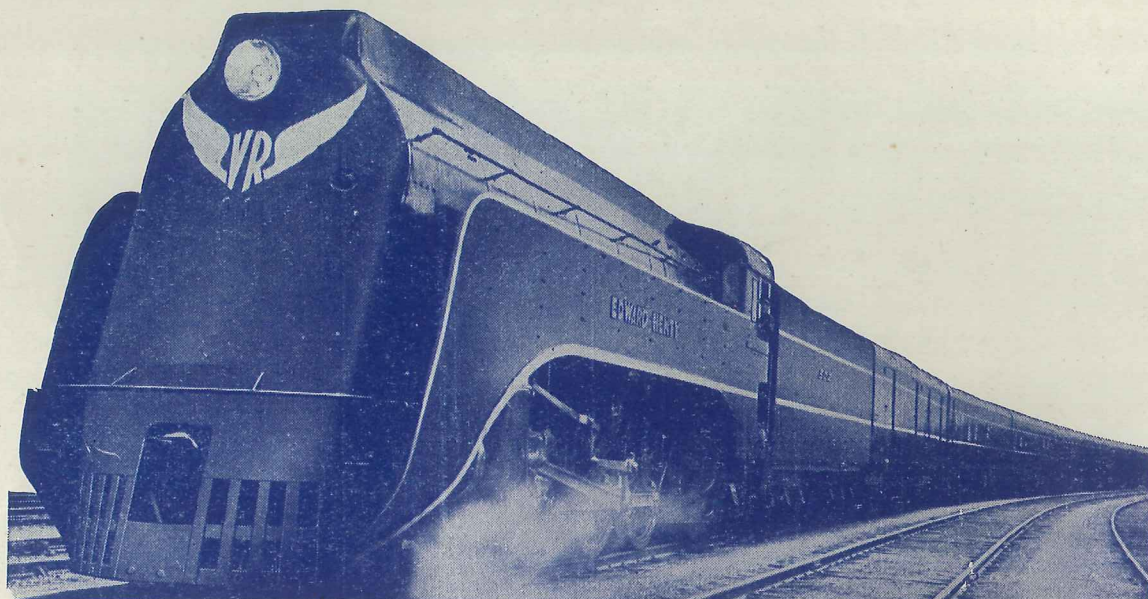




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Williamstown High School Dramatic Group

— PRESENTS —

Tons of Money

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By Will Evans and Valentine.

Cast

In order of appearance.

Sprules (a butler)	Ralph Adams.
Simpson (a parlourmaid)	Keith Craven.
Miss Benita Mullett	Don Valentine.
Louise Allington	Barry McDonald.
Aubrey Allington	Morris Martin.
Giles (a gardener)	Barry Davidson.
James Chesterman	Fred Cron.
Jean Everard	Graeme Dann.
Henery	Trevor Treadwell.
George Maitland	George Bird.

Scene: Library of Aubrey Allington's House.

ACT I MORNING.

ACT II SAME AFTERNOON.

ACT III LATE SAME AFTERNOON.

(One day elapses between Acts II and III.)

Produced by Mr. T. WALSH.



Williamstown High School Dramatic Group

Last year the above group made its first appearance by successfully performing "What's Your Favourite Pudding?" This year it was decided to stage the farce "Tons of Money" originally made famous by the English comedians Ralph Lynn and Tom Walls. The proceeds are in aid of the School's Sports Funds. Next year we are hoping to break away from comedy and plan to stage Edgar Wallace's thriller "The Case of the Frightened Lady. Unlike our newly formed Dramatic Group Williamstown High has a long history. Originally known as the Williamstown Grammar School it was taken over by the State from a Mr. Geraghty in 1915. At that time Belgium was being overrun by the German Imperial Army. The school selected as its emblem the colours of the heroic Belgians—red, yellow and black—and added an anchor as their crest, because the Lonsdale Naval Depot was situated nearby, and made "Hold Fast" the school motto. The first headmaster was Mr. Johnson, whilst the names of his successors, Messrs. Richards and Townsend, are household words throughout the district. Last year Mr. Brook, the Vice Principal of University High School, became our headmaster and under his influence our Dramatic Group came into being.

W.H.S. Staff, 1948

Headmaster: Mr. C. Brook.

Mathematics: Miss A. Cook, W. Mepham, D. Spottiswood, D. McCully.

English: Miss H. McGarvin, Messrs. A. Green, N. Cartmel, B. Osborne.

Science: Messrs. J. Charles, H. Finlayson.

Geography: Messrs. T. Kent, W. Henderson.

Commercial Subjects: Messrs. J. Tynan, J. Bradshaw, L. Jenkins.

French: Miss M. Facey (Sportsmistress), Mr. J. Blumenthal.

Art: Miss V. Martin, Mrs. Barnes.

Manual Arts: Messrs. V. Evans (Sportsmaster), R. Mudford.

Latin: Messrs. T. McKernan, T. Walsh (Asst. Sportsmaster).

History: Miss M. Facey, Mr. B. Munday.

