goals. Watches his man well and is rarely beaten.

R. Pugh: A solid ruckman who battles hard. Most improved player in the team.

H. Tranter: Sneak. A good mark and kick. Should show more concentration.

C. Skinner: Full forward and change rover. Fast ground man but inclined to be selfish.

W. Burnett: Right full back. A fair mark and kick but should watch his man more carefully.

R. Cook: Right half back. A solid back who disposes of the ball quickly. Should prove of value next season.

W. Lemin: Right wing. A capable wing man who leads and marks well.

A. Gray: Right half forward. Kicks and marks well but lacks pace and tenacity.

R. Peacock: Left full back. A fair mark and kick but lacks pace and ruggedness.

A. Paterson: Left full back. A fair

THE ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM—1939.



Back Row: W. Lemin, H. Tranter, W. Burnett, V. White, E. Clarke, S. Knott.

Standing: G. Elliott, A. Paterson, C. Tufnell, Mr. Calcutt (Sports-master), R. Pugh, C. Skinner, A. Gray, R. Cook.

Sitting: R. Peacock, D. Read, B. Moir (Captain), R. Rust (Vice-Captain), D. Brook.

Front: R. Smith, P. Bremner.

mark and kick. Inclined to give away unnecessary free kicks.

E. Clarke: Left half forward. Kicks well with either foot. Lacks polish.

C. Tufnell: Left half back and change ruck with a good dash but has a tendency to be frightened.

P. Bremner: Left full forward. A small but effective player who marks and kicks coolly—is handicapped by lack of size.

R. Smith: Another small but courageous player. Kicks and leads well and is very good on the ground.

S. Knott: A young player who shows promise. A fair mark and kick.

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BOYS' SPORT

Football.

In football this season Gold had a run-away victory. Boronia and Brown were fighting hard for second place all the season, Boronia finally coming out on top with one match ahead, while Green failed to score. Following are the results:—

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Gold	9	9	—	36
Boronia	9	5	4	20
Brown	9	4	5	16
Green	9	—	9	—

On the whole the football season was a successful one, the School Team doing quite well in Perth, and the Faction competition being keen. We hope that the standard of football maintained this season will improve next year.

Cricket.

Faction cricket at the finish of last season resulted in a win for Gold (22 pts.), with Brown and Boronia next, 14 and 12

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points respectively. Green again failed to score. Green has been rather unfortunate this year as several members of the Faction left school early in the year. The best batting average is held by R. Pugh with an average of 38.5 while C. Skinner and V. White are next with averages of 37.5 and 35.7 respectively. The bowling average is held by D. Brook with an average of 5 runs per wicket. D. Read and R. Peacock are close behind with 5.4 and 5.8 respectively. This season has just started and there is promise of keen competition for the batting and bowling averages.

Athletics.

Athletics this year have been quite up to the standard of previous years as shown by the result of Sports Day. Gold was quite superior in this branch (both boys and girls) while Brown, Boronia and Green were on practically the same mark. Congratulations are extended to C. Tufnell, School Champion with 19 points, and D. Read, runner-up, with 17 points. The varying fortunes of these two excited interest until the last race. Also we must recognize the highly creditable efforts of V. White in breaking the mile and 880 yards record, and D. Read in breaking the records of the 220 yards and 120 yards hurdles.

Swimming.

The main interest in swimming was the Carnival in March. This resulted in a win for Boronia with Gold close behind. Brown was next with Green bringing up the rear. R. Rust is to be congratulated on winning the title of Open Champion for the second time with 15 points. J. Richardson was runner-up with 9 points. G. Elliott obtained 13 points to gain the position of Junior Champion and J. Giles was runner-up with 7½ points. G. Elliott reduced the Junior Championship Breast-stroke record by 2.5 secs., his time being 46 3-5 secs.

Basketball.

Gold had rather a narrow win from Green in basketball by 23 to 21 points. Boronia scored 9 points and Brown failed to score. The basketball was keenly contested throughout—Gold just getting the decision from Green.

Tennis.

