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CT. PETER'S is three years old, and already one is Decoming conscious of a spirit and tradition which seems to belong to an older foundation. The tentative arrangements of early days are the accepted routine of to-day. We walk down to the Lodge before breakfast because it has always been done. The paper-boy does his morning round, the librarians do their work, the bell-ringers keep us up to the minute, because these things are becoming traditional. The hundred and one little jobs that make up the smooth working of a school day are done almost without the knowledge of authority. And isn't this really a very important side of our work here? In previous years we have had a Choir Picnic, but this year it has been discontinued on the ground that many boys other than the Choir do something for the School, and the idea of a reward for service is contrary to what the School stands for.

Each year the number of Old Boys is increasing, and it is the Editor's policy to write the Chronicle mainly from their point of view so that they may know all that is going on and learn of changes since their time.

Visitors coming up the drive to the School often remark on the numbered pegs at the foot of each tree. These are not, as they suppose, a catalogue of different species, but a

new scheme started this year by which each boy tends one of the birch trees in the avenue. This work has been done very keenly by most boys. Some of the trees are now over 10 feet high.

The whole of the interior of the main building has been painted, the corridors a shiny washable ivory colour and the rooms in various colours, the dormitories, of course, in colours to match their names. Part of the box-room over the sick-rooms has been made into a small dormitory for seven boys, which is known as the Crows' Nest.

The Garage, into which half of us used to gaze during meals, has been bodily removed from outside the Dining Hall to a more suitable position. When everything is tidied up the Dining Hall will have one of the most attractive views in the whole School. The Cloister round the Dining Hall has been caged in with fly-proof gauze, and a new set of steps to the Quad has been made opposite the Playroom door.

But the greatest change is the bank overlooking the Field. It is already difficult to imagine it as it was. One can now stand in front of the Pavilion and see boys bathing in the Swimming Bath. The whole of the intervening hill has been removed, and the earth used to make the bank a smooth, easy slope down to the Field all the way from the Swimming Bath to the Masters' House. By next year it will all be grass.

Mr Howard Ellis has presented the School with a modelboat pool, and this is now being made on the triangular piece of ground between the boys' gardens and the top of the bank. It will be a delightful addition to the grounds, and will certainly be easier and safer for sailing boats in than the Swimming Bath. We are most grateful to Mr Ellis for this magnificent gift.

Mention must be made of the new map of the world painted on the wall of the Science Room. Any day in the winter term Mr Hancock and his band of helpers might have been found perched up on the scaffolding at work on this masterpiece of brown, green and blue. The finished product is a worthy addition to the School equipment.

No less important are the changes in our customs. All boys, unless doing gym or music, must now spend the Break on the Field. This prevents any boy from sitting indoors on a fine morning, and gives everyone some fresh air and exercise. Walks, too, have been instituted on winter afternoons for "off-games" boys. In the summer Silent Reading is usually under the trees on the lawn.

During the Third Term we have had a very bad epidemic of measles, which tested the sick-room arrangements well. The Blue Dormitory was turned into a ward, and the double doors were shut for the first time. For several weeks three extra nurses were on duty. No sooner was the last case of measles clear than a boy started whooping-cough! The whole School was at once inoculated, thus preventing any further interference with our work. Sister is to be congratulated on the happy and capable manner in which she handled all these troubles.

—A.F.B.B.

SALVETE

The following new boys came at the beginning of the First Term:—

P. D. H. Bush	M. C. McDougall
R. T. Bush	S. M. Mill
R. G. K. de Castro	J. A. Mitchell
J. G. Edmundson	J. L. Pickles
R. M. Grant	T. M. Skerman
S. G. Horrocks	B. M. Trimmer
H. K. Ibbertson	J. R. Yates
CDI	

G. P. Low

The following came in the Second Term:-

R. D. Cameron

J. K. F. Ellis

C. M. Ellis

In the Third Term:—

W. A. O. Jacob returned from Gunnersbury School, London.

VALETE

The following boys have left since the last number of the magazine was published:—

J. G. Abbott	*1 10	V. J. Larner
R. H. Abbott		C. J. Orr-Walker
D. G. Buckleton		J. E. Smyth

Absent temporarily in England:-

Q. F. Pilling

The following left at the end of the Third Term:-

J. S. B. Brown, for Wanganui Collegiate School.

O. C. Chandler, for King's College. J. C. Chandler, for King's College.

G. S. J. Edgecumbe, for King's College.

J. D. O. Ellis, for Christ's College.

J. C. Miller, for Wanganui Collegiate School.

O. J. Osborne, for Christ's College.

J. B. Swales, for King's College.

J. H. Wake, for Wanganui Collegiate School.

C. J. Whitney, for Wanganui Collegiate School.

J. G. Whitney, for King's College.

EXCHANGES

We wish to acknowledge, with thanks, copies of the following magazines:—

NEW ZEALAND.—Auckland Diocesan High School Magazine, Auckland Grammar School Chronicle, Dilworthian, Huntley School Magazine, King's School Magazine, Southwell School Magazine, St. Cuthbert's Chronicle, Timaruvian, Waihian, Wanganui Collegian.

OVERSEAS.—The Blue and Grey (Pinewood School, England), Chafyn Grove School Magazine (Salisbury, England), Diocesan College Magazine (Rondebosch, Cape Town), Selwyn House School Magazine (Montreal), Shawnigan Lake School Magazine (Vancouver Island).

FORM LIST

Senior Division

Brown Chandler ma. Chandler mi. Edgecumbe Fell Grant ma. Swales Wake

Upper School

UPPER SCHOOL I UPPER' SCHOOL II

Caldwell ma. Barclay Davis Black de Castro Ellis max. Fairclough ma. Ellis ma. Mackenzie Farguhar Miller Grant mi. Moss Hooker Osborne Land Smale Pym Whitney ma, Searle Virtue Whitney mi. Walters

Middle School

MIDDLE SCHOOL I MIDDLE SCHOOL II

Webb Bell Bloomfield Barton Caldwell mi. Bush ma. Fairclough mi. Dewhirst Gentles Evre Glenn Horrocks Ibbertson Mitchell Tothill ma. Tacob Rivett-Carnac Trimmer Russell Betty

Lower School

Skerman

Williams

LOWER SCHOOL I LOWER SCHOOL II

Bush mi. Bagnall Edmundson Cameron Ellis mi. Chandler mus. Ellis mus. Grant mus. MacDiarmid Low McDougall Lucas Thomson Mill Pickles Tothill mi. Seabrook Urquhart ma. Urguhart mi. Yates

The Prefects for 1938 were:—Osborne (Head Boy), Wake, Ellis ma., Grant ma., Miller, Brown, Whitney mi. and Caldwell ma. Swales was appointed acting-Prefect for a few weeks in the Third Term.

EVENTS OF THE YEAR

February-

Wednesday, 9th-Boys returned from holidays.

Friday, 25th—Life-saving demonstration at the Swimming Bath by Messrs. Boulton and Bell of Hamilton.

March-

Saturday, 12th-Visited Cambridge Show in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 16th—Two XIs began matches with Cambridge, which were completed the following week.

Saturday, 19th—1st XI v Southwell at Southwell, and 2nd XI v Southwell here.

Saturday, 26th—Sports Day.

April-

Friday, 1st—Miss Sutton was given a rousing farewell as she left for the South Island, en route to England.

Tuesday, 5th—Four members of the visiting English Public Schoolboys arrived to be billetted until Thursday.

Wednesday, 6th—The whole party in the E.P.S. tour spent the afternoon here. A match was played.

GOOD FRIDAY, 15th—In the evening Mr Chandler gave a lantern lecture on the "Pilgrim's Progress".

Saturday, 16th—Fathers' and Mothers' Cricket matches were played.

EASTER SUNDAY, 17th—A large number of boys was out, and all the remaining ones were taken by cars to the aerodrome.

Tuesday, 19th—Football started.

Monday, 25th—A short Anzac Service was held at morning Chapel.

May—

Monday, 2nd—Exams started.

Friday, 6th-First Term ended.

June-

Wednesday, 1st—Boys returned for Second Term.

Tuesday, 7th—Great interest was shown by the arrival of the bull-dozer to start grading the bank.

Wednesday, 29th—St. Peter's Day was celebrated by a whole holiday. 1st XV played Cambridge.

July—

Saturday, 2nd—Football matches against Southwell (home).

Sunday, 3rd—The School attended morning service at St. Andrew's.

Wednesday, 6th—1st XV v Cambridge.

Sunday, 10th—After evening Chapel a recital was given in the Gymnasium by Messrs James Leighton (baritone) and Owen Jensen (piano).

Wednesday, 13th—A match was played against Leamington.

Members of the Diocesan Synod spent the afternoon here. There was a special poster exhibition in the Science Room, and Mr Luscombe gave an organ recital.

Monday, 18th—A whole holiday, deferred from June, was held to celebrate the King's Birthday. Horsemen and cyclists lunched at the top of Sanatorium Hill. Those remaining at School had a paperchase.

Wednesday, 20th—King's College Colts came to lunch, and played our 1st XV. U.S.I. put on two plays in the evening.

Saturday, 23rd—1st XV travelled to Auckland to play Dilworth. The Headmaster, Mr Noel Gibson, took the team to the Auckland War Memorial Museum after the match.

Wednesday, 27th—1st XV v Cambridge at the High School grounds.

Saturday, 30th—Two matches against Southwell (away).

August—

Wednesday, 3rd—1st XV v Leamington and Junior XV v Cambridge.

Monday 8th—Gym Competitions in the morning and afternoon.

Tuesday, 9th—Boxing Competitions started.

Wednesday, 10th—Boxing Finals.

Thursday, 11th—The local Primary Schools played a High School team on our grounds.

Friday, 12th—Bevan Cup Competitions in the morning, judged by Professor H. Hollinrake.

Saturday, 13th—Broke up a week early on account of the risk of measles.

September-

Wednesday, 14th-Third Term began.

Wednesday, 28th—Hockey XI played a Ladies' Team.

October-

Wednesday, 5th—Festival Choir won their Class at the Cambridge Competitions for the second year in succession.

Friday, 7th—Festival Choir had a combined rehearsal with other Choirs at the Town Hall, and sang at the Concert in the evening.

Saturday, 8th—Hockey XI played against the Cambridge G. F. S.

Saturday, 15th—Second Hockey match with G. F. S. Miss Jean Leadbetter lectured on India in the evening, and showed photos on the screen.

Wednesday, 19th—Hockey XI played a match against Leamington.

November—

Saturday, 5th—The Bishop of Waikato conducted a Confirmation Service at 11 a.m. In place of the usual Guy Fawkes Day bon-fire there was a special banquet at 6 p.m. The Dining Hall looked unusually gay with paper hats and coloured balloons.

Wednesday, 9th—1st XI started a match against Cambridge, which was continued on the 16th.

Friday, 11th—Armistice Day Service in the Chapel at 10.45, at which a short address was given by the Dean of Hamilton.

Saturday, 12th—A lecture, prepared by Mr G. F. McGrath of Wanganui Collegiate School, outlined the work of the Church Mission Schools in Srinagar and other parts of Kashmir. This was read by the Headmaster, and illustratons were thrown on the screen.

Monday, 14th—A whole holiday was given in honour of Swales's Scholarship to King's College, in which exam he had headed the list. The honour was shared with Ellis max., who had been awarded a Bursary at Christ's College.

Saturday, 19th—All the School groups were photographed.

Wednesday, 23rd—1st XI played a match against Learnington.

Saturday, 26th—Our Cricket XI journeyed to King's College to play a match against a Junior XI there.

Sunday, 27th—Mr Paul Schramm gave a Piano Recital in the Gymnasium after evening Chapel.

Wednesday, 30th—The first day of a second two days' match with Cambridge, to be completed on Dec. 7th.

December-

Saturday, 3rd—Exams started. A Dilworth team visited us to play the 1st XI.

Thursday, 8th—Exams ended.

Friday, 9th—The whole School journeyed by buses to the hot springs at Okauia near Matamata, where a most

enjoyable picnic was held. Heavy rain in the middle of the day did not mar the pleasure of two swims, nor spoil our enjoyment of the excellent lunch and little tea.

Sunday, 11th—In the afternoon the Choir rehearsed in the Parish Hall with the Cambridge Choral Society. At evening Chapel we held our annual Carol Service.

