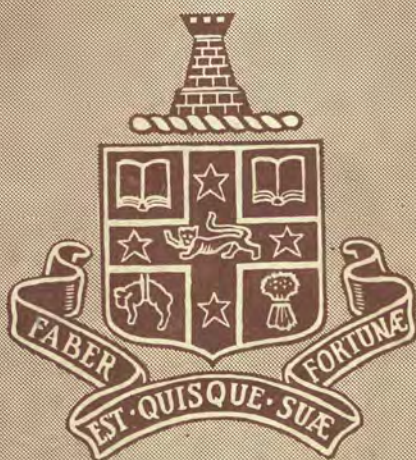


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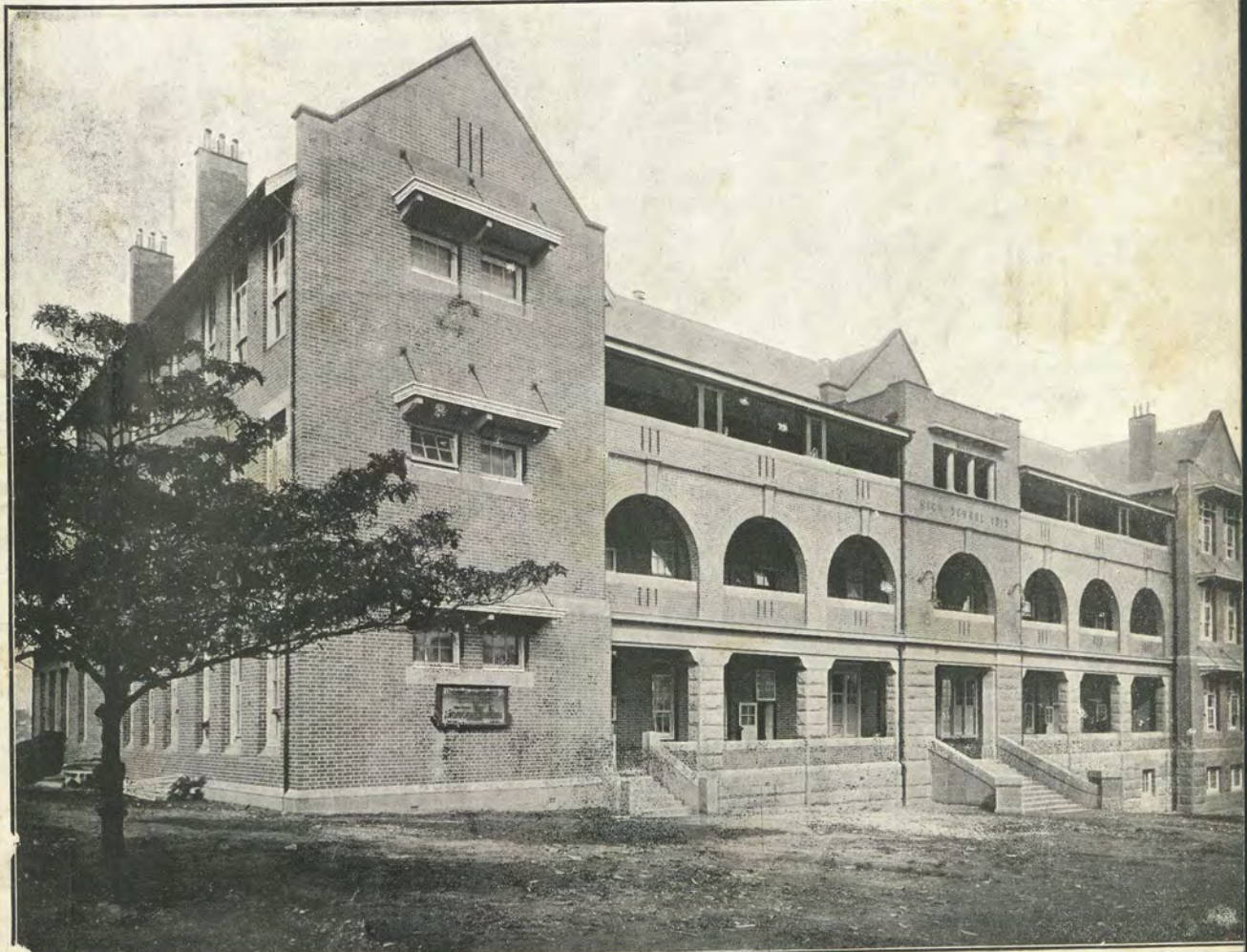
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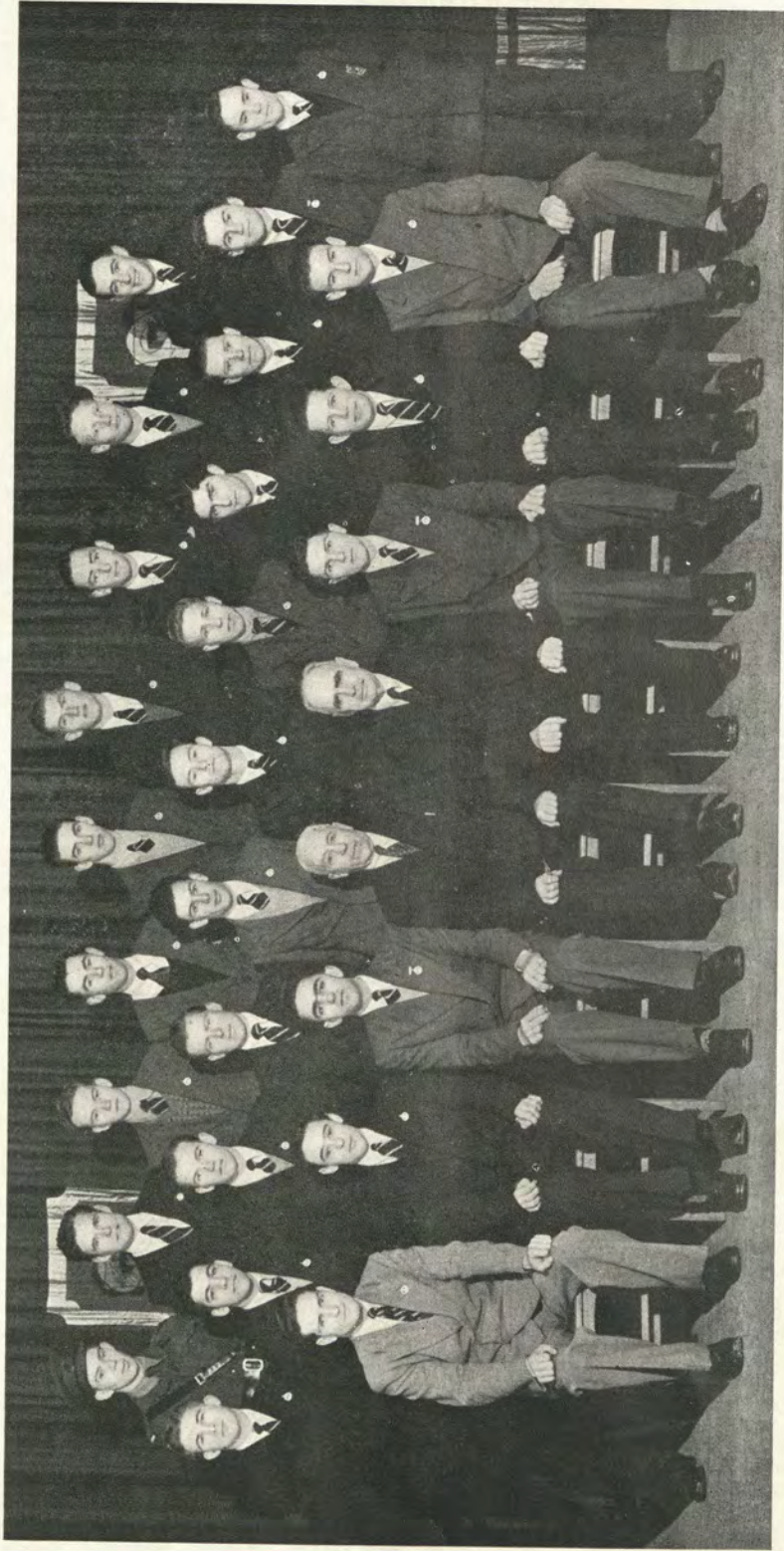
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MEARNS: Messrs. Bohman, Wells.

WILLIAMS: Mr. Kester.



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Editorial

HERE and AFTER.

Your school—Fort Street—has much to offer to you in the five fleeting years before you pass into the world beyond. It offers you an education for complete living and in this school there are many aids to this end.

First of all you have a staff of scholarly men and women who have specialised in the subject that each one teaches and in the most suitable methods to transfer that knowledge to you, so that, used wisely, it will become a power in your after life. You can advance far in your education by the respect you show to their mature experience and your ready co-operation to their friendly leadership, mainly in matters intellectual. I say mainly, because they also help you in the many games you play to keep yourselves in happy health. In those games which are an important part of your education you yourselves can lay the foundation of self-control, courage and fair play that are some of the main characteristics of true sportsmanship.

In addition to the staff there are many other agencies that are here to help you in your education. Many of these are inanimate and mute and cannot proclaim their value. You must seek this value for yourselves and, in the degree of interest that you take in them, so will be the measure of your personality.

Just take a little time to think of the educational value of your library, your clubs, your debates and discussions of current topics, your cadet corps, your magazine, your films, your music, your Parents and Citizens' Association, your plays, your concerts, your social functions, your visits and your visitors, your school assemblies, your national celebrations, your Speech Day, your school and interschool carnivals, the funds to which you contribute, your physical training, your life-saving, your special religious instruction, the memorials and pictures on the school walls, the Manual Room, the tuck-shop, the playground, your special schoolmates, your captain and prefects, the Old Boys' Union, The School Union, The Memorial Gates and other things that your own interest will probably recollect.

There is however sufficient in variety and number in the above for you to make a choice to your own advantage. It rests with yourselves how much you distil from them for the practical work and leisure of your lives. Herein lies the material for proving the school's motto that "everyone is the maker of his own fortune".

Fifty years ago the boys of Fort Street lacked many of these advantages. Many of the hours they spent at school were grim and unhappy. Yet in spite of hard and meagre conditions Fort Street boys made a great name for themselves and their school in many walks of life. On leaving school the biggest factor in securing a job was that they had been educated at Fort Street and

when they got that job they resolved that they would never let their school down. And so was built up by the worthy lives of Old Fort Street boys that public respect and admiration for your school. Australia expects every boy at Fort Street now to do his duty and live up to the high standards set by your predecessors. Here you are only preparing for life.

Soon your real life will begin when your education will be put to the test. If you have made full use of the rich opportunities now at your service you will not fail in that test and the fair name of the school will be safe in your keeping.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL CAPTAIN

The first year of the second century of the school's history is drawing to a close. Every student has contributed to make it a successful year. We fifth year students will soon be handing over to the fourth years the responsibilities of the Leaving Year to carry on where we leave off; to finish what we have left uncompleted and to retain the honors that have been achieved. We hope that we have fulfilled our duties to the school to your satisfaction and that you will regard our efforts and example worthy of copying for "To set a lofty example is the richest bequest a man can leave behind him".

We are most grateful to our Headmaster Mr. Mearns, Deputy Headmaster Mr. Austin and the staff for their untiring efforts to educate us for the life ahead. We appreciate their enthusiastic interest and coaching in our various sports, often at the expense of their private time. To these people I will say that if you feel that we have done our best even though not always successful, we have in a small way repaid you for your interest and work.

To the vice-captain Colin Kench, and the prefects I give my thanks for your loyal support and the friendly co-operative spirit in which you fulfilled your duties throughout the year. To me you are still my first year friends and I do not say good-bye happily.

Thanks to all the students for your co-operation; friendship and co-operation are the chief elements in success. For the ever willing contribution to the comfort and pleasure of the students we are most grateful to the members of the ladies committee and the parents and citizens association. Thank you, Mr. Shea, for your help throughout the year.

It is natural that as I write, my thoughts should travel back over the years. My school days have been full of interest and happiness because I took an active interest in all possible branches of the school's activities, and I say to you if you want to enjoy your days at Fort Street, do likewise. Happiness is in action, and every power is intended for action. In activity we must find our joy as well as our glory; activity may lead to evil but inactivity cannot lead to good.

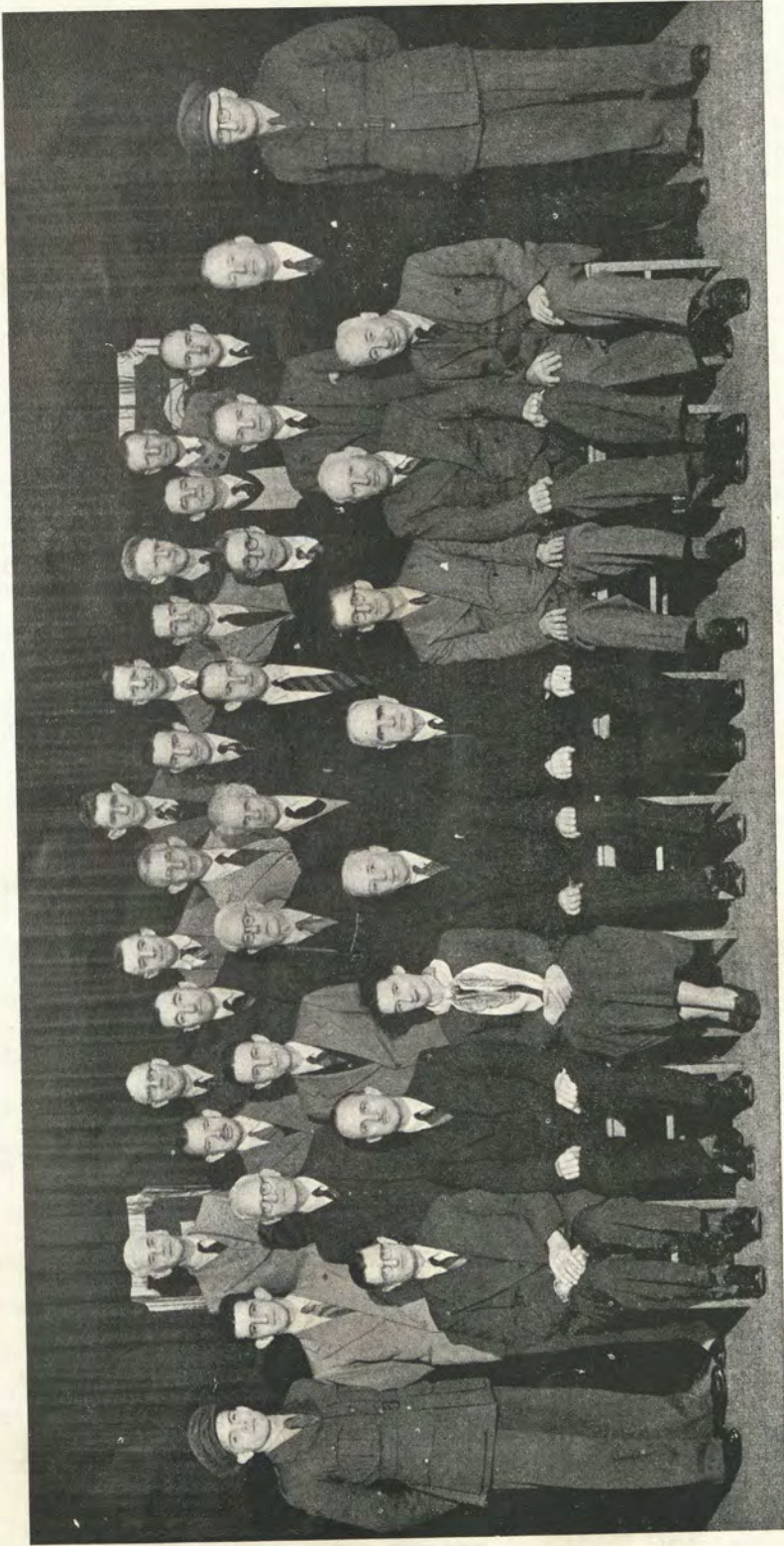
This year has meant to the first year students an introduction to a wonderful school; a school renowned throughout the world. You have been in a manner innoculated with the spirit of Fort Street, a spirit of comradeship, goodfellowship, and determination to succeed in all undertakings, whether sporting or scholastic. You have made new friends, you have met new teachers and have already had the pleasure and honor of taking part in the various teams under your new and famous colours of maroon and white.

In conclusion I offer to you the advice given me when I enrolled as a student of Fort Street, — "You should make the most of your time at Fort Street, it is the training ground for your future life, take part in as many activities as possible, be a doer and not a spectator, if you start something finish it, do not shirk responsibility, whatever you have to do do it well for a half done job is not done at all."

May I wish that you enjoy your days at Fort Street as much as I have.

— JOHN BUTT, School Captain.

"The Fortian" offers congratulations to all students who passed the Leaving Certificate and External Intermediate Examinations. Below is a list of the successful candidates.



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BACK ROW: L. to R.—Mr. L. N. Rose, Mr. E. T. Arnold, Mr. E. C. Muhs, Mr. M. E. Dasey, Mr. R. G. Cull, Mr. J. D. Hearse, Mr. J. K. Mitchell.

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SECOND ROW: L. to R.—Lt. K. McLellan, Mr. R. Horan, Mr. A. W. Stanley, Mr. F. L. Burtenshaw, Mr. F. Treharne, Mr. K. Barnard, Mr. T. F. C. Neuhaus, Mr. B. W. Goodwin, Mr. H. Marks, Mr. L. E. Gent, Capt. D. O'Sullivan.

FRONT ROW: L. to R.—Mr. A. Duncan, Mr. D. Westlake, Mrs. S. Eddy, Mr. N. R. Mearns (Headmaster), Mr. D. S. Austin (Deputy Headmaster), Mr. G. F. Bohman, Mr. B. N. Farlow, Mr. B. H. Roberts.

ABSENT: Mr. F. T. Brodie, Mrs. T. Hunt.