Boronia and Green have been most successful at tennis having scored 6 points each. Gold and Brown tied for last place with 3 points each. Tennis was not played very often owing to the bad weather that always seemed to prevail on Thursdays. The Tennis Tournament held at Lawley Park resulted in a win for V. White and

R. Pugh in the doubles and V. White won from R. Pugh in the singles. This is the second time White has been successful in the singles. He has also partnered Pugh in the finals of the doubles on two occasions.

The total points obtained to November 1 are:—

	Boys	Girls	Total
Gold	166½	124½	291
Brown	66½	57½	124½
Boronia	85½	96	181½
Green	51½	120½	172½

Faction captains for this year are as follows:—

Gold	V. White.
Boronia	C. Skinner.
Brown	R. Rust.
Green	B. Moir.

GYM

Gym is by no means unpopular with certain members of our form, or should I say a member? She is very quite throughout other periods, but when Gym comes along, well !!! all life is changed. Her eyes brighten up with Joy and she immediately looks her Best. She turns into a contortionist to suit her Gym, and one eye opens and shuts rapidly (stretching eyelids). She lays her head against the wall and stretches all neck muscles as though in reality looking at someone. The next exercise is forward bend, but here she is impeded by a desk. However, she goes far enough to suit Gym. Often she forgets some pretty pretty article and has to walk around the corner of the room (another exercise for Gym). When the period is over she, being very conscientious, does not immediately finish Gym but does a smart sprint to the door. Once there she bids a sad adieu to Gym and slowly, far from her Best, she returns to her desk. Alack-a-day poor Gym, is also far from his beloved Best until she returns to bring Joy to his life once more.

‘Helper of Gym.’

The idea that its leaves are the chief glory of a tree is a vulgar one, on a par with the idea that his hair is the chief grace of a pianist.

—E. K. Chesterton.

SPORTS DAY

BOYS' EVENTS.

Open Championship.

1 Mile.—V. White 1, C. Tufnell 2, C. Skinner 3. Time: 4 min. 45 1-4 secs. (Record).

880 Yards.—V. White 1, C. Tufnell 2, C. Skinner 3. Time: 2 min. 9 secs. (Record).

440 Yards.—C. Tufnell 1, V. White 2, D. Read 3. Time: 56 secs. (Equals Record)

220 Yards.—D. Read 1, C. Tufnell 2, V. White 3. Time: 25 4-5 secs (D. Read 24 4-5 secs. in heat. Record).

100 Yards.—C. Tufnell 1, D. Read 2, V. White 3. Time: 11 2-5 secs.

120 Yards Hurdles.—D. Read 1, R. Rust 2, B. Moir 3. Time: 18 1-5 secs (Record).

Hop, Step and Jump.—C. Tufnell 1, D. Read 2, V. White 3. Distance: 40ft. 3½ ins.

Broad Jump.—D. Read 1, C. Tufnell 2, R. Rust 3. Distance: 17 ft. 9½ ins.

High Jump.—D. Read 1, C. Tufnell 2, R. Rust 3. Height: 5 feet (Unfinished).

Under 16 Championship.

1 Mile.—T. Shelley 1, B. Forte 2, P. Lewer 3. Time: 5 min. 44 1-5 secs.

880 Yards.—T. Shelley 1, B. Forte 2, P. Lewer 3. Time: 2 min. 45 secs.

440 Yards.—P. Lewer 1, T. Shelley 2, J. Richardson 3. Time: 63 secs.

220 Yards.—T. Shelley 1, B. Forte 2, P. Lewer 3. Time: 28 3-5 secs.

100 Yards.—P. Lewer 1, T. Shelley 2, B. Forte 3. Time: 12 4-5 secs.

120 Yards Hurdles.—P. Lewer, T. Shelley 2, E. Clarke 3. Time: 21 4-5 secs.

Hop, Step and Jump.—P. Lewer 1, B. Forte 2, K. McLeod 3. Distance: 33 ft 8½ ins.