Monday, 12th—The Choir combined with the Choral Society in a programme of Carols at their Christmas Concert.

Wednesday, 14th—The 1st XI played a match against the Masters.

Friday, 16th—Swimming Sports, Breaking-up Concert, Prize-Giving and the usual Chapel Service brought the School year to a close.

PRESENTATION

One of the most important and picturesque events of this year's Sports Day was the presentation to the School of a portrait in oils of Mr Broadhurst. It had been subscribed for by the parents, who wished to mark the occasion of his marriage to Miss Leatham. The parents were generally of the opinion that the School should have a portrait of its founder and first Headmaster as he was at the time that he founded the School. Generous funds were forthcoming so that it was possible to ask Mrs Elizabeth Kelly, O.B.E., the celebrated New Zealand portrait painter, to undertake the work. She was pleased to accept the commission and produced a very fine portrait. The actual presentation was made by the Right Honourable J. G. Coates, M.P., and thanks are due to him for coming at great inconvenience to himself. Thanks are also due to Mr R. M. Grant for taking care of the fund, and also to Mr and Mrs Kelly for the gift of the handsome frame. There being a substantial sum of money left over after paying for the painting, Mrs Broadhurst was asked if she would accept some personal wedding gift. She replied that she would be very pleased if the money was used to establish a plantation of native trees in the school grounds. The planting has already been commenced near the Swimming Bath.

—A. E. W.



A. F. B. BROADHURST, ESQ., by A. Elizabeth Kelly.

CHAPEL NOTES

With a beautiful circle of rose bushes at the eastern end of the Chapel, and a greatly extended vista of fields, shrubs and trees to the west (through the removal of the garage to a less conspicuous situation), the Chapel is taking on ever so gradually that which time only can add, an atmosphere of peace and tranquility. As the focal point of all our endeavours it is beginning to claim some place in the affections of the boys who frequent it.

We have not had many visitors by way of special preachers during the year. The Rev. Canon Walter Averill visited us on June 20th. On July 3rd, within the Octave of St. Peter's Day, the usual School service was held in the Parish Church. On Armistice Day the Very Rev. the Dean of Hamilton, the Rev. T. P. Weatherhog, delivered an appropriate address.

The Chapel Offertories have been donated to the usual worthy causes; namely the Melanesian Mission, the Maori Mission, St. Thomas's Day School, Freeman's Bay, Auckland, and the Chapel Window Fund. This year we also gave the offertory on one Sunday to the C. M. S. Schools in Kashmir, India.

Although we may not yet be very near the occasion when the Eastern window can be installed, we are, nevertheless, making enquiries with regard to it, and may yet decide to choose another design from that which is being displayed in the porch—something which lays stress on the boyhood of Jesus, and on His relationship to children.

The following boys were confirmed in the Chapel on Saturday, November 5th, by the Bishop of Waikato:—

Robert Donald Barclay
John Sandison Beech Brown
Daniel William Fairclough
John McIntosh Grant
Oakleigh Job Osborne
Michael Smale
John Brewis Swales
Ronald James Virtue
Chisholm John Whitney

First Communion for the newly confirmed was administered on Sunday, November 6th, at 8 a.m., while at 10 o'clock the same day Patrick Richard James Gibson was baptized. More than ordinary care had been taken with the flowers that day, and the altar was a blaze of colour. Patrick behaved perfectly.

The Choir have combined to help in the rendering of the musical part of the services with evident devotion.

Members are:

Trebles: Barclay, Chandler ma., Chandler mi., Edgecumbe, Gentles, Grant ma., Grant mi., Hooker, Mackenzie, Swales, Virtue, Whitney mi.

Altos: Pym, Smale, Webb.

Tenors: Mr Gabites, Mr Hancock.

Basses: The Headmaster and Mr Gibson.

The Choir picnic has been discontinued, probably for the reason that virtue is its own reward, and hence it is not necessary to arrange any special treat for those who are privileged to sing in the Choir.

Appended to this concluding paragraph is a programme of the Carol Service which was held in Chapel on the last Sunday evening of the term. In the sanctuary was a Christmas tree, illuminated with coloured lights and frosted over with tinsel. This is the best one can do in these parts to introduce something of the traditional atmosphere of the old world. The tree had been decked with presents which the boys had hung on it. These are being given to the children who will be spending their Christmas in the Waikato Hospital.

Carol Service

O Come all ye Faithful. Bidding Prayer. God rest you merry, Gentlemen. Our Master hath a Garden. What Child is this? St. Luke II. 1 to 14. Shepherd's Cradle Song. Good King Wenceslas. St. Matthew II, 1 to 12. Silent Night. The Holly and the Ivy. Christ's Bell. St. Mark X, 13 to 16. Grasmere Carol. Good Christian Men, Rejoice. The First Nowell. Blessing. Prayers.

MUSIC

This year there have been 25 boys learning the piano, nine the violin and one the 'cello. Many people would, perhaps, take the total of these as the number of boys learning music. But this is by no means the case, for all boys learn music when they first come here. The Middle and Lower School are divided into four sets for music, the Lower School sets having three periods a week, and the Middle School one period. The work consists of the rudiments of music: notation, key signatures, time signatures, melody and rhythm, composition and sight-reading. There are exams at the end of the year; and this year one boy actually scored 100 per cent. Only when a boy has attained a high enough standard and is out of the Lower School may he begin learning an instrument.

The Upper School forms have a gramophone recital once a fortnight. This year about fifty different works have been played. The final programme, selected by ballot, was as follows:—

Italian Concerto (1st movement)	Bach
Trumpet Voluntary	Purcell
Figaro Overture	Mozart
"Trout" quintet, air and variations	Schubert
Londonderry Air	Traditional
Enigma Variations, W.N., Nimrod	Elgar
Flower Waltz (from Nutcracker Suite)	Tschaikowsky
Mock Morris	Grainger

These recitals will be extended to the Senior Division next year

Particularly pleasing has been the large number of violinists. We have now been able to start a small orchestra. It is much more fun playing in an orchestra than by yourself, and there has been great keenness. The orchestra has certainly made a very good start.

The pick of the singing classes formed the special choir which again competed successfully at the Cambridge Festival, winning the Citizens' Cup for the second year. The Festival Choir was as follows, though measles reduced them to thirty in number.

Barclay	Farquhar	Russell
Bell	Fell	Skerman
Bloomfield	Gentles	Smale
Brown	Grant ma.	Swales
Bush ma.	Grant mi.	Thomson
Caldwell ma.	Grant mus.	Tothill ma.
Chandler ma.	Hooker	Virtue
Chandler mi.	Horrocks	Walters
de Castro	Ibbertson	Webb
Dewhirst	Mackenzie	Whitney ma.
Edgecumbe	Moss	Whitney mi.
Fairclough ma.	Pym	Betty
Fairclough mi.	Rivett-Carnac	

The competition for the Bevan Cup was held on the morning of Friday, August 12th. Professor Hollinrake again kindly came down to judge. The winners were Grant mi. and Grant ma. The following is the programme:—

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Violin and Piano: Chandler ma. and Cha "Minuet"	ndler	mi	٠_	Moz	art	85
Song with Accompaniment: Mackenzie as "Good morning, pretty maid"	nd W	ebb -	-	-	-	86
Piano Duet: Skerman and Walters "Little Bo Peep" and "Aiken Deep"	rum"		-	-	-	87
Song with Accompaniment: Barclay and "The Miller of Dee" -	Edge	cun -	nbe -	_	-	83
Piano Duet: Moss and Grant ma. "Flowers of the Forest" -	_	-	-	-	-	86
Vocal Duet: Smale and Pym "The Bells of Aberdovey" -	_	(-)		-		88
'Cello and Piano: Webb and Swales "Chanson Triste"	-		Гsch	aikow	sky	90
Piano Duet: Whitney mi. and Searle "The Bluebells of Scotland"		-	_	<u>.</u>	<u> </u>	87
Piano Duet: Gentles and Land "Little Bo Peep"	-	-	_	-	-	84
Violin and Piano: Smale and Pym "Berceuse"	-			Schul	pert	86
Violin and Piano: Pym and Smale "Berceuse"	-			Schul	pert	89
Vocal Duet: Grant mi. and Mackenzie "The Bells of Aberdovey"	_	_	12	11 -	_	83



A CORNER OF THE SCIENCE ROOM SHOWING THE NEW MURAL MAP.

ART

Many parents who examine the drawings of St. Peter's boys are probably unaware of their value as true works of art. It is difficult for them to get away from the old-fashioned ideas on which they themselves were probably brought up. For instance a parent was overheard to remark at the Art Exhibition at the end of the year, "John used to do such beautiful work once!" In view of this general lack of understanding, it is hoped that the following remarks about the modern trend of Art teaching for children may be of interest.

The new development of a public interest in the work of children as artists is in part a natural reaction from a stereotyped form of expression influenced by the copyists of the Victorian Age. This new understanding is justified by these two definite facts which are becoming recognized:

- (i) that the basis of a true artist's work is one of intuition,
- (ii) that in the process of expressing himself a child's thoughts and emotions will become externalized and therefore clearer and more natural to himself.

Just as different qualities are found in the grown artist's work, so with a child the actual Science of Painting is not the most necessary thing, but simply that the child must express himself. The adult must realize that what the child paints he knows. The teacher should not "teach", but must be content for the child to express himself by his own ideas as they are drawn out of him. Hence it is often difficult for the adult not to criticize the highly undeveloped side in a child's work. The adult must be aware that the work is what the child himself knows from his own experience, and not what he has been "taught" to see. A child of eight, for instance, will be drawing a horse. He will know that the horse has head, legs and tail; he will draw it from the symbol "horse" which he has in his mind—it will satisfy him, but it may not be an adult's idea of a horse.

Another important thing is that the child should be encouraged to work as the true artist would work, from a picture in his own mind. This is natural to the artist whether child or man: as one small boy remarked, "It's very easy, you know, you just have to think, and then put a line round your think."

That this is now understood is shown by the following extract from the speech made by Sir Kenneth Clark, Director of the National Gallery, in opening Miss Marion Richardson's exhibition of children's work in London.

"Rifty or even twenty-five years ago no one would have thought of children's drawings being serious works of art. The change in point of view was part of a general change in their attitude toward art which had begun with the admiration for primitive paintings.

"If they admitted art was not wholly scientific, but was based on intuition, they had to admit that children could create true works of art. That was not to say that a child of 10 could paint a picture like a great artist, but the picture had more of the essential qualities of the work of art than the average mediocre picture.

"However beautiful the pictures might be, that was not their chief justification. Very few of the children were going to be artists; they were taught painting because of the immensely valuable influence it had, and would continue to have, on their whole character and outlook. It was also justified on the score of externalizing their emotions and removing their inhibitions and nervous complaints. It was a branch of education which any civilized community had to take seriously."

LIBRARY

This year many changes have taken place in the Library, both in the external appearance of the shelves and books, and also in the administration and organization behind the scenes. During the first term the old book-file was exchanged for a new filing cabinet, which was found to be of great assistance to the Librarians. A new system came into action at the beginning of the third term. Paper slips signed by the Librarians take the place of the old exercise-book in which illegible writing was the order of the day. Howlers used to make their frequent appearance, one of the most mysterious being "The Moi-Moys of Shomes" which was finally deciphered as "The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes".

Early in the year a large portion, consisting of six shelves, had to be removed to make space for the hanging of the Headmaster's portrait. This meant using the shelves at the west end of the Library, which now present quite a respectably full appearance. Nearly 110 new books were bought during the third term, making the present total of books in the neighbourhood of 500. The biggest totals are made up by Travel and Adventure 110, Animal and Nature 60, History 53, Classics 51, Technical Books 46, Fiction 40, Anthologies 40 and Sea Stories 28. The boys' reading this year has not been as extensive as last year, but in the main has been far better in quality.

Our thanks are due to Mr W. C. Whitney for presenting us with the 8 volumes of "The Golden Pathway" and the 10 volumes of the "Children's Encyclopaedia". These have been much appreciated. Others whom we have to thank for gifts are Professor and Mrs Hollinrake, Mr and Mrs Howard Ellis, Mr J. R. Fow, Mr Beaufort, Mr Nancarrow, J. G. Reid (1936 old boy), and Pym. Dr MacDiarmid has often sent us Geographic and Photographic magazines.

