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EDITORIAL

SOME FIFTEEN YEARS AGO a group of wise men in this city, headed by an enthusiastic and far-seeing priest, determined to bring to reality the oft-expressed wish of a Catholic Secondary School for the Catholic youth of the City and the Province of Taranaki. Some timid souls doubted the wisdom of the enthusiasts, for they realized the sacrifices entailed and the difficulties to be overcome. They did not, however, reckon on the issues involved or the significance of the undertaking.

Today with the Francis Douglas College, a flourishing and well-established institution, bursting at the seams in spite of the magnanimous proportions of the initial plan, the comment is "This long-felt want should have been flourishing long ago."

Reflections on the above have turned our thoughts to the raison d'etre of our Catholic Education System in this young country. A great thinker of our time has tersely expressed the basic principle that if the Christian view is right, then any education not based on Christianity is false.

A brief reflection on the nature of man gives evidence of his spiritual character, as the possessor of an immortal soul. As Frank Sheed has remarked, "Man can THINK and thought cannot be reduced to anything which we can call material. It does not occupy space and has neither size nor shape nor weight. Your head is no larger or heavier when the mind is full of thoughts." In other words there is in man a living soul. Accordingly the complete Christian—the Catholic mind, conceives life in its totality and determines to fashion it accordingly. Hence the Christian—the Catholic view on education. If life is to be lived in its entirety, if man is to fulfil his destiny both in this world and in the next, we must educate the whole man.

In this era of atomic bombs and nuclear tests, of national uprisings and cold wars, we need more than ever the sobering influence of the unchanging and unchangeable church which directs us to an education that gives liberty to the spirit and solace to the mind of man.

THE COLLEGE STAFF

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PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The activities of the Parent-Teacher Association during the second year of working were directed again towards establishing the College in its proper place within the City of New Plymouth and in Taranaki; also keeping in mind the ever-present need of funds for our rapidly growing College.

Unfortunately the Association did not receive the support of all parents during the year and it is to be hoped that those not yet interested will join the activities in the near future; they will be very welcome. It is perhaps opportune to mention the interest shown by several non-Catholic people and to these the Association extends a special thanks.

The ladies continued to run the Tuck Shop but because of lack of numbers were forced to provide lunches on Mondays only from the commencement of second term.

Used Clothes Sales proved to be profitable and the co-operation of parents will enable more of these to be arranged.

Parents and Teachers worked hard in preparation for Gala Day and numerous well-stocked stalls and various means of "trying your luck" were provided.

A Social Evening was arranged in June to coincide with the drawing of the Racehorse Raffle, and this function was enjoyed by a large gathering.

A recital by Miss Mary O'Brien at the New Plymouth Memorial Hall in September was a memorable occasion for those who attended and thanks are due to our President, Mrs. Ingle, for her untiring efforts in arranging this outstanding entertainment. It is hoped that the Association will bring Miss O'Brien and other artists of her high standard to New Plymouth on future occasions.

Every effort made by the Association received the whole-hearted support of Bro. Jerome and his assistants and when required, the utmost co-operation was received from the College Matron and her staff. To these people, the boys, and all the parents and others who have assisted in any way, the Association is sincerely grateful.

The Committee, F.D.M. Parent-Teacher Association.

NEWS FROM OLD BOYS

WHAT THEY ARE DOING . . .

PAUL "POP" DEATH tells us he is working on the Dad's farm. Is a member of Young Farmers' Club and usually fills in spare time hunting. Home address: No. 12 R.D., Hawera.

JOHN DEMPSEY: "Demps" reckons he has been really flat out in the Dad's garage since leaving school (can imagine what "flat out" means—some out of the way corner I guess). Lends his weight to the Tongariro Football Club during the footic season. Home address: P.O. Box 62, Tokaanu.

News received via the Taihape grape-line tells us that BRIAN DEVANE and VINCENT MER-WOOD are the stars of the local 3rd Grade side. Both work on the farm at home. "Divie" keeps his hand in at table tennis with the Tiri Club while "Vin" seems to specialise in football. Home address:

"Divie"—No. 6 R.D., Taihape. "Vin"—Ngawaka, No. 5 R.D., Taihape.

IAN FREDERICKS: "Uncle" seems to be ruining (sorry) running the family mercery shop. Called in during the year to say hallo. Member of local C.Y.M. and goes in for basketball, athletics and tennis. Has hopes of winning the N.Z. C.L.T.A.'s tennis tournament later this year! Home address: 75 Fergusson Street, Feilding.

MERVYN "PROF" STACHURSKI: A letter from Inglewood tells us of "Profs" doings. Member of local Hibernians and indulges in football with the Inglewood fifth grade, and cricket with the Ratapiko Club. In his spare time he does a little farming for his father! Home address: No. 8 R.D., Inglewood.

Annual Report

I have the honour of presenting the second annual report and while doing so I should like to thank the Reverend Clergy who have honoured the occasion by their presence here this afternoon. At the same time I wish to express my pleasure at the very large attendance of parents and friends at this—our annual function. Your presence, at great inconvenience to many of you, is an expression of your appreciation of the work that is being done for the education of Catholic youth at Francis Douglas College.

Thank God I can report to you a very satisfactory year, without having to record any very notable achievement. As might be expected the school roll increased appreciably, reaching a near capacity record of 375, which included almost 100 boarders. As a consequence, two members were added to our staff—Mr. H. Francis-Stead and Mr. G. Karam, and both have done splendid work in their respective capacities.

This year we presented our first group of boys for the School Certificate Examination. Thirty boys took the test and we are looking forward hopefully to satisfactory results. It comes as a surprise to us that only 50% of students pass this examination in New Zealand. We consider the test a comparatively easy one and so, as our boys have had a sound preparation, we are expecting to better this average. As we are firm believers in examinations we hold regular tests in all classes and records of these tests are carefully kept and may be examined by the parents.

Last year we circularized all parents of our desire to interview them so that they could discuss with the class-teacher ways and means of securing parent-teacher co-operation in the education of their children. A big percentage of parents availed of the opportunity and we consider the experiment helped considerably. Its success has decided us to continue to foster this parent-teacher relation.

In dealing with this aspect I should like to comment on the problem of what has been aptly called the "reluctant learner." This product of modern trends is, I fear, an all-too-common feature of schools in New Zealand. What I mean is that there is a percentage of pupils in our schools who show little or no interest in the normal school-work of every properly conducted educational centre. Many of these pupils are of average or more than average ability and yet assume an attitude of indifference, nonchalance and even reluctance to all efforts for their advancement intellectually and morally. I think it can be generally assumed that such an attitude, if not corrected, can, and frequently does, lead to a similar attitude to all life's problems. Hence the serious nature of this feature. I call attention to it for it ought to be faced and I consider the remedy is primarily in the hands of the parents. When Johnny decides to leave school many parents agree that since the young man so decides, it is best to let him have his way. They even put forward the plea that they themselves have had very little education and yet have made a success of things. The argument is as forcible as that we should revert to the bow and arrow to meet the threat of nuclear war. I think it all ties up with the general softness that is becoming characteristic of our national life, and the tragedy of it all is that our people are so capable of great achievements.

The Dux of the school is Denis Fitzgerald. This promising student has not only had a successful scholastic career during his three years at the College but has been prominent also as a senior prefect and as a sergeant of the cadets. We congratulate Denis and wish him success in his future studies. Many other students have done equally well without securing the coveted honour, for of course there can be only one Dux. The names of some of the other creditable performers appear on the class lists which you may peruse at your leisure.

With our increased numbers and our playing fields under construction during the year, we were somewhat handicapped in our sporting activities but through the co-operation of the students and the self-sacrificing efforts of the teachers we steered our way through a successful year. The construction of the football grounds

was a major undertaking which now places at our disposal four full-sized playing areas set in ideal surroundings and offering splendid facilities for the coming years.

We fielded eight teams in the North Taranaki football competition and won both the "A" and "B" Divisions in the 8th Grade as well as the 9th Grade "C" division and were runners-up in the 7th Grade. Our 1st XV had an interesting game with the 1st XV from our sister College in Mangere, the latter running out the victors 16-14. Two of our pupils, P. Dwyer and D. Cameron gained representative honours in the North Taranaki Primary Schools' combined team, securing honour caps as a tribute to their prowess. Our Cricket teams were not quite so successful though the Seniors won the North Taranaki 5th Grade competition. Our best all-rounder was K. Goodin who was selected in the North Taranaki representative team. With the advent of our now completed playing fields much improvement is expected in all our cricket teams and it is a heartening sight to witness no less than 28 teams each Wednesday afternoon participate in the Colour competition on our own pitches. Our Athletic team took part in the Taranaki Secondary Schools' combined meeting at Hawera and though much junior to most of the other combinations had a modicum of success in several events.

Our primary concern is however with the moral development of our young charges and we are particularly blessed in the devotedness of our esteemed Chaplain, Father Uhlenberg, whose services are ever at the disposal of each individual pupil. We place on record our appreciation of the splendid work of our Chaplain and of his benign influence in the healthy spiritual tone of the school. During October Rev. Father O'Donoghue, S.M., conducted a retreat for all the senior pupils and I am happy to say that the boys entered into the spirit of the exercises with such enthusiasm that we look forward to lasting beneficial results in the years to come. Our beautiful chapel is so situated that it offers easy facilities for frequent visits and it is most edifying to observe that it is availed of by practically the entire student body.

Our Parent-Teacher Association continues to function with beneficial results though attendance at our meetings has been rather disappointing. The faithful few, however, have done Herculean work and deserve our best thanks for their devoted services. We are especially thankful to the group of good ladies who worked so assiduously under the capable Presidency of Mrs. Ingle and gave such valuable assistance in organizing functions and especially in their combined efforts for our successful Gala Day. Unfortunately owing to lack of support, the good ladies have been obliged to limit the opening of the tuck shop to the Mondays and Fridays of each week. Let us hope the New Year may see a big increase in active membership so that greater facilities may be provided for our students.

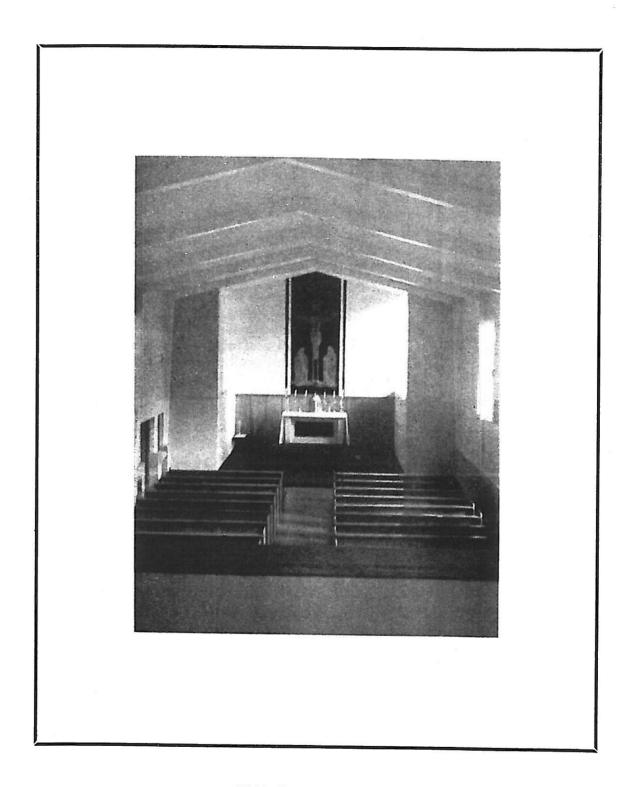
Thanks to the wonderful response of many hard-working fathers, our Gymnasium is well under way. No words of mine can adequately thank the large group of voluntary workers who gave, and are giving, free of their valued services. Your work has been the admiration of the builders and has already saved thousands of pounds in actual cost. May we appeal to you to help to put the finishing touches on an undertaking you have made possible by your public-spirited support. From now on there is much that can be done by handy men who are willing to co-operate. We rely on your assistance.

Before concluding, I wish to thank all members of the Staff both Brothers and lay-teachers. All have given of their best and have been responsible for the healthy tone of the college. Mrs. McLafferty, L.R.A.M., F.T.C.L., has done outstanding work with her charges and deserves the highest praise for her devotedness. The ever reliable, Mr. Leo Walsh, is ever to the fore, in his unobtrusive way, to turn his hand to teaching, coaching, and the hundred and one other jobs that we find for him. We thank you Leo very sincerely.

Finally I avail myself of this occasion to thank the local Clergy for their kindly assistance and their ever-ready encouragement of all college activities.

May the Divine Babe pour out His choicest blessings on parents, pupils and friends.

—BROTHER JEROME



CALLER.

THE COLLEGE CHAPEL

College Prefects , 1961



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A Fortress Monastery

By REV. BROTHER CHRISTIAN, F.S.C.

Probably, judging from what little I know of New Zealand and its people, many of the boys who have the good fortune to be pupils of the "Francis Douglas Memorial High School" and many, too, of the readers of the College's annual magazine have strong Scottish loyalties, and it may therefore be presumed that they will be interested to hear something of the land of their ancestors. And there are few readers, especially of historical novels, no matter what their own derivation, who are not thrilled to relive the times when the fiery cross was carried from glen to glen, when the clansmen stuck the white cockade in their bonnets and donning their plaids marched out, behind the skirling pipes, to fight for Scotland and its Bonny Prince against the usurper of the Stuarts' heritage.

For these reasons then permit me to favour you with a few remarks on the subject of the Benedictine monastery of Fort Augustus which is situated at the southern end of the lovely Loch Ness, the habitat of the famous monster which, while perpetually eluding capture and even convincing investigation, dominates the imagination of so many who come to see this part of the Highlands.

Fort Augustus is situated half-way down Glen More, "the Great Glen," which runs diagonally across the northern half of Scotland, cutting the Highlands into two clearly marked sections. The Hanoverian government of Britain, after the rising of the '15, realising the strong potential of the Highland clans which dwelt on either side of the loch, decided to plant a garrison right here at the centre of the Great Glen so that there might be Government troops within easy call whenever there was need to march.

Accordingly, in 1716, a first garrison centre was built in the little village of Kilchuimein, and in 1729 Marshal Wade, to whom more than to any other man is to be accredited the pacification of the Highlands and the effective extension of British control, chiefly by the construction of military roads, began the building of a regular fortress according to the best theory of 18th century military science. He chose a little peninsula bounded on either side by the rivers that flower into Loch Ness, and on a third side by the loch itself. His Fort was a great rectangular edifice, built around a hollow square, and with great bastions, triangular-wise thrown out from each corner, each bastion mounting twelve cannon. Marshal Wade

named it Fort Augustus, in honour of William Augustus, youngest son of King George III who, as Duke of Cumberland was destined to be the victor of Culloden and the final destroyer of the clans.

Situated thus, half-way between Fort William, at the head of Loch Linnhe which guarded any entry from the sea on the Atlantic side, and Inverness, Fort George, on the Moray Firth, which dominated access by way of the North Sea, Fort Augustus sat astride the Great Glen and thus split the clans into two great groups. It is significant that, in the '45, Prince Charlie got most of his strength from the clans that lived north and west of this dividing line, though the Frasers in whose territory the Fort was built declared enthusiastically for him.

