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The long day tends towards its end, and night, 
Comes in midst a riot of wondrous hues, 
So glorious to behold, that no one rues 
The death of day in such a beauteous light.

The warbler's song bursts forth in sweet delight, 
To usher out the day, and bring the news 
That night has come; and then the moon pursues 
The sun, and sheds o'er earth her beams so bright.

The deep blue heavens are lit with twinkling stars 
And Man, so feeble, pauses to behold 
The Cross and Venus, Jupiter and Mars.

He wonders at the majesty so old, 
And as he contemplates at this quiet hour 
His thoughts find God, and His almighty Power.

LOUIS MINEHAN, X.C. 
Leaving Pass, 1943.
Looking back over the events of the last twelve months we have reason to thank God for many blessings and favours. Apart from the inconveniences consequent on the shortage of staff and certain supplies we have indeed been singularly favoured. No air raids have devastated our cities. No hostile warships have bombarded our ports, and no marching armies, have seriously interrupted the even tenor of our ways. In view of what has happened in Europe and in our own far North, in the last twelve months we have indeed been singularly fortunate. To God and His Blessed Mother, and to the Guardian Angels we render our sincerest thanks.

It is also our duty to extend our thanks to those brave lads who have seen service overseas and in New Guinea. Two years ago we lived in the fear and expectation of invasion. To-day, thanks to our Forces and to our American Allies that fear has been dispelled and authorities tell us that the tide has turned. To all who have helped to put us in that happy position we tender our sincerest thanks.

We began the year with a few changes on our staff. Fr. Van Prooyen and Fr. Gilmore arrived safely from overseas after an anxious though uneventful journey. Fr. Van Prooyen took over the duties of First Prefect rendered vacant by the departure of Mr. Brady, for Sydney, and Fr. Gilmore joined the teaching staff. Mr. J. Moore, one of a family that has been with us continuously since 1928, and which bids fair to remain with us for a few years more, took over the work of Second Prefect. Fr. Brennan went to Richmond after being with us for over twenty years and Fr. Hackett replaced him as Spiritual Director of the School.

Like Fr. Van Prooyen and Fr. Gilmore, Fr. Durnin arrived safely from overseas and was made Head Master of Burke Hall, and Mr. F. Brown replaced his brother, Mr. W. Brown, as a master there. Mr. Hassan left Kostka Hall for Sydney, and Mr. Balding replaced him.

The Spiritual life of the School can be described as healthy. Both day boys and boarders showed this by their frequentation of the Sacraments and by their constant visits to the Blessed Sacrament. It is always an edifying sight to watch the stream of boys making their way to the Chapel especially after meals. This custom was established when the Chapel was on the direct route to the dining room and the main hall. But now the Chapel is off the beaten track and we notice with pleasure that there is no diminution in the numbers making their visits. The Catholic Action Society, the Sodalities, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and the Mission Society have all had a good year, and very good work has been done. The boys' retreat was given by Fr. O'Collins, S.J., and two week-end retreats were organised and made in the Retreat House, Loyola, Watsonia. The magnificent demonstration organised by the Y.C.W. and other Catholic Action Societies took place on our grounds on the Feast of Christ the King. Rarely if ever have we seen such crowds at Xavier, and had travelling facilities been normal from the country, we should have had many more. This demonstration of loyalty and faith is becoming a feature of Catholic life in Melbourne. We are
privileged that it should take place in our grounds for it must gladden the heart of St. Francis Xavier, the patron of our School, whose great soul was aglow for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ on earth.

The number of boys in attendance at the School this year is a record. We had 264 at the Senior School, 103 of whom were boarders. There were 178 at Burke Hall, 78 of whom were boarders, and Kostka Hall had 101 boys on their roll.

These large numbers brought with them their difficulties and responsibilities in these days of war. Extra classes had to be provided for, which taxed both boys and masters. To Brother O'Callaghan fell the task of obtaining supplies for the kitchen and dining hall, and we think that all will agree that he accomplished his work very creditably. Under the direction of the Matron the boys did much of the cleaning and polishing of the dormitories and corridors and we can add with truth that they never looked better even in the days of our most efficient staffs.

Apart from minor ills the health of the boys was good, but the Community suffered some serious casualties. Our Rector, Fr. Costelloe, was away for over six months and only returned to the School at the end of the first term. We are glad to say that he has completely recovered. Fr. M. O'Brien, the Head Master of Kostka Hall, had a troublesome operation which involved his being away for three months. Towards the end of the second term influenza seems to find its victims chiefly amongst the Masters. All this involved a certain amount of changes in the classes for longer or shorter periods. Fr. Conlan took over the management of Kostka Hall during the absence of Fr. O'Brien, and Fr. Gilmore and Mr. Sheridan stepped into the breaches in Burke Hall. In September, Fr. William Baker died after a long and painful illness. He was a well-known figure at Xavier and we ask all his former pupils, and they must number many hundreds, to pray for the eternal repose of his soul.

The results of the Public Examinations were very satisfactory. We gained 32 distinctions in honours, one Resident Newman Scholarship, three Non-Resident Exhibitions, one Davis Bursary, one Senior Government Scholarship, three University Free Places, and the Exhibition in Greek for the third time in succession.

We congratulate John Bourke, Denis Clarke, and Trevor Connolly on qualifying in Medicine and Brian Hagelthorn in Veterinary Science, and in the recent examinations in second year Medicine John Clareborough secured first-class honours and third place in Anatomy and second class honours in Physiology and Gerald Manly secured second class honours in Physiology and third class honours in Anatomy. We also congratulate Des. Niall on attaining his Master of Surgery, Joe Wren on being called to the Bar, Frank Quigg, and Mr. Kevin Wallace, a former master of the School, on taking out their Bachelor of Commerce degrees.

As far as we can find out there are 820 Old Xaverians in the Fighting Forces distributed as follows: Navy, 47; Army, 496; Air Force, 277. Many of them have lived through hazardous days and over 40 have lost their lives. We are pleased to say that we have had many letters from them thanking former masters and the School for the training they received and for the ideals that have helped them to go through very trying experiences. We assure them that they are not forgotten, that we offer our Masses and prayers frequently for their safety and also for the eternal repose of the souls of those who have been killed.

We congratulate Captain J. Rosel, Captain K. Watson, Captain N. White-
head, Lieut. J. F. Lavan, and Lieut. W. E. Stokes on winning the Military Cross; A/W.O.I E. McRae on winning the British Empire Medal; and F/Lt. B. Higgins (killed since the award) and Wing/Cdr. J. F. Ryland on winning the D.F.C.

The Old Xaverians' Association has met very regularly during the year, and we thank the genial President, Mr. Byrne; enthusiastic Secretary, Mr. Simpson; and the efficient Eldon Hogan, and all the members of the Committee for the encouragement and assistance they have given to the School.

Of our sporting activities we have little to record. Boys are leaving school earlier than in former years and our teams are young and inexperienced, and besides even though we have record numbers on our roll, the other Public Schools have record numbers too, so that we are still far behind them. However, there can be no doubt that as the seasons progressed our cricket and football teams improved and in some of our football matches our team was a force to be reckoned with. The rowing is still very popular but funds prevent us from enlarging our fleet and man power hinders the necessary repairs of our boats.

Under Captain J. P. Smith and Lieutenant J. McAreavy, the Cadets have done very satisfactory work, even though it is on record that eleven out of thirteen Tuesdays (the Parade day) were wet. Under Flying Officer Gilchrist the A.T.C. has worked hard and maintained their interest despite the fact that their parades have to be held at very unsuitable times.

The Ladies' Committee worked with wonderful enthusiasm for the School and also for Old Xaverians in the Fighting Forces. They organised entertainments for the C.W.O. and Mrs. Spring gave a Recital in her home to make an offering for a weekly Mass for the safety of those in the battle areas and for the souls of those who were killed. We record here our sincerest thanks to Mrs. Frank Spring and her Committee for all they have done for us.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations to the Memorial Chapel: Mr. P. Cody, £100; Mr. Wins- stall, £5; Jim Chapman, £15; Mrs. Downey (from her house party) £19 17/-; T. and J. Foley, £25; Maurice Taylor, £3/3/-; Mrs. Thompson, £5. All these have been very welcome. The Chapel is gradually beginning to look better furnished. With Mrs. Downey's and Jim Chapman's donations we were able to buy some beautiful furniture for the Sanctuary.

To Mrs. Mustow we are particularly indebted for she gave money to buy a racing VIII and to found a scholarship in memory of her son, Keith, who lost his life in an accident a little over twelve months ago. Since writing these lines, Mrs. Mustow has died after a long illness most cheerfully borne. We shall long remember her at Xavier and we tender our sincerest sympathy to her devoted husband in his very sad bereavement.

As the season of Christmas approaches we try to raise our thoughts above the slaughter of the battlefields and the sufferings of those rendered homeless by air raids, and ask God to have mercy on His people and to help us to return soon to peace.

To the parents of those who have lost their sons in the war we offer our sincerest sympathy and to those whose sons are still in New Guinea and the South-West Pacific we offer the assurance of our prayers.

To all friends of Xavier we wish a very happy Christmas and the blessings of God in the New Year.
Scholarships and Class Lists

NEWMAN COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS, 1942.

Resident Scholarship.

W. K. FLANAGAN.

Non-Resident Exhibitions:

B. J. O'SHAUGHNESSY.
M. P. DE VERTEUIL.
J. F. GILFEDDER.

Davis Bursary (Newman College):

B. M. O'BRIEN.

PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS, 1942.

Senior Government Scholarship:

W. K. FLANAGAN.

University Free Places:

B. J. O'SHAUGHNESSY (Engineering).
B. M. O'BRIEN (Medicine).

Exhibition in Greek:

W. K. FLANAGAN.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE HONOURS.

Batten, Ross—Third Class Honours in English.
Blackall, Michael—Second Class Honours in Latin.
Third Class Honours in French.
Third Class Honours in Greek.
De Verteuil, Michael—First Class Honours in English.
First Class Honours in Latin.
First Class Honours in History.
Second Class Honours in Chemistry.
Flanagan, Kevin—First Class Honours in Greek (1st Place).
First Class Honours in French.
Second Class Honours in English.
Second Class Honours in Latin.
Forrest, Peter—Second Class Honours in Latin.
Gilfedder, John—Second Class Honours in Latin.
Second Class Honours in French.
Gilfedder, Maurice—Second Class Honours in French.
Gray, Gregory—Second Class Honours in Latin.
Third Class Honours in English.
Third Class Honours in History.
Guaran, Bruce—Third Class Honours in French.
Hince, Kenneth—First Class Honours in French.
Second Class Honours in Latin.
O'Brien, Bernard—Second Class Honours in Mathematics III.
Second Class Honours in Physics.
Second Class Honours in Chemistry.
O'Shaughnessy, Brian—First Class Honours in Mathematics III.
First Class Honours in Physics.
Second Class Honours in Mathematics IV.
Second Class Honours in Chemistry.
Schaffer, John—Third Class Honours in Physics.
Shea, William—Second Class Honours in Physics.
Wolkenstein, Oswald—First Class Honours in German.
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O'Brien, Kevin—Passed in English, French.
Perdrix, John—Passed in Chemistry.
Sexton, Kenneth—Passed in English, Latin, French, Economics.
Thompson, Robert—Passed in English, Latin, French.
Troup, Alexander—Passed in English, Latin, Mathematics III, Physics, Chemistry. (Matriculated).
Tuthill, John—Passed in English, Mathematics I, IV, Physics.
Watson, David—Passed in English.
Wolkenstein, Oswald—Passed in English, Latin, Mathematics I, IV, European History. (Matriculated).

INTERMEDIATE.

Adams, Kenneth.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Awburn, George.—Passed in English (L), Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Barbaro, Francis.—Arithmetic (L), Geometry and Trigonometry (L), Physics (L), Chemistry, French.
Barton, Kevin.—Passed in Drawing, British History and Civics (L).
Bongiorno, Vincent.—Passed in Arithmetic, Geometry and Trigonometry (L), Geography (L), Physics (L).
Bowler, Reginald.—Passed in English, Arithmetic (L), Geography, British History and Civics, French, Latin (L).
Brady, Anthony.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Geography, French, Latin.
Brenan, John.—Passed in English, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry and Trigonometry Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Brew, Peter.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Brophy, John.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, British History and Civics, French (L).
Brophy, Leo.—Passed in English (L), Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, British History and Civics, French, Latin.
Byrne, Donald N.—Passed in Geometry and Trigonometry, French (L), Music.
Byrne, Geoffrey.—Passed in English, Geography, British History and Civics, French, Latin.
Case, Patrick.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Physics, French.
Chapman, Peter.—Passed in Geometry and Trigonometry, Drawing, British History and Civics (L).
Coleman, Paul.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Collins, James.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry," Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Coughlin, Dermot.—Passed in Algebra (L), Geometry (L), Geography.
Crogan, John.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, French, Latin.
Curmi, Edward.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Curtis, Brian.—Passed in Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, French, Latin.
Daily, Gerald.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra (L), Chemistry, French, Latin.
Dillon, Allan.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Diviny, Philip.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry (L), Physics (L), Chemistry, French, Latin (L).
Donovan, Neil.—Passed in Geometry and Trigonometry (L), Geography.
Dooley, Brian.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Falkland, Michael.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Fennell, John.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Fitzgerald, Michael.—Passed in English (L), Geometry and Trigonometry (L), French (L), Latin.
Furnell, Peter.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics (L), French, Latin.
Gorman, David.—Passed in French, Latin (L).
Gorman, Robert.—Passed in English, Algebra, Latin.
Hanly, Robert.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, and Trigonometry, Physics (L), Chemistry, French, Latin.
Hattam, Kenneth.—Passed in British History and Civics.
Heeney, John.—Passed in English, Geometry and Trigonometry, Geography, British History, and Civics.
Heys, Samuel.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, British History and Civics (L), French, Latin (L).
Hollister, Aubrey.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, British History and Civics, French Latin.
Jackson, Blair.—Passed in English, Geography, British History and Civics.
Jenkenson, Kenneth.—Passed in English, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, German, Latin.
Jorgensen, Peter.—Passed in English (L), Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Chemistry, British History and Civics, French, Latin (L).
Kelly, Gerald.—Passed in English, Chemistry (L), British History and Civics, French.
King, Lewis.—Passed in English, British History and Civics (L), French.
Lewis, Anthony.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Geometry and Trigonometry, Geography, French.
McGrath, Kevin.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, French, Latin.
Minehan, Louis.—Passed in English (L), Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry (L), French, Latin (L).
Murphy, Joseph.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic (L), Algebra, Geography (L), British History and Civics, French.
Niall, John.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
O'Dea, Raymond.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Geography, British History and Civics, French, Latin.
O'Donnell, Brian.—Passed in Geometry and Trigonometry (L), Geography (L), French.
O'Sullivan, Martin.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Geography (L).
Parker, Charles.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Geometry and Trigonometry, Chemistry (L), French, Latin.
Peppard, Michael.—Passed in Arithmetic, Algebra.
Prendergast, John.—Passed in English, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, German, Latin.
Rennick, Gordon.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Geography, British History and Civics, Latin.
Ridgeway, Frank.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics (L), French.
Rowley, Russell.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Geography, British History and Civics, Latin.
Scott, Walter.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Spring, Thomas.—Passed in English (L), Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry (L), French, German (L), Latin.
Terrill, Desmond.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geography, British History and Civics, French.
Trainor, Anthony.—Passed in British History and Civics (L).
Treacey, Donald.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, British History and Civics (L).
Trost, Patrick.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Chemistry, French, Latin.
Tuxworth, Leonard.—Passed in British History and Civics, French (L).
Ware, Murray.—Passed in English (L), Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, French.
Whitaker, Geoffrey.—Passed in English (L), Arithmetic, Algebra (L), Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics, Latin (L).
Winstall, Reginald.—Passed in English, Arithmetic, Algebra (L), Geometry and Trigonometry, Physics (L), Chemistry, French, Latin (L).
Old Xaverians in the Forces

**Decorations**

**Military Cross.**
- Captain J. Rosel.
- Captain K. Watson.
- Captain N. Whitehead.
- Lieutenant J. F. Lavan.
- Lieutenant W. E. Stokes.

**British Empire Medal.**
- A./W.O.1 E. McRae.

**D.F.C.**
- Flight Lieutenant B. Higgins (killed).
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- Adams, William (1930-33).
- Batten, Paymaster Lieut. John (1936-38).
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- Chapman, John (1937-40).
- Coffey, Surgeon, Lieut. Commander Francis (1916-19).
- Colahan, Richard (1940-42).
- Condon, Peter (1931-40).
- Crosbie, John (1929-37).
- Cross, Leaver (1918-21).
- Cull, John (1928-30).
- Dooley, Francis (1936-37).
- Groot, Raymond de (1939-41).
- Healy, Patrick (1937-42).
- Hickey, William (1929).
- Howard, Francis (1938-40).
- Ick, Harcourt (1933-37).
- McCunnie, John (1936-37).
- McDonald, John (1929-33).
- McInerney, Paymaster Lieut. Murray (1924-27).
- McMahon, Geoffrey (1940-42).
- O'Brien, John (1931-38).
- Parker, Lieut. Michael (1931-38).

**ARMY.**
- Acton, Philip (1913-19).
- Ahern, Willis (1914-20).
- Ahern, Desmond (1921-25). Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry.
- Aird, Andrew (1922-34).
- Aird, Ian (1922-34).
- Andre, Edward (1933-35).
- Andrews, Milne (1922-23).
- Annal, Kenneth (1938-41).
- Baird, George (1937).
- Barlee, Lieut. Franklin (1927-32).
- Barnett, Raymond (1928-30).
- Barnewall, Reginald (1938-41).
- Barwick, William (1929-33).
- Behan, Major Thomas (1909-11).
- Behan, Gerald (1937-38).
- Bell, Leslie (1925-27).
- Bennett, Capt. Alan (1918-25).
- Berrigan, Leslie (1923-25).
- Boileau, Major Gilbert (A.A.M.C.) (1914-17).
- Boileau, Lieut. Edmund (1918-19).
- Bourke, John P. (1936-40).
- Boyd, Colin (1939).
- Brady, Francis (1927-32).
- Brenchy, Major Desmond (1930-37).
- Brennan, David (1936-37).
- Brennan, Capt. Gerald (1921-24).
- Brennan, John (1930-39).
- Brennan, Capt. Kevin, A.A.M.C. (1911-17).

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- Chapman, John (1937-40).
- Coffey, Surgeon, Lieut. Commander Francis (1916-19).
- Colahan, Richard (1940-42).
- Condon, Peter (1931-40).
- Crosbie, John (1929-37).
- Cross, Leaver (1918-21).
- Cull, John (1928-30).
- Dooley, Francis (1936-37).
- Groot, Raymond de (1939-41).
- Healy, Patrick (1937-42).
- Hickey, William (1929).
- Howard, Francis (1938-40).
- Ick, Harcourt (1933-37).
- McCunnie, John (1936-37).
- McDonald, John (1929-33).
- McInerney, Paymaster Lieut. Murray (1924-27).
- McMahon, Geoffrey (1940-42).
- O'Brien, John (1931-38).
- Parker, Lieut. Michael (1931-38).
Buckley, Allan (1931-34).
Buckley, Paul (1928-30). (Killed.).
Burch, Alan (1937-38).
Burchell, John (1936-38).
Burke, Adrian (1925-32).
Burke, Alan (1938-39).
Burke, Paul (1918-27).
Burke, William (1926-30).
Burne, Peter (1931-40).
Burrows, Woodley (1925-28).
Butler, Francis (1924-25).
Buxton, Lieut. Douglas (192g-33) (mentioned in despatches).
Burne, Peter (1931-40).
Byrne, Capt. Aubrey (1912-18).
Byrne, Col. Herbert (1905-15).
Byron, John (1923-26).
Cahir, Vincent (1924-25).
Casey, Leo (1925-24).
Chapman, James (1937-41).
Clancy, Leo (1929-32).
Clarebrough, Brigadier John (1911-13).
Clements, Leo (1922-25).
Coghlan, Donal (1929-36).
Coghlan, James (1927-32).
Coghlan, Jasper (1927-32).
Coghlan, Oswald (1928-33).
Cogswell, Major Robert (1921-25).
Cohen, Brigadier Harold (1895-98).
Cohen, Bertrand (1926-34).
Collins, Kevin (1930-36).
Collins, Adrian (1925-30).
Collins, Don (1932-40).
Collins, John (1929-36).
Comans, Capt. Maurice (1919-24).
Cosgrove, Brian (1925-32).
Cosgrove, John (1924-31).
Costello, Clyde (1941).
Coyle, Joseph (1918-19).
Crosbie, Kevin (1922-30).
Croughton, Captain John (1902-04).
Cruise, John (1930-33).
Cullinan, Geoffrey (1935-39). (Killed.)
Curtin, Kevin (1922-27).
Finlayson, Bernard (1923-25).
Finlayson, Lieut. Thomas (1918-20).
Fitchett, Ian (1920-25).
Fitzgerald, Brian (1933-37).
Fitzgerald, Edward (1936-37).
Fitzgerald, Paul (1933-39).
Flocker, Brabazon (1933-35).
Flanagan, Raymond (1927-28).
Flecker, Brabazon (1933-35).
Flynn, Capt. John, A.A.M.C. (1923-26).
Flynn, Lieut. Thomas (1928-32).
Fogarty, Francis (1930-38).
Foy, Lieut. Thomas (1917-27).
Foley, Capt. Francis, A.A.M.C. (1918-20).
Foley, John (1928-29).
Forde, William (1922).
Foreman, Russell (1937-39).
Fox, William (1916-23).
Gaffney, Brian (1933-40).
Gaffney, Newman (1933-34). (Killed).
Gaffney, Thomas (1908-10).
Gallagher, Alan (1925-34).
Gahagher, John (1923-24).
Gallivan, Leo (1926).
Gamlin, Charles (1922-25).
Gamlin, John (1925-28).
Gibbs, John (1917-20).
Gleeson, Thomas (1914-15).
Glennon, Edward (1915-18).
Glennon, Hilary (1920-25).
Godby, Richard (1921-23).
Gorman, Capt. Adrian P., A.A.M.C. (1913-17).
Gorman, Peter (1936-37).
Grabler, John (1902).
Graeco, Gerald (1933-34).
Grant, Alexander (1924-31).
Gray, John (1929-30).
Gray, John (1925-27).
Greenwood, William (1936).
Greville, Major Lorne (1914-18).
Gruitzner, Peter (1933-41).
Guidice, Rupret (1924-25).
Hannan, Lieut. Edward (1933-38).
Harbison, James (1920-28).
Hardy, John (1940-41).
Harrison, Capt. William, A.A.M.C. (1909-12).
Haslett, Francis (1925-37).
Healy, Anthony (1934-41).
Healy, Paul (1929).
Henderson, Stephen (1924-31).
Hepburn, Lieut. Alan (1913-17).
Herrick, Brian (1937-38).
Hiscocks, Reginald (1935-40).
Holzer, Louis (1922-30).
Hopkins, Eliot (1908-12).
Hoppe, Capt. John (1919-27).
Horan, James (1927-29).
Howard, Francis (1938-40).
Hunter, Lieut. B. Cherrington (1936-37). (Killed).
Huntsman, Lieut. John (1923-26).
 Hussey, Cliff (1917-18).
Indemaur, John (1926-29).
Jackman, Mervyn (1926-27).
Jones, Adrian (1917-24). (Missing).
Jones, Lieut. Col. A. Britten (1911).
Jones, Lieut. Col. E. Britten (1898).
Jones, Francis (1908-12).
 Joyce, Lieut. Thomas (1927). (Drowned).
Keane, Col. Francis, A.A.M.C. (1897-1905).
Keane, Francis (1913-22).
Keane, Lieut. William (1934-40).
Kesshan, Ignatius (1927-38).
Kellway, Robin (1932-40).
Kelly, Brian (1928).
Kelly, Desmond (1937).
Kelly, Vaughan (1923-25).
Kemp, Reginald (1937).
Kennedy, Kevin (1930-33).
Kennedy, Cant. Leo (1908-13). (Dentist).
Kiernan, John (1928-34).
Kift, Max (1930-35).
Kirby, Finn (1938-41).
Kirby, Richard (1934-37).
Kirsch, Leo (1932-39).
Knowles, Capt. Frederick (1929-32).
Laird, Allan (1920-28).
Lalor, Peter (1921-30). (Killed).
Lang, Harcourt (1924-28).
Lavan, Lieut. Francis (1929-30). M.C.
Leeming, Major Derham (1932-3b).
Lester, Arthur (1911-17).
Lewin, Ross (1935). (Killed).
Lewis, Peter (1929-41).
LEY,George (1914-17).
LEY, Lieut. John (1923-26).
LEY, Major Urban, A.A.M.C. (1914-15).
Liston, Capt. John (1926-29).
Lloyd, Major John (1913-20).
Lockwood, Capt. Lindsay (1919-24).
Long, Major Charles (1929-30).
Lorens, Capt. Philip (1930-32).
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Loughran, Capt. Lewis (1932).
Lynch, Alexander (1934-36).
Lyons, Kevin (1939-40).
McCabe, Brian (1934-38).
McCaffrey, Lieut. James (1925-32). (P.O.W.)
McCaffrey, Lieut. James (1925-32). (P.O.W.)
McCaulley, Denis (1925-34).
McCombe, John (1927-28).
McCreesh, Capt. Bryan (1931-33).
McDonald, Kevin (1924-27).
McEncroe, Kevin (1936-37).
McGrath, Louis (1931-36).
McGrath, William (1923-24).
McKenzie, Hector (1923-29).
McKenzie, Hugh (1936-40).
McKenzie, Mitchell (1923-31).
McLean, James (1941).
McLean, John (1922-26).
McLeod, Donald (1931).
McLoughlin, Francis (1922-26).
McMahon, Ambrose (1922).
McMahon, James (1919).
McNamar, David B. (1921).
McNamar, John (1938-40).
McNally, Capt. John (1934).
McPhail, John (1938-40).
McRae, Edmund (1921-25).
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Rawson, Col. Hugh (1909-11).
Reed, Lieut. John (1932-34).
Redfern, Harold (1929-31).
Reis, Capt. Chaplain Conrad (1930-31).
Reis, Kevin (1934).
Rennick, Francis (1911-18).
Rice, John (1934-39).
Richardson, Percy (1927).
Robertson, Capt. Les. (1912-21). (P.O.W.).
Rorke, Ernest (1918-21). (P.O.W.).
Rowan, Bruce (1930-34).
Rubira, Robert (1936-40).
Rush, Thomas (1926-28).
Ryan, Bernard (1934-36).
Ryan, John C. (1928-30).
Ryan, Leo (1933-37).
Ryan, Maurice (1928-38).
Ryan, My les (1930).
Safe, John (1923-29).
Schlicht, Peter (1934-40).
Schlink, Lieut. John (1933-35).
Schneider, Franz (1909-14).
Schneider, Capt. Victor (Dentist) (1928-32).
Schneider, Lieut. Col. Vincent (1918-20).
Schrader, Major Heinrich (1908-11).
Schrader, Neville (1931-38).
Scognamillo, Francis (1933-36).
Sexton, James (1939-40).
Shea, Alan (1929-33).
Shea, Kevin (1933-35).
Sheahan, Alymer (1936).
Sheahan, Desmond (1927-34).
Sheehan, William (1928). (Killed).
Sheezel, Marcus (1924-31).
Shrimpton, Hilary (1916-25).
Skelly, Anthony (1929-30).
Skelly, Max (1937).
Skelly, William (1929-30).
Slattery, Brian (1922-30).
Slattery, James (1909-13).
Sparks, Hugh (1937-38).
St. Ellen, Joseph.
Stanley, Ray (1902-03).
Starr, Leo (1920-28).
Stewart, James (1922-28).
Sullivan, Leo (1920).
Swaine, Donald (1931-39).
Sweeney, Francis (1928-32).
Sweeney, Mulhall (1928-31).
Tacey, William (1936-38).
Taylor, Hugh (1932-36).
Taylor, Charles (1937).
Taylor, Colonel George, C.B.E. (1917-21), British Army.
Thompson, Basil (1936-38).

Thorpe, Sidney (1913-19).
Tierney, Philip (1927-32).
Tubbs, Hilary (1924-26).
Tuohy, Noel (1930-36).
Tuttcn, Capt. John (1923-32).

Vinecombe, Murray (1936-39).

Walker, Denis (1932-37).
Ward, Vincent (1919).
Warhurst, Thomas (1929-34).
Weldon, Michael (1935-40).
Weldon, Peter (1927-40).
Westhoven, Francis (1919-20).
White, Lieut. Edward (1923-26).
White, John (1926).
White, William (1928-29).
Whiting, Hilary (1936-38).
Wilkins, Thomas (1929-34). (Killed).
Williams, Ernest (1928-36).
Williams, Philip (1934-38).
Willy, Brewis (1931-36).
Wilton, Ian (1933-42) (Duntroon).
Winter, Owen (1907-16). (P.O.W.).
Winton, Lieut. Anthony (1933).
Wraith, Carl (1924-28).
Wren, Joseph (1922-32).
Wright, Adrian (1931-35).
Wright, Lieut. Dawson (1925-29).
Wright, John (1939-40).
Wright, Robert L. (1925-27).

AIR FORCE.

Allen, Edward (1925).
Andre, Robert (1927-29). (P.O.W.)
Anivitti, Maurice (1925-29). (Killed).
Arnold, Denton (1926-33).

Baldwin, Wing-Corn. Godfrey (1920-26).
Bavay, Xavier de (1933-37).
Barrett, F/Lt. Maurice (1927-32).
Barrett, F/Lt. Mervyn (1927-35).
Barry, F/Lt. David (1918-20).
Barry, George (1912-14).
Bird, F/Lt. Peter (1934-36).
Bourke, Francis (1938).
Bown, Thomas (1917-20).
Bramleigh, Rex (1938).
Breheny, S/L. Peter (1924-27).
Bresnahan, Daniel (1928-30). R.I.P.
Burgess, Sylvester (1921-22).
Burke, Noel (1916-25).

Cahir, James (1930-33).
Capell, F/Lt. Thomas (1933).
Carter, Bruce (1930-31).
Castella, Rollet de (1937-41).
Chamberlain, F/Lt. Norman (1930-33).
Casey, John (1937-38).
Clarke, F/Lt. Maurice (1925-34).
Chamberlain, F/Lt. Norman (1930-33).
Casey, John (1937-38).
Clarke, F/Lt. Maurice (1925-34).

Cahil, James (1930-33).
Capell, F/Lt. Thomas (1933).
Carter, Bruce (1930-31).
Castella, Rollet de (1937-41).
Chamberlain, F/Lt. Norman (1930-33).
Casey, John (1937-38).
Clarke, F/Lt. Maurice (1925-34).

Cahir, James (1930-33).
Capell, F/Lt. Thomas (1933).
Carter, Bruce (1930-31).
Castella, Rollet de (1937-41).
Chamberlain, F/Lt. Norman (1930-33).
Casey, John (1937-38).
Clarke, F/Lt. Maurice (1925-34).

Commons, Michael (1933-34).
Conlan, Peter (1916-23).
Connellan, Edward (1927-29).
Connelly, S/L. Dermot (1913-20).
Conroy, Desmond (1935-41).
Cooke, P/O. John (1914-16).
Corder, John (1933-42).
Cosgrove, William (1924-31). (Killed.)
Crosbie, Barry (1933-37).
Crotty, Reginald (1935-37).
Curran, James (1933).
Curran, John (1940).

Davies, John (1928-32).
Davies, Murray (1919-30). (Killed.)
Davis, Francis (1937-41).
Delahunty, Patrick (1939-41).
Dennis, John (1935-36).
Denton, George (1928-29).
Devlin, Henry (1936-39). (Killed.)
Dinley, Ronald (1939).
Dixon, Bruce (1933).
Dockery, Graeme (1938-41).
Doran, Brian (1936-37).
Dowling, Kenneth (1934-35).
Dowling, F/Lt. Wilbur (1925-26). (Missing.)
Drake, F/Lt. Frederick (1907-11).
Dynon, P/O. John (1921-23).

Ellis, J. Roy (1916-26).
Egan, Adrian (1921-23-26).

Fakhry, F/O. Marcel (1925-36).
Fechan, James (1937-38).
Fennell, Desmond (1937-40).
Fenton, F/Lt. Clyde (1916-17).
Firth, Desmond (1930-32).
Flynn, Daniel (1925-29).
Flynn, P/O. Francis (1928-34).
Flynn, Michael (1927-32).
Fogarty, P/O. John (1917-27).
Foley, F/Lt. Patrick (1929-32).
Foley, F/Lt. Reginald (1925-32). (Killed.)
Forrest, James (1928-36).
Forrest, Peter (1932-42).

Foulis, Frederick (1929-37).
Franklin, John (1928-31).
Fynn, F/O. Chaplain Anthony (1912-17).

Gaffney, John (1933-36).
Gagliero, Lawrence (1937-41).
Garlan, James (1927-31).
Glazew, Basil (1935). (P.O.W.)
Gorman, Bruce (1936-39).
Gorman, Finn (1915-18).
Gray, Geoffrey (1929-30).
Groot, John de (1932-33).
Guaran, Brian (1937-38).
Gunson, Henry (1935).

Hamilton, William (1927-31).
Hardy, Clem (1931).
Hardy, Ward (1934).
Harris, Robert (1926-36).
Hart, Kevin (1937). (Killed.)
Henderson, F/Lt. John (1921-23). (R.A.F.)
Hennessy, Desmond (1929-30).
Higginbotham, Francis (1923-31).
Higgins, Eric (1929-32). (Killed.)
Hoban, F/O. Maurice (1929-30). (Killed.)
Holland, Sydney (1921-27).
Honan, Francis (1908-15).
Hood, Edward (1907-17).
Hoppe, Patrick (1920-31).
Hurley, John (1930-38).
Hurley, F/Lt. J. Garvan (1905-12).

Jackman, Lome (1934-35).
Jones, F/Lt. Bernard (1928-31).
Jones, Rudolph (1914-22).
Joseph, F/O. Denis (1934-36).

Kearney, Thomas (1924-31).
Keely, P/O. Paul (1927-30). (Killed.)
Kelly, Thomas (1931-33).
Kennedy, P/O. Desmond (1924-26).
King, Roy (1933-37). ? ? ?
King, P/O. Stuart (1921-28). (Presumed killed.)
Kirsch, Ivan (1939-43).
Kirby, John (1911-14).
Kiss, John (1936-37).
Knowles, Adrian (1918-20). (P.O.W.)
Knox, Peter (1938-40).

Lacey, P/O. William (1918-25).
Lachal, G/C. Leon (1919-22).
Lachal, Paul (1930-33-36).
Laidre, Bruce (1937-41).
Larkin, Raymond (1926-29).
Lawson, P/O. James (1921-22).
Lightfoot, Thomas (1930-34).
Linkson, F/Lt. Raymond (1925-26).
Lowe, Frederick (1939-42).
Lynch, Peter (1933-43).
McCarthy, F/Sgt. John (1931-35). (Missing, presumed killed.)
McCluskey, Francis (1924-27).
McCormack, William (1927-31). (Killed.)
McCunnie, Peter (1936-39).
McDavitt, F/O. John (1925, 37-38).
McDavitt, F/O. Kevin (1925-27, 37).
McEniry, P/O. James (1918-22).
McGinnis, Ignatius (1907-19).
McGrath, Francis (1936-41).
McInerney, George (1932-34).
McInerney, Thomas (1920-25). (Missing.)
McInerney, Kenneth (1922-23).
McKenzie, Francis (1936-41).
McPhail, Kenneth (1932-34).
McRae, Francis (1920-23).
Madden, Kenneth (1932-41).
Maggia, P/O. Guido (1920-23).
Maloney, F/Lt. John (1927-32).
Marsh, Peter (1936-40).
Maunsell, Bernard (1921-24).
Methven, Stuart (1925-29). (Killed.)
Michael, Alex (1923-27).
Miller, F/O. Damian (1925-34).
Monaghan, Kevin (1939-42).
Moore, Peter (1930-36). (R.A.F.) (Killed.)
Moore, Peter (1939-42).
Moore, F/O. Hugh (1930-33).
Moore, Louis (1934-38).
Moore, Maurice (1938-41).
Moran, John (1919-27).
Munn, Keith (1939-42).
Murphy, Francis (1925-33).
Murphy, Peter (1936, 38-40).
Murphy, Victor (1929-34).
Mustow, Keith (1925-34). (Killed.)
Narik, John (1938-42).
Naughton, John E. B. (1931-36).
Newton, John (1928-29).
Nicholson, Donald (1924-26).
O'Brien, Desmond (1922-26).
O'Brien, Leo (1938-41).
O'Connell, Arthur (1923-26).
O'Connell, Eric (1923-28).
O'Connell, John (1932-33).
O'Halloran, Brendan (1919-29).
O'Halloran, Kevin (1938-40).
O'Keefe, P/O. Frederick (1921-26).
O'Keefe, Geoffrey (1923-30). (Missing, believed killed.)
O'Loghlen, Ross (1922-32). (Missing.)
O'Sullivan, John (1921-26).
Page, F/O. Brian (1924-28).
Parer, Kevin (1920-24). (Killed.)
Parer, Raymond (1915-16).
Parker, F/Lt. Anthony (1922-29). (Killed.)
Parker, W/Cdr. Peter (1922-31).
Parsonage, Glen (1929-34).
Perrignon, Theodore (1932-33).
Petersen, Leo (1939).
Peterson, Sidney (1930).
Plant, Kelvin (1924).
Plant, P/O. Nelson (1918-20).
Pullen, Michael (1934-36)
Riordan, Kevin (1936).
Roche, F/O. John (1924-31). (Killed.)
Rush, Sq/L. John (1926-27).
Ryan, S/L. Edward (1923-31).
Ryan, Edward (1936-37).
Ryan, John (1924-29).
Ryan, F/Lt. Ellery (1924-34).
Ryan, F/Lt. Hugh (1928-30).
Ryan, F/O. Kevin (1929-36). (Killed.)
Ryan, Philip (1931-38).
Ryan, Timothy (1905-15).
Sanders, Anthony (1935-40).
San Miguel, John (1924-34).
Saunders, Eric (1933-36).
Schaffer, John (1939-42).
Schrader, Eric (1930-37). (Killed.)
Scudds, John (1923-29).
Sheahan, Kevin (1938-40).
Shelton, F/Lt. John (1931-35).
Shillito, John (1926-32).
Shirley, Henry (1931-39).
Simpson, F/Lt. Norman (1910-17). (Dentist.)
Slattery, Christopher (1930-32).
Slaweski, Kevin (1937-39). (Killed.)
Smith, G. Trevor (1928-29). (Missing, believed killed.)
Smith, F/Lt. James (1929-33).
Smith, F/Lt. William (1929-33).
Snow, Stanislaus (1921).
Sparks, Ronald (1939-40).
Stehm, Murray (1930-38).
Starr, Francis (1929-38).
Stirling, George (1929-32, 37-38).
Stokes, Geoffrey (1935-38). (Killed.)
Stutt, John (1923-35).
Stutt, William (1923-35).
Syensson, James (1938-42).

Thomas, Francis (1937-40).
Trehair, John (1928-29).
Treacey, Patrick (1938-39).
Tuohy, Stuart (1930-36).
Verteuil, Michael de (1941-42).

Wade, Philip (1935-36).
Waldron, Brian (1927-35).

Walsh, Thomas (1926-28).
Wearne, William (1932-38). (Killed.)
Whelan, James (1937-40).
White, James (1934-36).
White, Lionel (1922-24).
Whitehead, F/O. Paul (1920-29). (Killed.)
Williams, Gregory (1934).
Willis, John (1924-30).
Wren, P/O. John (1918-28).
Wister, Peter (1932-41).

Younes, George (1918-27).
Younes, Joseph (1926-27).


Capt. J. Billings, A.A.M.C.
F/Lt. A. Coleman.

J. Hardy.


(1) Wing-Corn. P. Parker Returns to his base from an operational flight.

(2) Captain N. G. Whitehead, who led the tank attack on the Japanese positions at Buna.

(3) Cpl. Raymond Kelly checking aerial camera before taking off on a survey flight.

(4) F/Lt. W. Smith, M.O. of an operational base, at work in the station sick quarters.

(Photos 1, 2, 3, by Raymond Kelly)
The following Old Xaverian Jesuits will be ordained to the priesthood at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, on January 8: Revs. J. Dynon, P. Gleeson, E. Morris; and the following former masters of the school will be ordained on the same day: Revs. P. Keenan, K.. Carroll, D. Lawler, P. McInerney, H. Wilkins, J. Byrne, J. Farmer. We wish them all ad multos annos.

Drew Aird we met recently in Swanston Street. He is now "Representative Andrew Aird" of the Australian Red Cross. His brother Ian, who is married and was living in Sydney, is now with the troops in New Guinea.

Paymaster Lieut. Kevin Anderson, works at the Navy Office. We congratulate him and Mrs. Anderson on the arrival of a daughter last August. He writes:

One of my companions in hospital at Flinders was Gordon Goller, who was at Xavier with me, and left in, I think, 1927. After leaving school, he went immediately into the Merchant Navy. When war broke out he was in the Naval Reserve, and saw action on H.M.A.S. Sydney in the Mediterranean and elsewhere. Then he was stationed at Darwin for about eighteen months. He was in hospital with a tropical ulcer on his leg, which he had acquired at Darwin, but by now he is probably quite well.

Bob Andre, who was shot down over Germany, is a prisoner of war in Germany. He writes frequently that he is safe and well. John is with the army in New Guinea. Ted is with the medical branch of the Army, and was working at the Heidelberg Military Hospital when we last heard of him. Jim is on the land near Millicent, S.A., where he says "the wool clip is good, but an acute short of labour."

Flight Lieutenant Mervyn Barrett was married to Miss Ferguson in April. Congratulations and best wishes. For this event, Mervyn had the support of Peter Bird, John Noonan, and Hugh Ryan—all three now Flight Lieutenants—and John Vaughan, Paul Rowan and Hugh Marsland.

Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant John Batten spent some time in W.A., but has recently come to Melbourne and is a liaison officer to the Dutch.

We regret that when we last heard of Father Bartley, O.F.M., he was a patient in St. Vincent's, in Sydney. We hope he is making progress towards good health.

W.O.1 John levers Bartley paid us a visit on his return from the Middle East. We congratulate him on being mentioned in dispatches for "gallantry and distinguished service" in the Middle East between November, 1941, and April, 1942.

Bob Billings is building up a good business as a chemist in Koroit. His brother, Dr. John (now Captain John), finished his term in St. Vincent's and was married in February to Miss Thomas. We offer them our sincerest congratulations and best wishes. John is now up north with the A.A.M.C.

Daniel Blomme is with the Fighting French Navy. We thank him for his interesting letters from New Caledonia and other "pearls" of the Pacific.

John Brennan transferred from the Army to the Air Force. He is at an observer's school at Edmonton, Canada, and has met John Naughton and Dick Manly.

Frank Bourke—our slow bowler and full-back of 1938—paid us a visit, this time in Air Force uniform. He changed over from the Army some months ago, did a course at Bradfield Park, then came to Victoria, played League football with Richmond, and is at the time of writing en route for his "wings." With him at one stage of the R.A.A.F. training were Mick Pullen, R. de Costella and John Brennan.

News reached us a few days ago that Father Gerard Bourke, C.SS.R., was taken prisoner in Malay and that he is safe and well. Tom Bown and his nephew, Bill Dean, called to see us in September. Tom is now with the Air Force, and Bill has spent the last eighteen months with the Army in W.A. Since his visit we understand he has been issued with a green uniform—so we suspect New Guinea.

Fr. E. Boylan, as usual, sent along a grand long letter about Old Xaverians. We thank him most sincerely.

My dear Father Stephenson,

In reply to your letter, I send a few jottings about the Old Boys whom I have met or heard about during the year, regretting that there may be some to whom I should give a mention but who have slipped my memory.

After sending my notes last year, I had a visit from Leaver Cross, with his son who is now at Burke Hall. We had a long chat, and Leaver says that he is nineteen stone, and looks it. He was over on holidays and had just taken a run out to Cowes and the Seal Rocks and some animal sanctuary or other, where a friendly koala performed the miracle of putting his little arms around the not little neck of Leaver. He is a great man at Mt. Nelson, overlooking the Hobart harbour, where he is in charge of the look-out station and lives there with his wife. He also does some coaching in navigation, which increases his
banking account. A friend of mine visited
him, at my suggestion, in his look-out at Mt.
Nelson, and took his photograph, of which I
received a copy. He looked well and, from
a letter I received from him, it is clear that
he is still going strong.