The Librarians throughout the year have been Swales and Mackenzie, assisted by Chandler ma. and Chandler mi. Pym and Hooker have been trained to assist Mackenzie next year. A great amount of work has been put in at the end of each term in checking over the books, and very few have been mislaid during the three years. The Librarians have given up a good few hours of their free time in keeping records of the books up-to-date, and in cross-indexing the boys' reading.

UPPER SCHOOL I PLAYS

On the 20th July, 1938, Upper School One presented two one-act plays. The boys had decided some weeks before that acting was good fun, and worth while, and so two light plays suitable for a caste and an audience of boys were chosen. The actors threw themselves into the work with great enthusiasm, and thoroughly enjoyed it. Every player tried to get under the skin of the character he was portraying and to live the part. The result was that both actors and audience enjoyed the performance, the former feeling something of the thrill which playing a part in any play gives. An important aspect of staging a play is the team spirit which must be strong if the production is to be a success. In this case it was very strong.

The following took part:-

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1.	"The Hordle Poache	r" (by	Berna	rd Gi	lbert)			
	Tom Hudson						C	sborne
	Ellen Hudson							Davis
	Fred Barley		• •			• •	Mad	ckenzie
2.	"Shivering Shocks",	or "The	Hidin	g Pla	ice" (1	by Cle	mence	Dane)
	Capt. Dallas, V.C	C., D.S.	0.					Smale
	Kysh					••		Moss
	Granville Hughes	s, B.Sc.				. Fa	airclou	gh ma.
	Dawson						Caldw	ell ma.
	"The Shepherd"						E11	is max.
	Inspector James	Pollock	(alias	"Ro	wley")		Miller
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	and Property Me	en					White	ney mi.

A small charge was made for admission, so that the Form was able to send £3 to the Evelyn Firth Home for Crippled Soldiers.

ENTERTAINMENTS

During the year, more especially in the winter term, we have been fortunate enough to have quite a number of good entertainments, some in the form of lantern lectures, and others actual screenings of Movie films on loan from the Visual Education Association. Mention has already been made of lantern lectures on the "Pilgrim's Progress" given by Mr. Chandler in the Chapel, on "India" by Miss Leadbetter in the gymnasium; and an illustrated lecture on the Church Mission Schools in Kashmir.

New Zealand films screened during the winter term included two reels of the Waikato River from source to mouth, the Fox and Franz Josef Glaciers, a general account of Sheep-farming, and an historical film of the Maoris. In Australia we saw scenes of Sheep- and Cattle-farming in the west. Films of Canada covered the cities of Halifax and Toronto, the Niagara Falls in summer and winter, lumbering in Eastern Canada, and the work of Forests in protecting the soil. "London Scenes" was the title of two different reels giving excellent ideas of the Empire's capital.

An admirable series of films had been prepared by the Austin Motor Company. "Dependable Power" and "Men Who Work" dealt solely with the manufacture of cars, "The Pace that Thrills" illustrated the building and testing of racing-cars, and "As Time Goes By" was an excellent history of man's progress in devising means of locomotion, from the days of treading primitive tracks in Early Britain up to the romance of modern Air Liners. Travelogues from the same source were "All that is England", "Land of Mountain and Flood" dealing with Scotland, "Springtime in Southern Spain", and a film of Ceylon entitled "Jungle Gods".

Towards the end of the year Mr C. L. Low lent us a film of Soap Manufacture in England, which was fully appreciated.

CARPENTRY NOTES

During the winter term there were three Carpentry Classes a week. At these classes the boys worked well and made good progress in the various planing and nail-driving arts. It was discovered that to saw straight was a feat in itself.

There was a scheme that some boxes were to be made—few of these were finished, however, chiefly on account of the unsuitability of the timber. But there was always a busy, noisy atmosphere and an encouraging air of cheerfulness about the Carpentry Classes. It is to be hoped that next winter they will run just as smoothly.

RIDING

This year, riding has maintained its place among the School's activities. We had our usual entrants in the Juvenile Classes in the Cambridge Show, Osborne obtaining 3rd in the Best Boy Rider under 16, and Urquhart mi. 2nd in the same event under 10. Sunday afternoons have been occupied by rides in the surrounding country, while during the week our activities have been confined to the Farm and Grounds. On Monday, July 18th, we rode to the top of Sanatorium Hill, picnicking there with the cyclists and the Headmaster and Miss Waddell who had kindly brought our lunch. Newcomers to the Riding School have been Wake on Jimmy, Lucas on Trixie, and Rivett-Carnac on Honey.

SPARE TIME ACTIVITIES

Camera Club

With a membership of twenty-three, including a larger number of beginners than usual, the Camera Club has had a very popular year. At the beginning of the year a Committee was elected to help with the running of the Club, to see that the dark-room is kept tidy, and to help new-comers; members of this Committee are Grant ma., Moss, Smale, Swales and Whitney mi.

To save possible wastage of developer, printing-paper, etc, it was decided that no boy may work on his own until he had been passed as competent at both developing and printing when under supervision. The fact that boys of Lower School I and II have passed this test shows that members are now getting into the habit of working reliably and intelligently.

Once again we have to thank our good friend Mr E. H. Leigh of Cambridge for many gifts to the Club, including two fine photograph albums for prizes. The Kodak maga-

zine has been sent to us regularly from Auckland, and has always been read with interest. The only competition of the year was held at the end of the third term, when Mr Leigh was asked to judge the entries. The winners were Brown, Swales and Jacob.

Cycling

Cycling has lost none of its appeal, and over 40 boys have their bicycles at School. Since the removal of the garage from its old site we have had to make do with temporary sheds built in the blue-gum plantation, but by next year we should have special new sheds in the bay between the Art Room and the Science Room, where the concrete foundations have already been laid. This area is all to be asphalted, which should give a very convenient and central home for our bicycles. There are even suggestions that a place in the shed should be set aside for repairs, so that flat tyres may be mended and missing spokes inserted without any delay or inconvenience.

Boys have been quite content to cycle literally hundreds of miles to and fro throughout the School grounds, but there have been occasional expeditions on to the roads. The best trip we have ever had was on July 18th, when we lunched on the topmost peak of the Sanatorium Hill and later continued to the Golf Links in the afternoon. There have been numerous trips to Cambridge, on one of which a party of 16 of us were the guests of Mrs Frank Vosper for afternoon tea at her home in Leamington. On Friday, November 18th, the Senior Division cycled to the Hautapu Dairy Factory and spent the first two periods there, seeing all the processes in the manufacture of butter and cheese, for which we have to thank the manager, Mr Harold Cubis, and Mr Richards, who showed us over.

Garden Club

In the first term the gardens were not fully occupied, and some of them remained quite neglected, while during the winter term nothing much could be done on account of the wet weather. However, the third term found the gardens well laid out and all with owners, everyone being very keen to gain the prize at the end of the term. At present there are about thirty boys who have gardens, there being

about three to each plot. There were several judgings at different intervals towards the end of the term. Marks were given for display, cleanliness, arrangement and surroundings. After Mr McKinnon's final judging, the winners were Brown, Chandler ma., Chandler mi., and Whitney mi.

—J.S.B.B.

Meccano Club

This is the third year that the Meccano Club has been in existence, and this, the original "Hobbies Club", has given rise to numerous other off-shoots. The "Natural Science Society" is one recent movement started by the Meccano Club, and next year when the model-boat pool is completed we expect to form another branch to cover boating activities.

Several competitions, the majority of which were open to any Meccano model, were held. The last term of the year was uneventful, as, owing to measles, a competition was not held till the end of the term. "Pinewood Cars", as described in last year's Chronicle, were not so popular this year, but great interest has been shown in models worked by electric motors. As a result of all the work on the bank during the winter term, it was inevitable that "bull-dozers" should figure largely in the models made by members.

—G.S.J.E.

Modelair Club

In the first term this year about fifteen to twenty boys made model aeroplanes. Wake made numerous scale models, and also a very successful "Peanut" with which he gained the record of 34 seconds. Webb, an enthusiastic builder, secured the glider record of 22 seconds with a 1938 Glider. Throughout the second term we had to vacate our workshop when Carpentry classes took place, and during the third term the Modelair interest has been kept up by only a small but very keen group. Fret-work has also become a branch of the members' activities. On the whole, Modelair products have retained their popularity, although a number of "Comet" kitsets were tried out earlier in the year.

-R'.G.K. de C.

Natural Science Society

A large amount of egg-collecting has been done this last term by the boys, who have shown a keen interest in this hobby. The most popular sites for egg-collecting were the river-bank and the two clumps of Kahikatea Bush. Here were found a large number of chaffinchs' and fantails' nests. Near the end of the season a competition was held, and three particularly fine collections were exhibited, the winning one belonging to Bloomfield, Dewhirst and Fairclough ma. A few boys own microscopes, and with these they have found out quite a lot about insects, etc.

—J.R.H.

Stamp Club

The Stamp Club was started in the second term. There were eight members at first, but at the beginning of the third term another six were enrolled. A rule was made that bought stamps would not be recognized, this being to encourage actual individual collecting. A competition for the best "Victory" issue was held at the end of the second term, in which Brown and Dewhirst scored equally high marks. Brown again won the competition in the third term for the best $4\frac{1}{2}$ d N.Z., the best $2\frac{1}{2}$ d English, and the best six Foreign stamps, when marks were given for condition, postmark and mounting. Prizes are always given in stamps, and our funds were running low towards the end of the year, but luckily a donation of 1/- from S.S. helped us to end the year all square.

-M.S.

THE FARM

Our farm, like many others, suffered heavily in the Eczema outbreak. We were not without our sympathisers among the parents, many of whom were similarly affected.

On September 1st we took possession of a further 68 acres belonging to the estate of the late James Taylor. The farm now comprises 227 acres of splendid country, all with the exception of 18 acres in pasture.

The Directors decided to establish a pedigree Herd of Red Polls, and a nucleus for this has been obtained by the purchasing of five heifers from Sir Heaton Rhodes's "Ota-

huna" Herd. Lord Bledisloe has been requested to procure a bull and two heifers for us in England, and these, with our present stock, should give us a splendid start in the breeding of this very useful dual purpose animal.

The Jersey herd will be continued with until such time as it is replaced by the Red Poll.

At present 150 ewes with 100 wethers are being carried, with 90 beef cattle.

It will take some time before the lay-out of the farm is completed with the attending planting of shelter belts.

During the year a Bungalow, designed by the School Architect for the accommodation of the Agricultural Staff, was built. This is a most attractive building and has occasioned most favourable comment, particularly from its occupants! Workshop, stables and implement sheds have also been constructed for the use of the same staff.

DARK AND LIGHT BLUES

The following new boys were drawn to the Dark or Light Blue Teams at a meeting held in the Library on Sunday, March 20th.

MIDDLE (Over 10 and under 12 on June 1st):

DARK BLUES

LIGHT BLUES

Bush ma.

de Castro

Horrocks Ibbertson

Skerman

Trimmer

JUNIOR (Under 10 on June 1st):

DARK BLUES

LIGHT BLUES

Mitchell Mill Pickles Yates

Bush mi. Edmundson Grant mus. Low

McDougal1

In the third term a further drawing was necessary, and this took place at Notices on Friday, November 25th.

JUNIOR:

DARK BLUES

LIGHT BLUES

Cameron

Ellis mi. Ellis mus.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

The Sports were held this year on Saturday, March 26th, following the custom established last year of holding them in the first term rather than in the third. We were favoured with very fine weather, and there was a splendid gathering of parents and friends.

The events started at 11.30 a.m., and a buffet lunch was served in the Dining Hall. After this there was the presentation of the portrait to Mr and Mrs Broadhurst at a short ceremony held on the Coronation Lawn, the Rt Hon. J. G. Coates speaking on behalf of the parents who had subscribed to the present. Events were continued in the afternoon, and a fitting close was brought to a pleasant day when the prizegiving was held in the gymnasium, the cups and trophies being given away by Mrs G. W. R. Osborne, mother of the Head Boy.

