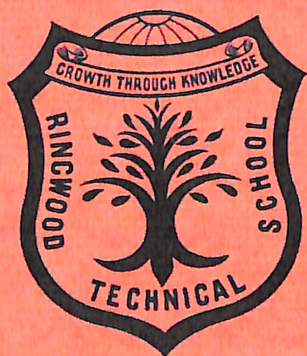


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ARE WE FORTUNATE? IF WE ARE, WHAT ABOUT IT?

During the period of several years I spent in Pakistan I was very much struck with the brightness and cheerfulness of the children. It has often been said that irrespective of race and colour children everywhere are the same. Basically they are.

Now, in Pakistan due to the great population and limited development there is great poverty—the developed resources are quite inadequate to provide anything like the standard of living we know. Many people go hungry. Millions do not get enough to eat. They do not receive adequate medical attention or education, even though the principle of free primary education is accepted. Millions of families live in one room usually with an earth floor, with the string bed (or charpoy as it is called) if any, in one corner and the cookery utensils in another.

Largely due to the hot climate, lack of nutrition and shortcomings in hygiene there is a good deal of sickness. The average age that people live is in the low thirties instead of over sixty years as in Australia. The Government is making great effort to improve conditions, but with so many millions of people this is a slow process. So there are many people, and it is the children specially I am thinking of, who live in conditions which to us would be distasteful—sleeping on floors, lacking hygiene, putting up with illness, or dying where medical attention is not at hand and not always having enough food to eat. The great majority of people eat with their hands, without knife, spoon or fork.

For such is the way they live due to long custom—as it was in England in the sixteenth century—or simply as a result of not having sufficient money to buy what we regard as simple essentials. And yet in these conditions of living children appear to be as full of fun as they are in communities of well-to-do people. They play their games such as hide and seek and some even get a lot of fun out of playing funerals or other ceremonies they have witnessed. But they have little in the way of toys, as we know them, to play with, especially mechanical toys. Their parents and friends simply could not afford to buy them. Many of them see railway trains, motor cars and aeroplanes, but as very few play with mechanical toys or have books which would give them an insight into all the wonderful engineering developments that have taken place, the great majority of children do not grow up with even the elementary knowledge of these things which our children do.

So, in Pakistan and in many Asian countries, there is a great contrast in well being and in education, especially in all the things which science and engineering have made possible, compared with conditions in Australia. Of course there are quite a number of well-to-do people who live comfortably,

who have a good education and who know all about the technical developments of which I am speaking, but in Pakistan there still remain about 85% of the people, roughly 68,000,000 people, who cannot read and write and whose standard of living falls very short of ours and who do not have the opportunities we have.

This situation leads to two thoughts. One is the wonderful opportunities our boys and girls have to become educated with all the surroundings and facilities we have and to make our lives as useful as possible, and the other is to think of what our country and we ourselves can do to help the people in Asian countries who do not have the opportunities we have to be free from want and to take advantage of all the developments that modern life offers.

There is no need to say much about the opportunities our boys and girls have. We are all very thankful for them and our boys and girls would fall short of our Australian traditions if they did not try and make the most of them. We have the opportunities but to take advantage of them it is necessary to make the effort which often means hard work.

Much more could be said about giving a helping hand to Asian countries than there is space to say here. The United Nations Organisation is helping with health, with agriculture, with the welfare of children and in many other ways. Under the Colombo Plan, in co-operation with other Commonwealth and some foreign countries, Australia is helping in two ways. One is helping in projects for developments of manufacturing industries and the improvement in primary production such as agriculture. The other is in what is called technical assistance, that is in providing facilities for the education of Asians in our Universities, Colleges and Research Institutions such as the C.S.I.R.O., and helping in the training of Asians in their own countries. We must learn all we can about our neighbours in Asian countries, their conditions of life, their problems and their needs, and do all we can to help them without thought of any gain, politically or in any other way. It has been striking the way Australians have held out a friendly hand to the Asians who have come to our colleges and schools. Not least has been the assistance Australia has been able to give in technical education, so I think the comments made in this article are not out of place in the magazine of the Ringwood Technical School.

L. E. BEAVIS,
President, Ringwood Technical
School Council.

Principal's Page . . .

This magazine contains as it were harvest of our year's work. What seeds have been sown? The seeds of learning certainly, as a reading of this magazine will show. But all our learning is useless if it does not lead us to appreciate the value of our fellow pupils and produce a desire to help them and our country. Our school days are days of preparation for our adult lives.

We are not all gifted to the same extent; we differ in mental ability, in manual ability, in physical ability. We speak of a person being "talented." The word talent used in this sense comes from a parable which we read in the Bible. In the first century A.D. the word "talent" meant a considerable sum of money. The parable relates that one servant given ten talents traded and earned ten talents more, one given five traded and earned five talents more. But one foolish servant who thought his talent was not needed, hid it in the ground. He did not realise that his talent was needed.

There is no one without talent, but it always makes teachers sorrow when a student, like the servant of old, does not use the talents which have been given him. Have you used your talents fully this year? Have you put one hundred per cent. effort into your class work, your home work, your sport? Anyone who uses fully whatever talents he has, can never be a failure.

Finally, I would say to those who have great talents, that they have great responsibilities also. So often many talented students just coast along in their school work, being content to be near the top of the form. The value of such students in the future development of Australia is very great. There are opportunities for employment in engineering and applied science, in commerce, art, architecture, foodcrafts and needlecraft for those talented pupils who realise the responsibility which such talents carry. But, for everyone, "Somewhere is waiting a task, which only your hands can avail,

And so, if you falter, a chord in the music must fail."

HEADMASTER'S REPORT—

MR. THOMAS

Ringwood Technical School Staff, 1960

In February of this year our "family" of children suddenly increased in numbers from 302 to 499 boys and girls.

To cope with this increase in our school population and to cover the loss of some of our 1959 staff members, 15 additional teachers were appointed, giving us a total staff of 25 members.

Misses Cotes and Brown and Mrs. Pauline, together with Messrs. Veitch, Donaldson, Brittingham, Hird, Beulke, McConchie, Webster and Craig moved with the school from temporary accommodation at Lilydale and Box Hill Girls' Schools.

It is to these teachers that we must all offer our grateful thanks, for they have been responsible for setting up the processes of technical education on a very sound foundation in this school.

The additional group of teachers came to us from various parts of the State. Miss McClean and Mesdames Greig and Stuart (Art), Mesdames Jonson and Hartigan (Maths), Mesdames Zlatic and Hickenbotham (English and Social Studies), are all from the metropolitan area, whilst Mrs. Stackpole (English and Social Studies) came from Ballarat.

Mr. Johnson came from Brighton Technical School as head of the Maths and Science division, Mr. Montgomery, from Caulfield Technical School as head of the Art Department, Mr. Ellis (English and Social Studies) from Secondary Teachers' Training College, Mr. Guinane (Science) from Warargul Technical School, Mr. English (Maths and Science) from Agricultural College, Tasmania, and Mr. Davidson as head of Machine shop from Wangaratta Technical School.

I feel sure that you would all expect me to express on your behalf and on behalf of your parents, your very grateful thanks for the splendid work done by each teacher during the year.

Many of the highlights of our school year have come as a direct result of the untiring and unselfish individual efforts of some of our teachers.

We are indebted in this regard to Mesdames Zlatic and Pauline who, with Messrs. Donaldson and Webster, prepared our groups of children for participation in the City of Ringwood celebrations.

Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Webster trained the school choir for our special Anzac Day Service, Technical Schools' Choral Festival, Education Week and Speech Night.

Mr. Montgomery's work as Social Service organiser is worthy of the highest praise, as also is his work in producing the fine displays of art work and lettering on our display boards.

I am sure you will agree that Mr. Ellis did wonders with our drama group throughout the year, and that the wonderful success of our house sports meeting was due in large measure to the work of Mr. Guinane, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Brittingham, Mrs. Pauline and Mrs. Jonson.

To conclude, I offer to all those who have co-operated so well, my personal thanks, and on behalf of the staff, I wish for every one of you, a very happy Christmas and bright, successful New Year.

D. THOMAS.

Headmistress's Page . . .

November, 1960—and nearly the end of our first year at Ringwood. Have you found it exciting? I hope so. I know I have.

As we expected, we have had to wait more or less patiently for our equipment to arrive, but this has not been without its merits. A soft life often makes a "soft" character, and you will often find that a difficulty can become a challenge and a very real advantage. I often think of a farmer who used to travel nearly seventy miles every fortnight to do his shopping. Much of the road was bad, but his comment was this: "It's lucky that the road isn't good all the way. Otherwise one might fall asleep while driving!"

And so we waited and wished and hoped—but how thrilling it was to see our sewing machines arrive, and then our stoves, washing machines, pots and pans, and all the rest. The lovely equipment has been well worth the waiting.

Next year will see still further progress. Some of the wood has already arrived for the next stage, and we shall be able to watch the buildings grow—including our second kitchen and the dressmaking room! From the study point of view, the second form girls and third form boys have had to make some decision as to the careers they would like to follow. The third form girls of 1961 will not all be taking the same subjects. Some of them will be taking the Professional Course, some the General Course and some the Commercial Course. This means, naturally, that a Commercial room must be set up, and so we shall be watching also for more machines—our typewriters.

Before closing, I want to point out two very important matters. First, you will notice that all the equipment of which I have been speaking has been provided for you as part of Ringwood Technical School. Remember that it is held in trust. You are using it today. See that you treat it with care so that it is in good condition to hand on to the girls who come after you. Secondly, there is that very important word "Amenities," meaning the little extras which make life pleasant. One amenity I (and you) would like to see is the placing of seats in the grounds so that you could have your lunch in comfort. Amenities are not provided—we have to work to obtain them. So when we have gift stalls, please work hard for them. Sometimes, too, you will perhaps go without that visit to the pictures or those sweets you intended to buy. That way we could obtain our amenities much more quickly.

To all the school—staff, boys and girls—may I wish a Merry Christmas and very happy holidays.

MOTHERS' CLUB

The Mothers' Club of your school has had a very busy and happy year. Mrs. Oliver (John and Peter, third form) was President for the first part of the year with Mrs. Bushell as Secretary. Mrs. J. Williams (Bruce, first form) became Treasurer on the retirement of Mrs. Hoffman (Faye, second form). After the annual meeting in September, Mrs. M. Williams (Geoffrey, first form) was elected President, Mrs. Rutledge (John, third form) as Secretary and Mrs. J. Williams again as Treasurer. There are 76 members of our Club, out of which there is an average attendance of 24 only at our monthly meetings.