Though other Government strongholds fell to the forces of the Prince on his march southwards, it was only in the last phase of the rebellion that the clans succeeded in capturing Fort Augustus. In March, 1746, as they rallied for the final test of strength with Cumberland's forces, they laid siege to the Fort. Its capture was due to a lucky cannon shot which exploded the powder magazine. As might be expected, the clans had no love for the Fort and in the few weeks they had control of it they plundered and wrecked it.

When on "dread Drumossie's day" at the battle of Culloden Moor, April 16th, 1746, the strength of the clans was forever broken by same Duke William Augustus after whom the Fort had been named, the Highlanders abandoned it and withdrew, each clan to its own ancestral glen, there to await retribution at the hands of the ruthless and brutal victor. Cumberland made it his headquarters, rebuilt it and stationed there a formidable force which sallied forth in every direction, enforcing submission on each clan and patrolling the suspect areas. Those of our readers who are familiar with "The Flight of the Heron" or other novels that deal with the '45, are probably already quite familiar with its dungeons.

For Augustus remained a garrison centre long after its real need had passed away. In 1854, when the Crimean War demanded the presence of all available regular soldiers on the Russian front, the garrison was withdrawn; the Fort quickly fell to ruin and in 1857 the Government was glad to sell it to the Fraser chief, Baron Lovat. The Baron was a Catholic as had been nearly all the Frasers and Grants and

other of that region before the '45, and in 1877 he offered the site and buildings to the English Benedictines who were seeking to make an establishment in Scotland. The monastery quickly developed and today, after some eighty years of existence, there is a flourishing community of some forty monks, a dozen or so of whom are Lay-Brothers engaged in all the multifarious works such a property demands. Several of the priests are engaged also in teaching in the school attached to the monastery, a school which though not large by our standards—some 160 boys—nearly all boarders, has attained great celebrity in Britain. Actually most of the pupils are English, and many from the remotest parts of the world, all in search of that full education which can only be had in the stream of Catholic tradition.

There are at present in the monastery three priests who come originally from Australia. As my readers probably know, the only Benedictine establishment in Australia today is that of New Norcia, which is Spanish in origin and in personnel. The early Archbishops of Sydney and many of their most devoted helpers were English Benedictines from Downside, but unfortunately they never established a monastery to perpetuate their work.

Here then, at Fort Augustus, in a setting unparallelled, with the limpid waters of the Loch stretched out in front, reflecting the trees that grow strong and stately down to the side and on the other the Oich, incorporated into the Caledonian Canal—no murky industrial canal, but a thing of rural beauty, used only occasionally by some of the Norwegian or Danish fishing boats taking a short cut into the North Atlantic—with the lawns of a green that only the soft climate of these islands can sustain, with an air pure of the pollutions of modern industrialisation and undisturbed by any sound other than the mewing of the great gulls that come up the glen from the sea, you have a monastery such as might

have been found throughout Europe in the Middle Ages but which today can have few equals.

The famous Dr. Johnson, led in tow by the egregious Boswell, on his famous Highland tour stayed here on the night of August 30th, 1773. Further up the loch side there is shown the site of the road house, where the two travellers and observers, put up the next night: travel in the 1770's was, if not leisurely, at least slow. The Doctor records that he never slept so soundly and sweetly for years, before and after, as he did that night at Fort Augustus, then a fortress now a monastery; obviously, the chimney-clock in the great ornamental bell tower, which chimes calmly and dispassionately all through the night, playing an ancient hymn tune in its quarters and halves, was not then installed to trouble the repose of the stranger, not habituated to its soothing tones!

If it should happen that there are among our New Zealand readers, boys who would like to try out the Benedictine way of life, who think of Scotland as a beautiful and romantic land (as indeed it is, at least in the Highlands) and who might wish to devote their life to the service of God in the liturgy and in the classroom, what finer opportunity lies open to them than of seeking admission to this ancient fortress-monastery whose device "Pax"-"Peace"has now come into possession of what was in its day a centre whence spread devastation, oppression, and bloodshed, with all the attendant horrors of warfare. Even in this age when the world lies under the threat and fear of atomic warfare the Benedictine ideal is still a sound one: Pax, Peace in this world and eternal beatitude in the next.

Address: St. Benedict's Abbey,
Fort Augustus,
Inverness,
Scotland.

IT'S ASTRONOMICAL

Twinkle, twinkle little star, I don't wonder what you are; I surmised your spot in space, When you left your missile base. Any wondering that I do Centres on the price of you, And I shudder when I think What you're costing us a wink?

-- J. Bradley (F. I)

SPRING

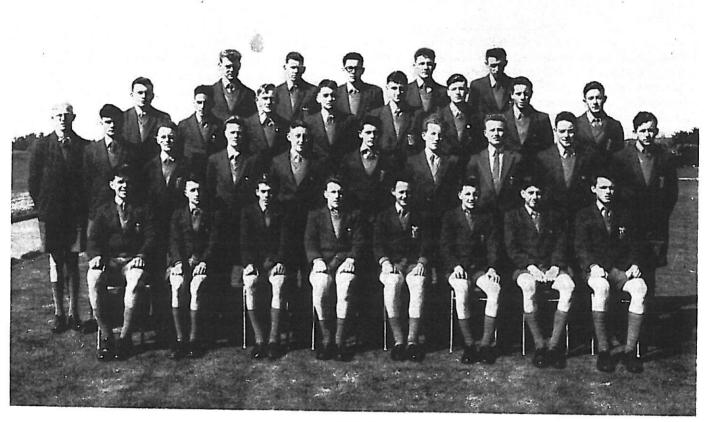
Now that Spring has come at last,
And the grass is bright and green;
'Tis grand to browse in sun or shade,
And watch the passing scene.

The baby calves and the tiny lambs,
Oh! what a lovely sight;
Little ducklings swimming by,
Quacking with all their might.

-B. Dodunski (F. I)

The College Classes

FORM V



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Front: P. Lewis, T. Hancock, R. Dodunski, R. Maddern, C. Jenkins, M. Leahy, J. Webby, G. Fitzsimons.

2nd Row: L. Wyss, A. Baker, D. Parkinson, A. Purcell, M. Wright, P. Schicker, J. Whiting, K. Collins,
J. Iremonger, P. Bray.

3rd Row: O. Neil, F. McCarthy, V. Mardon, I. McNae, D. Fitzgerald, J. Julian, S. Healion, R. Hight. 4th Row: F. Finnigan, J. Castelli, B. Purser, N. Tolson, A. Schumacher.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Denis Fitzgerald; Christian Doctrine: John Iremonger; 2nd Aggregate: Denis Parkinson; 3rd Aggregate: Anthony Schumacher.

Subject Leaders

Commercial Practice: Francis McCarthy; English: Denis Fitzgerald; French: Denis Fitzgerald; General Science: Denis Fitzgerald; Geography: Denis Fitzgerald; Latin: Denis Parkinson; Mathematics: Denis Fitzgerald.

A.D.C. Committee

Alan Baker, Francis Finnigan, Neville Tolson, John Castelli, Denis Fitzgerald, John Blick.

TRAMPING

To the minds of some people, tramping is some form of hardship in which one transports a heavy pack from one place to another for no seemingly useful purpose whatever. These people do not realize that their so called hardships are not really hardships at all, but a means of enjoyment. The joys of tramping are many, but they do not, perhaps, completely explain why some people are so enthusiastic on it. Some mountaineers when asked why they risked their lives to reach some inaccessible peak replied, "Because it is there." That is the underlying spirit behind tramping.

Preparations for a trip start long beforehand. On long trips food has to be worked out to the nearest ounce. Weight has to be reduced as much as is safely possible, even to cutting a handle off a toothbrush. Routes, times and transport have to be arranged. Members of the party must have some knowledge of first aid, cooking, map-reading and bush-craft. At times the going may be hard, but at the end of each day, there is nearly always a hot meal and a soft bed either on ferns or a lilo for those who wish to carry it. There is a sense of achievement as each day's distance is progressed and each peak is conquered.

There is also the joy of seeing new places, going where no one else goes and doing what few others can do. It is in tramping that real comrades are developed as they help each other over difficult spots and share their joys and anxieties. It produces in a person an ability to act for himself. It makes people realize the beauty of nature and a regard for our native birds and bush. But most of all it makes its fanatics happy.

—D. Fitzgerald

SHIPS

Ships voyages short and long, To Japan and then Hong Kong, Ships sailing every day, From Britain to the U.S.A.

Cargoes of coal, wheat and oats, Sailing in colliers, tramps and boats, Sailing, sailing every day, To lands so very far away.

Cruisers, destroyers, and gun-boats small, The navy has them one and all, But when a ship gets into trouble, It heads for harbour on the double.

—J. Whiting

OUR NEV

Nev. Tolson is a citizen Of good old Stratford town, A big-time prefect now is he Of credit and renown.

He toddles up to F.D.M. And throws his weight about. "Behave yourselves you rowdy boys!" We always hear him shout.

But on the whole he isn't bad, We quite admire the chap. And when he makes us all a speech We roar and cheer and clap.

-D. Parkinson.

(With apologies to W. Cowper's "Diverting History of John Gilpin")

Professor: "Why didn't you answer?"
Jim: "I did, Sir. I shook my head!"

Professor: "You don't expect me to hear the rattle up here do you?"

ODE TO THE BAD BOYS

Half an inch, half an inch, Half an inch upward, Up to the scene of death, Inched the one hundred. Upward the bad boys, "Outside my room," he said. Up to the scene of death, Inched the one hundred.

(Apologies to Tennyson)

Young Teddy came home from church looking very thoughtful. "Mum," he demanded, "Do people really come from dust?"

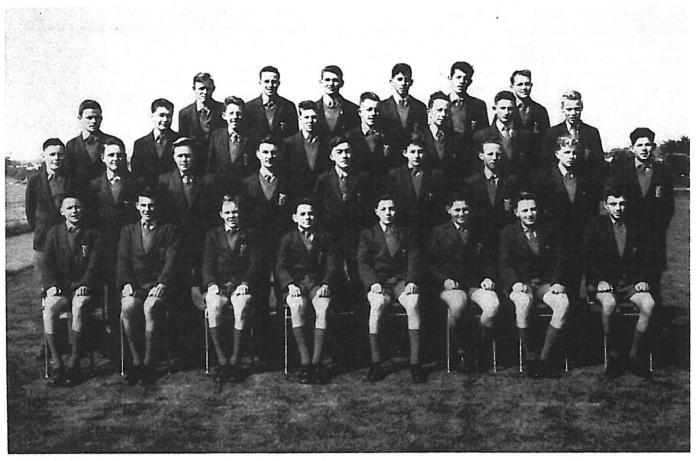
"In a way they do."

"And do they really go back to dust?"

" Yes."

A little later Teddy came tearing downstairs. "Mum," he shouted, "Under my bed there's somebody either coming or going!"

FORM IVA



FORM IV A

Front: R. Kennedy, A. Walshe, J. Davis, J. Sexton, M. Cooch, B. Hannan, A. Diamanti, J. Henderson. 2nd Row: P. Smith, M. Paton, J. Karalus, B. Payne, R. Quin, J. Bonner, C. Armstrong, L. Dunkinson,

K. Dwyer.

3rd Row: T. Dravitzki, D. Ogier, D. Roche, M. Woods, N. Burton, M. Meyrick, P. McEvedy, D. Bezzant.

4th Row: R. Mace, M. Bradbury, M. Nogaj, M. Phelan, P. Hunt, M. Butler.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: John Karalus; Christian Doctrine: Michael Meyrick; 2nd Aggregate: Michael Phelan; 3rd Aggregate: Paul McEvedy.

Subject Leaders

Art. Lester Dunkinson; English: Paul McEvedy; French: Paul McEvedy; General Science: Michael Meyrick; Latin: Paul McEvedy; Mathematics: John Karalus; Social Studies: Michael Meyrick.

A.D.C. Committee

John Karalus, Brian Hannan, Michael Paton, Lester Dunkinson, Michael Cooch.

A STUDENT REFLECTS

Advanced Mathematics are what I deplore, Poor ignorant me cannot handle 'twice four'. Decimals alas! are out of my ken, And as for equations—I just can't solve them. And why Archimedes discovered his theory I haven't a clue—and it makes my mind weary. Next year when School 'C' promenades into view, Alas for poor me, I'll be right in the stew.

—R. Kennedy

PARITUTU

Paritutu standing high,
Gleaming clear against the sky.
At its feet the waves come pounding,
Hitting hard and then resounding.
From the top we all can see
Great grey ships far out to sea.
Then looking out across the land
We see Mt. Egmont standing guard.

C. Armstrong

THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE

Latin, French and Maths—all three
Do not much agree with me;
And when Science joins the queue,
I simply don't know what to do;
While Social Studies leave me cold,
And makes me prematurely old,
And English makes my hair grow grey . . .
I must leave school without delay!

-D. Bezzant

THE TROPICS

White waves dashing on a palm-green shore, While golden sun-rays ripple from skies aglow once more;

Along the gemmy beach is heard the sea-birds' cry and hue,

Until the sun in glory fades in shades of gold and blue.

-Richard Quin

RATFORD !!!

Stratford's population lined the city gate,
To witness local rodents meet their destined fate.
"Silence! Silence!" shouted the inspector,
"While I switch on the spot-light and detector."
With shotguns loaded, waiting at the ready,
Six Jaycee gunners—all alert—stood steady.
The dump, illumined with a sudden light,
Revealed a seething mass take hurried flight.
Amidst the cordite fumes and smoke and rust,
Two hundred healthy rodents "hit the dust".

—John Davies

ODE TO A DEAD FLY

Alas, poor fly,
That here doth lie,
Sent to doom this very day
From an over-dose of spray!
This morning as he flits about
(With best intentions, there's no doubt)
A sudden cloud from down below
Dealt him a paralysing blow.
His senses reeled, his head spun round,
He plunged down headlong to the ground.
And now he's gone where good flies go;
But where that is, I just don't know.

-K. Dwyer

STOW-AWAY

The ropes were untied. Deep in the bowels of the great ship the engines had begun to throb, sending a shudder through the steel monster as she ploughed her way through the foam-flecked waters.

Up on the deck, Bill Grant leaned on the guard-rail, smiling to himself. At last his great wish had come true. He was at sea. His boyish eyes sparkled with admiration as he watched the tall, stately figure of the Captain looking out to sea through his eyeglass. Could a "Cabin Boy" hope one day to be a Captain?

Bill dawdled over the decks, but stopped abruptly when he came to the hold. To Bill's mind, fed on sea stories ever since he could read, the hold was a dark and mysterious place—a great ocean all by itself, with scerets and exciting tales more gripping than any sea could boast of.

A sudden sound from the dreaded hold tumbled him back from his day-dream. Bill caught his breath and started backwards in fright. His first impulse was to run and tell the seamen—but the thought of being scorned as a coward checked him. He stood for a moment, deciding. Then he clenched his teeth, grasped hold of the ladder, hesitated a moment, then climbed down.