The actual events on the programme were run off in excellent time, in fact so well that towards the end of the meeting races were added for Mothers and Sisters, and a tug-o'-war for the Fathers. The usual arrangement of

microphone and loud-speakers again proved most helpful in marshalling the starters and in announcing results. Spectators had been carefully considered, for not only was the finishing post for all track events right opposite the gymnasium steps, but this year the Broad and High Jumps were held close in to the foot of the bank instead of over by the tennis-courts.

The Whitney Cup, competed for by teams of Dark and Light Blues, was won by the Light Blues for the first time. The Tasman Smith Cup, for individual effort, was won by Whitney mi. with four first places and one second out of the five championship events; Larner, in the Middles, for which the placings count less in proportion, ran him very close with five first places—the maximum.

Five records were broken, one in the Seniors by Whitney mi., three in the Middles, all by Larner, and one in the Juniors by Pilling.

Detailed results are:-

SENIOR:

100 yards (1937, W. N. Vosper, 13\frac{1}{5} secs)—Whitney mi., 1; Davis, 2; Barclay, 3. Time, 12\frac{1}{5} secs. Record.

220 yards (1936, L. P. Ellis, 30 secs. 1937, W. N. Vosper, 30 secs.)—Whitney mi., 1; Fairclough ma., 2; Caldwell ma., 3. Time, 30\frac{1}{2} secs.

100 yards Hurdles (1937, P. A. Gardner and W. N. Vosper, $15\frac{2}{3}$ secs.)—Whitney mi., 1; Davis, 2; Fairclough ma., 3. Time, $17\frac{1}{3}$ secs.

Broad Jump (1936, L. P. Ellis, 14 ft.)—Whitney mi., 1; Fair-clough ma., 2; Osborne, 3. Distance, 13 ft 9ins.

High Jump (1936, L. P. Ellis, 4 ft 8½ ins.)—Fairclough ma., 1; Whitney mi., 2; Grant ma. and Wake, 3 (equal). Height, 4 ft 1 in.

MIDDLE:

100 yards (1937, I. M. Davis, 14\frac{1}{3} secs.)—Larner, 1; de Castro, 2; Ibbertson, 3. Time, 13\frac{1}{3} secs. Record.

180 yards (1937, D. W. Fairclough, 28\(\} secs.)—Larner, 1; Pym, 2; Farquhar, 3. Time, 26\(\} secs. Record.

100 yards Hurdles (1937, I. M. Davis, 16§ secs.)—Larner, 1; Dewhirst, 2; de Castro, 3. Time, 18 secs.

Broad Jump (1937, D. W. Fairclough, 12 ft 3½ ins.)—Larner, 1; Pym, 2; Ibbertson, 3. Distance, 12 ft 6 ins. Record.

High Jump (1937, J. M. Grant, 3 ft 11½ ins.)—Larner, 1; Farquhar, 2; Dewhirst, 3. Height, 3 ft 10 ins.

JUNIOR:

100 yards (1936, V. J. Larner, 15 secs.)—Pilling, 1; Chandler mus., 2; Mitchell, 3. Time, 143 secs. Record.

140 yards (1937, D. A. Farquhar, 20 secs.)—Chandler mus., 1; Mitchell, 2; Grant mus., 3. Time, 23 secs.

100 yards Hurdles (1936, V. J. Larner, 183 secs.)—Mitchell, 1; Urquhart mi., 2; Edmundson, 3. Time, 21 secs.

Broad Jump (1936, V. J. Larner, 11 ft 6 ins.)—Pilling, 1; Betty Luscombe, 2; Mitchell, 3. Distance, 9 ft 8½ ins.

High Jump (1937, D. A. Farquhar, 3 ft 6½ ins.)—Mitchell, 1; Grant mus. and Pilling, 2 (equal). Height, 3 ft 2 ins.

HANDICAPS:

75 yards Junior-Low, 1; Edmundson, 2; Urquhart mi., 3.

100 yards Middle-Rivett-Carnac, 1; Larner, 2; Farquhar, 3.

120 yards Senior-Mackenzie, 1; Moss and Whitney mi., 2 (equal).

School Handicap, 150 yards—Edmundson, 1; Pilling, 2; Williams, 3.

120 yards, Agricultural Staff—Mr Jensen, 1; Mr Watts, 2; Mr Bell, 3.

100 yards, Domestic Staff-Miss Stella McKillop, 1; Miss Joyce Watts, 2; Miss Marion Paterson, 3.

100 yards, Teaching Staff—Miss Sutton, 1; Mr Gibson, 2; Mr Nancarrow, 3.

RELAYS, etc:

880 yards Relay. Teams of 6 (220, 100, 220, 120, 120, 100 yards)—Light Blues, 1.

Tug-o'-war—Dark Blues, 1.

Potato Relay, Juniors—Barton, Mitchell, Pilling, Tothill mi. and Urquhart mi., 1.

4-Legged Race, Middle—Caldwell mi., Farquhar and Rivett-Carnac, 1.

Tug-o'-war, Teaching Staff v Agricultural Staff—Agricultural Staff, 1.

Fathers' Tug-o'-war-Light Blue Fathers, 1.

Mothers' Race—Mrs Pym, 1; Mrs Low, 2; Mrs Trimmer, 3.

Sisters' Race—Jacqueline Wake, 1; Heather Webb, 2.

CHALLENGE CUPS:

Whitney Cup-Light Blues, 323½ points; Dark Blues, 246½ points.

Tasman Smith Cup—Whitney mi., 115 points. Larner, runner-up, 100 points.

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FOOTBALL

We started the season with seven of the 1937 Fifteen with us, with the result that an entirely new combination had to be built up. The back-line with the exception of Caldwell ma. at half, Grant ma. at first five-eighths, and Wake at full-back, was particularly "green", lacking weight and experience. The forwards, as usual, developed into a hard-working lot and got through a great deal of work with credit. We did not meet with the success of the previous year's Fifteen, but as in 1936, the experience gained should be invaluable for next year. With the exception of the games against Southwell, we were not defeated by any great margin of points.

Once again the Cambridge Primary School provided us with excellent practice as, apart from our two official matches with them, we played three unofficial games.

On Wednesday, July 20th, a King's College Colts XV visited us. Dilworth School XV played us on Saturday, July 23rd, at Dilworth, and we journeyed to Southwell School on Saturday, July 30th, to play a return match. Our thanks are due to the Headmasters, Staffs and boys of these schools for their hospitality to us on these occasions.

A welcome new-comer to the list of our rivals is the Leamington Primary School XV. We look forward to many games between our two schools in future seasons.

First XV Matches

Saturday, July 2nd, v Southwell, at St. Peter's.

Lost 41-0.

Unfortunately the weather was bad and the two teams very unevenly matched, Southwell being a much heavier side. Conditions made it a forward game and the visitors quickly ran up to 25 points in the first half. In the second spell there was no score for the first 20 minutes, mainly attributable to a really magnificent display by our pack, well supported by the inside backs. Towards the end the lighter St. Peter's side tired, Southwell eventually winning by 41 points to 0.

Wednesday, July 13th, v Leamington Primary School XV, at St. Peter's.

Lost 8-3.

This was a disappointing display of football, played on a heavy ground. Our back line had many opportunities, most of which were neglected. Learnington played a loose, bustling game and thoroughly deserved their win.

Wednesday, July 20, v King's College Colts at St. Peter's.

Lost 6-0.

This was a splendid game although played partly in rain on a heavy ground. There was little to choose between the sides, the greater penetration of King's backs eventually giving them the victory. Both packs of forwards played splendidly, while the backs, in spite of the conditions, made every effort to keep the game open.

Saturday, July 23rd, v Dilworth at Dilworth.

Lost 12-3.

Conditions were very bad for this game. The ball quickly became impossible to handle and the match developed into a forward scramble. Faster breaking away by the Dilworth forwards worried us, and their greater ability to adapt themselves to the conditions gave them a well-deserved win. Under the conditions our team played well, but were beaten by a more experienced side.

Wednesday, July 27th, v Cambridge. Played at District High School Ground, Cambridge.

Lost 14-0.

We were playing a strong side, fit, fast, with a determined pack and good penetrating backs. Conditions were good and with each pack giving its backs plenty of the ball, the game was a very open one. Our backs played their best game to date. Their positional play was better, and kicking and handling safer. Lack of ability to finish off their move-

ments nullified their efforts, however. Our opponents played splendidly as a team, and this superior combination gave them a well-deserved win.

Saturday, July 30th, v Southwell at Southwell.

Lost 22-0.

This return match was played on a heavy ground but without rain. We were not meeting as heavy a side as in the first game, but we were, however, still much the lighter side. Our opponents played splendid football, and the ability of their backs to start attacking movements from any position made them particularly dangerous. St. Peter's backs and forwards stuck to their job splendidly. Honours were even with the two packs, but our younger back-line just lacked the experience and weight. Great credit must go to our forwards for their plucky display.

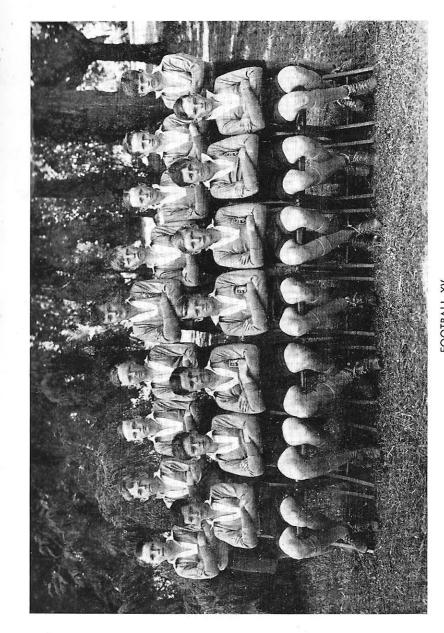
Wednesday, August 3rd, v Leamington at St. Peter's. Won 13-12.

We were enabled to turn the tables on our opponents, mainly by the splendid kicking of Grant ma. Our back line showed good combination, while our forwards more than held their own. Leamington did not reproduce the form they displayed in their first game with us.

Wednesday, August 17th, v Cambridge at St. Peter's. Lost 17-0.

In this game our forwards showed the effects of a hard season's football, while the backs proved themselves to be a greatly improved lot. Their defensive work was sound, and positional play much better. However, the Cambridge forwards playing with great energy, well supported by individual efforts among their backs, gave them a well-deserved victory.

On Friday, August 12th, the Light Blues defeated the Dark Blues by 16-5.



Back Row: Bloomfield, Virtue, Moss, Fairclough ma., Miller, Osborne, Webb, Ibbertson, Dewhirst. In Front: de Castro, Davis, Ellis max., Caldwell ma. (capt.), Grant ma., Wake, Fell.

The XV

The forwards, as was expected, worked splendidly throughout the season, ably led by Ellis max., Osborne and Miller. In the backs, Caldwell ma. played consistently good football, and was a splendid example to his team in attack and defence. He was well supported by Grant ma., who by dint of hard work, made his kicking a great asset to the team. Wake played well at times, his tackling on occasions being splendid. The rest of the backs should do well next year with the experience gained in this season's games.

The XV was:-

Full-back: Wake.

Three-quarters: Virtue, Davis, de Castro, Ibbertson.

Five-eighth: Grant ma.

Half-back: Caldwell ma. (Captain).

Forwards: Miller, Osborne, Ellis max., Dewhirst,

Bloomfield, Bush ma., Fairclough ma., Moss.

Junior Club

The Club, on the whole, had a very successful season, and must be congratulated on their improvement. There were several newcomers to the game, and they entered into the spirit of it with great enthusiasm and keenness. Towards the end of the season both the forwards and outsides were shaping quite well. The forwards were packing low and getting the shove at the right moment, and the backs were handling well, running straight, and tackling low.

On Wednesday, August 3rd, a team was picked to play against Cambridge. It was a very keen game, the score being 15-0 in favour of Cambridge. Although we were beaten, everybody played their best, particularly one or two forwards. We hope that this match will be repeated annually.

If the enthusiasm of the boys is maintained when they go up to the Senior Club, then they should have a very good chance of getting into either the 1st or 2nd XV in the near future.

HOCKEY

This being our second hockey year, most boys had played before. By the end of the season some really good hockey was being played in the Senior game.

Unfortunately most hockey-playing schools play in the winter term and finish with the football season, so that our choice of opponents in matches is limited.