We do not have meetings each month, but have outings to places of interest, such as Heinz factory, etc., and have talks, demonstrations and films by interesting people.

We also work for the School. We raise enough money to help to provide such amenities that are not provided by the Government. So far our efforts have helped to supply your piano, the public address system and a film strip projector and stand. Now we are working towards the necessary money to provide seats which are so badly needed in the school grounds. By this you will see that the Mothers' Club is helping your School in a very practical way. If your mother is not a member of our club, would you persuade her to come along to our meetings next year? We are looking forward to seeing some new faces and having some new ideas for raising more money for the school.

We would like to thank Mr. Veitch and all of the staff, who are only too willing to help us at all times. Also the boys and girls who have helped us when asked to.

A TRIP TO THE ART GALLERY

During the year the boys in form 2 have been taught Art Theory. To help the boys understand the artists they had been learning about, Mr. Craig and Mrs. Stuart organised a trip to the Art Gallery.

On our arrival we were all given a questionnaire to answer, and it was interesting to write about the paintings, statues and dioramas which were of special interest. One painting which all the boys admired was a picture by Tom Roberts of the opening of Parliament by King George the Fifth at the Exhibition Buildings. This huge painting had more than 500 perfect likenesses of people present at the ceremony.

I'm sure all the boys who went are thankful to Mr. Craig and Mrs. Stuart for an interesting outing.

—N. GRAHAM.

PREFECTS, 1960

Last year it was decided at Ringwood Technical School to try an experiment—the use of prefects at Form II level. It was argued against this that boys of this age were not sufficiently mature to assume the responsible position of prefect. I think it can now be said justly that the experiment has proved successful. Those boys who were elected to the position last year have continued their duties this year assisted by two Form II boys and seven girl prefects.

As the teacher in charge of boy prefects I felt that I should place on record in our school magazine a few lines to show that the help provided by our prefects has not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. I am sure that I speak for all members of staff when I say that we are very grateful for the assistance provided by our prefects throughout the year.

Because they hold a position of trust and honour it is only natural that they should, at times, be the target for criticism. I believe that any responsible criticisms that have been levelled at our prefects

during the year have been of a minor nature and have been far outweighed by the many compliments that they have been paid by staff members and others.

I feel also that the boys and girls themselves have obtained benefits from this high office in the development of their personalities and those qualities of leadership which will not be without considerable value to them in later life. May I say “thank you” on behalf of Ringwood Technical School to our prefects of 1960.

Prefects:

Boys: M. Ede (captain), I. Tremellan, W. Ennis, J. Goodman, E. Adams, W. Broadway, R. Endacott, A. Steegstra, G. Walton, B. Stone, K. Cassidy.

Girls: M. Rye (captain), G. Johnson, B. Thatcher, J. Wilson, J. Dow, H. Mason.

EDUCATION WEEK, 1960

Throughout Victoria Education Week this year was celebrated from August 13th to 19th.

At this school every room was specially prepared; teachers and pupils worked hard to arrange displays of class work which added to the attractiveness of our class rooms, and was appreciated by the visitors.

Local sixth grade primary school children were the first to call on us. They took advantage of the opportunity to see, at first hand, the school in which they would probably be enrolled in 1961.

This was followed by an “Open School” on Wednesday afternoon and evening, when large crowds of parents and friends came to see the work of the pupils, to have a chat with subject teachers and to see and hear our special “attractions.”

For these special features we are indebted to Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Webster with the school choir, and to Mr. McConchie who arranged an interesting exhibition of hobbies.

We shall long remember “The Crimson Coconut,” a one-act play by our drama group, who performed with almost professional efficiency. The success of this play was due largely to the efforts of Mr. Ellis who gave generously of his spare time and talents, and to whom the girls and boys cast in the play responded so well.

Yes, it was an enjoyable experience, a successful function in our new school buildings, and a great incentive to us all to face any future school function with a full measure of confidence.

—D. J. Thomas.

SCHOOL CHOIR

Earlier this year our first school choir was formed to take part, with other schools in the district in the "Ringwood becoming a City" celebrations. This work was continued on with the choir later taking part in the first Technical Schools' Choral Festival, Storey Hall, Royal Melbourne Technical College. The choir work has been disheartening at times through lack of the students' interest, and has had a fluctuating number of 30-odd members.

At the end of this year the choir will take a major part in the speech night programme. Next year, with the experience already gained, it is hoped the choir will cover a larger scope and variety in its repertoire.

CAMERA CLUB NOTES

Secretary: B. Stone.
President: N. Graham.
Treasurers: K. Ward, E. Broadway.

In 1959 an active camera club was formed by Mr. Webster and some interested boys.

This year numbers have increased as we have girl members as well as boys.

The camera club had a film night for parents when Mr. Murdoch kindly came along and entertained us with films and slides.

We have had various other activities during the year. Such speakers as Mr. Lewis from Wagners, who demonstrated the "Land Polaroid Camera" and Mr. Broadhead who gave us a talk on "Useful Hints with the Box Camera," have visited us during the year.

The camera club is very grateful to Mr. Webster for the work he has done for us, and next year, all being well, we hope to go on excursions as well as many other things we have lined up.

SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB

The villainous Gliserinskis, the choleric Jabstick, the amorous waiter, they were all there. They squirted soda siphons, stole one another's food, crawled under tables and embarrassed members of the audience.

"The Crimson Coconut," Ian Hay's classical tragedy, was our first production and Education Day saw six very excited, if rather nervous, young actors and actresses take over the staff room.

The play was performed twice in the afternoon and three times in the evening, each time to packed houses. Add to this another six or seven performances during the same week and the experience gained should stand us in good stead for our speech night production, an excerpt from Thornton Wilder's famous farce, "The Matchmaker." Performing in Ringwood Town Hall should be a big test for us, but we are rehearsing hard and can't wait to get there.

Although we cannot really claim the title "club" as there have been no regular meetings apart from rehearsals, we hope to expand our activities next year to include club meetings and a school revue, or a three-act play. Well, that's all the news for this issue, hoping to see you across the footlights.

N. Graham	K. Burgess	M. Perkins
S. Stewart	E. Broadway	P. Stevens
R. De Boer	N. Daniels	

ADULT EVENING CLASSES 1961

Numbers permitting, the school plans to expand its teaching facilities next year, and introduce the following evening classes:—

- Woodwork
- Pottery
- Art Metal Jewellery
- Landscape and portrait painting
- Sculpture
- Commercial Art.

Further information may be obtained on application to the Principal.

SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS

"Hupfield leads from Allen as they come round for the bell-lap. He looks to have this race sewn up, but who is this coming up on the outside? It's Greenhouse, of course. Green house, in the person of Dennehy, is putting up a courageous showing . . . On 22nd September, 1960, "Long-odds" Donaldson made his mark on the world. For four hours he gave us a direct broadcast of the big races from Jubilee Park. Utterly impartial, his candid comments on race prospects thrilled all but Red, Blue and Gold house members.

September 21st was wet and miserable, so wet that it washed away all the white lines Mr. Guinane and his helpers had carefully marked out on the oval. But we were not to be disappointed, for the day of the sports was fine. It would be unfair to single out any particular performances, but congratulations must go to the individual champions, and to Ked, the champion house. Congratulations to all houses for their efforts. It was pleasing to see 20 boys and 20 girls from each house competing in the grand relay, a fitting finish to a successful sports meeting.

Many thanks to Mr. Guinane, our sportsmaster, and Mr. Ron Branton, who acted as starter.

House Points (combined girls and boys):

Red	301½	Green	220
Gold	240½	Blue	200

Individual Champions (boys)

Under 13:	(1) Hopgood	8 pts.
	(2) Ferguson	5 pts.
Under 14:	(1) K. Ward	11 pts.
	(2) K. Washfold	}
	J. Knoppien	
Under 15:	(1) C. Duncan	19 pts.
	(2) J. Oliver	16 pts.
Open:	(1) G. Miles	23 pts.
	(2) A. Steestra	20 pts.

RINGWOOD FINISHES SECOND IN BOYS' COMBINED ATHLETIC SPORTS

On 4th October at Olympic Park, our athletic team performed excellently to finish second to Gee-long. Mr. Davidson, Mr. McConchie and Mr. Guinane devoted a lot of time to training the boys who did not disappoint them. Congratulations to every member of the team, particularly to those who gained our 8 first, 5 second, 7 third and 3 fourth placings.

FIRST PLACINGS—

- Under 13 "A"—relay team.
- Under 15 "A"—relay team.

Open Relay:

- Under 14—220 yards: K. Ward.
- Under 15—880 yards: M. Sharp.
- Open shot putt: R. Hume.
- Open 100 yards: A. Steegstra.
- Open high jump: W. Kain.

SECOND PLACINGS—

- Under 13—100 yards: P. Harris.
- Under 15—100 yards: B. Stone.
- Under 15—1 mile: R. Hupfield.
- Open—1 mile: B. Duff.
- Open—broad jump: A. Steegstra.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Monday, 7th October, all first placegetters in the combined sports journeyed to Olympic Park to compete in the championships for all technical schools. The competition was far too strong for us. Congratulations to Bill Kain for his efforts in finishing third in the open high jump.

SUMMARY OF SOCIAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES—1960

On the invitation of Mr. Ellis, it is with much pleasure that I take the opportunity of saying a big thank you to all those who made social service a success this year. It would be difficult to name individuals, for so many devoted considerable time and energy—staff and students—to help raise the total of £247/10/- for the year.

A great number of sacrifices has been made and although no personal reward is gained by you—the boys and girls of this school—two things are achieved.

Firstly, self-satisfaction in the pleasure of giving to charity, and secondly the knowledge that your efforts are looked upon with pride by your Principal and Teachers.

Our congratulations go to 3A on winning the Annual Trophy for collecting the highest form total for the year.

This trophy will be presented each year at Speech Night.

Since February we have sent cheque of £10 to the following needy organisations:—

- Ringwood Youth Club.
- Ringwood Red Cross.
- School for the Deaf.
- Tasmanian Flood Relief.
- World Refugees
- Child Welfare Association
- Inland Mission/Alice Springs.
- Legacy.
- Remembrance Day Poppy Fund.
- Lilydale Hospital.
- Lord Mayor's Fund.
- Crosbie Morrison Appeal.
- Spastic Children.
- Child Welfare Association.
- Jack Davey Guide Dog Appeal.
- Croydon Spastic School.

After sundry deductions and the trophy accounted for, 1961 will commence with a Social Service balance of approximately £83.