Examination Results, 1949

I — LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

Key to Subjects :

1 English	9 Modern History
2 Latin	13 Physics
3 French	14 Chemistry
4 German	18 Geography
5 Maths I	19 Economics
6 Maths II	20 Music (Theory).
7 General Maths	

H (1 or 2) (First or Second-Class) Honours.

O Oral (French and German).

X (1 or 2) Mathematics Honours (First or Second-Class).

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 ARTHURSON, J.L.: 1B, 3B, 7B, 9B, 13A, 14A.
 BAKER, D.N.C.: 1B, 3B, 5A, 6A(x2), 13A, 14A.
 BALDING, K.J.: 1B, 3B, 6B, 18A.
 BAXTER, C.K.: 1B, 5B, 6B, 18A, 19B.
 BEARD, A.F.: 1A, 3B, 5A, 6A(x2), 13A, 19A.
 BECKER, R.A.: 1B, 2B, 3B, 7B, 9B, 14B.
 BELL, H.D.: 1B, 9B, 18A, 19B.
 BERRY, B.D.: 1A, 3A, 5B, 9B, 19A.
 BILLING, P.L.: 1B, 3B, 5A, 6A(x2), 13A, 19B.
 BONNER, R.B.: 1A, 2B, 3A(o), 7A, 9A, 13B.
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 BOWDEN, I.C.: 1B, 7B, 9B, 14B, 18A.
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 BROWN, D.W.: 1B, 3B, 7B, 9B, 19B.
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 CLEARY, G.J.: 1B, 5B, 6B, 14B.
 COMMENS, B.: 1B, 5B, 6B, 13B, 19B.
 COPELAND, H.B.: 3B, 5B, 6B, 13B, 19B.
 COOPER, P.B.: 3B, 5B, 6B, 9B, 18A.
 CULLEN, D.J.: 1B, 2A, 3A(o), 4H2(o), 7A, 14A.
 CURRYER, A.J.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 6B, 13B, 14B.
 DASH, R.M.: 1B, 3B, 3A, 6B, 13A, 14A.
 DAVIS, B.R.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 6B, 9B, 19B.
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 FIELD, T.W.: 1B, 3B, 5A, 6A, 13A, 19B.
 FISHER, P.: 1B, 3A, 5A, 6A, 13A, 14H2.
 FOKES, K. L.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 6A, 13B, 14B.
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 HAYES, R.J.: 3A, 5B, 13A, 19B.
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 HEGARTY, J.T.: 1B, 3B, 5A, 6A, 13A, 19A.
 HENDRIE, J.E.: 3B, 5B, 6B, 14B.
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 JOHNSON, R.T.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 6B, 13B, 14B.
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 PIPER, R.A.: 1B, 7B, 9B, 18H1.
 PRATE, J.F.: 1B, 3B, 6B, 14B, 18H1.
 PETRIE, J.D.: 1B, 7B, 9B, 18H1, 19B.
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 ROBINSON, F.R.: 3B, 5B, 6B, 9A, 19B.
 ROLLESTON, G.C.: 1B, 7B, 9B, 14B, 19B.
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 SHINEBERG, B.R.: 1B, 3H2(o), 5B, 6B, 13B, 14H2.
 SMITH, K.A.: 1B, 5B, 6B, 13A, 18A.
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 ST. CLAIR, M.C.: 1B, 3A, 5B, 6A, 13H2, 14H2.
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 TALL, L.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 6A, 13A, 14B.
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 THOMAS, P.R.: 1B, 2B, 3A, 5B, 6B, 14A.
 TURNER, C.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 6B, 14B, 18A.
 WALLACE, N.J.: 3B, 5B, 6B, 14A.
 WATSON, J.E.: 1B, 2B, 3A, 5B, 6B, 14A.
 WALTERS, A.G.: 1B, 5B, 6B, 14B.
 WEATHERLEY, M.V.: 1B, 2B, 3A, 7B, 9A, 18B.
 WEBB, R.S.: 1B, 3B(o), 5B, 14B, 18H2.
 WICKS, R.H.: 1B, 3B(o), 5B, 6B, 18B.
 WILKIN, R.G.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 13B, 14A.
 WILSON, V.M.: 1B, 3B, 5B, 13B, 14A.
 WOODS, R.G.: 1B, 5B, 6B, 13H2, 18B.

**EXTERNAL EXAMINATION,
INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE, 1949.**

The following were successful in gaining Intermediate Bursaries:—

J.W. Aney, B.W. Apps, K.D. Forrester, G. W. Garnett, R.J. Harper, B.B. Johnston, C.A. Johnston, L. Seiffert.

PRIZE LIST, 1949.

**LEAVING CERTIFICATE
(96 Passes)**

UNIVERSITY EXHIBITIONS.

Arts: D. J. Cullen, T. H. Perrin.
Medicine: J. A. Fraser, F. C. Hinde.
Science: J. R. Handford, J. T. Hegarty.
Engineering: A. T. Beard, P. Fisher.

HONOURS: 10 First, 31 Second.

English: F. C. Hinde, T. H. Perrin, P. G. Southcombe.
French: T. Butler, T. H. Perrin, B. R. Shineberg.
Mathematics: F.C. Hinde, D. W. Baker, P. L. Billing, A. F. Beard, R. Morgan, A. Neilson, J. T. Hegarty.
Geography: R. A. Piper, J. P. Petrie, R. G. Wilkin, J. F. Pratt, E. S. Morrell, J. E. Akehurst, P. A. Booth, J. F. Limbrick, R. R. Giddey, L. J. Surgeoner, P. Taylor, R. S. Webb.
German: W. G. Bussman, D. C. Cullen.
Chemistry: J. R. Handford, P. Fisher, T. A. Fraser, B. R. Shineberg, M. S. St. Clair.
Physics: R. Morgan, M. S. St. Clair, R. G. Wood.

**BEST AGGREGATE PASSES AT LEAVING
CERTIFICATE.**

F. C. Hinde, R. Morgan, T. H. Perrin, A. Beard, M. St. Clair, A. Neilson.

**BEST SUBJECT PASSES AT LEAVING
CERTIFICATE.**

English: F. C. Hinde, P. Southcombe, T. H. Perrin.
Latin: D. Cullen, T. H. Perrin, N. Allan, W. Bussman, P. Thomas, R. Becker, R. Bonner.
French: B. Shineberg, T. H. Perrin, T. Butler.
German: W. Bussman, D. Cullen, A. Lockley.
Mathematics I: F. C. Hinde, R. Morgan, P. Billing.
Mathematics II: F. C. Hinde, A. Neilson, A. Beard.
General Mathematics: D. Cullen, A. Lockley, R. Bonner.
Physics: R. Morgan, M. St. Clair, R. Woods.
Chemistry: J. Handford, P. Fisher, T. Fraser.
Geography: R. Piper, J. Petrie, R. Wilkin.
Economics: J. Hegarty, B. Berry, A. Beard, T. Butler, R. Giddey, H. Hardwick, T. Penrose, S. Richardson, A. Robb, F. Saunderson.
History: J. Limbrick, R. Bonner, M. Weatherley, A. Robb.

**INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE
(133 Passes)**

Bursaries:

J. W. Aney, B. W. Apps, K. D. Forrester, G. W. Garnett, R. J. Harper, B. B. Johnston, C. A. Monty, L. Seiffert.

WINNERS OF SPECIAL PRIZES :

Killeen Memorial Prize for Dux of School:
Frederick C. Hinde.

Lodge Fortian Prize for Proficiency:
(a) Senior: Robert J. Morgan.
(b) Junior: Leslie Seiffert.

**Sender Memorial Prize for Scholar displaying
Finest Spirit in Sport, Studies and General
Activity:**
Robert Morgan.

The Headmasters' Prize for School Service:
Harry Cason.

**John Hunter Prize for Best Student entering
the Faculty of Medicine:**
Frederick C. Hinde.

Verco Prize for Mathematics:
Frederick C. Hinde.

**Charles H. Harrison Memorial Prize for Best
Fifth Year Boy in English:**
Frederick C. Hinde.

**John Hills Memorial Prize for Fourth Year
Scholar displaying Outstanding Qualities:**
John Butt.

Taylor Memorial Prize for Geography:
Ronald A. Piper.

Bertram Stevens Prize for Economics:
(a) 5th Year: John T. Hegarty.
(b) 4th Year: Arthur Mason.

**Herbert Percival Williams Shakespearean
Prize:**
Peter Southcombe.

Baxendale Memorial Prizes for English:
(a) 5th Year: Frederick C. Hinde.
(b) 4th Year: John Brown, John Logan.
(c) 3rd Year: Leslie Seiffert.
(d) 2nd Year: John Yu.
(e) 1st Year: John Newsom, Maurice White
(aeq.).

Johnson Memorial Prizes for Sportsmanship:
Frank Johnston, George Young Lee.

Raymond Sly Memorial Prize for Music:
Alan Cabrera.

**Lt.-Col. Irvine Memorial Prize for Leader-
ship and Example in Cadets:**
Frank Johnston.

**Evatt Memorial Prize for Essay on Aus-
tralian Subject:**
Frederick C. Hinde.

**New South Wales Cooperative Wholesale
Society. Prize for Economics in Conjunction
with Leaving Certificate:**
Stanley Richardson, John Hegarty.

FIRST YEAR PRIZES.
Dux: Philip Southwell (also Maths I), 2nd
Philip Bennet (also Latin, French, Maths
II).

English: John Newsom, Maurice White.
 Social Studies: Leonard Ross.
 Science: Brian Fitzgerald.
 First in Class: 1B Colin Cooksey, 1C George Simon, 1D Brian Norris.

SECOND YEAR.

Dux: John Yu (also English, Social Studies (aeq.), Science); 2nd: Paul Vassall (also Business Principles).
 Social Studies: Warwick Kent (aeq.).
 Latin: Warren Selle.
 French: Winwood Howard.
 Japanese: Reg. Holt. David Johnstone.
 Maths I: Warren Selle.
 Maths II: John Hall.
 Geography: John Frost.
 History: John Frost.
 First in Class: 2B Peter Phillips, 2C Robert Hillman.

THIRD YEAR.

Dux: Leslie Seiffert (also English, Latin, French, German, Maths II); 2nd Brian Field.

Social Studies: Max Jones.
 Maths I: Michael Newman.
 History: John Overy.
 Geography: John Overy.
 Business Principles: Alan Day.
 Japanese: Alex. Mercer.
 Science: Henry Pang.
 First Class: 3B Robert Atkins, 3C Brian Lippiatt, 3D Alan Day.

FOURTH YEAR.

Dux: John Logan (also Maths I, Maths II, Chemistry, English (aeq.).
 English: John Brown (aeq.).
 History: Arthur Mason.
 French: John Brown.
 Latin: Geoffrey Bryant, Sam. Malouf (aeq.).
 Physics: Victor Baxter.
 Economics: Arthur Mason.
 General Mathematics: Geoffrey Bryant.
 Geography: Donald Dunshea.
 Japanese: John Capare.
 German: Geoffrey Bryant.

Speech Day

Fort Street's Annual Speech Day, held in the School Memorial Hall on the 3rd May, proved to be a truly enjoyable evening, and set a high standard for the first year of our second century.

Mr. J. Fisher, President of the Parents and Citizens' Association acted as chairman. The evening commenced with the School Song. Mr. Fisher then welcomed the visitors and speakers and congratulated the prize winners of the year. He also extended an invitation to those present to join the P. and C., and spoke of social education in schools.

As an interlude in the night's speeches, the pupils of the school, together with old-boy Bob O'Donnell as soloist, gave a pleasing rendition of "The Legion of the Lost."

The main address of the evening was given by our Headmaster, Mr. Mearns, who delivered the School Report for our Centenary Year, 1949. He commenced by expressing his sympathy and grief at the death of a prominent Fort St. master, Mr. J. J. Dunne. His next subject was exams and here he apologised for the poor examination results obtained in 1949. After stressing the requirements of "continuous steady effort" as regards study, he reported on general sport at the school by saying: "As Britons we play a British game. We give and take and work as a team." On behalf of the school, Mr. Mearns expressed his sincere thanks to the Ladies' Committee for the wonderful work they had done the previous year and every

year. In conclusion, he thanked the Education Department for the Tuck Shop improvements, the Staff and pupils for their loyalty, and the caretaker, Mr. Shea, for his work for the school.

The pupils supplied another musical item; "Play the Game," a new school song, the words being written by Mr. Mearns.

Mr. Graham Kench represented the Old Boys' Union and explained that "the Old Boys' Union takes over where the school leaves off. Further those acquaintances you made at school."

During the latter stages of the programme, the school rendered two more items; "Old Man River" and "Wandering the King's Highway."

The final speaker of the evening was Mr. Harvey Prior, who spoke of Lifesaving and presented the victorious Fort Street Arthur Parker Cup team with their trophies.

Mrs. Mearns and Mrs. Selle presented the year's sporting and academic prizes, after which our Deputy Head-Master, Mr. Austin, spoke of academic work and welcomed new masters to Fort Street.

In addition, some films were shown as an exhibition of the value of the new Cinevox Prefect Projector, presented to the school by the Ladies' Committee — a wonderful gift from an untiring group.

The evening's activities were concluded by the singing of the National Anthem.

THE LADIES' COMMITTEE

Report for Year Ending September, 1950

It gives me the utmost pleasure in being able to place before you a resume of a very successful and very happy year. During my period of office I have been afforded splendid co-operation from all Committee members, and for their valuable assistance I wish to extend my sincere appreciation.

There were many social functions held at the School during the year, and the Ladies rallied most enthusiastically to provide suppers and luncheons for them.

Among these functions was the Father and Son Banquet which was a very great success, while the Masters luncheon, we were told was much appreciated by those concerned.

We were delighted to supervise the catering for the Life Saver's Dance, and our Christmas Dance proved a very happy social gathering with which to round off the closing of the School year.

The response to the Father & Son Night held in March was particularly gratifying and our President received many congratulations from the guests on the success of the evening.

The attendance at the End of Term Dance held in April was not all that we could have wished, but we are hopeful that there will be greater support at future gatherings.

We were very happy to provide refreshments for the debating team and their visitors from The Fort Street Girls' High School as this seemed to add much enjoyment to the occasion.

It gave us great satisfaction to assist the Boys, by catering for the Annual School Ball, and we hope that our efforts added to the success of the event.

With the balance of the Centenary gift a projector was purchased, which we trust will provide many hours of entertainment for the boys; and the remainder will be spent on books for the library, many of which have already been purchased.

The Ladies' Committee also presented an electric cleaner for the Assembly Hall, and several chess sets to the School Club.

At this stage I would like to thank Mr. Mearns, his staff and the boys for their unflinching courtesy and co-operation throughout the year, and offer to all, our sincere good wishes for the future.

— J. ROTHWELL, Hon. Secretary.

EMPIRE DAY, 1950.

"As we celebrate this Empire Day, let us pause to consider for a moment, the meaning of our celebrations, and the nature of our Empire to-day, together with its place in world affairs.

But first we must, if we can, rid our minds of the word Empire, and all that that word conveys, with its suggestion of a despotic monarch, ruling over scattered domains, all of which pay tribute to him. Such is not the case in the British family of nations, for that is what it is, not an Empire, but a family, or Commonwealth of Nations, all independent, yet united in a common bond of loyalty and affection to the Royal Family.

Our Commonwealth of Nations is not a closely-organised association, it is not a group of nations bound together by written documents and legal formalities, pledged for mutual self-defence, and joint action. No, the Commonwealth is a loosely-knit association, it is a group of nations bound together by nothing but an invisible, yet real, sense of kinship for, and thanks to, the mother country — Great Britain.

There are no secret treaties obliging the members of this Commonwealth to come to the assistance of the mother country, there are no laws which compel such assistance to

be given. No; ours is a unique group of nations, ours is the only Empire which has dared to throw aside the iron chains of might and authority, to replace them by the even stronger links of freedom.

Despite this, however, we must concede that Britain is no longer the leading power of the world. Indeed, ever since the beginning of the century, Britain has been losing her commercial and financial lead, and the cost of two world wars, with the Great Depression in between, has left her impoverished. As a result, she has had to battle for her very life, and even now a great effort is needed to restore Britain's economy to a stable position. But nowhere is, Britain's declining strength more evident than in her military and strategic position, for now, in comparison with Soviet Russia and the United States, Britain is only on the second line of military powers.

Indeed, since the end of war in 1946, we have witnessed the gradual withdrawal of Britain from her commitments, we have seen her quit Greece, Palestine and the Middle East. We have seen her leave Pacific Affairs, largely, to the U.S.A., and everywhere the "gap between British commitments, and her capacity to meet them, has become obvious." This must indeed be a matter of

grave concern, for we cannot conceive of a situation in which Britain should be reduced to the status of a second rate power, to be dictated to by any other nation. But unless the countries of the Commonwealth are prepared to assist Britain, unless they are prepared to shoulder some of the responsibilities which Britain has incurred, unless they are willing to show the world the depth of their loyalty and devotion, then Britain may go down.

In other words, if Britain is to maintain the standards which she has given to the world in days gone by, if she is to provide the world with moral leadership, then the members of the Commonwealth must be

prepared to give even more whole-hearted support to the mother-land in her great task. Britain has always provided spiritual leadership to the rest of the world through the depth of character of her people, and if she is to continue to do so, then we, in our turn, must be ready to accept the responsibility for providing such leadership. We must, by our lives, so strengthen the imperishable bonds of loyalty and devotion that Britain and her family of nations may continue to provide that spiritual guidance of which the world has so great a need, that the British name may regain its proud place, that the voice of Britain may once more resound in the councils of the world."

Art at Fort Street.

Throughout the ages, men have expressed themselves in many different ways, each choosing the medium for which he, or his subject, or both, was best suited. Many have chosen to use the brush as their instrument of expression, and they have produced works that are admired by all.

Below are listed some of the best-known painters of which reproductions are to be found in the School.

To the school of Venice belonged Titian, Tintoretto, Lotto, the Bellinis, and Moroni, attracted to Venice by the work of Lotto. His "Portrait of a Tailor" is exhibited in the Art Room, and shows that he appreciated that "a man's a man for all that." The portrait brings out the nobility of even the meanest of people, and heralds the age of democracy in art, when painters would no longer be devoting their whole attention to noble persons.