This year we had four grounds marked, so that three boys' games could be played at the same time as a grown-up match. We had several of these on Saturday afternoons, and a good deal of serious training was done by the Farm Staff in the evenings after milking.

School matches were as follows:-

Wednesday, September 28th. 1st XI v a ladies' team.

Won 11-0.

Our opponents were not very experienced, and, in spite of much faulty play, we had no difficulty in winning.

Saturday, October 1st. 1st XI v Hamilton Diocesan School.

Lost 7-0.

This was a very valuable game for us, and the play was more even than the score suggests. We were beaten by a team of girls much older and more experienced, who had been playing together all the winter.

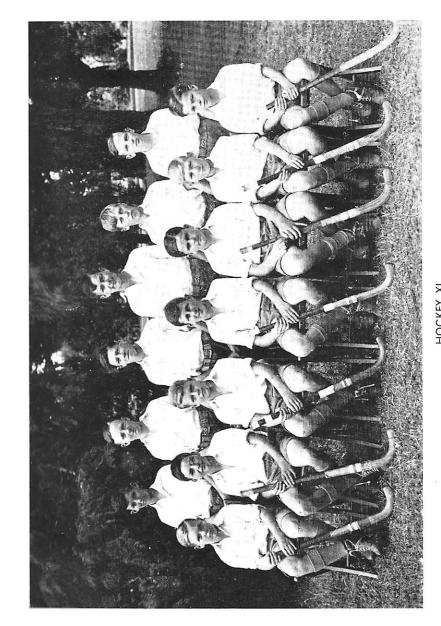
Saturday, October 8th. 1st XI v Cambridge G.F.S.

Drawn 3 all.

We started much too confidently. Our opponents had improved a lot since last year, and gave us a very good game.

Wednesday, October 12th. 2nd XI v Learnington School.

Lost 9-1.



In Front: Rivett-Carnac, Barclay, Caldwell ma., Wake (capt.), Ellis max., Grant ma., Farquhar. Back Row: de Castro, Fairclough ma., Whitney mi., Miller, Osborne, Moss.

Learnington only started hockey this term, so we decided to play them with our 2nd XI. The first half of the game was very even, the score being 1 all at half-time. In the second half, however, our defence was no match for their bigger boys.

Saturday, October 15th. 1st XI v Cambridge G.F.S.

Won 6-5.

This was a splendid fast game, and there was little to choose between the teams.

Wednesday, October 19th. 1st XI v Learnington School. Won 6-2.

A good game. Our forwards were too good for their defence.

The following were the 1st XI:-

Goal: Osborne.

Backs: de Castro, Moss.

Halves: Fairclough ma., Wake (Captain), Barclay.

Forwards: Miller, Rivett-Carnac, Ellis max.,

Grant ma., Whitney mi.

Osborne used his feet well, and has the makings of a first-class goal-keeper.

The backs did useful work, de Castro being particularly reliable.

The halves all played hard, Barclay tackling exceptionally well. Wake was all a centre-half should be, and captained the side well.

The forwards were several weeks before they could achieve anything, due to lack of combination and of individual skill. But by the end of the season they were playing really well together, Ellis max. at centre-forward using his whole forward line with very good judgment, and shooting hard and accurately himself.

Caldwell ma. (vice-captain) at inside-right, and Farquhar at left-half were knocked out by the measles. The measles also prevented a return match with the Diocesan School.

GIFTS AND PRESENTATIONS

During the last couple of years there have been numerous gifts towards what might in future be called a School Museum. Mr J. R. Fow, when Mayor of Hamilton, presented a complete collection of N.Z. sea-shells which he had collected personally over a considerable number of years. Mrs Wimperis gave us a set of four very interesting coins: the silver penny, twopence, threepence and fourpence specially minted for the Maundy Thursday service in the Coronation year of George VI. Black brought us some coral from Australia, Bell also gave some coral and a Maori axe-head, and Russell donated several minerals to a small collection we already had in the Science Room. Mr John Ross, a newspaper Editor from Hamilton, presented us with part of the wing of the aeroplane A.C.K., which flew out from England, and which is still in use at the Waikato Airport.

Finally we must not forget Miss Archey's Blue Penguin which has become quite an identity, being known familiarly

to all the boys as "Rusty".

CRICKET

Senior Club

This Club comprises boys, who, for the most part, have had the benefit of two season's coaching. The result of this is evident in batting, but we still lack bowlers of good length and accuracy. This is a very serious weakness and must be remedied quickly. Fielding has been of a satisfactory standard, and the special fielding practice held on Friday afternoons has had good results.

The Eleven began the year with five of the 1937 team still with us. The newcomers to the side should develop well, as most of them possess more than the average keenness.

1st XI v Waikato Diocesan XI. March 5th

St. Peter's won the toss and Caldwell ma. and Wake opened to the bowling of Hovey and Rathbone. The opening pair failed to get going, and of the following batsmen it was left to Grant ma., Ellis max. and Caldwell mi. to produce the majority of the runs. Our small total of 47 was

mainly attributable to the excellent bowling of Hovey and Rathbone. Diocesan made 63, Wallis giving a bright exhibition for 20, well supported by D'Arcy Smith with 12. In our second innings we again fared badly, 8 wickets falling for 37 runs. Diocesan won by 5 wickets.

St. Peter's, 1st innings, 47 (Ellis max. 18; Hovey 6 wickets for 16 runs, Rathbone 3 for 11).

2nd innings, 37 for 8 wickets (Ellis max. 26 not out; Hovey 5 for 14, Rathbone 2 for 15).

Diocesan, 63 (Wallis 20, D'Arcy Smith 12; Ellis max. 2 for 7, Grant ma. 2 for 7, Miller 2 for 20).

1st XI v Cambridge Primary School. March 16th and 23rd (home)

This was a most enjoyable game, marked by some splendid individual performances.

Cambridge batted first, and by solid batting on the part of T. Arnold, Lord, Dobbs and Richardson, scored 121. St. Peter's replied with 82, Wake compiling an attractive 44. In their second innings Cambridge made only 24, Caldwell ma. bowling splendidly to procure the excellent figures of 8 for 2! St. Peter's were faced with the task of getting, on a difficult wicket, 64 runs for a win. The side was dismissed for 50, Cambridge winning by 13 runs. Ellis max. batted well for his 31. Apart from the batting, the high standard of the bowling and fielding was a pleasing feature of this game.

Primary School, 1st innings, 121 (T. Arnold 39, Dobbs 25, Lord 20, Richardson 16, McDonald 10; Caldwell ma. 3 wickets for 29 runs, Ellis max. 3 for 38, Farquhar 1 for 5).

2nd innings, 24 (Lord 14; Caldwell ma. 8 for 2).

St. Peter's, 1st innings, 82 (Wake 44, Grant ma. 10; A. Arnold 4 for 36, Lord 3 for 13).

2nd innings, 50 (Ellis max. 31; A. Arnold 5 for 24, Lord 3 for 12).

1st XI v Southwell. March 19th (away)

Our eagerly awaited encounter with Southwell was played on a good wicket in splendid weather. Southwell won the toss and batted first, the side producing 95 runs to which Barker II contributed a bright 47. Ellis max. bowled well, but unfortunately too many chances were missed in the field to give Caldwell ma. the figures he deserved. St. Peter's first innings totalled 60, Wake being responsible for a sound 32, the other batsmen failing badly before the attack of Fagan, Peters and Thomas. Some of our less experienced batsmen felt the occasion, and "nerves" doubtless accounted partly for our failure. Southwell gained a well-deserved victory by 35 runs on the first innings.

Southwell, 95 (Barker II 47, Blackmore 12, Fagan 11; Ellis max. 4 wickets for 20 runs, Grant ma. 2 for 10, Caldwell ma. 2 for 21).

St. Peter's, 60 (Wake 32; Thomas III 4 for 24, Peters 3 for 7, Fagan 2 for 12).

1st XI v Fathers' XI. April 16th (home)

From daylight to 11.30 a.m. proved an anxious time for members of the 1st XI. Heavy rain for some hours threatened ruination to the pitch, but valiant efforts on the part of Mr McKinnon at least made it possible to be played on. Mr Caldwell again captained the Parents' XI.

St. Peter's, batting first, made 93, Fairclough ma. hitting with great freedom to run up a fine 25. He was ably supported by Caldwell mi. Intermittent showers during the afternoon made the wicket treacherous, with foothold precarious (as some of the Fathers found to their cost). Fathers were able to reply with only 68, Dr Mackenzie topscoring with 18. Caldwell ma. bowled particularly well in this innings to secure 3 for 22. St. Peter's won by 25 runs on the first innings.

St. Peter's, 93 (Fairclough ma. 25, Caldwell mi. 10; Dr Tothill 4 wickets for 13, Dr Mackenzie 3 for 13, Mr Bell 2 for 9).

Fathers' XI, 68 (Dr Mackenzie 18, Mr Ellis 11; Miller 3 for 9, Caldwell ma. 3 for 22, Grant ma. 2 for 13, Ellis max. 2 for 20).

1st XI v Cambridge Primary School. November 9th and 16th (home)

Our first match in the Third Term was against a strong Cambridge side. St. Peter's batted first and gave a disappointing display, Wake being the only batsman to show any confidence. His 25 was a good effort. A. Arnold and Lord bowled particularly well for Cambridge, both securing splendid figures. Cambridge replied with 108, T. Arnold, A. Arnold and Treadgold batting forcefully. Our bowling was inconsistent, pleasing exceptions being Barclay and Miller, the former playing his first game in the XI. Cambridge won by 6 wickets.

St. Peter's, 40 (Wake 25; A. Arnold 5 wickets for 11 runs, Lord 4 for 16).

Primary School, 108 (A. Arnold 44, T. Arnold 22, Treadgold 18; Miller 3 for 7, Ellis max. 2 for 25, Grant ma. 2 for 25, Barclay 2 for 28).

1st XI v King's College Colts. November 26th (away)

This was an interesting game, played on a soft wicket, with conditions slightly favouring the bowlers. St. Peter's won the toss and sent King's in. Our fielding was generally good, with the bowling effective in patches, Farquhar being the most consistent. Daniell batted well for his 27. Wake's keeping showed a welcome return to form. Our reply to King's total of 89 was 102, 64 of these runs coming from Ellis max. He played a good captain's knock, and after a shaky start settled down to give his best display in two seasons. Wisheart was easily the best King's bowler, his 8 for 32 being a fine effort. St. Peter's won by 4 wickets.

King's College, 89 (Daniell 27, MacDonald 18 not out, Wisheart 15; Caldwell ma. 3 wickets for 17 runs, Farquhar 2 for 5).

St. Peter's, 102 (Ellis max. 64, Grant ma. 10; Wisheart 8 for 32).

1st XI v Cambridge Primary School. November 30th and December 7th (home)

Cambridge batted first, but on a good wicket fared badly against our steady bowling. T. Arnold was the only

batsman to make runs. St. Peter's fielding showed distinct improvement, and effectively supported the bowlers, the most successful of whom were Ellis max. and Caldwell ma. St. Peter's replied with 80. Wake batted brightly for his 24, and Ellis max. contributed a useful 14. The displays given by Barclay and Fell were most encouraging. Lord bowled very well for Cambridge. St. Peter's won by four wickets.

Primary School, 52 (T. Arnold 30; Caldwell ma. 4 wickets for 27 runs, Ellis max. 3 for 16).

St. Peter's, 80 (Wake 24, Fell 15, Ellis max. 14, Barclay 11; Lord 4 for 14, T. Arnold 3 for 18).

1st XI v Dilworth. December 3rd (home)

We won the toss and sent Dilworth in on a drying wicket. By lunch Dilworth had lost 4 for 24, and St. Peter's was "on top". After lunch, however, Haultain settled down and batted most effectively to score 47, Dilworth being eventually dismissed for 97. Ellis max. and Farquhar bowled well, the latter keeping a splendid length, and the former's off-break was used to good effect. St. Peter's replied with a total of 17! Wake and Ellis max. were the only batsmen to show any enterprise against the really fine bowling of Whitcombe and Wilding. The former, particularly, is a most promising bowler and thoroughly deserved his figures of 6 for 8. Dilworth won by 80 runs on the first innings.