In closing, I wish to express my gratitude to the Social Service representatives for their enthusiasm and energy. I am proud to be associated with you and your wonderful co-operation in this venture.

J. MONTGOMERY,
Social Service Organizer.

The Field Day is when all the girls' Technical Schools are represented by three basketball teams, a softball team, a hockey team and a tennis team. We were unable to have a hockey team as we are not very experienced. These teams play each other until there is an outstanding team. This Field Day is held at Royal Park, and this year was held on the 15th September.

BASKETBALL:

The courts on which we played were grass, which gave us an advantage as we were used to it, but this advantage didn't pay off.

The First Form team's captain was Carole Joiner and the vice was Alice Schelfhout.

The team won one of the five matches it played. This is a great team and should do very well in future years.

The junior team (under 14) played well, but didn't win a match. The captain of the team was Judy Glendenning and the vice was Faye Hoffmann.

At lunch-time Judy had an appendicitis attack and many of the girls were crying because they thought it was their fault that we were losing (which it wasn't).

Jan Dow and Heather Mason were among the girls who were playing in bare feet and the feet of both were cut. The other girls' feet weren't spotless either when the day was over.

The senior team were great. They had a hard job playing against girls in the fourth or sixth form. Elaine Baker was a marvellous captain, playing for all she was worth, and Judy Gissane, the vice, was really getting worked up with Elaine. At the end, however, Elaine found herself with a sprained ankle. Jo Wilson's knee was bleeding, Judy's hand was cut, and others were crying.

We were all in such a happy mood when we were going there that we started singing hit tunes. Miss Cotes wasn't too pleased so we sang "I vow to thee my country."

When we reached there many of the girls went and visited the Zoo, which was nearby, but they weren't supposed to.

Although we weren't so happy on the way home we were still singing. When we ran out of songs we started to sing "ads" which were on the T.V. or radio. One funny thing was that we were singing the "B.P." song in front of the Shell petrol station. The men working there weren't very happy.

TENNIS:

One pair missed out from being in the semi-final by one point. The girls in this pair were Elva Lunn and Carole Odgen.

SOFTBALL:

Under the leadership of B. Thatcher and J. Stephens the girls played three matches, and though defeated in all of them, the experience gained was well worth while.

In its second year of competition in the Girls' Technical School Sports Association Ringwood once again had a most successful year. When girls of Form 1 and 2 are competing against schools up to Form IV we can hardly expect to see this success reflected on the scoreboard. Rather it will be reflected in enthusiasm and friendly competition on the sports field as indeed it was this year. Congratulations, girls, and may your true sportsmanship be rewarded next year with a greater tally of points on the scoreboard.

In connection with training and preparation for the inter-school athletics, the girls wish to record their gratitude to Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Davidson.

Inter-school Swimming:

55 yds. Breaststroke: B. Tindall.

Senior Backstroke, 55 yds.: J. Wilson.

Lifesaving: B. Tindall and S. Hollins.

Inter-school Athletics:

Junior Hockey Dribble: 1st.

Senior Skipping Race: J. Gissane.

Under 13 age race: J. Hartley.

GIRLS' INTER-TECH. SWIMMING SPORTS

"A" Division: 1st, Box Hill.

"B" Division: 1st, Preston.

Ringwood Technical School came equal 4th.

"B" Division: 1st, Preston; 2nd, Prahran; 3rd, Warrnambool; 4th, Ringwood-Sandringham; 5th, Geelong West.

We were very pleased to see that Box Hill came first. We send our sincerest congratulations to Box Hill. We were cheering them as they swam. But we also cheered and shouted for our school till we were hoarse. At one stage we were coming first, but because we didn't have many seniors, we dropped to 4th. Being April Fool's day, we fooled the others by letting them think we were going to come first. If we had more seniors I think we would have won. Next year we should improve.

By Marilyn Perkins, Form 2A.

Boys' House Notes

BLUE HOUSE

Form Captain: W. Ennis.

Vice Captain: G. Miles.

Blue is in the charge of Mr. Davidson, Mr. Brittingham and Mr. Montgomery, whom I would like to thank very much for the help and support they gave us during the year. Our teams are strong, but there is still room for improvement. We have come home with many victories during the year as well as defeats, but I am very proud of all the boys for trying their hardest.

The house has a war cry which we chant at the end of every house meeting and it goes like this.

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who do we appreciate?

B! L! U! E!

Blue House.

When next year comes I feel that we will have just as much fun playing sport as we have had this year. Thanks to Mr. Guinane our sports master.

GOLD HOUSE NOTES

Form Captain: T. Adams.

Vice Captain: J. Goodman.

At present our house is on the bottom of the list, but let's not talk about that side of it. In the swimming sports, which were held early in the year, Gold House put up a good performance to come second to green, the champion swimming house. We have a good house master, Mr. McConchie, with very strict assistants, namely Mr. Beulke and Mr. Johnson, athletic champions themselves.

Winter Sports:

Football: During the start of last winter's sports neither of our football teams could find their feet, but as the season progressed the senior team picked up, winning seven out of the last eight games. Our tennis teams (senior and juniors) didn't do as well, winning no games during the winter season. The softball teams did all right having their good and bad weeks. Our baseball team was one of the few teams to win most of the games it played (seniors only played baseball), unlike the volleyball teams, which lacked confidence.

The cross country run, which was held a few months ago, went pleasingly for us; running second to Red Diepgrond, Pleydell, Hupfield, Schelfout, Williams and Broadway running well. The school sports held at Jubilee Park about a month ago, also saw Gold second, the Gold House girls putting up a good effort.

Summer Sports:

Senior cricket started off well, winning the first game, but that could not be said for the juniors, who have not won even a game yet. The baseball is keeping up its reputation and the softball teams aren't doing badly. The volleyball teams have gained some of the confidence they lacked and have won a few games.

RED HOUSE BOYS—1960

Owing to a bad start, by coming last in the swimming sports, things looked really bad for Red House.

But, with cast iron constitutions and determination to win, each boy set to, and week by week our house won its matches and gradually forged ahead, until it became a neck and neck battle with another house (not to mention any names) for the lead.

Because of good team effort and two wins in the cross country, we hit the front and stayed there.

After the success of the cross country, we won the athletics by a big margin. In doing so we made sure of keeping our lead to the finish.

Rather than mention some individuals and forget others, "thanks a lot, everyone, for your support and co-operation throughout the year 1960."

We want to thank other houses for providing us with such keen competition. It could be your turn next year, so we wish you all good luck.

We also want to thank our House Masters for their help and guidance in making possible our triumphant finish for 1960.

Senior House Captain: M. Washfold.

GREEN HOUSE NOTES

Form Captain: W. Kain.

Vice Captain: A. Steegstra.

For the first part of the year Green House was on top in the boys' section. We got off to a good start by winning the swimming sports. We followed this up by winning a lot of our cricket matches. When football season started, Green House started well again by winning its first four matches. Our house meetings are on Tuesday. During these meetings matters of general interest are discussed and there are also reports from all captains of the different sports. They tell how the teams fared on the previous Wednesday. At the end of these meetings you will hear a series of wild sounds from the other house rooms. You will not hear these wild sounds from the Green House rooms, for our more sophisticated house masters see no reason why they should make known the presence of Green House by indulging in a series of wild, primitive war cries, and you never see Green House house masters puddling round in the mud at the athletic sports.

—W. H. Kain.

Girls' House Notes

GOLD HOUSE NOTES (Girls)

Although our house has not won any sports we still think it is a great house. We came second in the athletic sports and second in the swimming sports.

Our basketball team, however, has not yet lost a match. In our team all the girls are in the school team except one, but she is a great player and she is in the school softball team.

Our captain is Larry Hayes and we all think that she is great. She has done a lot for our house and supplies us with a great lot of fun and is very interested in her house.

We must congratulate Judy Gissane for the great work she has done in the athletics sports. We must also congratulate Sandra Rudeforth for the great things she has done in the swimming sports, for she is a great swimmer and diver.

There is one thing that we have been successful enough to win and that is the contest to see who could raise the most money for sports equipment.

We would like to thank Mrs. Hartigan for all she has done for our house.

We would like to congratulate Red House on the winning of the athletic sports.

GREEN HOUSE NOTES

Although we have not won any of the sports this year I think all the Green House girls still think it is the best.

In swimming sports we came last. In the athletic sports we came third. Our best athletes are D. Rebecca and J. Murray, our high jumpers, and D. Kuypers, broad jump. Also J. Nauta won a couple of events. Our champion backstroker is Jo. Wilson, who won the open backstroke both in the house and combined school sports.

We would very much like to thank Mrs. Johnson, our house mistress, who has done wonders for us in the training for our sports. We would like to thank Mrs. Stackpole who was our house mistress for a short time at the beginning of the year. In the competition we had for raising money to buy skipping ropes for the sports, we came second with about £1. Next year we hope to have better luck and perhaps be on top, but still we would like to congratulate Red House on their excellent performance at all the sports this year. Our captain is Helen Radford, who well deserves the position. She has helped our house in many ways and for this we are very thankful.

RED HOUSE NOTES (Girls)

Form Captain: Irene Turbiak.

Vice Captain: Barbara Tindal.

We have been particularly happy this year as we have had two major successes, first in tying equal first with Blue in the swimming events and secondly in coming first at the athletic sports.

Many thanks to Barbara Tindal for her terrific performance in the swimming, and to Janis Hartley and Faye Harris in the athletic sports.

We also have been lucky enough to maintain top house marks throughout the year. Thanks to Miss Brown for all the help she has given all year round.

From THE BEST HOUSE OF ALL,
RED.

BLUE HOUSE—Girls

Form Captain: L. Bellinger.

Vice Captain: M. Breen.

Blue House started 1960 in fine style with a very creditable win in the house swimming sports. Pat Chandler, Glenys Maggs, Shirley Counsell and Pam Benson were the stars of a very strong team and Pat Chandler represented us in the combined swimming sports. Unfortunately we went into hibernation for the winter and our early success was not continued. However, we did have several representatives in Field Day, namely Pat Chandler, Lorraine Bellinger, Jan Dow, Helen Bulstrode and Glenys Maggs. Shirley Counsell, Norma Anderson and Rosemary Dobrowski were our best athletes and we are certain to improve our position in that field next year.

We would like to extend our thanks to our first house mistress, Mrs. Zlatic, who left us at the end of term II and to her successor Mrs. Hickinbotham for all their patient work with us. Finally, we would like to thank our popular house captain, Lorraine Bellinger, for all her hand work. She is leaving at the end of this year and we extend to her every best wish for her future job.