In January of this year, I married Justin
Rowan and Kathleen Rawson. The ceremony
took place in the Xavier chapel, and was a
very quiet affair. Besides the two witnesses
who accompanied the bridal party, there were
none present but Brother Jackson and the
late Father William Baker. Justin and his
partner have been old friends since early
life, and this marriage sets the seal on a
very old-standing friendship. I wish them
both every blessing and happiness.

Leo O'Kelly, who is an important expert in
translating foreign correspondence in the Civil
Service, called on me during the year and
we had a long chat. Leo is an old friend of
mine, and was the first Xaverian I met on my
return to Melbourne after an absence in
Europe, and when I was attached to Xavier
as Prefect of Studies. I have often met Leo
since. He has remained a bachelor, but his
brother, Joe, also a great friend of mine, is
married—indeed, for the second time—and is
doing very well. He also is in the Civil
Service.

Waldemar Seidel, whom I had not seen for
many years. I met early in the year at
Hartley's Sports Depot. He had been get­
ing a golf case mended and was given in the
meantime a substitute which looked like a
long, narrow barrel. He was looking at it
very critically and wondering if he would
have the courage to bring such a curious­
looking piece of sporting furniture on to a
respectable golf links. He is a musical in­
structor at the University, and is also taking
private pupils. His brother, Kurth, is in the
Civil Service.

On the same day I walked into Gerald
Honan on The Block. He is engaged in teach­ing
in a State school, but at the time I met
him was losing three weeks of his holidays on
a call-up for war work in the shape of
strenuous manual work on the railways. He
seemed pleased with the fact that his con­
stitution was able to stand up well to the
strenuous nature of this railway work which,
no doubt, was good for the health, though not
very attractive in itself.

Billy Cosgrove I met in January on the Kew
Golf Links, where he was having a game by
himself. We had a chat. He had no partner,
and I regretted the fact that I was finishing
my round and so was unable to offer him
a game. However, as he had only one ball
to play with, I presented him with one. We
had a pleasant chat. He was looking very
fit and had grown into a stalwart young man.
He was then a pilot, and had been three years
in the Air Force. He served in Egypt, Syria
and Java. In the latter place he had adven­
tures enough and to spare. He escaped from
the place in an open boat and had very un­
Pleasant experiences. When I met him he
was enjoying a six months' rest leave. Billy
was a wild and restless kind of youngster in
his years at Burke Hall and Xavier, and I
think the military life agreed with him. He
had turned out to be a good footballer and
was a member of the Richmond team and
played some matches with distinction. The
news of his death came a little later, after
he had rejoined his unit at the front. I offer
my sincere sympathy to his brother, Cave,
whom I have not seen for a good while now.

On the day that the death of Billy Cos­
grove was reported, Richmond and Hawthorn
footballers observed a minute's silence at the
Richmond oval. Flight-Sergeant Cosgrove
played with Richmond in 1940 before he en­
listed in the R.A.A.F. I mentioned that he
escaped from Java in an open boat. I may
add now that there were twelve in that boat
and they were at sea for forty-seven days.
All of them have since perished. Billy being
the last.

On one occasion when I had taken a num­
ber of small boys to the zoo, including Billy
and his brother, I provided a rather liberal
lunch for them. Afterwards, they wrote an
account of their outing for me, which I
printed in the "Messenger." Billy said in his
article, "After the lunch I had a pain in my 'stummick,' but it was worth it."

Dr. Luxford Meagher was married in Feb­
uary to Muriel Feil. Muriel is the sister of
John Feil, who had a few weeks' leave of
absence at the time, and acted as best man
to Lux. I was at the marriage, which took
place with Nuptial Mass at the Church of
the Immaculate Conception, Hawthorn. The
subsequent feast, largely attended by family
connections of bride and bridegroom, took
place in the Windsor Hotel. The bride and
bridegroom have since been living in Beech­
worth, where Lux is medical attendant at the
hospital. Now, just shortly before writing
these notes, the distressing news has come
that Lux has had a breakdown in health
with a haemmorhage, and is in a critical
state. I was very sorry to learn this bad
news and trust that he will recover from
this illness, though perhaps he will not again
be able to carry on any strenuous work.

In March I had a visit from Gordon Kirby
and was delighted to see him again. He is as
humorous as ever. He is very proud of his
son's success in the Leaving examination,
having got second in the State. He lives at
Bendigo.

In April, I called on Gerald Crosbie, at his
office in Market Street. I was trying to get
a little money out of the country to America

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in return for some small but valuable parcels. It was not easy to manage, and Gerald went with me to the E. S. & A. Bank, which I had previously visited, and in which a helpful official referred me to Gerald. Then Gerald and I went back together to the bank and argued the matter out. Finally, Gerald undertook to go into the whole thing and seek a solution. He was very kind and helpful and fixed things up in a satisfactory way.

When I was in the bank and waiting for Gerald Crochie to conclude his argument with the bank officials, I met Jaime San Miguel, who looked well and prosperous, showing a substantial increase of avoirdupois. He reminded me of a game of golf we had arranged a year earlier and which I noted in these columns on that occasion. Jaime defaulted, but was able to explain satisfactorily why he could not turn up as engaged, and declared that he had not forgotten the contract and would when possible fulfil it. He is temporarily on leave for the duration of the war from Dunlop's, and is to give his services to the American forces as an expert in rubber. So that is his present job—loaned to the Yanks. He looked well, and with his increased avoirdupois looked as if he could handle with vigour any job he undertakes.

I note an article of Lux Meagher's in "Laurels" on fisticuffs. Clearly in Lux's day fights had not died out, but at the present day amongst school boys, fisticuffs are practically non-existent. In the old days they were very common. For instance, the late Mr. Hansen said that in his first year at Scotch about sixty years ago, he had no less than fifty fights in one year. Those were the days! Boys nowadays settle their arguments by diplomacy and compromise.

Charlie Byrne, who is doctoring at Sunshine and has a very extensive practice, paid me a visit. He has just published a book entitled, "The Future of Medical Practice"—a very clever and interesting book containing a lot of controversial matter. His brother, John E. Byrne, is practising at Yarraville.

Basil Murphy has very strong views on art and war. In an aggressive kind of way—in fact, in a very warlike kind of way—he is a pacifist and thinks "the world's debate" which is racking the whole of our civilisation at present would be settled in five minutes by a round-table conference of artists. It would be a remarkable round-table meeting of artists which ended up in five minutes. Basil is varying his professional career by accepting a position as associate to Chief Justice Latham, of the High Court. It enables him to get about a bit and gives him a fair amount of leisure and a certain respite from forensic toils. A great concern of Basil's at present is what is to become of great works of art and other artistic treasures during modern wars. He made a speech before the committee of the Art Gallery, making proposals for safety zones during war, for the conservation of art treasures. His proposals were accepted by the committee.

Willie Fazio I had not met for a considerable time until I came across him at the corner of Spring and Bourke Streets in August. He was smoking a cigar and looking prosperous. He had just alighted from a motor car. We had a pleasant chat. He reminded me of an occasion when he was sent up to me by Father Kirwin to get what's what. I told him I hoped I let him down light. He replied that he had no complaints to make. He is at Equity Chambers next door to Harry Minogue.

On the same day, and in the same spot, but not at the same hour, I ran into Gerald Honan again and we had another chat.

About Jack Ley—a relative of his tells me in a letter that he is reported to be a prisoner at Koepang and is employed by the Japs to teach them English. This report came from a companion of his who belonged to the same unit, but is only a report. Let us hope it is true and that he will be back in Australia eventually.

The last item I will refer to is my old colleague and friend, Father William Baker. There will be elsewhere, no doubt, an obituary notice and this is not meant to take its place, but to supplement it. It was very sad to see the splendid athletic frame of Father Baker rack with so many ailments during the last two years. He will be very much missed, not only by his colleagues, but by all the old friends that he had at Xavier and St. Patrick's. It used to be a familiar sight at Xavier to see him in the carefree atmosphere of a recreation period surrounded by his old friends, sporting lights of the football and cricket teams, and discussing the finer points of football and cricket. Many of his old friends were present at the Requiem Mass, and at the graveside, amongst them Tim Collins, whom I had not seen for a long time and of whom Mr. Baker was such a great admirer in the old days at Xavier.

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Lieut.-Colonel Geoffrey Brennan. From September, 1939, to the end of that year, he served with his regiment (Royal Artillery) in France. After that, for more than two years, he was attached to the staff of the War Office, London, and for twelve months of that period, to September 30th last, he was a liaison officer between an English and an American Headquarters in England. On October 1st last he took duty as Assistant Adjutant and Quarter-master-General with a division in the field, at present stationed in England. He married Rosamund Kennedy, daughter of an officer of the Indian Army, and is the father of a fine son who is nearly a year old.
We congratulate Marcus and Mrs. Burke on the arrival of their second son. Tom is in business in Melbourne, Noel is "everywhere" with the Air Force. Paul has returned after a spell at Milne Bay, and Adrian is with the Army in Melbourne.

Frank Buxton writes from H.M.S. Howe: "Met Erie Saunders in London in May. He was about to leave the country. Also met Harcourt Ick about twelve months ago."

Captain R. Buxton has spent most of the year near Alice Springs. We congratulate Lieutenant Douglas on his safe return from the Middle East, and on being "mentioned in dispatches."

We have had a couple of visits from Cyril Burke during the year. He is with the Department of Aircraft Production. Up to recently Brian Herrick was with the same Department. He is now in the A.I.F.

Len Buckley is with the Army in Queensland.

Peter Burne is with the Army in New Guinea. We thank him for several long letters and hope he will take the "Xaverian" for a reply. Peter has met Mal. Quinn, Jack Cooke and Murray Mclnerney, and reports that they are all well.

We congratulate Dr. Charles Byrne on his very thorough and comprehensive book, "Proposals for the Future of Medical Practice."

Despite the calls of a very busy practice at Sunshine, he has found time to examine and put into print the many problems that confront the medical profession in the case of Nationalisation of the Medical Services. The book has been very favourably received and we quote here from the "Argus" and from the "Australasian":—

It is possible that the growing movement for some form of nationalisation of health services will gather momentum during the post-war reconstruction period.

How such a radical reform of the most socially important profession could best be implemented is a matter in which few, if any, laymen would be competent to dabble. But it is, nevertheless, a subject for serious consideration for every member of the community.

In his book, "Proposals For The Future of Medical Practice," Dr. Charles Byrne points out that the giant strides in medical science during the past century have made a complete medical service so costly that it is available only to the wealthy as a luxury and to the poor as a charity. The aim of any plan for a national health service would be to co-ordinate the strength of the agencies for the prevention and treatment of disease so that they would be available for all, without discrimination.

Only by reading Dr. Byrne's lucid and comprehensive statement of the case can the layman obtain some idea of the difficulties involved in the problem. He demonstrates that it is not medical practice alone that must be taken into consideration. The social problems arising from food, shelter, and clothing have an intimate relation to the establishment of any form of national health service. They are purely economic problems, but a medical service could be made adequate unless the quantity and quality of food necessary for health is available; unless draining and sanitation are properly supervised, and until the people are properly clothed.

Apart from the economic aspects of the problem, the difficulties of establishing a national health service are formidable though not insuperable. One necessity, for example, will be the distribution of doctors in proportion to the population served. At present the tendency is for general practitioners to establish practices in the suburbs and large provincial centres which offer the best prospects of remuneration. So that residential areas obtain a proper service, an industrial districts that are avoided. From another aspect there is a conflict of opinion on the value of the general practitioner. Some authorities point to the great body of opinion that only the medical profession is capable of producing a complete medical service can only be obtained by the rich, to whom it is a luxury, and the very poor, to whom it is a charity. There is a growing body of opinion that nothing but a national medical service will be able to provide the complete treatment that all sick people need, for every class of society.

Problems to be solved before a national health service could be established are very difficult and far-reaching, and the job is one that only the medical profession can undertake. Nevertheless, it is a matter of profound interest to every member of the community. For the layman who wishes to obtain an insight into the subject, a book written by Dr. Charles Byrne, of Sunshine, "Proposal For The Future of Medical Practice," would be the best possible guide.
Dr. Byrne has made an exhaustive study of the social aspects of a national health service, and his work on the subject has been accepted as authoritative by the profession. One of the points that the layman would overlook is that, as Dr. Byrne points out, the four necessities of life are food, shelter, clothing and health, but the factor of health is intimately bound up with those of food, shelter and clothing. These three things do not come into the responsibilities of the medical profession. They are entirely economic factors. But, unless the people are adequately housed, fed and clothed, the medical profession is severely handicapped in its work.

Any plan for a national health service must of necessity take the three other factors into account. Dr. Byrne states the case very clearly when he writes: There is a very clear social distribution of diseases. Most morbidity rates and death rates are highest among the well-to-do. Related to this is the observed difference in growth and physique between poor and well-to-do, especially evident among the children, including those of pre-school age. It would seem, therefore, that the economic power must step in to help medicine by furnishing conditions that will provide healthy bodies from the very beginning and not call on medicine to combat the consequences of early malnutrition.

Dr. Byrne examines and analyses the several plans for the establishment of a national health service in a manner that can be easily understood by the lay reader. He has not only made his work lucid, but extremely interesting.

Major E. Casey returned from the Middle East, saw service up north, and is going in practice again as a doctor in Brisbane.

John Cavanagh has joined the Navy, and when last heard of was in and near Milne Bay.

Leo Casey we welcomed home from the Middle East early in the year. We had a couple of visits from him, and some letters as well. With him—or near him—are Con McMahon, Jim McMahon, Captain Maurice Collins and Vin Cahir.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. Chaplin, A.A.M.C, has retired from his practice in Ballarat and has taken up his headquarters at the Ritz in Clarendon Street. Spent sometime in Broken Hill, where his son Paul—now the father of a little daughter—is engaged in munition work.

Midshipman John Chapman sailed overseas and is on loan to the British Fleet. Squadron Leader John Clifford is up north with the R.A.A.F., and his nephew Clifford O'Connor, is up north with the Army.

Peter Chapman and Peter Lewis must be two of our most regular and faithful correspondents. Letters have come to us which appeared to be dried after a soaking in New Guinea rains. We thank them for their many letters and hope "The Xaverian" reaches them safely, and will do as a reply.

We offer Ken Clatworthy our sincerest sympathy on the death of his mother. He has been away most of the year with the Army. We hope he will soon see him at Xavier.

Jim Coghlan is up north with the Army, and while on leave was married to Miss Batten. Congratulations and best wishes. Like Jim, his brothers Oswald and Don are "soldiering on." Jasper saw service in the Middle East and in northern Australia, but is now in the south on the land with his father at Miners' Rest, Ballarat.

Brigadier Harold Cohen. We quote from "Sun": The Minister for the Army (Mr. Forde) has announced that the amenities, education and vocational training branches of the Army had all been placed under the direction of Colonel H. E. Cohen, who had been appointed to deputy Adjutant-General and promoted to the rank of Brigadier. It was believed, he said, that the new system would result in more efficient administration and service in those particular sections of the Army whose function was to keep up the morale of the troops.

Bombardier John Collins came back from the Middle East early in the year and is now somewhere up north. Don has been in Sydney doing a school and has now returned to his unit.

Michael Conlan is a teacher in the High School, Warracknabeal. We congratulate him and Mrs. Conlan on the arrival of a little son last May.

Flight-Lieutenant Alan Coleman is a chemist with the R.A.A.F.

Captain Maurice Collins we have met a few times during the year, and also his brother Adrian. We offer them both our sincerest sympathy on the death of their father, R.I.P. Maurice is now, we hear, in New Guinea.

Lieutenant Peter Conolly has been down on leave from New Guinea. We offer him our sincerest sympathy on the death of his father. R.I.P.

Des Conroy writes: "Our ship left Australia early in the winter and we sailed direct to U.S.A., where it was mid-summer. We spent a few very warm weeks on the East Coast, in New York and near Boston. The American people were very kind to us and we had a wonderful time. The Atlantic crossing was without incident. We spent a few weeks in the south of England, and I am now in the south of Scotland doing an advanced flying course as an air bomber."" As we go to press we learn that Des has been posted "missing over North Sea." We shall continue to offer our prayers for his safety.

Flying-Officer John Cooke writes frequently from New Guinea: "You will be interested to hear that we have Mass on two evenings a week at 7.30. A couple of weeks ago we had High Mass in Moresby Church at 7 p.m.
The choir, composed of Australian and American priests, was worth hearing."

Guy Cooper, of whom we have not heard for some time, is now looking after the A.C.F. in England.

Dr. Frank Costigan left Yea a couple of years ago, and has been practising in the suburbs. He has lately taken over the practice of the late Dr. Simon Bray, Collins Street.

John Crosbie is a supply assistant of H.M.A.S. Gawler, and when last heard of was assisting the 8th Army into Italy. No doubt John played a big part in this work. We thank him for his interesting letters and we hope "The Xaverian" will reach him safely and act as our reply.

Barry Crosbie is with the Air Force in W.A., and writes:—

"Well, for the past week I have been putting my hands to some manual work. I think I told you in my letter that I had met the Parish Priest here. He finished up talking me into painting the church, a task which I accomplished with fair success.

At the present there is a mission being given and next Sunday the Archbishop is coming here for the Confirmation. I have been able to arrange for quite a few of the personnel to attend the evening devotions, and hope to be able to arrange for even a bigger attendance next Sunday. I play a great deal of golf with the priest. He is an extra good sport, and plays a great game of tennis, as well as golf.

Received a long letter from Ernest Williams the day before yesterday. He seems contented in his new surroundings. He had his first 'plane ride, but did not seem too keen on it. I think he likes "terra firma," and like the old saying "the more terra the more firma." Also had a letter from John Nolan. He has his commission and is stationed near his home. He saw Bill Barwick a few times in Liverpool. Bill is now on the personnel. I think he made such a bad job of a private's life that they made him a corporal to see if he would improve. John McCormack is also in the A.A.F. as a corporal. I can always remember the first day you met John at school. I think, if I am right, it was in Grammar 1B Geography. Peter Dawson used to sit next to him, and you did not believe that when Peter Dawson gave his name and then John McCormack gave his, that it was their correct names, having two chaps with names of great singers sitting together.

We heard from Kevin Crosbie occasionally, and we quote from a letter he sent to Harold Simpson, secretary of O.X.A.:—

"Dear Harold,

I met Pilot-Officer Des Kennedy recently, and see Pilot-Officer John Cooke from time to time. Des is just as breezy as ever, and I also saw Pilot-Officer Paul Whitehead, who periodically calls in on this area. I was sorry to learn that his brother, Norm., had been wounded in the recent Buna-Gona engagement that virtually ended the Papuan campaign. His unit is at present camped quite close to us, and I learnt from one of his fellow officers who was bivouacing here yes-
terday, that he had been invalided home to Australia for treatment of his wounds.

Denis McCauley has transferred from ack-ack and has joined a patrol unit in the jungles of the interior. It is a real hermit's existence. Jack Dowling has returned from the south after attending a school in Sydney. I saw Brian O'Shaughnessy recently, and also met another Old Xaverian, with whom I had not seen for 17 years. His name is Gunner Jack Byron, and he was anxious to become a financial member of the O.X.A. He saw service in the Middle East and was in the West ern Desert and Syrian campaigns, and has also been in action with the Japs.

Tojo still visits us regularly, generally on moonlit nights, but he is always given a very warm reception. In fact, we have a respectable tally of planes already to our credit. It is just over two years now since we left Australia the first time, and, as we have only had seven days home leave since then, we are looking forward to a respite. Well, Harold, this is all the news, so I'll ask you to forward my regards to other members of the committee and best wishes to yourself.

Yours sincerely,
KEVIN CROSBIE.

Lieutenant R. Curran writes from Woolstonecraft, where he was spending leave. John is in the Air Force.

Dr. Kevin Cussen looks after the health of the boys of the school, and "On August 10th, to Dr. and Mrs. Cussen—a daughter." Congratulations and best wishes.

Frank Davis and Jim Svensson paid us a visit recently. The former is with the R.A.A.F. "blue-printing," the latter sailed overseas with a contingent of the R.A.A.F., and was in Canada when last heard of.

We have had some letters during the year from Major L. Darling. He is now with the 26th Australian Motor Regiment up north. He mentions having met Jack Porter and Brig. Clarebrough, and also that his son Peter is ready for Burke Hall.

Corporal Dennis Daly sends good wishes to the school from New Guinea, and tells us that he has met Paul Moorrees and Arthur Monks in the wilds of the jungle.

"We thank Lieutenant Peter Dawson for a long letter and also a copy of "Guinea Gold," the little Army news-sheet, giving an account of Pilot-Officer Ed. Marron and the Beaufighters.

Gerald Delaney is a barrister and solicitor in Swan Hill, and "on March 31, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Delaney—a daughter." Congratulations and best wishes.

Lieut.-Col. John Devine returned from the Middle East last year and spent a good deal of this year working at the military hospital, Heidelberg. We congratulate him on his interesting book, "The Rats of Tobruk." We quote from the "Herald":—

As General Blarney remarks in a foreword, it brings the whole picture of the dust and
Lieutenant Peter Dixon writes from the Zentsuji War Prison Camp, Japan: "I am in the very best of health, and there is no reason why it should not continue to remain so. I am on the Island of Shokoku in the south of Japan, and have been here a month. I was captured in Kavieng. We are American, English and Dutch officers. There are three civil engineers here and we study as much as possible. Our main problem is textbook, so if you can send any they will be greatly appreciated. Father V. Turner, S.J., looks after our spiritual welfare, and the Archbishop of Japan has been very good to us."

Bruce Dixon is an observer with the R.A.A.F., and has many interesting experiences pursuing Japanese round New Guinea. Austin is in the Army.

Lieutenant R. G. Dobson, R.A.N.V.R., left for Brisbane some months ago, and "on March 7th, to Lieutenant R. G. and Mrs. Dobson—a son." Congratulations and best wishes.

We thank A.C.1 Brian Doran for several letters sent to us from New Guinea. In one of them he mentions having met Bill Tacey.

Captain P. Dowling is with the A.A.M.C. up north, and "on February 5th, to Captain and Mrs. Philip Dowling—a daughter." Congratulations and best wishes.

Captain John Dowling writes:

Some of the Old Xaverians have made quite a name for themselves in these parts, especially the Buna campaign. Norm Whitehead, I have heard, did a very good job; Paul is also in these parts at present.

I had a trip further up in the wilds of New Guinea lately; it was very interesting, if one could do this trip in peace-time it would be quite easy to form a good opinion of this place; it is very pleasant amongst the hills and mountains. Of course, these ideas are formed by keeping to the roads and tracks. The lads that have done the fighting in that country have not such a good opinion of it. I think, without a doubt, it would be the worst fighting conditions of this war.

The Jap has not worried us very much of late with air raids. I think the air superiority held by us is keeping him away. Most of his raids are done by night now; he is safe from the fighters this way. He is doing very little damage with these raids.

Flight-Sergeant Ken Dowling writes from England:

Had a very decent leave, the first week in London, the last week in Windemere, which is the centre of the Lakes District about fifty miles from the Scottish border. It is a delightful spot and the scenery is absolutely glorious.

I can see myself spending another week up there or here and there. I was very sorry to hear the sad news of poor old Bill McKenzie; it must have been a hard blow for Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, after losing Duncan so early in the war.

I received a cutting and photo of Norm
Whitehead who lead the Buna attack, he was in the same crew with Jack in 1928, if you remember.

How much brighter the war is looking than when I last wrote, both at home and here; the whole show seems to have improved on all fronts.

Flight-Lieutenant Wilbur Dowling, missing believed killed. This sad news came to us last August and since then nothing certain had arrived about Bill. He was posted missing as the result of a battle between a Sunderland flying boat, of Anzac Squadron, and a number of Junkers 88's over the Bay of Biscay. Bill belonged to a Sunderland crew which had accounted for 28 U-boats and seven bombers since last June. In these days of uncertainty and anxiety we offer Bill's wife, and his father and mother, and his brothers, Jack, Ken and Geoff, our sincerest sympathy.

Geoff Dowling has been up north with the Army for over 12 months. We were glad to see him on leave recently.

We offer Ray Dowling our sincerest sympathy on the death of his mother. R.I.P.

We hear that John Downey is still in the Crown Law Department, is a keen controversialist, and sound in apologetics and legal history.

Alan Dwyer saw hard times at the landing at Milne Bay. He is safe and well.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to George Dwyer, on the death of his father. R.I.P.

Brien England has joined the navy. When last heard of was on H.M.A.S. "Assault," somewhere in Italy.

Gunner John Etherton writes often, and we thank him for his many letters. He has been in New Guinea for some time.

Eddie Fakhry we meet occasionally, especially near the time for the Head of the River, and "on August 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Fakhry—a daughter." Congratulations and best wishes. Marcel sailed for Rhodesia about two years ago. He had got his commission and is flying a Spitfire with the R.A.F. somewhere in Italy.

Captain John Fallon came back from the Middle Fast early this year. Welcome home! We are glad to say that he is well after all his experiences in Tobruk and elsewhere. Jack is now going on the land. We thank him for his work in coaching our athletes, and hope they will cover the distances as he did a few years ago. We hear his son, Michael, is beginning to think in terms of Xavier.

Jim Feehan has joined the Air Force and sailed for Canada some weeks ago. Brendan is a Marist Brother and is teaching in Sydney.

Lieutenant T. A. Finlayson always writes a cheerful letter and keeps the Editor up-to-date with news of Xaverians. Here is one of his letters:

Dear Father Stephenson,

It seems a long time since I last wrote you, and much water has flowed under the bridge since then.

I believe we were in Queensland when I last wrote, but we have been now stationed for the last eight months in New Guinea. I have seen a great deal of this island, per medium of jeep, 'plane, and, most of all, by foot.

There is no doubt that New Guinea is a beautiful place, and in practically all the island the scenery would be hard to rival in any part of the world. But, unless one is travelling by jeep, one seldom is in a fit state to admire scenery. Except for two weeks in Moresby, I have been all the time in forward areas, and I have yet to see a track that was not a deep morass of clinging mud running straight up and down heart-breaking and back-breaking razor-back mountain ridges.

When travelling such tracks one's whole thoughts and energies are concentrated on plodding up and on to the next staging post. The tracks are truly appalling, but, even under these conditions, one sometimes has to stop and look almost in wonder at the wild and rugged beauty of these mountain ranges. Running up to 12,000 feet in the sky, this view is printed indelibly on my mind. After climbing for some hours up a razor-back ridge we came suddenly to the top, and, through a gap in the jungle, the whole grand panorama of the wild Snake Valley lay spread before us. Far below us the Snake River wretched its way through the deepest gorges, past terrific cliffs and bluffs, and round the feet of towering mountain peaks, the whole being covered with the densest jungle. The whole, combined with the effects of light and shade, formed a truly grand spectacle.

At present, however, I am detached from my unit, and I am spending some time in a most pleasant valley. The weather just here is delightful, with warm, sunny days, and no jungle to block out all sun, and cool, pleasant nights.

Our mutual friend, Peter Dawson, is very well, although he has had a bout of the ever-present malaria, and is very thin. Our unit has been in some tough fighting, and Peter has done a grand job. We were both saddened some little time ago, when one of our Pals, Lieutenant Alan Saunders (Scotch College) was killed in a plane. We correspond regularly.

Also saw my brother Bernard in Moresby and is working not far from here as Staff Captain and doing a good job of work. Major Des Breheny has recently left here for another area.

Saw Damien Parer here a week or two ago, and he said his two brothers were also in this area, but I have not yet met them. I believe Damien has pictures of here that will rival his famous "Road to Kokoda."

Tom Molomby has received his Captaincy, and is working not far from here as Staff Captain and doing a good job of work.

Major Des Breheny has recently left here for another area.

Captain John Gibbs at an A.G.H. near Moresby, and thought he looked very fit. I have also met several other Old Xaverians, after my time mostly, but I cannot recall their names now.
We have recently had a Chaplain appointed to this valley—Father O’Driscoll, of Geelong parish—so we are able to obtain the blessings of the Sacraments regularly.

Last Sunday we had Requiem Mass and a Consecration of the little war cemetery here that holds about 200 men who fell here. It was a poignant and moving ceremony. About 40 of the graves are Catholic.

In other parts of the forward area (radius of about 60 miles), are Father Morgan, of Essendon, Father J. English, and Father O’Keefe.

All are doing wonderful work, often right up in the actual combat areas. Our Mass is frequently said here after dark at night, owing to the difficulty of getting the boys together in the daytime. At first it seemed strange to have evening mass, then go to Mass and Communion. One night Father O’Keefe said Mass in a small, roofless hut, not unlike a small stable. The dim candle light, the stars shining through the rafters, the solemn note of the tiny bell at the Elevation, and the hush inevitably brought pictures of the first coming in the poor stable at Bethlehem crowding into the mind—the most moving and devout Mass I have ever heard.

Well, Father, I think this letter is getting too long, so I had better come to a close.

Please give my kindest regards to all the Fathers, and with best wishes for yourself and the school. I remain,

Yours sincerely,

T. A. FINLAYSON.

Henry Gunson went to Canada last year and is now in England. We offer him our sympathy on the loss of his brother in an air raid, and we pray for his own safety.

Private John Hardy writes from New Guinea where he is now batman to Captain John Pawson.

Recently we had occasion to visit Bendigo and to renew our acquaintance with some Old Xaverians. We found Dr. W. Harrison a very busy man. His son Kevin had not been well and had to give up his medical course at the University for the time being. In a recent letter he tells us that he is making good progress. Dr. J. S. Gorman has settled in Bendigo and has a large practice. Fred McIntosh has taken land near Bendigo and is enthusiastic about it. We missed Frank O’Brien, but we met the family, who assured us that Frank is well, but was at the time in Albury on C.R.B. work.

We congratulate Dr. and Mrs. Frank Hayden on the arrival of a little daughter a few months ago. Frank lives near us here in Kew, and is a tutor at Newman College.

We congratulate Tom and Mrs. Hayes on the arrival of little Romuald a few months ago.

We congratulate Doug. Hemingway on his wedding to Miss Selkirk in October, and we wish them both every happiness and blessing. Doug, and his brother, George, are both in Messrs. Leo Hemingway’s, Brunswick.

Flight-Lieutenant John Henderson sent us a note recently from Ayrshire, Scotland. He has met Sub-Lieutenant R. Power, who is now married and has a couple of children, and also George Taylor, a former dux of the school, now a Colonel in the British Army, and, we think, in Egypt.

Frank Higginbotham is with the Air Force in New Guinea.

Anthony Healy we were glad to meet on Sports Day. He belongs to an anti-aircraft battery, and after watching the skies round Melbourne was transferred to Queensland. From there we have received several letters from him for which we thank him and ask him to take our efforts in "The Xaverian" as a reply.

The following letter was brought out to us from Ireland by Father Durnin, S.J. It was given to him by Valentine Healy’s sister, who is a Nun in Dublin. Valentine was here in the early days—1888-93.

When thinking of schooldays the Rectors seem uppermost in one’s mind. Father Nolan I knew at Hawthorn, after he had laid the ground for Father Nulty, a most charming
and benevolent gentleman, who always ad­vised one cure for juvenile ailments—"Black Jack"—the name sufficiently obviates any fur­ther explanation, but goes to prove the depths of Father Nulty's knowledge of the small boy. Then came Father Brown and the building improvements that were so badly needed, owing to overcrowding. It may be news to some of you that we had a novitiate, and, as well as I can recollect, it was transferred to Richmond about 1889. Father Sturzo was master of novices, among whom I can call to mind, were Father Dom Connell and his elder brother. Some of the scholastics stayed at Hawthorn and enjoyed the hospitality of that great character—Father O'Flynn—the man who could preach on any subject, and at a moment's notice. He was never seen without his top-hat, except when he changed it for his biretta. I was an acolyte for many years at Hawthorn, and we altar boys were always in doubt as to whether the Reverend gentleman went to sweet repose in his topper. Father O'Flynn was fortunate in having the services of a famous preacher and courteous cleric in the person of Father Isaac Moore, and one whose memory is always dear to the writer—the Reverend George Buckeridge, S.J. He was master of studies at Xavier and the Parish Priest at Hawthorn.

When the late Father McCurtin landed in Melbourne he resided for some time at Hawthorn, owing to housing restrictions at Xavier, or Kew, as it was called in those days. Although we were so cramped for room, it was wonderful how well everything was managed. I remember during the big wave of influenza, which in those days was known as "La Grippe," though three-quarters of the school were down, yet we could not have received more attention had we been in a private nursing home. The Father Minister who attended us in that period, somewhere about 1888, was Father Kennedy, who was for so many years at Richmond.

I was fortunate enough to return to Australia for a brief space after the Great War, in fact in the July of 1919, to be precise. My first Sunday I spent at Xavier, and I was greatly struck by the many improvements since I joined in late 1887 as a day-boy for one year and then as a boarder. Boys are always told that the school-days are the happiest of their lives, and I am not going to raise an argument either by agreeing to this old-time gag, or disputing it, but I will say that the best time of one's life is when one has settled down and made progress, and agrees that such progress is due to one's early training when at school.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Bill Higgins, as well as to his father, mother and sister, on the sad death of Brian—one of the recognised Catalina pilots in Australia.

Eldon Hogan. We find it difficult to enumer­ate his many and varied interests. No keener student of Xavier and its affairs exists. He is an assistant Editor of "The Xaverian," with emphasis on the word assistant. We thank him for his splendid work for the school.

Driver Louis Holzer writes:

I have had a varied career during my enforced vacation in Papua. After a month here in the scrub, I became all sea-minded and was detached to the Milne Force Marine Unit, where I acted as coxswain to the Navy for over two months. Tiring of launches, I aspired to larger vessels, and was fortunate to obtain a position as mate on a schooner. I had three months' experience on this ship before deciding to rejoin my old unit, and, during that time, covered most of the N.F.J. coast in our operational areas and the majority of the surrounding islands.

Capt. John Hoppe is helping in the transport section of the Army. Pat has his wings, and is with the R.A.A.F. up north; an, on March 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Hoppe—a daughter. Dick is with the Navy.

We thank Tom Howard for his letter of sympathy, on the death of Father William Baker, S.J., and we offer him our sympathy on the death of his brother Pat. Tom is still at Warrnambool, and his brother Frank is in the Navy.

Dr. John Garvan-Hurley paid us a visit on Sports Day. His son, Sergeant John, R.A.A.F., did a course at Cootamundra and Nilhill, and sailed recently for overseas.

Charlie Hurst is manager of Younghusband's, Deniliquin.

Frank Keane has returned from the Middle East, and has gone into practice again as a dentist.

Lieutenant John Keane writes as follows:

At the present moment we are camped in a very pleasant spot. We have hot and cold showers laid on; cold in the morning and hot at night. The hot shower is due to the fact that the water pipe is exposed to the sun for nearly two miles.

Our mess consists of a log-cabin, which was constructed by the officers themselves. Inside the cabin we have the bar, which is usually empty, as we are only allowed two bottles of beer per man per week.

I met Dick Dawson one night and we had a long talk about old school days. Peter Schlicht is also in this company.

I always managed to follow the football up in the "Australasian," and from what I read, you had a fairly small but fast team.

Pat Kearney is a barrister in the city. We congratulate him and Mrs. Kearney on the arrival of a little son last September. Tom is also a married man with a son and heir. Kevin is with the Shell Oil Co., and an enthusiastic member of the O.X.A. Committee.

Lieut. John Kelly, prisoner of war in Italy.

He was transferred from Camp 19 P.M. 3200 in north-western Italy in May, 1942, to Padula Camp 35 P.M. 3300, below Naples, and subsequently to Camp 78 P.M. 3300 (Sulmona) about 50 miles east of Rome, where he spent over 12 months. In July, 1943, while the Allied Armies were in Sicily, John and all Australian officers in the south of Italy were transferred to Camp 19 P.M. 3200 (Bologna), north central area, but on the landing of the Allies in Italy, they were again sent to Ba-
After a somewhat difficult and at times exciting period in southern Germany, in September, 1943. John arrived with a portion, but all study books, etc., were left in Italy, and it is doubtful if this portion of their kit-bags, tin-hats, respirators, etc., during the past year or so, I have naturally come in touch with him by mail, and in some instances to sit for examinations set by Oxford University, there was no provision in Italy for same. The transfer to Germany should permit him now to do so. Recent advices indicated his weight was 10 stone 13 pounds, which revealed he has lost over a stone in weight. Friends in England, America and Canada are in touch with him by mail, and in some instance managed to send permit food parcels, which are now only permitted under certain circumstances.

Berlin Radio, in November, broadcast with others, his name, as having arrived in Germany. The situation of his German Camp is north-east of Karlshruhe, not far distant from the French border, between the Rhine and Danube rivers.

Vin Kelly, a chemist with the Army, arrived back from the Middle East early in the year and was married to Miss Tome in March. Congratulations and best wishes. His brother Frank, who was captain of the boats in 1918, is with the Atlantic Oil Co., and lives at Hawthorn.

Robin Kellway is a corporal with a wireless section of the Army. We thank him for some very long letters, and hope "The Xaverian" will reach him safely.

The following letter from Ray Kelly should serve all "Xaverians" as a model of how to write to the Editor. We thank him for this Tetter, and we hope we shall get many more like it.

Dear Father Stephenson,

I am afraid you will find this letter to be rather more in the nature of a Chronicle of the doings of Old Xaverians, than a personal epistle. However, having staggered more than half way round Australia under a mountain of kit-bags, tin-hats, respirators, etc., during the past year or so, I have naturally come in contact with many lads from the old School, and I thought a brief account of the activities of some of them may be of interest to you.

Firstly, I shall deal with the Old Xaverians who are with our squadron. They comprise Wing Commander Peter Parker, Flight-Lieutenant Bill Smith, and myself. Peter was posted to us as Commanding Officer some time in May this year. Previously he had seen lengthy and distinguished service with Hudson and Beaufighter aircraft squadrons in Malaya, and other combative areas. Planes in Peter's hands are as eggs and rabbits in the hands of Jack Cussen. He simply does as he chooses with them. Although he has been with us only a short time, nobody would doubt his ability either as a pilot, or as CO. We hope sincerely that Peter's appointment with us will be a lengthy one.

Close on Peter's heels came Bill Smith, posted here to take up the position of Squadron Medical Officer. Prior to this appointment Bill was attached to Headquarters in Perth, and had an interesting few weeks in Broome while the "heat" was on. Then followed an interval of service as M.O. on training stations, during which period he met quite a number of Old Xaverians. John Hurley, Ted O'Keefe, and Maurice Moore were among the trainees that passed through Benalla while Bill was stationed there. They were doing their initial flying courses. Bill told also of meeting Flight-Lieutenant Damien Miller, of the R.A.A.F., who passed through Benalla while Bill was stationed there. They were doing their initial flying courses. Bill told also of meeting Flight-Lieutenant John Newton at Mascot. John was down on leave from the North. Shortly after returning to his battle-station, he shot down his first Zero, much to the delight of the trainee squadron. The rest must have put him in a rare fighting mood.

Bill Smith's twin brother, Jim, also a Flight-Lieutenant medical officer in the R.A.A.F., has proved to be a versatile sort of "bloke." After a period as M.O. on Victorian training stations, he was posted to Western Australia, where he had the opportunity to qualify as a pilot. He wears wings on his tunic now, and is flying twin-engined aircraft. Jim evidently does not believe in doing things by halves, for, on top of all that, he has announced his engagement to W.A. Loreto girl, Hilary Kearney. So congratulations on several counts seem to be due to Jim.

Flight-Lieutenant Damien Miller paid us a visit here about a month ago. Damien served some time as a flying-instructor in the West. Followed a period when he was given it's own Tiger-Moth, and was engaged in Air Force investigation work in Central Australia. From there he was posted to Rathmines where he is still stationed. I had intended to get a photograph of Damien for you, but events proved to be a trifle crowded on the day he was here, so I was, unfortunately, unable to do so. He is looking the picture of health, and appeared to me to have grown about 2½ feet since I last saw him (or maybe 2¼ inches would be nearer the truth).

Flying-Officer Bill Stutt also passed through here on his way to Melbourne. Bill has recently returned from Upington, where he was through the thick of it, flying Hudsons. Like all the Hudson boys, Bill gave a good account of himself.

On various occasions, while on leave in Sydney, I have met many of the old School identities. Corporal Leo Starr is stationed at a military camp in Parramatta. Leo has wife Corinne living in Sydney, and Kate and I see quite a lot of them. Leo looks well and spends his spare time playing cricket for the army.

Sergeant-Pilot Sid Holland passed through Sydney on his way to Tamworth, to take up duty as a flying-instructor. He called to see me at our Double Bay flat, but, unfortunately, I was not on leave, so I was denied the pleasure of seeing him. However, Kate and
he looked fit and "happy in the Service."

Brother Des. has been in Sydney twice while I have been stationed here at Camden. Some months ago he was sent over to do an artill­
ery school, and a little later he went back to an officers’ school. I understand he is now back in W.A. and has received his com­
mission with the rank of Acting-Captain.

Vaughan Kelly is a bombardier with an A.A. battery up North. He writes glowingly of the glorious nights they get up there, but says nothing of the glorious frights they must also get. However, he seems to be weathering the storm quite well.

Brothers-in-law Major Des Breheny and Captain Phil Dowling were stationed together in Queensland for some time. Since then Phil has been posted to an A.G.H. in Katherine, or some such place, where he is being kept very busy. Some weeks ago I went to Cen­
tral Station to see Des. and Lieutenant-Colonel Vin Schneider on their way through to Mel­
bourne for a few days’ leave. Vin was very excited at the prospect of seeing his wife and kiddies again. On the expiration of their leave, they went to New Guinea together to carry on the good work.

Flying-Officer Jim McEniry rang me from Bankstown a couple of months ago to say cheerio. He was on his way up with an R.A.A.F. unit. Unfortunately, time did not permit a meeting, but he sounded to be the old cheerful Jim. He should keep the boys in good heart with his amazing conjuring-tricks.

Others I have met over here are Lieu­
tenant John Marron, Jack McDavitt, and Des. Pennyfather. John Marron was stationed round here for some time, and paid us sev­
eral visits. Jack McDavitt, when I last saw him, had just discarded the Army for a fly­ing course in the R.A.A.F.; Des. was looking well and acting mysteriously; he has a job of considerable importance, but just what it is I could not say. However, whatever it is, you can depend on it that Des. is doing it well.

Now, having disposed of these venerable gentlemen, I shall proceed to discuss the most important thing of all, Myself!!

In March, 1942, I dived out of the develop­ing solution of civilian life, smack into the acid fixing bath of the R.A.A.F.; and I have been puddling round in it ever since. After a period of photographic service at a training station in Victoria, I was sent to an Air Force school at Canberra, where I had the good fortune to obtain first place. From there I was posted to Cootamunda to do a photographic flying course, and thence on to th’s squadron, where I am now in charge of the Photographic Section. Work, so far, has been both varied and interesting, and from a health point of view life is almost too good. I am enclosing photographs of Peter, Dick, and myself, which I thought might be of some small interest to you. Being mem­bers of the same squadron, I thought the opportunity too good to miss, so I proceeded to get them, with the enclosed result.

Our best wishes to yourself and the old School. Father. Our sincere gratitude for the fine ideals you instilled into us all during those plastic years at Xavier; ideals which we are all fighting to uphold and cherish.

My sincere regards to all my old friends at Xavier; may I see you again soon.

Faithfully Yours,

RAY KELLY.
his Adjutant's duties, and does a very good job in both roles. All of us are located on an island in the S.W. Pacific. One of those tropic isle affairs of dusky beauties, palm trees, blue waters, and mosquitoes, wogs that beggar description, everything that crawls and bites. Good news in all operations from all fronts, weigh the balance in our favour, however, and taking all in all we have a jolly good time.

Dear old Stuart King gone, and Stuart Methven, too, and others I've heard of that I didn't know so well. May they rest in peace and their families find solace.

I'd very much like to receive in due course "The Xaverian." If you would advise me of subs, due and the cost of "The Xaverian," I'll whiz the amount on to you.

My very best wishes, Harold, and I trust that all goes well with your many activities. Sincerely.

J. LAWSON.

Major D. Leeming called to see us recently after a long sojourn in the centre, west, and north-west of Australia. We think he is thinking of joining the Air Force.

Dr. Austin Ley was married to Miss Collie in October. Congratulations and best wishes.

Flying-Officer R. Linkson is an instructor in the R.A.A.F., and has had a variety of stations during the year.

Major John Lloyd has been missing for some time. Recent news tells us that he is a prisoner of war in Burma.

Captain Lindsay Lockwood writes:

Dear Father Stephenson,

Many moons ago remember receiving a letter from you, had always intended to answer and forward a photo which I think was mentioned in your note. I have experienced many changes during the last three or four months, and am at present settled for time being in what seems to be a static job. It goes very much against the grain, as I am essentially a field man and of rather a roving disposition. Returned from the Northern Territory in May, after two years there—two of the best and most interesting I've ever likely to have. Went there, if you remember, in middle of 1941, and was able to see the last few months of "old" Darwin, before the evacuation of civilian population. Experienced the first big raid and intermittently a number of much smaller magnitude at various times since. Cannot say that I felt particularly happy at any time that anything unusual was happening, but life was at least full of interest. Apart from Darwin itself, the nature of my job made the Territory my oyster for mapping purposes and was able, to a certain extent, to indulge my taste in horizons and the little known spots. The nature of my job, too, as a staff officer and a unit commander, enabled me to meet more people during my service there than falls to the lot of most officers serving there.