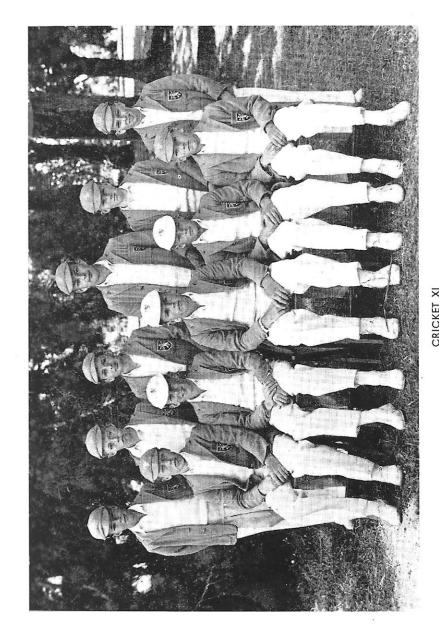
Dilworth, 97 (Haultain 47, Lewis 14; Ellis max. 4 wickets for 9 runs, Farquhar 2 for 13).

St. Peter's, 17 (Wake 7, Ellis max. 6; Whitcombe 6 for 8, Wilding 3 for 0).

1st XI

During the third term the team was selected from the following players:—

Ellis max. (captain)	Fairclough mi.
Wake (vice-captain)	Fell
Barclay	Grant ma.
Caldwell ma.	Grant mi.
Farquhar	Miller
Fairclough ma.	Osborne



Back Row: Farquhar, Grant mi., Barclay, Miller, Fairclough ma., Fell. In Front: Osborne, Wake, Ellis max. (cap#), Caldwell ma., Grant ma.

2nd XI Matches

In the first term the 2nd XI played two matches; the first, against Cambridge, we won: the second, against Southwell, we lost—badly.

From both these games we learnt some valuable lessons. The Cambridge team showed us how to deal with loose bowling, particularly short-pitched balls on the leg. The Southwell team showed us the value of a well-placed field which was always on its toes, and showed confidence when batting.

The lack of confidence shown by the St. Peter's team was due almost entirely to lack of match practice, and until this kind of practice can be obtained more regularly we can look forward to only a spasmodic interest in Cricket. The Southwell team showed what polish can be gained from playing outside teams.

Considering this, the St. Peter's team played well. Against Cambridge, who had had as little experience as we had, they showed up well—the fielding was good, the bowling was well pitched, and the batting proved that we had resourcefulness as well as some latent talent.

It was inevitable that we should crumple up against Southwell; the bowling became shorter and shorter, and the batsmen very often worried themselves out. The fielding was good. However, we hope it will not happen a second time—there is no reason why it should.

The scores were:-

2nd XI v Cambridge 2nd XI

Cambridge, 1st innings, 48 (Grant mi. 4 for 9, Barclay 3 for 17, Grant mus. 2 for 6, Fairclough mi. 1 for 11).

2nd innings, 90 (Fairclough mi. 5 for 23, Grant mi. 4 for 26, Grant mus. 1 for 12).

St. Peter's, 1st innings, 89 (Moss 26, Grant mi. 20, Whitney mi. 12, Fairclough mi. 14 not out).

2nd innings, 66 (Moss 13, Whitney mi. 10, Mackenzie 18 not out).

2nd XI v Southwell

Southwell, 1st innings, 99 for 7 wickets declared (Grant mi. 4 for 33, Fairclough mi. 2 for 24, Barclay 1 for 14).

St. Peter's, 1st innings, 11 (Rivett-Carnac 5).

2nd XI v Fathers

An exciting game ended in a win for the 2nd XI by one run. Unfortunately the Fathers could not field a full team, and so the empty places were filled by Mr Broadhurst, Hooker, Chandler mi., Glenn and Virtue.

The boys batted first and made 66 (Barclay 15, Chandler ma. 15; Mr. Webb 3 for 10, Mr Black 2 for 9, Mr Ibbertson 1 for 4).

The Fathers made 65 (Mr Black 10; Grant mi. 3 for 34, Barclay 2 for 5, Grant mus. 1 for 3, Chandler ma. 1 for 7, Fairclough mi. 1 for 10).

It was a most enjoyable game and we hope it was the first of many such.

Second Club

It might quite confidently be claimed that nowhere in the School is there more genuine keenness for Cricket than in the Second Club at present. The ages of the members of the Club vary from 15 down to 8 years, but the older ones are not necessarily less interested than the more promising young members, for during the term practically the whole Club showed their willingness to turn out for voluntary nets during the Break.

Many interesting games have been played. The batsmen are rapidly learning the value of correct shots, and the bowlers have settled down to a more accurate length. Spectators have frequently commented on the high standard of the fielding, throwing-in to the wicket-keeper being particularly good.

Towards the end of the term, when the 1st XI was away in Auckland, a Second Club XI challenged the 2nd XI to a match. This game was noteworthy for the keen sporting spirit in which it was played. The 2nd XI had been put in to bat, and had compiled 78, thanks mainly to a fine stand

between Mackenzie and Whitney mi. By 5.15, the agreed time for "stumps", the Second Club XI had 8 wickets down for 64, but at the risk of missing a swim after a particularly hot day in the field, there was a unanimous demand for the match to be continued for another quarter of an hour. However, it ended in a draw, with the total 76, and the last batsmen undefeated. Tothill mi. Chandler mus. and Dewhirst had given confident displays.

Several members of the Club have already been sent up to Senior Club for occasional games, and the experience gained there should stand them in good stead when they are promoted permanently next year.

Mothers' Match

The success of the original Mothers' Match in 1937 made it imperative to repeat such a popular feature at the Easter week-end this year, when two Fathers' XIs were playing. So many Mothers volunteered for the game that there were 18 a side, but, as last year, rain unfortunately interfered with the match. The Mothers had run up a total of 48 before the game had to be abandoned, the chief scorers being Mrs Low 10, Mrs Urquhart 7 and Mrs Pilling 5. Bowling for the boys, Tothill mi. took 4 wickets, Tothill ma. 3, Chandler mus. 3, Ellis ma. 2 and Seabrook 2.

Junior Club

Cricket is by no means an easy game to learn, but the Club is very fortunate in having some keen players who are willing to try. There are a number who have never played before, and they appear to be showing some promise. One of the most important parts of Cricket is fielding, when one must be alive and on one's toes ready for the ball. No player is worth a place in any XI unless he can field well, and so even if we cannot excel at batting and bowling yet, we can at least try to field.

During the season there have been some interesting games which have been very close. As long as the Club remains interested and keen, then the two Clubs above should benefit from it in the future.

E. P. S. Match

On Wednesday, April 6th, Mr Gibson's XI played a team from a party of English Public School Boys touring the Dominion. This was enjoyable holiday cricket and the visitors must be congratulated on their bright display after such a long spell from the game. The English Public School Boys made 104, to which Mr Gibson's XI replied with 148, a win by 44 runs on the first innings.

BOXING

Boxing classes were held throughout the Second Term. There was a nucleus of boys who had already learnt boxing for one or two years, so that the task of the instructor and boys was lighter. They were able to dispense with some of

the elementary drill and do more advanced work. Those who were doing their first year in boxing showed great keenness. We raised our standard. It was a joy to see boys setting to and hitting really hard.

The tournament took place on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 9th and 10th.

BANTAM WEIGHT-

First Round: Edmundson v Ellis mi. This was an even bout, in which both boys stood up to each other and exchanged blow for blow. Edmundson won the last round.

Semi-finals: Mill v Williams. Although Mill had the longer reach, Williams attacked all the time, and deserved his win.

Chandler mus. v Edmundson. Here again, the boy who did most of the leading and forced the pace won the decision.

Final: Chandler mus. v Williams. Both boys fought hammer and tongs throughout the fight, Williams gaining the decision for having delivered slightly more blows. Chandler directed his hits well and made use of his opponent's body. Williams refused to give in, even when he was taking heavy punishment.

FEATHER WEIGHT-

First Round: Bloomfield v Rivett-Carnac. Both fought willingly but Bloomfield had the better guard and delivered his blows better. He used some good body punches.

Land v Bush ma. Bush ma. was unable to box.

Second Round: Trimmer v Searle. Searle opened well, but later on was too willing to cover up while Trimmer did the hitting. Both boys connected well. Trimmer won.

Bloomfield v Land. A willing bout. Bloomfield had the advantage in speed, and variety of punches, while Land's left lead and guard were very good. Bloomfield was inclined to look down so that all his blows did not go home. Bloomfield won after an extra round, in which he was the aggressor.

Final: Bloomfield v Trimmer. Bloomfield was too strong for Trimmer, but the latter fought back gamely. Bloomfield has a good body blow.

LIGHT WEIGHT-

First Round: Webb v Chandler ma. Chandler set a fast pace, and maintained it. Webb defended well, and also fought back, but Chandler hit too fast and too often.

Caldwell mi. v Dewhirst. An excellent bout. Both fought hard, and boxed scientifically. Caldwell was very quick to see an opening, while his blows were clean and hard. Dewhirst did not hold his head up and watch his opponent as well as Caldwell did, but led some beautiful lefts. Caldwell won.

Farquhar v Skerman. Skerman held his own well against a more experienced boy. Farquhar's footwork was excellent.

Second Round: Caldwell mi. v Chandler ma. Both boys fought hard and well. Chandler's persistent and fast attacking won him the decision. Caldwell stood his ground and his hits were hard and straight. He was inclined to drop his guard. Chandler delivered his hits well, too.

Ibbertson v Farquhar. A scientific bout. Ibbertson boxed carefully in the first round, but after this was more aggressive, and proved too strong for his opponent in the last round.

Final: Chandler ma. v Ibbertson. Ibbertson defended himself well against the fast-moving, hard-hitting tactics of his opponent, who won the bout. Not only was Ibbertson's guard good, but he led well, too. Chandler was tireless.

WELTER WEIGHT-

First Round: Barclay v Grant ma. Both boys boxed well, and used their brains. There was too much missing in the first round. Grant was too strong for Barclay in the last round, but the latter took his punishment well, and fought back when he could.

Fell v de Castro. de Castro, who did nearly all the leading, boxed well. Fell defended too much, although he attacked hard in the middle of the last round.

Second Round: de Castro v Grant ma. de Castro fought a losing fight splendidly. He always came back for more punishment from his more experienced opponent.

Grant mi. v Chandler mi. Grant hit Chandler often, and used his head, but his blows were not delivered well. He must learn that the best punch is the one which shoots hard and straight at the target. His defence was good. Chandler mi., who has a beautiful left lead, won.

Final: Grant ma. v Chandler mi. An excellent bout. An extra round was required in order to separate them, after which the decision went to Grant ma. Chandler's left lead stood him in good stead, for throughout the bout he worried Grant with a hard, fast and true left. Grant used different hits well, including leads to the body, while his footwork and timing were also good. His one fault was that he failed to guard Chandler's left.

MIDDLE WEIGHT-

Semi-Final: Davis v Wake. From the gong Davis rained volleys of blows at Wake. Wake covered up and retaliated at intervals, but the punishment was too heavy. When he retaliated he hit well.

Final: Caldwell ma. v Davis. Davis attacked fast with both hands, but Caldwell defended and replied coolly. In his turn he attacked with powerful, well-directed blows. Davis must learn to guard himself and hit straight. Davis took his punishment well. Caldwell won.

HEAVY WEIGHT-

Final: Ellis max. v Osborne. Ellis took the initiative and continued to set the pace throughout. He used a variety of punches, and his footwork was good. Osborne had a good guard, but he was too slow, and did not lead often enough.

Whitney ma. v the Instructor. Whitney ma. held his own well against an opponent who was finally disqualified.

We thank Mr Ledgerwood and Mr Cross of the Hamilton Y.M.C.A. who acted as judges. Mr Cross gave a prize for the best loser in the competition. It was awarded to de Castro, who met in the finals a more experienced and scientific boxer, and a hard hitter. de Castro refused to be daunted, and fought back to the end. This was a splendid prize, for it shows that to lose is no disgrace, while to lose well is something to be proud of.

The Orr Cup for the most Scientific Boxer of the year was won by Miller, who, although unable to box in the tournament owing to illness, excelled throughout the term. He worked hard and with great enthusiasm, and shows considerable promise as a scientific boxer.