SPEECH NIGHT

This year the Speech Night was held on Tuesday, 29th November, at the Ringwood Town Hall. The Chairman for the night was Major-General L. E. Beavis, President of the School Council. After the Chairman's introductory remarks, the principal of the school, Mr. G. M. Veitch, gave his report.

The guest speaker, Mr. J. W. Manson, M.L.A., then gave his address which was most interesting.

After this, sports certificates were presented to the boys by Mr. E. T. Jackson, Inspector of Technical Schools and Mrs. Manson followed with the presentation of certificates to the girls.

On behalf of the Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Limited, Mrs. Pearson made a presentation of two cups to be used for school competition, whilst Mrs. Sowerby on behalf of the Box Hill Girls' Technical School, presented a cup to be used for girls' swimming.

John Goodman was dux of the boys and Irene Turbiak dux of the girls. Michael Ede received the Social Service Shield on behalf of Form 3A, which raised the highest amount for the year.

After the interval a play called "Hats off to Mrs. Molloy" was presented, the parts being taken by Ernie Broadway, Neil Graham, Paul Stephens, Susan Stewart, Marilyn Perkins and Kay Burgess. This was produced and directed by Mr. Ellis and the settings were made by Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Brittingham and Miss McLean.

The choir, under the supervision of Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Webster, was next on the programme singing the "Skye Boat Song" and "Bush Night Song." This was followed by a calisthenics solo by Jan Dow, which was very good. So also was Judy Gissane who danced the Highland Fling, accompanied by Mr. Stewart on the bagpipes. Faye Hoffman, Helen Bulstrode and Helen Radford put on a comedy sketch called "Late one night." This was the story of two drunken men who went into a cemetery to sing, only to be interrupted by a ghost.

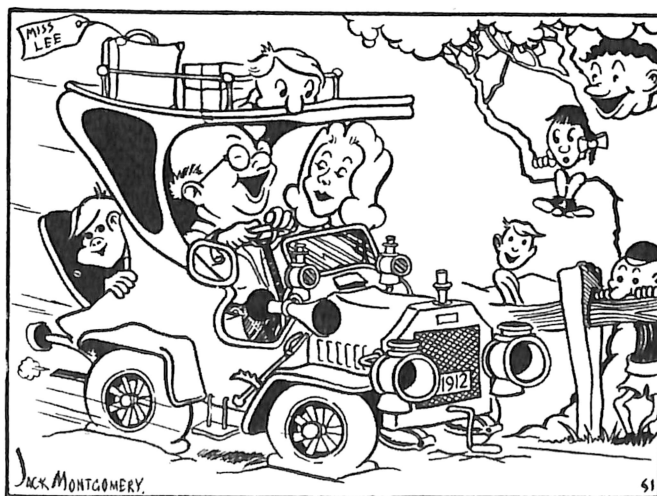
Shaun Gurton effectively sang "A star fell from heaven."

A ballet, under the title of "The present meets the past," was performed by Jan Dow, Jenny Thompson, Jo Wilson and Judy Gissane. The solo "To a miniature" was sweetly sung by Janice Hartley.

A much appreciated item was the Mannequin Parade, wherein the girls showed their handiwork. Miss Brown was the compere.

Finally the school sang two songs "Westering Home" and "D'ye ken John Peel." Thanks must be given to Miss McLean and Mrs. Johnson who did the make-up for all items and to Mr. Montgomery for his organisation of seats and tickets.

Faye Hoffman, 2A.



"You'll like our School, Ringwood children are so timid"

ALL ABOUT MY COUNTRY

Twenty years ago the only inhabitants of my town were the fish on the bottom of the Zuider Zee.

But all that was changed when the Netherlands reclaimed the North-eastern Polder, adding 135,000 acres of rich soil to the land that our country has been slowly winning back from the sea down through its history.

At first, as I said, there were only the fish and the old-fashioned fishing boats. Then in 1940 came dredges, tugs, barges, cranes, dragline excavators . . . a modern armada led by engineers. They reclaimed the North-eastern Polder, providing new land and rich farms for our over-crowded country.

Just before the engineers closed the last gap in the ring-dyke to seal off the polder, and before the pumping stations got going, barge loads of good soil were brought to one part of the area with a sandy bottom, and the sand was moved to the polder.

It was here, on this man-made foundation, that my town, Emmeloord, was built. It was named after a part of the former island of Schokland, which is now surrounded by dry land.

Today it is a busy little town of 8,500 inhabitants, capital of the North-eastern Polder, and certainly the most modern town in Western Europe.

We have more than 1,600 houses, with 56 shops and 55 buildings used by the industries that have moved into the town. New houses and shops are going up almost every day and life goes on in Emmeloord without anyone giving a second's thought to the fact that, if the dyke were to give way all this would be covered with more than twelve feet of water—because we know it won't happen.

The first family settled in Emmeloord in 1943. Other settlers came from all over the Netherlands—north, south, east and west—and they produced a typical Dutch town with an enormous restaurant, a shopping centre, several churches and, of course, a big post office, and a number of schools which are all good examples of modern building. There's a huge market in the centre of the town which opens every Thursday, when the farmers drive in cars from all over the polder to sell their produce and buy machinery.

Of course, it's not quite true that life in Emmeloord on the bed of the sea is the same as anywhere else. For example, if a farmer has trouble with a tractor he just picks up his telephone and calls the local dealer—who has a Piper Club plane on an airstrip at the edge of the city. In a few minutes the repairs are made.

But in many ways Emmeloord is a typical market town. For instance, the cattle fair is held every week in the main square. It is attended, not only by farmers from the Polder; breeders come from all over Holland, for our cows and horses are famous throughout the country.

Yes, Emmeloord is a prosperous little place. The farming is good and industry has developed rapidly.

But do not get the idea that Emmeloord is a kind of frontier city that has grown up any how.

Our builders and town-planners have taken good care of its layout. There are gardens and green nature strips between the houses, and at the north end of the town there's a 125 acre wood with an open-air theatre, a swimming pool and sports fields. As for the shops they compare favourably with those in other cities. Our smart young ladies are able to keep abreast of the latest fashions.

Actually, the only thing that is missing from Emmeloord is a town hall. We're building one now, but we haven't a burgomaster yet or a council. Until all the other polders in the Tjsselmeer, the former Zuider Zee, are reclaimed (that will be around 1980) the town and the polder will be governed by a special representative of the Crown, who heads the North-eastern Polder Board. So, for the time being, inhabitants of Emmeloord vote only in national elections.

In spite of our short history, or because of it, we have become one of the leading tourist attractions of the Netherlands. People come from all over the world to see how we live on the sea floor. Emmeloord is still the youngest town in Holland. It will remain so for some years until Lelystad, named after Dr. Cornelis Lely, the father of the Zuider Zee plan, is completed and becomes the capital of the twelfth province of the Netherlands.

Even then, we will remain proud of our town and so will the rest of the Dutch people. They consider it a landmark in the victorious struggle that they have been waging for centuries against the sea.

ARNOLD JUNGE, 2D.

LIFE IN ANOTHER COUNTRY

Japan is a small country of small islands, the main four being Honshu, Hokkaido, Shikoku and Kyushu. Japan has hot summers and the north cold winters. The Japanese are fishermen and cultivators. They grow rice, wheat, millet, vegetables, fruit, tea, and tobacco, and mulberry trees are grown to feed the silkworms.

There is little room for animals as all the good land is tilled for food for the people. A typical Japanese house is built on a framework of bamboo, across which are stretched walls of oiled paper. Sliding partitions of bamboo and paper divide the inside of the house into separate rooms. The houses are simply furnished without chairs, tables, benches or beds, because there are so many earthquakes. There are no fireplaces in a Japanese house. The rooms are heated by charcoal that is burned in a brazier and is placed in the middle of the floor. As the charcoal gives off no smoke or flames, there is no need for a chimney. A visitor to a house knows exactly how many people are there by the number of shoes outside the door.

The Japanese do not sleep in beds, but on soft mattresses stuffed with silk, and they cover themselves with thick silken quilts. The house is always beautifully clean and no one would ever think of walking across the room in boots. The national dress of a Japanese lady is the kimono, a robe which is fastened around the waist by a very broad sash called an obi. These kimonos are usually made of silk or cotton, with patterns embroidered in brightly coloured silks. A Japanese man is often

dressed in cotton with a wide flat hat which protects his neck and shoulders from both rain and sun. The Japanese people are very fond of festivals such as the Boys' Festival and Girls' Festival, which also are famous in other countries. Their festivals are very gay occasions, with national costume being worn, fireworks displays and kite flying. This is one country that I would like to visit.

M. HARRISON, 2E.

A CROWDED CITY STREET

It was a hot sticky day in the city. In the crowded streets the people were moving along lazily. The street sweeper moved along slowly as he swept the rubbish into heaps. The office girls were scurrying around, as it was their lunch break. The postman, dodging around the people on his bicycle, stopped to rest, wiped his forehead, and continued on.

A sudden gust of wind startled the crowd and, as they looked up, they could see the clouds gathering. They began to hurry a little, because they knew that it would start to rain.

Before long, rain blanketed the city. The street sweeper packed up, because he knew that the sudden deluge of water would carry the rubbish away. The office girls quickened their pace, because their summer dresses were getting wet. The postman stopped to put on his cape and secure his cap. The gutters were beginning to fill, because they were blocked with rubbish. A few people were giving others piggy-back rides to save getting their feet wet.

As quickly as the cloud came, it went, and the sun shone brightly again. This made the streets steam. It also made the humidity far worse than it was before and the crowds went back to their old routine once again.

DOROTHY HANCOCK, 2A.

THE GARDENER

Our gardener says, he likes the rain;
It's good for growing plants and grain.
But then he hasn't got to stay
Up in the nursery all the day!
I'd like it, too, there's not a doubt
If nurse would let me stroll about
Outside around the potting-shed
Without a hat upon my head.

JO. LEEN, 1A.

POTTERY

At the end of last term if was decided that we would form a girls' pottery class. The girls were so eager that Mr. Montgomery had to choose girls from the ones who wanted to take art up as a career, which was about fifteen girls.

Mr. Montgomery, whom I mentioned before, is our teacher. So far we have made a pin tray, a lighthouse ashtray, and are now making a sprig mould of a button.

We (the girls) are very grateful to Mr. Montgomery for making it possible for us to have classes every Friday at lunch time.

JANET STEPHENS, 2A.

SOFTBALL MATCH

Staff vs. Students

Time: Monday, 5th December.

Place: The School Oval.

Participants: Eight young ladies, eight younger ladies.