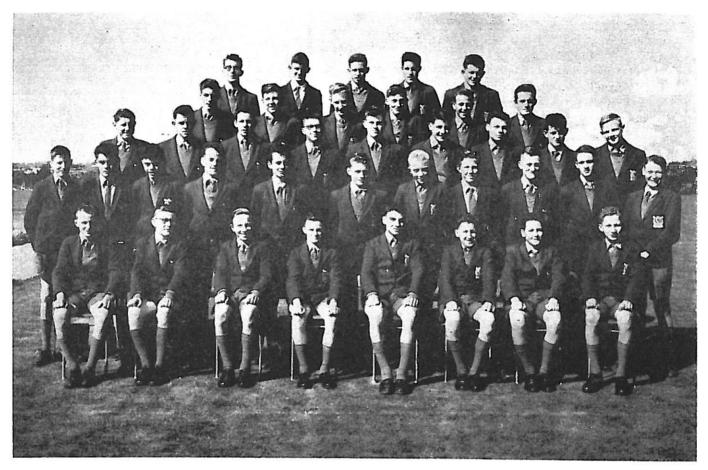
Waiting down in the hold for his eyes to become used to the gloom, he shook with suppressed excitement and fear. He moved cautiously towards some boxes, and was almost there when he heard a tremendous crash behind him. He jumped, his hair stood on end and his eyes started out of their sockets. He turned slowly round, reluctant to face the monster that must be standing between him and the ladder.

For some moments his eyes searched the darkness, and finally focussed on two small, green lights that winked spasmodically. With a nervous laugh, Bill guessed what had happened. A "meow" from the green lights confirmed him in his guess.

"You look kinda pale," remarked a passing sailor as Bill emerged into the welcome daylight of the deck.

—John Henderson

FORM IVB



FORM IV B

Front: K. Goodin, A. Parish, S. Duoba, W. Morris, P. McCarthy, R. Hagenson, W. O'Donnell, N. Butler. 2nd Row: B. Dwyer, K. Komene, R. Dansey, W. Donohue, D. Henderson, M. Gower, M. Schrider,

D. Whiting, B. Cleaver, G. Mora, K. Muir.

3rd Row: P. Murphy, B. Nevin, R. Dwyer, B. Metcalfe, R. Whyborn, M. Death, J. Bartle, J. Fleming, B. Schumacher.

4th Row: H. Van Beers, I. Finlay, P. Wooldridge, G. O'Byrne, J. Inglis, G. Richardson.

5th Row: M. Old, J. McDowell, B. Radomski, J. Orr, D. McGee.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Stan Duoba; Christian Doctrine: William Morris; 2nd Aggregate: William Morris; 3rd Aggregate: William O'Donnell.

Subject Leaders

Art: Rangi Dansey; Commercial Practice: Stan Duoba; English: Stan Duoba; General Science: William O'Donnell; Mathematics: Stan Duoba; Social Studies: Stan Duoba.

A.D.C. Committee

Harry Van Beers, Stan Duoba, Paddy Murphy, William Morris.

CLASS NOTES

This year we were elevated to a class-room on the second floor. To the dull and thoughtless this would seem just another every-day meaningless occurrence—but to those more blessed with penetrating intellectual vision (amongst whom, in all humility, we may place ourselves), the event was replete with symbolism and significance.

Here, surely, was a sign of our "ascent to truth"—our scaling to the topmost rungs of the intellectual ladder, to meet face to face with those beautiful mysteries of Maths, Science and C.P. which Form III boys can never know nor even dream of! What a feast of proud joy was ours when, after a week of thrilling (!) cadet training, we first ascended those stairs towards our new paradise! Some of us surely felt like that brave youth who bore the "banner with the strange device—Excelsior"; others could not help but recall the words of the Master: "Friend go up higher"-convinced that now we were reaping the reward of our humility so evident in previous days when we sat down, in modest but contented shame, "in the lowest place".

And if the present Form III, in their eager quest for knowledge, should ask us what is necessary that they, too, might achieve such glorious promotion, we would reply (borrowing for a moment from IV A): "Tenete traditiones" (which we suspect has something to do with playing tennis—but IV A, taking a mean advantage over our blissful ignorance of the classics wouldn't translate it for us!).

What has befallen us since that first unhappy morning in February when we "crept like snail unwillingly to school?" But little. Some of the old faces had disappeared—but one new smile came our way from Taumarunui. Novels, plays, poetry books, maths and science texts, etc., quickly filled our desks with potential fodder for our minds.

Since that day, Stanny has again led us into our forays—Richard managed to bribe a traffic officer to obtain a licence—Harry commenced driving to school in a small, red fire-engine—Mac and Co. left us to seek their fortunes in the big, wide world! Our noses have kept to the grindstone, and our efforts have been so fruitful that further promotion at the end of the year new beckons us on.

We wish ourselves every success!—and we wish you, dear Reader, a Happy Christmas.

CLASS CONTRIBUTIONS

LIBELLOUS VERSE!

A little boy sits next to me, And every day bar none, He asks me all the answers And how each problem's done. And then he steals the credit For my brilliant, modest work. The teacher's "Good boy, Dennis!" Makes me feel quite hurt. One day I wouldn't tell him The answer to a sum, So he ended in a muddle And was looking very glum. He told the teacher wrongly, Who whacked him there and then. I laughed until I nearly cried; At last I had revenge!

-Brian Cleaver

SCHOOLBOY'S EPITAPH

Here lies the body of young Willie Walker, Who happened to be a continuous talker; His natter sent teachers simply crazy . . . The cause of his death is somewhat "hazy".

-Stan Duoba

POETS' CORNER

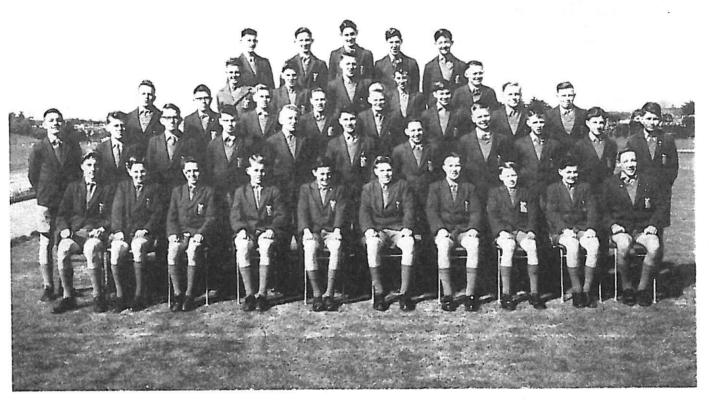
An Amateur Cook

There was a boy called Freddie Hakes Who liked to bake his mother's cakes. As soon as Mother went away To do her shopping one fine day, Young Freddie raided Mother's hamper To bake himself an outsize damper; But, from the pantry, in the spice, He accidentally brought two mice; Then, mixing all without attention They, too, wound up in his "invention".

He baked it brown, then took it out; With satisfaction did he shout: "Hurrah! hurrah! hurrah for me! Now I shall have an early tea."

He took one bite in eager haste, But found it scarcely to his taste; And when the pie began to squeak Poor Freddie took an anxious peep, And was amazed when out did scamper Two grey mice from Freddie's damper.

FORM IIIA



FORM III A

- Front: T. King, A. Clarke, M. McLafferty, P. Wood, T. Costello, D. Prendergast, G. Moriarty,
 - R. McLaughlin, D. Mellow, C. Dombroski.
- 2nd Row: F. Dunlop, F. Stefanski, C. Burke, G. Pellett, K. Astwood, Y. Bureszynski, B. Condon,
 - D. Lawrence, N. Fitzgerald, B. Walsh, J. Novak.
- 3rd Row: B. Curtis, M. Vale, S. Mochnacki, B. Walsh, J. Gilmore, J. Ross, A. Wilkinson, R. Williams.
- 4th Row: P. Ingle, J. Young, P. Waite, M. O'Neill, M. Mace.
- 5th Row: D. Moynihan, J. Bourke, G. Reed, E. Marinovich, M. Gardner.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Murray Mace; Christian Doctrine: Robert McLaughlin; 2nd Aggregate: Stefan Mochnacki: 3rd Aggregate: Clyde Burke.

Subject Leaders

Art: Nigel Fitzgerald; English: Francis Stefanski; French: Stefan Mochnacki; General Science: Graeme Reed; Latin: John Bourke; Mathematics: Francis Dunlop; Social Studies: Brian Walsh.

A.D.C. Committee

Francis Stefanski, Stefan Mochnacki, Brian Walsh, John Bourke, Murray Mace.

THE TEA PARTY

'Twas very small,
Three guests in all,
Just I, MYSELF and ME.
MYSELF ate up the sandwiches,
While I drank all the tea.
'Twas also I
What ate the pie,
And passed the cake to ME.

—D. Lawrence

THE SEA

Surging, sweeping to the shore,
Breaking, spreading ever more;
White-flecked waves of towering height,
Giving life from Nature's might.
Making lands and taking lands;
Friend of man and foe of man;
Sometimes calm, sometimes peaceful,
Oft roaring, oft deceitful.

-F. Stefanski

SUNRISE

The sun rose bright and clear,
In the east's horizon there;
And from that dawning
Advanced the morning.
A speck in the distance grew,
Across the sea, the sea so blue;
The boat sailed past
And the sea grew fast,
Behind that dot in the distance masked,
By the shimmering sea.

—R. McLaughlin

THE TIGER'S STALK

Silent, stalking for its prey,
With rippling muscles, with flaming eye,
With unsheathed claws, and bared fang,
With tensed tail, and hair astray.
With flared nostrils, gaping mouth,
Ears forward, paws apart,
A sudden spring, a sudden death,
Then calm resumes, when tigers fed.

-F. Stefanski

SPEED

There was a boy called Micky Green, A month ago he turned fifteen; That week he got his licence new, And then his flivver fairly flew. He thought he'd show them how to drive, And so he ended in a dive; He was the fastest in the race, And first to get to the Hot Place.

—J. Gilmore

THE FAULT OF THE FEW

Occasionally complaints come to our teachers concerning the behaviour of boys going to and from school. Now, some of these complaints are trivial and some quite serionus. But whether they be big or small, they should not reflect on the good name of our school. What then is the explanation of unseemly misbehaviour on bicycles, buses, or public places?

The answer is that the offenders are usually an irresponsible few, who don't care as long as they are not detected by school authorities. Though often brainless, they are cunning enough not to be caught!

When this behaviour is examined by competent authority, the culprits are found to be a very small percentage of the school population. How unfair that all should suffer because of a few!

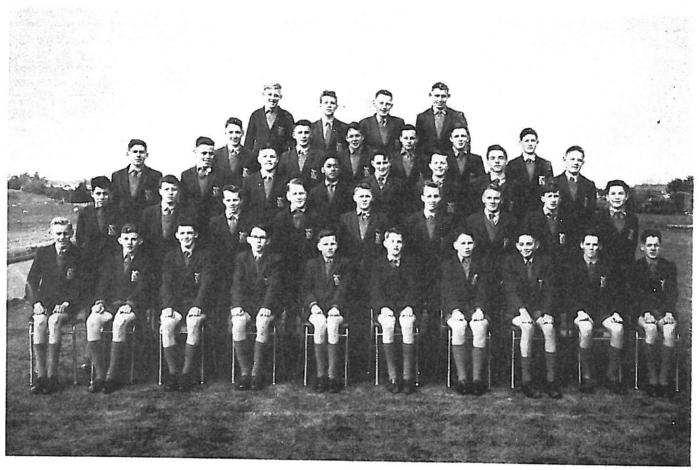
-M. Mace

THE GHOST OF THE WHITE EYES

A long time ago there lived three men named Tom, Dick and Harry. Each thought himself the bravest of the brave and one day they decided to determine who was the bravest of the three. Now there was a house nearby that was supposed to be haunted by a ghost who called himself the Ghost of White Eyes. "Look here you two," said Tom to Dick and Harry, "Dick, you will go into the old haunted house tonight and stay there as long as you dare. Harry, you will go there tomorrow night and do the same. Finally I'll go there on the third night from today and the man who stays in the haunted house the longest is the bravest of the three. Do you agree with my plan?" Both Dick and Harry agreed and so that night, Dick went to the old haunted house. Shivers of fear went up his spine as he neared the porch. It certainly did look like a haunted house with its smashed windows and its not too decorative cobwebs. He had reason to be afraid as two white eyes were watching him coming nearer and nearer. The ghost was hiding behind the door and as Dick came in, it jumped on him and roared: "I am the Ghost of the White Eyes!" This was too much for poor Dick. All the ghost saw of him was a great blur as Dick "headed for the hills." The following night was a repetition of the night before, as Harry was no braver than Dick. The ghost was gloating over his past deeds on the third night as he watched Tom's approach, but he was due for a shock. That is, if ghosts can be shocked at all. The ghost pounced on Tom using those same terrifying words: "I am the Ghost of the White Eyes!" The reply was sharp and defiant: "You'll be the Ghost of the Black Eyes within a few minutes." I leave it to you who was the bravest of the three men.

—C. Bourke

FORM IIIB



FORM III B

- Front: P. Chapman, P. Cronin, A. Hughes, J. Willoughby, D. Cruickshank, G. Stockwell, W. Squire, J. Stevenson, J. Mardon, P. Powell.
- 2nd Row: P. Gallagher, R. French, I. Dodunski, G. Jones, T. Davey, R. Cotterill, M. Dodunski, R. Barrow, D. Higgins.
- 3rd Row: K. Harrison, M. Williams, D. Kavanagh, R. Ritai, M. Hannan, L. Horne, G. Kulma, R. Dravitzki.
- 4th Row: G. Bocock, W. Coogan, B. Adams, D. Murphy, M. Keegan, J. Hood.
- 5th Row: R. D'Arth, R. Lattimer, J. Hogan, B. Butler.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Graeme Bocock; Christian Doctrine: George Kulma; 2nd Aggregate: John Hogan; 3rd Aggregate: Patrick Gallagher.

Subject Leaders

Art: George Kulma; Commercial Practice: Graeme Bocock; English: Graeme Bocock; French: Patrick Gallagher; General Science: Graeme Bocock; Mathematics: Graeme Bocock; Social Studies: Graeme Bocock.

A.D.C. Committee

Michael Hannan, John Hood, Kevin Harrison, Denis Murphy, Danial Higgins.

A FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCE

One evening as I walked into the hall of our home, I saw, to my amazement, drops of blood on the floor leading up the stair way! Wondering, I ascended, at the same time noting that the door of my room was ajar. I stood there petrified, thinking someone had been murdered! Slowly and quietly I walked to the door and felt for the light switch. I looked around the room. There, on the floor, was our cat playing with a dead rat!

—J. Hood

THE DARTMOOR PONIES

The Dartmor ponies gallop on, Across the grassy moor, The leader swings a right hand turn, A sight worth waiting for. With thundering hooves and flying manes, They gallop past some deer, The buck who senses danger near, Goes thundering off in fear. When rabbits see the ponies prance, They scurry out of sight, And don't come out to nibble grass, Until it's late at night. And when at night the ponies stop, The moor is silent now, But then at dawn the leader neighs, And thus they start the row.

—I. Dodunski

THE SEA

Wind lashed foam in the stormy air, Gigantic waves in a furious craze, The sea when in anger is Satan's own lair, The sea with its fury and fog's frightening haze. But often when storms are gone far away And typhoons and lightning are done, [to say, The soft breeze which plays in the clouds seems The Heavens are with us today, my son.