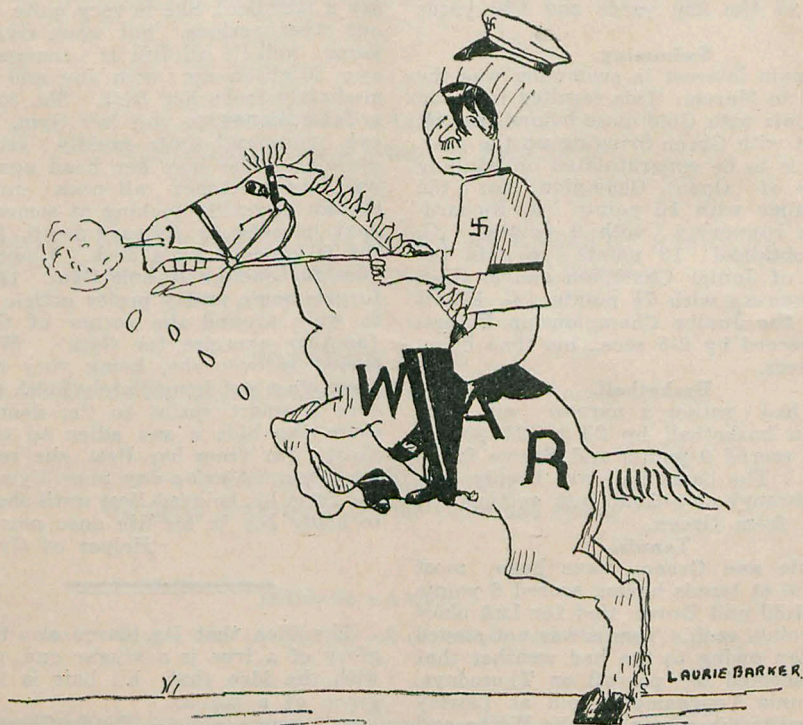
Broad Jump.—K. McLeod 1, P. Lewer 2, L. Day and J. Richardson 3. Distance: 14 ft. 11½ ins.

High Jump.—P. Lewer 1, J. Duncan and E. Clarke 2. Height: 4 ft. 7½ ins.

Under 14 Championship.

220 Yards.—A. Newby 1, R. Gorman 2, K. Colvin 3. Time: 31 2-5 secs. (T. Nesbitt in heat 30 1-5 secs. Record).

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SWIMMING CARNIVAL

(Boys' Events)—Open Championship.

200 Yards Freestyle.—R. Rust 1, D. Brook 2, J. Richardson 3. Time: 3 min. 2 secs.

100 Yards Freestyle.—R. Rust 1, J. Richardson 2, A. Ingleton 3. Time: 1 min. 9 3-5 secs.

50 Yards Freestyle.—R. Rust 1, J. Richardson 2, H. Tranter 3. Time: 31 2-5 secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke.—J. Richardson 1, R. Rust 2, M. Sloman 3. Time: 44 4-5 secs.

50 Yards Backstroke.—V. White 1, R. Rust 2, M. Sloman 3. Time: 40 4-5 secs.

Neat Dive.—H. Tranter 1, R. Rust 2, J. Richardson 3.

Junior Championship.

100 Yards Freestyle.—G. Elliot 1, G. Nettle and J. Giles 2. Time 1 min. 20 1-5 secs.

50 Yards Freestyle.—G. Elliott 1, G. Nettle 2, J. Giles 3. Time: 36 1-5 secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke.—G. Elliott 1, G. Nettle 2, J. Giles 3. Time: 46 3-5 secs. (Record).

50 Yards Backstroke.—J. Giles 1, G. Elliott 2, G. Nettle 3. Time: 53 3-5 secs.

Neat Dive.—P. Bremner 1, G. Elliott 2, J. Giles 3.

Team Events.

Relay Race.—Gold 1. Brown 2, Green 3. Time: 2 min. 25 2-5 secs.

Water Polo.—Brown beat Boronia 1 goal to nil; Gold and Green drew no score each.

Boys' Faction Points.—Brown 36 (1); Gold 32½ (2); Boronia 23½ (3); Green 11 (4).

Open Champion: R. Rust, 15 pts.

Runner-up J. Richardson, 9 pts.

Junior Champion: G. Elliott, 13 pts.

Runner-up: J. Giles 7½ pts.