On relief from Territory returned via Brisbane by air, and one of my most memorable experiences was a very elaborate meal, after a fast of 24 hours on arrival there. Food, of course, was good and plentiful in the north, but lacked variety, service, and emanated a good deal from tins.

Went on 30 days' leave from Brisbane, and had much pleasure in meeting for the first time, a little lass, aged 20 months, at home, who was born soon after my arrival in Darwin.

About two months ago took over command of this and, like most other people in the Army to-day, hopefully prepared for the time when it's a case of move "north" again.

I met quite a lot of Old Xaverians at different times, but unfortunately cannot remember their names. Met Lieut.-Colonel Vincent Schneider some weeks ago.

I was pleased to hear, in your letter, that Xavier has again an excellent roll-call. We have a fine air of particular service, as you probably know, not the least in magnitude, importance, and general popularity being Major Tommy Behan.

Will close now, Father. Very kind regards to all Xaverians and all at Xavier. I am,

Yours very sincerely,

LINDSAY LOCKWOOD.

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it never is. Travel in this country is rather like a cross-country run; you always seem to be working against the clock. What a pity you can't rope in one of these carrier boys for your Aths. team; he'd romp home in the mile.

We live in a large native house, with a kitchen and bath room stuck on to the end of it. If we wanted another room any time, the natives would build it in a day, and stick it on somewhere else. They make you a house while you wait out here. In fact, if you sat down on the ground, they'd build one over the top of you if you asked for it.

We have two house boys to do the cooking and so on, which is very pleasant, the only catch being that usually there is not very much to cook. Bread is one of our specialties when we have any flour. We make the yeast from coconuts. The other day we sent one of the boys on a two-days' trip with a loaf of bread to our nearest neighbour. News travels fast in these parts, and he had heard of our bread.

There is quite a large garden here but, unfortunately, it will grow very little else but Taro. You don't eat Taro if you can possibly avoid it.

The natives in this area speak Motu—at least that's what the authorities tell us it is. Sounds more like water going down a sink than anything else. I can ask for food, and a bath, and tell people to "come" and "go" quite effectively; but apart from that I'm pretty much in the dark about Motu.

We hear the news every evening, so we are quite up to date with the war, despite our isolated position. Things seem to be going well over the other side.

Well, Father, my best wishes to you; and good luck to the School this year.

Yours sincerely,

DENIS McCauley.

Tom McClelland. Xaverians, in the forces especially, frequently mention "Laurels" and the welcome it gets wherever it goes. To Tom should go their thanks and appreciation. We also congratulate Tom and Mrs. McClelland on the recent arrival of a little daughter.

SONS OF OLD XAVERIANS.

(Names of fathers and dates they were at Xavier in brackets.)

Fourth Row (L-R).—G. Rennick (G. Rennick, 1904-09), B. Cotter (Dr. T. Cotter, 1915-18), J. Williams (M. Williams, 1911), K. Barton (R. Barton, 1907-14), R. Britten-Jones (Dr. A. Britten-Jones, 1911), D. Treacey (F. Treacey, 1903-08), J. Fennell (J. Fennell, 1902-08).


Second Row (L-R).—W. O'Dea (J. O'Dea, 1900), M. Donelan (H. Donelan, 1915-18), T. McGillicuddy (C. McGillicuddy, 1907), F. Ridgeway (R. Ridgeway, 1908), P. Baker (J. Baker, 1908-10), S. Byrne (J. W. Byrne, 1909-13), M. O'Neill (M. O'Neill, 1901-03), B. Murphy (Dr. T. Murphy, 1881-82), M. Kirsch (R. Kirsch, 1900), L. San Miguel (J. San Miguel, 1911-17), A. Horgan (Dr. J. Horgan, 1893-94), G. Winter (O. Winter, 1907-16).

Front Row (L-R).—Brian Dooley (J. Dooley, 1899), A. Bowler (grandson of S. Bowler, 1879-87), J. Mortenssen (Dr. H. Mortenssen, 1912-15), B. Hurley (Dr. J. Garvan-Hurley, 1905-12), G. Byrne (J. W. Byrne, 1909-13).

Absent.—T. Burke (T. Burke, 1912-20), D. M. Byrne (J. W. Byrne, 1909-13), A. Gleeson (L. Gleeson, 1914-18), B. Loughnan (Dr. F. Loughnan, 1971).
We thank Robin McCooye for long and interesting letters from Central Australia, where, despite absence of news, he makes a letter interesting. We fear we have been remiss in answering, and hope he will take "The Xaverian" as an excuse and a reply. He writes as follows:

"The wet season is drawing near once again. We have had no rain here since March, so you can imagine how dry the country is. Rivers, except the big ones like the Daly and Katherine, are now almost dry. They have ceased to flow and are quite content to become a succession of water-holes. Smoke from fires can be seen almost every day, but they do very little damage.

Stock away from the rivers are mere skin and bone, and losses are fairly heavy; this latter, however, is a yearly occurrence.

Don Collins, who first arrived up this way last Xmas., and has been to a school in Sydney, had a few days' leave, and is now back again. I managed to see him on the way down for a very short time, I went in to meet the train and he was on it. A sort of Stanley and Livingstone act.

Sergeant John McCormack was married a few months ago. Congratulations and best wishes. He and John Nolan, lately returned from the Middle East, and Denis Minehan paid us a visit recently.

P./O. John McDavitt has transferred from the Army to the Air Force, and has his wings. We congratulate John and Mrs. McDavitt on the arrival of twin daughters. F./O. Kevin has been up north, and is now stationed near Sydney. On 30th October he was married to Miss J. Naughton. Congratulations and best wishes. At the wedding we met Capt. John Fallen, Lieut. John Marron, Bill Naughton, whom we had not seen for years; Geoff Ryan, who accomplished his work as best man with great success, and Tony England.

John McDonald has resigned his work as secretary of the O.X.A.A. and has joined the Navy.

Ken McKenzie is with Younghusband's in Echuca, and we congratulate him on his wedding to Miss Tehan and wish them both many years of happiness. Hector is with the A.I.F., and has been up in the north-west. Mitchell is with the R.A.F. at Milne Bay.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Hugh and Geoff. McKenzie on the death of their brother Bill (R.I.P.). Hugh is with the Army in New Guinea, and Geoff, is with the Navy, watching the sea lanes.

John McKenzie, who was at Xavier in 1938, joined the R.A.F. on the outbreak of the war. He has done the Flight Engineer's course on the Lancasters. He is now doing maintenance work on Mosquitos. We are glad to hear that he is well, and we thank him for his expressions of kindness and appreciation for his masters at Xavier.

We quote from the "Herald":

Notification has been received that Lieut. Eric Paton McGinn, reported missing after the Muar River engagement, in January, 1942, is now listed as a prisoner-of-war in a Malayan internment camp.

Lieut. McGinn, who is the younger son of Brigadier-General J. P. McGinn and Mrs. McGinn, of Studley-avenue, Kew, was with the 2/29th Battalion in July, 1941. He was educated at Xavier College, and before joining the A.I.P. was an officer in the 8th Battalion A.M.F.

Sub. Lieut. D. McLennan is up near Darwin with the Navy Office. Met Bill Bolan the moment he stepped out of the 'plane on arrival in N.T. Has become interested in insects, birds, and butterflies, and since cameras are forbidden, has tried his hand at painting. We have not yet seen the results.

The McLoghlin's: Bill is a lieutenant in the Army, and is in Queensland. Frank is a sergeant in the A.I.F. in New Guinea. Rev. Dan, S.J., is teaching at St. Aloysius' College, Sydney, and Pat is attached to the R.A.F. in the Middle East.

Ken McPhail. We congratulate him and Mrs. McPhail on the arrival of a little daughter in October. He writes as follows from Townsville:

My only Xaverian acquaintance since my tour commenced has been none other than Tom Lightfoot, also one of the athletic boys, and now L.A.C. Lightfoot, R.D.F., mechanic in the R.A.A.F. His tour of duty keeps him around these parts. I don't know whether you have ever had the good fortune to visit this city in peace-time, but being, as you know, Queensland's second largest city, there is much that is of interest if looked for. We have had a couple of trips in to the Cathedral on Sunday mornings—it is an asset to the town, both in its structure (it is quite an impressive building for these parts), and particularly in its wonderful position on the side of a hill overlooking the town. The barrier reef islands are a big attraction, and they "extend in a line about seven miles off the coast outside Townsville. The main island of interest is Magnetic Island, well advertised down south as a holiday resort, in peace-time, to which a small ferry boat plies daily. The A.C.P.-Y.M.C.A. has taken over one of the guest houses named "Arcadia," which I should say would accommodate two hundred men, and, run as an Army unit, provides short furlough spells of from two to seven days for the troops. I had the good fortune to spend forty-eight hours there amid the coconuts and pineapples. Other points of interest are the Castle Rock, of approximately 1000 ft. height, which towers over the township, and from the summit of which one can see everything for miles around—the harbour, the islands and the out-lying parts of Townsville, together with the great wealth of interest that they hold, and the Mt. St. John private zoo, which, for the district, has quite a fair variety of animals on exhibition. Perhaps
now a few words of different ones of whom I have heard of late. The Keane boys, John and Bill, are both lieuts. in the A.I.P. John is doing instructional work at the Commando Training School at Canungra, South Queensland, where also is stationed Bruce Rowan (sergeant). Note how we athletic club fellows still keep the old flag flying—a very great privilege, I think. To continue, Bill Keane was in hospital at Warwick or somewhere, recovering from appendicitis. Bruce Rowan, I understand, from Dal Swaine, was seen in Melbourne on leave recently, so I have not heard from him for some time. Jack Tutton, I guess, would now be up Darwin way, but I have not heard any definite news of him. Different ones, too, have brought me news of friends and associates non-Xaverian, all of whom I have been very interested to hear of, but as you would not know of them, I have not mentioned about them. I suppose you have heard that John McCarthy, Sgt/Obs., R.A.A.F., is missing over Germany, unfortunately—a great pal of Bruce Rowan's, by the way. Well, in closing, I hope this little bit can hold some interest for you, and trust that it finds you and all my Jesuit friends at Xavier in the best of good health.

Yours sincerely, KEN McPHAII.

Sapper J. McPhillamy is with the R.A.F. somewhere in New Guinea. He paid us a visit when on leave last December.

Basil Maloney is with the De Havilland Aircraft Company's finance department in Sydney. John, now a qualified doctor with hospital work complete, is a Flight-Lieutenant in the Air Force.

A/W.O.1 Edmund McRae. We congratulate him on winning the British Empire Medal for service rendered during the Middle East campaigns.

Ken Madden and Peter Forrest both joined the Air Force early this year. Ken is up north, end Peter is on an island near the border of Victoria and N.S.W. on radio location work.

Flight-Lieutenant John Maher has spent most of the year with the R.A.A.F. in Townsville, and writes as follows:

Dear Father Stephenson,

As it is some time since I last wrote to you, I am taking advantage of a few spare moments to pen a few lines.

I left Canberra, where I had spent two happy years, on the 4th January, and arrived at Townsville a few days later. From there I proceeded to Moresby, where I spent five weeks before coming to my present location.

Whilst at Moresby I met Jack Cooke and Des. Kennedy. Des has now left this area, but Jack was still in Moresby when I left.

I was afforded the pleasure of seeing last year's "Xaverian". This was a very great pleasure to hear of the news of the whereabouts and doings of many of my school pals made interesting reading for the greater part. The other part was that where one felt regret for the many fine examples of manhood who have made the supreme sacrifice.

I'm afraid I cannot attempt to describe my reactions to either Moresby or here. With the descriptive gem provided by my pal, Prank Scognamilo, on Moresby, it would be beyond my possibilities to improve or enlarge on the place. As Des. Kennedy provided in his excellent description of this, my present location, the field of description has been reduced to nil.

I find both Moresby and here quite nice places. The climate is, perhaps, somewhat humid at times, but one must expect such inconveniences at times such as these. God grant that it won't be very long before peace once more reigns, and all may return to their former occupations and loved ones. After that diversion I shall continue.

In my own particular sphere things are much different from what I have been accustomed. I now feel more at home with my job, and hope it is assisting in the war effort more than previously.

Please convey my kindest regards to my former masters.

I shall conclude now, wishing you the very best for the remainder of the year.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN S. MAHER.

The walks through the jungle can be quite enjoyable if one can appreciate the beauty of nature, the varied colourings of green and brown, the swift-winged vividly-coloured butterflies, and not be upset by an occasional herd of wild pigs. Fishing in these parts is most interesting, mainly on account of the many shapes and colours of the fish. Of course, swimming and fishing go hand in hand, and consequently one soon gets a good suntan.

There is a R.A.A.F. football competition in full swing here. Though nearly too old for the game, I enjoy the matches. I am vice-captain of our team, which is at present at the top of the list. The keenness is great, despite the terrible conditions in which we play. The grounds are extremely rough and muddy, and good football is consequently hampered. The team is to be supplied with 18 pennants, one each to the members of the team, so you can understand the reason for the keenness.

Prank Scognamillo, on Moresby, it would be the reason for the keenness.

Bob Harr's is still in this area, though he doesn't enjoy the best of health. Milo Doheny is another Old Boy in the locality, but I haven't managed to see him yet. I am not certain whether Father Con Reis is still here or not.

I was pleased to hear of the XVIII.'s initial success, and was disappointed to later read of their defeats. However, it is the game that counts, and Xavier have always played that in true sportmanlike manner.

Well Father I had better conclude now. I am looking forward to having a chat with
yours in the near future—early in 1944. Regards to Father Brennan and my other past masters with you. Hoping for a successful conclusion to 1943 to the School.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN MAHER.

Martin Malone always sends a cheerful note from Bacchus Marsh, where he is a chemist. He met Sergeant Jim Harbison at Darley, having returned from service in Greece, Crete, and Libya.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Frank Manzie on the death of his father. R.I.P. Frank is on the staff of the "Argus," and may be styled also one of the leading writers in "Laurels" and "The Xaverian." As we go to press we learn of the arrival of a little daughter. Congratulations and best wishes.

Edward Marron received his commission in the R.A.A.F. some months ago. He has been very busy with the Beaufighters up north, where he says the morale is 101 p.c. Lieutenant John was here on Sports Day. He has been in Queensland during the year. Dick spent most of the year with the Army in the west and north-west. We understand he has been issued with a green uniform, which spells "jungle."

John Molomby is a barrister in the Austral Chambers, Queen Street, and resides in Balwyn. Captain Tom is with the Army in New Guinea and sends the following:

Dear Father Stephenson,

From the wilds of New Guinea, I am writing my annual note. I have not seen "Laurels" or had any other news of Xaverians for many months.

Strange enough, John Pawson is with me at the moment on a visit from Div. H.Q. He seems in fine form. In this country, where walking is the only mode of movement, it does not pay to be out of form.

Early in the year I was in Brisbane for ten weeks at a Staff School. It was very enjoyable and I was sorry when the period ended.

Peter Dawson is about ten mountains removed from me, and, so I have heard, by bush wireless, in very good form. Tom Finlayson is not so handy these days, but, from all accounts is in his usual good spirits.

I remember Frank Scognamillo's vivid descriptions of New Guinea's beauties, which appeared in last year's "Xaverian." I am convinced now that, up to that stage, he must have only moved by jeep. Mountain climbing and slush ploughing are exhilarating at times, exhausting at other times, but still one keeps very fit—doubtless we are all laying a good foundation for the parts we will have in the V.C. when the next encounter cost them.

Mass is somewhat infrequent here, and the boys always appreciate the efforts of the chaplains. Father English and Father Morgan attend to our spiritual needs, but their areas of work are so vast that we seldom see them for long.

Kind regards,

TOM MOLOMBY.

Sub-Lieutenant Maurice Molony sent us a couple of letters during the year. As we write, he is home on a well-earned rest and leave. Dick is in the Air Force in England.

He writes:

Since I went to sea on 27th December, 1940, in H.M.A.S. "Canberra" I have had plenty of excitement. After about 9 months in the "Canberra," I left for the Mediterranean, where I joined a destroyer which did "beef and spud" runs to Tobruk, and as if that was not enough, took on Malta convoys as a part-time job.

Then I joined a battleship for about four months, and then came to England. Here I spent a short time in Motor Torpedo and Sun Boats in the Channel and enjoyed the fun tremendously.

On May 15 last I passed my exam, and was promoted to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant, and I am now doing courses in England.

Louis Moore has transferred from the Army to the Air Force, and when last heard of was in Ballarat. We offer him and his brother, Jim, our sincerest sympathy on the death of his father. With Louis is Dick Monaghan, who is training to be a wireless air-gunner, and Xavier de Bavay, who is doing his navigator's course.

The Moores. This family is on the way to making a school record. A member of the family has been with us now since 1928. There are still two boys at school, and one is at the Preparatory School. Bill is now a Lieutenant, and has spent most of his time enjoying sea air in the garrison at one of the Heads. Rev. John, S.J., has the cares and worries of the Second Division here at the school, besides, of course, a few periods of class. Mark is in the Army and has left for the north. Des. is on the land at Yarram. Maurice is in the Air Force and is at Point Cook.

Hugh Moore has his commission in the R.A.A.F., and is an instructor. His brother, Peter, has joined the Air Force, trained in Sydney and Tasmania, and, when heard of last, was preparing to go overseas.

Paul Moorrees is in the Signals and has spent most of the year in the far north. We have received several letters from him during the year and we were glad to see him on leave recently.

Captain Leslie Moran has spent most of the year in Brisbane, where he was married to Miss Spillane. Congratulations and best wishes.

Harold Mortensen does a good deal of travelling round in connection with the Navy. He writes: "Frank Flynn piloted the 'plane on one occasion and one—Riordan—we think it
is John X.C. 1932) was the co-pilot on another plane I travelled in. Pat Boileau, Leo Donnelly and Frank Quigg are also in my branch." Harold's son Kevin is in the munitions and moves round a good deal giving lectures, etc., on scientific subjects.

Dr. George Mulvany. We offer him our congratulations on his wedding to Miss Wharton. George has a medical practice in East Malvern.

We congratulate Page and Mrs. Newman on the recent arrival of Gerald Peter.

Flight-Lieutenant John S. Newton. We noticed his name in the press some time ago among successful Spitfire pilots, and, after his name was written: "Zero destroyed."

Dr. Frank Niall is Dean of St. Vincent's Clinical School. We congratulate Des., who is a lecturer in anatomy at the University, on obtaining his Master of Surgery degree.

Dr. Torn Noonan. We offer him and his son, John, our sincerest sympathy on the death of Mrs. Noonan. Dr. Tom has a busy practice in Malvern, and John is a Flight-Lieutenant in the Air Force.

We offer Jack and Laurie Nuttall our sincerest sympathy on the death of their father. R.I.P.

John E. O'Brien. We offer him our sincerest sympathy on the death of his mother. John is still on the land at Hey field, Gippsland.

Paul O'Brien writes:

We are slowly becoming' inured to the winter clime of N.G., and mud and slush are common sights now. Of late, however, the tropical rains seem to have abated somewhat; a real relief to see the ground hardening once more under the influence of the dry spell. I have been on several long patrols that have covered quite a period of time; during these I gained first hand knowledge of tropical vegetation and the various uses that different things can be put to. The natives are intriguing, providing us with many amusing incidents and helping us in many ways where they alone could be of assistance. I will leave off now, hoping that you are in the best.

W. H. O'Brien, a Xaverian of the 'eighties, is in Bendigo. He has had a bad attack of rheumatism and is responding well to the treatment in Bendigo hospital. We offer him our sincerest sympathy on the death of Mrs. O'Brien. R.I.P.

Bill O'Day. We congratulate him on his wedding to Miss Vanheems and we wish them many years of happiness.

James O'Dea, who was at school at Xavier in 1900, we had not heard of for many years.

This year we heard from his nephew, Bill, who is now at school, that he is in business in Warracknabeal.

John O'Donnell is in the Army, but had a couple of months' leave to help with the shearing. Brian is on the land. We were glad to meet him at the Public School Sports and afterwards at the School.

Dan O'Halloran writes:

Dear Editor,

I was very grateful to receive the recent "Xaverian," which rejuvenated me to the extent of about 25 years. Such a tonic is appreciated under present conditions on the farms, where 16 hours a day on the job are common, and one never travels more than 9 miles from the scene during 12 months. In health, and spared from invasion, we can still take more of this.

Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant R. O'Hara was married to Miss Percy in January. Congratulations and best wishes. Recently Bob went up north as a cypher officer in New Guinea.

Father F. O'Keefe, S.J., is still at Norwood, South Australia, and with him is Father W. Ryan, S.J. We thank Father O'Keefe for his many letters and his great interest in the School. In one of his letters he tells us that he had a long letter from a former Second Prefect, Father J. Kelly, who is now rector of a college near Limerick, Ireland, and was entertaining at the time Father J. McNamara, S.J., who is now stationed in Dublin.

We offer Father O'Keefe, our sincerest sympathy on the death of his brother William. R.I.P.

Ross O'Loghlen arrived safely back from Singapore and is now with the R.A.A.F. up north. We congratulate him and Mrs. O'Loghlen on the arrival of a little daughter in August. As we go to press we learn that Ross is missing. His brother Colman is in New Guinea.

Brian O'Shaughnessy was home on leave recently after a long spell in New Guinea. He has returned now, and writes:

I have been seeing quite a bit of Jim Laird recently, as he arrived up here at about the same time as I returned from leave. Fortunately, he is located only a short distance away from me and am expecting another visit from him to-night. We shall probably ferret out a picture show and have a yarn together afterwards. Jim is a Lieutenant with an Air Maintenance Coy., the function of which is comparatively new to the A.I.F.

Wing-Commander Peter Parker was married to Miss Roma Fowler in September. Congratulations and best wishes for many years of happiness. Lieutenant Michael. We quote from the "Sydney Morning Herald":—

First-Lieutenant aboard a Hunt class destroyer, Lieutenant Mick Parker, R.N., of Kew (Victoria), is one of the few Australians warning the broad Royal Navy rings.

Six feet two inches tall, Parker sports an enormous black beard—the biggest in the Mediterranean. He is described by his brother
officers as "Jungle Face," and the beard is famous from Alexandria to Portsmouth.

Park tells a good story of the time when the destroyer put into a port for minor repairs. A local dignitary presented the ship with a huge white bull. To refuse would have strained international relations, so after much struggling the reluctant bull was finally persuaded aboard, where it was secured by a ring in the nose to a ringbolt in the ship's deck.

Next day at sea it was decided to give all the ship's company fresh meat, so the cook, armed with a massive cleaver, attempted the execution.

His first swipe missed the bull altogether, but severed the holding rope. The bull promptly took charge of the ship, chasing the crew into the gun turrets and the upper deck.

Eventually it slipped on the steel decking, stunning itself. A rope was hurriedly lashed round its forelegs and it was hoisted up on a lifeboat davit.

A navigation officer went below to get a pistol to shoot the bull through the head, but a first-lieutenant got in first with a big machine-gun.

We congratulate L.A.C. Glen Parsonage and Mrs. Parsonage on the arrival of a little son last May.

Captain John Pawson returned from the Middle East End then went up to New Guinea. He was also loaned to the Americans for a couple of months. We understand that he has a batman after his own heart, and that he is none other than Jack Hardy. We noticed that Captain John had a good deal to do with the organising of the march of the 17th Brigade through the streets of Melbourne in support of the 4th Liberty Loan. He writes:

Received your very welcome letter to-day, and my delight was equalled by the fact that yours was the first mail we have received for some little while.

I have changed my address, and have listed the new one at the top of the page. I am now stranger as it may seem, working with Des. Breheny, who is my boss, and am also in contact occasionally with Tom Molomby; Peter Dawson is round these parts and doing a very fine job. Tom Finlayson, who was at Xavier, is also up here and keeping up the old "sursum corda." Things are excellent at the moment, and the Japanese are receiving a severe set-back every time our lads get to grips; I hope, however, that the war will finish soon; it gets a bit boring after nearly four years; although at the moment it shows no signs of abating.

Captain David Pitt is a medical officer with the Armoured Division in West Australia. He was married last May to Miss Kiernan. Congratulations and best wishes.

John Plant has been appointed vice-chairman of the Metropolitan Hospitals Association for the second year. He represents St. Vincent's. Kelvin is up north with the R.A.A.F. and Nelson is at Wagga with the Air Force.

Flight-Sergeant R. J. Power. We quote from the "Kyneton Guardian":—

Flight-Sergeant R. J. Power, R.A.A.F., son of Mr. R. J. Power, of Barfold Estate, Barfold, was one of those who took part with the R.A.A.F. in the heavy attack on Frankfurt on Monday night. The Air Ministry states that as a result of the raid, which was made in strength, large fires were left burning, and heavy damage was indicated by the early reports. Flight-Sergeant Power enlisted with the R.A.A.F. at Kerang, and received his training in South and Western Australia, leaving for England in August, 1942, when he was attached to a squadron of the R.A.A.F.

Leo Peterson called in to see us a short time ago. He is in the Air Force and was radio-locating on a distant island near New Guinea. He is now doing initial training with a view to becoming a pilot. His brother, Frank, is in the Army, is married, and has been stationed at Ballarat for the last few months.

Ben., Maurice and Leo Quin. We offer these very loyal Old Xaverians our sincerest sympathy on the death of their father. R.I.P. Mr. Quin would have qualified for a Xaverian—so interested was he in the welfare of the School. We have had no news of Ben since Nauru was shelled nearly two years ago. Maurice is in the far north-west of Australia. We met Leo recently on leave from Queenshnd, where he is in the Tank Division.

Roy Malvin Quinn was married to Miss M. Hepburn last January. Congratulations and best wishes. His brother Clive is in business in Melbourne.

Father C. Reis is up in New Guinea, and writes:

I have met a lot of O.X. lads since I have been in the Army, and it is great to have a pow-wow. Colin McLean was near me for a while and Reg Foley is quite close now, and also Paul Whitehead, but so far I have not located him. In my brigade there are several: Angelo Natoli, Maurice Ryan, Paul O'Brien, Frank Bourke, John Naughton, Dan Whelan, Ernie Williams, my own brother, Kevin, and others whose names just don't come back to me. Jack Cull is Adjutant to one of our battalions here.

Les. Richardson was in Melbourne about twelve months ago, on one of his rare visits to civilisation. He is on the land in N.S.W. out from Mildura, and has no good rains for 2½ years.

It has been officially confirmed that Alan and Les. Robertson are prisoners of war in Malay. We hope they are well.

E. Rorke. We quote from the "Sun":—

Mrs. E. J. Rorke, Essendon, has been advised that her husband, Corporal E. J. Rorke, previously reported missing, is now a prisoner of war in Malaya. Corporal E. J. Rorke enlisted in 1940, and arrived in Malaya early in 1941. He represented Xavier College in
two Head-of-the-River races, and before enlistment was attached to the head office of the Shell Company.

Alan Rosel is with Council of Scientific Research. Captain John, M.C., came back from the Middle East some months ago, and was in a camp near Melbourne for some time. He is now up north with the troops. We congratulate him and Mrs. Rosel on the arrival of Michael Sefton, last March.

We offer Dr. Kevin Rush, and Gerald, our sincerest sympathy on the death of their mother. R.I.P. Kevin has now two sons at Burke Hall. Gerald is teaching in Tasmania.

Sub-Lieutenant John Rush has spent most of the year in Townsville. We were delighted to welcome him one afternoon at the School when on leave. He made an important announcement!! His brother, Tom, is with the Army in Sydney.

We congratulate Cyril and Mrs. Ryan on the arrival of a little daughter in August.

Br. Peter Russo we met recently in Collins Street. He has been working on a book called "Spoken Japanese Simplified" which has been favourably received by the Press. We quote from the "Herald":—

"Spoken Japanese Simplified," a conversation dictionary prepared by Dr. Peter Russo and published by Robertson and Mullens at 2/6 a copy, should prove highly useful, particularly to our fighting forces. As Dr. Russo himself concedes, study of it will not put the student on chatty terms with the Sun Goddess, but it will certainly afford a satisfactory facility in the spoken language. And this, of course, is a very desirable accomplishment just now, especially as a feature is made of words and expressions belonging to current war idiom. It will help desirably to bring the student more or less free from incident. It was very hot most of the time as we were in the tropics for a fair while.

We landed in San Francisco, but, unfortunately, did not stay there, but what I could see of the city was very nice. We went under the Golden Gate and Oakland bridges, and anchored in San Francisco harbour right next to the rock island where the famous prison is built.

We hopped straight on to a train at Frisco, and had a wonderful four and a half day trip across the U.S.A. to Boston. There is some wonderful mountainous scenery in California and Utah, and we passed through Salt Lake and passed through Salt Lake City, Denver, Chicago, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, and New York.

I spent a fortnight in an American camp in Massachusetts, and paid a visit to Boston and went to the races at Suffolk Downs. There were four of us together and we were received with open arms by the publicity manager of the course, whose name, by the way, was Ryan. He made us his guests for the afternoon and showed us all over the course, and introduced us to the Governor of Massachusetts, and a few other notables.

Four days' leave in New York was just the tops. It is a marvellous city, and must be the eighth wonder of the world. Life goes on there just the same for twenty-four hours a day. I was up on top of the Empire State Building and the Rockefeller Centre, and saw Madison Square Garden, Radio City, Coney Island, the Statue of Liberty, and a few other world-renowned places, besides a number of their famous night clubs. It took me three days to get over the leave. All the time we were there the people were very good to us— Australians being rather a novelty—and they gave us a very good time.

The trip across the Atlantic was short and without incident. The first view of England was just as you
wound picture it, with early morning mist, green fields, old houses, etc.
I have been here for six weeks now, and in that time I have been in three different camps, doing practically nothing, but I start flying again next week after being on the ground for four months. I have had one week's leave here and stayed at a small village in Suffolk with some very hospitable people.

I have got about another six months' training to do here before going on to operations. I am hoping to get on to heavy bombers.

I think that is about all the news for the present, Des—best of luck to you, and give my kind regards to the rest of the family.

Yours truly,

P. W. RYAN.

Wing-Commander J. P. Ryland, D.F.C., writes—

Dear Father Stephenson,

A considerable time since I have seen you or been out to School—but have only returned from U.K. and U.S.A. about three months, and more lately from New Guinea. I seem to spend a great deal of my time living in a suitcase. I continue to meet Old Xaverians in the most out of the way places. Sorry to read of Father W. J. Baker's death; he was a man whom I held in the highest regard and who undoubtedly had a great influence over my life at School. Still hope to see you some time.

Kindest regards,

JOHN P. RYLAND.

John San Miguel did his preliminary training with the R.A.A.F. in Australia, got his wings in Canada, and is now somewhere in England.

Rev. G. Schneider, S.J., returned last year from Perth, where he was teaching in St. Louis' College, and is doing his studies for the priesthood at Pymble, Sydney. His brother, Victor, had a dental practice in Camberwell, but is now up north with the Army.

Lieut.-Colonel Vincent Schneider is with the 4th Field Regiment up north.

Bill Scudds is in the Navy on the H.M.A.S. "Nepal," and put in an appearance at an Australian port recently. Jack is in the Air Force. We congratulate him on his wedding to Miss S. Kirby and wish them many years of happiness.

Jack Seward has a dental practice in the Royal Insurance Buildings, Perth.

Flight-Lieutenant John Shelton went to New Guinea. We quote from a letter from him:

I arrived in New Guinea about six weeks ago, and have already seen a good deal of the island from the air. We have a nice little hospital on the side of a hill, with a pleasant view through the coconut trees out over the sea. Am kept fairly busy, for there is a good deal of sickness about at present, mostly malaria, but I am very well myself and enjoying the life. The flying boys and the men are all a great crowd of chaps.

I have met a few other Xaverians in the R.A.A.F. up here: Rory Willis, Jack Cooke, Edward Marron, who is a pilot with a Beaufighter squadron nearby; and Squadron-Leader Godfrey Baldwin, who is the CO. of a medical receiving station over in the next valley.

Unfortunately, I missed Tom Capell when I was down at Milne Bay, but understand that he is M.O. to a bomber squadron there.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Grattan Shiel on the death of his wife. (R.I.P.)

Henry Shirley joined the Air Force, did his course at Somers, and when we last heard of him he was in Canada.

Harold Simpson. We congratulate him and Mrs. Simpson on the arrival of Richard Joseph. Harold lives near us, in Wellington-street, Kew. He has done good work for the O.X.A., of which he is still the patient and hard-working secretary.

We congratulate Alan and Mrs. Shea on the arrival of a daughter last May.

Vernon Sheahan we met recently in St. Vincent's, where he had an operation for appendicitis. He has a fine property near Yea.

Pilot Officer George Trevelyan Smith has been posted "Missing, believed killed." The only details to hand are that he was the pilot of an aircraft which was detailed on a bombing and straffing attack in the vicinity of Salamaaua. The aircraft was shot down into the sea by enemy fighter aircraft. Reconnaissance from the air later revealed a dinghy and debris from the aircraft, but no trace of the crew could be found. This news came to us last February. Since then we have heard nothing more. We sympathise with Mrs. Trevelyan Smith in her anxiety, and hope that some definite news may come some day.

Norman Smith, who was at Xavier in 1924, paid us a visit recently. He is married, and lives in Adelaide, where he is with one of the munition plants.

Stan. Snow we met in Elizabeth-street one day—the first time since 1922. Stan, has been living in Sydney, and is part of the ferry service of the R.A.A.F.

Flying Officer W. Stutt is with the ferrying service of the R.A.A.F., and has spent most of the year at a Victorian station near Melbourne. John has joined the Meteorological branch of the Air Force, and has left for the north.

Signaller Don. Swain was on leave from W.A. early in the year, but is now up north in Queensland, "in a valley, surrounded by high and rugged mountains, magnificent scenery and virgin bush." No fear of the Japs learning his whereabouts from this discission.

Noel Starr works at a chemist's in Glenferrie-road, Malvern, and has completed his year's exams.
LIEUT. W. STOKES, M.C., came back from the Middle East early in the year; was married to Miss McKenzie. We offer them sincerest congratulations. Bill is now up north with the Army. We read in the "Argus" some time ago that he was responsible for routing the Japanese from one position west of Lae.

"Our infantry had been held up by machine guns on a ridge near Whitakers. Over the signal line we heard Lieut. Bill Stokes of Echunga say he had located the enemy position about 100 yards ahead. Throughout the night he directed harassing fire on the enemy. Then at dawn this morning the Japanese were pounded soundly for 30 minutes. When the infantry went in they found the enemy had disappeared.

"Lieut. Stokes has already won a reputation for resource and daring. He has had one lucky break, however. A Japanese was drawn from our position west of Lae yesterday, but a signalman close behind Stokes spotted the Japanese and beat him to it."

Jim Tehen we met at Bob O'Hara's wedding. Looks well despite hard work on the land. We thank him for a generous subscription, to the "Xaverian."

Frank Thomas is a clerk general in the Air Force, and was in Mount Gambier when we last heard of him.

Basil Thompson is a corporal on the computing staff of the Survey Corps. With him is Corporal Michael Filippini. Both are in the Darwin area, but occasionally penetrate into the outback amongst the buffaloes and crocodiles.

Syd. Thorpe was here in August—the first time for years. He has lived in Sydney, but is now in the Army, and has seen service in the Middle East, as the following letter will tell. Syd. is now up near the Victorian border, and we occasionally see him in Melbourne.

Dear Father Stephenson,—

Travelling home, we will call the place home as a courtesy title only, the boys here give it another and much more apt title, but as this letter has to be censored my thoughts dwell on the subject of transport. Our carriage was reasonably full, and as we listened to the general growl of the occupants I wondered how they would do in the Middle East. Over there travel can be carried out in various ways. First we have the usual style of the average wog. A donkey to carry his lordship and sufficient wives in the rear on foot to take care of the baggage. Again, you meet the camel, with its perpetual sneer and a look as if the huge load it carries is well beneath its dignity. Still, all these methods pale before the might and majesty of the Syrian railways. It was my fortune to travel once from the city of Damascus to Nazareth, in Palestine. From the moment we started it was evident that the entire train staff were a race superior and more exalted. They started to impress all and sundry by abusing, shouting and kicking all races other than European who dared to approach or even look at their train. The business of attaching the engine to the carriages was the subject of a long conference between the engine driver and the fireman. The engine driver was an enormous person somewhat like a field marshal, whom we found out later was the chief porter. The driver, after a long and heated argument in which hands and tongues blandly referred to their utmost, retired to his engine and started to back on. His calculations, however, must have been a bit at fault, since he came back at a speed of fifteen to twenty kilometers per hour, and whacked the carriages well and truly, thereby flinging everyone on to the floor. This lead to another lengthy conference between the driver and the field marshal, who this time apparently won, and the driver retired to his cab a bitter and broken man. The authorities think that all can possibly be taken of the rolling stock, so each carriage has a guard armed with a whistle and a sort of super guard rides in the rear equipped with a tin trumpet. When the train is under way, the guard on the one side fires his whistle, and the guard on the other replies. Apparently there is a long and complicated business. First, all the car guards, starting with the one nearest the engine, blow their whistles un­til all have had a go, and a final fanfare is sounded by the super guard on his trumpet. All hopefully wait and look at the engine driver, but he apparently has his thoughts on Mecca, and just gazes blandly in that direction. Another musical effort by the entire cast has no effect, and only after a vigorous oration by the field marshal does he descend to blow the whistle again. Apparently the thought of his last burst of speed has weighed heavily on his mind, and we proceed cautiously at the dangerous rate of five kilometers per hour. Our last glimpse of the field marshal shows him mopping his brow, relieved that at last he has seen us on our way. However, we are not yet out of the wood, as after going about five miles we run out of steam and the engine stops of its own accord and refuses to budge until the driver has prodded it all over, squirted oil on all douchings, and thoroughly abused the fireman. The oil apparently has had good effect on the works, as we proceed steadily for about an hour, until it dawns on them that they have to move on. They then both go through the usual procedure of whistle and trumpet and dogging but the engine refuses to move the fire is nearly out and we have no steam up. We eventually get going again for another couple of hours, until we have a repeat performance of our usual stoppage. At the end of six hours travelling we reach a junction and stop. Our engine leaves us with
a defiant toot, and with it goes the entire staff. We sit tight hopefully, and try our hand at buying fruit from vendors of all description and colour, who have arrived from all directions. After a couple of hours another engine arrives and hitches on. The driver then blows off all steam via the whistle, and our crew condescends to return, and we proceed. After a while we climb into the mountains, first stopping at the foothills to obtain awards for each carriage. These consist of villainous looking personages clad in sheepskins and armed with old-fashioned muzzie-loaders crammed to within an inch of the muzzle with nails, old iron and stones. These perch on sort of cubby houses on the end of each carriage, and are supposed to protect us from bandits. The most dangerous objects we can see are mountain goats, so we proceed on our way, and eventually arrive at our destination at midnight. The distance is only a bit over a hundred miles, and we still sticking to our continental scale, one hundred and sixty kilos, but it has taken over fifteen hours to do the trip. Seated in our own comfortable carriages we growl at the slow pace, but the slowest of our is an express compared with the Syrian effort.

Trust this effort is of use to you; it’s perfectly true in every detail, and very vivid in my memory, as the temperature was something below freezing point nearly all the way. You cannot imagine just what a treat last Sunday was to me. Do hope my next visit will be longer, and will enable me to contact some of the old boys. As stated, the only ones I have met are Frank Westhoven and Frank Keane. The latter told me about Jack Drake. Remember him very well, and the time when we two were throwing balls at a Aunt Sally during a fete held at the Hawthorn Cricket Ground in aid of the Red Cross during the last war. God rest his soul. Thank you again for your kindness, and will try to see you again.

Yours sincerely,

SYD. THORPE.

A. E. W. Tobin. We are grateful to him for an interesting letter, which we publish below. With this letter he sent us the prize list of 1882. We regret that space prevents from publishing this document in full. It begins in a quaint way: "The following young gentlemen distinguished themselves."

Dear Father Stephenson,

The card which you forwarded a few days ago reminded me of an intention, long delayed, of writing to you. I was pleased to receive your letter dated 9/12/43 and refer to one of mine sent about a fortnight earlier. I thank you for sending a copy of the "Xaverian" for 1942. I found the pages of the "Past" interesting. I assume that Edward, Julius and Jim Curr are relatives of mine at Xavier. Hubert and Justin Curr, who were contemporaries of mine at Xavier, and amongst it I discovered a copy of the school "Prize List" of 1882, which I enclose for your perusal. The distribution of prizes then took place at the Athenaum Hall, in Collins-street. Among the students of those days the names of many who afterwards distinguished themselves in the professions appear, while many also are no longer with us, but have since passed away. (R.I.P.) John Crowley, whose name is in the "Sub-Matric" class list, is Dr. John Crowley, mentioned in the "Xaverian" of 1942 as having escaped from the island of Jersey before the German invasion. Charles Rigg, who beat me at "drawing," is still with us. The "William" Tobin, my brother, whose name is also listed, was good at music in later years. He unfortunately died in 1901 (R.I.P.), and I am now the sole surviving male member of the family. Francis Parer, mentioned in the second class, is still living—I think—at Surrey Hills. The 3rd class appears the name "Demetrius" Morris. This reminds me of a paragraph which was published in the "Argus" of January 1, 1943, giving list of New Year honours. In the list is John Demetrius Morris, Chief Justice of Tasmania, and, in a footnote, stating that he was born at Auburn (Vic.). I have no doubt that Demetrius Morris, a most uncommon name, who was at Xavier in 1882, is his father. I remember that Demetrius Morris was a day scholar at Xavier, and that he lived at Hawthorn. (I fancy that in those days the subdivision "Auburn" had not then come into use.) In "Bookkeeping" John Corry is placed 3rd. I remember Jack Corry well. His son, Rev. Father Corry, of the Dominican Order, was, as far as it is known, taken prisoner by the Japanese when Singapore fell. Mrs. Corry, his mother, died about two years ago. Her brother, William M. Hoare, died on August 18th last.

The Corrys were friends of my uncle, William Tob'n, when he and his family lived at Hawthorn. On May 23rd, 1940, I was present at the "Smoke Social" at Xavier College to welcome the new Rector, Rev. Father Costello. The late M. C. Larkin (lawyer), W. M. Hoare and myself were seated together, and we spent a very pleasant evening. It was then that Mr. Hoare informed me that he was at Xavier from 1884 to 1889. There is a paragraph concerning him in the 1916 "Xaverian" (page 29). (R.I.P.). Mr. Hoare and I were enrolled in the same guild of the H.N.S. at Our Lady of Victories' Church, Camberwell, and I always looked forward to having a few words of greeting with him on those occasions. As we were both Old Xaverians, I attended the Requiem Mass and his funeral on August 20th, at the Melbourne General Cemetery, Carlton.

You may remember that I attended the annual meeting of the Old Xaverians' Association on December 11th, 1942, it being just 60 years since I was successful at the Matriculation Examinat on, which was then held at Melbourne University. I continued on at Xavier the following year, but ill-health compelled my return home, and I eventually entered the service of the Lands Department as a pupil surveyor on 3/12/1883.

Yours very sincerely,

A. E. W. TOBIN.
We offer our sincerest sympathy to Jack and Pat Trahair on the death of their father last January (R.I.P.). Jack is in the Air Force and Pat is on the land near Glenrowan.

Jack Turner is still overseas with the Fleet. Last March we had a letter from him, in which he told us that he was injured by the misfiring of a gun, and that he spent some time in hospital, and that while he was there the hospital was bombed, and all had to seek shelter in the cellars. We are pleased to know that he suffered no further injuries. He has had a very busy time, and says the call, "action stations" was more frequent than "meals."

Captain John Tutton was wounded in the African campaign last year. Has returned from the Middle East, and is now up north.

Xaverians of the Studley Hall days will remember Fr. Tyndall, S.J. He writes to us occasionally from St. Francis Xavier's Church, Dublin. He has kept in touch with many of his former pupils, and sent us letters he received from Alf Meakes and Russell Godby, now prisoners of war in Germany. With Fr. Tyndall at the above address is Fr. M. Quigley, whom the boys of Studley Hall will also remember.

Dick Walker has come down from the north, and is now in the army administration branch in Melbourne.

Pet Walsh, who was a solicitor in Mornington, has now a legal position with the Department of Munitions.

Tom Walsh has forsaken the teaching profession and has joined the Air Force. He spent some time in the X-Ray department of the Heidelberg Military Hospital, but has recently been transferred to St. Kilda-road.