The girls were sitting on the grass awaiting the arrival of the staff and wondering if the teachers would play seriously or not. A burst of laughter greeted the arrival of the teachers. They were dressed fit to kill. Some had one red and one white stocking. The girls' sports tunics had a wide orange paper band with a bow at the back. One teacher had striped pants, which were later pulled over her sports tunic. One had black stockings under a grey tunic, another had a navy tunic down to her ankles. One teacher in particular had a white shirt with names painted on the back. This teacher also had shorts and pigtails. Later on she had three buckets of water tipped over her. The referee had a bowler hat and white cricket pants. Thanks to a double-headed penny the teachers won the toss. They chose to bat. Mrs. Stackpole, batting first, hit the ball and was put out on first base. But did she go out? No, sir! She went all the way round and refused to go out. This happened a few times with the other teachers. We (the pupils) succeeded in getting three out. But Mrs. Jonson said they were not out. The teachers became considerate all of a sudden and let us bat. Marilyn Perkins batted first and hit the ball. As she ran for first base Miss McLean ran off with the base. As the match went on the teachers tried many underhand tricks to achieve success. One teacher held a girl while another teacher tagged her and put her out.

During the game there were a few very funny incidents. One was when Miss Brown went up to another teacher and said in a childish voice, "Can I have an 'Aspro,' Miss Smith; I cut my finger." One teacher was asked did she have her name on everything? Her reply was, "No." Then she was told to report to the office at 3.30. Her reply then was "Miss, I'm sorry my mummy says I can't catch the last train."

The game ended as some girls bought out some buckets of red water. Miss McLean had this thrown over her.

We still don't know who won, do you?

MARILYN PERKINS, 2A.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

Between Staff and Boys

Scores:

BOYS.—8 wickets for 48 (K. Cassidy, 9; M. Ede, 13 not out).

Bowling.—L. Beulke, 2 for 13; D. Thomas, 2 for 6.

STAFF.—58 (J. Ellis, 20; D. Donaldson, 6; M. McConchie, 5 not out).

Bowling: E. Adams, 3 wickets for 15; M. Washfold, 3 wickets for 18.

PERSONAL PARS

Boys

BERT STEEGSTRA:

The masters of this school all show a common fear and that is that one day they may teach on the same staff as Bert for his ambition is to be a woodwork teacher. One of our livelier prefects, he is an athlete of note, being runner-up in the Open Championship at our school sports and meeting with considerable success at the inter-technical schools meeting. Bert is also vice-captain of Green House and figures prominently in most of their sporting successes.

Favourite Pastime: Teasing Mr. Guinane.

Favourite Saying: Eh, Sir!

Theme Song: "Somebody Stole My Girl."

Ambition: Teaching amour.

Probable Fate: Father of fifteen.

NEIL GRAHAM:

The "Prof.," one of the brightest buttons of 2B is 14 years old and comes from Croydon. He has achieved excellent results this year and is an enthusiastic member of both the Camera Club and the Drama Club. Those who saw the two plays produced this year, will remember his fine performances as the evil spy Gliserinski, and as Barnaby, the young boy who liked trying on ladies hats.

Favourite Saying: That's for sure, Sheba!

Theme Song: "My Old Man's a Blacksmith."

Favourite Pastime: Saying senseless things in a clever way.

Ambition: Commercial artist.

Probable Fate: Professor of Drama in a Rural School.

MICHAEL EDE:

Yes! We are grooming yet another teacher (maths and science) in the person of Michael Ede, our dashing young school captain. A member of 3A, he also figures prominently in all Green House activities. He has an almost fanatical interest in tennis.

Favourite Pastime: Managing rackets.

Favourite Saying: That's lousy.

Theme Songs: "Am I Blue?" "Get me to the church on time."

Ambition: Ball boy at the Ladies' Tennis Championships.

Probable Fate: Lost love match.

GRAHAM MILES:

An import from that patriotic little island over near the channel, Graham is another of our prefects who wants to be a teacher. As well as being the Open Athletic Champion, he has also forsaken soccer and taken up real football in order to assist Blue House. Despite language difficulties he has made the grade in his studies this year and we look forward to seeing him patrol the corridors again next year.

Favourite Pastime: Evening yard duty.

Favourite Saying: You mouldy . . . !

Theme Song: "There'll Always be an England."

Ambition: To be understood.

Probable Fate: Running a pub at "Land's End."

WAYNE ENNIS:

At the time of writing Wayne was not available for comment, but we have it on good authority that he hopes to become a pilot. For the time being he is content to be a prefect, a member of 3A and Blue House Captain.

Favourite Pastime: Relaxing on the grass.

Favourite Saying: You can say that again.

Ambition: To look down on the I.C.I. building.

Theme Songs: "Me and my Shadow," "A Little Loving goes a Long, Long, Way."

Probable Fate: Wireless mast.

BRUCE STONE:

Bruce is form captain of 2A, and one of our two second form prefects. A real "Brains' Trust" he has proved himself the outstanding scholar in Form II. But he is more than a "swot" as is demonstrated by his success in the inter-technical athletic sports.

Favourite Saying: "I dunno."

Ambition: To be a woodwork teacher.

Favourite Pastime: Washing dishes.

Probable Fate: A Beatnik.

ERNIE BROADWAY:

Ernie, another prominent member of 2B, comes from Lilydale, and has shown himself to be a very talented young comedian in both plays performed this year.

Favourite Saying: "Oh, we're a comic to-day, boys."

Theme Song: "I talk too much" (and too often).

Favourite Pastime: Cooking.

Ambition: To have big, husky muscles.

Probable Fate: Clown in Bullen's Circus.

FORM NOTES

FORM NOTES 3A

Form Captain: Michael Ede.
Vice Captain: John Goodman.

Hi there! this is 3A the top third form in the school. Mr. Johnson (the creek swimmer) is our form master and Mr. Hird was before him. Mr. Hird had to leave about the end of the term to teach at Swinburne. Social Service has just been completed for the year with 3A on top after handing in £28/15/8, much to the disappointment of Mr. Guinane.

Now to meet the winning form:

Edward Adams—"The Artist."
Keith Anderson—"The Boat Builder."
William Broadway—"The Canary."
Kevin Burden—"The Talkative Type."
John Coppens—"Smoke Stack."
Michael Ede—"Kookie."
John Goodman—"Brains."
John Harris—"Cricket Fanatic."
Robert Hartley and Arthur Wigley—"The Mad Electricians."
Don Iedema—"The Muscular Draw Filer."
John Kelly—"Kelly's Stick Jaws."
Robert Kennaway—"Flight Commander."
Jeffrey Leipold—"The Carpenter."
Edward Mason—"The Coke Man."
John Oliver—"The Base Baller."
Ken Raymond and Lionel Scott—"The Two Musketeers"
Bert Steegstra—"The Perfumed Prefect."
Ian Tremellen—"Curly Top."
Michael Wallwork—"Teacher's Pet."
John Wood—"The Play Producer."

This is 3A signing off till next year when we are 4A, we hope?

FORM NOTES 3B

A certain very respectable member of 3B was given the job of writing these form notes, but he made them so respectable that we feel sure no one would have read them. He suggested that 3B was a lively form which consists of 20 boys—wot, no girls!—of whom three are prefects. Now there's something to boast about—three live prefects. Yes, they're still alive at the end of the year.

Mr. Donaldson is our form master and, after taking 2A last year, he has gained some knowledge of how to handle naughty boys. The usual punishment for failing to bring notes and replies to circulars is to stand the offenders out in front and ask them to sing a song. Oh boy—are we ever sick of "Jack and Jill"!

Henry Cotton spends most of his time trying to scare Mr. Webster with his funny antics, but he had his greatest success with Mr. Donaldson who fell off the platform in C4 when Henry unexpectedly appeared in front of him.

Main aim in life of Michael Percy is to hit Graeme Hoare on the head with a baseball. However, Oliver (don't ask me which one) beat him to it.

Hale and company have a lot of trouble getting to school on Monday mornings. Of course, it has nothing to do with Maths homework which is due then.

What we want to know is why Peter Williams, Ian Miller and a certain prefect are always messing up experiments in the science room?

We gave 3A a good fight for the Social Service Shield, but did not quite succeed. Of course, we did not indulge in the hoarding of money from week to week, or the shameless profiteering on poor quality toffees which certain other forms indulged in.

We may not be the best form in the school, but it's hard to find anybody whose brave enough to say that to our face. Seriously, however, we believe we have shown the teachers that we are not hopeless. We wish to thank the teachers who have tried to teach us and we hope that they will have recovered from the effort by the end of the Christmas holidays.

FORM NOTES 3C

Hi, readers! This is Mr. Beulke's form 3C and it's a good form at that. Our brain waves are John Pleydell, average at mid-year—82%; Robert Murcutt (bean) his average—76%; and Roger Glenn-denning's average was 65%. Our science expert is Graeme Mudford, alias motor-bike maniac. The form captain is Geoff White, the vice is Geoff "Durfy" Walton—he is also a prefect.

Our best sportsmen are: Max Washfold, Geoff White, Howard Williams, Charlie Schelfout. The social service representative is John "Pinhead" Prins.

Other form identities are Robert "Dreamy" Cutting, Tony "Sara" Collella, John "Chukka" Peacock. We have many first-class salesmen, especially in the selling for the school amenities. The best are T. Collella, K. Moore, S. Peacock.

FORM 3D

Captain: I. Barnes.

Vice Captain: C. Hall.

Our form collected £5/14/- for the Social Service this year. We would have collected more but one of our big donors terminated his stay at school in September. Unfortunately some boys in our form live by the saying, "charity begins at home." We were first to collect the highest weekly amount. We have fourteen boys in our form.

2A's FORM NOTES

Form Mistress: Mrs. Pauline.
Form Captain: Helen Bulstrode.
Vice Captain: Dorothy Hancock.

A is for Art in which we have fun.
B is for Bev, whose work's never done.
C's for the Carole's we must avoid.
D's for Dorothy and Dot who make us annoyed.
E is for Exams we shall pass (we pray).
F is for Faye who's as bright as the day.
G is for Gillian who won't act the fool.
H's for Helen and Heather who simply love school.
I is for Irene who's interested truly.
J's for Jo and Janet who are very unruly.
K is for the Kind of brains that we are.
L is for Lorraine who doesn't get far.
M is for Myra, Maxine and Marge.
N is for Never our conduct marks large.
O is for Order we keep without fear.
P's for "Perks" who is always near.
Q is for quizzes we have every day.
R's for Raddish and Rhonda who at work time they play.
S is for Science which brings us great joys.
T is for Trouble we have with some boys.
U is for uncomfortable which our desks are.
V's for Vacation which is better than school work by far.
W is for Work we do with a will.
When December comes we'll be at it still.
To Mrs. Pauline many thanks we do say,
X Y Z is too hard anyway.