-R. Cotterill

INTERESTING FACTS

Jewellers can detect imitation diamonds by tasting them.

Fish cannot close their eyes.

Sausages have been a popular dish since the fifth century B.C.

96% of a cucumber is only water.

The humming bird can fly backwards.

Hailstones as large as coconuts fell near Johannesburg in 1936.

Americans eat about 265 million eggs a day.

—G. Jones

WINTER

The frost is here, And fuel is dear, The woods are sear, And fires burn clear. Oh! how I fear These nights so clear.

-T. Davey

Teacher: "Why were you not at school yesterday Jim?"

Jim: "My father got burnt Sir!"

Teacher: "Oh! I'm sorry to hear that. Was he badly burnt?"

Jim: "Yes Sir! They have no half measures at the Crematorium!"

—J. Willoughby

SATURN

The planet, Saturn, is 885 million miles from the sun and has a diameter of 75,100 miles. Of its nine moons, Titan is the largest, being larger than the planet Mercury. Surrounding the planet there are three circular rings one inside the other. Its revolving time around the sun is equivalent to 30 earth years.

-G. Kulma

Traffic Officer (to speedster): "Why were you driving so fast?"

Driver (in pained surprise): "Was I speeding

Traffic Officer: "Oh no! You were just flying too low!"

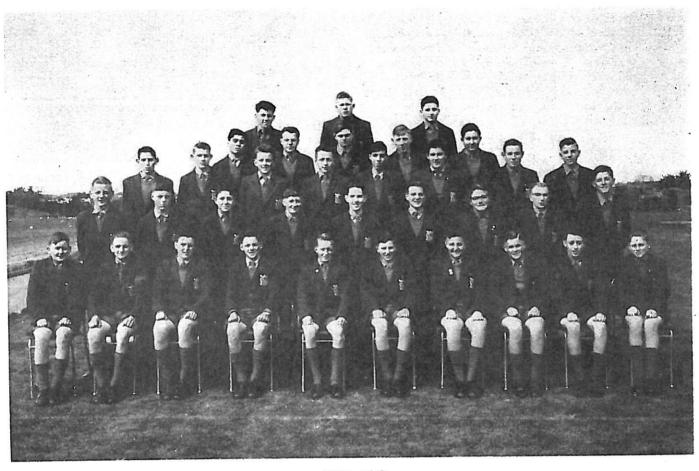
A sign outside a suburban church:

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FORM IIIC



FORM III C

Front: G. Churchill, M. Griffiths, J. Hore, P. Winstanley, J. Goodin, D. Hurley, T. Danych, K. Mullin, G. Moughan, Z. Hospenthal.

2nd Row: P. Newport, K. Butler, P. Novak, P. Smith, W. Richards, G. Payne, J. Leuthard, C. Marshall, A. Crofskey.

3rd Row: I. Death, W. Hopson, K. Stachurski, K. Crofskey, D. Wooller, L. Leishman, J. O'Connor, M. Radich.

4th Row: J. Pratt, R. Christensen, J. Wisnewski, R. Jones, B. Allen.

5th Row: J. Eagar, T. Poulter, B. Kane.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Kelvin Crofskey; Christian Doctrine: Zeno Hospenthal; 2nd Aggregate: Colin Marshall; 3rd Aggregate: Ian Death.

Subject Leaders

Art: Kevin Stachurski; Commercial Practice: John O'Connor; English: Kelvin Crofskey; General Science: Colin Marshall; Horticulture: Ian Death; Mathematics: Colin Marshall; Social Studies: Kelvin Crofskey.

A.D.C. Committee

Ian Death, Paul Novak, John Eagar, Kevin Stachurski, Peter Winstanley, Terrence Fake.

AT THE POLLS IN FORM III C

In a recent poll, we III C Formers passed judgement on several present-day problems and have the temerity to give you a summary of our views.

Of course we discussed bodgies and decided they were "cool cats" with "smooth" haircuts and "loud" clothes. We were at one in our opinion that bodgies love to draw attention to themselves and so accounted for their noisy behaviour on motorcycles with mufflers removed, their reckless disregard for others and their wilful damage to property.

We were surprised to find that many boys seem to have no heroes either in fact or in fiction. Sportsmen however, such as Halberg and Snell, had a big following and men of character and willpower, like Bader, were greatly admired. Doctors, nurses, police and such splendid benefactors of society, got but slight recognition though two members of the Form mentioned, with gratitude, their appreciation of kindly assistance experienced in sickness.

In choice of books, the Form expressed a decided opinion in favour of detective and mystery stories especially where upholders of the law were baffled and the mystery solved only at the end. Many boys indicated a liking for stories about heroes, especially those of the last war, but quite a section of the Form expressed a dislike for any form of reading excepting that of comics and newspapers, and the latter only to get news of sport and world affairs.

The Form in general was in favour of a controlled use of transistors. The members especially favoured listening to Hit Parades, Popularity Parades and Request Sessions. Serials, such as "Life with Dexter" and "Handcock's Half-hour," were also favoured, but a definite dislike was expressed for Aunt Daisy's show and Parliamentary debates.

—K. & A. Crofskey

ORCHIDS

The orchid is a plant from islands in the tropics. Though it flourishes on abundance of warmth it dislikes the direct rays of the sun and so in New Zealand is grown in glass-houses whose windows must be coated with lime to protect the tender plant. Orchids thrive on a mixture of chopped punga, sand, cow manure, soil and compost, which mixture produces strong plants with luxuriant flowers.

Orchids are thirsty plants and thrive on plenty of water, especially in the summer. Their home, the glass-house, should be carefully ventilated and kept at a regulated temperature of about 70 degrees in summer and 60 degrees in winter.

There are many varieties of this much prized plant of which the best known are perhaps the Cimbidim, the Gottenese, the Garrett, the Grandiflora and the Slipper. The latter is perhaps the easiest to grow and when in bloom is a thing of beauty with its clusters of attractive flowers. My preference is for the Caterlain which is one of the rarest and most prized of these valuable plants.

Orchids flower once a year from May to October, but each bloom can fetch from 2/6 to 3/-.

-Z. Hospenthal

IMAGINATION ONLY

The year is 2041 and I am 93 years old. Every morning my grand-children ride to school in their jet-o-mobiles-little cars powered by jet motors and steered by radio-control. The steering is done by the parents while leisurely enjoying the morning's paper. Licences are issued to all children at the age of 10 and their speedy conveyances land them in school in a matter of minutes. Arrived at school the pupils take their places in cushioned-padded seats and forthwith collect their ear phones from silver attachments on their desks. They now listen to the teacher (more or less) until the 10 o'clock break when they enjoy a bottle of fizz supplied by the school. After the morning break the pupils return to their class-rooms for a lecture on psychology. This carries on until noon when all enjoy a hot lunch again provided by the school. At 1 p.m. all are issued with Government books dealing with "modern science" and to prevent monotony fresh issues are supplied each month.

Soon the jet-o-mobiles are again in action and the pupils return to their homes.

—Gary Moughan

FROM THE FOREST TO YOUR HOME

Timber is not a raw material. Very many things happen to it between the felling of the tree and the building of your house. The deep forests must be reached, the tree felled, and the logs dragged to the bush mill, where first they are cut to mill length, then broken down to slabs and planks. Here the Timber Merchant takes over. In the manufacturing process first the air-dries or kilm-dries. Expensive equipment is needed for pressure-impregnation to defeat borer, insect and rot fungi. The partial vacuum in the cylinder sucks out the air, then pressure forces chemicals into the wood. The merchant cuts the still rough timber to every needed size and shape, so that the builder can get exactly what he wants. The timber is smoothed, finished and graded so that the best can be used for each purpose. Finally, the merchant has his own joinery factory, where he can put together standard or ordered items. He not only delivers your timber to your house site, he helps you build the house as well.

-R. Christensen

FORM IIA



FORM II A

Front: K. Chapman, A. Worrall, A. McAlpine.

2nd Row: G. Merriman, J. Ballantyne, A. Nielsen, B. Tolson, J. Richardson, B. Boyer, P. Birmingham, B. Quin, G. Armstrong, V. Duoba, S. Schumacher, J. Edwards, K. Hickland.

3rd Row: M. Power, G. Kennedy, J. Spurdle, I. Grant, R. Wickens, B. Tracey, P. Cotter, G. Phelan, P. Hogan, R. Cleaver.

4th Row: J. Kurta, J. Watson, B. Jeffares, W. Hancock, R. Orgias, J. Morse, P. Newall.

5th Row: C. Burkett, G. Crombie, R. Parker, C. Coleman, N. George.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Anthony Worrall; Christian Doctrine: John Ballantyne; 2nd Aggregate: Michael Kelly; 3rd Aggregate: Patrick Demchy.

Subject Leaders

Art: John Spurdle; English: Brian Boyer; Mental Arithmetic: Victor Duoba; Nature Study: Kevin Chapman; Oral Expression: Alan Eversfield; Reading: George Merriman; Social Studies: Anthony Nielsen; Spelling: Bernard Quin; Writing: Richard Wickens; Written Arithmetic: Denis Walsh.

A.D.C. Committee

Michael Kelly, Kevin Chapman, John Ballantyne, Garry Armstrong, Anthony Worrall, Peter Birmingham.

LIGHT

The great British scientist, Sir Isaac Newton, believed that a beam of light was a stream of tiny particles. The eminent Dutch scientist, Christian Huygens maintained that light travelled outwards from its source in a wave motion similar to the way in which waves travel outwards when a stone is dropped into the water. So great was the authority of Newton, in other branches of science, that his view was generally accepted.

—P. Horton

NEW PUBLICATIONS

"Astronomy," by I. C. A. Moon.
"The Knockout," by I. C. Stars.
"Broken Window," by Eva Brick.
"How I Won the Race," by Rhoda Giraffe.
"The Housing Problem," by Rufus Quick.
"Knighted," by Watts E. Dunne.
"Cutting it Fine," by Moses Lawn.
"Speedway Champion," by Iris Kit.
"I Fell Off Mt. Egmont," by Eileen Dover.

-T. Worrall -K. Hickland

ALGERIA

Algeria is a dependant country on the northwestern coast of Africa. On its 846,120 square miles of fertile land and desert, 10,753,600 Arabs and Europeans earn their living. The main cities are Algiers (361,885 population), Oran (299,918) and

The country was conquered by the Turks in 1518 but later found its independence. However, the French took control in 1830 and now Algeria is fighting for independence.

Arabs outnumber Europeans by 9-1.

—M. Kelly

THOMAS ALVA EDISON

Edison was born in Milan, Ohio, on February 11, 1847. Though he lost his hearing as a result of a train accident when he was but twelve years old, he so overcame his handicap that he started the "Weekly Herald" in 1864, frequently printing it on a moving train. His first invention (in 1864) was the automatic telegraph repeater, and five years later he sold stock ticker patents for \$40,000. He set up a laboratory in Menlo Park, New Jersey, in 1876 and soon after was rewarded by his invention of the talking machine. Still not satisfied with his remarkable achievements, he persevered with his experiments until in 1893 he succeeding in producing the talking machine.

The great man died at New Jersey in 1931.

—P. Birmingham

MY DREAM

I was travelling through the jungle, With my rifle on my back, To shoot some tasty tucker, To fill my empty pack.

When I turned round a corner, There came to my face, For lo I faced a monster, Of the dreaded lion race.

I bravely clambered up a tree. About a mile on high, But when the lion came after me, I wished that I could fly.

He climbed up right beside me. And grabbed at my poor head, Then cried a voice, "'Tis time for school," And woke me from my bed.

-R. Cleaver

PITCAIRN ISLANDS

These islands are famous as the scene of the mutiny of the Bounty in 1789. In that year 26 men under Fletcher Christian sent Captain William Bligh adrift in a 23-foot boat and sailed for the island. The men married native wives and today there are about 100 descendants of the mutineers. Two years after settling on the island quarrels began among the mutineers which eventually led to fights in which several lives were lost. John Adams was the last survivor and from his bible he taught the natives the elements of religion.

-Paul Cotter

BOOK REVIEWS

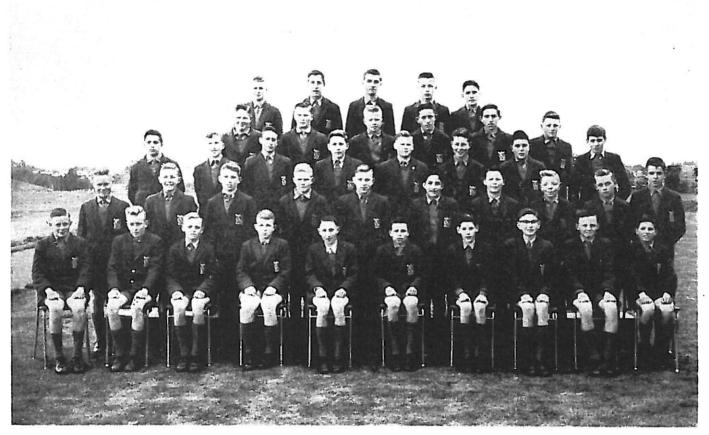
The Guns of Navarone: This is the stirring tale of five men's mission to destroy the two great 19 m. guns of Navarone. It tells of the struggles, emotions and satisfaction of the mission completed. I can recommend this story to you.

The Cruel Sea: The autobiography of George Eastwood Ericsen, R.N.V.R., whose life on board the "Compass Rose" was brought to an abrupt end by a German torpedo. The vessel sank in three minutes, and only few of the crew, including Ericson, lived to tell the tale. He then joined the "Saltash," a newly commissioned destroyer, and his adventures are told in this thrilling epic of the Navy, fighting the submarines and the sea.

The White Rabbit: This is a story of Fredrick "Yeo" Thomas who was a war-time agent in France. It tells of his narrow escapes and final capture by the Gestapo, his torture and then liberation by the advancing American Army. Here is a novel both fascinating and entertaining.

—G. Merriman

FORM IIB



FORM II B

- Front: J. Schumacher, G. O'Sullivan, B. Dravitzki, R. Watt, M. Morrison, R. Collins, M. Bourke, B. Murphy, J. Fahy, B. Stuck.
- 2nd Row: G. Joyce, C. Germann, G. Topping, P. Gwerder, C. McGhie, G. Landrigan, C. Kilpatrick, C. Kurth, C. Lamplough, P. Berridge.
- 3rd Row: J. Sheehan, P. Love, D. Mora, R. Buckley, M. Davey, N. Stokell, J. Monaghan, W. D'Arth.
- 4th Row: K. Uhlenberg, D. Hutson, J. Lile, J. Grant, G. Lawrence, P. Knapp.
- 5th Row: B. Hopson, J. Byrne, G. Hutchieson, A. Bartle, H. McKay.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: Michael Bourke; Christian Doctrine: Christopher Germann; 2nd Aggregate: Michael Morrison; 3rd Aggregate: Bradley Murphy.

Subject Leaders

Art: Joseph Radich; English: Brian Hopson; Mental Arithmetic: C. Kurth; Nature Study: Garry Topping; Oral Expression: Robert Watt; Reading: John Sheehan; Social Studies: Alan Bartle; Spelling: Hugh McKay; Writing: Gerald Landrigan; Written Arithmetic: Colin McGhie.