The period of the Reformation with its many savage wars, hardly seems to be a period when art would flourish, particularly in Germany. Yet belonging to this period is Hans Holbein (1497-1543), whose chief importance to us lies in the historical value of his paintings: in them we see reflected the life, the dress and the customs of his age. His portrait of Henry VIII, sovereign of England from 1509 to 1547, is exhibited in Room 8. We never imagine Henry VIII to be anything but as Holbein has painted him.

In England in the Eighteenth Century we find the two rivals, Gainsborough (1727-1788) and Sir Joshua Reynolds (1723-1792), the first president of the Royal Academy. Whatever view the one stated about art, the other would endeavour to contradict. Thus, when Reynolds stated that blue should not be massed together, Gainsborough retaliated with the "Blue Boy" (Room 22).

Sir Joshua Reynolds is represented in the School by his "Age of Innocence" (Room 7),

a charming portrait of his six-year-old grand-niece, in which he reveals his reverence for the innocence of childhood.

Meanwhile painting had risen in France. During the Romantic Period which followed the Revolution, we find such great names as Corot and Troyon (1810-1865). One of the latter's best-known paintings is his "Return to the Farm" (exhibited in the Art Room), in which he depicts, with a faithfulness to life, the return of the animals to the stalls at sunset.

One of the great portrait painters of France in the Nineteenth Century was Paul Delaroche (1797-1856). He excelled in historical paintings, and his most famous work, a portrait of Napoleon, exhibited in Room 4, shows that he well understood the character of the Emperor. He shows the dreaming nature inherent in Napoleon, and shows also the despair to which the Emperor gave way as his star declined.

Another interesting portrait of Napoleon is by an Englishman, W. Q. Orchardson, R. A. Here, the Emperor is shown on board the "Bellerophon," staring moodily out to sea.

The American, Whistler (1834-1902) was one of the important figures of Nineteenth Century Art. Two of his portraits are in the School: one, of himself, in Room 4, the other of Carlyle, in Room 1. Whistler held many revolutionary ideas about painting, and all his life defended those views against hostile criticism.

Such is, in brief, the history of Art to the Nineteenth Century. We have seen the curious creations of our own age, which some maintain to be a degeneration: are these to be the standards of the future, or is there to be a reaction. What is to be the future of Art? Who knows?

— L. SEIFFERT, 4A.

DEBATING REPORT.

Owing to a marked lack of enthusiasm, School debating this year was not what it might have been.

Our Hume-Barbour team, however, consisting of Colin Kench, Arthur Mason and Ross Reid, did exceptionally well, scoring wins over Manly and Nth. Sydney Tech. and losing narrowly to Nth. Sydney High. Most of the credit must go to the coach, Mr.

During the year the Debating Society has met weekly in the library to practise and discuss debating matters. In the first term, a team from Fort St. Girls' visited the School and proved for the third successive time that when it comes to an argument, the "weaker" sex is invincible. Our team on this occasion consisted of Ray Toms, Barry Manefield and Arthur Mason.



SENIOR DEBATING TEAM

BACK ROW: L. to R.: C. Kench, R. Reid.
FRONT ROW: L. to R.: Mr. M. Dasey, A. Mason.

Dasey, whose untiring efforts contributed greatly to the team's success.

This year Fort St. fielded a junior team consisting of David Fraser, Warwick Rourke, Michael Newman and Ian Dean. This team scored only one win over Manly, but this was no fault of our Coach Mr. Rose, who co-operated in every way to improve our debating.

Our Hume-Barbour team returned the compliment by visiting Fort St. Girls' during the second term, the result being yet another win for the girls.

We should like to thank the girls for their hospitality when we visited them, and it is to be hoped that their visit here proved enjoyable to them.

FORT STREET ANNUAL BALL — 7th JULY

The Annual School Ball this year proved as great a success as it has been in previous years.

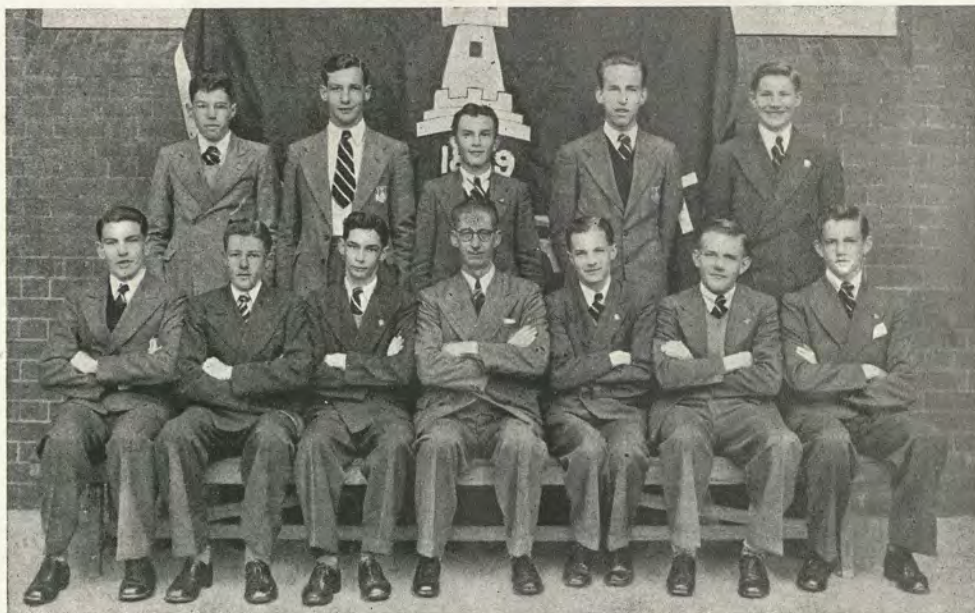
It was pleasing to see a very large crowd of Fortians in attendance, both present pupils and Old Boys, also a large representation from our sister school, decked out in their finest array. We shall look forward to many such successful occasions in the future.

Our thanks are extended to Messrs. McLellan, O'Sullivan, Arnold and Shea for the competence with which arrangements were made. A special word of thanks is due also to the boys who made the hall so attractive. The Ladies' Committee once more came to

our assistance in providing an excellent supper.

By way of a surprise an exhibition of dancing was arranged by our ever-willing friend, Miss Ann McDonald, and enjoyed by all present.

I would like here to mention the dances held through the term. An excellent orchestra is provided and a really good time can be assured for all who wish to come along. However the attendance at these dances has been disappointing. How about joining in the social life of your school and sharing in the fun at the dances next year.



FORTIAN COMMITTEE

BACK ROW: L. to R.—D. Fraser (Editor), A. Mercer (Business Manager), R. Harper, B. Apps, I. Dean.

FRONT ROW: L. to R.—W. Rourke, M. Jones, C. Monty, Mr. G. Bohman (Master-in-Charge), L. Seiffert, B. Bradshaw, B. Field.

ABSENT: P. Adney (Sports Editor).

THE MUSIC CLUB.

When this club was inaugurated last year it was decided that only classical music would be presented at our weekly recitals. This ideal has been maintained this year and so we have been very pleased to find that this type of music has been able to attract several listeners. However the great majority of these listeners are juniors. We are sure that there are many seniors who could spend one lunch hour each week listening to some really fine music.

The programmes are selected with the ut-

most care for we wish to give our listeners the greatest satisfaction from our limited means.

Finally we would like to thank Mr. Mearns and Mr. Treharne for their co-operation and help in these recitals, which have been a great success in the past and, we hope, will be a much greater success in the future. We invite everyone to attend our recitals held during the Tuesday luncheon period, as we believe that the understanding of good music is an integral part of thorough education.

LIBRARY REPORT.

With regard to the addition of books, the year 1949 was unfortunately not the best in the School's history, as only 138 books, (far below the usual number) were added. This state of affairs, however, may be accredited to the high average cost of books and to the activities of the centenary year.

Indeed, thanks to the exceedingly generous donations of the Ladies' Committee, to whom we extend our deepest gratitude, we have already surpassed the above-mentioned figure in August this year; and, since the rate of discard is rather lower than the rate of increase, the present total of books is now over 3,600 from 3,478 at the end of last year.

To the donors of books and "The Company of the Forgetful" we wish to communicate our appreciation and, to the former, encouragement, emphasizing our preference for the first type of assistance. In particular we acknowledge the donation of a 15-volume set of Dickens's novels, of which, incidentally more than half are on loan at the time of writing. Also, this year, we have received volumes XXXIII and XXXIV of the "Journal and Proceedings of the Australian Historical Association," making a total of 11 volumes in the library (XXIV-XXXIV inclusive).

Three valuable additions to our Reference Section are: "Statesman's Year Book 1949"; "Pears' Cyclopædia" (latest edition); and the "Readers' Encyclopædia" by William Rose Benet. The Reference Section is given over to encyclopædias, dictionaries and the like

which are not to be removed from the Library, although smaller reference books are classified in their subjects and are available to borrowers unless they are amongst the number placed in stock for honours students.

It may here be mentioned that, with the advent of Mr. Farlow, our new mathematics master, a mathematics library is now in operation. This is run apart from the main library, under the care of a selected 4th year student, and comprises books of conundrums and other such general mathematical amusements besides the customary text-books. The School, particularly senior students, should be grateful for the opportunities afforded by this new institution.

Mr. Barnard, our capable Librarian, expended his usual efforts on the culture of the School and in this task he was assisted, this year, by the library prefect Arthur Mason and by the class librarians who have the responsibility of placing incoming books on the shelves and of rearranging the books and chairs left in such an untidy fashion by careless students.

In conclusion, I urge the School to profit more from our increasing range of books, by not only borrowing them but also reading them, and in return for time spent in this pursuit they will surely receive enlightenment and culture. Also I entreat the remembrance of two small considerations of far-reaching effect in the smooth running of a library, the care of the books while on loan, and the punctuality of their return.

FILMS.

This year the School was presented with a movie projector by the Ladies' Committee. The projector has been found to be a great asset, being used to entertain the School on wet sports days and also to show educational films to certain classes.

Thanks go to Mr. O'Sullivan who is responsible for obtaining the films and operating the projector. I am sure that the School joins with me in saying that the programmes selected have been interesting as well as educational.

The School has purchased a new lens which increases the focal distance from 50 to 100 ft., enabling Mr. O'Sullivan to project the films from the projector box, instead of from a table in the middle of the hall. Another addition is the connection of a gramophone which is played at the beginning and end

of the programmes, and when the films are being changed.

It was found that the lighter comedy films were more popular than the scientific films. Films such as French and American scenes, sports (Empire Games). "This Is England" a pictorial film of England and physics films such as "This Atomic Age", not to mention the ever popular silent films featuring Charlie Chaplin and W. C. Fields, were shown.

The projector has been welcomed with great joy by the boys, who all agree that it is a pleasing addition to the School property and sometimes a welcome relief from lessons. Again thanks to Mr. O'Sullivan for the great job he is doing for the benefit of the School by keeping these films going and I am sure we all appreciate it very much.

— R. HARPER, 4A.



CADET CORPS

A JOB FOR CHRISTMAS.

It was last November when I reached far down into that portion of the family purse that I call my own and found it unmistakably empty! Not a single Halfpenny gave me a friendly glance to reassure me about the coming Christmas buying spree. My father, like most fathers, I fear, would not let me have any money unless I earned it, and earning things is distasteful to me, particularly distasteful in view of what my father calls 'earning'. My mother was running into next weeks allowance as it was and simply couldn't spare a penny. (This seems to be a common ailment to mothers in general).

Only one course lay open to me and it was with heavy heart that I applied for a job at Snoot Bros. Sons. Co. Pty. Ltd. (try saying that the way its spelt. It doesn't work out nearly as you think and makes you feel silly for having tried it.) I was ushered into the sacred precincts of the office of Mr. Snoot (Snr.). There was never a time in my memory when I was not terrified of authority and this, unfortunately was no exception. The sight of Mr. Snoot nearly drove me to tears and it was quite fifteen minutes before any sort of conversation could begin. However Mr. Snoot was very nice about the whole thing; so nice, in fact that I thought he was going to make me lie down and take my temperature on the spot, not forgetting to make me say 'aah' in the process. He successfully cajoled me into believing that life was simply not worth living without having, at some time during your career, worked for Snoot's. (Bros. Sons. Co. Pty. Ltd.).

I started my job bright, shiny and full of resolutions to be the most hardworking person in the business. (This plan however came to an undignified end after about two days). I was very happy at the fact that instead of being known as 'Hi, you' I was to be called 'Mr. —', no end of pleasure to me, I assure you. I soon found however that this was used only as a preliminary to telling me to sweep the floor. The number of times this floor needed cleaning was always an endless source of wonderment to me. On the first day I finished all my allotted job amazingly fast, (considering my usual pace, that is) only to find that the floor needed sweeping again. This happened no less than three times on the first day before I realized that sweeping the floor was just an interval in which to think of more jobs for me to do. After that I did the jobs in my own time and the confounded floor could go to Hades until I was ready to sweep it, so there! This ruse however did not escape the eagle eye

of Miss Seagreen who was my superior both in age and position, but most particularly in age. Miss Seagreen had a personal dislike for me, and all because I could not remember her name. I had, on occasions called her Miss Seaweed, Mudgreen and Greenfish, each of which annoyed her to such an extent that she meted out full punishment, or in other words I had to sweep the floor again. What? No lorries to carry the heavy cargo? Then let Mr. — (me) carry it. Hey ho, fun for all. All that is, except Mr. — who could only be recognised by his overalls, as his face was too close to the ground, being kept in that position by the impossible load on his back. (I have been positively sick and on being asked to carry a weight more than two pounds ever since). Miss Seagreen on many occasions told me various opinions of myself, that I am sure must have kept her awake all night to think them out, but sleep or no sleep, Mr. — was her slave from nine to half past five Mondays to Fridays and matinee on Saturdays.

Not that all the superiors were disagreeable, mind you, as a visit from Mr. Snoot himself made you feel so much at home that you had an almost irresistible urge to put your feet up on the mantlepiece and go to sleep on the spot. (The mantlepiece was imaginary of course, but then so was the sleep). Miss Seagreen admired Mr. Snoot both for being Mr. Snoot and being the manager of the firm as well. It was always astonishing to me the way that this lady could change her voice from that of a parade-ground Sergeant (in which case I was invariably the parade-ground private) to that voice that so resembled honey that it seemed to trickle into the ear, through the complex working of the brain and gradually penetrate the furthestmost outposts of the body. This is a most unpleasant feeling as I never did like honey anyway.

The most amazing thing about my job, however, was that I was earning more in one week than I had in one year before and was spending in the same ratio! Now I have but fifteen shillings to show for my efforts and personally I couldn't care less. The only drawback of course, is when I again go to the purse in November and find its emptiness relieved only by fifteen shillings (or something less by then, I expect). But if I am again forced to work then it shall only be on the assurance that Miss Seagreen has left will I return and enter the doors of Snoot's (Bros. Sons. Co. Pty. Ltd.).

— R. SWANSON, 4C.

OPERATION BOTTLETOP.

A Chronicle Of The Cadets.

Tuesday, and the gallant members of the cadets who have plucked up enough courage to attend N.C.Os parade fall in, and, under the able command of Sergeant Wash, are marched off the safety of the School verandah to glory or to doom. (Most probably doom!)

Our so called brave Sergeant hands over to our very courageous, if not very intelligent, Cdt/Lt. Bench and hastily makes his retreat after having told Bench that "he definitely has no intentions of shooting through." (Ah, to be a sergeant!)

Now the exciting part of the parade begins. Cdt/Lt. Bench, apparently not knowing the danger of our seemingly inactive enemy, the Bottle-Washers, marches us around to the battle ground, even neglecting to arm us.

"Pla-toon Halt! Ri-ght Turn!"

Here we are, standing in front of the tuck-shop and facing the abode of our deadly enemies. Already we can hear them making plans and yelling orders to try and baffle and confuse us.

Then silence..... Bench, hardly believing his good luck hastily continues the lecture and forgets about the Bottle-Washers.

Then..... "FIRE!"

The deadly, well aimed, bottletops sail over the fence, our gallant Cdt/Lt. and other members of our force are hit.

After examining his attire to make sure the enemy had not used mustard gas or acid Bench gives us a short talk on the mentality of bottle-washers, tells us they know no better and orders us not to return their fire during parade.

Then the spirit of aggressiveness invades our enemies and the bottletops come over the fence in greater numbers than before.

Our brave Lt. has difficulty in dodging them, one flies past his ear, another hits his leg, still he does not order us to return their fire!

Then a terrific barrage and at least three missiles strike Bench on various parts of the body. THIS IS IT! Will he order us to attack or retreat!

"Pa-rade, Ri-ght Turn! Quick March!"

Retreat, glorious retreat and the safety of the front of the School. The battle is over and the next day innocent Fortians will ask each other how the large number of bottletops came to be in the lower quadrangle.

IF ONLY THEY KNEW!

P. JARRAH, 5A.

THE FATHER AND SON EVENING.

This year's Father and Son Evening, held in the Memorial Hall on the 11th March, proved to be as great a success as it has been in previous years.

After the singing of the School Song, the President of the Ladies' Committee, Mrs. W. Selle, extended a welcome to all present, and introduced the Chairman, Mr. Mearns, our Headmaster.

The first musical interlude of the evening, a solo by Mrs. C. Rutherford, was enjoyed by all.

Mr. W. Selle, who has maintained a lifelong association with Fort Street, proposed the toast to the School. In his interesting address, Mr. Selle spoke of the link between the Sydney University and Fort Street. John Butt, the School Captain, responded to the toast.

Ron Isoardi, a piano accordionist, then entertained us with some popular music.

Following this the First and Second Year Pupils, ably conducted by Mr. Treharne, rendered "Play the Game," the inspiring

words of which were written by Mr. Mearns.

Dr. H. Wyndham spoke of the academic side of education, reminding us of the great opportunities that are open to us to-day. "Push off, and keep going," was the advice he left for us to consider.

Frank Scott, a magician, provided very good entertainment for both fathers and sons.