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Dramatic Group's South Australian Tour

Last year Mr. Hill, secretary of the South Australian Football League, entertained a party of boys from Williamstown High School who were visiting Adelaide. To repay his hospitality our party offered to perform this year's play "Tons of Money" in aid of a charity of which Mr. Hill is interested namely the Burnside Memorial Hospital. On August 27th a party of 20 boys journeyed to Adelaide for this purpose. After a holiday at Kangaroo Island they returned by plane to Adelaide and on Saturday, September 4th, gave their first performance of the play at the Burnside Town Hall. Prior to the performance they were entertained at dinner by the Mayor and Mayoress of Burnside Council (Cr. and Mrs. Burnell).



Pictures taken at Central Station, Adelaide, by Mail of W.H.S. Party.

Production Executive, "Tons of Money"

Advisory Committee: Mr. C. Brook, Misses A. Cook, M. Facey, Messrs. A. Green, J. Tynan.

Business Manager: Mr. L. Jenkins.

Publicity Manager: Mr. R. Mudford.

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Stage Manager: Mr. V. Evans.

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The School Orchestra

Last year an attempt was made, under the conductorship of Mr. W. Allen to form a School Orchestra. Mr. Allen was unable to continue this work, and last month handed over to Mr. Ronald Smyth of the Melbourne University Conservatorium. At present our orchestra has only twelve members, and is badly in need of brass and woodwind players. Mr. Smyth would welcome newcomers and prospective members are asked to contact him at the school on any Thursday afternoon.



Back row: Ron Griffiths, Milton Symons, Barry Meyers, Graeme Smith, Phil Gething.
Centre: Valma Stewart, Joan Hick, Merle Valentine, Beverley Hampton.
Front: Margaret Trace, Marion Bowes, Mr. Smyth, Stella Wark.

Prefects, 1948

GIRLS.—Jean Simpson, Margaret Allen, Evelyn Phillips, Lois Pearce, Judith Bates, Mavis King, Loris Matthews, Joan Raeke,

BOYS.—Keith Abbey, Bob Bell, Len Johnson, Stan Nelson, Ray Spear, Bruce Little, Ted Murby, Trevor Treadwell.

We are very proud of our prefects who have performed their onerous duties creditably. They have been ably assisted by the House Captains: Dingoes—Diane Coffey and George Fraser; Koalas—Norma Weigard and Don Carter; Fossams—Barbara Dulfer and Harrow Morgan; Wombats—Irene Short and Les Liley. Keen competition prevails amongst the houses as to whom will win the "Parker Cup" this year. Koalas have already won the swimming, whilst Dingoes succeeded in cricket, tennis and football. The girls' events in the Athletic Sports will have a bearing on the final result.

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Mechanics' Institute, Williamstown : September 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 1948

The story deals with the efforts of Aubrey Allington and his wife, Louise, to make people believe that they have more money than they actually have. Chesterman, a solicitor, brings them word that Aubrey's brother had died leaving him a life interest in a fortune. On his death the money passes out of the family to a Mexican cousin, George Maitland, who is thought to be dead. In an effort to obtain the entire fortune, Aubrey masquerades as his cousin. Then the fun commences, as complications arise ending in the unexpected appearance of the cousin from Mexico.

The boys are playing the male and female roles as they did last year in "What's Your Favourite Pudding?" They enjoy doing so and willingly give up their time after school and during the week ends for rehearsals. Many casting changes had to be made this year owing to illness, and of the cast of ten only five have had previous stage experience.



Morris Martin, who plays part of Aubrey, is making his second appearance. Last year he had the difficult role of Gladys. Morris is a member of Form 3A and whenever he is about there are few dull moments.



Ralph Adams, Form 1A, took over the mantle of butler from Ron. Henderson. This is his first stage appearance and he is doing a good job as Sprue.



Trevor Treadwell, of 4A, had the leading role last year. In this play he portrays part of Henery — Tom Walls' original role. Trevor is a junior prefect and whilst in Adelaide his acting was highly praised.



Barry McDonald has the exacting role of Louise. He was Rose, the dignified maid in the last play. Barry belongs to Form 2C and is a good cricketer, winning prize last year for most improved player.



Fred Cron, Form 3D, is a Commercial student. He capably fills role of Chesterman, the solicitor. Fred was this year's captain of the Junior Football team. He is also an excellent runner coming second in last year's combined sports.



George Bird, Form 3A, capably looks after our sports material in his leisure moments. He was Thompson, Lord Richard's secretary in What's Your Favourite Pudding. Tonight he capably plays George Maitland.



Don Valentine, Form 2A, is a newcomer to amateur theatricals. He is Miss Mullett in Tons of Money. Don's a good cricketer, being the junior team's opening bat.



Graeme Dann, Form 1D, capably plays part of Jean Everard. This is Graeme's first appearance with our dramatic group.



Keith Craven, Form 2C, was Lady Violet in last year's play. He plays opposite Sprules in this play as Simpson, the parlourmaid.



Barry Davidson, Form 1D, has small part of Giles, the gardener. In Adelaide he obtained many laughs in this part. We are expecting big things from Barry next year.

W.H.S. Ex-Students' Association

President: Mr. R. Halstead; Treasurer: Miss R. Relf.