A.D.C. Committee

G. Landrigan, M. Morrison, B. Stuck, G. Lawrence.

THE LEANING TOWER OF PISA

This famous tower was built as the bell tower of the Cathedral of Pisa, Italy, and completed in 1350. With base walls no less than 13 feet thick, it rises to a height of 179 feet. Built in a series of eight colonnaded stories, it now has a lean of 14 feet from the perpendicular. Land subsidence is believed to have caused some of the foundations to sink, thus accounting for the extraordinary lean.

-M. Bourke

SO THE PEN SAID . . .

"I always do write," said the pen,
"In this way I'm different from men;
If they do wrong it can't be right,
I may write wrong but I still do write."

—A. Bartle

A MAN FROM LEEDS

There was an old man from Leeds, Who swallowed a packed of seeds, In an hour or two his ears were in flower, And the rest was a garden of weeds.

-R. Watt

Every dog has his day. But the dog with the sore tail has a weak end.

THE TALLEST STATUE

In the Black Hills of Dakota, U.S.A., Mr. Korczak Ziolkowski (pronounced Core-chak Jewell-cuff-ski) is spending his life carving a statue out of a mountain. It is a monument to the great Sioux chief, Crazy Horse. When it is finished, it will stand 563 feet tall—200 feet higher than St. Paul's Cathedral.

- "Mum, did you say the baby has your eyes and Dad's nose?"
 - "Yes I did, dear."
- "Well, you had better watch what he is up to because he has Grandma's teeth now!"

—M. Davey

There was a young man from Bengal, Who went to a fancy-dress ball, He went just for fun, Dressed up as a bun, And a dog ate him up in the hall!

J. Byrne

QUICK'S THE WORD

A number of animals in the zoo were having a party when suddenly the lemonade ran out. They all clubbed together, gave the money to a tortoise, and told him to go out and buy some.

Next day the kangaroo remarked: "My word he's a long time on the job!"

On the following day the lion blurted: "He's kept the money and run off with it."

A day later the tortoise poked his head round the door and growled angrily, "If you fellows are going to be so insulting, I won't go at all!"

THE ISLES OF THE PACIFIC

In the ocean called Pacific, Many islands can be seen; In size they vary greatly, With rues both bright and green. From Easter Isles in the south, To the Solomons in the west; And Hawaii in the north, I think New Zealands best.

—M. Kelly (F. II A)

VERSE FOR ONE'S BABY BROTHER!

Far away in the lands of ice and snow, Happily lives the Eskimo. Although it freezes, he doesn't care, Because he has cosy furs to wear And monster boots that reach his knees, As warm as toast, so his toes can't freeze. So you needn't feel sorry for him, although He's only a fat little Eskimo!

—J. Fleming (F. IVB)

FORM I



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- Front: P. Winter, D. Cameron, M. Gower, K. Landrigan, R. Churchill.
- 2nd Row: V. Dravitzki, P. Mora, P. Biesiek, W. Manning, B. Whale, B. Winter, A. Pelham, R. Bates, G. Spurdle, J. Keen.
- 3rd Row: P. Dwyer, J. Woods, P. Barrett, K. Hogan, G. Bezzant, G. Raille, K. Vale, J. Powell, J. Coils, T. Bolger, P. Mochnacki.
- 4th Row: A. Schumacher, M. Birchall, D. Davey, R. Jones, B. Dodunski, J. Martin, A. Dansey, A. Watson.
- 5th Row: J. Hall, R. McConnell, A. Curtis, D. Dunlop, G. Healy, J. Hickey, K. Doherty.
- 6th Row: T. McGhie, L. Bennett, J. Bradley, V. Woodward.

CLASS PRIZE LIST

Dux: John Powell; Christian Doctrine: Paul Dwyer; 2nd Aggregate: James Martin; 3rd Aggregate: Michael Birchall.

Subject Leaders

Art: James Hickey; English: Vincent Dravitzki; Mental Arithmetic: Dennis Davey and Kevin Landrigan; Nature Study: Peter Winter; Oral Expression: Graeme Raille; Reading: Geoffrey Healy; Social Studies: Adrian Watson; Spelling: Rodney Jones; Writing: Peter Mochnacki; Written Arithmetic: Aidan Schumacher.

A.D.C. Committee

[ames Martin, James Hickey, Rodney Jones, Dennis Davey, Peter Winter.

A TALL STORY . . . THE HUNTER

A hunter was returning one day to his home. As he walked along between a forest and a river, he heard a deafening roar, and looking whence it came, saw a crouching lion ready to pounce on him. Meanwhile, from the corner of his eye, he noticed an alligator approach from the river. In his dilemma he decided to approach the lion and as he did so, the alligator followed him. Suddenly the lion sprang at him, but he swiftly stepped aside and the lion landed on the alligator. After a desperate struggle, the alligator lay dead beneath the lion. Then the hunter shot the king of beasts and quietly continued on his way.

-V. Dravitzki

DAY BY DAY

Abraham Lincoln, President of the U.S.A., was
Born on a Sunday;
Elected to office on a Monday;
Twice elected to President on a Tuesday;
Admitted to the bar on a Wednesday;
Delivered the Gettysburg address on a Thursday;
Was assassinated on a Friday;
And died on a Saturday.

-M. Birchall

WHAT DOES EUREKA MEAN?

The famous word has had its origin in antiquity. The crown of a famous king being in the hands of his goldsmith, was suspected of being tampered with. The king, thinking the craftsman had replaced the gold by some inferior metal, engaged the services of the great scientist, Archimedes, to test his suspicions. By the simple device of determining the loss of weight sustained by the crown when immersed in water, the scientist solved the problem and rushed from his successful experiment crying with delight, "Eureka, Eureka" (I have found it), and so immortalized the famous word.

—J. Woods

EGG DAY

As Gala Day was drawing near,
There came a call both loud and clear,
"An egg, an egg from everyone,"
And so began the riotous fun.

In they came, one by one,
Oh my, oh my, what fun, what fun,
Eggs brown, eggs white and speckled too,
And some which needed quite some glue.

Eggs everywhere on floor and stair, In cartons too, on Brother's chair, On which he failed to sit I guess, And so we missed the longed-for mess.

—I. Powell

THE NEW ZEALAND PIGEON

The pigeon, kereru or kuku, a native of New Zealand, is perhaps the finest of its species to be found in all the world. It is remarkable for its size, feeding habits, and inartistic nest, which is usually found in the branches of a large shrub overhanging a steep cliff or embankment. Its egg is white and frequently it lays only one. It travels a considerable distance in search of berries, but when these are scarce, it is quite content to feed on leaves, choosing the Coprosma, the Kaika, the Ribbonwood or the Makomako, but its favourite is the Kowhai. Although it has no song, its beautiful plumage, its lack of fear of man, of its usefulness as a seed distributor, make it one of our most valued birds.

—J. Keen

WIFELY WRATH

A husband is the kind of man, Who drives me to a rage: He can't recall my birthday, But always knows my age.

-A. Pelham

WHAT IS IN A WHALE

A whale weighing 107 tons, contains 50 tons of meat, 23 tons of fat, 19 tons of bones, 5 tons of blood and 4 tons of intestines. Its tongue weighs $2\frac{1}{2}$ tons and its fin 1 ton. It can provide 25 tons of oil.

Just before the Great War, members of the Imperial Academy of Science at St. Petersburg cooked and ate slices of a mammal 12,000 years old which was brought intact from New Siberia in the original block of ice in which it was encased.

-B. Whale

I CAN'T ABEAR

I can't abear a Butcher,
I can't abide his meat,
The ugliest shop of all is his,
The ugliest in the street.
Bakers' are warm, Cobblers' dark,
Chemists' burn watery lights,
But oh the sawdust Butcher's shop,
The ugliest of all sights.

—W. Manning

THE OYSTER

An Oyster sat upon a rock,
"Alas," he said, "'Tis sad,
Today I got an awful shock,
I think I'm going bad!"

—D. Cameron

Grand Concert and















Prize Distribution. 1961

On the afternoon of Sunday, 11th December, 1960, the College held its first Annual Concert and Prize Distribution at the Opera House, New Plymouth. An enthusiastic crowd of pupils, parents and friends—far exceeding in numbers even our greatest hopes—came along to "taste of our talent", and filled the spacious hall to capacity.

The Primary School Choir launched out into song to open the concert and gave a very creditable rendition of Mozart's "Cradle Song" and Winn's "The Ashgrove". Unfortunately, our choirs were faced with a rather formidable disadvantage throughout the afternoon, for it was discovered (alas! too late to be remedied) that the stage piano used at the rehearsal had absconded and that the piano in the orchestra pit could not be heard on the stage! However, like typical Kiwis, the boys revelled in this little "challenge".

The performance by "Les Petits Danseurs" from Form III—the lively little puppets which an American might term "kinda cute"—was an item well received and enjoyed by all.

Form I—the mighty men of the school—gave their Mums and Dads amongst the audience an exhibition of the drill which a colourfully-dressed and well-practised team could perform.

The boys at the College take a considerable interest in instrumental music, and they eagerly seized the opportunity to display their talents in this regard at the concert. Their performance

was very creditable. The Senior Choir's presentation of two popular numbers—"The Drummer Boy" and Offenbach's "Barcarolle"—was well received.

Our Parish Priest, Right Reverend Monsignor Minogue, presented the prizes to the boys who had shown outstanding ability in the classroom and on the sports field during the year.

After Interval, the play "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs", presented by the boys of Form III, proved enjoyable and revealed hidden talents for acting, the existence of which we might otherwise have never suspected!

Form II boys excelled themselves in their verse-speaking item and were the subjects of favourable comment by a local connoisseur of this art. Our vaulting team, too, gave a finished and spectacular gymnastic display—the result of much enthusiastic and persevering practice. Finally, Tresch's "Ave Maria" from the College's Combined Choir brought the array of items to an end.

All agreed that the concert was a very successful first effort. The Brothers and boys are grateful to all who helped in its organisation. Particular thanks should be expressed to Mrs. McLafferty, our accompaniste, for her cheerfully-given and invaluable assistance; to Mr. Des. Chapman, for his generous provision of costumes for the play; and to Mr. Leo Walsh, who, in his usual generous fashion, solved our transport problems.



COLLEGE CADET UNIT

It is the practice of most Units to hold their Barracks Week as close as possible to the beginning of the school year. We have taken up the custom and the first day of the school year saw our secondary pupils issued with uniforms and on parade. The second year cadets were now A Company and after a few periods of revision, continued their training on the more advanced topics of a cadet's training. At the same time we could smile at the sight of others having to learn all those basic points that troubled us last year. But to our surprise, not only did the beginners master their lessons but even had a certain instructor drawing unfavourable conclusions after a comparison of the two companies at drill, unfavourable to us at least till we remedied our lethargic display and satisfied him that we could be as good as B Company. He would never admit the truth that we were better.

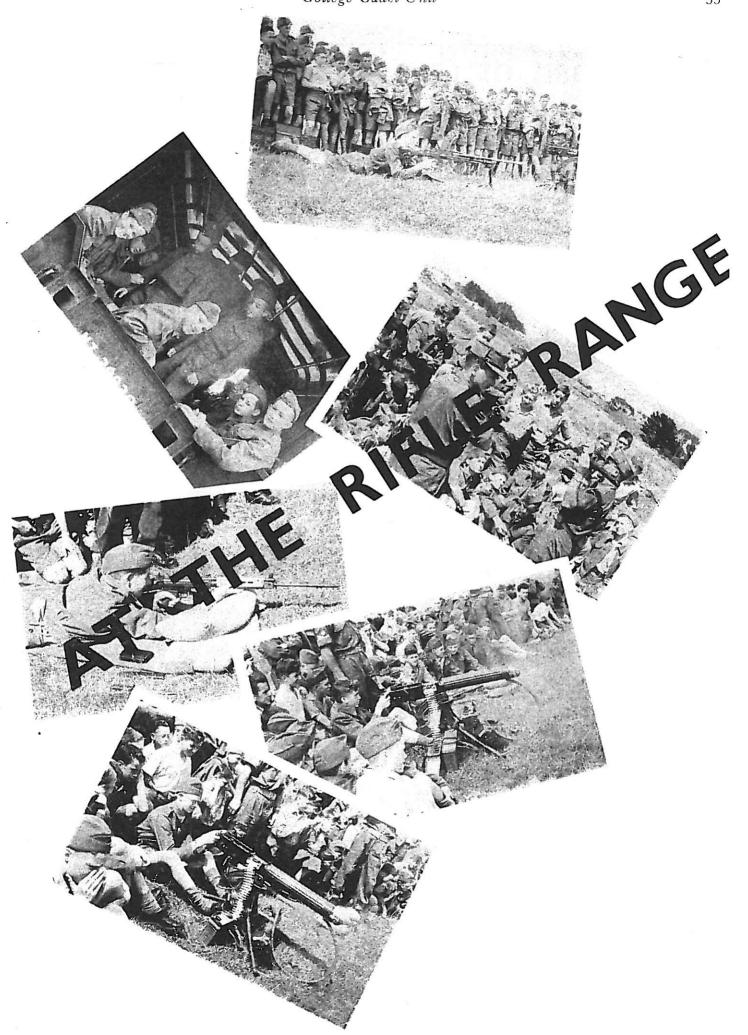
The highlight of Barracks Week for us was our trip to Rewa Rewa range to witness and take part in a demonstration shoot of the Bren L.M.G., the new F.N. rifle, Vickers Sterling sub-machine carbine and .38 pistol. This demonstration roused a great deal of interest amongst us, and there were quite a few envious looks exchanged as some of the cadets were called out to fire the weapons. There were a few too, who wondered if the O.C. had ever been to Texas. But while our heads were swelling Brother Conrad had managed the new recruits so well that their .22 rifle shooting put many of us to shame.

This basic training period came to an end with our parade and inspection by Major Seccombe, Area Officer for Taranaki. He told us that our steadiness and smartness on parade plus the other points he had noted on visits during the week denoted a fine effort and a second stage completed towards the formation of a first-class unit. We think most of this praise was due to the efforts of our Officers, our N.C.O.'s and the local Area 8 staff, especially Staff Sergeant Worrall.

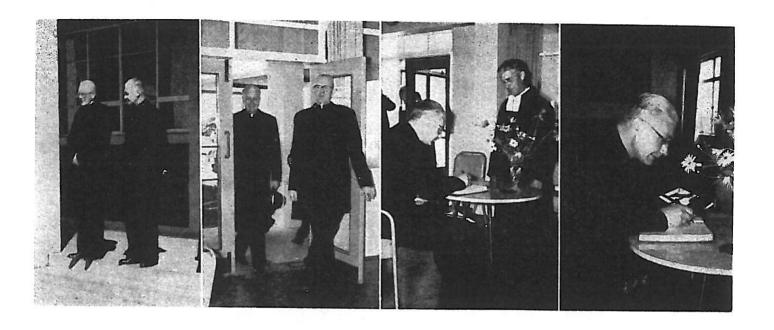
Since that time we have continued our training over the parade days on the first Wednesday of each month. We have mastered map reading, fieldcraft, L.M. Gun and rifle and have maintained our drill at the Barracks Week standard. B Company have tried to equal us often, but we always turn out tops when we have finished "kidding" the youngsters. We don't like to discourage them altogether. We even let a few come with us for a bivouac near Okato.