The toast to "The Fathers" was proposed by last year's School Captain, Robert Morgan. In a short interesting speech he spoke of the attitude of the boys towards their fathers. This toast was responded to by Mr. P. H. Fisher, President of the Parents and Citizens' Association, who told us about the social relations existing between pupils, teachers and fathers, and of the ways "Dad can help his son."

Following this, an excellent supper was served by the Ladies' Committee, who are always prepared to lend a helping hand, and to whom congratulations and thanks must be extended for the complete success of this annual function.

CHESS CLUB, 1950.

Fort St. had 4 entrants in the 1949 N.S.W. Junior Championship. The placings were H. Pang, 1st, (aeq.) and M. Newman, 4th, in the Under 16 Division, and T. Trahair, 2nd, and D. Fraser, 5th, in the Under 14 Division.

In the 1950 event the placings were H. Pang, 3rd, M. Newman, 4th, T. Trahair, 6th, and D. Fraser, 8th, in the Under 16 Division, and P. Watkins, 3rd, in the Under 14 Division.

This year we entered 5 teams in the Inter-Schools Competition. The "A" grade team gained first place, wresting the title from Sydney High, scoring 21½ points to 21. The team was H. Pang, 4A; N. Trahair, 5A; T. Trahair, 2A; M. Newman, 4B; and D. Fraser, 4A.

The "B" grade team has entered the finals of the grade by coming equal first in the 2nd division. The team is B. Field, 4A; M. Florence, 4C; K. Sayers, 4A; P. Adney, 4A; and S. Bohman, 4A.

The "C" grade team entered the finals by gaining a decisive victory in its Division.

The team is I. Cooke, 4B; G. Garnett, 4A; P. Watkins, 2B; R. Harper, 4A; and M. Jones, 4B.

The other two "C" grade teams contained a number of promising juniors who gained valuable experience although they did not gain any placings.

We were fortunate in having a visit at the end of the 2nd term, from Mr. C. J. S. Purdy, Champion of Australia, who gave a simultaneous exhibition at the School, when 38 boys played him. Wins were scored by L. Seiffert, H. Pang and K. Sayers and M. Newman gained a draw. We hope in the near future to have more of these exhibitions.

At the beginning of the year we were fortunate to be given ten chess sets by the Ladies' Committee.

We would like to thank Mr. Treharne for his valuable work during the year for the club, and also Mr. Shea and the cleaners for their assistance in staging matches at home.

Fort Street Cadet Unit.

The idea of discipline, properly understood, underlies civil life in the same way as it is the basis of military life. The training each gives to the youth of the country should together constitute a balanced individual. In the family life the foundations of character are laid but the time comes when the boy has outgrown his family—or thinks he has—and wants to launch out into a larger community. That larger community should be a club community in which the boy learns that the basis of all discipline is self-discipline. In this respect the Cadet movement affords excellent training.

Fort St. has maintained a high standard of training and efficiency this year. The Unit is now 120 strong in comparison with 100 last year. Recruits are enlisting every week, though unfortunately some have to be put on the waiting list until they attain their fourteenth year or the minimum height of 4ft. 9ins.

The Annual Camp was held at Glenfield during the May vacation. Although the accommodation under canvas left much to be desired yet the camp was very satisfactory from the point of view of training and for a change the Cadets had better rations than the officers.

We congratulate Cdt-Lieut. F. Johnstone and B. Davis in getting to Duntroon.

Cadet Lieuts. I. Rutherford, C. Kench, G. Stanford and P. Williams qualified for their

Commissions in January. Williams acted as S.M. and didn't the Cadets sit up when Sergt. Major was on parade.

Cpls. Phillips, Howard, Young Lee, and Precians qualified at the N.C.O. School.

Specialist Courses May 50

Cpl. J. Wild, No. 48 Sigs. Course — distinguished.

Cpl. G. Young Lee, No. 50, 3" Mortar Course — distinguished.

Cpl. B. Phillips, No. 51 M.M.G. Course — distinguished.

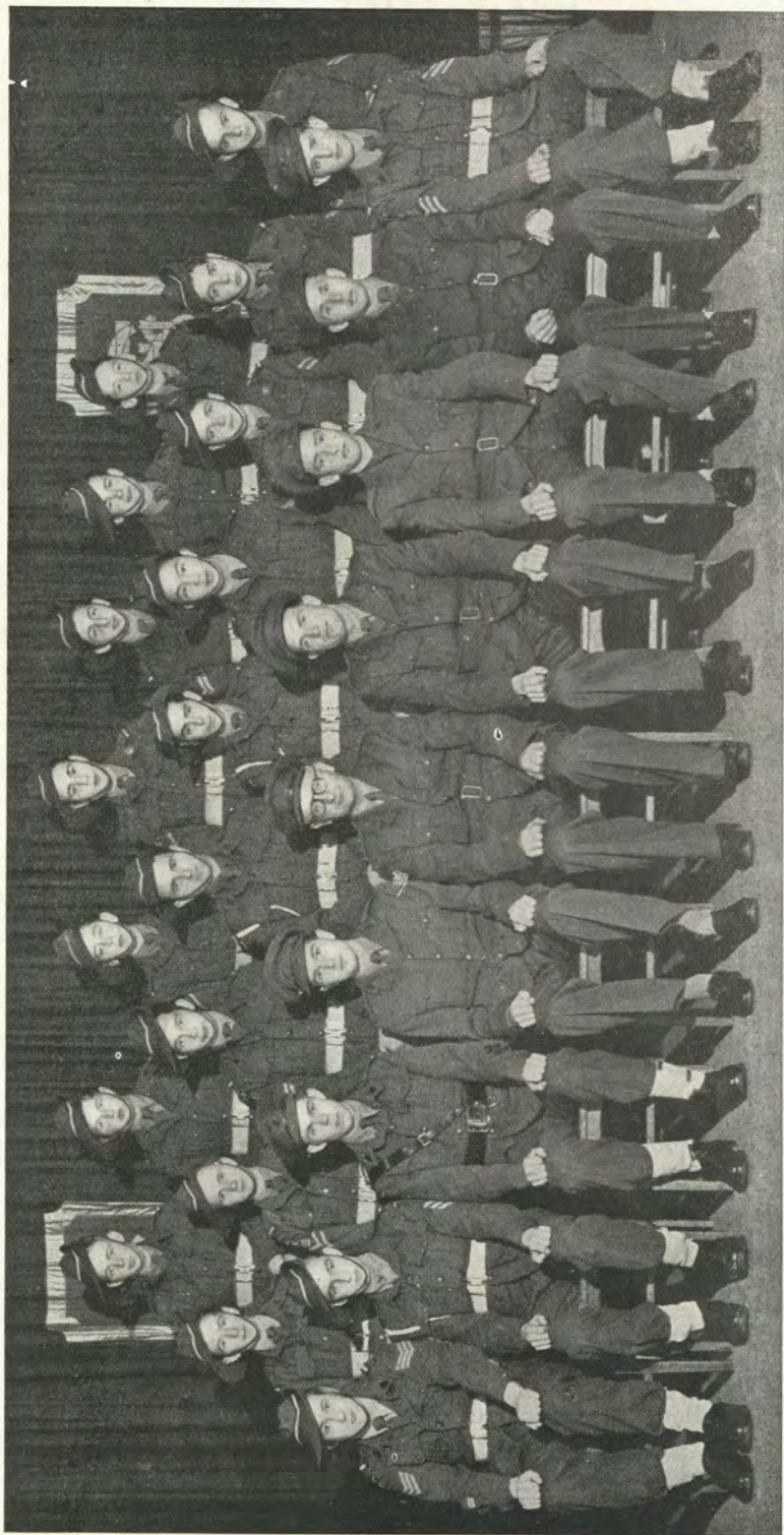
Cadet V. Smart, Drum and Bugle Course — qualified.

Cadet J. Grant, Drum and Bugle Course — qualified.

Sgt. J. Chapman, No. 52, Intelligence Course — qualified.

We welcome Lieut. K. McLellan who is doing splendid work on the "Q" side. Mr. Darke has gone to Kogarah and we are grateful to him for his efforts while with us. Mr. Went is still interested and is kept well informed of events. Mr. Went loved every moment spent with the Fort St. Cadets.

Thanks to Capt. Nelson and the Staff of No. 8 Belmore for their assistance. W. O. Adams has been a tower of strength again this year. Our Cadet Lieuts. did a splendid job in maintaining discipline and giving instruction. Due to the co-operation of all concerned we had a very successful year in the Cadet Unit.



CADET OFFICERS

BACK ROW: L. to R.: L/Cpl. MacIntyre, L/Cpl. Arnold, L/Cpl. Chinn, L/Cpl. Sullivan, Cpl. Simons, Cpl. Jarratt, L/Cpl. Jeffrey.
 MIDDLE ROW: L. to R.—Cpl. Precians, Cpl. Dickens, Cpl. Smith, Sgt. Fightmann, Sgt. Halliburton, Cpl. Young-Lee, Cpl. Howard,
 L./Cpl. Wild, Cpl. Phillips.
 FRONT ROW: L. to R.—Sgt. Hespe, Sgt. Chapman, W/O2 Williams, Cdt. Lt. Kench, Capt. O'Sullivan, Lt. McLellan, Cdt. Lt.
 Rutherford, Cdt. Lt. Stanford, S./Sgt. Eddy.

FORT STREET ON THE AIR

This year Fort Street was twice honoured over the radio. The first occasion was on May 18, when the B.B.C. broadcast a programme in connection with International Good Will Day, including a speech by Arthur Mason of Fort Street. This speech had been recorded previously by the A.B.C. and sent to England, from where it was broadcast, and shortly afterwards a letter of thanks was received from the B.B.C.

Then, in July, we were again asked to provide a speaker, this time for the A.B.C., in regard to the United Nations' Appeal for

Children, and once more Arthur Mason was chosen to represent us. The broadcast was made on July 12, with the other speakers including the Minister for Education and the President of the Teachers' Federation, and once again, favourable comment was received by Fort Street.

It is pleasing indeed to think that when such an occasion arises, it is to Fort Street that the honour is paid, and this can only reveal still more clearly how great is the reputation of our School, and how widely it is respected.

INTER-SCHOOLS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP.

The Inter-Schools Christian Fellowship (I.S.C.F.) is an organisation with a twofold purpose: to bring schoolboys to a knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour, and to build up, by means of fellowship, the spiritual lives of those who have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and King.

An interdenominational group, we have refrained from introducing sectarian topics, discussing only that Gospel on which all Christianity is founded—the victorious death of Jesus Christ for mankind. To this end, we met twice weekly, the Seniors on Fridays, and the Juniors on Mondays, at 12.45 p.m. on the top floor, with the meetings being led by various senior students. Every month or so, we had a special speaker from I.S.C.F. headquarters, for as the name implies, I.S.C.F. is a State wide organisation, serving to unite

fellows from different Schools in Christian friendship.

In addition to these regular meetings, every alternate Saturday night a number of Drawing Room meetings were held, the most popular being Concord, Epping and Burwood and to these meetings all Fortians are welcome. Moreover a number of camps were organised during the various vacations, and ourselves ran a House Party at Mt. Victoria during First Term, and it was the general opinion that these camps were an outstanding feature of I.S.C.F.

But most important of all, by far, was our weekly prayer meeting, held every Tuesday afternoon, and to which we attribute what little success we may have enjoyed.

We are looking forward to seeing YOU at I.S.C.F. meetings next year, and we assure you you will receive a warm welcome!!

FORT STREET'S STAR GOLFER

In September 1948, a Fort St. pupil, Alex Mercer, at the age of 14, made his first appearance in competitive golf. The event was the North Shore Schoolboys' foursome championship. Alex and his partner finally won after a very tight battle. A few months later, on the 7th January, 1949, he made his second appearance—this time in the North Shore Schoolboys' Senior championship, which he won by six strokes with a score of 72.

Then on the 27th January, Alex played in the N.S.W. Schoolboys' Championship. He was beaten into second place in the Open Championship, by Jerry Fowler of Waverly College. However, in winning the 14 years' age group championship, he completed the

hat-trick—three appearances for three wins.

Then in August, 1949, aged 15, he was fortunate enough to smash the course record for amateurs with a round of 66 at North Ryde course. A week later, playing with a schoolboy friend at North Ryde, he broke the professional record for the course with a round of 64. As a result of these rounds a membership was made vacant for him at the Roselands' Club.

On the 26th January, 1950, Alex entered the N.S.W. Schoolboys' Championships for the second time. This time, besides winning the 15 years' age group championship he won the Open Championship with a round of 72, which broke the Beverley Park course record by two strokes. The runner-up, John Curtis,

after breaking the course record with a 73 was unlucky to lose.

After this Mercer was invited to play in the McWilliams Wines Tournament at Kensington, on March 23rd-24th. The headmaster, Mr. Mearns, who is a keen sport-lover, allowed Alex time off to compete. The occasion was too big this time and Alex, with a score

of 162 for the first 36 holes, was 21st in the amateur section.

Since then Alex has won numerous trophies in club competitions at Roselands, and has been a regular representative in his club's grade-team. His latest win was in July, when, with his partner J. Higgerson, he won the Roselands' Club Foursome Championship by nine strokes.

OUR TABLE TENNIS CHAMP !

We all welcome a new Australian to Fort Street.

He is John Klesman who was born in Tallin, Estonia, in 1934. He received most of his education in Estonia but moved to Frankfurt on the Oder River in Germany to help his father on a farm. At the outbreak of the war he was interned by the Fascists because of his father's activities.

John, who is one of the leading N.S.W. table tennis players began to play table tennis in a displaced persons camp at Munich after the war ended in Germany. After practising very hard for a few months he soon became one of the camp's leading players. Soon after he achieved his first major victory by winning the American Zone Junior Championship of Germany.

From then on success followed success and in 1948 he migrated to Australia to settle anew. Immediately after his arrival a team was formed from the camp where he lived and the team was entered in the Victorian

team competition. They were successful in winning the Victorian teams competition. Soon following this John Klesman settled in Sydney. He entered in the N.S.W. Championships in 1949 and was successful in winning the N.S.W. Junior Singles title, Special Singles, Junior Doubles and several grades. Following this he had quite a few successes in the Metropolitan area and following his performances in this year's N.S.W. titles he was selected as the No.2 member of the N.S.W. team to represent this State in the Australian Championships in Brisbane.

By reaching the men's open table tennis final, winning the Junior Singles, Junior Doubles and the Special Singles he now has the best record a junior has ever had in this State.

He has a good chance of winning the Australian Junior Championship which will commence in October, in Brisbane and we all wish him the best of luck in this and in his future career, both at his studies and at table tennis.

CHRISMAS HOUSE REPORT

This year Christmas House take much pleasure in presenting its sixth annual report.

For the first time for some years, Christmas excelled itself by narrowly defeating Williams House in Athletics. In previous years we have not been very successful in this field of sport, but now we have come out on top. We are greatly indebted to J. Dorsett and R. Barnes who proved themselves a valuable asset to the house.

Although last year we won the Hannan Cup for Aquatics this year we were not so fortunate.

The House was once again well represented in the Arthur Parker Cup Team by having three (J. Butt, J. Balderson, D. Dart) out of the five members in the team which once again returned the Cup to the School.

Owing to the extensive rain during the winter season, the House competition for football was abandoned.

Our heartiest congratulations go to Max Cowgill of our House who was selected as the Captain of the Combined High Schools Football Team.

Christmas House was well represented in the cricket for five out of the eleven members of the first grade team belonged to our House.

On the whole we seemed to have done fairly well compared with the other Houses. Finally, we desire to thank Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Dasey our House Masters for their untiring efforts in the organisation and management of the House.

— DAVID DART. (House Captain).

KILGOUR HOUSE REPORT

Kilgour failed to attain its usually high standard in team competitions this year. The main reason for the decline was due to the lack of enthusiasm displayed by the Senior members of the house. If more interest was shown by the Seniors better results would inevitably be achieved.

In spite of our efforts at the Athletics and Swimming Carnivals we failed to register victories. Individual efforts were good, laurels for Athletics going to K. Hoveling and K. James who obtained 1st and 2nd placings as Junior Champions at the Carnival.

Kilgour performed well on the tennis courts. We were well represented in the grade teams, with 50 per cent. of the 1st and 2nd grades coming from Kilgour.

I would like to see greater efforts from those members who are lagging behind; do your bit to help the house; a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. Do your best to help, as team-spirit is essential if we are to succeed.

I want to thank our House Masters Messrs. Hearse and Fitzpatrick and the house vice-captains for the work they did in an effort to bring Kilgour out in front.

To all members of Kilgour House, we of the departing 5th year say—fight and strive, not as individuals but as a team, to put your house on top where it belongs.

— J. GIDDEY, House Captain.

MEARNS' HOUSE REPORT

With a hundred years of glorious achievement behind our school we have entered a new century. An era in which we hope our previous achievements will be surpassed and our glory perpetuated. This end will only be reached by the concentrated effort and combined enthusiasm of every Fortian.

It pleases us greatly to be able to report that such effort and enthusiasm was displayed by the members of our house. With House Spirit, as it was known in the early stages of the House System, seeming to be on the wave, Mearns House set a fine example to the other Houses. If we wish to retain our place as the leading House we must strive harder and with more enthusiasm. We must strive not only in those fields in which victory seems probable but in those where defeat seems inevitable.

The 58th Annual Swimming Carnival was a triumph for Mearns. Our victory was not due solely to the grand performances of our champions but also to the efforts of the dozens of competitors who filled minor places or who merely took our colours to the start.

The Annual Athletics Carnival was further proof of the results which may be achieved through enthusiastic effort. Christmas, the winners, showed grand determination in defeating the very strong Williams House and our own effort was one of which to be proud. This carnival seemed only to further prove the great gains which may be had by enthusiasm.

The school 1st XV which acquitted itself so well in the C.H.S. competition was studded with Mearns House members. Des Mourney popular Senior prefect gained honour for our House by his selection as vice-captain of

the C.H.S. Second XV. Other members of the House who played, in the 1st School XV were B. Manefield, A. Mercer, B. Lamb, F. Peisah, B. Lukins and J. Ramm.

In the other grades and in the House teams the "Blues" were also prominent.

Following last years win in the cricket competition Mearns started the 1950 season with some very good wins in House competitions and with a good representation in the school teams.