2B FORM NOTES

Form Teacher: Mr. English.
Form Captain: B. Stone.
Vice Captain: P. Stevens.

To be (2B) or not to be. That is the question! Just lately it's been not to be in the opinion of some of the teachers. We are not as bad as everyone might think, "considering." Some of the boys in our form would make excellent loafers, comedians, gigglers and several others. They should take these into consideration when choosing a career in future years.

Our form was well represented in the house sports, the inter-tech. sports and the inter-division, and some of us had quite a bit of success in nearly all of them.

This year we have had several form teachers: Mr. Ellis, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Beulke and Mr. English. Mr. English, who is a science and maths teacher, has been our form teacher for most of the year. We would all like to thank him and all the other teachers who have helped us all throughout the year.

B. C. Stone.

2C FORM NOTES

Form Captain: Ann Read.
Vice Captain: Ann Kidd.

We are 2C and that's a pretty good treat;
We know all our work and we never cheat.
But only in maths. and that is a fact

In that we are awfully, awfully flat.
Except for Elva, but she is a genius
And we have got Rina who is conscientious.
There is Barbara who can swim like a fish,
And Shirley who makes a delicious dish.
We have Larry who always laughs like a clown,
And Susan who can make a beautiful gown.
So now I have told you all I know,
I think it's about time to go.

FORM NOTES 2D

Form Captain: Jeff Hams.
Vice Captain: Ray Peck.

We aren't as rowdy as some teachers think we are. It is because we are so clever that we all try to shout out the answers together.

In the mid-year exams some good results came from Edwin Jones, Jim West and Joe Pezzimenti.

We have three musicians in our form, Michael Rodwell who plays the guitar, Bruce Herkes who plays the piano and Richard Alexander who plays the banjo.

Helmut Hugel ran into the back of a truck on his bike. Seeing that Helmut did not have his helmet on he took a chip off his old block.

The quiet boys of the form are Arnold Junge, Helmet Hugel, Ken Taylor and Alan Chandler.

We also have two T.V. stars in our form. Robert "Tubby" Dennehy and Ray "Stocky" Peck.

Mr. Davidson is our form master and a very good one at that.

FORM 2E

Form Captain: Margaret Bell.
Vice Captain: Gwen Lewis.

Well now it is time for 2E girls to say a word to our readers. Our form mistress is Miss Cotes, who is the head mistress. Miss Cotes has done a lot for us and we wish to thank her very much.

During the year the girls have organised a sweet stall, raising £4/6/7. By doing this we were able to hold the Social Service Cup for one week for having the greatest amount of money.

Our faithful social service representative, Judy McGrath, managed to count the amount which was £4/6/1. Another one of our helpers is Wendy Moxham, who collects the roll every second period.

To our horror we also have two prefects—Jan Dow and the form prefect, Heather Mason—but they do the job very well.

During the year we have had two new girls, Carol Young and Jenny Hardwick, which gives us nineteen girls. But the teachers say nineteen talkers.

FORM NOTES 2F

Form Captain: R. Crettenden.
Vice Captain: R. Smith.

One of our proudest moments took place at the beginning of the year with the election of Kevin Cassidy as prefect. Congratulations on sound service in this capacity, Kev.

During the year we have had two increases and one loss in form strength. The two additions were Graeme Eastwood (the beast) and Chris Elam who is a steady worker.

Our loss of Joseph (Joey) Bradley to South Melbourne Technical School was an unfortunate one. We remember him mainly for his kindness to Noel (Sour-puss) Sowerby, during his long illness this year. Hope you are now in tip-top condition, Noel.

Our hardest workers at the half-year were Kevin Cassidy, John Douth and Jo Bradley. Their marks reflected their efforts.

During the year we collected £8/2/- for social service and assisted our form master, Mr. Montgomery, by acting as runners to form meeting rooms during social service collections.

The boys of Form 2F.

FORM 2G

Form Mistress: Mrs. Stuart.
Form Captain: Frances Palin.
Vice Captain: Elaine Baker.

Mrs. Stuart is our Form Mistress and we like her very much.

We share our room and duties with 2E. Our Captain makes a duty list every week. There are fifteen girls in the form and each one takes a turn.

For Social Service the girls give money each Friday in Form Assembly.

Although the fifteen of us have tried hard in sport and work during the year we could not be described as the best form, and so we would like to thank our teachers for putting up with us.

2H FORM NOTES

Form Captain: N. Proudley.
Vice Captain: N. Templer.

We of 2H are fortunate, or should I say not so fortunate to have so many boys from other schools in our form. For example: R. Williams, Seymour High School; K. Glanfield and R. Moore, Tottenham Tech.; B. Porter from Prahran Tech.; Garricks Williams from Preston Tech.; B. Beary, Croydon High; U. Seeger, Altona Tech.; J. Maaten, Burwood Tech.; Otto Pels, Castlemaine Tech.; and Bruce Shore, Dandenong Tech. I suppose you've seen the skeleton hanging in our form room—well he was once a member of our form, but he often objected to many things we suggested, so we got to him with the help of Mr. Brittingham and there's the result—just bones.

2J FORM NOTES

Form Captain: W. Wind.
Vice Captain: A. McLeish.

"Howdy, fans." This is the bachelor form 2J, a pack of thorough little gentlemen. Our form master is Mr. D. Craig, who is an expert art teacher. There are twenty-four bright boys in our form. Our form captain is Warwick Wind, who tells us to shut up every time we make a noise. Our vice captain is Allan McLeish, who is liked by all the boys in our form and is a good sport.

We have some mighty hungry boys in our form such as Clive Pope, who eats his lunch in school and never has any at lunch time.

Richard Dyson, one of the form's greatest money spenders, plans to leave at the end of this year and spend his money at another school.

Brian Leech, the boy with the long brown hair and white teeth, is interested only in motor bikes and GIRLS.

Bruce Tamme is a shy boy with the girls. When we are having solid geometry and his girl friend is having cooking, each time we mention it he "blushes."

Producer, B. Tamme. **Director,** B. Dunkley.
Author, C. Pope.

This is 2J signing off until next year.

FORM 2K

Form Captain: B. Allen.
Vice Captain: A. Thomson.

Meet the devil's readers, all twenty-three of us, completely equipped with detonators, balloons, cigarettes and . . . no girls, except those who chase us. Yes, sad to say, we are devils, or so certain staff members think. But they don't know us like our form master, Mr. Ellis, does. He sees us as quiet, well-mannered studious young gentlemen.

Well, I guess we are a little of each really. We've disrupted our share of classes, but we've also contributed steadily to Social Service and remained in about fourth position all the year. We've played the wag, too, but did you see us there in force when Barry Allen won his division of the cross-country and Malcolm Sharp staged his brilliant run to win the 880 yds. in the combined sports. We had our share of failures—the last exam., but don't forget "top the lot" Wendelgest, Park, Morcom, McHarry, Elliott and Co. Anyway, what form has personalities like Ben and Companion, Frogs, "Freddie, the Peacock," Pop Hooper and Dickie (Francis Alen) Thomson, to mention just a few? We can't speak of everyone in these few short lines, but we don't need to. They speak for themselves.

1A FORM NOTES

Form Mistress: Mrs. Hickenbothom.
Form Captain: Julie Stephens.
Vice Captain: Sue White.

Our previous form mistress was Mrs. Zlatic. We had the social service cup in room B2, which was our old form room, and we had the cup in C1 for education day and night.

We share our form room now with 2C. We have three new members in our form and they are Susan Kinney, Christine Milkins and Elizabeth McLellan.

The form captain and vice were elected at the beginning of the year to their duty through the year.

Ann Bassett was dux of our form for the half-year exams. There are eight girls in the choir out of twenty-five girls in 1A.

1B FORM NOTES

Form Captain: T. Derham.
Vice Captain: R. Tann.

The boys of 1B are the best boys in the 1st Form. (Maybe not in the point of view of some of the teachers.)

In the mid-year examinations 1B was the top first form. Our form has been very successful in Social Service and raised the large sum of £13 which put us in third place for the shield. We have won the Social Service cup twice with the amounts of £6/7/9½ and came a draw with 1D with the amount of 11/6.

We think that our art and form teacher, Miss McClean, is terrific. Miss McClean is a favourite amongst all the 1B boys and is a very good art teacher to us. We all like her and hope to have her next year.

1B's form captain is Tommy Derham and the vice captain is Robert Tann and our Social Service representative is Peter Poole.

1C GIRLS

Form Captain: S. Rudeforth.
Vice Captain: R. Kennedy.

We are a happy group of girls who have enjoyed being at our lovely new school.

At the beginning of the year we voted for form captains and chose Sandra Rudeforth with Roma Kennedy for vice captain. We have been lucky enough to win the vases for three weeks in succession for keeping our room very tidy and pretty with flowers.

Miss Brown let us have a sweet store to help the social service fund and altogether we raised £6/14/- for the year.

We are very proud of Carol Joyner, Dianne Rebecca and Cheryl Finger who did very well at the house sports.

FORM NOTES 1D

What happened to those shy-faced boys, neatly dressed in their new school uniforms, who took their places in form 1D last February?

Well, one of our boys, Ary Van Dyk, left us to return to Holland, but later in the year his place was taken by Chris Williams from Seymour.

Prompted by class discussions on careers, some of our class members have asserted themselves in certain directions: for example, we call the nuts at the back of the class "Our Engineers," the bright boys are "Our Electricians and Radio Mechanics," and those who study "figures" are our "Mathematicians."

We all wish to send greetings to John Todd who has been very ill for some months. We look forward to seeing you fit and well next year, John.

Our best sportsmen this year have been: Richard Gardner, Bruce Williams, Clive Freegard, Jack Raistrick and Owen Parker.

The boys who showed out as the best scholars were: Chris Williams, John Royers and John Kleefsmann.

FORM NOTES 1E

Form Captain: Veronica Harris.

As the form captain of 1E I have been asked to write a few lines on behalf of all my classmates and myself. It was an honour to be chosen as form captain and I hope I have been a good one. Although we have had a few arguments, it was all in fun and we are really all good girls at heart, ready to help any of our friends if they are in trouble.

During the year we had the opportunity and the pleasure to donate the sum of £6 for social service.