Captain Keith Watson, M.C., returned from the Middle East in February. Was injured at El Alamein and given the M.C. for his work there. He is now in New Guinea. Flight-Lieutenant Charles, row a qualified doctor, spent some time in America, but is back in Australia again. We congratulate him and Mrs. Watson on the arrival of a little son.

Jim Whelan transferred from the Army to the Air Force, did some training in Tasmania, and sailed overseas a few weeks ago. Des. has joined the Navy.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Keith and John White on the death of their father. (R.I.P.)

Frank White is in New Guinea. All we know of him is that he is happy, and that he is making considerable use of his protractor and compass.

Captain Norman Whitehead, M.C., paid us a visit early in the year, when he brought his son, Robin, to Burke Hall. We congratulate him on winning the M.C., and a photo, in this issue shows him after action in Buna. We offer the Whitehead family our sincerest sympathy on the death of Paul. (R.I.P.) Keith and Ralph are still on the land near Irana.

Dear Fr. Stephenson,—

I gather you are still editing the "Xaverian," so thought that you might like to hear about any old boys that I have run across. When on manoeuvres with the division, was delighted to find that Mass in the field was celebrated by none other than Fr. Loughnan, who was in another unit, and I saw a lot of him, and saw a bit of Jack Porter, who was in H.Q. On arrival in New Guinea an Air Force chap inquired whether R.C. church parades was—it was Squadron-Leader Peter Parker. I saw a lot of him for some time afterwards; in fact, until I was evacuated to the mainland. Mass attended by our chap was later at an Air Force camp, and one morning after Mass Peter and I were joined by Trevor Smith (who was at school about the time I left), and we had a three-cornered yarn. Attached to our squadron for a while as M.O. was Harold McLennan, who was just back from the Middle East. He did a good job with us, too. After I got hit Des. Kennedy and McLennan were two of the first visitors I had. Des. had just flown in from another station. He hasn't changed a bit in all the past years—still the same grand chap. I should say here that Peter Parker has been a pain in the neck to a lot of Tojo's bright boys, and has done some fine work.

I missed Paul by three days up there, as his unit had just moved out before I got over. He flew over to see me in hospital, but again missed me by 12 hours, as I had been evacuated to the mainland. He is now a F/O., having got promotion a few weeks ago. Met Mervyn Weston near Cape Endaigere just before we went into the show — he is a war correspondent and a brother of Percy Weston, who will be known to a lot of those at school about 1920-3.

In the hospital here with me is (or rather was, as he has just gone south to another hospital) Edmund Boileau.

One morning at Mass at St. Mary's I ran into Ted Curr and "Pug" McGinnis. Ted is an old soldier back in uniform, and doing a good job recruiting. "Pug" is in the Air Force.

That seems to just about cover the Old Boys that I have come across, Father. Touching myself, I am getting along O.K., and hope to be of considerable annoyance to Tojo again in the near future.

I was interested in some tanks that we had where the Japs didn't expect them, and caused them some inconvenience.

Can't think of anything else, Father, so will close. Regards to those who remember me, and particularly to Father Owens and Father Hackett.

Best wishes,

NORMAN WHITEHEAD.
We thank Mrs. Wicking for the following note from her son, Lieutenant John Wicking, a prisoner of war in Germany and an old Scotch boy:

We held a sports meeting recently—England and Scotland versus the Dominions. Actually, in the Dominions’ team we had practically all Victorians, only two being from Canada and one from New South Wales, so we were well represented. We were beaten by half a point, which wasn’t bad going, was it?

Jim McCaffrey ran for Xavier, John Strong for Geelong Grammar, Lapin, Melbourne Grammar; Champ for Geelong College, and Reilly, Geelong College. As there was no high jump I represented Scotch as manager of the meeting. Wesley, unfortunately, had no representative, or perhaps I should say fortunately, under the circumstances. However, it was a good day, and we thoroughly enjoyed our “Combined Sports.”

Doug. Williams wrote us early in the year:

Dear Father Stevenson,

I have met a few Xaverians here. Jim Forrest was the first to run into me. John Gray, who lives in Kew, and Dick Marron turned up a few weeks ago. I forgot to mention that I met David Pitt at the Perth Public Hospital. He is doing very well there.

Many weeks ago I had an air trip. The Navy had a little job to do. It was quite an interesting experience.

At present I am at the Abrothous Islands, on a lugger. A lugger is a 20-ton auxiliary boat. We left Geraldton on Thursday night. The islands are fifty miles away. We will probably return to-morrow. The weather at present is not so good. The journey over was fairly good. These boats roll in the slightest sea, and some of the passengers were seasick. I am sorry I cannot give more details; but they will have to wait to the end of the war.

Have forgotten to mention that the local brewer at Geraldton is Des. Breheny’s uncle. Tom Breheny is his name, and he was at Xavier many years ago. I have spent some very pleasant hours with him.

Erunie Williams. We thank him for two long letters, both of which we quote here. They give a splendid account of the life and times the Army has to go through and the good work they are doing.

Here now I am permitted to tell you my doings in the Salamaua campaign—no doubt you have had a good idea. We were at Wau from the start, and an excellent place. In spite of its being my christening place of the Nip bombers—yes, one day there they put out a good turn-out in numbers, and I did not lose any time to catch up with my prayers; still, they were very ineffective. From Wau I went walkabout to Pilamung—recognised as perhaps the hardest track in this island, and I certainly agree with this. I can’t imagine anything worse, and I spent the hardest three days of my life on that trail. It was a fair place, fairly high cold, wet and muddy, and no sign of the sun, and in spite of this, the water supply was very poor; in fact, it was not a supply at all, and the boongs used to carry it for us in bamboos.

Luckily, I only stayed there for a few days, but the rest of the party remained, and afterwards went forward, supplying the forward troops, by way of boong line, themselves receiving it from boong line or dropping grounds. I returned to Wau, as one of the chaps in the office had taken ill, but by the time I reached there, he was on the job again. Our next move was to Bulolo, another excellent spot, renowned for its gold from the Bulolo River dredgings.

We were there for a fair while, running an F.S.D., and were very busy; still, not quite so busy as at Wau, as the pressure was great there, and we were flat out all the time. In spite of the work at these places, I was fortunate to be in such good spots, as a lot of others were at outposts, which were not the best.

When the big push for Salamaua started we left Bulolo—went forward and went through Bullams, Skindiwai, Guardagazel, Mubo, to Observation, where we ran a dropping ground. The Douglas ‘planes came over daily—any number up to 12 or so—and dropped the cargo of supplies, ammunition, etc. It was our work to collect this; actually the boongs did this, and a mighty hard job it was. We would check same as to what we received and supply the forward units. Things up front were then going well, and we soon moved to Komiatum, which the Nip had been forced to leave after his belting at Mt. Tambu. We were then able to see Salamaua, or portion of same, and it was less than a day’s walk. From here we could see the bombings of Lae, which our ‘planes were doing over very frequent then, also the naval ships in the Huon Gulf, when they put up protection for the landing of the 9th near Lae.

At Komiatum we were doing similar work as at Observation. The place had been previously a main Jap. stronghold, but they had been in terrible disorder. They evidently have a very low personal hygiene. Eventually our work here came to a close, as we were still pushing the Nips back, and so I then went to Davidson’s to start a D.I.D.—a supply point to provide for the troops in the area. However, things up at the front went so well that Salamaua fell very soon, and so there was great rejoicing.

Really, you have no idea of the country our boys had to fight in, and I covered the main tracks, and to me I find it hard to see how they pushed the Nips back, as they had been in the area so long, and were so well dug in, especially early in the show, as they were in far greater numbers, and our boys did wonders to even hold them. In the course of my walkabout to Davidson’s I went over Mt. Tambu, a very high mount, where some very bitter fighting took place, and one only had to see it to realise this.

From Davidson’s I went to Tambu Bay, and there we had a good rest by the sea. We were greatly appreciated here; but we are back on the job again, and no doubt will be for some time. Still, I can’t complain, as our fate has been very good, and when I think of what those infantry boys...
Dear Fr. Stephenson,

Just a few lines to let you know that I have not forgotten you, and am so sorry that I have not written to you again before this, but until the last five weeks things were not very favourable for letter writing. So much has happened since I last wrote, that I hardly know where to start. However, you will be glad to know that I have been enjoying the best of health, and that this life has continued to treat me well.

Since last writing I have covered many miles over the tracks on this island, as I was in the Salamaua campaign. Of course, being in a A.S.C, I feel that we have very little claim for the victory; still our work was essential for those who did the real work, and really, our infantry boys did a wonderful job. The most terrific odds, and to my mind, they must be amongst the best soldiers in the world.

My work was on the supply side of things, and we followed along the trails, as the infantry forced the Nips to vacate their long-held positions.

I was in dumps along the trails, which were either supplied by "boong line" (native carriers), or from 'plane droppings, and it was so different to our previous methods; still it worked very well indeed, thanks to our great friends and workers, the natives. Without their work I am sure we would still be many miles from Salamaua.

With regard to all our walks on these tracks, I feel that we have very little chance of making any progress, but still they proved so hard that I am not likely to forget them for years. Really, one has to see this country to realise what it is really like. Still you pay dearly, and half the time you are too tired and weary to take in all the views.

Still, on the whole, it proved very interesting to me, and did make me realise more than ever what our chaps went through, and I certainly take my hat off to them all for the wonderful job they did with such success. As previously stated, my lot was very good, and I had very little to complain about.

Since then we have had a good rest by the sea, and, needless to say, I feel that we have very little chance of making any progress. However, we are now back on the job, but it is not proving so busy for us, and it is now that I am taking the opportunity of catching up with some of my mail.

Just recently I saw Tom Molomby, who is a cantain, and has an important job on the supply side. He looks very well, and really does not appear to have changed much. I also saw Stan Mulhall, the other day, and John O'Halloran, and they both look very well. Major Loughran is also in these parts, and I saw Fr. Reis a while ago, but I don't think it likely that I will see him in these parts.

How are things going at the old school? Very well, I trust. I have gleaned a little information from their recent droppings from the papers and the 'Australasian,' and I gather they did well in the football matches.

Please give my kind regards to all who may remember me in my years there, and wishing your good self and the College all the very best.

Yours truly,

ERNEST.

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Joe Wren has finished his articles, and was admitted to the Bar this year. Tony is in Sydney, and John is with the R.A.A.F. at Wagga.

Lieutenant Davern Wright has been up north for some time. We congratulate him and Mrs. Wright on the arrival of a little son in September. Adrian and John are both with the Army.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Stuart and Paddy Wright on the death of their father. (R.I.P.)

From the "Australasian" we quote a few lines written by "Old Boy":

Never have the heights of Kew looked more delightful than they did on the occasion of this year's Xavier College annual sports. Xav'er is very happy just now. It has its Rector, Father Costelloe, back again after
his illness, fit and well, and for the first time in history the College has 500 boys on the roll. The figures, of course, include Burke Hall and Kostka Hall, the two preparatory schools. As I walked past the main school buildings by the Memorial Chapel, a tribute to the enthusiasm of Father O'Keefe, who was the organiser of the fund, my mind went back to the first sports meeting I ever saw there.

Father Bernard Page was the sportsmaster then, and his ambition was to see Xavier win a public schools' championship. Dr. Edward Ryan, Tom King, the solicitor, and others gave him strong support. Father Page is in England and Father O'Keefe in South Australia, but each takes an interest in Xavier still.

There is always one man you can be sure of seeing at the Xavier sports, and that is Dr. J. G. Hurley, who comes all the way from Corowa every year. He was the senior judge, and with him were associated that splendid sprinter, E. A. Seal, as referee; Jim Byrne, the president of the Old Xaverians, and another great sprinter, John Fallon, just back from the Middle East. He still holds six Xavier records. Others I noticed were Maj. Desmond Breheny, Lt. John Marron, Sgt. John Hurley, R.A.A.F.; Dr. Frank Costigan (what a footballer he was!), Dr. Henry Mortensen, Dr. Cyril MacGillicuddy, and Edgar Burne and his sailor son.
The Old Xaverians' Association

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Annual General Meeting closing the Association's year was held at Xavier on Friday, December 11th, 1942—the retiring President, Mr. J. W. Byrne, presiding. Owing to illness the Rector, Very Reverend Father T. F. Costelloe, S.J., our Chief Patron, was unable to be present and the meeting expressed its sympathy to Father Costelloe and best wishes for a speedy recovery and return to Xavier. Including a number of boys who were leaving school at the time, an attendance of approximately fifty comprised the meeting.

For the ensuing year (1943) the following Executive and Committee were elected:

Chief Patron:
very reverend Father T. F. Costelloe, S.J.

Patron: Mr. Chas. H. Rigg.

President: Mr. J. W. Byrne.

Secretary: Mr. Harold S. Simpson.

Asst. Secretary: Mr. Eldon J. Hogan.

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As there were no nominations received for the position of Hon. Treasurer, the Hon. Secretary was asked to act in that additional capacity till such time as a new Treasurer could be elected, and during the year Mr. Austin J. O'Keefe was appointed to fill this office. Other changes were the departure for war service of John Cass (Army) and John O'Brien (Navy), to whom the Association expresses its best wishes while on service.

As noted in our previous report, war conditions have made impossible the carrying on of the Association's activities as formerly, and no functions were held during this year except the Annual Retreat at "Loyola," on the week-end, 31st July to 2nd August. Here, for the first time, senior boys from the School attended (in some cases with their fathers), making, with the Old Boys present, a total assembly of thirty. Our thanks are due to Reverend Father C. Finn, S.J., for his stimulating Retreat, and also to the present boys for the manner in which they joined in with us.

Despite the lack of other functions, we are pleased to report that the Association has carried on through the medium of "Laurels," which goes to Old Boys wherever they may be. That this mode of functioning is welcomed is happily evidenced by the continued and growing increase in interest exhibited by many Old Boys who are receiving "Laurels" in all theatres of war activity.

This increased interest has been reflected particularly in the remarkable growth of Life Membership during the year which has enabled the Association to make a total contribution of £350 to current War Loans, which brings our investment holdings on account of Life Members up to a total in excess of £1100—the greatest capital fund which the Association has possessed. A pleasing feature in this growth of interest (with corresponding increase in financial strength) is the fact that many of the younger group of Old Xaverians have joined and supported their Association—a feature which by its continuance will assure our future.

Our appreciation and thanks are due to our President, Mr. J. W. Byrne, who was instrumental in initiating the Scholarship Fund, which we are pleased to say has also grown during the year, though not in such rapid proportion as have Life Memberships. At the present time we are three-tenths of the way towards our primary objective of securing £1000 in this Fund, which, when invested, will allow of a day-boy Scholarship at the School. In expressing our thanks to those who have contributed during the year to this Fund, we would ask all to remember it and accord support in as generous a manner as they are personally able.

As it seems likely that Mr. Byrne's term of office will be completed at the end of this year, it is interesting to recall that since he became President, the Association has grown appreciably, and we thank him deeply for the unflagging zeal which he has displayed towards fostering the goodwill upon
which it is founded and through which it is growing. We regret to report that during the year a number of Old Boys have passed on to their reward—many have made the supreme sacrifice in their country's service. To those who have been bereaved we offer our deepest sympathy in their loss and express the hope that they may be consoled in the Source Of All Consolation. Obituary notices appear elsewhere in this issue.

For the future, we hope that our progress will be rapid and widespread, particularly after the return of peace to our lives, and We look forward with confidence in future years to the full attainment of our objects of linking together the Old Boys among themselves and with the School, and so contributing to the progress of the School and of the Association.

Old Xaverians' Amateur Athletic Club

As each year of the war passes by, the Athletic Club has fewer and fewer performances to write of. Even those few who are not in the fighting forces have not the necessary time to train consistently, and are therefore unable to show any good results. At the present, however, we are not looking for laurels, but, instead, there are two matters which greatly concern us. First and foremost is the welfare of all our members who are serving on the battle fronts, and for whom we pray that they may return speedily and safely. Secondly, we are concerned with the future of our Club.

We do not regard the Club as a purely sporting body whose one and only objective is the winning of events. Certainly, competitive success is of paramount importance to any progressive athletic body, but we have other ideals as well. We hope to bring many more boys together after leaving school, before they have lost their athletic ability, into a union where the traditions of Xavier are still carried on, and where those members can, with the assistance of one another, build greater individual characters.

We, therefore, appeal to those senior boys who are about to leave school to consider these points with a view of assisting the Club, themselves as individuals, and, indirectly, Xavier.

During the past year came the sad news of the death of Pilot Officer Stuartson Methven, killed in action. Although the plane in which he was operating was able to make a forced landing in Holland, it was found that he had already been killed. He was fittingly buried in the Catholic cemetery at Gasterland, Holland. Stuartson is well remembered as a staunch fighter both in sport and in the air. He was captain of the "D" Grade Premiership team of 1935-36 and holder of the Club discus record which still stands. We sympathise with his sorrowing parents.

Following the lead of Jack Turner, three others, Jack McDonald, Sub-Lieut. Bill Adams and John O'Brien have enlisted in the Navy.

Recent news has been received from Ken McPhail, Capt. Alan Ney and Flight Lieut. Jack Cooke, all of whom are reported to be in the north. Capt. Jack Tutton has gone to the same theatre of operations after having served in the Middle East. Alan Dwyer has recovered from his Milne Bay injury. The smiling faces of Sgt. Kevin Coleman and Bruce Rowan added grace to the Melbourne streets while they were on leave recently.
University Notes

By Eldon Hogan.

The introduction of Commonwealth subsidies for students has had little or no effect on Xaverians at the University, or on those proposing to come here, and the operation of the "quota" system of regulating entry to the different courses, while it may perhaps have deterred a few of our boys from seeking admission, cannot be said to have caused any great hardship. Of the sixty-odd boys who left school last year, twelve came direct to the University, only three less than in 1941, when there was virtually no restriction on enrolment; and the call for the fighting forces was not nearly as great in those pre-Pacific War days as it is now. The new regulations concerning admission to the University which come into force at the end of next year should be productive of much good. The introduction of the special Matriculation examination will allow of boys having a broader, more cultural education up to the Leaving Certificate stage, with the following year devoted to a more specialised study of subjects pertinent to the course later to be undertaken; while the raising of the minimum age for entry to the University to seventeen is a reform the need for which has long been evident.

We had sixty-two Old Xaverians up here this year, the same number as in 1942, and just over half of them were in Medicine. Of the total, twenty-five were in residence in Newman, in a year notable in the history of the College, for this year we celebrated Newman's silver jubilee. The College is still host to some sixty airmen who are attending the eight-weeks' courses at the R.A.A.F. School of Administration, and consequently accommodation has been a little restricted; but members of the College have become more accustomed to changed conditions, as, indeed, is the case throughout the University, and, although our leisure hours are more limited, most of the sporting and other activities suspended last year have now been resumed, even though, technically at least, inter-collegiate sport is still " unofficial."

Results last year and in the early exams this year have again been of a high standard, while the number of honours and good passes in the lower years gives promise of greater things to come. One of the most pleasing characteristics of the younger Xaverians at the University, especially, is their loyalty to the School, as evidenced by their presence in numbers at P.S. matches and other Xavier functions—a loyalty which they share with their contemporaries who have gone into the services.

In the work of the various societies and committees young and old have played their part, particularly in the rejuvenation of the Newman Society, which bids fair to become once again a driving spiritual force among Catholic students. Boys who have been trained in the Sodalities and other forms of Catholic activity at school can do much to forward the work of this, the official Catholic Action body for men and women at the University.

We now take the opportunity of congratulating all who have done well in the last twelve months, and of thanking those who have provided matter for these notes. In the latter respect, we are under a special obligation to our "opposite number" on the staff of "Laurels," Bernie O'Brien, whose fund of knowledge is of the greatest assistance to those who must chronicle the activities of Old Xaverians.

Medicine

GRADUATES.

We congratulate, a little belatedly, perhaps, John Bourke, Trevor Connolly and Denis Clarke on taking out their degrees in March. All secured good passes and are now residents at St. Vincent's. Trevor we also congratulate on the announcement of his engagement.

FINAL YEAR.

The following will be sitting for their finals in February, after a course lasting five years and two months instead of six years:—

Carle de Gruchy is reported by those who know him to be an avid devourer of the contents of large tomes which he may be seen bearing away from the libraries.

Geoff. Ryan is reputed to be particularly strong on the surgical side; we have seen him on occasions fresh from the performance of half-a-dozen operations (on the deceased) in the space of half-an-hour or so.

"Bill Harris has acquired almost an international reputation as a yachtsman," said the Rector of Newman at the Valete Dinner; while the College Magazine describes him as "an odd but lovable mixture of Young Dr. Kildare and Old Father Time . . . a rival to the
great Crosby, his voice smacked of full-blown canvas and tarred rigging."

Will Calanchini—again we quote: "He was always good company, and loved to expand over a pipe and good music." Will also likes a good film, and his loyalties in the screen world have been unchanging for years.

Paul Rowan is a member of this year, as also is Des Hoban, whom by some strange mischance we have failed to notice in these pages since his return to the Melbourne University after a period at its Sydney counterpart.

FIFTH YEAR.

Des Hurley roomed at Newman with the Editor of "Newman," and so frequent were the evening editorial conferences that Des considered he deserved at least an honorary position on the Staff. When the time for going to press drew near he gave up and went into residence at the Hospital for a few weeks, leaving the Editor and his advisors and consultors in undisputed possession.

Des is now our only resident at Newman in this year. Don Rush, whose recreation is Golf (with a capital G), Phil Tiernan, Dick N ewing, a keen clinical student, and Des Prentice are studious extra-collegiates, and all should do well in their finals, which will be either in December, 1944, or the following February. Work appears to be their main interest in life, and more than this we find it difficult to say about them. We must record, however, that Don Rush secured a third-class honour in 3rd year Biochemistry in 1942.

Of Norman Dalton we really know even less, for alone among the Xaverians he finds it more convenient to attend the Alfred Hospital. We are pleased to say that Norman and the other five mentioned above had no trouble in vanquishing the fourth year examiners in August last.

FOURTH YEAR.

Maurice Starr and Geoff. Batten are not in residence at Newman this year, but it is rumoured that Maurice, at least, hopes to return in the near future. He sustained a nasty injury when playing with the University XI. last season, when a ball struck him in the eye. The latest news about Geoff, is that in November he achieved a long-felt ambition by acquiring one of those delightful machines known as an auto-cycle.

When the 1942 Xaverian went to Press the following were all awaiting their Second year results. They all passed in that year, and then in August they all passed the Third Year exams., and so are now engaged on the work of Fourth Year:—

Frank Hurley is the harassed Editor, or, perhaps it would be more correct to say, the Author, of the enlarged Jubilee issue of "Newman." and having reached the calm waters of 4th year he spent all his spare time grappling with galley proofs and ems and heading type and "bled blocks," while the hungry Machines called ravenously from the City. Frank was also on the General Committee at Newman, and was secretary in the first term of the Students' Club. He led the XI. to victory in one inter-coll, match, and virtual victory in the other, and was vice-captain of the football. In second year he took a third-class honour in Anatomy, but ill-health at the time of the exams prevented a similar feat this year. Also a member of the committee of the University Debating Society.

Eric Seal was one of Frank's associate editors, and is a member of the Students' Representative Council of the University, and also was on the General Committee at Newman. He experienced this year his first defeat in an inter-collegiate sprint event, being beaten by Bartram in the 100. Eric secured his revenge, however, in the 220 and 440 with two splendid wins.

John Flanagan also represented Newman in the athletics, and came third to Eric and Dave Bartram in the 220. In the cricket the conditions did not allow him to show his true skill.

Alex. Roche, something of a recluse at Newman, caused surprise to some when he announced his engagement in September, on which we congratulate him. The little car still has enough petrol to allow of occasional trips out along Cotham-road.

Mick Forrest and Barry Butler are the non-resident members of this group, and they also passed into fourth year without much difficulty.

THIRD YEAR.

This year is sparsely populated at present, the majority having moved up to fourth year, while those who will constitute third year in 1944 have just finished their second year exams. Howard Whitaker, although he is doing some of the fourth year work, still comes under this heading, for he has a further exam still to go in Division II. (which is the technical name for third year), and will not complete his fourth year for some eighteen months.

SECOND YEAR.

John Clarebrough last year got a first-class honour (with third place) in Natural Philosophy (Physics) and a second-class in Zoology. He has continued the good work, and secured honours last month in Anatomy and Physiological Chemistry. "All work and no play . . .", so Jack was one of the leading lights of the Med. 2nd year XVIII.

John Meagher was another member of this team which contained five Xaverians, and which eventually represented Medicine in the
JOHN HILL, B.Eng.Sc.

JOHN BOURKE, M.B.B.S.

DENIS CLARKE, M.B.B.S.

TREVOR CONNOLLY, M.B.B.S.
inter-faculty competition and won the competition. Four of the five also played in the combined Colleges v. extra-collegiates match, including John Meagher on the latter side.

Des Dooley secured second-class honours in Botany twelve months ago, and he has now passed all the second year exams, and like the others will begin third year at the beginning of February.

Gerald Manly is another who has just been awarded honours both in Anatomy and in Physiology with Biochemistry. A member of the Med. XVIII., Gerald played in the Col­leges v. Extras match. In this match there were no less than five Old Xaverians (including the 19th man, who played) in the team representing about three hundred residents in the four Colleges, and three more, Gerald, John Meagher and John Tiernan, in the Extra-collegiates' team, the pick of all the rest of the University; a total of 8 out of 37!

Murray O'Neill was the 19th man who played in the last quarter in the above match. He was a member of the Newman XI. and XVIII., and represented us in the Shot Putt in the athletics in June. Murray was a member of the Newman Society of Victoria during the year which ended recently, and he has now succeeded Eldon Hogan as Treasurer. With the aid of Bernie O'Brien, Murray has already collected a large number of subscriptions for next year, a hitherto unheard of procedure! He took an honour in Botany last December, and now he and Brian Hoare have each one subject to complete, at the time of writing, before passing on to third year. Brian was a member of the successful second-year Med. team, and was full-forward for Newman, scoring seven goals in each of the two matches, and he occupied the same position in the Combined team. He also represented us in the hurdles and played in the XI.

David Schlicht is the last, but not the least, of the successful sporting men with which second-year abounds. "Moving with perfect ease and grace," he won the inter-collegiate 880 by a clear 20 yards, and was narrowly beaten for second place in the 440 won by Eric Seal. David did a good job as photographic editor of "Newman," and also joined the long line of secretaries of the Newman Debating Society who, in their annual reports, have deplored the lack of interest in College in the noble art. He got an honour in Zoology last year.

Chris Wolkenstein confined his sporting activities largely to the Newman seconds, but was always there to lend vigorous support to the men of Newman; and, though his stay at Xavier last year while waiting to come up here was short, he is a very keen and loyal Xaverian. Like all the others in this year, except the two noted, he has completed second year without any difficulty.

FIRST YEAR.

Our medical freshmen are few in numbers, but select. At the time of writing they are about to commence their exams.

John Gilfedder, last year's Dux and winner of a Newman Exhibition, is a non-resident student of Newman, as also are the other three.

Bruce Guaran has been rowing with the Melbourne Rowing Club, and, to quote a contemporary, "can be seen ploughing along the Yarra on a Saturday afternoon." (If this be libellous, sue not us, but the contemporary!) Des Skehan and Bill Shea are usually to be seen together, both at the University and on their visits to the School when there is anything on out at Kew.

**Arts**

Father Francis Goulding, O.F.M. (in religion Fr. Christonher), who was at Xavier from 1924 to 1933, has embarked on the first year of an Arts course in which History appears to predominate. For some time he has been stationed at the retreat-house at "La Verna," Kew.

Bob McGowan is our only other Arts representative this year. He concentrates on the mathematical and scientific side of the Arts faculty, which many are surprised to find providing a place for such mundane matters. Unlike brother Paul, who is at Newman, Bob is living at home.

**Law**

Contrary to all expectations, the number of our Law students shows an increase, much to our delight!

Eldon Hogan, B.A. (Hons.), secured honours in Roman Law last year, and is now grappling with Property and similar tough adversaries. Treasurer of the Newman Society for the past twelve months, he has recently been promoted to Secretary. A member of the staff of the Newman Magazine, he is also Assistant-Secretary of the O.X.A.

Lawrence Rostron could be seen through the morning mists groping his way to lectures at an hour when most civilised folk were sitting down to breakfast. Unlike others less fortunate, however, he did not have to be in attendance at 8 a.m. six mornings in the week! Lawrence is a part-time student and works in his father's office.

Greg. Gray began a part-time course also
this year, and in between visits to the University he spends his time in the Crown Solicitor's office.

Jim Sexton we were pleased to welcome back in the first term after his discharge from the army as the result of wounds received in New Guinea. After settling down again at the University, Jim was soon hard at work on the subjects of second year.

Kevin Flanagan, with Senior Govt, and Newman Scholarships and the Greek Exhibition to back him up, has come into Newman and commenced Law. In the inter-collegiate athletics he did well in the high jump, while in the football: "Time and again Ormond stormed forward, but rarely passed the half-back line, where Flanagan's defence was superb."

John Curtin is our other first year man. While his sporting activities were practically confined to acting as trainer for the Newman second XVIII., he has shown himself a debater of no mean skill, as the University Debating Society has discovered.

**Commerce**

We congratulate Frank Quigg (X.C. 1925-7) on taking out his degree in April, having obtained honours in Statistical Method and in Accountancy Part IIB; and also Mr. Kevin Wallace, Xavier's history and economics master until forced to retire through ill-health, who completed his course from Canberra and took out his degree as a Bachelor of Commerce in December last.

To treat fully of Esmond Downey would require at least half a page. As Father Murphy said at the Newman Valete Dinner, Esmond is already being spoken of as one of Newman's greatest all-rounders. Honours in Industrial Organisation last year evidently prepared him for the Organisation of the University Fruit-picking Camp at Shepparton in January, when the job he did was acclaimed by local business men and others. A member of the University Students' Representative Council and of the Newman General Committee, he yet found time to represent the University in pennant cricket with considerable success, to take 4 wickets for 29 twice for Newman and stop the rot in the batting against Trinity, to win the inter-collegiate weight putt and come 4th in the 100 and the long jump, to kick 5 goals against Queen's from centre-half-forward, including one of over 50 yards, and to play with the combined Colleges XVIII. We shall miss Esmond when he graduates this year—and not only in the realm of sport.

John Hartung, we discover, is also about to finish off his course. Having completed a course in Industrial Welfare he is a welfare officer in the Ford Works at Geelong, and has been studying his remaining two Commerce subjects by correspondence, with occasional personal appearances at the University.

Gerald Gorman still works at the Navy Office by day and at the Commerce School and at Newman by night. With his brother Kevin he is, in theory at least, the joint owner of what "Laurels" has described as "an object on four wheels, an object famed throughout the length and breadth of the land, (which) has been known to stall at busy city intersections"—not to mention side streets in Collingwood! When this object visited Xavier on the occasion of the Seconds' football, breathing forth smoke and steam and uttering thunderous groans, several Second-divisioners are reported to have collapsed with fear. They recovered sufficiently, however, to chalk witticisms on the object's stern, which delighted the inhabitants of Abbotsford and North Richmond on the homeward journey.

**Science**

Of Dalway Swaine, the National Security forbids us to say much, other than that he continues his war-time research with the C.S.I.R. at the Chemistry School, and has had no time to complete his course. An authoritative source informs us that he has designs on the Medical Faculty when the need for further research has passed.

Brian Hagelthorn, who was at school in the early thirties, we congratulate on securing in Sydney his degree in Veterinary Science, a course only the first year of which can be taken here.

Paul McGowan is doing third year Agricultural Science, and after a year at the State Research Farm, is now back at Newman, where he led a couple of Catholic Action groups, and ("Laurels" again!) "during the second term was a ferocious member of the Newman second eighteen." Paul was one of the organisers at the big N.C.R.M. conference at Tay Creggan in March.

Bernie O'Brien is doing a combined course in Science and Medicine. This year he seems to be doing a little of the first year of each; next year he concentrates on Science; the year after he throws himself into second year Medicine; and the result: in six years' time, M.B., B.S., B.Sc! We understand that in a warmer climate John Lahz is pursuing a rather similar course at Brisbane University. Bernie batted well for Newman in the cricket and played in the football final, and in the match against the Extras. A keen old boy, and present at all Xavier functions, he is also an energetic member of the new Newman Society committee.
Engineering

THIRD YEAR.

R. Kevin Gorman should complete his Engineering Science course this year, and will then re-enter the active employ of the Munitions Dept. Treasurer of the Newman College Students' Club throughout the year, he "led the Newman Gentlemen's eighteen to victory, and showed great tactical ability in the deployment of his troops on and off the playing fields." Those who saw the Gentlemen in action on the Xavier upper oval saw them at their best, as far as football was concerned. High class football was not always possible in their subsequent matches, as is only natural with four opposing teams on the one field, two of whom are mobbing the umpire and the other two are striving to out-do each other in the number of players they can muster in excess of twenty-five.

John McCann is also in his third year, but he is doing the course for Civil Engineering. He played football (real football in this case!) with the Engineers' XVIII. in the inter-faculty competition.

SECOND YEAR.

Gordon Hiscock, another Civil Engineer in the making, and a great rowing enthusiast. It was largely due to his zeal that rowing at Newman experienced a renaissance in the second term, and that enthusiasm gradually grew among the members of the College. Later in the year Gordon was honoured in being elected to the responsible position of secretary of the Melbourne University Boat Club, and in the short time that has elapsed has already shown that he will be an energetic and conscientious official.

Tom Daly is a student of Electrical Engineering, and will feel sympathetic towards Gordon in his new position, for Tom has been assistant secretary of the Newman Society this year, and has been re-elected for next year recently. In the important matter of publicity, in the organisation of study groups, public lectures, and hikes, he played no small part in the Society's great increase in vigour these last twelve months.

Leo Clarebrough's prodigious work which we spoke of last time certainly brought results. Kevin Dillon, "displaying the coolness and aplomb of a veteran," in partnership with Es. Downey saved the situation in the first inter-col, cricket match. Later, he played in the centre for Newman in the football and was one of the eight Newman men selected for the combined Colleges team, four of whom, or five counting the emergency, were Xaverians. During the season he displayed frequent flashes of the form which enabled him to dominate the centre in the five P.S. games last year, and to win the Norman Abbott trophy.

Brian J. O'Shaughnessy (the one who left school last December) is, so our representative informs the Press, known as the "Beethoven" of the Engineering school, and is becoming quite an expert with the flute—no doubt because of his experiences years ago with the Burke Hall drum and fife band.

Bill Corrigan was with us for a time last year, but ill-health forced him to retire. He has recovered, however, and has now resumed his studies in first year.

In the above notes we forgot to recall that last year Gordon Hiscock obtained honours in Chemistry, Part IA, and Tom Daly secured a second class in Applied Maths. I and a third class in Pure Maths. I. We wish them equal success this time.

Optometry

Oswald Wolkenstein is now Xavier's representative in this select faculty. He lives at Newman and rooms with his brother.

Dentistry

Felix Russo will not be long now in bidding farewell to the Dental College, and should qualify for his degree in the early part of next year.

John Tiernan and John McCooey both completed first year successfully last year. The former was one of the best players for the Dentals in inter-faculty football, and was one of the three Old Xaverians in the combined extra-collegiates team.

Ian Rowan has switched over from Medicine and is trying his hand at second-year Dentistry. Also doing second-year subjects are George Dwyer, a member of the Newman XVIII. and crew, to whom we offer sincere sympathy on the death of his father in October; Brendan McGuiness, who may be seen from time to time motoring in state in the regions between Spring-street and Swanston-street North; and Peter Kiernan, who resides at Newman and plays golf and also "football" with the Second Eighteen.

Ross Batten is our only freshman in Dentistry. In his first inter-collegiate cricket match he caused a debacle by taking three Trinity wickets in an over, and ended with 4 for 8. He also played against Queen's in the football.
Roll of Honour

Ex umbris et imaginibus in veritatem

Navy
BRYAN, NEIL.

Army
BUCKLEY, PAUL.
CULLINAN, GEOFFREY.
CURR, JULES.
DOWDEN, NOEL.
DRAKE, JOHN.
FEELY, 'TERENCE.
FLECKER, BRABAZON.
GAFFNEY, NEWMAN.
HUNTER, B. CHERRINGTON.
JOYCE, THOMAS.
LALOR, PETER.
LEWIN, ROSS.
METHVEN, JOHN.
MILES, LESLIE.
SHEEHAN, WILLIAM.
WILKINS, THOMAS.

Air Force
ANIVITTI, MAURICE.
BRESNAHAN, DANIEL.
COLLINS, AUSTIN.
COSGROVE, WILLIAM.
DAVIES, MURRAY.
DEVLIN, HARRY.
HART, KEVIN.
HIGGINS, BRIAN.
HIGGINS, ERIC.
HOBAN, MAURICE.
KEELY, PAUL.
KING, STUART.
McCORMACK, WILLIAM.
McKENZIE, H. C. (BILL)
McKENZIE, DUNCAN.
METHVEN, STUART.
MOORE, PETER.
MUSTOW, KEITH.
PARER, KEVIN.
PARKER, ANTHONY.
ROCHE, JOHN.
RYAN, KEVIN.
SCHRADER, ERIC.
SLAWESKI, KEVIN.
STOKES, GEOFFREY.
WEARNE, WILLIAM.
WHITEHEAD, PAUL.

Requiescant in Pace

Missing, Believed Killed

DOWLING, WILBUR.
MCCARTHY, JOHN.
O'KEEFE, GEOFFREY.
SMITH, G. TREVOR.


Requiescant In Pace
MAURICE ANIVITTI (X.C. 1925-29)
On going to "press" last year we received the news that Maurice Anivitti had been killed. His connection with Xavier began when he started at the Preparatory School, Burke Hall, in 1925. He finished his education at Riverview and lived most of his time in Sydney. On the outbreak of war he volunteered for the R.A.A.F. in 1940; went into camp in January, 1941; received his wings and left Australia in August, 1941; arrived in England in October. Shortly afterwards he was transferred to the R.A.F. Bomber Command. Besides other raids, he was in both the thousand-plane raids—one over Cologne and the other over the Ruhr. He was killed in action over Emden on the 20th June, 1942, and was buried in the Military Cemetery, Wittmund, Germany.
May he rest in peace. To his father and mother, brother and sister, Xavier offers sincerest and deepest sympathy. R.I.P.

FLIGHT SERGEANT AUSTIN COLLINS (X.C. 1926-29)
Austin came to Xavier in 1926 and left in 1929. He entered the Crown Law Department and was relieving Clerk of Courts in many parts of Victoria. He joined the Air Force in 1940 and after six months' service with the R.A.F. at Singapore, returned to Australia from India after the fall of Malaya. He was killed on 1st June of this year as the result of an aircraft accident. He was engaged in testing the front guns of his aircraft when it suddenly crashed into the sea. His body was recovered and he was buried in the Bomana Cemetery near Port Moresby.
May he rest in peace and may God comfort his widow in her loss and sorrow. R.I.P.

FLIGHT SERGEANT WILLIAM COSGROVE (1924-31)
Billy Cosgrove started at Burke Hall in 1924 and left there in 1930. At that time we chiefly associated him with the Pirates of Penzance, in which Billy was the Pirate King. On leaving school he went into business, and on the outbreak of war he joined the Air Force. He was the pilot of a Beaufighter detailed to carry out an offensive sweep against the enemy and from that last sweep his craft failed to return. The wrecked aircraft was recovered and poor Billy was buried on 11th August.
May he rest in peace, and to his sorrowing wife and little daughter, Xavier offers sincerest and deepest sympathy. R.I.P.

JULES (CHARLIE) CURR (X.C. 1933-36)
The news of Charlie's death reached us last February. It occurred in Libya at the beginning of the great move forward that has brought the 8th Army to its present position. No details have come to us except that he was wounded in battle and that he was taken to hospital, and that he died fortified with the rites of the Church. He was buried in the cemetery at El Alamein.
Charlie came to Xavier in 1933 from Queensland originally, but at the time he was living at Moree. He had been at Riverview for a short time. He was a much travelled boy and had hunted big game in Africa. He thought nothing of going home to Moree each holiday. He was at Xavier for four years and took to the land on leaving school. He joined the A.I.F. in the early days of the war, spent some time in the Middle East, and then made his way with his unit through Syria and on to the North of Africa. He was an only son, and as we pen these few lines a letter lies on our table, just received, announcing the death of his mother.
May they both rest in peace, united once more on the shores of Eternity. R.I.P.

F/LT. BRIAN HIGGINS, D.F.C. (X.C. 1927-30)
Brian Higgins has been killed. When this news reached Wangaratta, where he lived and was extremely popular, the town was overcome with grief. To Wangaratta he was a great man; for it was there that he received his first
education at St. Joseph's Convent; it was there that he worked on the literary staff of the "Chronicle-Despatch"; and it was there that he learnt to fly, being one of the pioneers of the Wangaratta Aero Club. Not only those who knew him in Wangaratta were overcome with grief. Those men with whom he flew on so many hazardous occasions, those men with whom he had been at school at Xavier Preparatory School (Burke Hall) and Xavier College, in fact, all those who new him were stricken with a grief that is only experienced when one's best friend is lost.

Throughout his career in the R.A.A.F. he was stamped as a man of great courage and daring. He was captain of a Catalina and was posted to Port Moresby when Japan first entered the war. His courageous deeds from the time he made his first operational flight until the time of his death in an aircraft accident were well known throughout Australia. He received the D.F.C. for arduous combats with the enemy when there were few aircraft available and no fighter protection. Many airmen alive today owe their life to Brian Higgins; he would rescue them at any time and in the face of any danger. He laughed at danger and always fought with a song and a joke on his lips. He wrote the song, "The Cat-boats are flying tonight," which has become the song of the Catalina squadron, and which exemplifies the courage and daring of Brian and his comrades.

As he lived, so he died. His popularity was shown when all men who knew him gathered at the graveside regardless of rank and saluted the casket containing his body. He was buried with a fighting comrade, L.A.C. H. G. Lovett, who was killed in the same air crash. Side by side they were laid to rest in the soil they had defended so well. To them Australia owes a great debt of gratitude, which will never be forgotten. Their lives have closed, but the span of their remembrance—never. R.I.P.

F./O. MAURICE HOBAN
(X.C. 1929-30)

In April we received the sad news of the death of Maurice Hoban, who was killed in an accident during formation flying near Jervis Bay. We do not now exactly what happened, but two machines out of three converged, met in mid-air and collapsed into the sea. The crews of both machines were lost, and Maurice was amongst them.

Maurice came to Xavier in 1929 and remained till 1930. After school he studied pharmacy, but on the outbreak of war he joined the Air Force, rose quickly and attained the rank of a Flying Officer.

Requiem Mass was offered for him in the School Chapel and was attended by Maurice's many friends.

May he rest in peace and may God comfort and console his young widow and two little children, as well as his mother, brother and sisters. To these, as well as Maurice's many friends, Xavier offers sincerest and deepest sympathy.

PILOT OFFICER S. P. KING
(X.C. 1921-25)

"God often takes the very best that we can give;
These die that those already dead may live."

How appropriately do those words come to mind as we reflect on the tragic end of Pilot Officer Stuart Patrick King, who is presumed to have lost his life whilst on active service with the R.A.A.F on 28th February, 1942. The circumstances under which he came to be lost are described in the following report of the Squadron-Leader commanding his group: "He was returning from an operational flight on the night of Sunday, 28th February, in bad weather. The aircraft was seen some distance from the coast and shortly afterwards signalled "Forced land." An exhaustive search was made during the following days, but nothing has been found. I am unable, therefore, to hold any hope for the survival of the crew. The aircraft must have run out of petrol, crashed on forced landing and sunk."

"Stuey," as he was known to so many Xaverians, entered the School in 1921 and left at the end of 1925 after he had matriculated. He was a member of the XI. which won the public schools championship in 1923 and 1924, and he became captain in 1925. He served the school well as a good steady batsman
2, 4, 5.—Funeral and Grave of Sgt.-Pilot GEOFFREY STOKES, R.A.A.F., Polmonth, Scotland.
and a brilliant wicket-keeper and in addition he was an outstanding backman in the XVIII. of 1925. Made a prefect in 1925, he also had the honour of being awarded in that year the Neil Crowley Cup for the boy who best combined study with sport.

Entering Newman in 1926 to study Law, he had a remarkably successful career during his five years at the University. In cricket he captained both Newman and the University, and gained a full blue. He achieved some outstanding performances as batsman, wicketkeeper and slow bowler, particularly in inter-collegiate cricket. In 1929 in a match against Trinity he made 260 not out, which still stands as an inter-collegiate record, and took 4/70 and 6/94. During this time he also made his way into Sheffield Shield cricket, and in December, 1926, he was a member of the Victorian side which amassed the world's record total of 1107 against New South Wales. In football, "Stuey" was equally brilliant, captaining Newman and the University and achieving another full blue. He took a prominent part in all college activities and in 1930 he was elected president of the Newman College Students' Club.