I would like to thank all these boys who during this last year have helped in organising our House activities. The Mearns House prefects are specially worthy of praise and the enthusiastic juniors all contributed to our 1950 successes. Our House Master, Mr. Bohman, rendered yeoman service to us and by it won the thanks of every member of the House.

Let the year 1950 be a lesson to be remembered in the future. Learn by the experiences of this year and use the knowledge gained to bring further merit to Mearns House.

— JOHN I. RAMM, House Captain.

Our Times.

- Our food we get from bright tin cans,
Selected pasteurised.
- Our air comes through electric fans,
Aseptic, Sterilised.
- Our information's from the Press,
Digested, bowdlerised.
- Our lives we still get in amess,
Inept and ill-advised.

— ROBERT ATKINS, 4C.

WILLIAM'S HOUSE ANNUAL REPORT

To the boys of Fort St., 1950 means more than just another year of activity, for this year Fort St. stepped onto the threshold of a new century of its existence. It is therefore very pleasing that the members of Williams House, as part of the School, should display the fine spirit that they did. I wish to sincerely congratulate them for their zeal and high standard of sportsmanship.

Since the inauguration of the House system Williams House has always been well to the fore in both competition and general house spirit, and this position was again maintained this year. I feel confident that our School will ascend to far greater heights in the future with the House system acting as a backbone for the support of School spirit and sportsmanship.

The Swimming Carnival saw Williams House fall into a third placing, a position which could be vastly improved upon in the future. Nevertheless the House spirit was maintained throughout the Carnival when our position was evidently hopeless.

The football fields were composed of a mixture of mud and slush throughout the season and this factor somewhat dampened the footballers' spirits; the result being that any efforts to predict "who won what" would be merely flights of fancy.

The 40th Athletic Carnival saw an overconfident Williams House defeated by a house

which had "no possible chance of winning." We were defeated because our members did not think it necessary to enter as many events as possible. I must stress that swimming and athletic carnivals are **not** won by individuals. The attitude was that, with a few good athletes, Williams House could easily win. Christmas House won solely because they had a multitude of minor placings over us. Congratulations to a house that can win a carnival by simple dogged determination.

Unfortunately, at the time writing, the cricket competition has not been finalised and I can merely hope that our teams come up to expectations and fulfil their obligations as sportsmen and gentlemen on the cricket field.

We were very well represented in all school sporting activities and this again reflected a reasonably high standard amongst our members.

I would like to thank the House Vice-Captains for their untiring and invaluable assistance in all house activities, and also to extend very sincere thanks to our House Master, Mr. Kester, for his wholehearted assistance in all house matters.

As the House is forever gaining new members to whom we must pass our responsibilities, I remind them of our house motto "Strive and Thrive," hoping that our younger members will elevate Williams House to an appropriate superiority.

— S. TAYLOR, House Captain.

NEWS AND NOTES OF 1950.

The "Fortian" and School extend their congratulations to the prefects of 1950. They are:—

Captain: A. Mercer.

Vice-Captain: K. Hoveling.

Prefects: M. Jones, R. Harper, N. Hardwick, P. Adney, J. Aney, N. Gibbs, A. Sharam, H. Page, P. Williams, R. Barnes, B. Petrie, D. Fraser, A. Dawson, D. McTaggart, P. Casimir, L. Seiffert, I. Cooke, B. Morton, A. Day, R. Milgate, W. Rourke, C. Simons, R. ETTY, G. Precians, G. Morgan.

Our congratulations are extended to all successful candidates who sat for the Leaving or Intermediate Certificates of 1949, and we wish the same success to the candidates at this year's exams.

We extend our congratulations to Mr. V. Cohen, a former teacher at this school, who, after gaining his LL.B degree last year, took up his new profession as a barrister. Few

men would have the courage to take up a new profession, as Mr. Cohen did, at his time of life.

It was reported, although we could not get official confirmation, that two 1st Grade Footballers were caught in the act of taking Bullj soil from North Sydney Oval after a recent football match there.

On behalf of the boys of Fort Street we would like to thank Mrs. Ninness and Mrs. Fuller for the wonderful work they have done in the tuckshop during the past year.

The School thanks the caretaker, Mr. Shea, for his help and work around the School.

With all this talk of a School "spirit", several of the weaker-minded First Years have come to the conclusion that the School is haunted.



PUGNACITY - IRRITABILITY -
- A WARLIKE DISPOSITION



PRACTICAL COMMON-
- SENSE - SHOWS AN
APTITUDE FOR BUSINESS



SHARPNESS AND CUNNING
VERY DANGEROUS



CONSIDERABLE SELF-
ESTEEM

CHARACTER READING

BY THE MOUSTACHE



GENIALITY, ECCENTRICITY, EXTREME YOUTH
HOPEFULNESS - LACK OF [NB. THE READER IS RECOMMENDED
BUSINESS CAPACITY



TO USE A POWERFUL MAGNIFYING-
GLASS FOR THIS SPECIMEN.]

HIT TUNE.

Verse: Up at the good old school
The kids all play the fool
But in between the periods
You hear the fellows drool.

I've got a lov'ly lot of homework
See the books all standing in a row.
Big ones, small ones, some as thick as your
head,
"Do your work and do not shirk," that's
what the master said.
I've got a lov'ly lot of homework,

Every prose I do will make me sick.
There stands me dad—
He says, "Look here, my lad,
Now get it done or else you'll get the stick."

Chorus: Now get it done or else you'll get
the stick—
Now get it done or else you'll get the stick—
Go and get it done—
Go and get it done
Now get it done or else you get the stick.
(From "I've got a lovely bunch of Cocoanuts).
— J. HICKS, 3A.



1st GRADE FOOTBALL

BACK ROW: L. to R.: J. Butt, J. Ramm, C. Kench, K. Hoveling.
 MIDDLE ROW: L. to R.—Lt. K. McLellan (Coach), F. Peisan, B. Manefield, J. Giddey, A. Mercer, E. Shaw, R. Hughes, B. Johnstone,
 Capt. D. O'Sullivan (Sports-Master).
 FRONT ROW: L. to R.—N. Trahair, B. Lukins, D. Mourney (Vice-Captain), M. Cowgill (Captain), J. Stockman, B. Lamb.

RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL

FIRST GRADE.

Although Fort St. fielded one of the lightest teams in its history (average weight 10-5) it performed quite creditably in matches, finishing 3rd in the competition. It possessed an excellent team spirit on and off the field and yet unlike most schoolboy teams had no individually brilliant players.

This aspect was manifested in an early representative fixture when the selectors chose no less than 10 Fort St. boys to play in the 4 teams.

Fort St's leadership was also evident when Cowgill was chosen as captain of C.H.S. firsts and Mournay as vice-captain of C.H.S. seconds.

An extremely rare tenacity of purpose was also displayed by the team on numerous occasions. Once in particular it was almost incredible. Randwick High, a new team to the C.H.S. competition, had cut our backs to ribbons and at half-time had a seemingly unassailable lead of 8 to nil. On their performance our lads were hopelessly outclassed,

unable to stem the continuous onslaught of their opponents' attack. However the final result was 12-8 in Fort St's favour. It was a remarkable recovery, in which every boy gave of his best. In the appended list of results, matches against Canterbury High School and Sydney High School were cancelled. This was inevitable when torrential rain unleashed itself with unabated fury, covering all grounds to neptunal depths and making any outdoor venture impossible.

Results of games:

- v. Hurlstone: Won 9-0.
- v. Sydney Tech.: Lost 3-8.
- v. North Syd. High: Won 9-6.
- v. Parramatta: Won 8-3.
- v. Randwick: Won 12-8.
- v. Homebush: Won 6-0.
- v. North Syd. Tech.: Lost 0-3.

The following lads were chosen in C.H.S. firsts or seconds during the season: Cowgill, Mournay, Stockman, Mercer, Giddey.

SECOND GRADE.

Despite inclement weather the Second Grade finalised all competition games but one and played several non-competitive matches. In the competition table the team filled third place with the possibility of moving into second place if it had played and won the unfinalised match.

The standard of football improved vastly throughout the season so that the back-line combination and backing up of movements by the half and five eighth were pleasurable to watch.

The forwards played vigorous football from the opening of the Season and were fortunate on having breakaways who generally upset opposition back-line movements.

The full back position was filled extremely capably by Dart, whose anticipation and handling left little to be desired. Johnstone at half back combined admirably with five-eighth Moss, and as Captain directed forward play vigorously and vociferously. Adney and Bartlett in the centre positions defended and attacked strongly, both, in common with their wingers Tuckwell and Cheeseman, possessing strong penetrating runs.

Breakaway forwards James and Cook were "key men" and front row forwards improved

as the Season progressed, these positions being ably filled by Peisah, Smith, Hayes and Glover.

The second row and lock forwards, Hesper, Durham and Cowll were "bulwarks" in open play and rucking and Dawson was a worthy reserve in either forward or back positions. Levi filled positions in the back line on many occasions and was a prolific point scorer.

Spirits on and off the field were happy and each game and trip away was enjoyed to the full. The team's only regret was that they did not meet the one School whose opposition they most enjoy.

Injuries throughout the Season were low, Cheeseman sustaining an injury to the arm kept him from several matches and the other winger, Tuckwell suffering facial cuts. Our gratitude is expressed for the attention of the Lewisham Hospital Staff for their care and assistance in such cases.

In conclusion, the team would like to extend its thanks to the coach, Mr. Reid, who throughout the season, gave invaluable advice and help, and it was to his untiring efforts that we owed our successes.

THIRD GRADE.

Runners-Up.

3rd Grade commenced the season in a very shaky manner and we were fortunate in that our first match was against a team which was even more shaky. This was Manly which we defeated 27-0. But it was not good football and Fort Street showed weakness behind the scrum.

A non-competition game against Newington (which we lost) gave us an opportunity to settle down and to find a good half in E. Williams who played good solid football right through the season. F. Sharpe (the captain) came into the side and with B. Chapman and P. Casimir as centres, we had the basis of a



3rd GRADE FOOTBALL

BACK ROW: L. to R.—R. Thomas, P. Wright, E. Williams, S. Malouf, D. McTaggart.
 MIDDLE ROW: L. to R.—Mr. R. Cull (coach), P. Williams, K. Sheldrick, W. Chapman, V. Baxter,
 C. Saunders, G. Morgan.
 FRONT ROW: L. to R.—B. Olds, P. Casimir, J. Aney (Vice-Capt.), F. Sharpe (Capt.), A. Wyatt,
 P. Kidd, R. Bisaro.



4th GRADE FOOTBALL

BACK ROW: L. to R.—R. Higgs, R. Daggett, J. Whiteside, J. McGuinness.
 MIDDLE ROW: L. to R.—Mr. G. Bohman (Coach), D. Amos, G. Young-Lee, R. Wright, P. Cansick,
 B. Carter, B. Macauley.
 FRONT ROW: L. to R.—T. Watson, J. Thompson, K. Muller, B. Isaac (Capt.), T. Moore, B. Park,
 B. Petrie.

good back line. It was unfortunate that so many of our matches were played in the wet, making the ball difficult to handle. In conditions such as these the $\frac{3}{4}$ line did not have many opportunities to play open football.

S. Malouf and K. Sheldrick played on the wings and improved as the season progressed. Our full back A. Wyatt showed promise. On occasions he played really good football and should be seen in the 1st or 2nd grade next year.

The pack was good and was rarely beaten for the ball in any match. At the commencement of some of the games they were inclined to be a little gentle, but a short talk at half time induced them to be a bit more aggressive. D McTaggart as hooker was good, but was one of those who was better in the second half. His props P. Williams and R. Bisaro were good, rugged forwards. They were ably supported by the second row J. Aney (vice-captain) and B. Olds. Lock forward P. Wright was always in the thick of it and breakaways V. Baxter, "Winky" Saunders and A. Morgan did their job of breaking up the opposition back line. R. Thomas and D. Kidd also played in some of the matches.

We finished the competition undefeated, although we drew twice against Homebush and N.S.T.H.S.

We had a good non-competition game against St. Joseph's College. It rained heavily all through the match which we just lost.

Our competition match against S.H.S. was not played because of the weather and on points we finished the season runners-up to the latter team.

FOURTH GRADE.

Fourth Grade went through the season undefeated, their record being marked merely by two drawn matches. Morally they were at least joint premiers, although not awarded the honour owing to the peculiar method used by the High School's Committee in determining the winner.

The competition was not completed, owing to the rain. The results of competition matches played were:

- V. Manly: 27-0.
- V. Sydney Tech.: 3-3.
- V. North Sydney: 11-11.
- V. Hurlstone: 17-3.
- V. Parramatta: 24-3.
- V. Randwick: 8-5.
- Total: 90 for; 125 against.

The match against Sydney High was not played, but Sydney High was beaten by Parramatta. North Sydney, with which we drew and which was beaten by Sydney, was awarded the premiership.

Those who played for this grade included:

B. ISAAC: Five-eighth and captain, an inspiring leader, a brainy and tireless player

and a good kicker—the best player for his weight in the School.

R. HIGGS: Half. Despite his extreme lightness, he was the gamest of the game, contributing much to the team's success.

T. MOORE: A Straight running centre and kicker, who never played badly and should be in the Firsts next year.

K. MULLER: Could play successfully anywhere. His versatility will be valuable in the Firsts.

B. CARTER: Winger, prolific try getter and the best tackler in the team.

P. CANSICK and J. THOMPSON also played with credit in the backs.

J. WHITESIDE: Full back, safe handler, speedy, good kicker, has a promising future.

J. McINNES, D. AMOS and W. PARK were the front row forwards, the first two sharing the raking. They are to be commended for their persistent, rugged play.

G. YOUNG LEE and B. MORTON are players who will be in the firsts next year. They are outstanding forwards in the ruck or in the loose.

R. Wright, R. Daggett and T. Watson were hard-working forwards while B. Petrie and B. McAuley were reserves of good quality.

The success of the team was due to the enthusiasm and ability of all players, the inspiring leadership of B. Isaac and the interest and advice of their coach, Mr. G. Bohman.

FIFTH GRADE Runners-Up, 1950.

The abnormally wet weather during the season robbed the team of a well-earned premiership. The wet weather prevented the team from playing all matches, and so Hurlstone, which scored 18 points with one game not played, defeated Fort Street, with 16 points and four games unplayed. The team was particularly unlucky as one game which was played and won, which would have made them equal with Hurlstone, was disallowed as it was played a few days after the limit set by the High Schools' Committee.

Early in the season, on a water-logged ground, the team played a scoreless draw with Hurlstone. During the following months the team developed a formidable combination, with a brilliant back-line and a strong set of fast, tenacious forwards.

Fort Street scored 119 points to 12 against, its line being crossed on only three occasions.

Results:—

- v. Manly: 11-0.
- v. Hurlstone: 0-0.
- v. Syd. Tech.: 16-6.
- v. Nth. Syd. High: 29
- v. Randwick: 20-0.
- v. Nth. Syd. Tech.: 18-0.
- Disallowed game:—
- v. Parramatta: 25-0.

SIXTH GRADE

The development of the Sixth Grade from a group of relative novices into a football team, was rather slow. They did, to be sure, score a victory over Hurlstone early in the season, but that game, played as much under water as above, bore little resemblance to any known sport.

It was not until it suffered a stinging defeat at the hands of North Sydney that the team came to life. Then after a few changes of position, the team began to show

smartly. Taylor and Wilson played splendidly as breakaways, quick off the mark and sound in attack. Griffiths, too, on the wing was a valued member of the team.

But more commendable still, than these individual efforts was the combined effort the team was now beginning to make. This was reflected in the subsequent matches, a draw with Parramatta, and a win against Canterbury. It is greatly to the credit of the team, that in its final match, although



5th GRADE FOOTBALL

BACK ROW: L. to R.—T. Hunt, B. Hynard, P. Decatarde, J. Grant, S. Johnson.
 MIDDLE ROW: L. to R.—Mr. Ledlin (coach), J. Thompson, G. Hall, J. Cowley, B. Frecklington, J. Dash, K. Sheldon, I. Jesson.
 FRONT ROW: L. to R.—J. Sharp, P. Malcolm, T. Forbes, I. Moutray (Captain), G. Graham, K. Miller, B. Presland.

its mettle, and to play with spirit and determination. Elvin became captain, and as five-eighth played a sound game, combining well with his three-quarter line consisting of Flannagan, Cleary and Williams, all of whom did a fine job. Stacey, as full back, proved fast and safe, and showed ability to exploit openings. Among the forwards, Burns, the hooker, was outstanding for his keen vigorous play at all times. He was well supported by Hemmings, Grattan and Lindsay, and the props Laurie and Cunningham. Ellis was good as scrum half, and got the ball out

it was narrowly defeated, it gave its best performance.

The team is grateful to Mr. Brodie and to Mr. Goodwin as well as to its coach, Mr. Westlake, for their assistance and advice.

The following is a summary of the results:

- v. Manly: Lost 0-6.
- v. Sydney Tech. High: Lost 0-12.
- v. Hurlstone: Won 6-0.
- v. North Sydney High: Lost 0-32.
- v. Parramatta: Draw 8-8.
- v. Canterbury: Won 6-3.
- v. Randwick: Lost 0-3.

FIRST GRADE TENNIS

This year the Tennis competition was divided into two zones. In the western zone were Fort Street, Homebush, Canterbury, Parramatta and Hurlstone.

Our early matches were won easily, v. Parramatta 8/0, v. Hurlstone 8/0, v. Parramatta 7/1.

Owing to the rain, two matches against Homebush, one against Parramatta and one against Canterbury were cancelled. Our last match, against Canterbury was lost by two games; 4 sets 42 games to 4 sets 40 games. It was decided after this match that the postponed matches would not be played. This left Homebush the winner in our zone. In the inter-zone final Homebush won easily against Randwick.

The team comprised, G. Harland, G. Stanford, B. Teague and M. Jones.

G. Harland and G. Stanford lost only 1 set throughout the competition.

Comments on the players:

G. STANFORD: His play at times was rather erratic but he usually played well enough to win. He used the toss to great advantage and usually served well.

B. TEAGUE: He possesses a good service and forehand but with the back-hand he always seemed in two minds whether to use one hand or two. He always attacked, never playing defensively.