Over all this period we have tried to reach a high standard of marksmanship. This has not always been easy as cold, windy days make it hard to direct the shot into the bull. But thanks to the guidance and enthusiasm of Staff Sgt. Worrall and Brother Conrad we have improved and hope to do well in the different competition shoots late in the year. Shooting is a sport and the skill to shoot well can be acquired without drudgery. In this sphere we have found that some boys whose physical build precludes success at our first interest, football, can manage to master others whose size and strength provide the basis of success at football. But all have tried to improve and so success in competitions must come our way soon.

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The Visit of the Apostolic Delegate



On Friday, September 29th, we were honoured with a visit of the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop de Furstenberg. His Excellency was accompanied by His Grace Archbishop McKeefry and the Right Rev. Msgr. Rotoli. His Grace greeted the Apostolic Delegate at the College, where more than 300 boys gathered in the quadrangle. It was a joy, His Grace said, to introduce the personal representative of Pope John XXIII to the youth of Taranaki, and to let him see one of his great hopes that from amongst the boys would come vocations to the priesthood and Religious life, not only for the archdiocese but also other countries.

"His Excellency's visit to New Zealand is proof not only of his own interest in the Church in this land, but particularly of that of the Holy Father, whom he represents in our midst," said His Grace. "I hope you will remember the great privilege you have today for years to come, and ever pray for those who have the responsibility of guiding the Church."

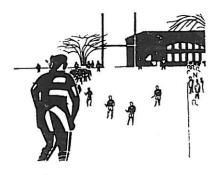
His Excellency said he joined the Archbishop in his hope that there may come from amongst the boys, very many vocations. "But you cannot all be called, and for those who are not, I hope you become good citizens, all aiming to achieve something by passing on the knowledge you gain here, so that the next generation will be better than our own."

He urged the boys to have a high ambition, not only for themselves, but also for others in the world, so that they could spread the good they learned at the college.

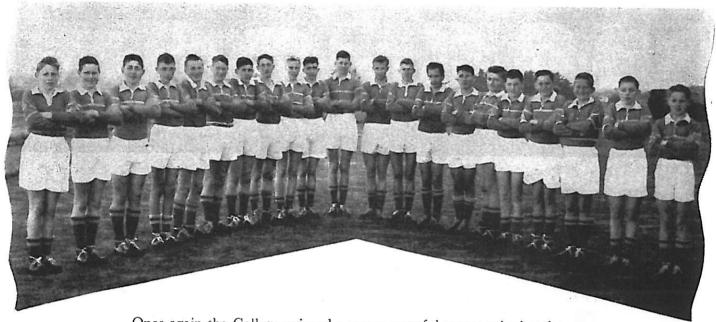
"Enjoy your sport, and do your work as well as possible, so that you will enrich your-selves and thus do something big in life—in sanctity, in action and in serving the Church here and abroad,' 'he said.

New Zealand, he pointed out, had produced some great men, many of them non-Catholics.

Thanking His Excellency, the director of the College, the Rev. Brother Jerome, said he could assure him that the boys would always regard it as a red letter day in the history of a young college to have had the representative of the Holy Father with them in their third year.



FOOTBALL



Once again the College enjoyed a very successful season winning three competitions and being runners-up in one. The winning teams were the Eighth Grade "A", Eight Grade "B" and the Ninth Grade "C". The Seventh Grade finished the season as runners-up to Waitara High. Four teams ended the season as Challenge Shield Holders. These teams were the Seventh Grade, the Eighth Grade "A", the Ninth Grade "A" and the Ninth Grade "B".

The 1961 season also saw the selection of our first 1st XV. This team was selected from our three senior grade teams to play against De La Salle, Mangerc. As yet the firsts are too light a side to be taking part in the local competition as a team. Next year a Senior Secondary Schools' Competition is to be held in Taranaki so opportunities should come their way in this.

Our Grade Representatives for North Taranaki were: Sixth Grade: J. Castelli, J. Inglis; Seventh Grade "A" Division: M. Leahy (Capt.), W. Hopson, K. Muir, I. McNae; Seventh Grade "B" Division: D. Bezzant, G. Mora, Y. Burszynski; Eighth Grade "A" Division: K. Goodin (Capt.), P. Winstanley, J. Henderson, P. Novak, K. Harrison, M. Gower; Eighth Grade "B" Division: M. King, Z. Hospenthal; Ninth Grade: M. Cooch, B. Walsh, D. Cameron; Taranaki Primary Schools' Representatives: P. Dwyer, D. Cameron.

NORTH TARANAKI RUGBY FOOTBALL REPRESENTATIVES (Photograph above)

Z. Hospenthal (8th 'B'), B. Walsh (9th), P. Novak (8th 'A'), J. Henderson (8th 'A'), K. Goodin (8th 'A', Capt.), K. Muir (7th), K. Harrison (8th 'A'), G. Mora (7th), D. Bezzant (7th), I. McNae (7th), J. Castelli (6th), J. Inglis (6th), W. Hopson (7th), D. Henderson (8th 'B'), Y. Bureszynski (7th), M. Gower (8th 'A'), M. Leahy (7th, Capt.), P. Winstanley (8th 'A'), P. Dwyer (Taranaki Primary Schools), M. Cooch (9th), D. Cameron (9th, Capt. and Taranaki Primary Schools).



FIFTH GRADE RUGBY TEAM

Front: B. Nevin, K. Collins, J. Pratt, F. Finnigan (Capt.), E. Marinovich, R. Hight, T. Poulter.

Middle: M. Death, O. Neal, J. Fleming, P. Lewis, J. Julian, J. Iremonger.

Back: B. Allen, G. Richardson, P. Hunt, J. Orr, P. Wooldridge.

Played 10, Won 4, Drew 1, Lost 5. Points For: 60; Points Against: 84.



SIXTH GRADE RUGBY TEAM

Front: A. Bartle, D. Ogier, W. Coogan, J. Castelli (Capt.), M. Wright, M. Paton, J. Bartle.

Middle: M. Radich, G. Fitzsimons, K. Komene, J. O'Connor, A. Baker, V. Mardon.

Back: P. Murphy, R. Dwyer, B. Kane, A. Schumacher, G. O'Byrne, J. Inglis.

Played 11, Won 5, Drew 1, Lost 5. Points For: 88; Points Against: 133.

RESULTS OF COMPETITION MATCHES

MAY 27th

College Fifths 0 lost to School Red 6. College Sixths 0 lost to School Day Boys 44. College Sevenths 46 defeated Waitara High "B" 3. College Eighths "A" 5 lost to Waitara High 8. College Eighths "B" 22 defeated Highlands Blue 3. College Ninths "A" 0 drew with Rahotu 0. College Ninths "B" 0 drew fith Highlands Blue 0.

College Ninths "C" 12 defeated Devon Green 0.

JUNE 3rd

College Fifths 0 lost to School Green 16.
College Sixths 13 lost to Rahotu 23.
College Sevenths 19 defeated School Carrington 5.
College Eighths "A" 11 defeated School Pridham 0.
College Eighths "B" 5 lost to Waitara High 6.
College Ninths "A" 16 defeated Spotswood College 5.
College Ninths "B" 3 lost to Fitzroy 13.
College Ninths "C" 18 defeated Devon Gold 0.

JUNE 10th

College Fifths 20 defeated School Black 3.
College Sixths 15 defeated School West 3.
College Sevenths 37 defeated School Pridham 3.
College Eighths "A" 14 defeated Okato High 3.
College Eighths "B" 3 defeated Devon 0.
College Ninths "A" 0 lost to Devon Blue 3.
College Ninths "B" 0 lost to Okato High 9.
College Ninths "C" 19 defeated Highlands Green 0.

JUNE 17th

College Fifths 8 defeated School White 6. College Sixths 3 lost to School Boarders 6. College Sevenths 15 defeated School Moyes 0. College Eighths "A" defeated Spotswood College 0. College Ninths "A" 0 lost to Highlands Red 3. College Ninths "B" 6 defeated Star 0. College Ninths "C" 14 defeated Highlands Gold 0.

JUNE 24th

College Fifths 6 drew with Star 6.
College Sixths 3 drew with Waitara High 3.
Cellege Sevenths 8 lost to Waitara High 16.
College Eighths "A" 24 defeated School Pridham 0.
College Eighths "B" 1 defeated School West 3.
College Ninths "A" 17 defeated High School 0.
College Ninths "B" 3 drew with Tukapa 3.
College Ninths "C" 17 defeated Old Boys 0.

JULY 1st

College Fifths 6 lost to School Red 12.
College Sixths 3 lost to School Day Boys 30.
College Sevenths 14 defeated School East 6.
College Eighths "A" 10 defeated Waitara High 3.
College Eighths "B" 14 defeated School Moyes 3.
College Ninths "A" 3 lost to Rahotu 5.
College Ninths "B" 0 lost to Waitara High 6.
College Ninths "C" 6 lost to Urenui 10.

JULY 8th

College Fifths 0 lost to School Green 14. College Sixths 12 defeated Rahotu 8. College Sevenths 11 defeated Okato High 0. College Eighths "A" 23 defeated School Pridham 3. College Eighths "B" 12 defeated Waitara High 5. College Ninths "A" 5 drew with High School 5. College Ninths "B" 8 defeated Devon Red 3.

JULY 15th

College Fifths 11 defeated School Black 9.
College Sixths 30 defeated School West 3.
College Sevenths 19 defeated School Central 3.
College Eighths "A" 16 defeated Okato High 5.
College Eighths "B" 3 lost to Highlands Green 6.
College Ninths "A" 8 defeated Spotswood College 0.
College Ninths "B" 0 lost to Highlands Blue 5.
College Ninths "C" 24 defeated Devon Green 3.

JULY 22nd

College Sixths 0 lost to School Boarders 8.
College Sevenths 9 defeated School West 0.
College Eighths "A" 16 defeated Spotswood College 6.
College Eighths "B" 11 defeated Devon 5.
College Ninths "A" 0 lost to Devon Blue 12.
College Ninths "B" 11 defeated Fitzroy 0.
College Ninths "C" 6 defeated Devon Gold 3.

JULY 29th

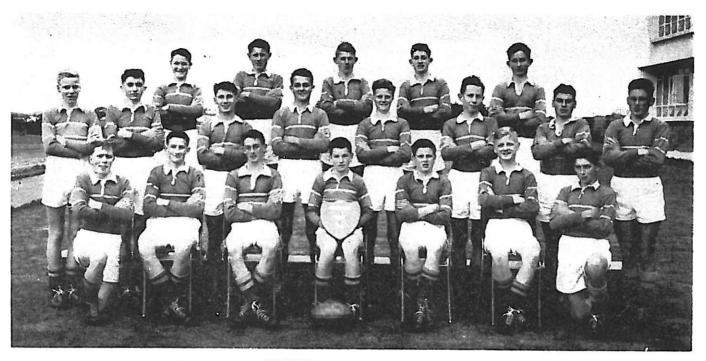
College Fifths 0 lost to Star 9.
College Sixths 3 defeated Waitara High 0.
College Sevenths 9 defeated Okato High 6.
College Eighths "A" 49 defeated School Central 0.
College Eighths "B" 20 defeated Highlands Blue 3.
College Ninths "A" 0 lost to Highlands Red 9.
College Ninths "B" 0 drew with Okato High 0.
College Ninths "C" 12 defeated Highlands Green 0.

AUGUST 5th

College Fifths 9 defeated School Black 0.
College Sixths 6 defeated School West 5.
College Sevenths 3 lost to School West 6.
College Eighths "A" 15 defeated School Pridham 3.
College Eighths "B" 12 defeated School Carrington 0.
College Ninths "A" won on default from Rahotu.
College Ninths "B" 6 defeated Star 6.
College Ninths "C" 15 defeated Highlands Gold 0.

AUGUST 12th

College Sevenths 6 defeated Waitara High 3. College Eighths "B" 6 defeated Waitara High 0. College Ninths "B" 3 lost to Highlands Blue 6. College Ninths "C" 3 defeated Urenui 0.



SEVENTH GRADE RUGBY TEAM

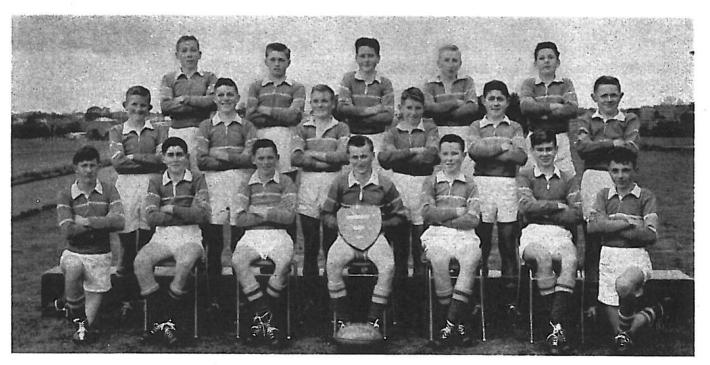
Runners-up Northern Taranaki Seventh Grade Championship and Winners of Challenge Shield.

Front: J. Karalus, P. McEvedy, G. Mora, M. Leahy (Capt.), T. Hore, P. Newport, I. Death.

Middle: D. Bezzant, I. McNae, Y. Bureszynski, M. Butler, A. Purcell, M. Meyrick, P. McCarthy, F. McCarthy.

Back: K. Muir, P. Murphy, W. Hopson, D. Moynighan, J. Bourke.

Played 12, Won 10, Lost 2. Points For: 196; Points Against: 51.



EIGHTH GRADE "A" RUGBY TEAM-PREMIERS

Winners of North Taranaki Eighth Grade First Division Championship and Challenge Shield.

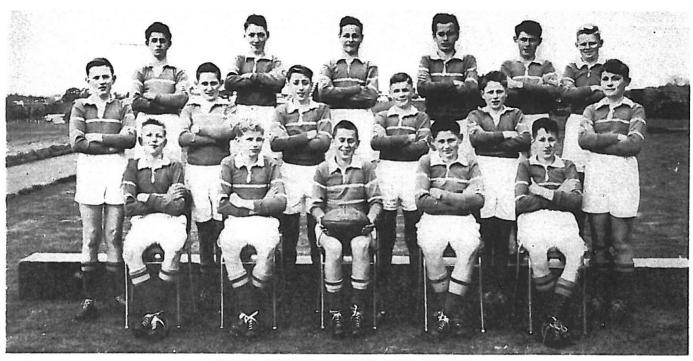
Front: R. Barrow, K. Harrison, P. Winstanley, K. Goodin (Capt.), G. Moriarty, J. Ross, J. Henderson.

Middle: P. Dwyer, D. Kavanagh, M. Dodunski, G. Topping, P. Novak, M. Mace.

Back: C. Dombroski, M. Gower, W. O'Donnell, C. Marshall, D. Higgins.

Played 10, Won 9, Lost 1. Points For: 173; Points Against: 28.