Joint Secretaries: Messrs. C. Curtain, P. Weate.

The Ex-Students Association has two aims, to promote good fellowship amongst ex-students, and to benefit the school. A third aim, developed of latter years, has been to impress the community with the importance of the High School and its ex-students. This aim has been achieved by the organisation of enterprises such as the Williamstown Industrial Exhibition. The first two aims of the association are furthered by the organisation of a range of social activities. These include dances, theatre nights, hikes and excursions. Proceeds from these benefit the association's school library fund, which has been built up to £180 in less than two years. At the end of each year a social is given to the senior pupils. In addition cups are awarded each year at speech night to school sporting champions. The association plans a big expansion in sporting activities next year. This will include the formation of baseball and football teams. For several years the association has led in the organisation of women's sports, but the teams mentioned are the first attempt to provide for male members, apart from tennis.

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- First Interval—Group of English Rounds . . . Girls' Choir.
- Second Interval Girls' Choir.
Group of Folk Songs from Foreign Lands.
- Finale—Minuet (Handel) School Orchestra.
- National Anthem Choir and Orchestra.

Thursday - - - 23rd September

- Overture —Waltz (Muszkowski) David Fox.
- First Interval—Solo Jim Jones
Bird Songs at Eventide (Coates).
Bendemeers Stream (Traditional Air).
- Second Interval—Solo Vin Warrenner.
Where'er You Walk (Handel).
Bless This House (Brahe).
National Anthem.

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Mrs. Francis is a firm believer in the maxim—"Let the people sing"—as she has organised different choral groups amongst our students. One of them, selected from the Girls' Music Club, is providing the incidental music for the performances on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 21st and 22nd.

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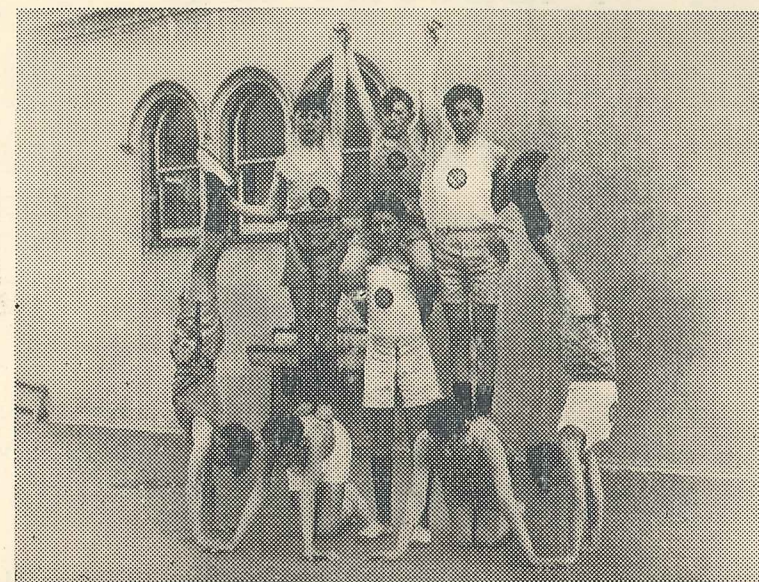
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Left to right: George Woolhouse, Doug Henderson, Barry McDonald, Neville White, Don Gardiner, Ralph Adams, Les Govan, Ken Gillies.

W.H.S. 'Parents' Committee

The Williamstown High School Parents' Association has been in existence for only a short time. During that period it has endeavoured to add to the convenience of the teaching staff and the comfort of the children by equipping a Rest Room at an approximate cost of £35. The next objective is to provide a suitable gramophone as an aid to the teaching of musical appreciation, etc.

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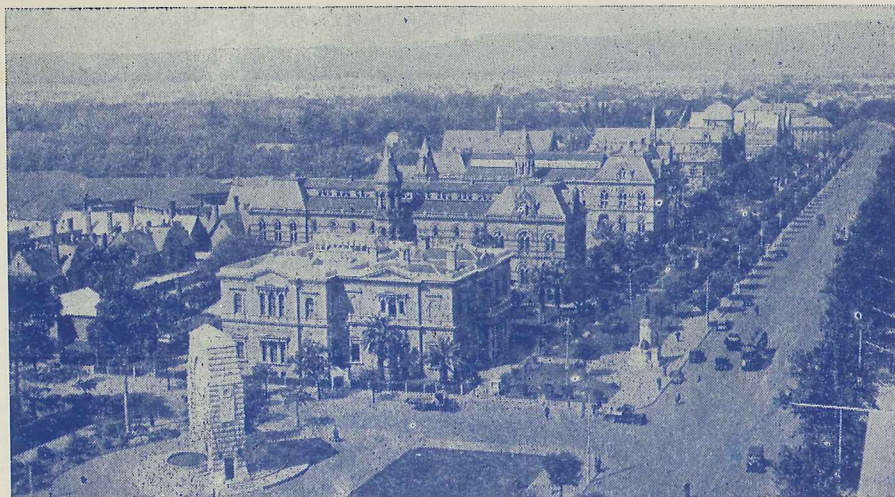
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