After graduating LL.B. in 1930 and leaving Newman, he played for the St. Kilda team, both in pennant cricket and League football, and added still further lustre to his already fine record. In 1932 he rose to captain of St. Kilda in both cricket and football, being the first Victorian to achieve the double honour. He was also the first Xaverian to win the distinction of playing both interstate cricket and football. He belonged to the golden era in Xavier's sporting history, the years 1921-25, which, in addition to bringing three cricket premierships (including two years as champions), and a football championship, produced an extraordinary number of noted figures. In cricket there were Test men in L. O'Brien Fleetwood Smith and Leo O'Brien, interstate players in Joe Plant, Karl Schneider and Stuart King, and pennant players in Joe Kelly, Dick Carroll, Frank O'Leary, Kevin Cussen, Tom Forbes, Jim Edwards, Austin Robertson, Jim Madden and Maurice Kelleher. In football there were interstate players in Austin Robertson, Joe Kelly and Stuart King, and senior footballers in Jack Moriarty, Frank Donnellan, Joe Plant, Cyril Burke, Dermot O'Brien and Karl Schneider. In athletics there were Austin Robertson and Kevin Cussen. Next only to Austin Robertson, "Stuey" was the greatest all-rounder of them all. He was a natural leader of men. Possessed of judgment, courage and faith in himself above the average, he had the ready facility for inspiring immediate confidence in all those with whom he came into contact.

"Stuey" remained faithful all his life to the ideal behind the Neil Crowley trophy and he never allowed his many sporting successes to turn his steps from the more important things of life. Although he graduated at the most difficult time for the law, with characteristic courage he set about making his own way in the legal profession just as he had made his own way through Xavier and Newman. Possessed of a quick and shrewd brain and with the necessary confidence he soon made a considerable reputation for himself in the common law branch of the profession. In the early part of 1942, however, he forsook a flourishing practice to join the R.A.A.F. Having passed through an administrative school and attained the rank of pilot officer, he was posted to a station in the North where he was serving when the tragic event of 28th February occurred.

In 1935 "Stuey" was married to Miss Pat Lightfoot, the sister of another old Xaverian, Tom Lightfoot, and in addition to his wife he has left to mourn him two young children, Gerald and Diana, to all of whom Xavier offers its very deepest sympathies.

PILOT OFFICER WILLIAM T. McCORMACK (X.C. 1927-31)

Bill McCormack, for so he was known to us all, was killed in an aircraft accident in England last May. He began in Burke Hall in 1927 and finished in the Senior School in 1931. On leaving school he joined the Vacuum Oil Co. and was with them till he joined the Air Force shortly after the outbreak of
Funeral and Grave of F/O. MAURICE HOBAN, R.A.A.F., Nowra, N.S.W.
hostilities. He had many interests in life. He was a lover of the country and constructed a "shack" in the wilds of Mount Martha and spent many pleasant times there with a few companions far from the rush and bustle of the city. He was also a keen footballer, and an enthusiastic follower and player of the Old Xaverians' Football Club. He left Australia about eighteen months ago and was continuing his training in England. At the time of the accident he was on a non-operational night training flight and took off at 11.15 on May 4th. Owing to the possibility of low clouds he was recalled. The position signalled by the aircraft indicated that he was returning out had overshot the aerodrome. It seems likely that the pilot came down in an endeavour to see the ground and that the aircraft struck trees on the top of a hill 350 feet above the aerodrome, and all the occupants were killed. Bill was buried with full military honours in the New Cemetery of Moreton-in-Marsh.

May he rest in peace. Xavier offers sincerest sympathy to his mother and brother and sister, and to a whole host of friends that have grieved to learn of his death. R.I.P.

Flight-Sergeant STUART METHVEN.
(X.C. 1925-29.)

In January last we received news that Stuart Methven was killed in an air raid over Germany. He and his brother John, whose death we recorded last year, began in Burke Hall, and both were well known in all Xaverian circles. Both were enthusiastic Old Xaverians, and Stuart was a very prominent member of the Old Xaverians’ Athletic Club. We recall many meetings that took place at Olympic Park in the days before the war, when the snorting clubs met and carried out a programme of events worthy of the best traditions of Australian athletic sports. Stuart was well known to all. He was extraordinarily popular, and a wonderful sport. Added to that, he showed a great loyalty to the School, and was interested in everything Xaverian. Unfortunately, he left School in hard times. The depression was at its climax, but despite this, he battled on courageously and succeeded where many would have failed.

From information from the Air Board, we learn that his aircraft was returning from a raid on Dusseldorf and was attacked by enemy aircraft over the English Channel. It was badly damaged by cannon, but despite this, the pilot succeeded in making a forced landing, but poor Stuart had lost his life.

May he rest in peace, and may God comfort and console his father and mother in this, their second, sad bereavement.

KEVIN SLAWESKI.
(X.C. 1937-39.)

Many of us had known Kevin Slaweski before he came to Xavier. His father was the dancing and drill instructor at the School, and Kevin went with his father and the untiring Rev. Quin and his brother John, whose death we recorded last year, began in Burke Hall, and both were well known in all Xaverian circles. Both were enthusiastic Old Xaverians, and Stuart was a very prominent member of the Old Xaverians’ Athletic Club. We recall many meetings that took place at Olympic Park in the days before the war, when the snorting clubs met and carried out a programme of events worthy of the best traditions of Australian athletic sports. Stuart was well known to all. He was extraordinarily popular, and a wonderful sport. Added to that, he showed a great loyalty to the School, and was interested in everything Xaverian. Unfortunately, he left School in hard times. The depression was at its climax, but despite this, he battled on courageously and succeeded where many would have failed.

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he said, "in front of a typewriter." During the first months of the war he tried frequently to join the Air Force, hoping, as he said, "to help to win the war in a fighter 'plane and not on a typewriter." Eventually he joined the R.A.A.F., and his ambition was realised. We quote here from a letter his father sent us:

"We received the news from Father Maxwell, of Deniliquin, that Kevin had had an accident. We borrowed a car, and were in Deniliquin within twenty-four hours of the crash. We found our boy alive and conscious. He was burned from head to foot. He lived a week, and we saw him for a few minutes every day, and on three occasions he knew we were there. On the sixth day we were called to the hospital, as the lad was dying. I placed a little pack of miraculous medals on his chest, and within a few minutes he was conscious and spoke one word to me, 'Dad.' Father Maxwell then gave him again the last sacraments. Soon after that he died. One of the few things he said to me when I told him not to 'throw the towel in,' he replied, 'We can take it, Dad.' Never a complaint or a whimper out of him the whole time.

"Kevin had graduated at Western Junction ('Tas.) with distinction, and had been chosen as a fighter pilot, and was undergoing his training at Deniliquin at the time of the tragedy."

We may be permitted here to add our appreciation of this plucky little boy. He was Catholic to the core, and—if this is the right term to use—a wholesome Xaverian. In those few days before his death he must have suffered agony, borne with the courage and patience of the martyrs, and his death in the circumstances was glorious. May he rest in peace, and may God comfort and console his father and mother in their loneliness and sorrow. To them and to all his friends—and they were many—Xavier offers sincerest and deepest sympathy. R.I.P.

Sgt.-Pilot GEOFFREY STOKES. (X.C. 1935-39)

We record with deep regret the death of Geoff Stokes. He was the son of Jack Stokes, who was at Xavier in the late 'nineties, and a brother of Jack, who was at Xavier 1923-29. Geoff came to Xavier in 1935. On leaving school he joined the Vacuum Oil Co., and in 1941 he joined the Air Force. He did his early training in Australia, and in due time went overseas. In June we received the news of his death in an aircraft accident. He was learning to fly Spitfires at an operational station in Scotland. We learn from the Air Board that he failed to get his machine to rise properly, that he lost control and crashed. His companions and the Air Board have given splendid testimony of his courage and of his worth, and that his loss is keenly felt by all. He was buried with full military honors in the cemetery at Polmonth, Stirlingshire, and a photograph of his grave covered with wreaths tells the story of the esteem and affection Geoff, had won by his noble and manly qualities.

May he rest in peace, and may God comfort and console his mother and sisters in their very sad loss. R.I.P.

WILLIAM WEARNE. (X.C., 1932-38)

Early in the year we received the sad news of Billy Wearne's death. He was killed in an aircraft accident in England. Billy began at Burke Hall in 1932, and finished at the Senior School in 1938. He went into business on leaving school, and shortly after the outbreak of war, he joined the Air Force. He did his initial training in Australia, and later sailed for Canada and England, where he was killed at the early age of 22.

May he rest in peace, and may God comfort and console his father and mother and sisters in their great loss. R.I.P.

Flying-Officer PAUL WHITEHEAD. (X.C., 1920-29)

Paul Whitehead was a native of Urana, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Whitehead, of "Butherwah," Urana. He received his education at Xavier College, Melbourne, where he distinguished himself in the sporting field, being a member of the winning Head-of-fhe-River crews with his brother, Captan Norman Whitehead, in 1928 and 1929.

He was particularly well-known in the Corowa and Urana districts, and news that his life has been given in defence of his country will be a sad blow to his wife and two young daughters, his parents and brothers, Keith and Ralph.
F. J. LOUGHNAN (X.C. 1886-89)

We record with regret the death of F. Joseph Loughnan who was here in the early days of the School. He spent most of his life managing country supplies. He was managing a butter factory in Yea and later in Bendigo. A few years ago, owing to ill-health, he came to the city and took a position with the Post Office. For the last few years he lived at Glen Iris and died fortified by the rites of the Church. May he rest in peace.

FLIGHT SERGEANT JOHN H. MCCARTHY (X.C. 1931-35)

John McCarthy began his career at Xavier in the Preparatory School, Burke Hall, as a quiet but very bright and cheerful little boy, with a fund of good humour and a fund of common-sense. In due time he came to Xavier and completed his studies in 1935. On leaving school he went into business in the city and in the early stages of the war he joined the Air Force. He trained in Australia and Canada and later sailed for England. About last February we received news that he was missing. Documents from the Air Board tell us that he was a wireless operator of a Lancaster aircraft detailed to attack the submarine base at Lorient on the west coast of France on the night of February 13, and that nothing was ever heard of the Lancaster or the crew since the take-off. Exhaustive searches and enquiries were made through the Red Cross and other sources, but nothing has been found. As we write this in the month of November, we have sadly to presume that John and all his brave crew are lost. He was certainly a hero of the air. He had been on 24 raids and this, the 25th, proved fatal. He had also earned membership of the famous Caterpillar Club by bailing out over England and saving his life by parachute, and in his last letter to his parents he said he had received his gold Caterpillar Badge. May John and his crew rest in peace and may God comfort and console his father and mother and sister, as well as the parents, friends and relatives of all the members of the Lancaster. R.I.P.

SERGEANT PILOT KEVIN HART (X.C. 1937)

The only news we have received of Kevin Hart is that he was shot down and killed in an air raid in Germany. May he rest in peace and may God console his many friends left to mourn his death. R.I.P.

PETER LALOR (X.C. 1921-3)

As we go to press we learn that Rifleman Peter Lalor was killed in action on September 11. A great-grandson of Peter Lalor, the Eureka Stockade leader, and only son of Capt. J. P. Lalor, who was killed at the Gallipoli landing, Peter was one of the original boys at Studley (Burke Hall) in 1921, and was at Xavier till 1930. Afterwards while at Newman he had a very successful career at the University, graduating in Arts, with first-class honours in the English school, and in Law. He was a good debater and a keen member of the University Rifles, and also editor of the University newspaper, "Farrago." In 1935 he went to England and studied at Oxford, and on the outbreak of war enlisted at once in the King's Royal Rifle Corps. He saw special commando service before taking part in the North African campaign, and after training in the Middle East in recent months he had passed the tests for service with the paratroops. R.I.P.

Geoff. Cullinan (X.C. 1937-39) was killed in New Guinea, and Pat Howard (X.C. 1925-29) died after a long illness a few weeks ago. R.I.P.
FR. WILLIAM BAKER

A figure familiar in Xavier circles for the last forty years passed to his reward when Father William Baker died at Caritas Christi on September 17 this year. The end came as a merciful release, for during the previous eighteen months Fr. Baker had patiently endured great suffering, the aftermath of a sudden heart attack to which he nearly succumbed, and from which he never completely recovered. In the latter part of 1942 he came from hospital to Xavier as a semi-invalid, and spent most of his last year of life as a member of the Community of the College to which he had given such devoted service in the past. Those who had known the strong, eager, energetic personality of his healthy days were now appalled at his shrunken and weak frame, so lacking its former fire and vitality. Occasionally a spark of the real Fr. Baker flashed into being, but it served only as a pathetic reminder of the past.

At the time of his death Father Baker was aged 64. As a boy he was at Riverview in 1896-97, and in 1899 he entered the Jesuit Novitiate, then at “Loyola,” Greenwich, Sydney. After preliminary studies he taught for a time as a scholastic at Riverview, and then from 1905 to 1908 he taught mathematics at Xavier, establishing even then the reputation as a teacher in this branch of learning for which he was later to become so well-known. In 1909 he commenced his studies in philosophy at Stonyhurst, England, following with theology at Milltown Park, Dublin, in which city he was ordained in 1914. After completing his studies he taught mathematics at Belvedere in 1916. Then the tertianship, and at last, at the end of 1917, Fr. Baker was on his way back to his beloved Xavier, in whose activities he had taken the keenest interest during his long absence.

In addition to the higher mathematics, he was now saddled with the onerous duties of Prefect of Studies, an office calling for clear vision and great patience, as well as scholastic ability — qualities all of which Fr. Baker had in good measure.

After four successful years as Prefect of Studies, Fr. Baker was transferred to Riverview, but he only spent a year there, and in 1923 he was back on our teaching staff at Xavier. In the following year he was again installed as Prefect of Studies, and remained in office until his departure at the beginning of 1930 for St. Patrick’s College, where he remained until his collapse last year.

There are many Australians in prominent positions to-day who owe much to Fr. Baker for his painstaking and patient instructions in the class-rooms of the three Colleges in which he was stationed. He had the happy knack of teaching with the lighter touch, and his success in getting the best out of his boys was probably largely due to his method of leading rather than driving.

An old Xaverian, Dr. John Garvan Hurley, who was a member of that XI, and was taught by Mr. Baker in his first year at Xavier, wrote as follows on hearing of his death:

"A lovable personality has passed to his eternal reward — one who endeared himself to his boys. What a gift he possessed of winning his way into the hearts of others! There was about Father Baker the attraction of unselfishness and kindly interest, combined with a fund of good humour that exerted a charm on all who came in contact with him. He was an excellent teacher, firm but just, and his influence was great. By all he was affectionately known by his initials, “W.I.B.” I well remember the sadness we all experienced when he left Xavier in 1909 by the “Gneisnau” for Europe. Prior to his departure to promised to keep him abreast of Xavier doings. His replies were evidence of the intense love he bore for Xavier. How he looked forward to his day of ordination and return to Xavier! One can never forget the encouragement and help he invariably gave — both in Xavier and in the many
years that have passed since. My own
debt to him is one that can now only
be repaid by prayer."

Some there were, indeed, who, boy­
like, did not appreciate Fr. Baker's
firmness (albeit it was tempered with
justice) as a master and Prefect, prin­
cipally because they did not really come
to know him. One such has written to
us: "For many years after I left Xavier
I saw nothing of Father Baker, until
one day I met him at Mena House visit­
ing an old sick priest. At that brief
meeting I saw in Fr. Baker something
which as a boy I had failed to appre­
ciate—a deeply sympathetic nature and
kindness of heart under the veneer of
a somewhat stern demeanour. I could
see that the older priest had an intense
admiration and love for the younger
one, who, I learned, was his constant
visitor and comforter. It was good to
meet Father Baker again, and to realise
what a grand man he really was. I
understood then why he was held so
high in the esteem and affection of
masters and boys who knew him best
at Xavier, and realised what I had
missed in not knowing him better." To
Mena House, indeed, and to its inmates,
Father Baker gave devoted service for
many years while he was stationed at
St. Patrick's, and daily, wet or fine,
he was in attendance there to celebrate
the 6 o'clock Mass.

It is easy to understand that such a
man made many friends while at school.
His sustained interest in the afterlife
of his pupils strengthened the friend­
ships thus begun, and he was a welcome
figure at all gatherings of the Old
Boys. He continued to do them many
kindnesses, and received many in re­
turn. Few men had such a generous
circle of friends as Fr. Baker, and their
generosity to him is a clear sign of
the esteem in which they held him.
There was a large gathering to pay
their respects at his obsequies at St.
Ignatius' Church, Richmond, the morn­
ing after his death. Many priests and
nuns were present, and also a number
of our senior boys and the prefects
from St. Patrick's. His Grace the
Archbishop presided, and Very Rev. Fr.
Costelloe was celebrant of the Mass.
We may fittingly conclude with an ex­
tract from the panegyric delivered by
Dr. Mannix:

"Entering the Jesuit Order he de­
voted himself without stint or measure
to his work. He was capable of filling
any office that his Order could offer
him. The one thing that he took to
heart was to be a capable and success­
ful teacher, and after that, perhaps, to
be a good prefect of studies; and this
desire was certainly fulfilled.

"Just as sometimes he talked about
his own prowess in the athletic field
in his youth, so he also regaled his
companions many times with the history
of the great men who had passed
through his hands and whose lives he
had helped to mould. Under his care
they developed their minds and charac­
ter in school, and he followed them in
their after lives with the deepest in­
terest and was proud of their successes.
He was loved by his Community. His
work as a teacher was outstanding, and
he will be long remembered. His large
circle of friends in Melbourne regret his
passing, and their sorrow is deep and
abiding. They will pray for him for
many years, and will remember him
in their Masses and Holy Communions.

"Father Baker has gone to give an
account of his stewardship, and, no
doubt, when the books are opened, the
good work that he has done will not
be forgotten by the Master whom he
so well served. He worked devoutly
and well, and it is my hope that he
has already gone to his reward."

To his brother, Father Peter Baker,
S.J., for so many years our science
master, and now stationed at Richmond,
the sympathy and prayers of all con­
nected with Xavier are extended in his
great loss. R.I.P.

DANIEL CONNELL (X.C. 1892-1906)

(We quote from the Wangaratta "Despatch.")

Mr. Daniel Joseph Connell, who was
widely known as a lawyer and for his
association with racing, died at his
home, "Garnavella," Ford street, Wangar­
ratta, on Saturday morning, at the age
of 63 years. He had been ill for about
five weeks. Mr. Connell was born at
Tarrawingee, being the youngest son
of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Connell, who
were among the first families to settle
in that district. He was educated at
THE XAVERIAN.

Tarrawinge school and at Xaxier Col-
lege and was articled to Messrs. Gavan
Duffy and King, solicitors, of Mel-
bourne. He was admitted to practice
on December 3, 1902, soon after which
he commenced practice at Wangaratta.
Mr. Connell was a sound lawyer and a
well-known figure in the courts. He
built up a reputation as a successful
defending counsel in criminal cases and
took part in many of the notable trials
in the higher courts at Wangaratta and
other towns in the North-East.

Mr. Connell's interest in racing was
many-sided. He owned several good
horses which carried his colours to suc-
cess on metropolitan and country
courses. He raced for the love of the
sport. He had a long association with
the Wangaratta Turf Club as a mem-
ber of the committee and was for some
years president. He was also a trustee
of the racecourse. Another body with
which he had been associated over a long
period was the North-Eastern District
Racing Association, of which he was
president at the time of his death. He
was a foundation member of the Wan-
garatta Club. In his earlier years Mr.
Connell was a good cricketer and also
played football. He had a quiet man-
ner and many kindnesses and acts of
charity he performed were not known
to the public. Among other things, he
took a great interest in the erection of St. Patrick's primary school. He was
a well-known figure in Wangaratta and
will be greatly missed.

The funeral at the Wangaratta ceme-
tery was largely attended, and there
were many floral tributes from various
local and district organisations with
which Mr. Connell had been connected.

WILLIAM HOARE (X.C. 1884-89)

Xaverians of an earlier generation
will remember William Hoare, and
Xaverians of a later one will also recall
his figure, for he was constantly at the
School showing his interest in our
sporting activities.

He was born away back in 1871 and
came to Xavier as a boarder in 1884.
After leaving school he studied Law
and did his articles with the firm of
Pavey, Wilson and Cohen. He was ad-
mitted in 1900 and practised for years
in Queen Street. All his life he was
interested in sport. In his young days
he played football both at school and
with a team in Hawthorn known as
Edlington. He was a splendid Catholic
and one of the first members of the
Holy Name Society in his parish.

For some time he had not been in
good health and his death came rather
suddenly.

May he rest in peace. Xavier offers
sincerest and deepest sympathy to his
nieces and to his many relatives and
friends. R.I.P.

ERNEST McKENNA.
(X.C., 1893-97.)
(We quote from "The Kyneton Guardian.")

After a long and trying illness, Mr.
E. D. McKenna, the well-known grazier,
of "Annek," Baynton, died at the Mercy
Hospital, East Melbourne, early on Mon-
day morning.

Some time ago Mr. McKenna entered
the Mercy Hospital for medical treat-
ment. His condition slightly improved,
and he returned home with a nurse in
attendance for a change of scene. The
improvement, however, did not continue,
and about a month ago his condition
necessitated his immediate return to the
hospital. In spite of specialised medical
treatment and devoted nursing it was
realised that his ultimate recovery could
not be hoped for. With characteristic
"ouage and unselfishness, Mr*. McKenna
faced the inevitable and resigned himself
to the loss of that which most men hope
for, "an old age serene and bright and
lovely as a Lapland night," and realised
that he had nearly counted the rosary of
the days of his life.

Mrs. McKenna and her sons have been
in constant attendance upon him, and his
brothers have been unsparing in their
attention and devotion.

Educated at Xavier College, Mr. Mc-
Kenna, in his younger days, was keenly
interested in all manly sports, especially
football, in his day being captain of the
Kyneton team and also of a team at
Rochester, retiring from active participa-
tion in the game when he sustained an
injury to his knee. He also played a
good game of cricket and was keenly
interested in racing, for many years hav-
ing horses in training which raced under
his colors. The most successful of these
were Kate Scott and Venus.

He entered the service of the Bank of
New South Wales, and while in the local
branch he was the moving spirit in the
cricket club of the town. In Rochester, to which branch he received promotion, he also proved himself an active citizen. There he married Miss Nita Fuller, daughter of the late Mr. A. J. Fuller, of that town. Later, when filling the position of teller at Corowa, he decided to resign from the bank and reside on his grazing property at Baynton. While his sons were young he resided in the town, but later returned to "Annek," Baynton. His sons, Fuller and Gerald, decided to follow in their father's footsteps and be graziers. Many improvements were effected upon the property, large concrete woolsheds were erected and many shelter trees added to those that already nourished there, while much energy was put into making the garden at "Annek" a beautiful spot.

Mr. McKenna's hospitable door was always open to his friends. He was keenly interested in racing, and a member of the committee of the Kyneton District Racing Club. As a member of the Old Public Schoolboys' Association of Kyneton, he entered fully into the social life of the district. Though he did not seek public life, he was keenly interested in all matters appertaining to the progress of the district, and his opinions, when expressed, usually were developmental and progressive. He was a devout churchman, worshipping mainly at the Catholic Church at Baynton, and sometimes at St. Mary's, Kyneton.

His was a life quiet and uneventful, yet a life rich in service. He was keenly interested in his own pursuits, yet he had time to assist with friendly advice and in other ways those who needed his help. He was the soul of hospitality, and loved to fill his home with his and his wife's and sons' friends. To those who have known him all their days, there is something inexpressibly sad in his passing at comparatively so early an age, while those who came into contact with him in his maturer days will regret exceedingly that longer life had not been his portion. For the sons of the early pioneers in a district such as this there is an affectionate regard and esteem felt that has in it something very beautiful, and that affection was warmly felt for Ernest McKenna.

May he rest in peace.

To his widow and sons, Fuller and Gerald, as well as to his brothers, all old Xavierians, and to his sisters, Xavier offers sincerest and deepest sympathy.—R.I.P.

DANIEL VAUGHAN.
(X.C., 1925-28.)

With regret we record the death of Dan Vaughan at a very early age. He began his associations with Xavier in the Preparatory School, Burke Hall, under the direction of its first Head Master, Fr. James O'Dwyer. On leaving school he joined the firm of Messrs. Vaughan and Lodge, and remain with them after they had sold out to the Yellow Express. Owing to poor health he had to do light work, and for the last couple of years he lived quietly at Mornington.

May he rest in peace. We offer sincerest and deepest sympathy to his brothers, all of whom are Old Xavierians.

WILLIAM O'KEEFE.
(X.C., 1898-1900.)

John Harding, a bugler to Admiral Lord Fisher, left a will which ran thus: "When I have reached my allotted span, after my death I beg my comrades to carry out the following requests:—Don't let what is left of me be shoved unceremoniously into the ground by a sour-faced undertaker. Lay me in the coffin and cover me with the old flag. Arrange for a waggon and hire a couple of carriages as escort and bury me where my mates are lying in Fawkner churchyard. On the way there pull up at the first tavern and drink a glass to me. For this purpose I leave you £5. While you do this I will wait peacefully outside. Then drive on to the churchyard. There one of you must offer a few words to God Almighty and beg Him to take me just as I am. Then, when I am properly stowed in the grave, have a bugler sound the Last Post. He must blow as loud as he can and even louder. For this he is to receive £1. This done, bid me farewell, drive home, go to the club and drink another glass to my memory and to a happy meeting again in the green field of heaven."

The simple sincerity and kindness of heart of the old sailor seem to us to strike a note that is in accord with the life of the Old Xavierian, William O'Keefe, who died at Birmingham, England, on June 27, 1943. Will (or "Jock" as he was known at School) came to Xavier in the beginning of 1898 and
remained there till the close of 1900. Though not outstanding in either form or field, yet he made a passing mark in both, since we find him carrying off the mid-winter essay in 1899, while pictures of the school teams show him in the eighteen in 1898, the harriers for 1899, and in both years he figures as second in two races that had the crowd on its toes as to who would get first. However, it was mainly on the stage that he shone, bringing the house down as digger No. 1 in the grave scene of “Hamlet” acted in 1898, as Falstaff in the tavern scene of Henry IV staged in 1899.

He was born 2nd July, 1882, and died on 27th June, 1943.

He left Xavier in 1900, “the general favorite and the general friend.” In 1902 he went to England and entered the British Westinghouse Company as the first Australian apprentice. Here he remained for three years leaving in 1906, later starting in business in the foundry line as the Adaptable Moulding Machine Company. Twice since that time he re-visited his native land.

With World War I on, his foundry, like every other one in England, was working overtime. Notwithstanding this, he still found opportunity to do what was quite a feature in his life, viz., communicate with folk he had met on both sides of the world. Sociable, witty and willing to learn about anything and from anybody, he made many friends, and these were never forgotten. Regularly, even when the blitz of World War II was at its height in England, there would come the typed sheets beginning: “Hello, Australia! Adaptable calling!”—and then would follow most interesting chat on things of interest at home and abroad. Equally regularly would be posted away to friends, who had the good fortune to be on his mailing list, interesting periodicals and other literature.

A bachelor, he lived in “digs” till the time when heart trouble forced him to take a little more thought for himself, but his snuggery was worthy of the inventive genius of the man. Here was the “real Ritz,” he would laughingly say, and his descriptions of entertainment of his friends read like Dickens, “Cheeryble Brothers” at their best. There may not have been too much space, but there was always the sauce of good and honest fellowship.

Two letters received since his death bear testimony to the affection engendered on these and other meetings. One is from a companion who had been a fellow apprentice with him at the Westinghouse Company. Writing of him, he says: “He was the most unselfish man I have ever known, and was only really happy when doing some kind and thoughtful deed. . . . He will be greatly missed by all—he was a sincere friend and such sparkling company.” High praise indeed, and pointing to another “Abou Ben Adhem.”

The other letter is from the friends at whose home he died so unexpectedly, and was written not to his relatives, but to an unknown friend in England making enquiries concerning his death. This letter has been a great source of comfort to his relatives, for it reveals that his closing hours were happy—spent in the atmosphere of a real home with friends he loved and who loved him.

“We spent a very pleasant evening. He was in great form, and with his fund of stories he was fine company. We went to bed about 12, having arranged to go to early Mass next morning.” So, up till his last conscious moments, he was surrounded by loving care and consideration, which was intensified, even after his death, for when they went to call him for early Mass, they found he had already answered God’s call and gone to pay his homage direct at the Throne. Priest and doctor were immediately summoned, but “Our dear friend was dead.” The letter goes on to say, “We laid him to rest at Lodge Hill—a quiet spot in Selby Oak—and we do feel that God directed his steps to us that Saturday (and not to the home where he lived alone); for his time had evidently come. This is another instance of His love and care for us all.” And that closing message is the one that has given comfort to his relatives, making them feel the sting was taken out of death, and the endine was happy for the “exile from home.”

Rest to his gentle soul, and comfort to those left to mourn his going.

The writer wishes to end this notice with a personal memory.

The last day I saw Will in Birmingham, three things occurred which are now a fragrant memory. In the morning he showed me the fine church of the Oratorian Fathers, where he was accustomed to hear Sunday Mass, and to which he was wont to take himself and
his friends to midnight Mass each Christmas Eve. In the afternoon, after showing me over the wonderful village of Bourneville, which Cadbury Brothers have built for the housing of their employees, he took me to the residence of the Oratorian Fathers, and obtained leave for us to visit the grave of Cardinal Newman. As we knelt to say a prayer for that grand, high-souled, simple and sincere convert, we read the lines on his tomb: “Ex umbris et imaginibus in veritatem (Gone from shadows and images into light and truth).” And lastly, as we raced to catch the train to London, having been delayed by a hold-up in the trams (our luck it was to be in the last one of all!) out from the bustle and crush of the crowd rang Will’s cheery advice: “Don’t be looking for your ticket at the barrier!”

One feels certain that his continuous cheerful and kindly thought for others (the only test question of the Judgment) would have found him not looking for his ticket, but with it well in his hand, and, thus prepared, passing, like John Henry Newman, “ex umbris et imaginibus in veritatem.”

May he rest in peace.
It seems a far cry from Australia to Rome, the home of the General of the Society of Jesus, and we in this far-off land may be pardoned for a certain haziness about what goes on so far from our shores. So, when it was announced here that V.R. Father Wlodimir Ledochowski, S.J., aged 76, had died at Rome on December 13, 1942, no great fuss was caused, and very few people gave a second thought to the news, even if they happened to hear it above the clamour of war. Some may have recalled for a moment the slight, white-haired, little man with the gentle, friendly smile, flashed fleetingly on the screen during "The Story of the Vatican"; some with Jesuit friends may have been interested for their friends’ sake; but for most the news, and with it a great and notable man, passed quickly into oblivion.

While Australia had been oblivious of Father Wlodimir Ledochowski, he had not been oblivious of her. He it was who set up the Australian Vice-Province of the Society in 1931, giving us one of his best men for that responsible task. The concluding portion of his decree establishing our Vice-Province is a prayer which expresses not a passing interest in Australia, but an abiding and paternal concern for the welfare of the whole Church in this land which seemed to him so far away.

With the rest of the manifold flocks put into his charge, Australia had a large place in his heart and in his prayers, and was numbered among his friends. Australia is interested in her friends, and likes to know something about them, so here are the main facts of the life of Father Ledochowski.

As the name suggests, the Father was of Polish ancestry, though born in what was known in 1866 as Lower Austria. He served as a page at the Imperial Court of Vienna, in this resembling St. Ignatius, who was a page at the Spanish Court in his early days. He went to study jurisprudence at Cracow, but before his course was completed his true vocation began to take shape, and he entered a seminary at Tarnow, continuing his ecclesiastical studies later at the famous Gregorian University of Rome. After completing philosophy there with a doctorate, he entered the Society of Jesus. Thus he followed the course of many law students and seminarists who eventually found their spiritual home in that Society.

He was ordained at Cracow in 1894, and being a man of outstanding worth he soon began a meteoric rise, which was to culminate in his election as General of the Society in 1915. In 1900 he was made Rector of Cracow College; two years later he was in charge of the Province of Galicia; after four more years he was given the responsible position of Assistant for the Germanic Provinces, i.e., chief adviser and consultant of the General in matters concerning German-speaking Provinces.

A Jesuit at 49 is comparatively young, but at that age Father Ledochowski was given the task of supreme command in the Society. The difficulties which beset him are obvious when we recall the date of his election—1915. The body of men he controlled belonged to nations at war; the world seemed to be heading for ruin—"the lights of Europe were going out." He lived to see those lights flicker on again, and did much to strengthen their beams, only to see them dimmed once more before he died. There was no neutral Vatican State in 1915, so he controlled the affairs of the Society from Switzerland till he was able to return to Rome at the end of 1918. Then, in spite of conditions of extraordinary difficulty resulting from the war, the power of his leadership began to make itself felt.

There are some 27,000 Jesuits in the world to-day; in 1915 there were 17,000. The 27 different Provinces of that year have grown to 50. Forty-six separate Foreign Mission fields are now dotted throughout the world—missions built up on the ruins of World War No. 1.; SS. Peter Canisius and Robert Bellarmine, famous theologians of the Society, were canonized and proclaimed Doctors of the Church; the fascinating American Martyrs, and the heroic Polish Martyr, Andrew Bobola, were canonized; the total of Jesuit saints rose to 24. The English Martyr-Poet, Robert Southwell, the Scotchman, John Ogilvie, Claude de la Colombiere, who had been the adviser and confessor of St. Margaret Mary, and many other Jesuits were beatified. The cause of several more modern Jesuits was introduced to the Sacred Congregation. Father Ledochowski was the mainspring of all this astounding progress.

In a more personal way he was responsible for the erection on a worthier site
of a more modern and commodious Gregorian University, and of the new Jesuit Curia—central offices for the administration and organization of the Society. He introduced wise and efficient measures to maintain the level of learning among his sons, inaugurating special courses and training for the apt ones after the finish of the normal Jesuit training. Historical research in particular he encouraged, and he made the beginnings of a plan to gather into one great corpus the writings of the more eminent Jesuits throughout the ages. Missions featured largely in his activities, benefiting by his zeal and skilful planning.

Obviously the man behind all this was exceptionally gifted — he was a man of great energy and ability, with foresight, patience, and prudence. One might also expect him to be a big, powerful man, able to work for long hours, hardy and robust. Such was not the case. The Father was physically frail all his life, and frequently impeded in his work by sickness. In his later years he could work for short periods only, but such was his power of will and mind that he could fit more work into those short periods than most others, with more uncertain and dilatory methods, could perform in a whole day. Again, one might expect that constant sickness, with the sense of frustration and helplessness and uselessness that so often accompany sickness, would have tended to sour his character and to make of him a gloomy recluse. Those who associated with the General tell a far different story. They tell us that he was easy of approach, that he had always a sunny gaiety and charm of manner.

The co-existence of these qualities in one individual is easy to explain. The General's holiness, his supernatural outlook on the world, his close union with God and deep personal humility are the secret of his success, and of the esteem and love felt for him by all his sons. He came of an apostolic family—his eldest sister founded the Sodality of St. Peter Claver for African Missions. He took a truly apostolic view of the works given to him, trusting in God's help, and at the same time doing all in his power to further the work of God. His was the calm confidence—and the success—of the man of God.

He died in the Curia where he had worked so long, to which he begged to be brought when he knew his end was near. His death was in keeping with his life, peaceful and saintly, and his thoughts and prayers were continually for his Society. He offered his life for the Church, the Holy Father, and his beloved Society. He had served them all well.
Catholic Youth Rally at Xavier

In 1941, and again last year, many thousands of people attended the great Catholic Youth Rallies held at Xavier under the auspices of the Young Christian Workers' organisation. This year's Rally was on a greater and more attractive scale than the previous displays, for members of the Young Christian Students and of the National Catholic Girls' Movement took an active part in the proceedings, in addition to the Y.C.W., which has itself recently been widened in scope so as to embrace the Catholic working youth from 18 to 25, as well as those from 14 to 18. The N.C.G.M. is a movement for girls between 14 and 25 which aims at giving the girls a religious, cultural and social training, so that by living fully Catholic lives themselves and by influencing their surroundings they may help to build a Christian civilisation. The Y.C.S. movement has been established in the Secondary Schools to give the boys and girls an idea of the great work they can accomplish in Catholic Action, both at school and afterwards, and to provide a practical training in the methods of the apostolate.

These three bodies, then, were united this year in the great Rally held in our grounds on Sunday, October 24. In contrast with the weather on former occasions, conditions were almost ideal: the sun shone all day, and there was a light southerly breeze. The organising committee, under the direction of Fr. Lombard and Messrs. Frank Murphy, K. Toomey, Percy Mitchell and D. Minogue, had made a great success of the decorations. The scoreboard was completely concealed by large banners of the three movements and a large Australian flag; around the railway side of the big oval poles were erected every twenty

PARADE OF THE YOUTH MOVEMENTS. (Block Advocate)
yards, from which hung more banners and multi-coloured bunting. The pavilion was similarly decorated, while from the towers of the House fluttered the Papal and Xavier flags.

Apart from the decorations, the ovals and grass banks themselves have never looked better. The open-air altar, protected by an artistically-designed canopy, was erected on the top of the slopes at the Sanctuary end of the Chapel, overlooking the whole of the grounds, which presented an unforgettable picture when covered with thousands of people during Mass, and especially during the addresses and Benediction with which the day closed. The altar and surroundings were tastefully decked with flowers and plants, and were flanked on either side during the ceremonies by numerous Y.C.W., Y.C.S. and N.C.G.M. flagbearers; while the Chapel and the College buildings provided a background that could scarcely have been bettered anywhere.

At noon his Grace the Coadjutor Archbishop, Dr. Simonds, celebrated a dialogue Mass at this altar, the Latin responses being made by members of the youth movements and adults assembled on the upper oval. In his discourse, which was broadcast by the national stations, Dr. Simonds said that the large gathering gave abundant proof that the members of the youth movements were no longer bound by the selfishness which so often enslaved youth. The great sight in the arena inspired deep sentiments of gratitude to God for the enthusiasm and zeal of youth, which betokened great hope for the future of the Church. After explaining the nature of the lay apostolate, and the large part there was for youth in it, his Grace expressed the wish that a keen appreciation of the Church's liturgy and a deep love for her public worship, especially for the Mass, the principal means of union with Christ, would always be a feature of the youth movements of Catholic Action. The ceremony
closed with the youth movements pledging their loyalty to Christ the King, and the singing of "Hail, Queen of Heaven."

Shortly after lunch a sports programme commenced on the big oval, with events for the Y.C.W., secondary schools, and diocesan primary and central schools, and an overhead-ball competition for the girls' primary schools. At the same time the St. Vincent de Paul Boys' band and the Irish Pipers rendered selections on the upper oval, and the Catholic boy scouts gave displays on both grounds. During the interval the N.C.G.M. presented a colourful tableau, with choral items, verse speaking, and attractive marching with banners on the big oval. Dr. Simonds, accompanied by Father Rector, was present all the afternoon, and at 3.30 he was joined by his Grace the Archbishop, who was accompanied by Dr. Lyons.

By 4 p.m. the Xavier grounds were crowded as never before in their history. The pavilion, terraces and banks of the big oval were packed with adults and children, and the spectators encroached on to the arena at many points, and stood several deep right round the fence on the railway side as far as the scoreboard and beyond. Meanwhile, hundreds more were sitting on the upper oval and the Chapel slopes awaiting the final phases of the day's activities. It was estimated that there were then thirty thousand people in the grounds. While waiting, many took the opportunity to inspect the Chapel and the Quadrangle.

Shortly after 5 the great march of 5000 youth began. First were the Y.C.W., with their white shirts and grey slacks, then the girls of the N.C.G.M. with their colourful costumes, and each movement carried a number of large banners. Next came the Xavier cadets in uniform, led by Capt. J. P. Smith, leading the cadets from St. Patrick's College, S.J., De La Salle, and C.B.C., Essendon. The marching of the cadets won spontaneous applause from the spectators. There followed units of the A.T.C., including the 30 members of the Xavier flight, in their air force blue. Our own non-cadets with the boys from the other secondary schools came next, with the diocesan primary, central and technical school-boys behind, and they were followed by the girls of the secondary and primary schools, with the Catholic boy scouts in uniform bringing up the rear.

The parade came from the Avenue and halted first on the big oval, and then the different groups proceeded past the pavilion to the upper oval, across below the Chapel and then round and formed into a huge cross facing the Chapel and the open-air altar. Miss Judith Larkins, of the N.C.G.M., and Mr. E. Long, president of the Y.C.W., welcomed the Archbishops and thanked them for their great interest in the movements, and thanked all, especially the Xavier authorities, who had helped to make the day such a success.

His Grace the Archbishop then spoke, saying it had been a glorious day for Christ and for Australia. The hope of the future rested in the young people, whose fathers and brothers were far from Australia fighting to win the war, and on the young people would depend the winning of the peace, which, if it was to be a worthy one, must be a Christian peace, based upon justice and charity and having Christ's blessing upon it. They were there that day to profess their loyalty to Christ the King, for He was their leader and in Him they placed their trust, while their following of Him consisted in endeavouring to liken themselves to Him. They should be patriotic, as He was, and love and cherish Australia, their native land, and try to make it the great land that God wills it to be. The aim of this great demonstration, and of the setting up of all the organisations of Catholic Youth, was that in their own lives, and in their own nation, they should reproduce, as it were, Jesus Christ, their Leader, and so far as they succeeded in that they should succeed in all that matters. His prayer, as well as his hope, was that God would continue to bless their labour and extend their work, and make Australia in the end an outstanding Christian nation.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by Dr. Simonds, and then, shortly after six o'clock, the singing of "Faith of our Fathers" by the entire gathering brought the memorable day to a close.

E. J. Hogan.
Sporting Activities In Miniature

Some Vivid Memories of Little Cricket and Father William Baker

By F. Keith Manzie.

They were synonymous when I was at Xavier, as they were to all boys at school during that enthusiastic athletics-in-miniature period. Possibly Xavier boys are still playing Little Cricket along the asphalt stretches in front of the First Division and Second Division lobbies, but the craze seemed to have reached a particularly fine frenzy during those war-free years when Father Baker bowled "twisty ones" to apprehensive young batsmen doggedly defending one of the concrete pillars against the Prefect's wiles.

Unfortunately, in a transient world neither such pleasant pastimes nor their participants are enduring. Father William Baker passed on in September of this year—but the gift of memory permits him to remain a vivid figure, black habilments flying as he rushed up the "pitch" to accept a spooned-up "softy" with jubilant shout.

Frankly, I must admit I never played in Father Baker's own particular competition. Regularly during each lunch-hour I swung a piece of paling in a rival association further down the hill. Strangely enough, no challenges were ever flung from one Little Cricket "body" to the other. We remained remote, distinct and positively aloof from each other, as we did from all other groups of softball adherents who could be seen dotted about the Xavier grounds during "break" periods.

But though we made no efforts at co-operation, at least there was no friction between the respective codes—not openly, anyhow. I think I may correctly refer to them as "codes," for lacking any official rulings, Little Cricket was given a variety of interpretations by its many exponents. Which was a pity. Seeing how extraordinarily popular it was, leading exponents of the game (headed, of course, by Father Baker) might very easily have gone into convention and framed a set of rules. After all, H. G. Wells drew up "Little Wars" to organise those of us who loved to play with tin soldiers on the drawing room carpet, so why not a "Little Cricket" to weld wielders of the willow in miniature into one happy code?

Maybe, it's not too late now! A definite ruling as to exact speed with which an under-arm full toss may be hurtled at a batsman equipped only with a jagged piece of wood or the leg of a chair and whether "out on the first bounce" is strictly legit, would clear the air once and for all for many disgruntled Little Cricket devotees. I, for one, would feel a lot happier about it. I'm still positive that the swift one Bert Frederico put across me back in 1920, down there near the short cut through the fence to Kew, was definitely . . . Ah, well—it's no use opening up old wounds, is it?

But Little Cricket was not our sole "break period" pursuit while at Xavier. For a while some of us were infected by an outbreak of hand tennis—and in doing so went close, on one occasion, to an open clash between Father Baker and his Little Cricketers.

For our feverish contests of hand tennis, we marked out a court in chalk on any available and suitable piece of asphalt, and on this we banged a soft ball at each other with our open hands right merrily through the summer months. On the crucial day in question, our own particular foursome decided to try a higher level for our court's locale, and with much loving care we marked out lines upon the clear space in front of the First Division lobby. This was a challenge match, but though I have a pretty good idea Jimmy McTiegue was one of us, I regret that I can't recall any of the others. But I do remember it was a very keen game—and just as it had reached fever heat, small boys gathered along the fringe of our court and commenced playing Little Cricket.