We are deeply indebted to Mr Bloomfield for his generous donation of cups to weight-winners.

Finally I would say a word to non-boxers. Do you realize what you are missing? Perhaps you do not box because you feel you cannot be a first-class boxer. One of the beauties of boxing is that whether you are a good boxer or a bad boxer, you will benefit tremendously. Not only will you develop physically and be able to defend yourself in life, but also you will develop your character by learning to give and take, and to keep your temper. The answer to the question "Is it worth while?" is obvious.

GYMNASIUM

This year has been an uneventful one. The work in the gymnasium has pursued its accustomed course, and great endeavour on the part of the boys has resulted in considerable advancement and progress on the part of the majority. In the first and second terms the different forms were very hard at work practising for the Competitions, which were held at the end of the second term. The boys had a big programme to prepare, as they did not know what subjects the judge would ask for. The work from which tests could be chosen was:—

Physical Table to music Ropes Jacob's Ladder Beams

Ground Work

P. T. Games

We thank Mr Cross of the Hamilton Y.M.C.A. for his kindness in coming to the School to judge the different forms, a task which he confessed was very difficult.

Upper School II is to be congratulated on winning the Gymnasium Competition Shield with $83\frac{1}{3}$ points.

Upper School I was a very good second with 82 points.

The other forms were in this order:-

Senior Division	 	 71 points
Middle School II	 	 66 points
Middle School I	 ***	 64 points
Lower School I	 	 61 ² points
Lower School II	 	 50 points

The third term has been very hard for the boys on account of the measles epidemic. On one occasion one form was reduced to two in number, but great keenness was shown by boys returning from sickness who soon made up for the work they had missed.

At the beginning of the year all the Classes did their Physical Drill to music, which was supplied by Mr Luscombe and Miss Duthie, who kindly gave up hours of their free time playing accompaniments for marches and exercises.

On Sports Day, March 26th, a short display of Ground Work and Pyramids was put on by a picked squad of twelve boys.

SWIMMING

All boys love swimming, and we are no exception. In fact the boys seem to revel in the water. Apart from the joys of swimming and diving, there is the added attraction of a beautifully clear bath whose bottom is quite a treasure trove; there one finds sometimes a brick, often pennies, and on rare occasions spoons. A water-polo ball is good fun, while two sides are sometimes picked for a game. The game has few rules, for the players' object is simply to grab the ball and score a goal.

On Friday, 28th February, Messrs Boulton and Ball, who are members of the Royal Life-Saving Society, came from Hamilton to demonstrate life-saving, swimming, and diving. They were so interesting and helpful that immediately after "All in!" the Swimming Bath was seething with would-be rescuers and involuntary rescued.

We intend to raise the general standard of swimming and diving before life-saving classes are started. This should not take very long, for boys are continually passing their first length and their "early morning test", while some have passed a special test which includes swimming 50 yards (1) breaststroke, and (2) on the back, undressing in the water, and retrieving a brick. In the first term 27 boys swam the length of the bath for the first time, while 8 passed this test in the third term.

Swimming Sports

The following are detailed results of the Swimming Sports held on Friday, December 16th:—

SENIOR:

4 lengths (100 yards)—Wake, 1; Grant ma., 2; Fairclough ma., 3. 2 lengths (50 yards)—Wake, 1; Grant ma., 2; Fairclough ma., 3. 50 feet Sprint—Wake, 1; Miller, 2; Fairclough ma., 3. Diving—Grant ma., 1; Fairclough ma., 2; Miller, 3.

MIDDLE:

1 length (25 yards)—Grant mi., 1; Pym., 2; Fairclough mi., 3. Diving—Bush ma., 1; Hooker, 2; Fairclough mi., 3.

JUNIOR:

50 feet—Grant mus., 1; Chandler mus., 2; MacDiarmid, 3. Diving—Grant mus., 1; Mitchell, 2; Chandler mus., 3.

OPEN EVENTS:

Plunging—Hooker, 1; Miller, 2; Fairclough ma., 3. Spoon Diving—Grant mi. (22 spoons), 1; Gentles, Grant ma. and Virtue (21 spoons each), 2 equal.

RELAYS:

Beginners' Relay—Dark Blues, 1. Ping Pong Relay—Light Blues, 1. Teams' Relay—Light Blues, 1.

SURPRISE EVENT:

1 length Breast-stroke in fewest number of strokes—Fairclough ma., 1; Caldwell ma., 2; Pym, 3.

CHALLENGE CUPS:

Brown Cup—Light Blues, 231 points; Dark Blues, 195 points. Waller Cup—Wake, 75 points; Grant ma., runner-up, 613 points.

OLD BOYS

As each year goes by and our Old Boys leave for more and more different schools, it makes it increasingly difficult to keep in touch with all their activities. Personal letters have been received from some of them, but for news of the majority we have had to rely on information gleaned from the magazines of their new schools. To those who have been omitted from the following list we make our apologies, and hope that they will write sometimes next year and tell us of their doings.

- K. C. Simpson is in Form III A at the Auckland Grammar School, and has been taking an active part in activities out of school. He played in the 6th Grade A Hockey team, and throughout the year has spent all his spare time in the Gym. He got into the Gymnasium Company, and formed part of the Gymnasium group at the School Concert.
- At King's College, J. G. Reid was fourth in his form for the first half year, and played for the Junior Football team which had a successful season. C. A. Eyre distinguished himself by coming seventh in the Senior Steeplechase which was run over a six mile course. As he was the fourth member of School House to finish, his effort counted towards the points which gave his house the cup.
- W. H. Gould has continued to do well in this, his second, year at the New Plymouth Boys' High School. He sat for the University Entrance Exam in December. Out of school he has taken part in many different activities. In the

first term he won the Junior Tennis championship, and was also one of the pair who won the Doubles. At the Athletic Sports he came second in the Senior High Jump with a height of 5 ft $1\frac{1}{2}$ ins. He had gained his place in the School 1st XI at Cricket, and at the time of writing had the very sound batting average of 34.

M. G. M. Bevan is still at Pinewood Preparatory School, England. He is still in the Choir there, and took part in the school production of Shakespeare's "Henry V". Before he left Form IV B he had been placed first in the end-of-term order, and had won his form Chess tournament. Since then, in IV A, he came first in History. In the winter term he played one game for the School Rugby XV, and has since been a member of the 2nd XI at Cricket.

Wanganui Collegiate School is the new home of thirteen of our Old Boys. At the Prize-giving in December, 1937, P. W. D. Parr was awarded the F. Leslie Peck Memorial Prize for Music, and also the Fourth Form Reading Prize. P. W. D. Parr and T. W. Smith both sat for the University Entrance Examination in December last. P. W. D. Parr and C. E. Parr have both taken parts in productions by the Dramatic Society at different times. In the realm of music P. W. D. Parr took part in a Bach Violin Concerto at a concert in the first term; in the third term there was another concert at which P. W. D. Parr played the solo violin in a Hornpipe by Purcell given by the Orchestra, L. L. O'H. Hickson played a violin solo, and C. E. Parr sang a Mozart cradle song in German.

At outdoor Sports L. P. Ellis scored most individual successes. When the Athletic Sports were held at the Easter week-end Ellis was in the under 16 section, and came first in the 100 yards, first in the 220 yards, first in the 440 yards, first in the High Jump, second in the Long Jump, and second in the 120 yards Hurdles, these places giving him the Junior Championship. He also represented Hadfield House in the Junior Relay, which was won by their team. T. W. Smith was first equal in the High Jump under 15 with a jump of 4 ft 9 ins, and was second in the Long Jump under 15. Smith repeated these two successes at an Athletic Meeting against the Wanganui Technical College. Smith captained the Grey House Junior Football team during the winter, and has since

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been playing for the School 2nd XI at Cricket. P. A. Gardner, R. J. P. Vallentine and W. N. Vosper have all played for Selwyn House Junior teams at both Cricket and Football. M. A. Waller was mentioned in the magazine for a double-figure score when playing for Selwyn House in the Senior House Cricket matches. L. P. Ellis was awarded his Second XV Football colours, and went to Christchurch in August as reserve for the 1st XV. A fencing club was founded at Wanganui this year, and Ellis won the championships. When the Boxing Championships were held in the third term, G. J. Hodgson and A. B. Orr won their respective weights, and L. L. O'H. Hickson was runner-up in another weight. Mention was made in the magazine of Orr's well merited win, for, although boxing on the retreat, he continued to send out his straight left and hard right throughout the contest.

D. W. Wilkie returned from a trip to England in the middle of the year, and started at Wanganui in the Third Term. Before he started at Wanganui, L. L. O'H. Hickson had got into the cable items of the newspapers by flying in a Qantas Airways machine from Australia to Singapore so that he would arrive home as soon as possible after Christmas. The cable item gave special mention not so much of the actual flight, but of the large number of Christmas dinners he had had en route!

END OF TERM AND PRIZE-GIVING

There was an excellent attendance of parents and friends on Friday, December 16th, when the School Year was brought to a close with Swimming Sports, Concert and Prize-Giving. The Swimming Sports, the results of which are in the Swimming Notes, took place in the morning, and the majority of the events were favoured by hot, brilliant sunshine, the water seeming clearer and more dazzling than ever before. However, a short but tempestuous storm spoiled the enjoyment of the final Relay Race, and caused the abandonment of the Musical Splosh.

Before lunch, during a fortunate lull in the rain, opportunity was found for the formal presentation of the new Boat-Pool. Mr S. H. Ellis asked the Head-master to accept the newly completed pool as a present to the School from

himself and Mrs Ellis, and explained that he had conceived the idea over a year before when he had been at the School the day that Mr Broadhurst's engagement to Miss Leatham had been announced. Since it was in the nature of a wedding present to Mr and Mrs Broadhurst, he remarked humourously that he hoped that they would sometimes let the boys use it on the days when they themselves did not want it!

During an interval after lunch, many of the visitors found time to inspect the Art Exhibition. As on a similar occasion last year, great interest was shown in the boys' work, which ranged from enormous mural decorations in the Art Room to intricate Lino-cuts on display in the Classroom Passage. This was followed by a short Concert in the Gymnasium, the programme being:—

- 1. Songs by the whole School.
 - (1) Old folks at home.
 - (2) Here's a health unto his majesty.
 - (3) There is a tavern in the town.
- 2. Percussion Bands.
 - (1) B Band.
 - (2) A Band.

3. Violin and Piano: Minuet Gluck.
Grant mi. and Grant ma.
(Winners of the Bevan Cup.)

- 4. (1) Unison Song: In praise of Neptune. Ireland.
 - (2) Two-part Song: Flocks are sporting. Handel. The Festival Choir. (Winners of the Citizens' Cup at the Cambridge Festival.)
- 5. (1) Largo

Handel

(2) Lilliburlero The Orchestra.

Purcell

6. John Peel

The whole School with The Orchestra.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Afternoon tea was served in the Dining Hall while the Gymnasium was being prepared for the Prize-Giving. This began at 3.45 p.m., and in his speech the Headmaster said:—

"This is the best opportunity I get of telling you something about the School and its aims, so I hope you will not mind if I spend a few minutes in this way before going on to the actual prize-giving.

"I don't think everyone quite understands that the time a boy spends at St. Peter's outside the classrooms is just as important as the time actually spent at work. The daily life here is just as much education in the true sense of the word as Latin or Arithmetic. The most important thing in this connection is the boys' attitude towards authority. There is an atmosphere of friendliness at St. Peter's, which I think is essential. There must of course be respect for authority but not fear. A boy must always feel that we approve of him even if we may not approve of his actions at the moment. In this way only can he have a desire to give his best to the School and feel a responsibility for its welfare.

"I want you to realise this, because we need your understanding and co-operation. I do not think we have really quite got away from the old-fashioned idea of "home versus school". There should be no idea in a boy's mind that his parents are anything but wholeheartedly in agreement with the School. I will give you an example, unimportant in itself, which will show what I mean. For good and sufficient reasons sweets are not allowed here. But quite often parents send their boys sweets or give them some to take back to school. This must give rise to a conflict of loyalties in the boy's mind: in a very small way it is "home versus school". The chances are that he will feel with his parents and against the school, but the opposite possibility is equally undesirable. This is of course a minor matter, but I hope it makes clear what I want to say, namely that boys must know that their parents approve of the School and will support its authority in even the smallest things. Loyalty of parents to the School is absolutely essential if the School is to exert its best influence on their boys.