(Girls' Events)—Open Championship.

100 Yards Freestyle.—L. Yates 1, D. Holmes 2, R. Clarke 3. Time: 1 min. 53 3-5 secs.

50 Yards Freestyle.—M. Moir 1, T. Kernutt 2, P. Bungey 3. Time: 42 secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke.—N. Smith 1. Time: 52½ secs.

50 Yards Backstroke.—N. Smith 1, Y. Ford 2, G. Crombie 3. Time: 55 secs.

Neat Dive.—M. Moir 1, V. Smith 2, L. Clapp 3.

Plunge Dive.—L. Burvill 1, T. Kernutt

GIRLS EVENTS.

Open Championship.

100 Yards.—P. Bungey and D. Fitzpatrick 1, C. Sanders 3. Time: 13 secs.

75 Yards.—D. Fitzpatrick 1, P. Bungey 2, C. Sanders 3. Time: 10 secs.

50 Yards.—P. Bungey 1, D. Fitzpatrick 2, C. Sanders 3.

Hitting Hockey Ball.—P. Bungey 1, R. Berry 2, J. Best 3. Distance: 183 ft 5 ins.

Throwing Basketball.—P. Bungey 1, D. Fitzpatrick 2, R. Berry 3. Distance: 77 feet.

Throwing Tennis Ball.—D. Wheeler 1, P. Bungey 2, M. Castle 3. Distance 150 ft. 5 ins.

Junior Championship.

100 Yards.—H. Parker 1, I. Lay 2, N. Armstrong 3. Time: 13 4-5 secs.

75 Yards.—M. Clapp 1, I. Lay 2, H. Parker 3. Time: 10 4-5 secs.

50 Yards.—I. Lay 1, M. Clapp 2, N. Armstrong 3. Time: 7 2-5 secs.

Hitting Hockey Ball.—R. Clarke 1, J. Jenkin 2, H. Parker 3. Distance 141 ft. 6 ins.

Throwing Tennis Ball.—L. Paul 1, N. Burvill 2, L. Groves 3. Distance: 151 ft. 4 ins.

Open Champion: P. Bungey and D. Fitzpatrick, 7½ points each.

Junior Champion: H. Parker and I. Lay, 7 points each.

Faction Relay (Boys).

Gold 1, Brown 2, Boronia 3. Time: 1 min, 46 2-5 secs.

Faction Relay (Girls).

Gold 1, Green 2, Brown 3. Time: 1 min. 1 2-5 secs.

Faction Points.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Gold	103	62½	165½
Brown	24½	44	68½
Green	24	43½	67½
Boronia	35½	23	58½

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2, M. Moir 3. Distance: 39 ft. 7 ins.

Junior Championship.

50 Yards Freestyle.—Y. Ford 1, W. Jacka 2, L. Yates 3. Time 47 2-7 secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke.—C. Brook 1, G. Crombie 2, D. Holmes 3. Time: 52 2-4 secs.

50 Yards Backstroke.—N. Smith 1, Y. Ford 2, R. Clarke 3. Time 52 1-5 (Equals Record).

Neat Dive.—N. Smith 1, L. Yates 2, I. Johns 3.

Team Events (Girls).

Relay Race.—Green 1, Boronia 2, Gold 3. Time 3 min. 6 4-5 secs.

Girls' Faction Points.—Boronia, 29 (1); Green, 26 (2); Gold, 18, (3); Brown, 9 (4).

A TRAGEDY AT 10.30

A BEDSIDE DRAMA IN ONE ACT.

CHARACTERS.— Ladye Marianne Plantaganet-Vaddelle; Cecile, her French maid (real name Rhonda Wae); Doctor William Adolphus.

SCENE.— A sumptuous bedroom at "Le Prieure" an elegant place of residence.

TIME.— 10.30 a.m.

The Ladye Marianne is in bed, asleep and snoring slightly. There is a knock on the door. My Ladye snores a little louder. Another knock is heard and as there is no answer the door opens. Enter maid bearing a laden breakfast tray. She sets the tray down on the table, touches the sleeper on the shoulder and says: "My Ladye." Her ladyship stirs, yawns, blinks and finally stretches languidly and then sits up. Cecile arranges the pillows for her and hands her a luxurious bed-jacket which she proceeds to don with the assistance of the maid.