This was most upsetting to championship contest, and we were forced to pause awhile to tell the Little Cricketers, in pretty strong terms, to "buzz off" to some other spot for their sporting activities. After much protest and argument, the small boys decided to accept our suggestion, and were just drifting away to leave us in peace, when a ringing voice cried, "Stop!"

Much startled, we turned to behold the commanding figure of Father Baker, Protector of all Little Cricketers, framed in the doorway of the First Division lobby; his hand thrust out dramatically in the direction of the retreating small boys.

"Stop!" he called again, "and come right back where you were and play your game!"

"It's all right, Father," one of the small boys said very decently. "We can play somewhere else."
"You'll play just where you usually do!" thundered the Prefect. "Manzie & Co. don't run this school, so there's no need to take any notice of their orders!"

So while the small boys played Little Cricket next to us, through us and all round us, our little foursome struggled on manfully to complete our championship game of hand tennis. But as we'd never thought it necessary to think up some way of combining the two pastimes, the much-anticipated game was definitely a fiasco—and I don't think the Little Cricketers enjoyed themselves very much, either; though Father Baker stood by, grimly determined that they should.

Perhaps you might be interested to know there was even Littler Cricket! Yes—Joe Wren and I played it through many a hot, summer afternoon on the back lawn of my people's place near the Hawthorn Bridge. We played first slip, while a discarded beach hat was ever a menace at mid-off. If you hit the ball into one of them on the full, of course, you were out.

I remember one particular innings in which I was batting along in great style and seemed all set for winning that afternoon's test series. I know Joe Wren was a very worried chap as he tossed a spinner to me up the ironing board—and as I got on to it fairly and squarely, and sent it sailing out toward a distant clump of sweet peas (a certain sixer), he groaned audibly. But I had not reckoned with my sister's gardening bonnet. Just as the ball was about to pass the boundary (herbaceous border), it tipped the edge of the bonnet, wavered on the brim, fell back into the crown... and I was out!—to the catch of the season! I made certain after that that sister's gardening bonnet was it on an ironing board (borrowed from my mother—under protest!) built up on trestles to waist level to serve as a pitch. At one end, 4-inch high stumps were driven into the board for a wicket, and we played it with a bat of similar minuteness (painstakingly cut from soft wood and shaped to approved pattern) and a small ball cut out of india rubber. For wicketkeep and fieldsmen we used hats of assorted sizes and shapes, placed according to the bowler's fancy. There was one old stetson I had which was a genius at well hidden away when Joe came over to play Littler Cricket in the garden.

Yes—I deeply regret that Father Baker is not still with us to carry on the fine tradition of Little Cricket, but maybe some other enthusiast will come to light to keep the banner of Little Cricketers soaring on high. Just quietly, if any move to form a Little Cricket Association is contemplated, I don't mind running for president!—and, what's more, I'll donate a paling or two or a broken chair leg towards the equipment!

THE PREFECTS.

Back Row (L-R).—P. Furnell, J. Mortensen, K. Phelan, G. Norris.
Front Row (L-R).—B. Hurley, R. Thompson, K. O'Brien (captain), A. Bowler, I. Dillon.
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The Xavier Mission Society has progress to report once more. A section of the Society was re-established in First Division, and did splendid work. In Second Division, after a slow start, an excellent group was formed. The regular meetings were held during the mid-day break, with an occasional combined meeting at night. The work of the Society during the year was to pray for the Missions, to study their problems, to support their work, mainly through the Association of the Propagation of the Faith, and to draw the attention of the rest of the School to the obligation on each individual Christian to help Mission work.

Each member of the Society was a Promoter of the Association of the Propagation of the Faith, a work requiring patience and zeal of a high order, one must regretfully confess. The experience gained at school in this splendid work was a severe training for further work of like nature, severer than the members are likely to meet when, as we hope, they continue the work after leaving school. Other good works were enthusiastically performed, the most successful being the disposal of nearly 1000 copies of a booklet, "In God's Front Line," by Fr. Whitely, S.J., for the Ahmedabad Mission in India.

Mission Week in October was a busy week indeed, its main features being a sermon to the whole school by Fr. C. Finn, S.J., a talk to the combined Society by Fr. Van Prooyen, S.J., its original founder, and a visit to the Mission Exhibition of Fr. Worms, P.M.S., at the Pallotine Monastery, where the Father most kindly conducted us round personally. An energetic group of Mission-minded Second Divisioners did great work during this week, devoting all their free time to the accumulation of funds.

To our Patron, Very Rev. Fr. Rector, we are deeply grateful for the interest he displays in our affairs, and the encouragement he gives us. The Committees (named above) of both groups are to be congratulated for their fine work. They gave a good lead to the rest of the Society, and showed a praiseworthy interest and enthusiasm in their work. To Mr. Moore, S.J., Bro. O'Callaghan, S.J., Matron McLean, and Mr. P. Clancy, we are also indebted for generous assistance of a very practical nature.
St. Vincent de Paul Conference

The Conference held its meetings on Tuesdays as in previous years, in the Senior Library, when all matters for discussion were dealt with very fully. Weekly collections were taken up and in this matter the boys were very generous. Donations were sent to different charitable institutions, including the home for deaf and dumb children at Westmead, N.S.W. Two members visited "Caritas Christi," Studley Park Road, each week and provided the patients with papers, cigarettes, etc. Members from the Conference attended the festival meetings of the year.

Catholic Action Society

Early in the Second Term a Catholic Action Group was formed by Mr. Smith, S.J. The membership of the Leaders’ Group, as distinct from the Activity Group, was ten, and by election the office-bearers for the year were selected as follow:

President: J. Mortensen.
Vice-President: K. O'Brien.
Treasurer: B. McClusky.

The other members of the Leaders' Group were R. Thompson, L. King, C. Lahz, I. Dillon, C. McGorey, D. Watson, R. Bowler.

Meetings were held in the Bellarmine Room every Tuesday night for an hour or more, where the Leaders were able to give their views on the success of their various Groups. Beside these discussions, inquiries were held on various subjects. The first one was on the Prayers in the Chapel and before classes. It was decided that perhaps they could be
much improved in volume and clarity. The course adopted to rectify these faults was first to instruct the Activity Groups that they were to show a lead and to use their influence on the other boys. The Captain of the School then made an appeal in the Chapel. The response was very good and well worth the effort made by the Leaders' Group.

The second inquiry made was on "Careers," and it was decided that many boys who were to leave school were undecided as to the career they were to adopt.

Three Activity Groups were formed—a Social Studies Group, led by K. O'Brien; a Rural Group, by R. Bowler, and a Group for sending literature to the troops, led by B. McClusky.

Mr. Cremean, M.L.A., very kindly gave a talk to the School on Communism at the request of the Social Studies Group, and the Rural Group met, along with the other Groups, every Thursday to discuss various rural problems and how they were to be met. The Literature Group was instrumental in sending away over 200 magazines and books to various Chaplains, many of whom are Old Xaverians, who had appealed to them.

J. P. MORTENSEN.

The Senior Sodality

Director: Rev. W. P. Hackett, S.J.
Prefect: Kevin O'Brien.
1st Assistant: James Mortensen.
2nd Assistant: Brian Hurley.
Secretary: Ian Dillon.


The Junior Sodality

Director: Rev. J. P. Smith, S.J.
Prefect: R. Britten-Jones.

Assistants: R. D. Moore, B. J. Lyons.


Received in October: P. Bladin, N. Bradford, T. Bushell, G. Brady, I. Guthridge, J. Houston, D. Lynch, W. Plunkett.

Debating

SENIOR

President: Rev. J. P. Smith, S.J.

Motion: "That the white influence of Asia has done more harm than good."
Opposition: M. Larkin, A. Hollister, P. Eves.
Result: Government won.

Motion: "That compulsory military training between the ages of 14 and 18 should be re-introduced and retained in peace time."
Opposition: A. Troup, B. McClusky, M. Blackall.
Result: Government won.

JUNIOR

President: Rev. J. Moore, S.J.

Secretary: Angus Troup.

Motion: "That some form of League of Nations must be set up after the war."
Result: Opposition won.

Motion: "That Australia's large cities are an obstacle to her prosperity."
Government: Barry Lyons, R. Britten-Jones, Peter Coleman.
Opposition: D. Fogarty, Angus Troup, K. Silk.
Result: Government won.

Motion: "That Boarding Schools are better than day schools."
Government: Peter Coleman, B. McCarthy, B. Marsh.
Result: Opposition won.

Motion: "That State parliaments should be abolished."
Opposition: R. Britten-Jones, R. Kirby, J. Houston.
Result: Government won.

Motion: "That sport holds too prominent a place in the life of the School."
Government: Barry Murphy, J. Menadue, M. Farey.
Opposition: K. Silk, C. Bailey, M. Kirsch.
Result: Government won.

Motion: "That the world owes more to Great Britain than to any other nation in this present struggle."
Opposition: T. Nyhan, B. Grutzner, Brendan Murphy.
Result: Opposition won.
Motion: "That films have, in fact, done more harm than good."
Opposition: Barry Lyons, Brendan Murphy, C. Bailey, P. Bladin.
Result: The Government won.
Kevin Silk was the best speaker, and won the Rector's prize for debating.
A special word of thanks is due to Barry Lyons, whose interest and enthusiasm made the junior debates so interesting and successful.

The Choir

Director: Rev. Fr. T. Montague, S.J.
Sopranos: Peter Coleman, P. Hayes, J. Menadue, R. Moore, Barry Murphy, W. O'Dea, K. Silk, B. Thompson, A. de Young, P. Winter.
Basses: A. Bowler, R. Thompson, R. Winstall, L. Guthridge.
Besides taking the leading parts in the "Yeoman of the Guard," the Choir did the following pieces:—
"Pueri Hebraeorum" (Palestrina).
"Popule Meus" (Vittoria).
"Tantum Ergo No. 6" (Hymni Eucharistici) (Moreno).
"Tantum Ergo No. 7" (Hymni Eucharistici) (Moreno).
"Ave Maris Stella" (Unknown).
"O Salutaris Hostia" (16th Cent.).

The Science Club

President: Rev. Fr. R. B. McCarthy, S.J.
Secretary: Alexander Troup.
Librarian: Barry Lyons.
The following lectures were given during the year:—
R.A.A.F.
"Openings for Science Students," by Mr. T. Hartigan.
"X-Rays," by Dr. Leo King.
The first part of this review has been written for parents who may not know what the Air Training Corps of Australia is.

It is part of the Reserve of the Royal Australian Air Force. Cadets of the A.T.C. are, therefore, officially connected with the R.A.A.F. They wear air force uniform; they enjoy many of the privileges of airmen; they are introduced to the drill and technical knowledge which will enable them to master more quickly, easily and thoroughly the R.A.A.F.'s training, on which their safety and efficiency as pilots, navigators, wireless operators, bomb aimers, ground staff depends. Besides this the cadets become acquainted with the spirit and ideals, the aims and procedure and the etiquette of the Service, by the instructions they receive and through the actual contact they make with air force life when they attend camps or pay visits to R.A.A.F. stations.

Any boy over 16 years of age and under 18, may be enrolled, and wear the uniform, and be full cadets. But even six months before they turn 16 boys may be attached to the A.T.C., studying and drilling and pass the exams, like the others, but not wearing the uniform.

But besides age, other qualities are required in an Air Cadet. His work afterwards, if he enters the R.A.A.F., will be highly technical, and will make great demands on his fitness. Hence his suitability in various branches is tested. Is his health sufficient for the task? A thorough medical overhauling will make certain of that. Is he able to master the theory of work in the air? A preliminary examination is set to test his ability. The third examination gauges his all-round suitability, apart from health and brains. This is an important test, for some boys, in boisterous good health and bulging with brains, prove themselves incapable of managing a machine as technical as an aircraft. Such a boy would be dangerous to himself as well as to others, if he ever got into a plane. And the R.A.A.F. is scrupulously careful of the lives of its members.

"If my son joins the A.T.C., will he have to go into the Air Force afterwards?" That question makes some parents anxious. The answer is "No." Enrolment in the A.T.C. does not oblige a boy to enlist in the R.A.A.F. Of course, it is hoped that he will go on to the Air Force, but he is not committed to it. At all costs, his acquaintance with the R.A.A.F. will help him to make a sensible, well-considered choice when the time for enlisting comes round.

Throughout Australia the A.T.C. is divided into Wings. Here, in Victoria, we have No. 1 Wing. A Wing has smaller parts called Squadrons, which in their turn have parts called Flights. At Xavier, we have the Xavier College Flight, which is part of the squadron, No. 15, set aside for schools.

Although limited in choice to the senior boys, and faced with the friendly rivalry of an Army Cadet Corps of long tradition and splendid organisation, the College Flight has nonetheless grown steadily during the past months, and numbers at present twenty-seven, over 10 per cent, of the whole School.

The list of our activities during the year includes a march through the city in support of the Liberty Loan, participation in the Catholic Youth Rally, attendance at camps at R.A.A.F. stations, and presence at other Squadron functions.

The cadets have received valuable instruction in Morse Code (the bugbear of new men in the R.A.A.F.), and aircraft recognition, from expert instructors.

Air Force drill, service knowledge, technical studies and other lectures were given on the remaining days of the week. These sections of the course were carried out in free time, so that the school-work was not interfered with. And now, at length, some of the more advanced cadets are prepared to sit for their Proficiency Certificate Examination. A pass in this examination attests that they have covered all the work necessary to give them a flying start on the course mapped out for those who enter the R.A.A.F.'s Initial Training School.

Several of the "foundation members" of the Flight have passed into the R.A.A.F., and are making fast progress. One old Xaverian, Michael de Verteuil, who left in 1942, but had joined the A.T.C. before our own flight was formed, has been promoted within a year to commissioned rank, being now a Pilot Officer. We offer him our congratulations, and hope that he is the first of the not few!

Finally, we wish to offer our thanks and appreciation to Air Commodore Bladin, the father of one of our boys, who most generously gave up the last evening of his final leave to an address to the Flight, followed by moving pictures of some of the work being done by the Royal Australian Air Force in the defence of our country.
It is fitting that we should begin the account of our activities by congratulating our Commanding Officer, Capt. J. P. Smith, on his promotion to Captain. Our thanks are due to him, for he has toiled unceasingly. He has succeeded in acquiring during the year from Army Headquarters a great deal of equipment for training. With the assistance of Lieut. J. J. McAreavy, Capt. Smith has been able to preserve the enthusiasm and high standard of training of the Corps. Our thanks are due also to Major Lemon and his Cadet Staff for their keen interest and assistance in the training.

Some think, in days when manpower is short, that the Cadet Corps is unnecessary, and that the boys would be much better employed in industry during their vacations, than in going to camps, and being taught the arts of modern war. But we are working with two objects in view, first to teach youth how to protect itself against a ruthless enemy, and secondly to send boys into the Army with a knowledge of the fundamental principles of warfare, which may enable them to attain early promotion.

We congratulate Cdt. Lieuts. J. Mortensen, G. Norris and K. O'Brien on their promotions, and also all the N.C.O.'s who obtained promotion this year.

Our uniform has been changed from breeches and leggings to slacks and gaiters. The new uniform is smarter, more comfortable
and less troublesome to keep clean. Nowadays there are available only oxidized school badges for tunics, in place of the coloured enamel badges of old.

The camp for 1943 was held during the May vacation at "St. Andrew's," Warburton. On account of the limited accommodation, the camp was held in two echelons, the first attended by the boarders, and the second by the day-boys. The weather during the camp was perfect and permitted many tactical exercises. We had W.O. Mackrell with us, and W.O. Love, and two returned A.I.F. sergeants, Sgts. Biggs and Stephens, who were the instructors. Much equipment was obtained from Army H.Q. for the camp, which included 3in. mortar, Bren guns, Thompson and Sten sub-machine guns, Vicker's guns, revolvers, grenades, and, of course, the .303 rifle and bayonet. Each echelon had day and night manoeuvres, and during its stay in camp each spent a day at the rifle range at Yarra Junction. We were visited and given a demonstration by a mobile camouflage squad. During the second echelon, Col. Alderson and Major Lemon, Staff Officer of Senior Cadets, visited the camp, and expressed satisfaction with the training. The food was excellent, and the camp was a very great success.

During the Christmas vacation, 1942-43, a number of N.C.O.'s with the CO. attended a course of instruction for officers and N.C.O.'s of all School Detachments at Mt. Martha. After a week at Mt. Martha, the Cadets were forced to vacate this camp, and to go to Rowville, Dandenong, to complete the camp. At this course of instruction, the Cadet Lieuts. and N.C.O.'s for the ensuing year were instructed by experienced men, who had seen service in the Middle East. They thus gained knowledge to later impart it to the Xavier Cadets. A number of our N.C.O.'s also attended a specialist course in Vickers M.M.G. at Mt. Martha.

Towards the end of the vacation, we went into camp at Long Island Golf House, at Frankston. Only a limited number of N.C.O.'s attended the camp, so that they would be able to instruct the Corps, when the parades during the year began. A feature of this camp was the swimming; one before lunch, and one at the end of the day's work.

Another course was held at Scotch College during 3rd term. Some of our N.C.O.'s attended this course, and were taught how to instruct and to impart their knowledge.

There were two public parades, in which the Xavier Cadet Corps took part. The first was at the march of all the Cadet Corps through the city, to support the Third Liberty Loan. The other was at the Catholic Youth Rally at Xavier on October 24. On August 17 a new training film was screened at the School during a parade.

During the year we had two old Xaverians present at parades. Major D. Breheny gave us a short address on the value of Cadet Training, and the importance of discipline. He also watched the Corps marching and adjudged Number 4 Platoon as the best. Then, later, we had a lecture on the anti-tank rifle and El Alamein by Capt. J. Fallon, who has just returned from the Middle East, where he had put the anti-tank rifle to good use.

A Cadet Corps Library has been started, and was open during the lunch hour on parade days. A small amount was charged on books and pamphlets taken out, but was refunded on their return. The library is now very extensive, and contains all types of books on modern warfare.

The rifle range has been used more extensively this year than in many other years. Shooting is now in progress for the Lewis Cup, which is presented to the best shot in the school, at the last parade of the year. At this parade, the Pawson Cup is presented to the winning platoon, and awards made to the members of the winning section in this year's competition.

At the last parade of the year, Fr. Rector was present as well as the following visiting Officers: Lieut. Col. G. Warfe, M.C., who is CO. of 2/3rd Independent (Commando) Coy which has played a distinguished part in the thickest of the New Guinea fighting; Major Barndon, D.A.Q.M.G. 6th Aust. Div., Major R. Lemon, Staff Officer Senior Cadets, Vic. L. of C. Area, Capt. J. Pawson, one of the first Xavier Cadet Lieutenants who has seen a lot of fighting abroad and is at present Liaison Officer 3rd Aust. Div. and Lieut. J. Hoppe, the first O.C. of the Xavier Cadet Corps now with Movement Control, Vic. L. of C. Area.

The above acted as a board of examiners before whom each Section Leader was required to drill his section for a short time. The marks thus allotted were added to the totals gained during the year in the Section Competition.

The Pawson Cup was presented appropriately by Capt. Pawson, the donor and first winner of the Cup to the winning Platoon for 1943. This was No. 4 Platoon led by Sgt. B. Lyons.

The Lewis Cup was presented by Lieut. Col. Warfe, M.C., to the winner of the Musketry Competition for 1943, L/Cpl. R. Bisshop.

Insignia were presented to each of the members of No. 8 Section winners of the Section Competition for this year by Major Lemon.

After addresses by Capt. Pawson and Fr. Rector, the Parade was dismissed.

Cdt. Lieut. K. PHELAN.
THE CADET CORPS, A COMPANY.

(Photo Sears)

THE CADET CORPS, B COMPANY.

(Photo Sears)
Xavier College Ladies' Committee

At the first meeting of the year the President (Mrs. Frank Spring) and the Treasurer (Mrs. Parer) were re-elected. Mesdames Collins and Webb were elected as joint secretaries. Mrs. Farey graciously took charge of the management of the C.W.O. Hut on Xavier College Hut days. A subscription list for funds to defray expenses incurred by the Ladies' Committee on these days was opened, and the appeal was generously answered by the parents.

At the beginning of the year occurred the death of our late esteemed President, Mrs. W. Donovan (R.I.P.), for whom Mass was offered in the College Chapel. She had endeared herself to us all, and her loss was keenly felt.

A "school uniform" shop was organised, and this has proved a boon to the many mothers who find it difficult to fit their sons out in the Xavier uniform. The shop is under the supervision of Matron, and proceeds go to the College Education Funds.

The College dance was held at the Hawthorn Town Hall on May 12th, about 400 being present. The Captain and Prefects of the School were the hosts, Power House Orchestra supplied the music, and a splendid supper was donated and served by a most enthusiastic band of ladies. Leis of the different public schools were sold. The affair was voted by all present as one of the most successful social functions ever held by the College.

Two performances of the Gilbert and Sullivan "Yeomen of the Guard" took place in Manresa Hall on Tuesday evening, August 10th, and Wednesday afternoon, August 11th. On both occasions the hall was full. Under the direction of the Rev. Father Montague, S.J., the boys gave first-class performances, accompanied by a most efficient orchestra. Several members of the Ladies' Committee, under the capable and systematic leadership of Mrs. Whitaker and Matron, undertook to make up the boys, and were untiring in their efforts to help make the production the phenomenal success it was. As usual, a party was given to the performers and Prefects (who acted as ushers) after the performance on Wednesday afternoon. It is gratifying to notice the enthusiastic interest in these productions displayed by other schools, both boys' and girls', as witnessed by the packed house at the afternoon performance.

On November 17th a "card and music" party was held at the College. A flower stall was conducted by Mrs. Curtis. Sales of lucky envelopes were in the capable hands of Mrs. Curtain and Mrs. Lewis. The musical programmes, ever popular in Xavier circles, under the direction of Mrs. Brooksbank, consisted of items by Mesdames Moodie, Brooksbank, Misses K. Hurley and P. Rennick, Mr. T. Nelson, and Mrs. F. Spring.

On December 2nd and 3rd piano recitals were given by the President at her home. Proceeds go as offerings for Masses during the year for all past students of the College in the fighting forces as a Christmas thought and wish to each of them from the Ladies' Committee.

We wish to extend to the Rector our sincere thanks for allowing us the use of the College for our meetings and functions.

To Matron we desire to offer our deep gratitude for her ever-unfailing kindness and enthusiastic assistance in all our undertakings.

EXCHANGES


SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions have been received as follows:


To 1944—E. Curr, R. Dawson, Dr. L. Fulton, J. Gartlan, Dr. D. Lally, U. J. O'Sullivan, B. Rowan, M. Quin.


To 1950—S. Thorpe.
The first Public School match was played at Xavier on 5th and 6th March, and it was decided that all matches this year should begin at 3 p.m. on Friday. Laird won the toss and sent Scotch in to bat on a sticky wicket. The wickets fell steadily under the accurate bowling of Laird, Lyons, Phelan, and Furnell, and soon the score was 9 for 18. But Usher then came in and made 14 before being stumped, and thus Scotch were all out for 32.

Laird and Heeney opened for Xavier, Laird making the runs while Heeney broke the attack. When the score was 24 Laird was caught off Barton after a well-made 17. Furnell and Thompson were dismissed without further addition to the score, but Phelan and Heeney succeeded in passing Scotch's total before Phelan was out l.b.w. to Usher. McClusky then came in, and with Heeney stayed at the wickets until the adjournment, with the score at 4 for 58.

Disaster came early next morning when Heeney was dismissed by Don for a well-made 27. The remaining Xavier batsmen offered little resistance, and soon Xavier were all out for 84.

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Scotch batted again and had lost 2 for 11 when the lunch adjournment came. The wickets fell steadily after lunch, and soon Scotch had lost 6 for 27. But Prideaux, Wallish, Hardie, and Don came to the rescue, and succeeded in carrying Scotch's total to 111.

With 50 to make for an outright win, and with about an hour in which to do it, Xavier batted again. Laird was dismissed early, but Furnell batted forcefully and made 28 before being run out. Phelan, McClusky, and Heeney were soon dismissed, en­deavouring to make runs. Jackson, who is also to be commended for his fine wicket-keeping, came in during the last over and hit the third last ball to the boundary, thus giving Xavier an outright win in probably one of the most exciting matches ever witnessed on the Xavier Oval.

**SCOTCH COLLEGE FIRST INNINGS.**

- Hardie, c. Thompson, b. Phelan: 1
- Wallish, b. Lyons: 1
- Taylor, c. Lyons, b. Laird: 2
- Fitchett, c. Jackson, b. Phelan: 9
- Brown, b. Laird: 0
- Barton, run out: 0
- Holten, b. Phelan: 0
- Don, run out: 0
- Nicholson, b. Furnell: 1
- Usher, std. Jackson, b. Furnell: 2
- Prideaux, n.o: 2
- Extras: 2
- Total: 32

**SCOTCH COLLEGE SECOND INNINGS.**

- Brown, b. Phelan: 6
- Barton, c. Case, b. Lyons: 0
- Taylor, l.b.w., b. Furnell: 10
- Fitchett, c. Jackson, b. Phelan: 0
- Holten, b. Phelan: 1
- Prideaux, b. Jorgensen: 0
- Usher, b Furnell: 0
- Wallish, std. Jackson, b. Furnell: 0
- Barton, run out: 2
- Don, n.o: 1
- Nicholson, c. Phelan, b. Furnell: 3
- Extras: 2
- Total: 111

**XAVIER COLLEGE FIRST INNINGS.**

- G. Laird, c. Taylor, b. Barton: 17
- J. Heeney, c. Fitchett, b. Don: 27
- P. Furnell, l.b.w., b. Usher: 0
- R. Thompson, l.b.w., Usher: 0
- K. Phelan, c. Fitchett, b. Usher: 10
- B. McClusky, c. Barton, b. Don: 26
- J. Collins, l.b.w., b. Don: 0
- P. Jorgensen, c. Holten, b. Don: 1
- B. Lyons, l.b.w., b. Don: 9
- B. Jackson, c. Brown, b. Usher: 1
- R. Case, n.o: 2
- Extras: 10
- Total: 94

**XAVIER COLLEGE SECOND INNINGS.**

- G. Laird, b. Don: 5
- J. Heeney, run out: 12
- Phelan, c. Hardie, b. Brown: 0
- McClusky, l.b.w., b. Brown: 1
- Thompson, n.o: 1
- Jackson, n.o: 4
- Extras: 1
- Total: 52

**BOWLING.**

**SCOTCH COLLEGE.**

- Laird: 8 3 8 2
- Lyons: 4 1 5 1
- Phelan: 4 2 2 3
- Furnell: 2 0 15 2

**XAVIER COLLEGE.**

- Laird: 5 2 4 0
- Lyons: 7 1 20 1
- Phelan: 10 1 16 3
- Holten: 18.5 6 41 4
- Usher, b. Jackson: 5 0 9 0
- Jorgensen, c. Phelan, b. Furnell: 3
- Jackson, n.o: 0
- Extras: 0
- Total: 111
XAVIER COLLEGE v. MELBOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

(Played at Xavier on the 12th and 13th March.)

Heartened by the win over Scotch on the previous week, Xavier faced Grammar on Friday full of hope. Grammar won the toss and decided to bat. Bedford and Welzel opened the batting, and made a very respectable score before Welzel was bowled by Furnell. Molyneux was quickly dismissed, as were also Furnell, Phelan, and Mitchell was run out. Before the close of play on Friday Cornwall and Bedford, who made 77, were dismissed, and so the score stood at 5 for 174. Next morning Grammar continued to make runs, and at lunch had scored 252 for the loss of 9 wickets. They then declared, and sent Xavier in to bat after lunch.

Laird and Heeney opened for Xavier, but were quickly dismissed, as were also Furnell, Phelan, and McClusky. The remaining Xavier batsmen, except Bowler offered little resistance to the accurate bowling of Schillabeer, Macdougal, and Street, and soon Xavier were all out for 39.

Xavier batted again, determined to avert an outright defeat. Laird and Heeney again opened the batting, and seemed set to make a score when Laird was given out for 20. But Thompson and Lyons then defied the bowling and carried the score to 74 before Lyons was dismissed. However, the next four batsmen were quickly dismissed, and the score stood at 6 for 120. But Chambers, who made 65 not out, Potts, and Ross carried the score past the hundred before Grammar declared, and sent Xavier in to bat again. Thompson and Heeney opened, but were both quickly dismissed. However, Barbour and Gubbins, playing safely but forcefully, carried the score past 200 before Grammar declared.

Melbourne Grammar School won outright.

Fall of Wickets.—1/9, 2/33, 3/33, 4/37, 5/39, 6/46, 7/61, 8/69, 9/69.

XAVIER COLLEGE v. GEELOONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

(Played at Geelong Grammar 20th March.)

Owing to the good weather throughout the week, the wicket was in perfect condition. Laird won the toss and sent Geelong Grammar in to bat.

Success came early when Laird bowled Austin, but Barbour and Gubbins, playing safely but forcefully, carried the score past 80 before Lyons was dismissed. However, the next four batsmen were quickly dismissed, and the score stood at 6 for 120. But Chambers, who made 65 not out, Potts, and Ross carried the score past 200 before Grammar declared with the score at 205.

Laird and Heeney opened for Xavier to the bowling of Connell and Nevett. Disaster came early when Laird was caught off Nevett, and after that the Xavier wickets fell steadily until the score was 8 for 20. But Thompson and Lyons then defied the bowling and carried the score to 74 before Lyons was run out after making an invaluable 15. Jackson was dismissed without further addition to the score, and so the Xavier innings closed with the total of 74. Thompson made 39, and is to be congratulated on his fine hand, as he rescued Xavier from a most awkward position.

Endeavouring to gain an outright win, Geelong sent Xavier in to bat again. However, Laird and Phelan opened, but were both quickly dismissed. However, Laird and Phelan played safely until Phelan was dismissed after making 11. Laird and Furnell were soon dismissed, Laird making 18, and it was left to Collins and McClusky to play out time. Collins batted slowly but safely, and in the circumstances his hand was invaluable. When play finished Xavier had lost 5 wickets for 55, and so narrowly averted an outright defeat.
THE XL
Front Row (L-R).—J. Heeney, K. Phelan, G. Laird (captain), P. Furnell, R. Bowler.
Back Row (L-R).—B. Jackson, B. McClusky, R. Thompson, B. Lyons, P. Jorgensen, J. Collins.

THE UNDER 16's.
Standing (L-R).—J. Prendergast, B. Loughnan, A. Brady, K. Adams, A. Gorman, R. Hanly.
### Geelong Grammar First Innings

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Total (declared), 7 for 205

Fall of Wickets.—1/2, 2/91, 3/109, 4/109, 5/119, 6/119, 7/164.

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Lyons bowled one wide.

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Total, 74

Fall of Wickets.—1/1, 2/2, 3/4, 4/11, 5/20, 6/20, 7/20, 8/20, 9/74.

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Total, 53

Fall of Wickets.—1/2, 2/6, 3/27, 4/35, 5/41.

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Fall of Wickets.—1/2, 2/6, 3/27, 4/35, 5/41.

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Xavier College won by 131 runs on first innings.

### Xavier College v. Wesley College

(Played at Scotch College 26th and 27th March.)

Having won the toss, and as the wicket was in perfect condition, Laird decided to bat.

Playing slowly but safely, the Xavier batsmen got going and made 118 before the whole team was dismissed. This score was largely due to Heeney, Collins, Laird, Phelan, McClusky, and Thompson. Heeney and Collins opened the batting, and made 7 and 18 respectively. Both batted very slowly, but their stand was valuable. Laird made 31 before being dismissed by Coy. Phelan and McClusky both seemed set to make good scores, but were dismissed after making 15 and 25 respectively. Thompson was the only...
other batsman to offer any resistance to the Wesley bowling, and had made 14 not out when the Xavier innings closed.

P. Jorgensen, b. Walsh 2
G. Laird, c. Yeo, b. Coy 31

other Wesley wickets fell at infrequent intervals, and Collins, c. and b. Indian 18
J. Heeney, l.b.w., b. Yeo . 7
in every way.
batted very slowly, but was mainly responsible for making 38, and was mainly responsible for the small lead Wesley gained on the first innings.

Xavier batted again, determined to avoid an outright defeat. The wickets fell steadily, but Heeney, Phelan, and McClusky eased the situation by scoring 31, 15, and 17 respectively. At about a quarter to six the Xavier team was dismissed for 100. Heeney batted very slowly, but was mainly responsible for averting the outright defeat, as he defied the bowling in every way.

XAVIER COLLEGE FIRST INNINGS.
J. Heeney, l.b.w., b. Yeo ........... 7
J. Collins, c. and b. Indian .......... 18
G. Laird, c. Yeo, b. Coy .......... 31
K. Phelan, c. and b. Coy .......... 15
P. Furnell, b. Indian ................ 5
B. McClusky, c. Walsh, b. Yeo ...... 25
R. Thompson, n.o 14
R. Bowler, std. Moore, b. Coy ....... 0
B. Lyons, std. Moore, b. Coy .......... 9
P. Jorgensen, c. Indian, b. Coy .......... 0
B. Jackson, c. and b. Indian .......... 1
Extras .................................. 2
Total ................................. 118

Fall of Wickets.—1/1, 2/22, 3/28, 4/58, 5/78, 6/104, 7/105, 8/105, 9/106

WESLEY COLLEGE FIRST INNINGS.
Kemp, b. Laird 7

Bowling
O. M. R. W.
Yeo .............................. 12 3 18 2
Walsh ................................ 9 4 17 0
Indian ............................... 13.2 4 22 3
Healey ............................... 2 0 5 0
Coy ................................ 14 3 54 5
Ye and Walsh bowled one no-ball each.

WESLEY COLLEGE FIRST INNINGS.
Ball, c. Lyons, b. Laird ........... 7
Kemp, b. Laird 38
Bickford, c. Jackson, b. Laird ....... 3
Moore, b. Furnell ................. 13
Indian, b. Jorgensen 14
Yeo, std. Jackson, b. Furnell ....... 14
Webster, b. Jorgensen ............ 11
Evres, c. Bowler, b. Furnell ...... 11
Healey, b. Laird 12
Cov. b. Furnell ..................... 9
Walsh, n.o ............................ 1
Extras .................................. 6
Total .................................. 130

Fall of Wickets.—1/1, 2/17, 3/32, 4/51, 5/78, 6/90, 7/106, 8/126, 9/128

BOWLING.
O. M. R. W.
Laird ................................ 16.6 3 39 4
Lyons ................................ 25 3 13 0
McClusky ............................. 3 1 4 0
Furnell ............................... 14 2 29 4
Jorgensen ............................. 8 2 39 2
McClusky bowled two wides and Furnell one.

XAVIER COLLEGE SECOND INNINGS.
T. Heeney, c. Moore, b. ashl ........ 31
T. Colburns, c. b. Indian ............ 15
K. Phelan, b. Walsh 17
G. Laird, b. Coy 3
R. Thompson, l.b.w., b. Walsh ...... 2
B. McClusky, b. Yeo 17

P. Furnell, c. Kemp, b. Coy .......... 9
R. Bowler, c. Ball, b. Coy .......... 4
B. Lyons, b. Coy 1

Fall of Wickets.—1/1, 2/22, 3/47, 4/58, 5/114, 6/139, 7/145, 8/145, 9/145.
THE XAVERIAN.

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Kelso bowled one no-ball.

GEELONG COLLEGE FIRST INNINGS.

R. Walker, c. Prendergast, b. Kennedy . . . . . . 14
D. Rogers, c. Jackson, b. Laird . . . . . . . . . 1
J. Buchanan, c. Jorgensen, b. Kennedy . . . . . . 2
D. Marshall, c. and b. McClusky . . . . . . . . . 28
G. Ewan, b. Laird . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0
J. Salmon, l.b.w., b. Kennedy . . . . . . . . . . 0
D. Harding, b. McClusky . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6
B. Bishop, c. Prendergast, b. Kennedy . . . . . . 4
J. Poole, n.o . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5
A. Kelso, b. Kennedy . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0
M. Woodward, b. Kennedy . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2
Extras . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7

Total . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 69

Fall of Wickets.—1/1, 2/14, 3/15, 4/19, 5/21, 6/23, 7/23, 8/38, 9/47.

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Kennedy bowled one wide.

XAVIER COLLEGE SECOND INNINGS.

J. Heeney, n.o . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 39
J. Collins, l.b.w., b. Poole . . . . . . . . . . . 1
G. Laird, c. Ewan, b. Marshall . . . . . . . . . . 20
K. Phelan, run out . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1
B. McClusky, c. Ewan, b. Woodward . . . . . . . 2
J. Prendergast, n.o . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 9
Extras . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5

Total . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 77

Fall of Wickets.—1/2, 2/45, 3/47, 4/49.

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GEELONG COLLEGE SECOND INNINGS.

R. Walker, b. Laird . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 19
D. Rogers, c. Phelan, b. Furnell . . . . . . . . . . 4
G. Ewan, l.b.w., b. Laird . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4
J. Buchanan, c. Kennedy, b. Furnell . . . . . . . 0
B. Bishop, l.b.w., b. Furnell . . . . . . . . . . . 31
D. Harding, b. Laird . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 9
D. Marshall, n.o . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 14
J. Salmon, n.o . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2
Extras . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5

Total . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 79

Fall of Wickets.—1/6, 2/11, 3/14, 4/54, 5/54, 6/74.

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Xavier won by 76 runs on first innings.

The points scored by the schools were:

- Melbourne Grammar . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 27
- Geelong Grammar . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 22
- Wesley . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 20
- Xavier . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 14
- Scotch . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 13
- Geelong College . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6

Cricket colours were awarded to: J. Collins, P. Furnell, J. Heeney, B. Jackson, P. Jorgensen, G. Laird, B. McClusky, K. Phelan.

UNDER 15's.

Captain: Kerry Gorman.

Wesley College 9/103 d. Xavier College 9/100.
Melbourne Grammar School 181 d. Xavier College 93.
Xavier College 5/96 d. Scotch College all out for 94.
Xavier College 143 d. St. Patrick's 66.
Wesley College 5/98 d. Xavier College 8/94.

UNDER 14's.

Captain: Brendan Dooley.

Wesley College 110 d. Xavier College 43.
Melbourne Grammar School 164 d. Xavier College 48.
Scotch College 120 d. Xavier College 87.
Xavier College 135 d. Melbourne Grammar School 133.
Xavier College 162 d. St. Patrick's 34 and 51.
Wesley College 1/149 d. Xavier College 7/130.
Football

By Brian McClusky.

Captain: R. Thompson.

At the beginning of the year prospects for a successful season were not bright. Only six were back from last year's team, viz., Barbaro, Laird, McClusky, O'Brien, Phelan, and Thompson, and so, much depended upon the new players. But, however, the team developed, and grew stronger and better as the season developed, as is shown by the fact that, although we did not win any practice matches, we won two Public School matches, and won them well.

We defeated Geelong College and Geelong Grammar, and, although beaten rather easily in the other games, the true Xavier spirit, "Never give in," was always in evidence. Scotch were undoubtedly the best team of the year, and we offer them our heartiest congratulations on winning the premiership.

In the Public School team selected to play Duntroon we had three representatives—O'Brien, Phelan, and Dillon—each of whom played exceedingly well. The match was one of the best seen for many years, and ended in a draw, each team scoring 16 goals 19 behinds.

Our two stars for the season were Barbaro and Phelan, full back and full forward respectively. Barbaro was judged one of the best full backs in the Public Schools, and Phelan was one of the best full forwards. He came third on the goal-kicking list with 23 goals to his credit, and was full forward for the Public School team against Duntroon. Dillon, brother of our champion of last year, Kevin Dillon, was also one of our best, and to him was awarded the Norman Abbot trophy for best and fairest player.

A word of thanks is due to Father Van Prooyen. The team had a very weak start, but through his care and coaching, and study of individual players, a good combination and system was developed, which became more evident as the season progressed.

At the end of the season football colours were awarded to C. Dawson, I. Dillon, J. Heeney, C. Lahz.

Xavier College v. Geelong College.

(Played at Geelong College 3rd July.)

Backs: C. Lahz, J. Barbaro, M. McCombe.
Half-Backs: L. Guthridge, B. McClusky, R. Winstall.

Xavier College v. Wesley College.

(Played at Xavier College 10th July.)

Backs: C. Lahz, J. Barbaro, M. McCombe.
Half-Backs: L. Guthridge, B. McClusky, R. Winstall.

Centres: P. Chapman, R. Thompson, J. Heeney.
Forwards: D. Watson, K. Phelan, C. Dawson.
Followers: K. O'Brien, G. Kennedy, I. Dillon.

The team visited Geelong College determined to begin the season with a victory.

The ground was very heavy, and a strong wind blew across the oval, favouring the Geelong-end goal. Xavier won the toss and kicked with the wind.

In the first half the scoring was very low. Owing to the heavy conditions, but at half-time Xavier had a lead of more than three goals. This was chiefly due to the backs, who allowed College only one point when kicking with the wind.

In the third quarter the Xavier forwards shone, and gave Xavier a lead of seven goals at three-quarter time. Up to this Phelan had scored seven goals.

In the last quarter Geelong College attacked strongly, but the Xavier backs, led by Barbaro, repelled most to the heavy conditions, but at half-time Xavier had a lead of five goals.

Scores:—Xavier, 9—11 (65 pts.) ; Geelong College, 4—9 (33 pts.) .
Best Players.— Bararo, Dillon, Phelan, Laird, McClusky, O'Brien, Winstall.

Xavier College v. Wesley College.

(Played at Xavier College 10th July.)

Backs: C. Lahz, J. Barbaro, M. McCombe.
Half-Backs: L. Guthridge, B. McClusky, R. Winstall.

Centres: P. Chapman, G. Laird, J. Heeney.
Half-Forwards: B. Lyons, R. Thompson, J. Williams.
Forwards: D. Watson, K. Phelan, C. Dawson.
Followers: K. O'Brien, G. Kennedy, I. Dillon.

Heartened by the victory at Geelong College, the Xavier team faced Wesley with confidence.

Kicking with the wind in the first quarter, Wesley built up a commanding lead. Their forwards completely overwhelmed our backs, and it was only in this quarter that Wesley had complete control of the game.

At half-time the team was reshuffled, and after the interval came out determined to make up the leeway. Although being beaten in the centre, now that Laird had been shifted to half-back, the Xavier team fought very hard. Our rovers, Dillon and Lyons, did very good work, especially the former, and we were unable to reach Wesley's score, which had been further increased when the Xavier team began to weaken.

Best Players.—Dillon, O'Brien, McClusky, Laird, Barbaro, Heeney, and Phelan.
Scores:—Wesley College, 15—24 (114 pts.) ; Xavier College, 8—14 (62 pts.).
Xavier College v. Geelong Grammar.

(Played at Xavier College 17th July.)

Backs: C. Lahz, J. Barbaro, J. Williams.
Half-Backs: B. McClusky, G. Laird, R. Winstall.
Centres: F. Noonan, R. Thompson, J. Heeney.
Forwards: C. Dawson, K. Phelan, P. Donovan.
Followers: G. Kennedy, M. Doyle, I. Dillon.

Although slightly weakened by injuries, we faced Geelong Grammar determined to make amends for the defeat suffered against Wesley the previous week.

Conditions were not ideal for good football, for a strong wind was blowing towards the Barker’s Road end. Grammar won the toss and kicked with the wind.

Adapting ourselves better to the conditions, we played fast, open football, using the throw-pass to advantage. In the first quarter the backs forced the Geelong forwards into many errors, and at quarter-time, after kicking with the wind, they had scored only 1—9. At half-time, due to the splendid cooperation between the forwards, we had a slight lead.

The second half was much more interesting, and it was then that the best football was seen. The whole team combined well, the backs forcing the Geelong forwards into many errors, whilst the forwards got the goals. In the last quarter Geelong attacked time after time, but could not break through, and so when the final bell rang Xavier had a substantial lead, thus winning one of the best games witnessed at Xavier in the past few years.

Final Scores: — Xavier College, 12—11 (83 pts.); Geelong Grammar School, 7—19 (01 pts.).

Best Players.—Barbaro, Dillon, McClusky, Laird, Lyons, Kennedy, O’Brien.

Xavier College v. Melbourne Grammar School.

(Played at M.G.S. 30th July.)

Backs: J. Williams, J. Barbaro, C. Lahz.
Half-Backs: B. McClusky, G. Laird, R. Winstall.
Centres: F. Noonan, R. Thompson, J. Heeney.
Forwards: M. Doyle, K. Phelan, M. Larkin.
Followers: G. Kennedy, C. Dawson, I. Dillon.

Conditions were ideal when Grammar won the toss and decided to kick with the wind blowing towards the St. Kilda Road goal.

Scoring twice within the first few minutes, Grammar raced away to an early lead, due to the good cooperation between their forwards. Despite the efforts of our backs, where Barbaro was always to the fore, Grammar piled on goal after goal, and at the interval had an unassailable lead.