"I could wish for more opportunities for discussion with parents. You come and spirit your boys away on Sun-

days or at the end of the term, and there is seldom a chance of a word. I have often thought that an annual meeting of parents would be a good thing, and perhaps someday we shall have something of that kind. Meanwhile I hope you will come to me about anything you do not understand, specially if you disagree with me about anything. I am never too busy to talk to parents: you have a first claim on my time.

"The most important event this year has been the measles. Some boys had it very badly, and for several weeks we had three extra nurses on duty. Sister Swears merits your warmest thanks for the capable way she handled the situation.

"There have been some changes on the Staff this year. Our old friend Miss Sutton left during the First Term, and her place has been taken by Miss Waddell, who has the highest qualifications for the responsible business of feeding us. Mr Lenton came in the Second Term, and has already shown himself to be a loval member of the Staff. Further changes are taking place at the end of this year. For a new school this is perhaps inevitable till things settle down, specially in view of the early history of this School. Mr Luscombe, Mr Nancarrow, and Miss Wimperis have been on the Staff of the School since its foundation. They are now leaving us, and I know you will join with me in thanking them for all they have done for the School and wishing them the best of luck in the future. Miss Wimperis's work deserves special mention, as nothing of the kind has previously been done in this Dominion. Miss Duthie is also leaving, and Sister Parker leaves to get married soon after the beginning of next term. I am sure they take with them our best wishes.

"According to our custom, I will now ask Mrs Osborne, mother of the Head Boy, to give away the prizes.

"First there are the prizes for the Swimming Sports this morning, and you will notice that there are fewer of them than usual. In previous years the only official prizes were small silver cups for the winners of those Senior events which score points for the Teams Competition. All other firsts and seconds received small prizes as mementos. This year we are giving bronze medals to the winners of Middle

and Junior events. It has therefore been thought best to give no other prizes. Mr Keith Caldwell has kindly presented a cup for Diving.

Senior 4 lengths-Wake.

Junior 50 feet-Grant mus.

Middle 1 length—Grant mi.

Senior 2 lengths-Wake.

Junior Diving-Grant mus.

Middle Diving—Bush ma.

Senior 50 feet Sprint-Wake.

Open Plunging-Hooker.

Open Spoon Diving-Grant mi.

Caldwell Cup for Diving-Grant ma.

Waller Cup for individual points-Wake.

Brown Cup for Team Competition—Light Blues.

"Mr Howard Ellis kindly presents prizes annually for cricket. This year there are four prizes. The first for the Best All Round Cricketer goes to Ellis max. He is a natural cricketer and looks one from the moment he walks on to the field. He has been Captain of the XI and his captaincy has improved throughout the season. He heads both the batting and bowling averages—but this is incidental to the award of the prize; for to give a prize for the best average could only have a bad effect on our School cricket.

"The Batting prize goes to Wake. He has a good eye and always plays a forceful game and goes for the runs.

"The Fielding prize is again won by Caldwell ma. He is worth 30 runs to his side in the field.

"The Bowling prize is awarded to Farquhar. He is a natural bowler, and has been an example to the whole School of what can be done by keeping a length.

"Mr Bloomfield has kindly presented silver tankards for each of the Boxing weights. The competitions were held last term, and resulted as follows:—

Heavy Weight—Ellis max.

Middle Weight—Caldwell ma.
Welter Weight—Grant ma.
Light Weight—Chandler ma.
Feather Weight—Bloomfield.
Bantam Weight—Williams.

"Mr Cross, of the Hamilton Y.M.C.A., kindly came over to judge the boxing. He was so impressed by one of the fights that he has presented a special prize to the loser, de Castro.

"The Orr Cup, for the most scientific boxer of the year, has been awarded to Miller for the second time.

"The last and most important of the athletic prizes is the Larner Cup. This is for the best all-round athlete for the year. It is won by Caldwell ma.

"The Garden prize is won, for the third successive year, by Brown, Chandler ma., Chandler mi., Whitney mi. Second prize: Caldwell ma., Ellis max., Grant ma., Miller, Osborne.

"For those who have not been to a St. Peter's prizegiving before, I must explain our system of awarding prize books. There are only four regular annual prizes, and all the rest are special prizes given for particularly good work in any subject of group of subjects. As you know, we do not use marks here, and all the awards are made at a roundtable conference with the Staff, except for two prizes which depend on examination results. Some of the prizes will require a word of explanation when we come to them.

"First I shall read the Mentions List. From this year we are raising the standard of work required for a mention: if a boy's name is mentioned for a particular subject, it means that his work in that subject has been consistently good and that he has achieved outstanding results.

Mentions List

ENGLISH.—Grant ma., Swales, Davis, Mackenzie, Moss, Smale, Barclay, de Castro, Ellis ma., Farquhar, Grant mi., Hooker, Pym, Walters, Caldwell mi., Horrocks, Ibbertson, Skerman, Bush ma., Mitchell, Trimmer, Betty, Cameron, Chandler mus., Grant mus., Thomson, Urquhart mi., Ellis mi., Ellis mus., Mill.

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- DIVINITY.—Grant ma., Swales, Wake, Mackenzie, Smale, Farquhar, Grant mi., Hooker, Fairclough mi., Barton, Mitchell, Chandler mus., Grant mus., Thomson, Edmundson, MacDiarmid.
- WRITING.—Grant ma., Wake, Davis, Mackenzie, Smale, Farquhar, Grant mi., Hooker, Pym, Caldwell mi., Horrocks, Russell, Skerman, Eyre, Glenn, Betty, Chandler mus., Thomson, Urquhart ma., Ellis mi., McDougall, Seabrook, Yates.
- HISTORY.—Edgecumbe, Swales, Ellis max., Mackenzie, Smale, Barclay, Farquhar, Hooker, Pym, Bloomfield, Horrocks, Ibbertson, Rivett-Carnac, Webb, Betty, Bush mi., Chandler mus., Grant mus., Lucas, Thomson, Urquhart mi., Williams, Bagnall, Edmundson, MacDiarmid, Seabrook.
- GEOGRAPHY.—Brown, Swales, Wake, Davis, Mackenzie, Osborne, Smale, de Castro, Farquhar, Pym, Bloomfield, Jacob. Skerman, Webb, Barton, Bush ma., Mitchell, Chandler mus., Grant mus., Thomson, Urquhart mi., Bagnall, MacDiarmid.
- SCIENCE.—Brown, Edgecumbe, Swales, Davis, Mackenzie, Osborne, Smale, Whitney mi., de Castro, Ellis ma., Farquhar, Bloomfield, Fairclough mi., Jacob, Webb, Mitchell.
- MATHS.—Brown, Swales, Wake, Davis, Ellis max., Miller, Smale, Whitney mi., Barclay, Black, Ellis ma., Farquhar, Pym, Bloomfield, Horrocks, Jacob, Bush ma., Glenn, Mitchell, Betty, Cameron, Chandler mus., Urquhart ma., Urquhart mi., Edmundson, Mill.
- LATIN.—Chandler ma., Grant ma., Smale, Barclay, de Castro, Ellis ma., Farquhar, Hooker, Walters, Horrocks, Ibbertson, Bush ma., Mitchell, Trimmer, Betty.
- FRENCH.—Chandler ma., Fell, Grant ma., Swales, Moss, Osborne, Smale, Barclay, de Castro, Ellis ma., Farquhar, Grant mi., Hooker, Bloomfield, Fairclough mi., Horrocks, Ibbertson, Jacob, Rivett-Carnac, Mitchell, Betty.
- ART.—Edgecumbe, Caldwell ma., Miller, Smale, Black, Walters, Gentles, Bush ma., Chandler mus., Low, Thomson, MacDiarmid, Mill.

MUSIC.—Moss, Smale, Farquhar, Gentles, Ibbertson, Betty, Chandler mus., Grant mus., Thomson, Urquhart mi.

PIANO.—Chandler mi., Moss, Smale, Farquhar, Walters.

VIOLIN.—Chandler ma., Smale, Grant mi.

GYMNASIUM.—Grant ma., Caldwell ma., Whitney mi., Barclay, Virtue, Bloomfield, Fairclough mi., Bush ma., Dewhirst, Chandler mus., Low, MacDiarmid, Seabrook.

Prize List

¹WRITING—Pym.

IMPROVEMENT IN WRITING—Chandler mus.

ENGLISH-Mackenzie, Horrocks, Grant mus.

LATIN—Chandler ma., Ellis ma.

FRENCH—de Castro.

²LANGUAGES—Hooker, Mitchell, Betty.

3CHANDLER ESSAY PRIZE—Swales.

DIVINITY—Swales, Hooker, Mitchell, Thomson.

ART—MacDiarmid.

MUSIC-Moss, Grant mi.

HISTORY-Edgecumbe, Hooker, Rivett-Carnac.

⁴J. R. OLIPHANT PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS— Swales.

MATHEMATICS—Pym, Chandler mus.

SCIENCE—Fairclough mi.

GEOGRAPHY—Mitchell.

SCIENCE AND GEOGRAPHY—Osborne

⁵PROGRESS—Barclay, Farguhar.

INDUSTRY—Miller, Walters, Skerman, Urquhart ma.

6SOUND LEARNING—Smale.

SENIOR SCHOLAR—Swales.

⁷HEAD BOY—Osborne.

¹ "The first prize to be given is one for WRITING, and I should like to say something to you about our system of writing here. When I started the School, I was very exercised in my mind on the subject. The loopy writing taught in most schools is bad from almost any point of view. As a boy's writing matures the loopy writing either becomes neat and characterless or else untidy and illegible. Print-script is much better, but it is very difficult to teach if good mature fast writing is eventually to result. Finally I decided on the Marion Richardson writing system, and we now teach it to every boy when he comes to the school, however old he is and however well he writes already—I only wish we had decided to do so earlier. It is a beautiful writing and lends itself to a natural characteristic development as a boy's writing matures. There are now many boys in the upper part of the School with really good writing, as different from each other as can be, but all developments of the Marion Richardson writing.

² "There are three prizes for LANGUAGES: the award of these is to be taken to imply excellence in all the three languages we learn: Latin, French, and English.

³ "The CHANDLER ESSAY PRIZE is an annual prize and I think a very important one. It is awarded on examination results. Nothing in all our work has improved so much as essay writing. Two years ago many boys were almost incapable of expressing themselves on paper. Now every Wednesday night excellent essays are written by numbers of boys—the best each week are brought to me to read. The high standard reached was commented on by the School Inspectors on their visit this year, and they considered that the amount of reading which the boys do was mainly responsible.

"This improvement in self-expression on paper is encouraging, but I feel that our greatest weakness at the moment is in self-expression by word of mouth, that is to say in speaking. On the whole our boys speak and read very badly. I myself shall therefore give an annual prize which will be known as "The Headmaster's Medal for English Speaking". It will be awarded on a three-fold test. A boy will be required to read aloud a prepared passage of

his own choice, to read aloud an unprepared passage, and to prepare, and deliver from memory, a speech on a given subject. I should like this to be considered the most important of all our prizes.

4 "The J. R. OLIPHANT PRIZE FOR MATHE-MATICS is another annual prize awarded on the result of the end of year exams.

⁵ "There are two PROGRESS prizes. The award of these implies outstanding progress in all subjects.

⁶ "Again this year we have a prize for SOUND LEARNING. The winner is only just 12, but he already shows an amazing proficiency in every school subject.

7"All the prizes given so far have had an element of surprise: until the boy's name was read it was impossible to know who the winner was, though you may have guessed some of them. But everyone knows the name of the winner of the last prize, that for the HEAD BOY. And yet it is perhaps the hardest one of all to award, for of course the real award was made a year ago. The Head Boy in this school holds an immensely important post. On him depends, more than on anyone else, the tone of the School. His year of office affords him the most valuable experience a boy of his age can possibly have. During the time Osborne has been Head Boy, I have never had the slightest doubt that all has been well with the School. Osborne was the first boy to come from the South Island, and his father has commemorated the fact by presenting the School with a Helio-Chronometer mounted on a natural boulder brought all the way from the bed of the Rakaia River in Canterbury."