Cecile: Good morning m'ladye.

Marianne: Good morning Cecile. What time is it?

Cecile: Almost ten-thirty, m'ladye.

Marianne: Ten-thirty! How dare you wake me at this hour, girl? What do you mean by it? —oh! oh! oooooohhhhh!!!! (She claps her jaw and moans as if in agony.

Cecile: Oh m'ladye, what is the matter?

Marianne: Oh Cecile, I have a most terrible pain in my jaw: I can hardly open my mouth. (She opens it about six inches) —oh! oohhhhh!!!

Cecile: I shall tell Rustypins to ring

Doctor Adolphus, m'ladye.

Exit Cecile. Lady Marianne reaches for a mirror, and gazing anxiously at her reflection, proceeds to feel her face very tenderly.

Enter Cecile.

Marianne: Cecile, the awful truth has dawned upon me—

Cecile: (alarmed) Oh, m'ladye.

Marianne: Cecile I have lockjaw.

Cecile (horrificed) Oh, m'ladye, are you sure?

Marianne: I' afraid there can be no doubt on the matter. See here where I cut myself last night (shows a tiny scratch between the forefinger and thumb of her left hand—well that—that caused it—Oh Cecile, soon I shall not be able to open my mouth which means that I shall die a slow and terrible death from starvation, (tragically). Cecile, will you forgive me for being angry with you for waking me so early—Oh Cecile, promise me you will not forget me when I am gone!

Cecile: (weeping copiously), of course, m'ladye.

Marianne: Please, dear Cecile, accept my mink coat as a token of my regard, and when you wear it, spare a thought for me. That's all I ask of you (Cecile sobs louder).

A knock is heard at the door. Cecile dries her eyes hastily and goes to the door to admit the doctor.

Doctor: Good morning Ladye Plantaganet-Vaddelle, what can I do for you?

Marianne: Good morning, Doctor. Thank you for coming, but I fear you cannot do me any good. To Cecile) Heavens now, dear Cecile. (Doctor proceeds to examine her ladyship.

Doctor: Ah, it's as I thought, Ladye Plantaganet-Vaddelle you have—

Marianne: No Doctor, you needn't bother to tell me, I have guessed already. I suppose I must resign myself to my fate—how long will it be—? (breaks off with a sob).

Doctor: How long? Oh, it will be all over in about three weeks I should think.

Marianne: Three weeks! But surely I cannot last that long if I am unable to eat?

Doctor: There is no reason why you shouldn't eat, your ladyship, provided you have soft foods for a day or two.

Marianne: Then I can't have lockjaw after all?

Doctor: Lockjaw? Good heavens no! What on earth made you think that? You have mumps.

Ladye Marianne collapses on bed.

Curtain.

The Islands of Fame & Fortune

I sat on the rocks at sunset,
'Twas the close of a bright spring day,
And I gazed at two distant islands
That beckoned across the bay.

.....
The flaming bright colours of sunset,
Had touched them with roseate glow,
And they gleamed with bewitching beauty
That filled me with longing to go.

.....
They're the Islands of Fame and Fortune
That beckon across the bay
And in spite of the sea dividing,
I mean to reach them some day.

.....
But though I am set and determined,
In my project of seeking them out,
Are they all that they look from a distance?

Or are there just these little doubts?

.....
Will it be worth all the struggle
Of crossing that deep troubled sea?
And are that country's bright laurels

Quite all that I hope them to be?

And on reaching that far distant shoreline,

Will they look as beautiful then?
Or will they have lost their rose tint
And leave me disillusioned again?

.....
But no, I'll not hearken to such thoughts,
For I am determined to go.
I'm filled with that one obsession,
And oh, it bewitches me so!

.....
They're the Islands of Fame and of Fortune
That beckon across the bay,
And in spite of the sea dividing,
I mean to reach them some day.

—RUFUS.

'ITLER

There was once a microbe call 'itler,
Who made Europe littler and littler,
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