M. JONES: He plays very consistently, thus allowing his opponent to make errors.

G. HARLAND: Equally at home at the baseline or net. When required he played well but he seldom needed to do so.

The team would like to thank Mr. Stanley for his assistance, and also Mr. Burtenshaw who controlled Tennis during Mr. Stanley's illness.



1st GRADE TENNIS

BACK ROW: L. to R.—G. Harland (Capt.), B. Teague.
FRONT ROW: M. Jones, Mr. J. Stanley (coach), G. Stanford.

SECOND GRADE TENNIS.

Second grade is to be complimented on its performance in this year's competition. We were beaten by only one game against Canterbury and rain washed out our scheduled match against Homebush. We offer our congratulations to the Premier team, Homebush, which won the inter-zone final. Our team comprised T. Rutherford (capt.), N. Gibbs, R. Jones and J. Barraclough, and, for several matches, E. Elgood.

Of the matches played Fort Street was only beaten by Canterbury, giving Homebush a lead in points.

T. RUTHERFORD: Always plays an attacking game, the main feature of his play being a hard top-spun drive.

N. GIBBS: A steady baseline player, possessing a hard forehand drive and service.

R. JONES: With a fine style and repertoire of strokes he proved to be the steadiest player in the team.

J. BARRACLOUGH: A promising junior capable of attaining 1st grade next year. More concentration however is necessary.

THIRD GRADE TENNIS.

The team played very well in the only four matches it was able to play, the other four matches being cancelled owing to the wet weather. The matches cancelled were against Homebush (twice), Canterbury and Hurlstone. The team comprised E. Elgood (captain), D. Glover, G. Bryant and B. Besnard.

Fort Street was successful in winning three out of four matches, being beaten by the superior Canterbury team 7/1. The matches in which Fort Street was successful are as follows:—

- v. Hurlstone 8/0.
- v. Parramatta 8/0.
- v. Parramatta 7/1.

INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS :

G. BRYANT: Is a consistent player. He does not hit the ball hard but his spin shots

keep his opponents guessing; he thoroughly justified his selection in the team.

D. GLOVER: His forehand drive and forceful service are the main features of his game. His backhand and overhead play could be improved.

P. BESNARD: Has a good style, fair forehand and backhand; his net play and service were inconsistent at times. He would do better if he watched the ball more closely.

E. ELGOOD: Possesses a fine style and, with time, this style will produce good strokes. He lacks the experience and guile of the others players but this will come as time advances.

The team appreciates the work and helpful assistance given by Mr. Stanley throughout the season.

FOURTH GRADE TENNIS.

4th Grade eventually finished second to Homebush in the competition this year. Owing to wet weather, however, both our matches against this School were cancelled.

The team comprised N. Rutherford (captain), W. Westwood, P. Watkins and B. Glover, with B. Travers as reserve.

Results:—	1st round	2nd round
Fort St. v. Hurlstone	4-2	—
" v. Parramatta ..	8.0	8.0
" v. Homebush.. ..	—	—
" v. Canterbury ..	—	5.3

INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS:

N. RUTHERFORD: Has a good forehand and service although backhand and network need to be improved.

W. WESTWOOD: Good forehand drive and service; backhand is weakest stroke.

P. WATKINS: A consistent player, but more attention is needed to his backhand.

B. GLOVER: Inclined to be over-anxious and volley too much, although he possesses a good forehand drive.

FIRST GRADE CRICKET

This year was the first season that the High Schools' Cricket competition has been divided into two divisions. The system has proved extremely unsuitable as Fort Street firsts played only two complete matches throughout the year. However First Grade had a moderately successful season although the results were not a true indication of the team's capabilities.

The players who have appeared this season are: M. Cowgill (capt.), R. Levi (V.C.), G. Bryant, D. Dart, B. Teague, B. Johnstone, A. Wyatt, G. Walters, J. Cheeseman, P. Casimir, K. Hoveling, D. Glover, and J. Scifleet.

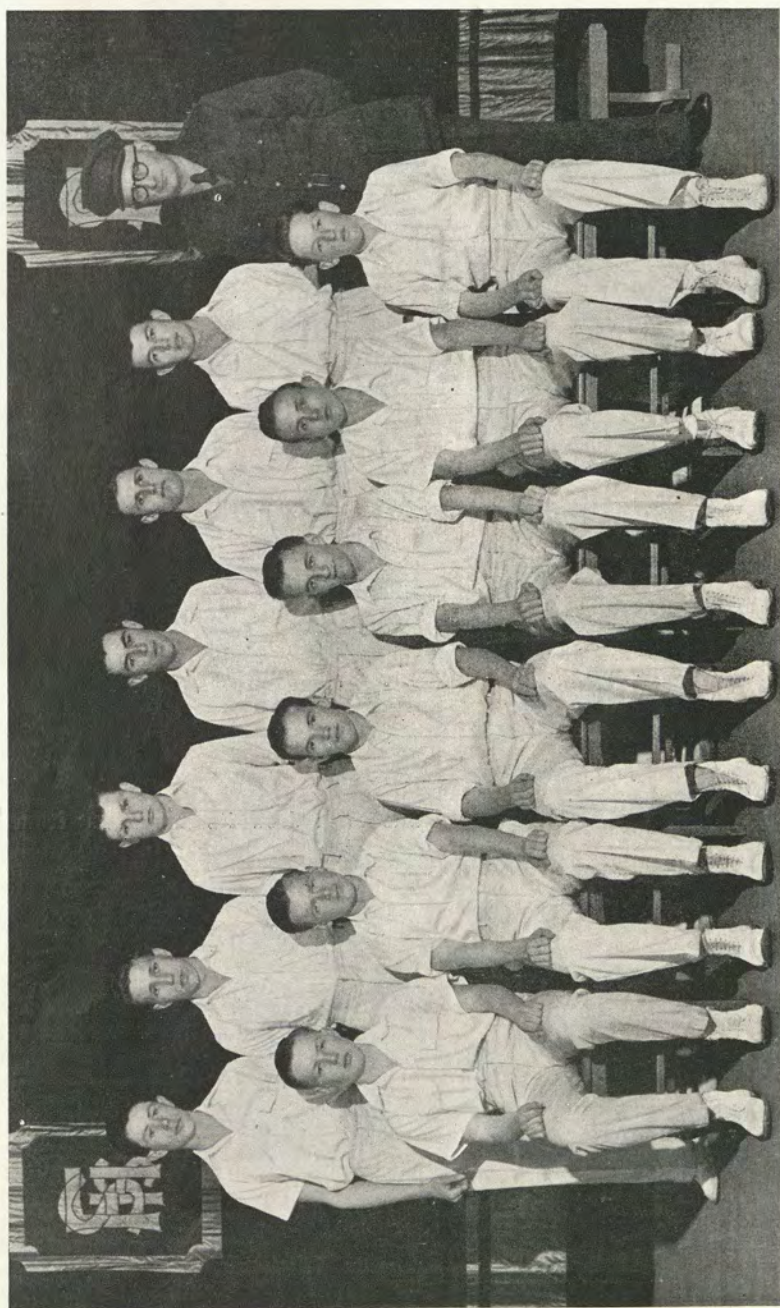
The Firsts were to have played Canterbury in the first match of the season but the match was abandoned because of rain.

Hurlstone were the Firsts next opponents. They batted first to score 65 (M. Cowgill

8-26). Fort Street replied with 4-91 closed (B. Johnstone 26, G. Bryant 22). Hurlstone's second innings produced 75 runs (A. Wyatt 6-25, including the hat-trick, J. Scifleet 2-2). Fort Street's second innings registered 2-52 (M. Cowgill 26 n.o.) after having been left 40 minutes to score the 49 runs required for an outright win.

Against Parramatta at Fairfield the Firsts were hard pressed to total 83 in their first innings (B. Teague 22, G. Bryant 19). However they showed fine fighting spirit to have the strong Parramatta team down 7-68 at stumps (B. Johnstone 2-9, A. Wyatt 2-17, M. Cowgill 2-18). However it rained on the second day of play so this match was drawn.

The only match played in the second half of the season was against the fine Homebush side. In this match the Firsts gave a poor performance to total only 42 runs in



1st GRADE CRICKET

BACK ROW: L. to R.—P. Casimir, D. Dart, B. Teague, D. Glover, K. Hoveling, J. Scifleet, Capt. D. O'Sullivan (Sports-Master),
FRONT ROW: L. to R.—R. Bryant, J. Cheeseman, M. Cowgill (Captain), R. Levi, A. Wyatt, B. Johnstone.

their first innings (M. Cowgill 14) Homebush in reply batted brilliantly to score 6-140 closed. A Wyatt, 4-29, was the only Fort Street bowler to bowl well. Fort Street again failed to show their true form in their second innings by scoring only 90 (M. Cowgill 25, D. Dart 20).

In conclusion the members of the First Eleven wish to express their sincere appreciation and gratitude of the unfailing co-operation of Mr. C. Dandie and Mr. K. McLellan during the past year.

The leading averages were as follows:—

BATTING.

	No. of Inns.	Not Outs	Highest Score	Agg.	Ave.
M. Cowgill	5	1	26 n.o.	79	19.75
G. Bryant	4	—	22	56	14
D. Dart	4	1	20	42	14
B. Teague	4	1	22	38	12.6

BOWLING.

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Ave.
A. Wyatt	33	4	74	12	6.2
J. Scifleet	11	4	20	3	6.6
M. Cowgill	23	—	121	11	11.0
B. Johnstone..	11	1	61	4	15.25

SECOND GRADE

The Second Grade Team comprised:

J. Giddey (captain), B. Durham, W. Chapman, G. Wilson, M. Jones, G. Thirkettle, J. Henderson, D. Amos, R. Jose, N. Bartlett, R. Glascock, C. Saunders, F. Sharpe, K. Muller.

The side had a fairly good season. Of the four matches played, two were drawn, as a result of rain, which prevented the games from being completed.

The other two games resulted in a first innings win and a first innings loss.

The team's batting was not very consistent, but there were three exceptions in Jim Giddey, Bill Chapman and Garth Wilson. These three batsmen had averages of 24.3, 21, and 19.3 respectively.

The bulk of the bowling was done by Jack Henderson who obtained 11 wickets at the splendid average of 4.2 runs per wicket. Other bowlers who did fairly well were Graham Thirkettle who took 7 wickets at an average of 5.1, and Bruce Durham who captured 4 wickets at cost of 5.25 runs each. R. Jose also bowled well.

The team's fielding was good in most departments. The outstanding fieldsman was W. Chapman who took 5 good catches in slips.

The team was very successfully captained by J. Giddey, who also starred as wicket-keeper.

All the team enjoyed a happy season with Mr. Kester, who was very interested in the team, and who stood up for the team at all times, as coach.

THIRD GRADE.

The thirds came close to winning the Western Zone competition being defeated on the first innings by Homebush in what was virtually the final.

In the first match of the season Fort St. defeated Hurlstone outright. Dawson (50), Hughes (44) and Cowl (22) were mainly responsible for our total of 7 for 173, while Kidd, Daggett, Thomas and Jamieson between them dismissed Hurlstone for 55 and 63. Daggett performed the hat-trick in the second innings.

Against Parramatta Fort Street was unfortunate in not recording a second outright win when rain washed out play. Our opponents were in a hopeless position, having scored 25 and 6 for 6 in reply to Fort St's score of 102. Muller (30) and Hughes (23) were the most successful batsman while Sharpe, 8 for 13, and Daggett, 4 for 3, shared the bowling honours.

The match with Homebush was evenly contested. Good batting by Daggett (35), Gibbs (29) and Muller (20) enabled Fort Street to total 151. In reply Homebush scored 7 for 159 to win on the first innings.

The team is to be complimented on its fine fielding which contributed largely to its success. The enthusiasm and good sportsmanship of all members of the team were responsible for making the season a successful and happy one.

The team drew its members from the following: Besnard (Capt.), Cowl, Daggett, Dawson, Gibbs, Hughes, Jamieson, Kidd, Lukins, Miller, Muller, Sharpe, Thomas and Wright.

FOURTH GRADE.

This season Fort Street had a very good team which finished second in their section of the competition. The team throughout the season consisted of Finch (capt.), Harding, Thomson, Garforth, Kennedy, Dunston, McCulloch, Westward, Baker, Hassett, Cleary, Pendleton, Flanagan and Upton.

Our first game, against Canterbury, was washed out.

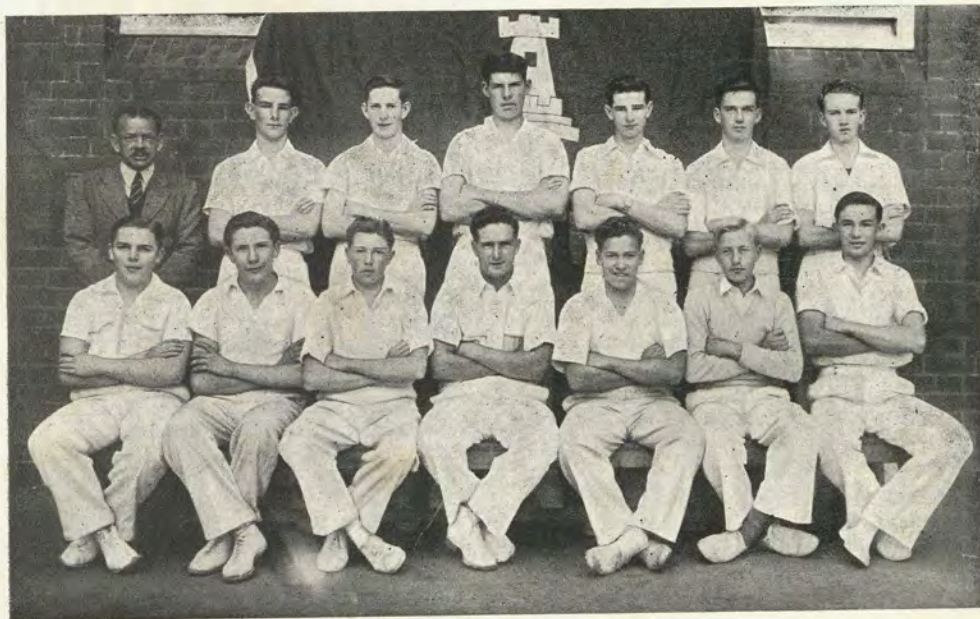
Our next game was against Hurlstone. The first day rain prevented our playing. On the second day we batted first and scored 42. (Garforth 14, Thomson 13). Then Hurlstone batted and we bundled them out for 32 (Thomson 7-12).

Against Parramatta we won the toss and batted first. The first wicket fell at 5, but Finch and Hassett put on a first wicket partnership of 173. At the end of the day we were 2 wickets down for 240 runs (Finch

133, Hassett 66 n.o., Harding 18 n.o.). The following week it rained and we were unlucky to get only a draw.

Our next game was against Homebush. We batted first and closed at 4 wickets for 136

runs. (Baker 42, Hassett 38, Finch 16). Then Homebush batted and we got them all out for 138 (the newcomer Flanagan 4-19, Garforth 3-18). We were unlucky to lose on the first innings by 2 runs.



2nd GRADE CRICKET

BACK ROW: L. to R.—Mr. Kester (coach), W. Chapman, P. Glasscock, B. Durham, J. Henderson, C. Saunders, F. Sharpe.

FRONT ROW: L. to R.—J. Jose, K. Muller, M. Jones, J. Giddey (Capt.), D. Amos, G. Thirkettle, N. Bartlett.

1ST GRADE BASKETBALL — 1950.

The team played in "C" grade of the Leichhardt-Marrickville Amateur Basketball Association, and finished third in the competition, being beaten in a semi-final by the ultimate premiers. Of the 11 games played, 7 were won, and 4 lost. This was quite a commendable effort, as the team competed against senior players of much wider experience.

However, much of the credit is due to our player-coach, Mr. McLellan whose coaching and example, on and off the field, were invaluable.

The team consisted of the following players:— D. Amos, N. Bartlett, J. Butt, D. Graham, K. Hoveling (capt.), B. Lukins, B. Johnstone, and Mr. K. McLellan. On several occasions, a full team could not be fielded from these players, and N. Gibbs and A. Theak, from 2nd grade, performed extremely well in filling the vacancies.

Apart from the competition games, a game was played against the Y.M.C.A. at their

court, one Saturday morning, with Fort Street the victors after an enjoyable game.

SECOND GRADE.

The Team was K. Morgan (capt.), K. James (vice-capt.), B. Pike, A. Theak, J. Milne, N. Gibbs, E. Matheson, P. Williams, K. Drummond, B. Lippiatt, A. Hughes.

The team had a most enjoyable season and reached the semi-finals, only to be beaten 34-12 by the team which ultimately won the premiership. Although only one boy had had previous experience in competition basketball the team won 6 out of the ten matches played in the season. As the competition progressed the team showed a marked improvement and gained valuable experience, which augurs well for next year.

The team would like to thank Mr. McLellan for giving so much of his time in coaching us for without his help we would not have done nearly as well as we did.

FORT ST. ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

GENERAL RESULTS.

CHAMPION HOUSE — Christmas (266½ pts.)
 SECOND — Williams (239 ")
 THIRD — Mearns (196½ ")
 FOURTH — Kilgour (157 ")

RESULTS OF FORT STREET ATHLETIC CARNIVAL.

SENIOR —

100 yards: B. Taylor 1, M: Cowgill 2, L. Tuckwell 3. Time, 10.6 secs.

220 yards: B. Taylor 1, M. Cowgill 2, K. Sheldrick 3. Time, 23.8 secs.

440 yards: B. Taylor 1, J. Thompson 2, M. Cowgill 3. Time, 54 secs.

880 yards: J. Thompson 1, P. Glasscock 2, B. Adam 3. Time, 2 mins. 9.5 secs. (record).

Mile: B. Taylor 1, J. Thompson 2, B. Petrie 3.

Broad Jump: B. Taylor 1, K. Sheldrick 2, M. Cowgill 3. Distance, 19 ft. 1½ ins.

High Jump: E. Shaw 1, D. Mourney and J. Ramm (aeq.) 2. Height, 5 ft. 4 ins.