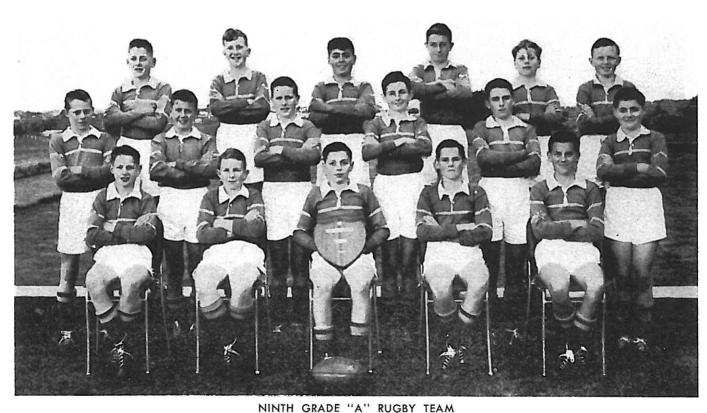
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EIGHTH GRADE "B" RUGBY TEAM-PREMIERS

Winners of North Taranaki Eighth Grade Second Division Championship.

Front: K. Astwood, L. Dunkinson, V. Chapman (Capt.), B. Hannan, R. Hagenson.
Middle: A. Diamanti, M. Hannan, G. Moughan, K. Mullin, Z. Hospenthal, J. Leuthard.
Back: J. Sheehan, G. Bocock, D. Murphy, D. Henderson, A. Walshe, J. Gilmore.
Played 12, Won 10, Lost 2. Points For: 123; Points Against: 34.



MINITI GRADE A ROGBI TEAM

Winners of First Division Challenge Shield.

Front: D. Cameron, R. Watt, M. Cooch (Capt.), J. Mardon, J. Watson. Middle: I. Dodunski, K. Hickland, B. Walsh, T. Costello, G. Phelan, D. Mellow.

Back: P. Powell, P. Love, P. Cotter, D. Mora, B. Tracey, J. Fahy.

Played 10, Won 3, Drew 2, Lost 5. Points For: 49; Points Against: 42.



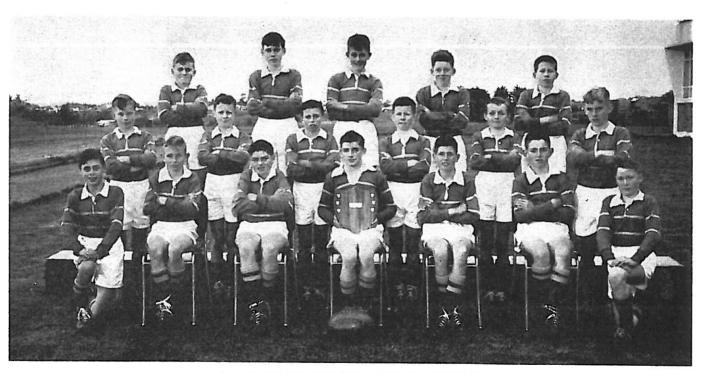
NINTH GRADE "B" RUGBY TEAM

Front: P. Birmingham, P. Cronin, M. Gower, J. Goodin (Capt.), J. Suhr, J. Kurta, J. Martin.

Middle: J. Spurdle, P. Wood, G. Stockwell, C. Kilpatrick, B. Condon, V. Douba.

Back: K. Doherty, P. Gallagher, J. Hall, J. Stevenson, R. Wickens.

Played 11, Won 4, Drew 3, Lost 4. Points For: 37; Points Against: 39.



NINTH GRADE "C" RUGBY TEAM-PREMIERS

Winners of North Taranaki Ninth Grade Third Division Championship and Challenge Shield.

Front: J. Richardson, P. Mora, W. Manning, A. Hughes (Capt.), B. Stuck, G. Raille, R. McLaughlin.

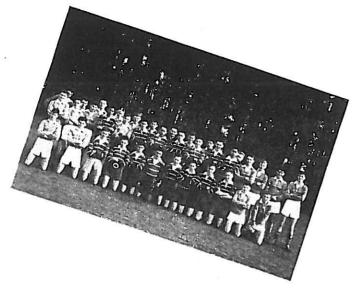
Middle: A. McAlpine, P. Winter, R. Collins, B. Winter, G. Spurdle, J. Hickey.

Back: T. Bolger, J. Young, N. George, R. Jones, D. Harrold.

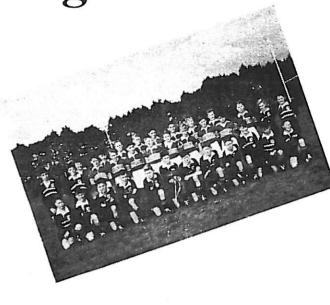
Played 11, Won 10, Lost 1. Points For: 146; Points Against: 16.

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AUCKLAND AND BLENHEIM



INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION

The Wednesday afternoon Inter-House Competition was once again a keenly contested affair. In the overall points score, Solomon with 41 points won narrowly from Loreto with 40 points with La Salle on 35 points and Benildus 24 points. Loreto led slightly from Solomon throughout the season, but in the finals against the "Reds", Loreto could win only two of the five games and so had the premiership taken from them by one point.

Only two teams remained undefeated throughout the season—Solomon "D" Grade and Loreto "E" Grade.

Grade winners were:-

"A" Grade—Solomon (11 points).

"B" Grade-Solomon (11 points).

"C" Grade-Loreto (12 points).

"D" Grade-Solomon (13 points).

"E" Grade-Loreto (14 points).

PRIMARY SCHOOLS' KNOCK-OUT CARNIVALS

The College took part in two Knock-out Carnivals during the year. At the Tukapa Carnival, the College was represented by five teams. The six stone team lost 6-3 to Devon Red in the final while the seven stone "A" team were defeated 3-0 by Lepperton in their semi-final. The other three teams lost their second round games.

On the 18th June, a six stone and a seven stone team took part in the Taranaki Catholic Schools' Carnival at Stratford. Both teams went through the Carnival undefeated, neither having a point scored against them during the day. In the final of the Junior Cup, College defeated Patea 6-0, while in the Intermediate Cup final, College defeated Stratford 3-0

COLLEGE v. DE LA SALLE MANGERE AND ST. MARY'S BLENHEIM

On the 17th August, De La Salle Mangere and St. Mary's Blenheim were our guests for the annual matches between the schools. Mangere was represented by their 1st XV and a Seven Stone Secondary team, St. Mary's by a Six Stone Seven Primary team. In the Senior game, De La Salle Mangere defeated us by 16 points to 14 points in a very even match. Below is a report of the game taken from the "Taranaki Herald":—

"In a thrilling game which combined hard forward play with fast and spectacular back line movements, the De La Salle College Mangere first fifteen 16 points (four tries, two converted) defeated Francis Douglas College first fifteen 14 points (three tries, one converted and a penalty goal) in an even game at Sanders Park.

"A draw would have been a fairer indication of the run of play. Only an opportunist try by Mangere in the last minute gave them a win. Francis Douglas had the better of the first spell but towards the end of the second they seemed to tire.

"For Francis Douglas John Inglis was the outstanding back, although he did not get many chances. David McGee, the number eight, showed he had perfected a movement from the scrum by scoring two similar tries and Graham Mora was prominent in the loose as well as gaining many tight heads in the scrums. For the visitors G. Le Noel and B. Butler played well while P. Stanaway was the best back on the field.

"Scorers were: Francis Douglas College, tries, D. McGee (2), G. Mora; penalty goal and conversion,

A. Baker. Mangere, tries, P. Stanaway, G. Le Noel, B. Butler, C. Rattray; conversions B. Butler (2)."

In the Junior Secondary game De La Salle Mangere 11 defeated Francis Douglas College 6. This was a particularly good open game, both teams making use of their speedy backlines to make the game a "thriller" from start to finish.

The College Primary boys were a little too heavy for St. Mary's boys although they didn't get everything their own way especially in the forwards. However, the backline really showed their pace on a number of occasions, and College ran out winners by 15 points to nil.

COLLEGE CADET UNIT

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Next year we look forward to the start of specialist sections in our senior platoons. The new recruits of 1961 will become old stagers like ourselves and will risk a smile at the rookies of 1962. No one, of course, will be so rash as to laugh. We all know how a certain instructor can make even the old hands squirm.

Our thanks for a successful year must go to those of the Unit who sacrificed their holidays to attend camps to train as the backbone of our Unit, its N.C.O.'s. We thank Brother Jerome for his interest, Brothers Francis and Conrad for their efforts, and finally Major Seccombe, Staff Sergeant T. Worrall and the staff of Area 8 for their keenness and help.



ATHLETICS





INTER-HOUSE ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS

Front: P. Love (U. 13), N. Tolson (Open), J. Martin (U. 12).

Back: G. O'Byrne (U. 15), L. Bennett (U. 12), R. Barrow (U. 14), J. Inglis (U. 16).

LA SALLE WINS HOUSE SPORTS

Six records were broken and one equalled at the third annual inter-house athletic sports held at St. Joseph's on Sunday, 12th March. The reconstruction of our own playing fields necessitated a new venue for the sports. With the permission of St. Joseph's School Committee, the ideal setting of St. Joseph's School oval was made available.

Highlights of the day were J. McDowell's new time of 2.22.2 secs. for the open 880 yards and N. Tolson's shot putt of 37ft. 1in. for a new senior

J. Inglis was untroubled to win the under 16 sprint double while P. Love, R. Barrow and G. O'Byrne won the same double in the under 13, 14, and 15 respectively.

Benildus House established a slight lead over Loreto House in the jumping events held the previous day while the eventual winner La Salle was left far in the rear. However, on completion of the track events, La Salle with 263 points was declared the winner from Loreto ($246\frac{1}{2}$ points), Benildus ($245\frac{1}{2}$ points) and Solomon ($207\frac{1}{2}$ points).

Records established were:

- 1. Open Shot Putt: 38ft. 1in.—N. Tolson.
- Open 880 Yards: 2.22.2 secs.—J. McDowell.
 Open 100 Yards: 11.1 secs.—I. Fredericks.

- Under 16 100 Yards: 11.1 secs.—J. Inglis.
 Under 16 High Jump: 4ft. 8ins.—R. Collison.
- 6. Under 15 High Jump: 4ft. 7ins.—P. Winstanley (equalled).
- 7. Under 12 High Jump: 3ft. 10ins.—L. Bennett.

RESULTS OF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Open Division:

100 Yards: I. Fredericks 1, A. Baker 2, P. Wooldridge 3; 11.1 secs. (record). High Jump: A. Schumacher 1, D. McGee 2, G. Richardson 3; 4ft. 10ins. Broad Jump: A. Schumacher 1, N. Tolson 2, A. Baker 3; 16ft. 4ins. 220 Yards: A. Baker 1, R. Hight 2, N. Tolson 3; 28.1 secs. 880 Yards: J. McDowell 1, B. Radomski 2, K. Schumacher 3; 2.22.2 secs. (record). Shot Putt: N. Tolson 1, B. Stockwell 2, R. Hight 3; 38ft. 1in. (record).

Under 16:

100 Yards: J. Inglis 1, V. Mardon 2, D. Murphy 3; 11.1 secs. (record). Broad Jump: J. Inglis 1, D. Murphy 2, B. Metcalfe 3; 15ft. 11ins. High Jump: R. Collison 1, J. Orr 2, J. Castelli 3; 4ft. 8ins

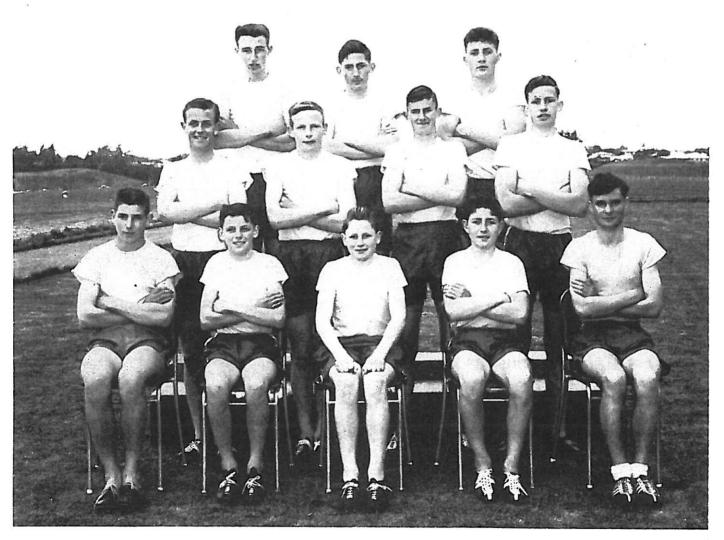
(record). 220 Yards: J. Inglis 1, D. Murphy 2, M. Nogaj 3; 28.0 secs.

Under 15:

100 Yards: G. O'Byrne 1, J. Ross 2, F. McCarthy 3; 11.8 secs. Broad Jump: G. O'Byrne i, T. Poulter 2, G. Hutchieson 3; 15ft. 2½ins. High Jump: P. Winstanley 1, G. O'Byrne and P. Hunt equal 2; 4ft. 7ins. (equals record). 220 Yards: G. O'Byrne 1, T. Poulter 2, J. O'Connor 3; 29.1 secs.

Under 14:

100 Yards: R. Barrow 1, W. D'ath 2, V. Douba 3; 12.2 secs. Broad Jump: R. Barrow 1, G. Topping 2, D. Kavanagh and W. D'ath 3; 14ft. 1½ins. High Jump: C. Dombroski 1, G. Topping 2, W. D'ath 3; 4ft. 5ins. 220 Yards: R. Barrow 1, D. Kavanagh 2, V. Douba 3; 30.0 secs.



SENIOR ATHLETIC TEAM

Front: M. Death, P. Winstanley, Z. Hospenthal, P. Novak, A. Baker.

2nd Row: J. Inglis, B. Schumacher, J. McDowell, B. Radomski.

3rd Row: A. Schumacher, G. O'Byrne, N. Tolson.



JUNIOR ATHLETIC TEAM

Front: J. Martin, A. Pelham, M. Morrison, D. Harrold.

2nd Row: P. Love, B. Boyer, P. Demchy, P. Birmingham, J. Ballantyne, M. Birchall, P. Mochnacki.

3rd Row: G. Lawrence, P. Gwerder, V. Douba, B. Tracey, L. Bennett, G. Pelham, J. Suhr, J. Sheehan.

4th Row: J. Spurdle, A. Eversfield, J. Hall, G. Topping, B. Jeffares.

5th Row: N. Stokell, A. Bartle, G. Crombie, G. Hutchieson, K. Uhlenberg.

Under 13:

100 Yards: P. Love 1, G. Crombie 2, J. Suhr 3; 12.2 secs. Broad Jump. P. Love 1, G. Crombie 2, B. Tracey 3; 13ft. 5ins. High Jump: B. Stuck 1, P. Love 2, I. Grant 3; 4ft. 1in. 220 Yards: P. Love 1, G. Crombie 2, L. Bennett 3; 30.2 secs.