We have a few good athletes amongst us. Jacky Murray came first in the inter-house high jump, whilst Janice Hartley flashed to the front in her sprint in the inter-school sports.

Our other runners include Shirley Counsell (second name "determined"), Rosemary Dobrowolski ("Dobbo") and Lorraine Binns.

—By Veronica Harris.

FORM 1F

Form Captain: J. Schultz.
Vice Captain: B. Cope.

It has been a year of ups and downs and trials for boys and teachers of form 1F. Our poor old master had added some more grey hairs and lost some, too, over us. Some have played fast and loose with their school work and don't seem to worry much, whilst others have really tried and will probably go on doing well. At one time we turned into a work gang, led by foreman Willi Jans and started clearing blackberries and small trees, etc., at the back of the school during school breaks, but this was short lived—Mr. Thomas thought it wise to stop us, since too many others interfered and spoilt our plans, and we looked like going through to Great Ryrie Street non-stop.

To mention a few of our personalities, there is Schultz, our form captain, who has steered the ship through troubled waters. Donken and Hardinge, the aero engineers, Hands and Newnham who seem to have an uncontrollable urge to call out in class—Crichley, the boxer, who lives on ginger beer—Wilde and Williams, the dam sailors, B. Cope who seems to get all the odd jobs teachers need to have done and Roney who has faithfully collected social service money weekly.

FORM NOTES 1H

Form Captain: R. Keatch.
Vice Captain: W. Walker.

This is 1H calling. We have a small form and we only have one lady belonging to us, Mrs. Johnson our form mistress. Our form captain is the one and only Robin Keatch and vice captain is Wayne Walker. There is only one trouble with him: he's more a talker than a Walker. Kevin Weir is the brains of the outfit, followed by Baby Birchall. The horse lover is Terry Burnett and the pigeon lover is Dale Long, but he isn't long he's short. Peter Harris is the athlete of the form.

This is 1H signing off for this year and we'll be calling again next, from a higher form, we hope.
—By Wayne Walker.

FORM NOTES 1J

HELLO, READERS!

This is form 1J giving our report for the year.

We are proud to have as our form master Mr. Guinane, one of the school's science teachers, as well as a Richmond footballer. We are led by our captain, Lee Kennedy, who is ably supported by Robert Johns, the form vice-captain.

Considering we are only human beings, we are not a bad lot. We are renowned as social service workers, having contributed nearly £25 to the Social Service Fund. Rodney Faudell is our representative.

We were represented in the school sports by L. Godfrey, G. Hoare, L. Peter, G. Moss and I Ferguson, from whom G. Moss and I. Ferguson made the championship sports.

Other notable personages are: S. Gurton, D. Barrett and L. Wood, who are choir members.

We are hoping to have a successful and happy year in 1961 as we have had this year in our new school.

IK FORM NOTES

Form Captain: A. Cornhill.

Vice Captain:

1K have been very successful at softball, having won all matches; also football, losing only one match to 1J, who won by two points. We have not done so well in cricket, but have quite a few budding tennis players.

Half-way through the year we had a change of form master. Mr. McConchie left us to become form master of 3C and Mrs. Greig left 2G to become form mistress of our form. We are planning a stall on 24th November for school amenities. We will be selling sweets, drinks and comics. We are arranging a hike and chop picnic after the exams.

ORIGINAL VERSE

THE BRUMBY'S FLIGHT

The horse was standing on a bank;
His silver mane was shining bright,
His nostril red as burning coal,
His eyes aglow with fright.
His body tense prepared to run,
He feared the man, he feared the gun.

The man moved forward up the rise;
He did not wish to harm the horse
Who reared his head, kicked up his hooves
And cleared the water course.
O'er tangled hills he had to run
So terrified of man and gun.

Five miles or more he thundered on;
His coat with sweat was gleaming bright,
And in the sunlight as he ran
His nostrils steaming white.
His breath was gone, it was no fun,
But he'd outwitted man and gun.

—John Oliver.

FAST GUN

His hand was fast and always steady
As down the quiet street he strode,
Strung low on hips his guns deadly,
The gun his only code.
On to the street the sheriff came,
Trying to pin on him the blame.

The sheriff's hand streaked for his gun,
But the stranger moved like lightning.
With a blurred streak he drew his gun,
His trigger finger light ning.
The sheriff fell, caught by the shot,
The stranger turned, his gun still hot.

—E. Adams.

MEMORIES

At night I've heard the marsh frogs croak,
The night was dim and all was still.
The smouldering fire of yonder oak
Was dim just like the mill.
Beyond the range, a tawny ray
Of orange reddens, pink and grey.

Can this be where the hovel stood
When young I knew the spot right well?
One post is left of all the front
Just where the chimney fell.
There stands the tree where once I cut
About two chains from off the hut.

We mustered once when skies were red,
Nine miles from here across the plain,
And when the sun shone hard all day
I lost the horse's rein.
And on this ground the dead may lie,
The lily and the dragon-fly.

—Arthur Wigley.

BUSH FIRE

The air was burnt with blackened smoke
As flames leapt up to meet on high.
And animals went bounding past
While birds rose to the sky.
Before its path the bush was thick
And fire lit up each twig and stick.

The fire was past, beyond the ridge.
The grass was gone. The earth was bare,
The trees were black, the leaves were gone,
Nothing the fire did spare.
No more did birds go flitting round.
The bush was dead—and not a sound.

—Lionel Scott.

PERSONALITIES

MYRA RYE:

Myra, known as "Shorty," is our popular head prefect. Maths and English are her favourite subjects. She does very well though in all subjects. She is a quiet girl in class, but once out of the classroom she talks and laughs (or should I say, giggles) for all she is worth. To her friend, Gill, she is a "gas bag."

Peculiarity: Her height, which is 4 ft. 9 ins.

Pet Aversion: Being in debate.

Theme Song: "Don't you know" (what?).

Probable Fate: Head of political party.

HELEN RADFORD:

Helen is a very popular house captain of Green House. She has no favourite subjects as she is not fond of school. Her best sport is swimming. She is not a very quiet girl in class and is just as noisy outside. She always says what she thinks (which is not very good). She is very fond of boys and does a lot of work to catch them.

Favourite Pastime: Disturbing the peace.

Theme Song: "Just a closer walk with thee" (with who?).

Favourite Saying: "How'd you be?"

Peculiarity: Herself, we don't know how she became a house captain.

Pet Aversion: Boys who say girls talk too much.

Ambition: To pass in all her exams (not to be last in form as usual).

Probable Fate: A fallen Angel.

Nickname: Raddish.

HELEN BULSTRODE:

Helen is 2a's form captain and a good one at that. Her nickname, which is very rarely used, is "Gerty." Her favourite subjects are dressmaking and cookery. (Hint for boys who want a good housewife.) Helen is not actually a quiet girl as she is always looking for fun. She is well known in her form for being able to keep a straight face.

Theme Song: "Robot Man."

Pet Aversion: Doing the dishes.

Ambition: Never to be without a boy friend.

Favourite Saying: "I lubs ya."

Peculiarity: Her sense of humour.

Probable Fate: Spinster.

BEV THATCHER:

Bev is a prefect and very popular (with the boys). Her favourite sport is softball. For Field Day she was a captain of the softball team. Her favourite subject is English. She is a great giggler and it's a wonder she ever made the school choir.

Theme Song: "Robot Man."

Pet Aversion: Homework.

Ambition: Model.

Favourite Saying: How'd you like . . . as a boyfriend?

Peculiarity: Everything.

Probable Fate: Wax model in a Museum.

GILLIAN JOHNSON:

Gill is a popular prefect and friend of Myra. She is just as big a gas bag as Myra. Favourite sports are basketball and swimming. Best liked subjects are Maths and English. Gill and Myra are known to certain teachers as "The terrible twins," as they are never apart. She can never keep a straight face for long as she is always laughing.

Peculiarity: Her big toe, which is $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. longer than the other.

Theme Song: "Robot Man."

Pet Aversion: Housework.

Ambition: Air Hostess.

Probable Fate: Housewife.

Nickname: Johnno.

JANET STEPHENS:

Janet is also a prefect and best friend of Bev's. Like Bev her favourite sport is softball and her subjects which she likes most are English and Art. She is vice-captain of the softball team and I advise you to keep your distance once a softball bat is in her hands. She does a lot of giggling and can never keep a straight face.

Theme Song: "Walkin' the floor over you."

Pet Aversion: Getting up in the morning.

Ambition: To travel.

Favourite Saying: "Jeepers."

Peculiarity: Her giggle.

Probable Fate: To spend a week on a raft.

ELAINE BAKER:

Elaine is the vice form captain of 2G, she is a great rock 'n' roll fan and singer. Her favourite subjects are Art and English. She is very fond of basketball and is the captain of the school's senior basketball team.

Peculiarity: Her little ears that hear a lot.

Pet Aversion: Dishes.

Theme Song: "Tell Lora."

Nickname: "Kookie."

Probable Fate: Violinist in a symphony orchestra.

Ambition: Comedian on T.V.

GWEN LEWIS:

Gwen is the vice form captain of 2E. Gwen is a member of the softball team and is very fond of hockey. Gwen is a real comic and has a comic strip of her own. She is very good at art and when she leaves school she intends to be a commercial artist.

Peculiarity: Her love affair.

Pet Aversion: Maths.

Theme Song: "Good old Collingwood forever."

Ambition: To get her boy friend to go to the pictures (with her).

Nickname: "Lewy."

Probable Fate: To be coach of the Collingwood football team. (She is a fan of Collingwood.)

MARILYN PERKINS:

Marilyn is 2A's social service representative, and a member of the magazine committee. Her favourite sport is hockey. (You can tell by her legs which may sometimes be bruised.) Marilyn is very dangerous as she has knocked a girl in the nose with her hockey stick and the mark still remains. Her favourite subject is dressmaking, but don't count on her if you want a garment made. She is fond of boys, and if she becomes very fond of one she won't let him slip through her fingers.

Favourite Pastime: Fooling around.

Theme Song: Varies between "I hate men" and "I'm in love with a wonderful guy."

Favourite Saying: "Boys."

Peculiarity: Her long legs.

Pet Aversion. Tacking and thread-marking in dressmaking.

Ambition: Get married.

Probable Fate: Female Elvis Presley.

Nickname: "Perks."

ANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY RACES

The local scrub, orchards and unmade roads presented a colourful picture on Wednesday, 24th August, when practically all boys, representing their houses, participated in the annual cross country races.

Great enthusiasm marked the events and the House Competition added great interest as every competitor who completed the formidable three-mile course, gained points for his house.