Shot Putt: D. Mourney 1, J. Ramm 2, R. Millgate 3. Distance, 39ft, 9¼ ins.

Hurdles: B. Taylor 1, N. Bartlett 2, D. Mourney 3. Time, 15.5 secs.

Relay: Williams 1, Christmas 2, Mearns 3.

Walk: B. Manefield 1, B. Adam 2, W. Chapman 3. Time, 4 mins., 14.6 secs.

Senior Champion: B. Taylor.

Champion House (Senior): Williams.

UNDER 16 —

100 yards: R. Barnes 1, K. Hoveling 2, A. Day 3. Time, 11 secs.

220 yards: R. Barnes 1, K. Hoveling 2, A. Day 3. Time, 25.5 secs.

440 yards: K. Hoveling 1, R. Barnes 2, S. Malouf 3. Time, 58.4 secs.

880 yards: K. Hoveling 1, B. Petrie 2, P. Casimir 3. Time, 2 mins., 16.8 secs.

Broad Jump: R. Barnes 1, K. James 2, S. Malouf 3. Distance, 20 ft. ½ ins. (record).

High Jump: K. Hoveling 1, K. James 2, M. Jones 3. Height, 4 ft., 11 ins.

Shot Putt: K. James 1, P. Adney 2, P. Casimir 3. Distance, 40 ft., 8½ ins.

Hurdles: K. James 1, K. Morgan 2, K. Muller 3. Time, 13.4 secs.

Walk: C. Monty 1, K. James 2.

Relay: Mearns 1, Christmas 2, Kilgour 3.

Under 16 Champion: K. Hoveling, Champion House: Christmas.

UNDER 15 —

100 yards: G. Young-Lee 1, J. Sharpe 2, P. Cansick 3. Time, 11.9 secs.

220 yards: G. Young-Lee 1, J. Sharpe 2, Hurdles: G. Young-Lee 1, P. Cansick 2, K. Bunting 3. Time, 13.8 secs.

Broad Jump: B. Carter 1, P. Cansick 2, G. Young-Lee 3. Distance, 18 ft.

High Jump: G. Young-Lee 1, J. Whiteside 2, J. Jesson 3. Height: 5 ft., ¼ inch.

Shot Putt: P. McCullough 1, G. Young-Lee 2, P. Cansick 3. Distance, 36 ft., 8 ins.

Relay: Williams 1, Mearns 2, Christmas 3.

Under 15 Champion: G. Young-Lee.

Champion House (Under 15): Williams.

UNDER 14 —

100 yards: R. Baker 1, B. Frecklington 2, S. Durkin 3. Time, 12.3 secs.

220 yards: J. Dorsett 1, R. Stacey 2, R. Baker 3. Time, 28.0 secs.

Hurdles: R. Stacey 1, R. Cowley 2, B. Frecklington 3. Time, 10.6 secs.

High Jump: R. Cowley 1, J. Thompson 2, P. Hassett 3. Height, 4 ft., 5¼ inches.

Broad Jump: S. Durkin 1, R. Jones 2, T. McCulloch 3. Distance, 15 ft., 3¼ inch.

Shot Putt: J. Thompson 1, A. Pendleton 2, P. Hassett 3. Distance, 33 ft., 1 inch.

Relay: Christmas 1, Kilgour 2, Mearns 3.

Under 14 Champion: R. Cowley.

Champion House (Under 14): Christmas.

UNDER 13 —

100 yards: J. Dorsett 1, J. Fraser 2, B. Bristow 3. Time, 12.7 secs.

Broad Jump: J. Dorsett 1, G. Collett 2, R. Stacey 3. Distance, 15 ft., 10 ins. (record).

High Jump: J. Dorsett 1, J. Fraser 2, Brown and McFarlane (aeq.) 3. Height, 4 ft., 7 ins. (record).

Juvenile Walk: H. Millar 1, J. Ludlow 2, N. Harrison 3. Time, 1 min., 53.9 secs.

Relay: Christmas 1, Williams 2, Kilgour 3.

Under 13 Champion: J. Dorsett.

Champion House (Under 13): Christmas.

English As She Is Spelt.

If an S and an I and an O and a U,

With an X at the end spell "Su,"

And an E and a Y and an E spell "I,"

Pray what is a speller to do?

Then if also an S and an I and a G and an

H-E-D spell "Cide."

There is nothing left for a speller to do.

But to go and commit Siouxeysighed (suicide)

FORT STREET SWIMMING CARNIVAL

SENIOR —

55 yards Freestyle: J. Butt 1, N. Hardwick 2, F. Sharpe 3.

110 yards Freestyle: N. Hardwick 1, J. Butt 2, F. Sharpe 3.

220 yards Freestyle: N. Hardwick 1, J. Butt 2, R. Thomas 3.

440 yards Freestyle: N. Hardwick 1, J. Butt 2, R. Thomas 3. Time, 5 mins, 51.4 secs.

880 yards Freestyle: N. Hardwick 1, J. Butt 2, R. Thomas 3. Time, 12 mins., 29 secs.

Senior Dive: D. Mournay 1, N. Hardwick 2, R. Thomas 3.

55 yards Backstroke: N. Hardwick 1, J. Butt 2, F. Sharpe 3.

110 yards Breaststroke: J. Butt 1, J. Balderson 2, J. Stockman 3.

220 yards House Relay: Kilgour 1, Williams 2, Mearns 3.

Life-Saving Championship: J. Butt and J. Balderson 1, D. Dart and J. Stockman 2, B. Lamb and B. Manefield 3. Time, 67.7 secs.

Senior Champion: J. Butt and N. Hardwick (aeq.).

Champion House: Christmas.

UNDER 16 —

55 yards Freestyle: N. Trahair 1, K. James 2, G. Morgan 3.

110 yards Freestyle: N. Trahair 1, K. James 2, J. Jewell 3.

220 yards Freestyle: N. Trahair 1, B. Manefield 2, A. Theak 3.

440 yards Freestyle: N. Trahair 1, K. James 2, B. Manefield 3.

Junior Dive: B. Morton 1, G. Young-Lee 2, K. James 3.

55 yards Backstroke: K. James 1, N. Trahair 2.

55 yards Breaststroke: N. Trahair 1, B. Manefield 2.

220 yards House Relay (Junior): Mearns 1, Williams 2, Kilgour 3.

40 yards Life-Saving Championship: B. Manefield and N. Trahair 1.

Under 16 Champion: N. Trahair.

Champion House: Mearns.

UNDER 15 —

55 yards Freestyle: B. Morton 1, J. Hendricks 2, G. Young-Lee 3.

110 yards Freestyle: B. Morton 1, J. Hendricks 2, G. Young-Lee 3.

220 yards Freestyle: B. Morton 1, G. McIntyre 2.

440 yards Freestyle: J. Hendricks 1, B. Morton 2, G. McIntyre 3. Time, 6 mins, 13.42 secs. (record).

55 yards Backstroke: B. Morton 1, J. Hendricks 2, B. Dickens 3.

55 yards Breaststroke: B. Morton 1, B. Carter 2, G. Young-Lee 3.

40 yards Life-Saving Championship: G. Young-Lee and J. Hendricks 1, B. Morton and M. Arnold 2. Time, 25.8 secs.

Under 15 Champion: B. Morton.

UNDER 14 —

55 yards Freestyle: G. Martin 1, B. McLennan 2, H. Miller 3.

110 yards Freestyle: G. Martin 1, B. McLennan 2, C. Lovett 3.

220 yards Freestyle: G. Martin 1, B. McLennan 2, T. Trahair 3.

Juvenile Dive: F. White 1, I. Fraser 2, P. Cayzer 3.

55 yards Backstroke: H. McIndoe 1, B. McLennan 2, T. Trahair 3.

55 yards Breaststroke: C. Lovett 1, P. Kenny 2, H. McIndoe 3.

30 yards Life-Saving Championship: P. Kenny and Davis 1, T. Trahair and G. Martin 2, Taylor and Robinson 3. Time, 59.6 secs.

220 yards Relay (Juvenile): Mearns 1, Kilgour 2, Christmas 3.

Juvenile Champion: G. Martin.

Champion House: Mearns.

UNDER 13 —

55 yards Freestyle: I. Fraser 1, G. Barwick 2, R. Whittaker 3.

110 yards Freestyle: I. Fraser 1, J. Dorsett 2, N. Harrison 3.

55 yards Backstroke: R. Muns 1, N. Harrison 2, T. Fraser 3.

55 yards Breaststroke: P. Lindsay 1, R. Muho 2, W. Jones 3.

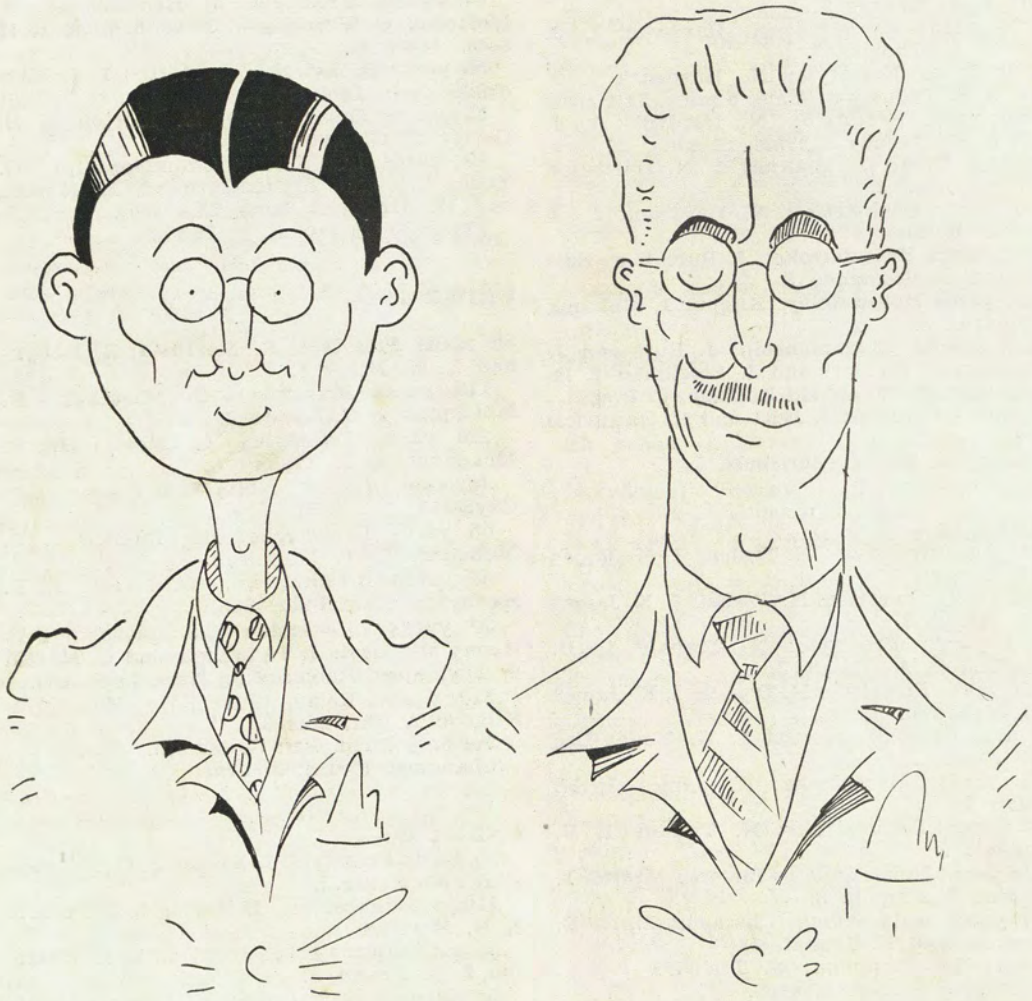
30 yards Life-Saving Championship: I. Fraser and N. Harrison 1. Time, 107.8 secs.

Under 13 Champion: I. Fraser.

The Life Saving Tour of High Schools in N.S.W. by winning team in the Arthur Parker Cup Competition — Fort Street Boys' High School, 1949.

Fort Street has been the holder of the Arthur Parker Cup for lifesaving now for four years, this competition being conducted annually between all high schools of N.S.W.

Last year being the Centenary year two teams were entered and they achieved the honor of coming first and second in the competition.



- with all due respects..

From these two teams eight boys were chosen to tour Northern N.S.W. schools and demonstrate the Arthur Parker Cup drill for the purpose of furthering Life Saving and stimulating interest in the schools to send life saving teams to compete in the annual competition.

Mr. Arnold, the coach of these successful teams for many years, chose the following members of the two teams to make the trip.

"A" team: Harry Cason (captain and instructor) John Stockman, John Balderson, Keith Pendlebury, John Butt.

"B" team: Frank Johnson (vice captain of school and instructor), Don Brown, John Hendrie.

The itinerary organised by Mr. Arnold and the Royal Lifesaving Society was:—

Newcastle 5th Dec., Maitland 6th, Cessnock 6th, Maitland 6th (to billet), Kempsey 7th, Armidale 8th, Tamworth 9th, Nemingah 10th, Dubbo 11th, Parkes 12th, Cowra 13th, Canberra 14th.

On Monday December the 5th the members of the party left Ryde terminus and set out in two cars and a trailer supplied by Mr. Arnold and Mr. Butt.

We had an uneventful run through to Newcastle where we were met at the baths and were given a few minutes for a short swim to cool off after a hot drive. We were then entertained at lunch by the local branch of the R.L.S.S. with a carte blanche for ordering, an invitation readily accepted. At 2.30 p.m. the display was given to an audience of 1500 composed of pupils from 13 schools and organisations. This was our largest audience during the whole tour and being our first effort we were particularly nervous regarding our reception. The procedure adopted was firstly a display in detail by the members of the "B" team, finishing with a complete performance by the "A" team and finally a demonstration of scientific swimming by Mr. Arnold and members of the teams. This procedure was altered at all future displays as follows: The "A" team firstly gave the complete drill followed by a demonstration of scientific swimming, then a thorough detailed demonstration, to teachers in particular, by the "B" team.

Throughout the tour the boys were billeted by pupils of the various schools and Mr. Arnold and Mr. Butt stayed at hotels. Harry reported the first day that he stayed at a mansion and when he walked into the bathroom nearly fell down a big hole in the floor. (For those who don't know—it was a Roman bath.)

On Tuesday the party arrived at Maitland Boys' High School at 10.15 a.m. The school play was interrupted while the teams were introduced on the stage. After a tour of inspection of the school, we adjourned to the baths where we gave the display in fresh water which made the towing and scientific

swimming much harder than in salt water. Mr. Arnold was the only one who could float in fresh water. The display was watched by about 500 pupils from four schools.

After lunch at a cafe, provided by the Maitland B.H.S. we went on to Cessnock pool and demonstrated to an audience of 500. At night we were billeted by the boys of Maitland, John Stockman being very fortunate in having the use of the family car, much to the amazement and envy of the other boys.

On our way to Kempsey the following day we stopped for a picnic lunch between Gloucester and Taree. Here John Balderson, an entomologist in the making, commenced his hunt for bugs, and Harry amused himself dressed as an executioner scaring the passing cars. He also demonstrated with John Stockman, another six footer, to the smaller members of the party that in order to grow tall they should eat off trees. After passing Taree misfortune overtook us at Coopernook where Mr. Arnold's car suffered a blowout. A new tyre and tube were purchased at a local garage, but it took over an hour to refit, resulting in a late arrival at Kempsey at 8.15 p.m. which upset the planned billeting arrangements.

We arrived early at the baths the next morning and entertained ourselves with a water polo ball for half an hour before the display, which went off without any hitches, the boys being expert now in the procedure. Joe Morgan, our 1949 school captain, joined us at Kempsey and travelled with us over rough, hilly, winding roads through beautiful scenery to Armidale.

A slight digression was made to allow the boys to see the 1500 foot Wollomombi Falls. On our return to the main road we ran into a terrific storm and for 26 miles to Armidale drove through darkness and torrential rain.

The next morning at the baths we were given a very pleasant official welcome. The usual display was given to a very appreciative audience, after which we were challenged to two relay races in competition with the teachers college. The first was a medley relay and the second a towing race. The honours went to the teachers college, which pleased the Armidale press greatly.

We were then entertained at morning tea prepared by the girls of the Armidale High School. Before leaving for Tamworth we visited the Armidale Teachers' College and New England University. We left Armidale at 1 p.m. and arrived at Tamworth High School at 3.20 p.m. (which is a pretty fair effort if you check up on the distance) much to the delight of the boys in Mr. Arnold's car, who mentioned something about 65.

At Tamworth we met Mr. Foley, an old teacher of Fort Street, who will be remembered by most of the present pupils. Here we had a session in the gymnasium, but after a display of herculean strength on the

various pieces of equipment, we were soon shown in a quiet way by boys of 13 and 14 years that our realm was in life saving. Much to the delight of the boarders we were granted special concessions and in our best manner gained permission from the Matron to take the boarders out for the evening.

Our demonstration at the baths the next morning was not highly successful for it was a Saturday morning and polling day, but our small audience was very attentive. We were entertained at lunch at the Farrer Memorial School. Here was the first period of relaxation. We cleaned the cars, had a game of tennis and visited a picture show at night in Tamworth. Before tea we gave a demonstration of land drill, to the school students and teachers, on the lawn.

An early breakfast was provided at 6.45 a.m. to enable us to make an early start. We left at 8 a.m. and drove to the Oxley lookout, from which a fine panoramic view of Tamworth can be obtained. On the way to Dubbo we had lunch at Coonabarabran and at Gilgandra discovered with surprise that the town had an excellent small pool and obtained permission to cool off. We arrived at Dubbo at 5.55 p.m. to find the billets waiting for us at the P.O. At 7 p.m. we met at the Dubbo baths for a short swim before retiring.

The following morning (10 a.m. on Monday the 12th) we gave the display to a very large, appreciative audience and we received the usual complimentary comments from our hosts. After lunch at a cafe 1½ hours behind schedule we set out for Parkes 78 miles away. We had a cool drink at Peak Hill and then travelled through rich harvesting country, seeing the harvesters at work, bags of wheat stacked at the railway sidings, and lorries of wheat lined up at the silos. There were dead rabbits every few yards on the roads and swarms of grasshoppers forced us to keep the windows of the cars closed.