Under 12:

75 Yards: A. Eversfield 1, L. Bennett and J. Martin 2; 10.2 secs. Broad Jump: J. Martin 1, K. Doherty 2, M. Birchall 3; 10ft. 10½ins. High Jump: L. Bennett 1, D. Harrold 2, M. Birchall 3; 3ft. 10ins. (record).

Champions of 1961:

Open Division: N. Tolson (Benildus); Under 16: J. Inglis (La Salle); Under 15: G. O'Byrne (Benildus); Under 14: R. Barrow (La Salle); Under 13: P. Love (Solomon); Under 12: J. Martin (Loreto) and L. Bennett (La Salle); March Past: La Salle.

COLLEGE ATHLETIC RECORDS

100 Yards—Open: I. Fredericks (1961), 11.1 secs; Under 16: J. Inglis (1961), 11.1 secs; Under

15: J. Inglis (1960), 11.6 secs; Under 14: J. Inglis (1959), 12.1 secs; Under 13: G. O'Byrne (1959), 12 secs; Under 12: (75 yds.) P. Love (1960), 9.8 secs.

220 Yards—Open: L. Dombroski (1960), 26 secs; Under 16: I. Fredericks (1960), 27.4 secs; Under 15: D. McGee (1959), 28.4 secs; Under 14: G. O'Byrne (1960), 28.3 secs; Under 13: G. O'Byrne (1959), 28.8 secs.

880 Yards—Open: J. McDowell (1961), 2 min. 22.2 secs.

Broad Jump—Open: D. Keegan (1960), 16ft. 10ins.; Under 16: N. Tolson (1960), 17ft. 1in.; Under 15: R. Hight (1959), 16ft. 3ins.; Under 14: J. Inglis (1959), 15ft. 1½ins.; Under 13: P. Winstanley (1959), 14ft. 2ins.; Under 12: R. Barrow (1959), 14ft. 4ins.

High Jump—Open: S. Allen (1960), 4ft. 11ins.; Under 16: R. Collison (1961), 4ft. 8ins.; Under 15: A. Schumacher (1959) and P. Winstanley (1961), 4ft. 7ins.; Under 14: P. Winstanley (1960), 4ft. 5½ins.; Under 13: P. Winstanley (1959), 4ft. 2ins.; Under 12: L. Bennett (1961), 3ft. 10ins.

Shot Putt:—Open: N. Tolson (1961), 38ft. 1in.

TARANAKI POST-PRIMARY SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING

At the Combined Secondary Schools' Athletic Sports held on the 25th March at the Hawera Showgrounds, the College did reasonably well considering the high standard of athletics maintained throughout the meeting.

In the Intermediate Division, N. Tolson gained second place in both the Shot Putt and Hop, Step and Jump. In the Junior Division, B. Schumacher gained a third placing in the 880 yards final and

both 100 yards and 220 yards Challenge Cups in the Intermediate Division. This is the third successive year that Peter has won the cup for the 100 yards sprint in this division.

College placings were: -

- 11 years 75 yards: P. Love first in heat, first in final; G. Crombie first in heat, third in final; L. Bennett second in heat.
- 12 years 100 yards: W. D'ath first in heat, first in final; V. Duoba first in heat; J. Suhr second in heat; J. Sheehan first in heat, second in final; B. Jeffares second in heat.







G. O'Byrne was placed third in the 80 metres hurdles. The Junior Relay team was placed fourth in the final.

Other performances of note were: Intermediate 880 Yards: K. Schumacher fifth; Intermediate High Jump: A. Schumacher fourth; Intermediate 100 Yards: I. Fredericks fourth in heat, fifth in final; Intermediate 440 Yards: A. Baker third in heat, fifth in final; Intermediate 220 Yards: N. Tolson third in heat, I. Fredericks fourth in heat; Intermediate Broad Jump: A. Schumacher fourth; Junior 100 Yards: G. O'Byrne third in heat; Junior 220 Yards: R. Barrow fourth in heat; Junior 440 Yards: Z. Hospenthal fourth in final; Junior High Jump: P. Winstanley fifth.

TARANAKI PRIMARY SCHOOLS' SPORTS MEETING

At the twelfth Annual Meeting of the above, the College were well to the fore throughout the day. Two teams represented the College. P. Love won

13 years 100 yards: G. Lawrence second in heat, third in final; G. Hutchieson third in heat, second in final; N. Stokell first in heat; G. Phelan first in heat.

Intermediate 100 yards Championship: P. Love first, G. Crombie second.

Intermediate 220 yards Championship: P. Love first. Senior 100 yards Championship: G. Hutchieson third. Senior 220 yards Championship: W. D'ath second.

Intermediate Broad Jump: P. Love second.

Senior Broad Jump: W. D'ath second, J. Spurdle third.

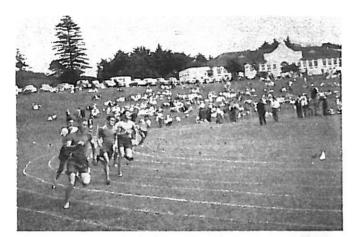
Intermediate High Jump: K. Doherty third.

Senior High Jump: G. Topping second, M. Morrison third

Intermediate Relay: College Green first in heat, first in final.

Senior Relay: College Green first in heat, second in final; College Gold third in heat.

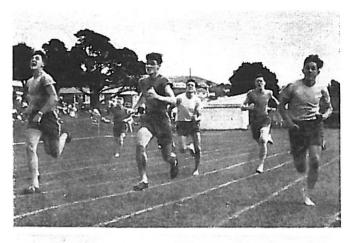
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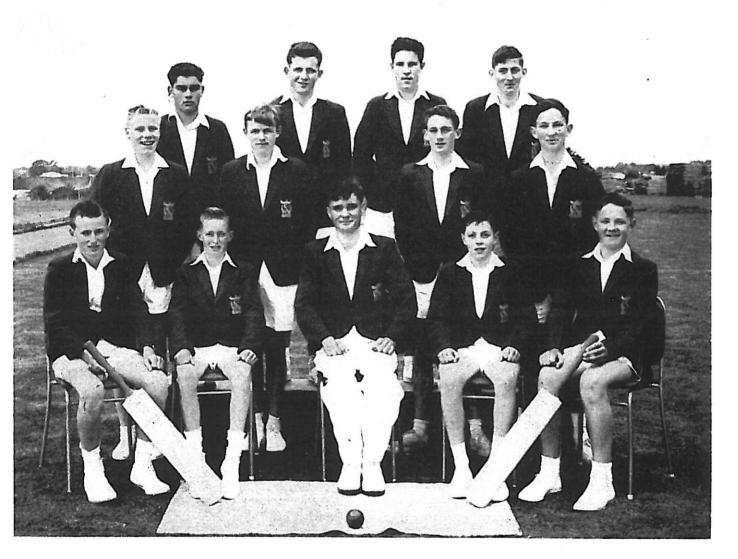






CRICKET





SENIOR CRICKET TEAM

Winners of North Taranaki Fifth Grade Championship

Front: K. Goodin, J. Goodin, A. Baker (Capt.), M. Cooch, R. Dravitzki.

Middle: D. Bezzant, R. Mace, G. Mora, J. Bourke.

Back: K. Komene, D. McGee, J. Orr, G. O'Byrne.

FRANCIS DOUGLAS COLLEGE WINS NORTH TARANAKI FIFTH GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP

The 1960-61 season saw the College's 1st XI in the field as a fifth grade team in the local competition. Being our first year in outside competition, this was to be an experimental year. Little thought was given to our prospects of winning the competition, but as success followed success, hopes were raised. The end of the season eventually came with the College just managing to forestall a determined bid by the New Plymouth Boys' High "B" team for premiership honours. In all, ten games were played of which we won seven outright, won one on the first innings and lost two outright.

Undoubtedly our strength was in our bowling attack. Here David McGee's speed and Kevin Goodin's accuracy provided an opening attack few teams were happy against. Both these bowlers captured over sixty wickets during the season. These two were well supported by Brian Stockwell and slow bowler Richard Mace. The latter began the season with little success, but once he got a better control of the ball, he reaped his reward.

Three "hat-tricks" were captured during the season. One each by Kevin Goodin, David McGee and Richard Mace.

The batting line-up wasn't at all strong, only three batsmen with a double figure average. Still, for the majority of the team this was their first season of competitive cricket. Now with a season behind them, better things are expected.

Kevin Goodin was our sole representative in the North Taranaki Fifth Grade Representative Team.

Results of games played during the season:—

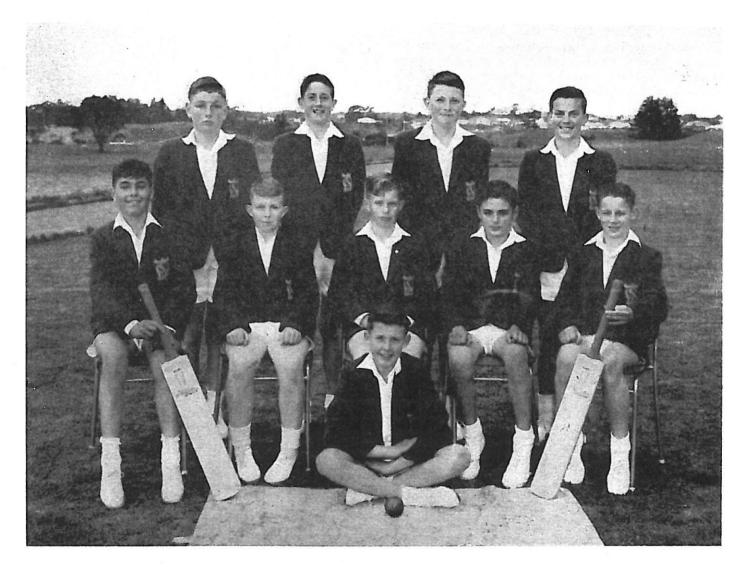
- v. New Plymouth Boys' High School "A"—won outright by an innings and 33 runs.
 F.D.C. 93—(Goodin 26, Mace 17, McGee 15).
 School 14—(Goodin 7/3, McGee 3/2) and 46—
 (McGee 5/7, Goodin 4/13, Campbell 1/7).
- v. New Plymouth Boys' High School "C"—won outright by 9 wickets.
 - F.D.C. 42—(Goodin 10, O'Byrne 8, Orr 7 not out) and 1 for 16 (Baker 9 not out).
 - School 33—(Stockwell 5/10, Goodin 4/10) and 21—(Goodin 7/8, Stockwell 3/13).
- v. Inglewood High—won outright by 43 runs. F.D.C. 87—(Stockwell 31, Komene 17, Campbell 15 not out) and 8 declared for 41—(Baker 10).
 - Inglewood 41—(McGee 7/18, Goodin 3/17) and 44—(McGee 8/17, Goodin 2/18).

- v. New Plymouth Boys' High School "D"—won outright by 9 runs.
 - F.D.C. 55—(Goodin 17, Bezzant 11) and 39—(Bezzant 12, Campbell 9).
 - School 52—(Goodin 5/17 (hat-trick), McGee 4/14) and 33—(McGee 6/13, Goodin 4/13).
- v. New Plymouth Boys' High School "B"—won outright by an innings and 21 runs.
 - F.D.C. 82—(Goodin 32, Stockwell 10, Bezzant 11).
 - School 28—(Goodin 5/11, Stockwell 3/11, Campbell 1/3) and 33—(Goodin 5/14, Stockwell 4/6).
- v. Spotswood College "B"—won outright by an innings and 113 runs.
 - F.D.C. 4 declared for 132—(McGee 35, Bezzant 25, Mace 22 retired, Goodin 14 retired, Orr 12).
 - Spotswood 9—(McGee 6/5 (hat-trick), Goodin 4/0) and 10—(Stockwell 4/0, Goodin 3/1, McGee 2/7).
- v. Spotswood College "A"—won outright by 7 wkts. F.D.C. 35—(Goodin 18) and 3 for 48—(McGec 28).
 - Spotswood 40—(McGee 6/9, Mace 2/5, Stockwell 1/5) and 37—(Mace 4/0 (hat-trick), Stockwell 3/5).
- v. Inglewood High—won on the first innings by 8 runs.
 - F.D.C. 83—(McGee 41, Goodin 21) and 2 declared for 72—(McGee 39 not out, Baker 19, Goodin 10 not out).
 - Inglewood 75—(Goodin 4/33, Mace 3/9, McGee 3/18) and 9 of 59—(McGee 5/31, Goodin 4/19).
- v. New Plymouth Boys' High School "B"—lost outright by 10 wickets.
 - F.D.C. 36—(Orr 7, Stockwell 6) and 85— (Dravitzki 28, Orr 14 not out, Baker 9).
 - School 112—(McGee 4/24, Mace 2/20, Stock-well 2/15, Goodin 2/23) and 0 for 12.
- v. New Plymouth Boys' High School "A"—lost outright by an innings and 24 runs.
 - F.D.C. 12 and 27.
 - School 63—(McGee 7/18, Campbell 3/5).

JUNIOR CRICKET

The boys from Forms I and II took part in the local Primary Schools' Competition with little success.. Of the eight games played, one was won, one drawn and six lost. Promise was shown by all players on different occasions, but hardly ever did all "click"

on the one day. Alister McAlpine and Donald Cameron were the most consistent with the bat while David Mora and Peter Knapp were the most successful bowlers.



JUNIOR CRICKET TEAM

Front: K. Hickland.

Middle: P. Cotter, R. Watt, A. McAlpine (Capt.), M. Gower, D. Cameron.

Back: R. Orgias, D. Mora, P. Knapp, J. Watson.

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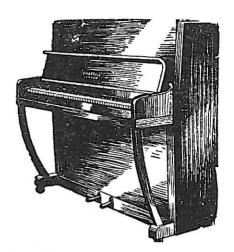
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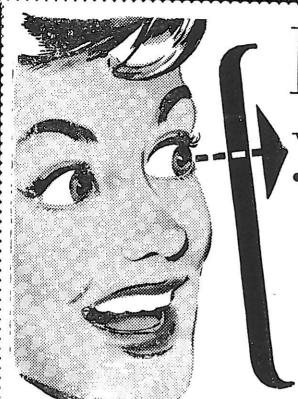
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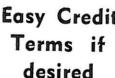
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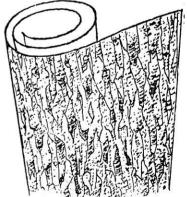
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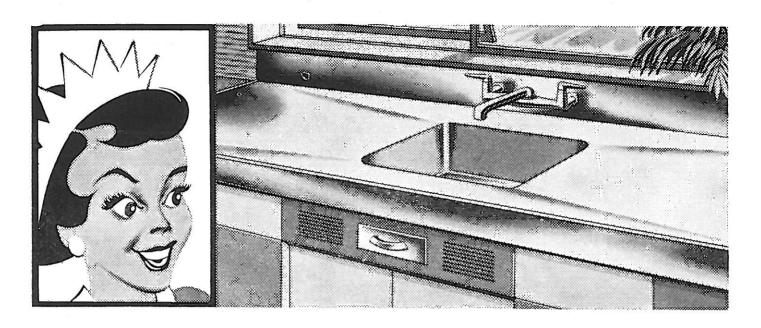
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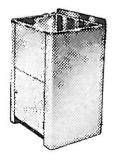
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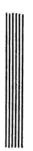
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