Although more than 10 goals in arrears, we fought back and strove to make up the headway. But Grammar were too far in front, and when the wind dropped in the last quarter our position was hopeless, but still we fought back, and not until the final bell did we relax our efforts.

Our full-back, Barbaro, was our best player. His coolness and tenacity were a tonic to the best of the team, and but for him Grammar would have amassed a much greater score.

Final Scores:—M.G.S., 21—30 (156 pts.); X.C, 7—5 (47 pts.).

Best Players.—Barbaro, Dillon, Lahz, Kennedy, Williams, Winstall.
THE XAVERIAN.

Xavier College v. Scotch College.
(Played at Scotch College 7th August.)

Backs: J. Williams, J. Barbaro, C. Lahz.
Centres: M. Larkin, R. Thompson, J. Heeney.
Forwards: C. Dawson, K. Phelan, P. Donovan.
Followers: G. Kennedy, M. Doyle, I. Dillon.

To anyone who only saw the scores and not the match it would appear that the game had been very one-sided, but this was not so. The football was always good, fast, and open, but although Scotch were the superior team their superiority was not very great.

Opening quickly in the first quarter, Scotch raced away to an early lead; they overran our team, and seemed to score almost at will. Suddenly their run ceased, and we began. In a brilliant burst, terminated only by the end of the quarter, we scored 3 goals in almost as many minutes.

For the next three quarters the play was very even, with Scotch just slowly adding to their total. Thkicking for goal was extremely good on both sides. Both full-forwards—Hogg, who finished with 14 goals, and Phelan, who was unbeatable in the air—kicked extremely well, and seemed unable to kick points. So with the other forwards, for our of 64 scoring shots only 22 points were scored.

Final Scores:—Scotch College, 31—20 (206 pts.); Xavier College, 11—2 (68 pts.).

Best Players.—Barbaro, Phelan, Dillon, Kennedy, Lahz, Williams, Jorgensen.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

Under 16's.

Captain: R. Bowler.
Vice-Captain: W. Hill.

V. Wesley.—X.C, 1—12; W.C., 6—7.
V. Scotch.—X.C, 3—9; S.C, 10—13.
V. Trinity.—X.C, 6—5; T.G., 3—5.
V. Melbourne Grammar.—X.C, 6—21; M.G.S., 6—8.
V. Scotch.—X.C, 3—6; S.C, 9—19.
V. Assumption College.—X.C, 9—19; A.C.K., 4—10.
V. Melbourne Grammar.—X.C, 4—9; M.G.S., 10—15.
V. Wesley.—X.C, 12—17; W.C, 2—4.

Under 15's.

Captain: K. Gorman.
Vice-Captain: J. Ralph.

V. C.B.C. Parade.—X.C, 8—7; C.B.C, 17—12.
V. Scotch.—X.C, 6—3; S.C, 15—13.
V. Wesley.—X.C, 9—12; W.C, 6—13.
V. Scotch.—X.C, 7—4; S.C, 9—8.
V. Melbourne Grammar.—X.C, 5—3; M.G.S., 15—13.
V. Wesley.—X.C, 9—5; W.C, 10—12.

Under 14's.

Captain: Brendan Dooley.
Vice-Captain: B. Smith.

V. Wesley.—X.C, 2—8; W.C, 23—13.
V. M.G.S.—X.C, 6—13; M.G.S., 7—8.
V. Scotch.—X.C, 12—25; S.C, 18—12.
V. Wesley.—X.C, 8—9; W.C, 13—15.
V. M.G.S.—X.C, 1—7; M.G.S., 21—12.

(Photos Sears)

THE UNDER 14's.
Standing (L-R).—B. Murphy, V. Ganey, P. Lynch, T. Bushell, K. Silk, B. Leech, P. Conlan.
Front Row (L-R).—G. Brady, B. Grutzner, B. Marsh, B. Smith (captain), N. Bradford, J. Menadue, B. McCarthy.
ROWING by F. Grant

This year an unofficial "Head of the River" was held, and only the Melbourne crews participated in it. As in pre-war years, two heats and the final were held; a loser's final was also held, and in this the two crews who lost in the heats raced. The heats were held on April 14th, and were: M.G.S. v. Wesley and Scotch v. Xavier. M.G.S. won the first heat by about a length, and Scotch won the second by about three lengths.

In the final Melbourne Grammar rowed against Scotch and beat them by four lengths, and Wesley rowed against Xavier, beating Xavier by three lengths.

The Xavier crew was the lightest one on the river, the average weight being only 10st. 11lb. It was also an inexperienced and very young crew, only three of them having raced in Head of the River races before. In the race the crew rowed exceptionally well, and it was only through lack of experience that they failed to beat Scotch, as we drew away at the beginning and it was only when the crews settled down and Scotch rated faster than us that they drew ahead to win by three lengths. In the finals the crew rowed much better, only to be beaten by Wesley.

The coach was once again Mr. Byrne, who did a wonderful job in producing such a good crew in so short a time from the material which was available. He had great difficulty in placing the crew, and it was only through his perseverance that the crew was ready in time for the race.


The seconds and thirds also raced as in pre-war days, with all four crews on the river at the same time. The seconds and thirds both gained third position in their races, being in each race defeated by Melbourne Grammar and Wesley, with Scotch fourth.

We owe a debt of gratitude to the coaches of these two crews, Mr. Anderson (seconds) and Mr. Smith, S.J. (thirds), who devoted most of their spare time to the training of these crews.

RESULTS.
April 14th.—Heats: M.G.S. defeated Wesley, length; Scotch defeated Xavier, 3 lengths.
April 17th. — Finals: M.G.S. defeated Scotch, 4 lengths; Wesley defeated Xavier, 3 lengths.
SECONDS.—M.G.S. 1, Wesley 2, Xavier 3, Scotch 4; length, 2 lengths, half a length.
THIRDS.—M.G.S. 1, Wesley 2, Xavier 3, Scotch 4; length and quarter, half a length, 2 lengths.

THE REGATTA

The annual Xavier Regatta was held on the Yarra at Victoria Bridge on Wednesday, November 24th. For a week-day there was quite a good attendance, and the weather was ideal. Mrs. C. S. O'Brien, mother of the Captain of the Boats, Kevin O'Brien, acted as hostess, and served a tasty afternoon tea to all present. After the last event Dr. H. S. Forrest presented the Davison Trophy to Myles Doyle, stroke of the Red crew, which won the final of the House Championship Fours. This was the most exciting event of the day, Red and Green dead-heating for first place at the first attempt. Red subsequently won the re-row by a length.

RESULTS.

JUNIOR PAIRS—
R. Bishop (bow), W. Hill (str.), B. Grutzner (cox.) 1
R. Britten-Jones, J. Clayton, B. J. Lyons 2

SENIOR PAIRS—
P. Chapman (bow), M. Doyle (2), G. M. Byrne (3), K. O’Brien (str.), P. Smith (cox) 1
C. Dawson, P. Chapman, J. Sexton 2

MAIDEN PAIRS—
F. Bowler, J. Murphy, B. Grutzner 1
(J. Crogan, A. Brown, G. G. Byrne, disqualified).

NOVICE PAIRS—
P. Eves, R. Case, B. Grutzner 1
K. McGrath, J. Hehir, J. Dwyer 2

SENIOR FOURS—
P. Chapman (bow), M. Doyle (2), G. M. Byrne (3), K. O’Brien (str.), P. Smith (cox) 1
F. Grant, B. Dooley, R. Rowley, E. Hayes, P. J. Coleman 2

JUNIOR FOURS—
J. Murphy, J. Pedley, R. Bisshop, G. Larkin 1

HOUSE FOURS—Minor Places.
P. Troup, C. Dawson, N. Donovan, B. Grutzner 1

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP FOURS—
Red dead-heated with Green.
Red (P. Chapman, J. Tuthill, J. Baraboro, M. Doyle, J. Murphy) won re-row by a length.
Green (B. Dooley, E. Hayes, G. M. Byrne, K. O’Brien, B. J. Lyons) 2

HOUSE FOURS—Minor Places.
Blue (F. Grant, A. Troup, C. Dawson, N. Donovan, B. Grutzner). 1
Black (G. Larkin, W. Hill, K. McCarthy, J. A. Lewis, R. Moore). 2

Easily.
THE CREW.

C. Dawson (bow), P. Chapman (2), B. Dooley (3), M. Doyle (4), D. Watson (5), J. Tuthill (6),
G. Byrne (7), K. O'Brien (stroke), M. Larkin (cox.).
The sports were held on 16th October on a fine, sunny day, and in the presence of a big gathering of parents and friends of the School.

At the beginning of the term Father van Prooyen had placed the training in the capable hands of Jack Fallon, our sprinter and champion of 1937, and lately returned as Captain Fallon from the Middle East. Jack Monaghan took charge of the distance runners.

In each grade there was one outstanding performer. Peter Chapman was the champion of A Grade with four wins to his credit. Brian Curtis carried off three events in B Grade, and Brian Smith won three events in C Grade. Ken Jenkinson created a new record for the under 16 mile, 5 min. 17.8 secs.

The Colour Club Competition was won by Red Club, and Mr. J. Byrne, president of the Old Xaverians' Association, presented the cup to Ken Phelan, the Captain of the Club.

**INTER-CLUB COMPETITION.**

**Held on the School Oval, October 16, 1943.**

**Officials:**

Referee: E. A. Seal.


Starter: R. Clemson.

Track Stewards: T. McClelland, J. Monaghan.

Timekeepers: W. H. Ingram, H. A. Enabling, J. Smith, SJ.


Telegraph Stewards and Assistants: J. Mortensen (microphone), B. Hurley, B. McClusky, A. Lewis, M. Blackall.


**CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS.**

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(1) K. Jenkinson wins the B Grade Mile.
(2) Peter Chapman in the Open High Jump.
(3) R. McNamara representing Kostka Hall in the Under 14 High Jump.
(4) K. O'Brien and P. Chapman over the Hurdles.
(5) Mr. McA eavy and Mr. Gilchrist judging.
(6) Mrs. J. Byrne presents the Cup to K. Phelan, captain of the winning club.
(7) Fr. Costelloe and Dr. Hurley
(9) Tom Spring at the Weight Putt.
(10) J. Sexton wins the Junior Mile.
(11) Brian Curtis wins the Open 220 Yards.
THE XAVERIAN

Mile—
K. Jenkinson (Bk.) .... 1
G. B. Kelly (Bk.) .... 2
K. Gorman (Bl.) .... 3
J. Collins (G.) .... 4
Time: 5 min. 17.8 sec.

220 Yards—
B. Curtis (Bl.) .... 1
B. Leonard (G.) .... 2
J. Prendergast (Bl.) .... 3
L. Guthridge (G.) .... 4
Time: 25.8 sec.

Weight Putt—
T. Spring (Bl.) .... 1
L. Guthridge (G.) .... 2
K. O'Shaughnessy (R.) .... 3
B. Curtis (Bl.) .... 4
Distance: 34 ft. ½ in.

880 Yards Championship—
B. Leonard (G.) .... 1
G. B. Kelly (Bk.) .... 2
B. Curtis (Bl.) .... 3
T. Spring (Bl.) .... 4
Time: 2 min. 24.8 sec.

Cl GRADE (Under 15).
High Jump—
Bren. Dooley (Bk.) .... 1
B. Marsh (Bl.) .... 2
J. Menadue (R.) .... 3
B. Smith (R.) .... 4
Height: 4ft. 6in.

100 Yards—
B. Smith (R.) .... 1
Bren. Dooley (Bk.) .... 2
A. Lewis (Bl.) .... 3
K. Silk (Bk.) .... 4
Time: 10.6 sec.

220 Yards—
B. Smith (R.) .... 1
T. Bushell (Bl.) .... 2
B. Dooley (Bk.) .... 3
A. McEwan (Bl.) .... 4
Time: 26.9 sec.

100 Yards—
W. Foster (Bl.) .... 1
P. Conlan (R.) .... 2
J. Sexton (R.) .... 3
N. Bradford (Bk.) .... 4
Time: 12.3 sec.

Weight Putt—
J. McEwan (Bk.) .... 1
W. Foster (Bl.) .... 2
J. Booth (R.) .... 3
I. Guthridge (Bl.) .... 4
Distance: 26ft. 1in.

Broad Jump—
W. Foster (Bl.) .... 1
I. Guthridge (Bl.) .... 2
J. McEwan (Bk.) .... 3
J. Booth (R.) .... 4
Distance: 14ft. 7.¾in.

C2 GRADE (Under 14).
100 Yards—
W. Foster (Bl.) .... 1
P. Conlan (R.) .... 2
J. Sexton (R.) .... 3
N. Bradford (Bk.) .... 4

880 Yards House Relay—
Black, .... .... .... .... 1
Blue, .... .... .... .... 2
Green, .... .... .... .... 3

UNDER 14 CHALLENGES.

High Jump—
R. McNamara (K.H.) .... equal 1
G. Slattery (B.H.) .... equal 1
B. Leech (X.C.) .... 3
J. Murphy (X.C.) .... 4
Height: 4ft. 3¾in.

100 Yards—
R. McNamara (K.H.) .... 1
W. Foster (X.C.) .... 3
I. Will (K.H.) .... 3
J. Sexton (X.C.) .... 4
Time: 12.5 sec.

SENIOR HANDICAPS.

100 Yards—
K. Phelan, .... 1
D. Coughlin .... 2
220 Yards—
D. Coughlin .... 1
K. Hattam .... 2

Hurdles (120 Yards)—
R. Thompson .... 1
L. King .... 2
Mile—
F. Noonan .... 1
L. Tuxworth .... 2
880 Yards—
J. Foster .... 1
F. Noonan .... 2

440 Yards—
J. Williams .... 1

JUNIOR HANDICAPS.

100 Yards—
V. Ganey, .... 1
P. Brew, .... 2
220 Yards—
J. Sullivan, .... 1
P. Kennedy, .... 2
100 Yards Hurdles (Under 16)—
F. Ridgeway, .... 1
A. Lee, .... 2
100 Yards Hurdles (Under 15)—
W. Foster, .... 1
J. Murphy, .... 2
One Mile—
J. Sexton, .... 1
P. Cody, .... 2
880 Yards—
G. Moorhead, .... 1
P. Cody, .... 2

RESULTS.

FINAL POINTS in inter-House competition for Count O'Loughlin Challenge Cup:
Red (R.) (96 points), .... 1
Black (Bk.) (89½ points), .... 2
Blue (Bl.) (89½ points), .... 3
Green (G.) (57½ points), .... 4
TRIAL SPORTS

On Saturday (October 23), for the third year in succession, a trial athletic sports meeting was held at Xavier between teams representing De La Salle College, Malvern, and Xavier College, in preparation for the Combined Catholic Schools sports at Fitzroy (October 27) and the Public Schools sports at Scotch College on November 6, respectively.

The meeting ended virtually with honours even. In the championship events, awarding points for first, second and third, and taking the best two from each school in each event, Xavier scored 73½ points, and Malvern 70½. In the relay competition, however, Malvern won three events, and Xavier two. The De la Salle boys were outstanding in the sprints. R. Watt won the open 100, 220 and 440. L. Banks the under 16 100 and 220, K. Wylie the under 15 100, and P. Mapleback dead-heated with Brian Smith (Xavier) in the under 15 220.

Xavier were more successful in the hurdles, longer races and field games. K. Phelan won the open weight putt, K. O’Brien the open hurdles, B. Lyons the long jump open, K. Adams the 880, K. O’Shaughnessy the under 16 high jump, and B. Curtis the under 16 long jump. J. Prendergast’s time (14.3 sec.) in the under 16 hurdles was recognised as a Xavier record. K. Quinlan and K. Black, both of Malvern, won the open high jump and open mile respectively. With favourable weather conditions, some very good times were recorded during the afternoon.
The Public Schools' Combined Sports

The combined public school sports were held at Scotch again this year. The sports took on once more their pre-war splendour. There was a very large crowd in attendance, which over-ran the sides of the oval, and made the grounds one mass of colour.

The day was dull and there was a wind blowing, which helped to keep the standards of the long distance events low. Two records were broken, one by P. Gardner (M.G.S.) in the 120 yards open hurdles, when he beat the existing record (which was his own) and lowered it from 15.3 seconds to 15 seconds. The other record was by the Melbourne Grammar relay team which won the open 880 yards relay.

The Xavier team was not very successful, although Ken Adams in the 880 yards open, and Peter Chapman in the 220 yards open put up fine performances, and showed determination.

The competition was finally won by Melbourne Grammar, after a hard fight with Scotch. Until the last race, Melbourne Grammar led by only half a point from Scotch, but they won the last race of the day, and scored the victory. The other schools finished a long way behind in the total points and in the following order: Wesley, Geelong College, Geelong Grammar and Xavier. Scotch won the relay competition by four points from Melbourne Grammar.

Long: Jump (Under 16)—

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Distance, 20ft. 1in.

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THE XAVERIAN.

100 Yards Hurdles (Under 16)—

Time, 13.8 sec.

880 Yards (Open)—
M.G.S. S.C. W.C. G.G.S. X.C.

Time, 1 min. 16.8 sec.

Team: F. A. Bowler, C. Dawson, B. Loughnan, R. Winstall, D. Coughlin, K. Phelan.

One Mile (Open)—

Time, 4 min. 43.8 sec.

880 Yards (Under 15)—
S.C. M.G.S. W.C. G.C. X.C. G.G.S.

Time, 1 min. 40.7 sec.


440 Yards (Open)—

Time, 51.3 sec.


Points Scored
Melbourne Grammar School: 75
Scotch College: 59
Wesley College: 43
Geelong Grammar School: 38½
Xavier College: 17

880 Yards (Under 16)—
S.C. M.G.S. W.C. G.G.S. X.C.

Time, 1 min. 35.7 sec.


Points Scored
Scotch College: 32
Melbourne Grammar School: 28
Wesley College: 23
Geelong Grammar School: 13
Xavier College: 9

440 Yards Hurdles (Under 16)—
S.C. M.G.S. W.C. G.G.S. X.C.

Time, 50.5 sec.


Points Scored
Scotch College: 113
Melbourne Grammar School: 97
Wesley College: 79
Geelong Grammar School: 62
Xavier College: 32
Towards the end of the second term Xavier gave what has now come to be looked upon as its annual performance of Gilbert and Sullivan Opera, the production this year being the difficult "Yeomen of the Guard." Father T. Montague, S.J., has been producing these operas for many years now, his earliest production being "H.M.S. Pinafore" and "The Pirates of Penzance," with casts composed entirely of prep. school boys, in 1929-31. Later "Cox and Box" and "Trial by Jury" were presented with senior boys in the leading roles, and when Father Montague returned to Burke Hall in 1937 he continued the annual presentations of either "Pinafore" or "The Pirates" with ever-increasing success. The most successful of all, probably, were "The Pirates" in 1941 and "Pinafore" last year, with senior boys playing the principal parts and forming the male choruses, and Burke Hall supplying the female chorus.

Since 1935 one or other of these four operas had been presented each year, and it was decided this year to attempt something even more ambitious in the "Yeomen," considered by many Savoyards to be one of the most difficult of G. and S. operas. With the help of Father Montague, however, and inspired by his infectious enthusiasm, the cast one and all came through the trials and tasks of rehearsal so successfully that the final production was universally acclaimed as at least the equal of any previous Xavier production. This success is all the more remarkable when it is realized that only eight short weeks elapsed between the selection of the cast and the production of the opera, and, with the exception of the last two days, all the rehearsals took place in the boys' own time, after school, on half-holidays, and at the week-end, whenever they could snatch a few minutes in between football practice and matches, cadets and A.T.C. parades, and other national service work.

The opera was performed in Manresa Hall, Hawthorn, on August 10 in the evening, and on the following afternoon. The hall was crowded to the doors on each occasion, and as a result a sum of over £130 was raised to be distributed among various school funds, including that for the Catholic Welfare Organization. J. C. Williamson's and Australian and New Zealand Theatres were very helpful, and made scenery and properties available, while other properties were improvised at
Baba of Bagdad

Congratulations to Mr. Smith, S.J., and his company for the delightful entertainment they gave us on November 1st. The universal opinion of the large appreciative audience, that witness the performance, was that it was well worth repeating, but the approach of the end of the year did not make this practical.

The audience was lulled into a mood of pleasant receptivity by the sweet voices of Father Montague’s choir, and the delightful playing of Mr. Adrian Bendall (harp) and Mr. Leslie Barklam (flute). Then the feature of the night began, and, for over an hour, our eyes were feasted with the exotic colours of weird eastern garbs and our ears were attuned to the lilting airs and catchy strains adapted from "Chu Chin Chow," richly interlaced with easy humour and boisterous bloodshed.

The "buzzards of the bazaar" were a rolling crew, mild and menial in their "part-time occupation" as merchants, but a most awesome gang of cut-throats in "real" life. Mac Larkin and John Clayton, their chief spokesmen, had most opportunity to shine and revealed talents of a high order. The others of the chorus backed them well, singing and joking with plenty of vim. Jim

DRAMATIS PERSONAE:

Sir Richard Cholmondeley (Lieutenant of the Tower). CHARLES PARKER
Colonel Fairfax (under sentence of death). PATRICK TROST
Sergeant Meryll (of the Yeomen of the Guard). BRIAN HURLEY
Leonard Meryll (his son) . ROBERT OLIPHANT
Jack Point (a strolling jester) . JOHN ARENDSSEN
Wilfred Shadbolt (Head Gaoler and Assistant Tor­mentor). ANTON BOWLER
The Headsman . . . . . . . . . . . . REG BOWLER
First Yeoman . . . . . . . . . . . . . . MAC Larkin
Second Yeoman . . . . . . . . . . ROBERT THOMPSON
First Citizen . . . . . . . . . . . . BRIAN HEENEY
Elsie Maynard (a strolling singer). RICHARD MOORE
Phoebe Meryll (Sergeant Meryll’s daughter). PETER SMITH
Dame Carruthers (Housekeeper to the Tower). MAURICE FAREY
Kate (her niece) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . PETER COLEMAN

CHORUS OF YEOMEN:

CHORUS OF CITIZENS:

CHORUS OF GIRLS:
Mortensen in a harder role, was a most successful Robber Chief and pseudo Chu Chin Chow. Brian Hurley, ever reliable, gained new laurels as a strolling singer and grateful saviour of Ali Baba. Charles Parker, as usual, interpreted his part excellently. Harris Coles, in his brief appearance as the Caliph, was a most imposing figure. Bob Thompson, unrecognisable as a dusky African, was a splendidly efficient, imperturbable and inexorable Steward, with a highly developed taste for olive oil, applied externally. Anton Bowler and John Arendsen once again proved themselves accomplished comedians. We have come to expect much mirth from their appearances and their humour and resourcefulness continually pleased and amused.

Gratitude in deep measure is due to those who co-operated so well to make the show a success — to Mrs. Spring, unfailingly generous and patient as accompanist, to Matron, Mr. McAreavy and their helpers for the delightful costuming and make-up, to Mr. Bryce who succeeded where so many failed, in successful amplification in the school hall, to Mr. Bendall and his associates for their generous service in the orchestra, to Mrs. Clayton, to Mr. Bisshop, who guarded the door, and finally to the inevitable E.J.H., that model of efficiency who renders timely assistance here, there and everywhere.
The Rector's Report

Your Grace,

Before presenting the sixty-fifth annual report of the College, I wish to extend to you a very sincere greeting and to assure you of our appreciation of the honour which your presence here this evening confers on the College.

It gives me much pleasure also to welcome here this evening Mr. T. M. Burke. There is no one in Australia who has a greater claim on our gratitude than Mr. Burke. His generosity to the school needs no comment, and I am happy to have this opportunity of reaffirming our thankfulness to him and of acquainting him of the continued success of the school that bears his name.

The year has been an anxious one and though the troubles which beset our country did not come in full force, they were sufficiently present to give us a share in the general worry. It is a matter for deep gratitude to God for His protection which has enabled us in the fifth year of war to live our lives and carry on the work of the school with so few real privations.

If numbers can be taken as a proof of the confidence of the public in the moral and scholastic training which Xavier provides, then we have more than good reason to be highly satisfied. Last year the number on the roll was 493; this year the five hundred mark has been passed and the number on the roll stands at 543. This is a record number in the history of the College. As enrolments for next year are very numerous, I should be grateful for immediate notice from those, especially boarders, who will not be returning to the Preparatory Schools or to the Senior School in 1944.

Before referring to the work done during the year that is now ending, I wish to record our successes at the Public Examinations of last year. Kevin Flanagan, who was Captain of the school last year, achieved considerable success, securing first place in the State in Greek and a senior government scholarship to the University, with first-class honours in French and Greek and second class honours in English and Latin. This is the third successive year in which we have secured first place in Greek. Other successful boys included Michael de Verteuil, who secured first-class honours in English (fifth place), Latin and European History and second class in Chemistry, Bernard O'Brien with second class honours in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics III, was awarded a free place at the University. Brian O'Shaughnessy with first class honours in Mathematics III, and Physics, also gained a first place at the University. John Gilfedder secured second class honours in Latin and French and third class honours in Chemistry. First class honours were also gained in French by Kenneth Hince, and in German by Oswald Wolkenstein. With a small honours class last year, Xavier secured a total of nine first, fifteen second and nine third class honours. In addition, twenty boys matriculated and forty-two passed the Intermediate Examination.

These results leave us satisfied with the work done by our examinations classes in the year 1942. This year 33 present for the Leaving Honours, 57 for Leaving Pass and 68 for the Intermediate Examination. If earnestness and interest in their examination work can give success — and they are powerful factors — we may indulge the hope that the boys of 1943 will equal, if not surpass, the achievements of their companions of last year. Already the results of the Newman College awards have been published and we have secured two out of the four resident scholarships awarded. I wish to congratulate the successful candidates, Michael Blackall and Kenneth Hince.

Of the boys themselves, it can be said that they are real boys, with the faults of all boys and perhaps with more than usual of the good qualities of boys. It gives me much pleasure and satisfaction to comment on the earnestness shown in the practice of their religious duties. This year apart from the annual school retreat, two voluntary enclosed retreats took place in our retreat house at Watsonia. Throughout the course of the year, there has been an edifying attention to devotion and the various spiritual activities such as the Sodalities, the Apostleship of Prayer, the Mission Society, the Catholic Action Group, the Vincent de Paul Society have been supported not in a routine fashion but with evident desire to work the exercise of their faith with living purpose into their character and lives. This is real Religious Training which is not just an extra subject imposed on the ordinary curriculum, but which teaches a way of Life based on a firm grasp of the truth of the Divinity of Christ, the meaning of sin and redemp-
tion, the conception of this life as a place in which men must fashion and live their lives in obedience to God's law in order to win their eternal salvation. The object of education in Xavier is to send out into the world educated Christians, boys who love their faith and their country, and who know, not only because they have read it in an encyclical or heard it from the pulpit or in the class room, but from their own intelligent grasp of the nature and history of both, that the civilization which Australia sustains is a product of the Faith, and that if the Faith is finally lost, that civilization must crumble and decay. After all, that is everything, and this school would miss the reason of its existence, were not religious knowledge and religious practice of the very fibre of its being.

There is trustworthy evidence that the general class work done in Xavier is being kept up to its proper high level. This is made clear by the results of the term examinations and by the excellent spirit of work that exists among the boys of the three schools. Too much emphasis cannot be given to the value of the training imparted in the Preparatory Schools as a preparation for life in Xavier, and parents would be well advised to secure for their sons a few years in these schools. I wish to congratulate those who will receive prizes this evening and to sympathise with and encourage those who, though not so successful in any branch of study or of sport, still try their hardest to do credit to themselves and to enhance the reputation of the school. The boy who is brilliant, and one to whom things come easy, is not always the one who wins out in life's struggle. The boy who tries, who is conscientious, who is loyal to his school and who in that spirit endeavours to brighten his reputation, is the one who is laying the foundation of character that will make for future success.

In sport the year has not been remarkable for any outstanding success. Success does not count for everything, and failure can have beneficial results. Games are necessary for growing boys in order to ensure a sound body as well as a sound mind. In school life they are a very successful means of ensuring school discipline. They teach a boy to subordinate his own will, to submit to authority, to suppress his selfish inclinations and to make the sacrifices that coaching and training demand. Parents should not without grave reason seek exemptions for their boys in this branch of school life.

The Cadet Corps and the Air Training Corps are now well established and a valuable course of training has been undergone by the members. The advancement in the Services made by our recent past is a sufficient indication of the useful purpose fulfilled by these two corps.

There are over sixty of our boys at the University, and results last year and in the earlier examinations this year have again been of a high standard. In March, John Bourke, Denis Clarke and Trevor Conolly graduated in Medicine, making a total of 31 old boys who have taken out the degree of Medicine in the space of two years and a quarter. Several others took out various degrees at the end of last year. Desmond Niall secured the degree of Master of Surgery and Brian Hagelthorn that of Veterinary Science. John Clarebrough has been awarded first class honours in Anatomy with third place and second class honours in Physiology while Gerald Manly secured second class honours also in Physiology and third class in Anatomy. Others who secured honours in different subjects last year include Don Rush, Frank Hurley, Desmond Dooley, Esmond Downey, Murray O’Neill, David Schlicht, Eldon Hogan, Tom Daly and Gordon Hiscock. Twenty-five old boys have been in residence in Newman College this year. Our boys formed a large proportion of the different college teams and the Medical Faculty team and contributed considerably towards their success. Several have held high position on different committees and societies, and many have taken a notable part in Catholic activity at the University.

Although the Old Xaverians Association has curtailed a great number of functions on account of the war and absence of members in the Fighting Forces, it is nevertheless in a very flourishing condition. The total number of financial members has passed 400 for the first time in the Association's history. Especially worthy of note is the big increase in the number of life members during the three years Mr. James Byrne has been president. At the end of 1940 there were 127 life members, now there are 262, 74 of whom became life members this year—more than double the number in any previous year. The number of annual members has shown an increase also, from 82 three years ago to 141 to-day. A pleasing feature is the fact that many of the more recent past have joined the Association very soon after leaving school. The increase in the life membership lists has meant a corresponding increase in the Association's capital funds, which have risen from four hundred and fifty pounds in 1940 to one thousand one hundred and seventy to-day; and of this latter sum six hundred and fifty pounds has been in-
vested in four Liberty Loans in the last two years. Thanks to the enthusiasm of Mr. Byrne, the scholarship fund sponsored by the Association is now a third of the way towards its first objective, and I am grateful to many of the old boys away with the forces who have been very generous with their support. I want to thank Mr. Byrne very sincerely for the whole-hearted support given to the Association and to the school during his three fruitful years as President. Without his inspiration and sustained interest, coupled with the support of Mr. Harold Simpson and Mr. Eldon Hogan, it would not be possible to give such a favourable account of the condition of the Association. To Mr. Byrne’s successor, Dr. Frank Costigan, elected last night, I wish to extend a warm welcome and to assure him of my confidence that he will continue the worthy tradition of his predecessor.

Xavier continues to take a proportionately large part in the present war struggle which is convulsing the world. The figures to hand of boys in the Fighting Forces show 496 in the Army, 277 in the Air Force and 47 in the Navy. The school feels honoured by these devoted sons and is proud to think that the lessons of patriotism and duty taught within these walls have not been taught in vain. The award of the Military Cross “for gallant and distinguished service in New Guinea between October and February” to Captain Norman Whitehead recently announced, makes him the fourth Old Xaverian to be so honoured in the present War. Previous winners of this distinction include Captain John Rosel, Captain Keith Watson, Lieutenant Frank Lavan. In addition, Wing Commander John Ryland and Flight Lieutenant Brian Higgins, deceased, have been awarded the D.R.C. for combat work in the islands north of Australia. Edmund McRae was awarded the British Empire medal for his work in the Middle East, while several others have received decorations or been mentioned in despatches for their work overseas. Of our share in the events which this present war has brought about, we wish we could speak with unmixed pleasure. But when we recall the names of the 44 unreturning brave men, several who left the school in the last few years, our grief is as sincere as that of their kith and kin. A school is according to a hallowed phrase an Alma Mater—a kindly mother—and shares the hopes, the ambitions and the joys of a parent. It sympathises too with the parents’ sense of loss when hopes and ambitions are frustrated by untimely death.

It will be a consolation for the parents to know that at the request of the Old Xaverians Association a requiem mass is offered in the Memorial Chapel for the repose of the souls of every boy killed in the war, and it will fill them with hope to learn that the Ladies Committee, through the President, Mrs. Spring, have made provision for a Mass to be said each week for the protection and safe return of all our boys in the Fighting Forces.

The College wishes to recognise the generosity of the late Mrs. Mustow, who left one thousand pounds towards the establishment of a scholarship in memory of her son Keith, a much respected Old Xaverian and member of the Royal Australian Air Force, whose lamented death took place in South Australia last year. May the generosity of the late Mrs. Mustow to Xavier find many imitators among many Old Boys and friends.

The Ladies’ Committee under the capable presidency of Mrs. Spring, have been unfailing in their efforts to promote the welfare of the school and to share with the other Catholic schools in assisting the good work for the Fighting Forces done by the Catholic Welfare Organisation. I am very grateful to the parents who have so faithfully fulfilled their duties in Elizabeth Street and who have shown interest and given support to the various functions held during the year to assist the Improvement Fund of the College. Particularly, I wish to thank Mrs. Spring, who undertook the work of President for the second year, and who has performed her duties in such a conscientious and efficient manner. I appeal to all the parents to co-operate generously in the assistance given to the Catholic Welfare Organisation, for by doing so the work can be more effectively done for the soldiers and with fewer demands on the individual parents. To Mrs. Spring also a large measure of thanks is due for her generosity in giving time and musical ability towards the production of the two Operas which the boys so successfully staged this year.

I wish to thank the Community, the Matron, and the Staff for their hard work and devotion to duty during the year that is now ending. For it is only through this whole-hearted co-operation and assistance that such success as has been outlined to Your Grace could be attained.

I also wish to express my gratitude to the many kind friends who have testified their regard for the wellbeing of the school by the donation of many and valuable prizes. To the many, who have sent donations and gifts for the Memorial Chapel,
in particular to Mr. Pat Cody and Mrs. Esmond Downey the gratitude of the college is tendered.

In conclusion, I desire on behalf of the College to convey to Your Grace our best wishes for an abundance of Christmas joy and happiness, wishes which I heartily extend to the many kind friends of Xavier who have honoured us with their presence this evening.

KEVIN O'BRIEN.
CAPTAIN OF THE SCHOOL.

MICHAEL BLACKALL.
DUX OF THE SCHOOL.
Prizes not awarded unless 75 per cent, secured: No Prize awarded to boys who do not secure 50 per cent, in their Religious Knowledge Examination.

A.M.D.G.

Xavier College, Kew

Prize and Distinction List

DECEMBER, 1943

LEAVING CERTIFICATE CLASS (Honours Division).

Religious Knowledge.—BARRY LOUGHNAN, Ian Dillon, Gregory Kennedy and James Mortensen (eq.), Alexander Troup, Anthony Brown.

English.—ALEXANDER TROUP, James Mortensen, Norman Clausen, Richard Case, Clement Henderson, Bruce Burne.

Latin.—ALEXANDER TROUP, Kenneth Hince, Gregory Kennedy, Colless Lahz, Michael Blackall, Norman Clausen.

Greek.—MICHAEL BLACKALL, Kenneth Phelan.

French.—GREGORY KENNEDY, Charles Hollebecq, Michael Blackall, Brian Mc-Clusky, Maurice Gilfedder, Brendan Lyons.

European History.—COLLESS LAHZ, James Mortensen, Bruce Burne, Barry Loughnan, Gregory Larkin, Clement Henderson.

Physics.—JAMES MORTENSEN and ALEXANDER TROUP (eq.), Murray Mc-Combe, Ian Dillon, Barry Loughnan, Maurice Gilfedder.

Chemistry.—ALEXANDER TROUP, Richard Case, Francis Grant, James Mortensen, Anthony Brown, Barry Loughnan.

Mathematics III.—ALEXANDER TROUP, Francis Grant.

Essays.—1st Term, MICHAEL BLACKALL; 2nd Term, ALEXANDER TROUP; 3rd Term, KENNETH HINCE.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE CLASS (Pass Division).

Religious Knowledge.—(a) REGINALD BOWLER, Anthony Lewis, Gerald Daily; (b) KENNETH JENKINSON, Paul Coleman, Anthony Brady.

English.—(a) GERALD DAILY, Michael Falkland and Patrick Trost (eq.); (b) KENNETH JENKINSON, Robert Howett, John Fennell.

Latin.—KENNETH JENKINSON, John Niall, Robert Howett, James Collins, Gordon Rennick, Geoffrey Norris.

Greek.—BRIAN HURLEY, Robert Howett.

French.—(a) MICHAEL FALKLAND, Edward Curmi, Patrick Trost; (b) KEN- NETH JENKINSON, John Niall, Henry Curmi.

German.—JOHN PRENDERGAST, Kenneth Jenkinsen, John Tuthill.

European History.—ANTHONY BRADY, Gordon Rennick; Alan Craig, Brendan Lyons and Leo Macdonald (eq.); Geoffrey Norris.


Mathematics II.—EUGENE LYNCH, Brian Curtis, Joseph Barbaro, Alan Dillon and John Tuthill (eq.), Gordon Laird.

Mathematics III.—JOHN McCARTHY, Alan Dillon, Charles Hollebecq and Eugene Lynch (eq.), Joseph Barbaro and Brian Dooley (eq.).

Mathematics IV.—BARRY LOUGHNAN, Francis Grant, Murray McCombe, Richard Case, Joseph Barbaro, Ian Dillon.

Physics.—KENNETH JENKINSON, John Tuthill, Robert Howett, John Niall and Henry Curmi (eq.), Alan Dillon and John Fennell (eq.).

Chemistry.—KENNETH JENKINSON, Robert Howett and Eugene Lynch (eq.), James Collins and John Fennell (eq.), John Niall.
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Geography.—ANTHONY BRADY, Russell Rowley, Geoffrey Byrne and Anthony Lewis (eq.), Donald Treacey, Reginald Bowler.

Essays.—1st term: (a) REGINALD WINSTALL; (b) KENNETH JENKINSON
2nd Term: (a) PATRICK TROST; (b) KENNETH JENKINSON. 3rd Term: (a) REGINALD WINSTALL; (b) PETER BREW.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE CLASS (A).

Dux of the Class: BRENDAN DOOLEY.

Aggregate.—BRENDAN DOOLEY, John Coleman, Garry Moorhead, Robert Britten-Jones, Angus Troup, Peter Bladin.

Religious Knowledge.—ROBERT BRITTEN-JONES, Angus Troup, Gerald Gilfedder, Geoffrey Brady, Garry Moorhead and Robert Oliphant (eq.).

English.—ANGUS TROUP, John Coleman and John Everett (eq.), Peter Cosgriff, Robert Britten-Jones, Gavin Byrne.

Latin.—JOHN COLEMAN, Robert Britten-Jones, Brendan Dooley, Peter Knowles, Garry Moorhead, Peter Bladin.

Greek.—BRENDAN DOOLEY, Robert Britten-Jones, Garry Moorhead, Peter Knowles, John Albers.

French.—ROBERT BRITTEN-JONES and GARRY MOORHEAD (eq.), Angus Troup, Brendan Dooley, John Pedley, Peter Bladin and John Everett.

Physics.—BRENDAN DOOLEY, Gregory McK. Larkin, John Coleman, Brian Mcclusky, Robert Thompson and Angus Troup (eq.).

Chemistry.—BRENDAN DOOLEY, Garry Moorhead, Anthony Brady, Robert Britten-Jones and Robert Gorman (eq.), Leo Brophy and Clive Dawson (eq.).

Ob Insigne Meritum.—PETER BLADIN.

Essays.—1st Term: GAVIN BYRNE; 2nd Term: JOHN PEDLEY; 3rd Term: RICHARD MOORE.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE CLASS (B).

Dux of the Class: ROBIN BISSHOP.

Aggregate.—ROBIN BISSHOP, Kevin Owen, Martin O'Sullivan, William Hill, Barry Lyons, Richard Roberts.

Religious Knowledge.—BARRY LYONS, Kevin Owen, Louis Guthridge, Robin Bisshop, William Hill, Harris Coles.

English.—RICHARD ROBERTS, Barry Lyons, Robin Bisshop, John Maher and Martin O'Sullivan (eq.), William Hill.

Latin.—WILLIAM HILL, Robert Donovan, Richard Roberts, Kevin O'Shaughnessy, Kevin Owen, Patrick Moy.

French.—ROBIN BISSHOP, William Hill, Leonard Tuxworth, David Gorman, Martin, O'Sullivan, Robert Donovan and Kevin O'Shaughnessy (eq.).

History.—IAN TRAVERS-BALL, Gerald Kelly and Richard Roberts (eq.), Leonard Tuxworth, John Maher; Leon Lefebvre, William Hill and Robin Bisshop (eq.).

Arithmetic.—ROBIN BISSHOP, Martin O'Sullivan, Kevin Owen, William Hill and Armando Poli (eq.), Barry Lyons.

Algebra.—KEVIN OWEN, Robin Bisshop and Dermott Coughlin (eq.), Barry Lyons, David Gorman, Kevin O'Shaughnessy.

Geometry and Trigonometry.—ROBIN BISSHOP, Kevin Owen, David Gorman, Barry Lyons, William Hill, Kevin O'Shaughnessy and Armando Poli (eq.).

Geography.—KENNETH HATTAM, John Maher and Richard Roberts (eq.), Kevin Owen; Kevin Barton, Robin Bisshop, and Leslie Jabara (eq.).
Commercial Principles and Practice.—LOUIS GUTHRIDGE, Leslie Jabara, Harris Coles, Neil Donovan.

Drawing.—DONALD BYRNE, Martin O'Sullivan, Kevin McGrath, Edward Hayes, Leonard Tuxworth.

Ob Insigne Meritum.—MARTIN O'SULLIVAN, BARRY LYONS.

Essays.—1st Term: PATRICK MOY; 2nd Term: RICHARD ROBERTS; 3rd Term: WILLIAM HILL.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE (A).

Dux of the Class: IAN HOWELLS.

Aggregate.—IAN HOWELLS, John Webb, Aubrey Sweet, Robert Fazio, David Molloy, Peter Carr.


English.—MILES O'NEILL, Robert Fazio, John Webb, David Molloy, Denis Conlan, Pierce Cody and Aubrey Sweet (eq.).

Latin.—IAN HOWELLS, Aubrey Sweet, Denis Conlan and John Webb (eq.), Peter McNamara, John Booth.

Greek.—IAN HOWELLS, John Webb, Peter McNamara, John Booth, Guy Ceen, Peter Carr.

French.—AUBREY SWEET, David Molloy, Ian Howells, John Webb, John Booth, Peter McNamara.

History.—ROBERT FAZIO, Clive Bailey, Brian Fergus, Xavier Clausen, Joseph Sullivan, Denis Conlan.

Arithmetic—IAN HOWELLS, John Webb, Aubrey Sweet, Robert Fazio, Guy Ceen, Peter Carr.

Algebra.—IAN HOWELLS, John Webb, David Molloy, Aubrey Sweet, Maurice Fary, Robert Fazio.

Geometry.—JOHN WEBB, Ian Howells, Aubrey Sweet, Peter Carr, Brian McCarthy, John Booth.

Science.—IAN HOWELLS, John Webb, Aubrey Sweet, Guy Ceen, Peter Carr, Robert Fazio.

Essays.—1st Term: JOHN WEBB; 2nd Term: JOHN BOOTH; 3rd Term: AUBREY SWEET.

Ob Insigne Meritum: DAVID MOLLOY, PETER CARR.

SUB-INTERMEDIATE (B).

Dux of the Class: PATRICK CONLAN.

Aggregate.—PATRICK CONLAN, Mark Stokes, Barry Murphy, John Molony, Wilfrid Plunkett, James Menadue.

Religious Knowledge.—NOEL BRADFORD, John Molony, Barry Murphy, Wilfrid Plunkett, James Menadue, Patrick Conlan and Mark Stokes (eq.).

English.—PATRICK CONLAN, Mark Stokes, Noel Bradford and Paul Hayes (eq.), Mark Kirsch and Wilfrid Plunkett (eq.).

Latin.—PATRICK CONLAN, Mark Stokes, Wilfrid Plunkett, Barry Murphy, Allan Lee; Noel Bradford, Maurice Minihan, and John Molony (eq.).

French.—PATRICK CONLAN, Robert Kirby, Wilfrid Plunkett, James Menadue, Mark Stokes, John Molony.

History.—NOEL BRADFORD, Kevin Silk, John Molony; Robert Kirby, Barry Murphy, and Thomas Nyhan (eq.).

Arithmetic—PATRICK CONLAN, Francis Boyle, Barry Murphy; Allan Lee, John McEwan, and Mark Stokes (eq.).