We arrived safely at Parkes High School at 3.45 p.m. where much to the delight of the boys (naturally), we were met and entertained at afternoon tea by a party of eight high school girls. I know dear fellow students that your interest is aroused but I have already taken up much space already. Joe Morgan was with us again on the trip from Dubbo so everything was under control. There is no need to say that our meeting at the Parkes baths at night was greatly enjoyed by the boys. If this article does not stimulate all Fortians to become big bronzed lifesavers I'll be surprised, for the girls just threw themselves into the water and cried for help. At the close of the evening we were the guests of the swimming club to drinks and ice cream.

Still, we were ready for the performance the next morning at 9.45 a.m. Just prior to our departure the team received another most pleasant surprise, being made honorary members of the Parkes A.S. and L.S. club

which donated a costume badge for each member of the party.

Farewelled by the girls of the reception party we set out for Cowra at 12.45 p.m. through Eugowra instead of Forbes as intended. 18 miles out, the Chev suffered a broken axle and the "A" team had to proceed in the Dodge arriving at 3.10 p.m. Mr. Arnold and rest of party met again at the baths at 8 p.m. and were ready for the display the next morning. Three of us had the unusual experience of being billeted by three girls of the high school.

At 9 a.m. the team met and were welcomed by the headmaster and the assembled school and gave the display in the newly tiled baths at 9.30.

During the morning Mr. Arnold received a telegram indicating that a visit to Canberra would be futile so at the conclusion of the display a council was held and it was decided to go home as soon as possible.

We left Cowra at 12.15 p.m. lunched at Blayney at 1.30 p.m. Then, after attention to car troubles, left Lithgow at 9 p.m. and were driven to our various homes in the vicinity of 1 a.m., tired but very happy with the memories and experiences of a very successful tour.

The parents and members of the team and life-saving personnel witnessed a colour movie showing of the tour. The beauty of the country baths was then appreciated. They are set in beautiful parks and gardens and at this time of the year the flowering shrubs were magnificent. They are a credit to N.S.W. and could be used as an example to Sydney.

In conclusion I thank on behalf of the members of the teams Mr. Arnold for his coaching and training that has put Fort Street on top in life saving and for making our participation in the tour possible, Captain Type, secretary of the R.L.S.S. for organising, on behalf of the R.L.S.S., this tour, the Education Dept. for granting permission to make the trip during school days, all the people throughout the journey who welcomed us at the baths and in their homes and Mr. Arnold and Mr. Butt for providing the means of travel.

I sincerely hope that this article will really stimulate all Fortians to study life saving methods, learn to swim and do the land drill. It is marvellous training for posture, stamina and confidence. Captain Type tells me that 1600 awards were made in N.S.W. in 1949. From your ranks we look for the future teams to keep Fort Street always on top and to retain the Arthur Parker Cup.

This year, 1950, saw the two state life-saving teams competing for the Trenchard Miller Shield and the London Trophy, entirely composed of Fortians. Teams were as follows:

Trenchard Miller: H. Cason (Instructor), J. Balderson, K. Pendlebury, F. Tuynam, J. Butt, J. Stockman.

London Trophy: J. Butt, K. Pendlebury, J. Balderson, J. Hendrie.

SECOND GRADE WATER POLO.

Second grade Water Polo has had a rather successful season, under the able coaching of Mr. F Farlow (one time pupil of these august precincts). We suffered 3 losses, against Canterbury, Manly and North Sydney, and played a draw with Homebush, but six wins placed us in 2nd position. We were unlucky to lose even the matches we did lose, with all due respects to the winners. The most outstanding players were perhaps Mane-field, Thomas and Young-Lee.

Most of the present players will be leaving Fort Street at the end of this year. It is therefore imperative that the school build up competent teams from the junior ranks. Any promising swimmers interested in a manly game, a pleasant game, should present themselves to Mr. Farlow to try out for the team. All you young swimmers then roll up next year so that Fort St. will have a bumper year.

The team in and out of the water played the game in the true Fort St. spirit.



1st GRADE WATER POLO

BACK ROW: L. to R.—B. Mane-field, N. Hardwick, N. Trahair.

FRONT ROW: L. to R.—J. Stockman, B. Morton, Mr. L. N. Rose (coach), J. Butt, J. Balderson.

SPORTSMASTER'S REPORT

Thanks to the efforts of the boys and the co-operation of the staff for a successful year in the sporting activities of the school. Due to the inclemency of the weather the grounds available for grade and house teams were very unfavourable throughout the year. In football Fort Street 383 points came second in the aggregate, Sydney High 432 points came first.

The football competition for 1950 was awarded as follows: win — 2 points, draw — 1 point, unplayed game — one point.

Fort Street Third Grade finished 18 points and one unplayed game; S.H.S. 18 points and two unplayed games.

Fort Street Fourth Grade finished 12 points and four unplayed games; N.S.H. 18 points—all games played.

Fort Street Fifth Grade finished 13 points and four unplayed games; Hurlstone 17 points and one unplayed game.

Fort Street was represented in the C.H.S. v Associated Schools by M. Cowgill, D. Mournay, J. Giddey and A. Mercer; in C.H.S. v Duntroon by M. Cowgill, D. Mournay and J. Stockman; in C.H.S. v G.P.S. by M. Cowgill, D. Mournay and J. Stockman. Max Cowgill was captain of the C.H.S. Team. Congratulations Max!

In Cricket all four grades reached the zone finals. J. Walters represented the school in the combined Senior Cricket Team, while R. Baker (capt.), K. Finch and W. Hassett were selected for the Fourth Grade Western Zone Team.

Team which represented N.S.W. in Trenchard Miller Shield Competition, 1950

Left to Right

(standing):

J. Balderson.

E. Arnold

(Coach)

F. K. Tuynman.

Seated:

K. L. Pendlebury.

H. N. Cason

(Instructor).

J. Stockman.

J. D. Butt.

(All members of Fort Street Boys' High School).



Left to Right

(Back Row):

E. T. Arnold

(Coach).

D. W. Dart.

J. Balderson.

Front Row:

J. D. Butt

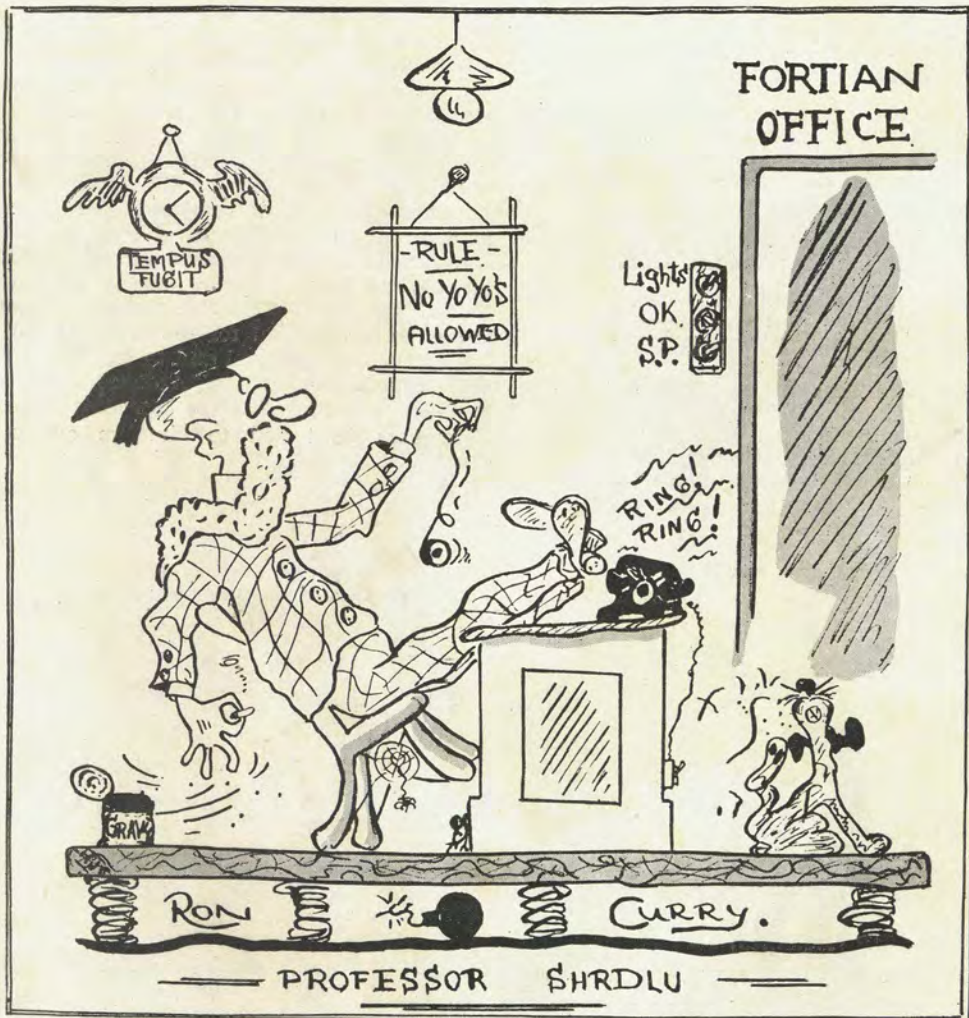
(Captain).

G. Stanford

(Instructor).

J. Stockman.





Once again the school was successful in winning the Arthur Parker Cup. Congratulations Mr. Arnold and the team of Fortians which represented N.S.W. in the Trenchard Miller Shield Competition.

The School came second in the First Grade Water Polo and third in the Second Grade. Two Fort St. representative teams had a very enjoyable trip to Armidale and I wish to thank those parents who billeted the Armidale boys for the C.H.S. Swimming and Athletic Carnival.

BLUES, 1950.

- FOOTBALL: M. Cowgill, D. Mourney.
- CRICKET: J. Walters, M. Cowgill, G. Bryant.
- LIFE-SAVING: J. Balderson, J. Butt, J. Stockman.
- WATER-POLO: B. Morton, J. Balderson, J. Stockman.

- ATHLETICS: B. Taylor.
- TENNIS: G. Harland.
- BASKETBALL: N. Bartlett, J. Butt, B. Jonhstone.
- DEBATING: A. Mason.
- CHESS: N. Trahair.

JOHNSON MEMORIAL PRIZE.

- Senior: Max Cowgill.
 - Junior: George Young Lee.
- The Lodge Fortian Cup was presented by Lodge Fortian for annual competition for House Sport in accordance with the House Constitution for the four major sports, Football, Cricket, Swimming and Athletics.

HOUSE PENNANTS.

- First Grade Football: Mearns House.
- Second Grade Football: Mearns House.
- Third Grade Football: Williams House.

Fourth Grade Football: Mearns House.
 Fifth Grade Football: Kilgour House.
 Sixth Grade Football: Kilgour House.

First Grade Cricket: Christmas House.
 Second Grade Cricket: Kilgour House.
 Third Grade Cricket: Mearns House.
 Fourth Grade Cricket: Mearns House.

Senior Swimming: Christmas House.
 Junior Swimming: Mearns House.
 Juvenile Swimming: Mearns House.

Senior Athletics: Williams House.
 Junior Athletics: Christmas House.
 Juvenile Athletics: Christmas House.

First Grade Tennis: Ch. Mearns and Williams (aeq.).
 Second Grade Tennis: Kilgour House.
 Third Grade Tennis: Kilgour House.
 Fourth Grade Tennis: Williams House.

I wish to thank Mr. K. McLellan for his co-operation as assistant sportsmaster also Mr. Stanley for the organisation of Tennis and Mr. Fitzpatrick for looking after the swimming. Mr. F. Brodie retires at the end of this year and the school is very grateful for his yeoman service on the football field. Fortians will always remember Mr. Brodie as a great football coach. I wish to thank Mr. Arnold for his splendid record in Life-Saving, due to his untiring efforts the school gained the highest possible awards. Credit is due to Mr. Arnold for the organisation of the Swimming Carnival and to Mr. Wells for the organisation of the Athletic Carnival. J. Neal has looked after our interests at Petersham Oval and to him we are very grateful.

HOUSE CUPS

Trophy	Christmas House	Kilgour House	Mearns House	Williams House	Winners
THE FRANK AUSTIN MEMORIAL CUP (Athletics)	266	157	196	239	CHRISTMAS HOUSE
THE HANNAN CUP (Aquatics) —					
Swimming	108	202	243	141	
Water Polo.....	40	50	24	110	
Life Saving	238	128	191	369	WILLIAMS HOUSE
TOTAL	386	380	458	620	
The LADIES COMMITTEE CUP	862	807	700	492	CHRISTMAS HOUSE
(Cricket)					
The OLD BOYS RUGBY CUP	1784	1198	1668	1632	CHRISTMAS HOUSE
The R. L. HEAD MEMORIAL CUP	501	193	64	264	CHRISTMAS HOUSE
(Tennis)					
The ROSE CUP (All Sport) —					
Athletics	18.6	11.0	13.7	16.7	
Cricket	45.1	42.3	36.7	25.7	
Football	45.4	30.1	42.4	41.5	
Tennis	14.7	5.6	1.8	7.7	
Aquatics	21.5	18.3	25.5	34.5	CHRISTMAS HOUSE
TOTAL	145.3	107.3	120.1	126.1	
The LODGE FORTIAN CUP	130.6	101.7	118.3	118.4	CHRISTMAS HOUSE
(Four Major Sports)					

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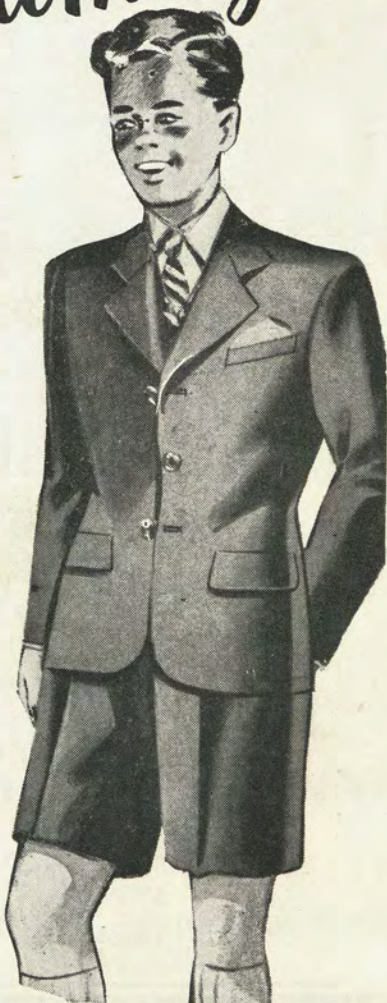
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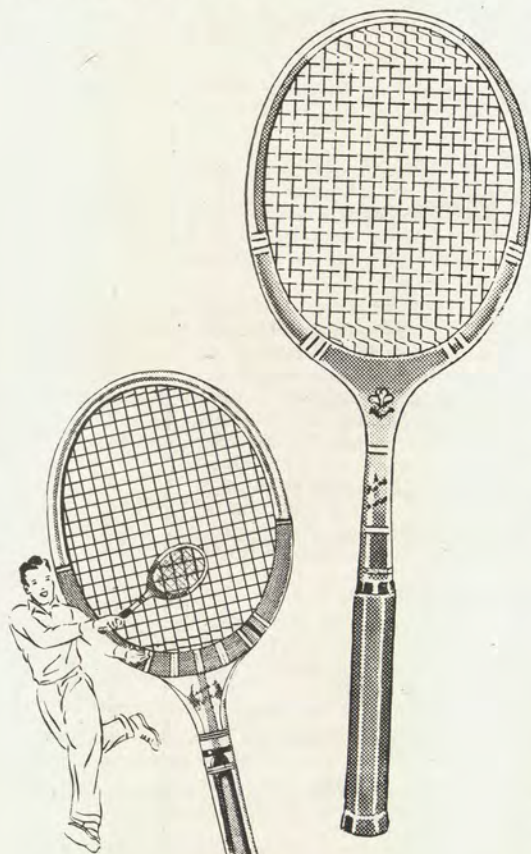
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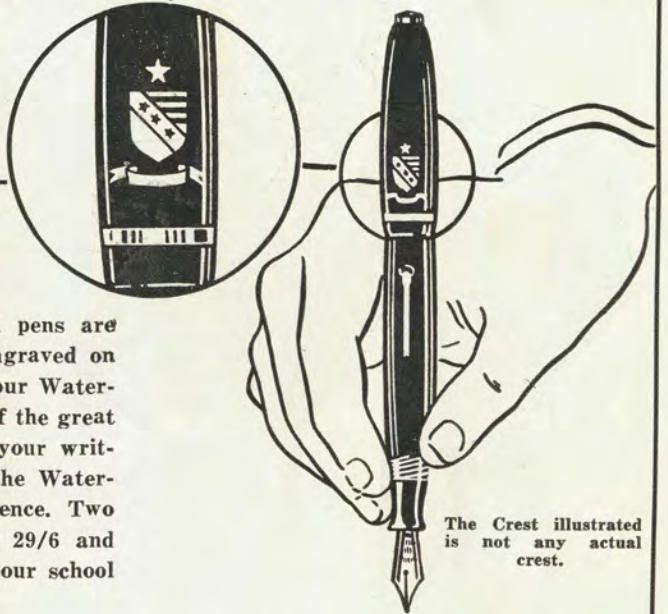
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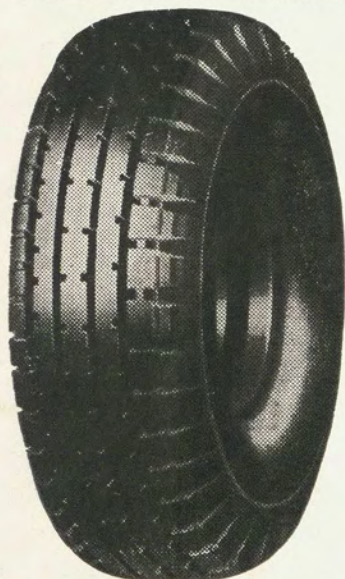
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