The competition resulted in a narrow victory for Red House, with Blue second, Gold third and Green fourth.

RESULTS—

Open: 1, B. Duff (R); 2, R. Pleydell (Go); 3, A. Steegstra (Gr); 4, R. Endacott (R).

Under 15: 1, B. Allen (B1); 2, M. Sharp (B1); 3, F. Jansen (B1); 4, R. Hupfield (Go).

Under 14: 1, G. Flarherty (R); 2, T. Milbourne (R); 3, M. Hardinge (B1); 4, K. Critchley (Gr).

Under 13: 1, M. Donkin (B1); 2, A. Cornhill (Go); 3, I. Brunsdon (B1); 4, G. Hoare (Go).

House Competition—

Red, 127; Blue, 119; Gold, 108; Green, 89.

Mr. GUINANE, Sports Master.

ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CAMP

By M. Ede

After much preparation during June, 34 selected senior boys accompanied by Mr. Montgomery and Mr. McConchie, left for an educational tour of the then snow-covered Ovens Valley.

Stops were made on the journey up at Broadford (paper mills), Seymour and Wangaratta. We arrived at the camp, situated east of Bright, at 5.30 p.m.

Cabins were either two-berth or four-berth. The Mess Hall was large with a well-equipped kitchen at one end and a games or recreation room at the other. Each evening after tea the camp manager opened a store or canteen for fifteen minutes. Most boys played table tennis or other games by roaring pine log fires. At bedtime a certain amount of practical joking took place but by ten o'clock, lights out, all was quiet. Mornings were cold (24° to 27°), but days were hot and sunny.

On the Thursday we went to Mt. Buffalo. Mr. McConchie proved his ability at snow fighting and much warfare took place on the Buffalo Plateau before and after lunch. Later we hiked to Lake Catani—an enormous lake which was completely frozen over. Skaters from the Buffalo Chalet were there. We reached Dingo Dell ski run in the afternoon where there were many spills as we, the learners, took to tobogganing down the snow-covered slopes.

Next day was spent at Myrtleford Butter Factory and the Tobacco Research Station; in the afternoon we visited a pine plantation and Saw Mill.

Saturday saw us on the road to Kiewa Valley. We stopped at number 4 power station to go underground, then left for Falls Creek ski run. Half of our party went on the ski lift while some tobogganed down the hills which are much steeper than Buffalo.

On Sunday we visited Harrietville and saw where the gold mining dredges had followed the miners of previous years up the valley of the Ovens River, bringing the "harder-to-get-at" alluvial gold to the surface.

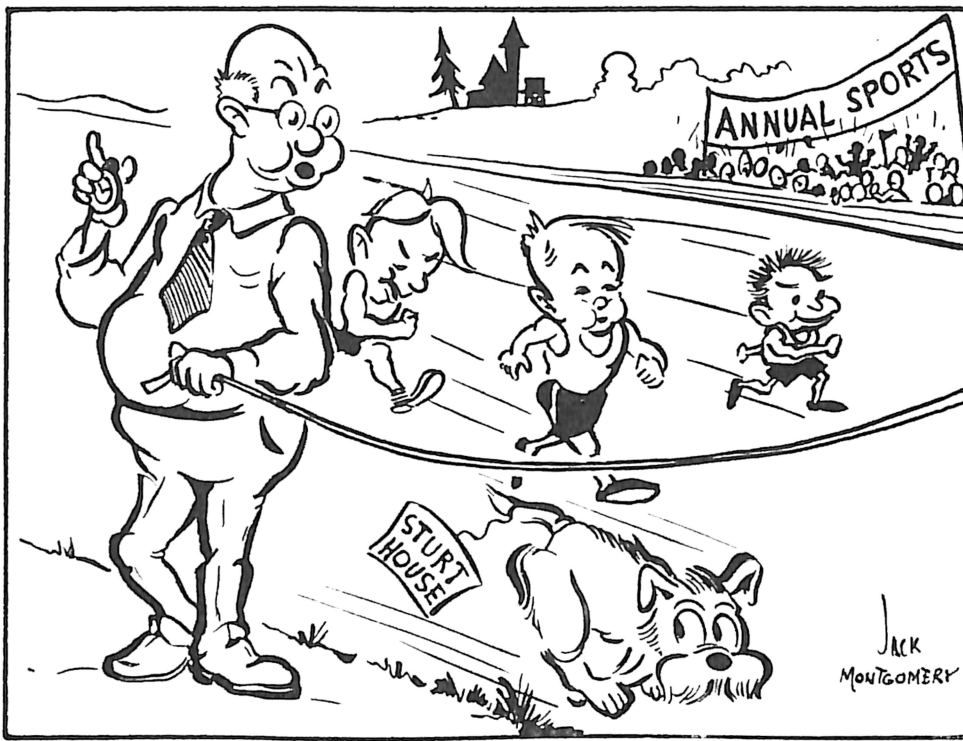
After each day's trip, between seven o'clock and lights out, evenings were taken up with a variety of things including lectures on logging and Forestry, films, Church parade, bush walks, etc.

Camp duties were necessary, even yard duty, and a group of over-excited prefects found themselves on an emu parade at midnight one 29° evening under the supervision of (Field Marshall) Montgomery.

At lights out inspections Mr. Montgomery frequently stopped at various cabins to say goodnight, and on one such occasion mysteriously lost his pipe.

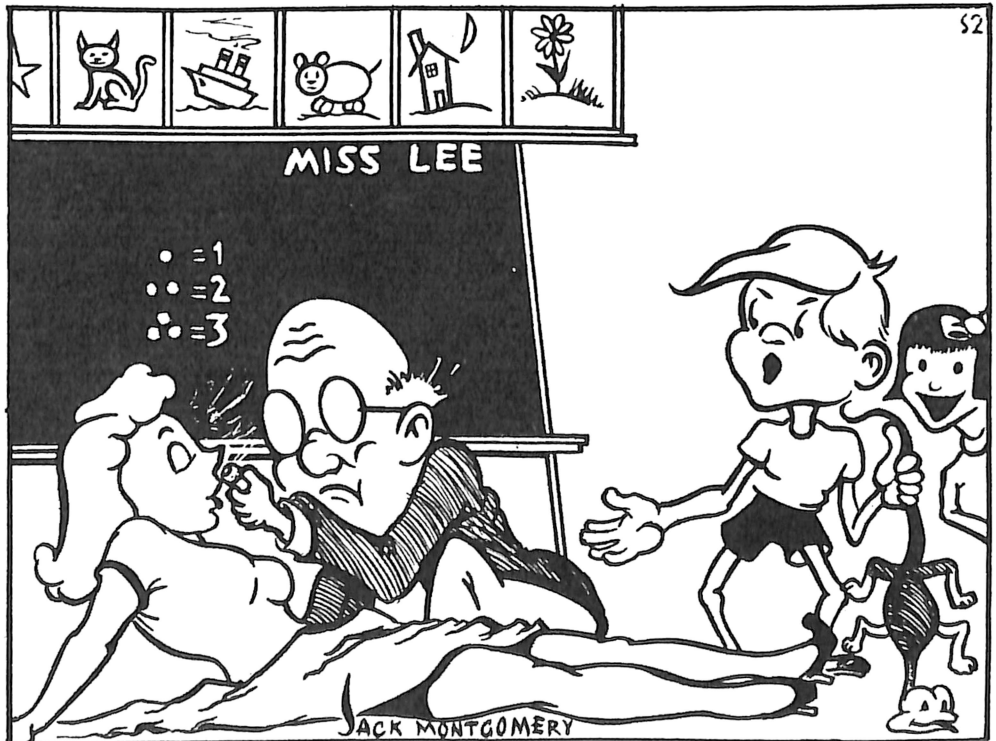
We were up earlier than usual on the last day, left camp with many happy memories, and headed south for home.

Our thanks go to our Principal, Mr. Veitch, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. McConchie and our parents for making this tour possible.

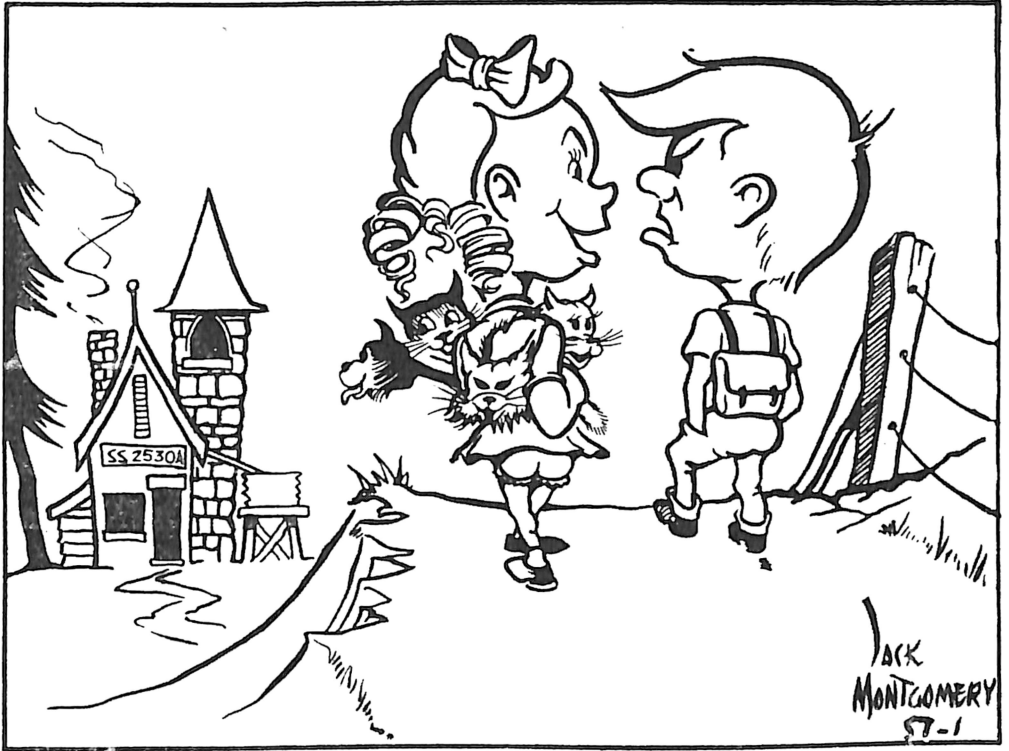


Typical of our
school sports

All she said
was,
“What have
you in the
desk?”



Well, I gave
Miss Lee a
kitten
yesterday.



It's no good
carrying
Janet's books
home. Their
T.V. set's out
of order.