Algebra.—MARK STOKES, Patrick Conlan, John Houston, Paul Hayes, Kerry Gorman, John McEwan.

Geometry.—MARK STOKES, Patrick Conlan, John Molony, Brian Heeney, Kerry Gorman, Brian Kelly.

Geography.—DENIS CONLAN, Joseph Sullivan, Kerry Gorman, John Dwyer, Brian Fergus, Wilfrid Plunkett.

Ob Insigne Meritum.—BARRY MURPHY, JOHN MOLONY, WILFRID PLUNKETT, JAMES MENADUE.

Essays.—1st Term: THOMAS NYHAN; 2nd Term: NOEL BRADFORD; 3rd Term: KEVIN SILK.
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GRAMMAR II. (A).

Dux of the Class: JOHN MURPHY.

Aggregate.—JOHN MURPHY, Philip Kennedy, Ian Guthridge, Brian Brennan, Anthony Joyce, William Foster.

Religious Knowledge.—PHILIP KENNEDY, Brian Brennan, John Murphy, William Foster and Brian Leech (eq.), Ian Guthridge.

English.—PHILIP KENNEDY, John Murphy, Ian Guthridge; Brian Brennan, Anthony Joyce, and William Leahy (eq.).

Latin.—JOHN MURPHY, Ian Guthridge and Anthony Joyce (eq.), Peter Kirchner and Peter MacGillicuddy (eq.), Claude Gaillet.

French.—CLAUDE GAILLET, Ian Guthridge and John Murphy (eq.), Brian Brennan, Leon San Miguel, Geoffrey Winter.

History.—JOHN MURPHY, William Leahy, Brian Brennan, Ian Guthridge, Claude Gaillet, Philip Kennedy.

Arithmetic.—JOHN MURPHY, Brian Brennan, Ian Guthridge, William Foster, Anthony Joyce, Sean Byrne and Peter Macpherson (eq.).

Algebra.—JOHN MURPHY, Ian Guthridge, William Foster, Anthony Joyce, Brian Brennan, Brian Dillon.

Geometry.—JOHN MURPHY, Geoffrey Winter, Brian Brennan, Patrick Baker and Ian Guthridge, Anthony Joyce.

Geography.—JOHN MURPHY, Peter Macpherson, Brian Brennan, Michael Donelan, Ian Guthridge, Geoffrey Winter.

Science.—BRIAN BRENNAN, Philip Kennedy, James Copeland, Brian Dillon, John Murphy, Anthony Joyce.

Ob Insigne Meritum: IAN GUTHRIDGE, ANTHONY JOYCE, WILLIAM FOSTER.

Essays.—1st Term: BRIAN BRENNAN; 2nd Term: BRIAN BRENNAN; 3rd Term: WILLIAM O’DEA.
Dux of the School (Gift of the President of the Old Xaverians' Association, Mr. James Byrne), MICHAEL BLACKALL.

The Old Xaverians' Association Prizes.—Dux of Intermediate A: BRENDAN DOOLEY; Dux of Intermediate B: ROBIN BISSHOP; Dux of Sub-Intermediate A: IAN HOWELLS; Dux of Sub-Intermediate B: PATRICK CONLAN; Dux of Grammar II. A: JOHN MURPHY.

The Dean Murphy Memorial Prize for Religious Knowledge in Leaving Certificate Honours: BARRY LOUGHNAN.

The Very Rev. Fr. Rector's Prize for Religious Knowledge (Leaving Certificate Pass): (a) REGINALD BOWLER, (b) KENNETH JENKINSON.

The Miss Frances Quirk Foundation Prize for Religious Knowledge (ad perpetuam suorum memoriam).—Intermediate A: ROBERT BRITTEN-JONES; Intermediate B: BARRY LYONS; Sub-Intermediate A: ROBERT FAZIO; Sub-Intermediate B: NOEL BRADFORD; Grammar II. A: PHILIP KENNEDY.

The Dr. Samuel Marron Prize for English Language and Literature (Leaving Certificate Honours): ALEXANDER TROUP.

The Dr. Edward Ryan Prize for Modern English Catholic Literature: JAMES MORTENSEN.

The Dr. Edward Ryan Prize for French Language and Literature: MAURICE GILFEDDER.

The Gerald Crosbie Prize for Languages (Latin and Greek): MICHAEL BLACKALL.

The Dr. John Clarebrough Prize for European History: COLLESS LAHZ.

The Mr. Esmond Downey Prize for Mathematics: ALEXANDER TROUP.

The "Argus" Prize for Science.—Leaving Certificate Honours: ALEXANDER TROUP; Leaving Certificate Pass: KENNETH JENKINSON.

The "Argus" Prize for Combined Proficiency in Study and Cadet Training: JAMES MORTENSEN.


The Peter Marshall Prize for Intermediate Geography: KENNETH HATTAM.

Mr. Wister's Prizes for Spoken English—Sub-Intermediate A: JOHN BOOTH; Sub-Intermediate B: ALAN PATON; Grammar II. A: JOHN MURPHY.

Very Rev. Fr. Rector's Prize for Debating: KEVIN SILK.

The Mr. B. Slaweski Prize for Dancing: ROBIN BISSHOP.

Miss Aughtie's Prizes for Music: MICHAEL HOWETT, KEVIN KEATING, AUBREY SWEET.

The Xavier Prize for Conspicuous Influence in the Life of the School: KEVIN O'BRIEN.

The Dr. Neil Crowley Cup (Awarded to the boy who best combines Study and Sport): IAN DILLON.

The Rector wishes to thank all those who have given prizes for competition.

Boarders return on Tuesday, February 8th. Classes resume at 9.30 on Wednesday, February 9th.
THE SCHOOL LIST

Rector: Very Rev. Fr. T. F. Costelloe, S.J.

Masters:

Rev. Fr. D. Gilmore, S.J.
Rev. Fr. W. P. Hackett, S.J.
Rev. Fr. R. B. McCarthy, S.J.
Rev. Fr. W. V. Owens, S.J.
Rev. Fr. Wallmsley J. Smith, S.J.
Rev. Fr. P. J. Stephenson, S.J.

Lay Brothers:

Rev. Br. J. Jackson, S.J.

Visiting Teachers:

Mr. Keogh (Drawing)
Mr. W. Moloney
Mr. L. Van Baer

Captain of the School: Kevin O'Brien.
Prefect of the Sodality: Kevin O'Brien.
Dux of the School: Michael Blackall.

Captain of the XL: Gordon Laird.

Captain of the XVIII.: Robert Thompson.

Captain of the Athletic Team: Joseph Barbaro.

Captain of the Boats: Kevin O'Brien.


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Total: 264
Burke Hall: 178
Kostka Hall: 101
Grand Total: 543
We commenced the year with 161 boys on the rolls. Twenty-seven boys passed on to Xavier and twenty-eight new boys came to us. The school has increased steadily during the year; all the class rooms are full, and many boarders have had to be deferred until next year.

Mr. W. Brown, S.J., left us for Pymble to begin his studies for the Priesthood. He carries with him the good wishes of all at Burke Hall. We welcome in his place, his brother, Mr. Frederick Brown, S.J. Early in the second term Mr. Wright became unwell and the doctor advised a change and complete rest. In July Fr. O'Brien, Headmaster of Kostka Hall, had to undergo an operation, from which we are glad to say he has now almost completely recovered. Fr. Conlon left us to take charge of Kostka. We miss him very much and look forward to his return to Burke Hall. We welcome Fr. Gilmore and Mr. Sheridan, who have come to our assistance.

One June 21st we welcomed Fr. Magan who gave an inspiring talk to the boys on St. Aloysius, Patron of Youth. On the Feast of the Sacred Heart ten boys made their First Holy Communion and were entertained to breakfast with their parents in the Reception Room. In the evening the School was consecrated to the Sacred Heart, the impressive ceremony taking place in the Main Hall of the School in the presence of the Masters and Boarders.

On August 20th, His Grace very kindly came to say mass for our boys and later in the morning confirmed 75 boys from Burke Hall and 19 from Xavier. His Grace was assisted by Fr. Rector, Fr. Durnin and Fr. Allen, and Mr. Jim Byrne, President O.X.A., acted as Sponsor. Mr. Hubert Cooney kindly took charge of the ceremony.

At the beginning of the third term it was decided to continue schools on Wednesday afternoon instead of on Saturday morning. This change has been appreciated by all and as it enables the small boys to have a late sleep on Saturday morning. Hitherto Sunday morning was their only chance of a "sleep-in".

In retrospect it must not be denied that we have had a hard year due to difficulties brought on by the war. However, we have come through smiling and the boys have rallied round and have been very helpful in many ways. A special word of thanks is due to our matron, Miss Martin, who has shown herself devoted, kind and sympathetic to her many little charges, in sickness and in health, and to her work throughout the house.

During the year we were visited by an Inspector from the Education Department who recorded that "a very good working atmosphere pervaded the school and that the tone and discipline of the school were of a very high standard."

We wish to offer our sincere sympathy to Peter Atchinson and Gerald Coleman on the death of their mothers during the year. R.I.P.

**The Mission Society**

**Director:** Fr. W. Allen, S.J.

Like many other societies our Mission Society has not escaped the effects of the war. Owing to staff shortage and other difficulties we have not been able to hold regular meetings during the year. However, the boys' interest is fostered by the monthly reading of the "Far East" and "Catholic Missions." The annual contributions to the Holy Childhood Society have been increasing steadily. Last year we sent over fifty pounds (£50) to the Diocesan Director of the Holy Childhood Society and another £10 to the Sodality of St. Peter Claver for the African Missions. We expect to do the same this year. The boys of Elements Class have been the most generous this year and seem to be sure of winning the Air Race between the classes to help the Missions.
The Apostleship of Prayer and Crusaders of the Blessed Sacrament

Owing to our increase in number we were obliged to increase the number of circles and consequently the number of Monthly Leaflets this year. Several new boys were enrolled as Knights or Crusaders of the Blessed Sacrament. On the Feastdays when we had Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Knights and Crusaders were given the preference on the List of Adorers.

Sodality of The Holy Angels

**Director:** Fr. D. Durnin, S.J.
**Prefect:** David McCarthy.
**First Assistant:** Andrew Prendergast.
**Second Assistant:** James Cooke.

Meetings of the Sodality were held regularly about once a fortnight during the year. The Director’s Instructions during the year deal with the Rules of the Sodality, the Angels as our models and Guardians, and short talks on current Feasts of the Year. During the year, David McCarthy was elected President and Andrew Prendergast and James Cooke Assistants.

On the Monday following the Feast of St. Raphael the following were received into the Sodality:

- P. Banfield
- G. Brennan
- D. Falkland
- K. Harrison
- T. King
- M. Grundy
- R. Williams
- C. Bishop
- E. Brennan
- D. Burne
- G. Coleman
- B. Curtain
- F. Curtain
- J. Fleming
- M. Hickey
- J. Keogh
- K. Malouf
- D. Murray
- A. Santospirito
- F. Swaby
- J. Sullivan
- M. van Assche

The Sodality of St. John Berchmans for Mass Servers

**Director:** Fr. W. Allen, S.J.
**President:** Gordon Troup.
**Vice-President:** Roger Williams.

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SODALITY OF ST. JOHN BERCHMANS. MASS SERVERS.
Front Row (L-R).—J. Came on, P. Mardling, L. Drake, G. Troup, R. Williams, J. Callander, R. Moore.

SODALITY OF THE HOLY ANGELS.
Early in the year the Ladies’ Committee met and elected office-bearers for the coming year. Mrs. Whitaker was elected President; Mrs. Savsge, Vice-President; Mrs. Swaby, Treasurer, and Mrs. Williams, Secretary. Fr. Durnin thanked Mrs. Webb, the outgoing President and last year’s Committee for their generous work during the past year. It was also decided at this meeting to hold a Card Party and Musical Afternoon at the School on March 31st. This pleasant function realized £30 and we are most grateful to the Committee for the work they did to make the afternoon a success. The concert arranged by Mrs. Brooksbank in the Reception Room for those who did not wish to play cards was much appreciated, and we are grateful to her.

On June 10th an Australian Tea was held at the home of Mrs. Savage. This homely gathering was a great success. During the year similar functions were held at the homes of Mrs. Power and Mrs. Whitaker, and at present Mrs. Edgar Burne is arranging for an afternoon to be held at her home before the end of the term.

We wish to thank Mrs. Whitaker and her committee who have worked so generously for the school during the year despite the fact that there are many other calls on their kindness and charity. The work of the C.W.O. is proving harder than it should be and we would be glad if more mothers of the present boys would come forward and volunteer to assist at the Burke Hall Day at the Hut which occurs once in six weeks thus lightening the burden all round.

The boys have been very faithful to their C.W.O. Day once a month, and a collection of sixpence per month per boy has enabled us to give the President £40 to help them to carry on the great work.
**Cricket**

**Under 13. Captain: Ian Brennon.**

**v. Kostka Hall at Kostka, March 6th.**—
Kostka opened on their own excellent oval and we dismissed them for 55, with Brennan taking 5 wickets for 9. Our opening batsmen went rather suddenly to McNamara and Hassett, until Cameron and Slatterie ceased their destruction and put up a partnership of 38 only to retire for lack of time at 5 for 46.

**v. Wesley College, at Scotch, March 10th.**—
Wesley's opening batsmen proved too skilful and determined for our bowlers. Brennan, our best bowler, was handicapped by a bad ankle and our fielding was poor. Wesley retired after making 93 for eight wickets. From the start we were baffled by their bowling. We lacked pep and alertness in making singles. With only 7 for 3 wickets, Marching and Lyons made a stand for us and enabled us to somewhat redeem ourselves at 40.

**v. Scotch College, at Scotch, March 20th.**—
Scotch opened on a good wicket. Rush and Crow were set from the first ball and were responsible for 31 of their score of 65. John Callander's break balls were quite effective with the wind. We went in hopefully, expecting to make a stand, but Sullivan went first ball and Morris, who looked like improving our position was run out. A glance at the board showed us all out for 20—so destructive were the bowlers.

**Under 13. v. Xavier Under 13, at Xavier.**—
Despite our poor record we challenged Xavier's Under 13. With Brennan still batting a determined 38, we retired at 6 for 67. Xavier's bigger men were able to put on 97 for 7—only a slightly better average than our Junior team.

**v. St. Patrick's College.—**
Our last match was the first to be played on the home oval. We struck our best form with Sullivan making 31 (six fours) and Cameron 25 (six fours, n.o.). We declared at 6 for 83 and dismissed the visitors for 59 runs, 22 of which were scored by Purie. Our most consistent player and captain was Brennan. We regretted the loss of this keen sport in football and cricket for the rest of the year.

**Under 11. Captain: Foster Heatley.—**
Under Fr. Conlon's wise and experienced coaching, the Under 11's had a successful season. They virtually doubled St. Patrick's score: Burke Hall, 84 for 8 wickets; St. Patrick's, 47, 30 of which O'Donohue scored. Against Kostka Hall they made 100 for 7 wickets—G. Troup taking eight wickets.

In the next match against Scotch College, McCarthy made 18 of their total of 61 against 72 of Scotch. Heatley must have established a record by bowling every member of the Scotch team out.

Against Wesley College, Under 11, we declared 6 for 92; McCarthy 21, while Heatley took five of their wickets. Their total was 68.

In the last match of the season against St. Patrick's College, we were dismissed cheaply for 33, which was wholly scored by McCarthy, Dibbin and Curtis. St. Patrick's followed suit with only 29 runs.

**Football**

**Under 13. Captain: Peter Morris.**

The season this year held mainly disappointments for the Under 13's. While the team lacked the dash and systematic play of some of its opponents, notably Wesley, its main weakness was that on an average it was too small for its opponents. All but three of the team were under 12 and would have had a more successful year had they played as under 12. However, the lessons and experience learnt in defeat were not without fruit towards the end of the season. Morris as ever was a player that had no equal as captain and rover. Kennedy, too, became known as an impeccable half-back.

**v. Wesley College:**
Burke Hall, 5.4; Wesley, 17.17.
Burke Hall, 9.20; Wesley, 17.19.

**v. Xavier Colts:**
Xavier, 10.12; Burke Hall, 5.8.
Xavier, 8.16; Burke Hall, 7.12.

**v. Kostka Hall:**
Burke Hall, 4.12; Kostka, 0.10.
Burke Hall, 9.20; Kostka, 7.10.

**v. Scotch College:**
Burke Hall, 3.2; Scotch College, 10.11.

**Under 11. Captain: John Mitchell.**

The Junior team upheld again this year its high tradition of successes, with only one defeat. Much praise and thanks is to be given to Mr. Lalor, S.J., who during his short stay with us, put his whole heart and talent into the training of the team. McDonald, Healthy and Graham, with the Captain (John Mitchell) were outstanding in every match.

**v. Wesley College:**
Burke Hall, 3.5; Wesley College, 1.1.
Burke Hall, 10.5; Wesley College, 3.4.

**v. Scotch College:**
Burke Hall, 3.2; Scotch College, 10.11.

**v. Kostka Hall:**
Burke Hall, 5.10; Kostka Hall, 2.0.
Burke Hall, 3.11; Kostka Hall, 2.3.
THE UNDER 11's.
Front Row (L-R) — P. Clarebrough, B. Graham, F. Heatley (captain), G. Gaynor, B. Curtis.

THE UNDER 13's.
Back Row (L-R) — P. Lyons, F. Murphy, P. Slatterie, J. Sullivan, P. Morris.
UNDER 11's.
Front Row (L-R).—G. Troup, P. Clarebrough, Bernard Curtis, J. Mitchell (captain), F. Heatley, R. Colvin, P. Pearce.

UNDER 13's.
Front Row (L-R).—P. Mardling, J. Picone, P. Atchison, G. Kennedy (captain), F. Murphy, M. Cumming, J. Cameron.
Burke Hall Sports

Despite the fact that no records were broken or equalled, the Annual Sports Day of 1943 was one of the most successful in the history of Burke Hall. This important event in the annual life of the school took place on the 8th October.

The large number of spectators, the beautiful sunshine, the lovely grounds and the enthusiasm that was manifest everywhere, tended to make the day a truly gala one.

One could not help noticing the great keenness and friendly rivalry that prevailed among the boys. All the events were very keenly contested, and the finishes were so close that the judges had no easy task in picking the winners.

The novelty events, as usual, provided much amusement and excitement. The most amusing incident in the obstacle race was that of getting a bite out of a hanging bun. Most of the most had great difficulty in securing one.

In the open events the outstanding performer was Peter Morris. He won the 100 Yards Championship, the Broad Jump, the 100 Yards Handicap under 12, and got second place in the Senior Hurdles. Another good performer was Brian Graham, who won the 75 Yards under 11 and the Junior Hurdles and got third place in the 100 Yards Handicap under 11.

A very successful sports day was brought to a close by the most exciting event on the programme—the flag relay race. Four teams, each of sixteen boys, competed. After a very keenly contested race the blue team secured the victory.

Our sincere thanks are due to Dr. S. Marron, Mr. J. P. Slattery, Mr. J. O’Brien, and Mrs. Curtain for sending us prizes for Our Sports Day.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS.

100 Yards Open:
- P. Morris, 1
- Peter Mardling, 2
- A. Burke, 3

75 Yards, Under 11:
- B. Graham, 1
- Bernard Curtis, 2
- J. Mitchell, 3

Senior Hurdles:
- Barry Curtis, 1
- P. Morris, 2
- J. Cameron, 3

Hurdles, Under 11:
- B. Graham, 1
- F. Heatley, 2
- J. Mitchell, 3

High Jump, Open:
- G. Slattery (3ft. 11in.), 1
- J. Callanar, 2
- J. Cameron, 3

High Jump, Under 11:
- F. Heatley (3ft. 9in.), 1
- J. Mitchell, 2
- G. Gaynor, 3

Broad Jump, Open:
- P. Morris (13ft. 3½ in.), 1
- A. Burke, 2
- G. Slattery, 3

HANDICAP EVENTS.

100 Yards, Open:
- P. Morris, 1
- M. Murphy, 2
- M. Van Assche, 3

100 Yards, Under 12:
- P. Morris, 1
- A. Burke, 2
- J. Sullivan, 3

100 Yards, Under 11:
- J. Fleming, 1
- Bernard Curtis, 2
- G. Johnson and B. Graham, equal 3

75 Yards, Under 10:
- R. Rush, 1
- F. Curtain, 2
- M. Walters, 3

75 Yards, Under 9:
- J. Healy, 1
- M. Harper, 2
- S. Schwarz, 3

75 Yards, Under 8:
- S. Schofield, 1
- J. Slattery, 2
- A. Capes, 3

50 Yards, Under 7:
- B. Larkin, 1
- A. Masseur, 2
- Jim Slattery, 3

50 Yards, Under 6:
- R. Keogh, 1
- Osborne, 2
- P. Sierak, 3

NOVELTY EVENTS.

Siamese Race, Open:
- F. Murphy—A. Hickey, 1
- M. Cumming—A. Burke, 2
- D. McCarthy—D. Murray, 3

Siamese Race, Under 8:
- A. Papp—M. McDermott, 1
- A. Capes—J. Slattery, 2
- T. Keogh—A. Lambert, 3

Wheelbarrow Race, Under 11:
- G. Schwarz—D. Rawson, 1
- J. Mitchell—F. Heatley, 2
- W. Dixon—F. Horan, 3
Egg and Spoon, Under 10:
  P. Pagliaro, .......................... 1
  A. Ceen .............................. 2

Egg and Spoon, Under 8:
  A. Capes, ............................ 1
  T. Keogh ............................. 2
  W. Galbraith .......................... 3

Potato Race, Under 10:
  J. Monahan ........................... 1
  F. Curtain ........................... 2
  W. Dixon ............................. 3

Potato Race, under 8:
  P. Pearce ............................ 1
  M. Lester ............................ 2
  B. Rush .............................. 3

Consolation Sack Race:
  J. Picone ............................ 1
  G. Horan ............................. 2
  D. Whitehead ......................... 3

Junior Sack Race:
  G. Johnson ........................... 1
  B. McEwan ........................... 2
  G. Troup ............................. 3

Leap Frog, Under 11:
  J. Mitchell—F. Heatley  ............... 1
  P. Clarebrough—B. Curtis  ............ 2
  P. Couch—J. Anderson .................. 3

Obstacle Race, Senior:
  J. Sullivan ........................... 1
  F. Murphy ............................ 2
  P. Mardling ........................... 3

Obstacle Race, Junior:
  F. Heatley ............................ 1
  P. Morris ............................. 2
  G. Troup ............................. 3

Little Brothers:
  B. Monahan ........................... 1

Colour Flag Race:
  Blue, ................................ 1
  Red, .................................. 2
  Green, ................................ 3
Xavier Preparatory School, Burke Hall, Kew

Prize List, Christmas, 1943

GRAMMAR II. (B).

Dux of the Class: GORDON TROUP.

Aggregate.—GORDON TROUP, David McCarthy, Colin Thornton-Smith, Andrew Prendergast, John Picone, Lawrence Drake.

Religious Knowledge.—GORDON TROUP, David McCarthy, Andrew Prendergast and Thomas King (eq.), Anthony McGowan, Geoffrey Brennan.

English.—GORDON TROUP, Colin Thornton-Smith, David McCarthy, John Callander, John Picone, Thomas King.

Essay.—GORDON TROUP, David McCarthy, Thomas King, Geoffrey Brennan, John Picone, Peter Lyons.

History.—COLIN THORNTON-SMITH, David Falkland, Gordon Troup, Thomas King, Lawrence Drake, Peter Banfield.

Geography.—GORDON TROUP, Colin Thornton-Smith, David McCarthy, Thomas King, Andrew Prendergast, David Falkland.

French.—DAVID McCARTHY, Gordon Troup, Colin Thornton-Smith, Geoffrey Brennan, John Picone, John Callander.

Latin.—GORDON TROUP, David McCarthy, Colin Thornton-Smith, John Picone, Thomas King, Anthony McGowan.

Arithmetic—DAVID McCARTHY, John Picone, John Callander, Gordon Troup, Peter Lyons, Andrew Prendergast.

Algebra.—GORDON TROUP, David McCarthy, Anthony McGowan, John Callander, Andrew Prendergast, John Picone.


Elocution.—GORDON TROUP, David Falkland, John Callander, Colin Thornton-Smith, Andrew Prendergast, James Cooke.

Spelling.—COLIN THORNTON-SMITH, Gordon Troup, Peter Morris, Gerard Santospirito, Andrew Prendergast, David Falkland.

Writing.—ANDREW PRENDERGAST, Geoffrey Brennan, Kenneth Harrison, Peter Morris, Gordon Troup, Colin Thornton-Smith.

Drawing.—GEOFFREY BRENNAN, Gordon Troup, David McCarthy, Thomas King, John Picone, Peter Banfield.

Ob insigne meritum.—JOHN PICONE, LAWRENCE DRAKE.

GRAMMAR III (A).

Dux of the Class: FRANCIS CURTAIN.

Aggregate.—FRANCIS CURTAIN, Geoffrey Kennedy, Roderick Moore, Edward Brennan, Geoffrey McCarthy, Alan Hickey.

Religious Knowledge.—GEOFFREY KENNEDY, Francis Curtain, Roderick Moore, Edward Brennan, Julian Keogh, Brian Curtain.

English.—FRANCIS CURTAIN, Geoffrey Kennedy, Geoffrey McCarthy, Alan Hickey, Gerald Coleman, Edward Brennan.


History.—GEOFFREY KENNEDY, Edward Brennan, Francis Curtain, Roderick Moore, Alan Hickey, Francis Murphy.

Geography.—GEOFFREY KENNEDY, Edward Brennan, Francis Curtain, Anthony Burke, Roderick Moore, Brian Curtain.

French.—EDWARD BRENAN, Francis Curtain, John Fleming, Geoffrey McCarthy, Roderick Moore, Gerald Coleman.

Latin.—FRANCIS CURTAIN, Alan Hickey, Geoffrey McCarthy, Edward Brennan, James McNamara, Geoffrey Kennedy.

Arithmetic—EDWARD BRENAN, Geoffrey Kennedy, Michael Hickey, Francis Curtain, James McNamara, Christopher Bissho
Algebra.—JAMES McNAMARA, Edward Brennan, Francis Curtain, Geoffrey Kennedy, Alan Hickey, Geoffrey McCarthy.

Elocution.—JAMES McNAMARA and DAVID BURNE (eq.), Anthony Burke and Francis Curtain (eq.), James Cameron and Michael Hickey (eq.).

Spelling.—BRIAN CURTAIN, Geoffrey Kennedy, Michael Hickey, Foster Heatley, Roderick Moore, Geoffrey McCarthy.

Writing.—JAMES CAMERON, Roderick Moore, David Grant, Francis Murphy, Anthony Burke, Geoffrey McCarthy.

Drawing.—DEREK MURRAY, Roderick Moore, James McNamara, Francis Murphy, Foster Heatley, Francis Curtain.

Ob insigne mieritum.—RODERICK MOORE, GEOFFREY McCARTHY, ALAN HICKEY.

GRAMMAR III. (B).

Dux of the Class: HENRY BURGER.

Aggregate.—HENRY BURGER, Michael Cumming, Bernard Curtis, Brian Graham, Theo Sweet, Godfrey Gaynor.


English.—HENRY BURGER, Peter Couch, Brian Graham, Kevin King, Geoffrey Webb, Michael Cumming.

Essay.—MICHAEL CUMMING, Henry Burger, George Schwarz, Brian Dibbin, Brian Graham, Peter Couch.

History.—HENRY BURGER, Kevin King, Michael Cumming, Theo Sweet, Peter Couch, Godfrey Gaynor.

Geography.—BERNARD CURTIS, Henry Burger, Peter Couch, Peter Clarebrough, Kevin King, Gregory Anderson.


Arithmetic,—HENRY BURGER, Bernard Curtis, Brian Graham; Brian Dibbin, Geoffrey Horan, and George Schwarz (eq.).

Reading,—MICHAEL CUMMING, Henry Burger, Bernard Curtis, Kevin King, Brian Dibbin, Derek Ashworth.

Elocution.—JOHN MONAHAN, Roger Rush, Robert Monahan, Peter Clarebrough, Godfrey Gaynor, Brian Dibbin and John Savage.

Spelling.—HENRY BURGER, Theo Sweet, Bernard Curtis, Kevin King, Michael Cumming, Brian Graham.

Writing.—BERNARD CURTIS, Brian Graham, Alister McLean, Gerald Kelly, Geoffrey Horan, Henry Burger.

Dr. John Clarebrough's Prize for Australian History: HENRY BURGER.

RUDIMENTS.

Dux of the Class: JOHN LYONS.

Aggregate.—JOHN LYONS, Allan McDonald, Allan Ceen, Graham McDermott; Ian Williams, Max Walters, and Piero Pagliaro (eq.).

Religious Knowledge.—ALLAN CEEK, John Lyons, Ian Williams, Allan McDonald, Piero Pagliaro, Graham McDermott.

English.—ALLAN McDONALD, Allan Ceen, Graham McDermott, Bernard Sweet, John Lyons, Piero Pagliaro.

Essay.—ALLAN McDONALD, Piero Pagliaro, Bernard Sweet, Allan Ceen, Graham McDermott, John Lyons.

History.—WILLIAM LARKIN, Allan Ceen, John Lyons, Ian Williams, Graham McDermott, Fergus Shannon.

Geography.—JOHN LYONS, Allan McDonald, Ian Williams, Piero Pagliaro, Allan Ceen, William Larkin.

Arithmetic.—WILLIAM LARKIN, Allan McDonald, Bernard Sweet, Piero Pagliaro, Graham McDermott, Max Walters.
Mental Arithmetic.—ALLAN MCDONALD, Allan Ceen, John Lyons, Bernard Sweet, Ronald Colvin, Ian Williams.
Reading.—GRAHAM MCDERMOTT, Allan McDonald, Max Walters, John Lyons, William Larkin, Donard Niall and Allan Ceen (eq.).
Spelling.—PIERO PAGLIARO, John Lyons, Graham McDermott, Allan Ceen, Max Walters, Allan McDonald.
Elocution.—IAN WILLIAMS, Allan McDonald and Bernard Sweet (eq.), Graham McDermott, Alexander Murray and Donard Niall (eq.).
Writing.—JOHN LYONS, John O'Callaghan, Francis Virgona, Allan McDonald, Donard Niall, Allan Ceen.
Ob insigne meritum.—MAX WALTERS.

ELEMENTS (A).

Dux of the Class: MICHAEL OSBORNE.

Aggregate.—MICHAEL OSBORNE, Anthony Capes, Paul Grundy, Philip Pearce, Mark Lester, Andrew Papp.
Religious Knowledge.—ANTHONY CAPES, Philip Pearce, Michael Osborne, John Sheppard, Andrew Papp, Michael Harper.
English.—ANTHONY CAPES, Philip Pearce, Stanley Schofield, Julian Slatterie, Michael Osborne, John Wort.
Essay.—MICHAEL OSBORNE, Walter Broderick, Anthony Capes, Paul Grundy, Mark Lester, Terence Horgan.
History.—MICHAEL OSBORNE, Peter Callil, Paul Grundy, Paul Birch, Richard Galbraith, Bryan O'Brien.
Geography.—MICHAEL OSBORNE, Michael Kelly and Mark Lester (eq.), Peter Callil, Paul Grundy, John Healy.
Arithmetic—PAUL GRUNDY, Anthony Capes, Julian Slatterie, Stanley Schofield, Michael Osborne, Barry Larkin.
Mental Arithmetic.—JOHN DWYER, Michael Osborne, Barry Larkin, Anthony Capes, Philip Pearce, Michael Harper.
Reading.—MICHAEL KELLY, Michael Osborne, Anthony Capes, Andrew Papp, Paul Birch, Stanley Schofield.
Elocution.—LEONARD SHEPPARD, John Sheppard, John Healy, Andrew Papp, Julian Slatterie, Michael Harper.
Spelling.—PAUL GRUNDY, Michael Osborne, Paul Birch and Peter Callil (eq.), Stanley Schofield, Anthony Capes.
Writing.—JULIAN SLATTERIE, Paul Grundy, Mark Lester, Andrew Papp, Michael Harper, Michael Kelly.
Ob insigne meritum.—PHILIP PEARCE, MARK LESTER, ANDREW PAPP.
Good Progress.—STANLEY SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL HARPER, TERENCE HORGAN, WALTER BRODERICK.

ELEMENTS (B).

Dux of the Class: GAVAN JONES.

Aggregate.—GAVAN JONES, Terence Bainbridge, Thomas Keogh, John Colvin, Brian Condon, John Lambert.
English.—TERENCE BAINBRIDGE, John Colvin, Gavan Jones, Gary Wort, Robin Brady, Thomas Keogh.
History.—GAVAN JONES, Terence Bainbridge, John McCormack, Thomas Keogh, William Byrne, Brian Condon.
Geography.—THOMAS KEOGH, Gavan Jones, Terence Bainbridge, John McCormack, Brian Condon, John Lambert.
Arithmetic—JOHN COLVIN, Gavan Jones, Terence Bainbridge, Brian Condon, Robin Brady, John Lambert.
Reading.—TERENCE BAINBRIDGE, Gavan Jones, John Lambert, Denis O'Day, Brian Condon, Robin Brady.
Elocution.—GAVAN JONES, Robin Brady and Brian Condon (eq.), Terence Bainbridge, William Byrne, Ewan McLean.
Spelling.—GAVAN JONES, Gary Wort, John Colvin, Brian Condon, Terence Bainbridge, John Lambert.
Writing.—JOHN COLVIN, Thomas Keogh, Desmond O'Brien, Ewan McLean, Denis O'Day, John Lambert.
Ob insigne meritum.—BRIAN CONDON, JOHN LAMBERT.
Good Progress.—JOHN McCORMACK, ROBIN BRADY.

ELEMENTS (C).

Dux of the Class: BRIAN COPPIN.

Aggregate.—BRIAN COPPIN, Paul Sierak, James Slattery, Antony Osborne, Graham Fayle, John McIntosh.
Religious Knowledge.—BRIAN COPPIN, James Slattery, Antony Osborne, David Murphy, John McIntosh, Roger Keogh.
English.—ANTONY OSBORNE, Brian Coppin, Paul Sierak, Graham Fayle, Roger Keogh, James Slattery.
History.—PAUL SIERAK, Antony Osborne and Brian Coppin (eq.), James Slattery, John McIntosh, Robin Whitehead.
Geography.—JAMES SLATTERY, Brian Coppin, Robin Whitehead, Paul Sierak, Antony Osborne, Roger Keogh.
Arithmetic.—BRIAN COPPIN, James Slattery, Robin Whitehead, John McIntosh, Graham Fayle, Paul Sierak.
Reading.—GRAHAM FAYLE, Brian Coppin, James Slattery, Antony Osborne, Paul Sierak, John McIntosh.
Elocution.—GRAHAM FAYLE, Brian Coppin, Antony Osborne, Paul Sierak, Roger Keogh, David Murphy.
Spelling.—BRIAN COPPIN, Antony Osborne, James Slattery, Graham Fayle, Roger Keogh, John McIntosh.
Writing.—JOHN McINTOSH, Brian Coppin, Paul Sierak, Antony Osborne, Graham Fayle, James Slattery.
Good Progress.—ROGER KEOGH, ROBIN WHITEHEAD, DAVID MURPHY.
Improvement.—JOHN WHITEHOUSE.
Miss Aughtie's Prizes for Music—Senior: DAVID McCARthy, JAMES McnAMARA; Junior: ALLAN McDoNALD.
THE XAVERIAN.

The Roll, 1943

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Cross, Leaver.
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Elliott, Gavin.

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Gaynor, Godfrey.
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Grundy, Martin.
Grundy, Paul.

Harper, Michael.
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Heatley, Foster.
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Keogh, Roger.
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King, Kevin.
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Lyons, Peter.
Malouf, Kevin.
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Masseur, Andre.
Mitchell, John.
Millen, Edward.
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Murray, Derek.

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Mclntosh, John.
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McLean, Alister.
McLean, Ewan.
McLean, William.
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Niall, Doraid.
Niall, Michael.

Osborne, Anthony.
Osborne, Michael.
O'Day, Denis.
O'Callaghan, John.
Pagliaro, Piero.
Papp, Andrew.
Pearce, Phillip.
Picone, John.
Power, John.
Prendergast, Andrew.
Rawson, Hugh.
Rush, Brian.

Santoro, Giorgio.
Santosspiritio, Anthony.
Santosspiritio, Gerard.
Savage, John.
Schofield, Stanley.
Schwarz, George.
Schwarz, Stephen.
Shannon, Fergus.
Sheppard, John.
Sheppard, Leonard.
Sierak, Paul.
Slatterie, Julian.
Slatterie, Paul.
Slatterie, James.
Slattery, Gerard.
Stickley, Noel.
Sullivan, John.
Swaby, Francis.
Sweet, Bernard.
Sweet, Theo.

Temple, Kenneth.
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Tilley, Eris.
Trainor, Eris.
Trainor, Barry.
Trotter, Maxwell.
Troup, Gordon.

Van Assche, Michael.
Virgona, Francis.

Walters, Max.
Webb, Geoffrey.
Whitaker, Lionel.
Whitehead, David.
Whitehead, Robin.
Whitehead, John.
Whiting, Harry.
Williams, Ian.
Williams, Roger.
Wort, Gary.
Wort, John.
Ziegler, Peter.
Since its inception in 1940, the Mission Society has each year subscribed an amount in excess of £10 for the Holy Childhood and missions in various countries. This year once more we shall be able to invest more than that sum to help the missionaries in their work, difficult at all times, but doubly and trebly difficult in these times of war.

At the beginning of the year, we reviewed the hardships under which the missionary priests, nuns, and brothers were labouring; we saw the necessity for a "total effort" of prayer and self-sacrifice if Our Lord's Kingdom was to be extended to every person, and we resolved to do our share towards gaining souls for Him. Particular emphasis was laid on the power of prayer in this work of winning souls, but we resolved to make a small weekly contribution towards the material support of the missions. Each month, a meeting was held when the Director read to us items of interest from the mission fields, and the life story and work of some outstanding missionary. Towards the end of the year, an experiment, which proved very successful, was tried. The boys in the two upper classes prepared short talks on aspects of life on different missions, and we had a meeting that contained plenty of variety and discovered many eloquent tongues.

During the first term, Fr. Whitely made time to come down and give us an illustrated talk on the Ahmedabad Mission in India, where he had laboured for more than twelve months. We laughed at the many strange habits and customs of the Indians, but Father touched our hearts when he spoke of the poverty and paganism that is rampant in that country. At the end of the talk we gave Father £3/3/- for the Ahmedabad Mission. Proof that we enjoyed Father's talk and were anxious to learn more about his missionary experiences and the people among whom he had worked was given a few months later when there was a rush of applications for a pamphlet Fr. Whitely wrote dealing with these subjects.

We wish to thank all those who co-operated so wholeheartedly in this zealous work throughout the year.

Members of the Ladies' Committee have every reason to look back with considerable satisfaction on the results of their activities for the year 1943. Officials elected in the beginning of the year were: President, Mrs. Need; Treasurer, Mrs. Lefebvre; Secretary, Mrs. Sutton.

During the second half of the year, Mrs. Noon, in the absence of Mrs. Need, assumed the responsibilities of President. This capable and devoted group of officials was ably and staunchly supported by keen and willing workers, on whose assistance, gladly given, the officials could always rely. Kostka Hall is happy to acknowledge its indebtedness to their loyal co-operation.

In a series of Card Parties held at the School, over £120 was raised for School and Patriotic Funds. With the proceeds of one Party, hampers were sent to members of the various fighting forces. In each hamper was enclosed a card giving the name and age of a Kostka Hall boy. Many replies, in grateful acknowledgment, were received from our men on active service.

Early in the year, Mrs. Noon held a Party at her home to raise funds for the Kostka Hall share of the Xavier College quota for the Catholic Welfare Organisation.

There was a pleasing function at one of the meetings during the year when the ladies made a presentation to Mrs. Noon in recognition of her courteous efficiency as President for the year 1942.

To supply funds for the use of the Kostka Hall ladies on the days on which they have charge of the C.W.O. Hunt, the boys contribute a "Family Shilling" Fund. In this way, they have subscribed over £40 for the year.

DONORS.

We take particular pleasure in chronicling our gratitude to the parents who have sent us donations for our Sports and Prize Funds: Mrs. Noon, Mrs. Lefebvre, Mrs. Maguire, Mrs. Poynton, Mr. Kane, Mr. Giese, Mr. Rush. We appreciate their generosity and especially the kindly thought that suggested it.
Apostleship of Prayer

**Director:** Fr. J. Craig, S.J.
Interest in the Apostleship continues, and a great increase in devotion to the Sacred Heart was noticed. The number who received Holy Communion on each First Friday was particularly gratifying. Before distributing the monthly leaflets, a brief explanation on the "monthly intention" was given in the Chapel.

Copies of the "Messenger" placed in the library were appreciated.


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Sodality of the Holy Angels

**Director:** Fr. M. O’Brien, S.J.
**Prefect:** T. Poynton.
**Assistant:** M. Cosgriff.

**Members:**

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**THE SODALITY.**

(Photograph by Sears)


**Front Row:** — E. Naughton, P. Mullins, F. Straford, P. Gleeson, M. Cosgriff, T. Poynton, F. Dooley, J. Plunkett, M. Lefebvre, A. Wilson, M. Doyle.
Cricket

Though we were without any outstanding player our successes were greater than for some years past. Of ten matches played with outside schools we won eight and lost only two. Highest honour went to the Under 13’s who finished the season without the loss of a match. The best players in this team included Dick McNamara, Kevin Hassett, Michael Cosgriff, Tom Poynton, Garry Rush, and Peter Fawcett, though others on occasion were responsible for winning a match. For the Under 11’s Tom McClelland was the most consistent player both at batting and bowling. John Fleming was the only other good bat, while Tony McNamara ably supported with his bowling.

Under 13’s—

Captain: Tom Poynton.

Best at Batting: R. McNamara (average 21.3), K. Hassett (19.1), M. Cosgriff (11.5).

Best at Bowling: R. McNamara (average 3.9), K. Hassett (4.2), M. Cosgriff (4.8).

Trophy (awarded to the boy who received highest points for batting and bowling and for a series of competitions held during the season): M. Cosgriff.

20th February — v. Haileybury.
Kostka Hall 116 (T. Poynton 37, J. Fergus 31, M. Cosgriff 19); Haileybury 16 (Cosgriff 5 for 1, Fawcett 3 for 6, Poynton 2 for 4). Kostka won by 100 runs.

Kostka Hall 55 (Hassett 19); Burke Hall 5 for 46 (R. McNamara 3 for 10, Hassett 2 for 1). Kostka won by 9 runs.

20th March — v. St. Patrick’s.
Kostka Hall 122 (Hassett 37, McNamara 33).
St. Patrick’s 88 (Cosgriff 5 for 12, Hassett 2 for 10). Kostka won by 34 runs.

Kostka Hall 69 (Will 16, Cosgriff 14). Brighton Grammar 64 (Cosgriff 5 for 27, Poynton 5 for 20). Kostka won by 5 runs.

10th April — v. Xavier Colts.
Kostka Hall 40 and 4 for 44 (Hassett 21, McNamara 23 and 13). Xavier Colts 46 and 4 for 35 (Cosgriff 6 for 25, McNamara 5 for 33). Kostka won by 3 runs.

Under 11’s—

Captain: Peter Poynton.

Batting Averages: P. Poynton (13.6), J. Fleming (9.5), A. McNamara (9.1).

Bowling Averages: A. McNamara (4), P. Holland (4.2), McClelland (4.3).

14th November — v. Haileybury.
Kostka Hall 9 for 131 (dec.) (Poynton 38, Fawcett 35, McClelland 19). Haileybury, 1st Innings, 48 (Fergus 5 for 11); 2nd innings 8 for 14 (Fergus 5 for 9). Kostka won by 83 runs on 1st innings.

13th March — v. Burke Hall.
Burke Hall 7 for 100 (McClelland 5 for 17). Kostka Hall 90 (Poynton 34, McClelland 20). Burke Hall won by 10 runs and 3 wickets.

20th March — v. St. Patrick’s.
Kostka Hall 90 (J. Fleming 22, Poynton 18, McClelland 16). St. Patrick’s 10 (McClelland 5 for 4, McNamara 5 for 1). Kostka won by 80 runs.


10th April — v. St. Patrick’s.
Kostka Hall 78 (Poynton 19, Holland 17). St. Patrick’s 28 (McNamara 5 for 4, McClelland 4 for 3).

COLOUR COMPETITIONS.
The usual series of six matches were played between the three Clubs—Reds (R. McNamara, captain), Blacks (M. Cosgriff, captain), and Blues (T. Poynton, captain)—and proved the most interesting we have yet had. The teams were even, and no players being outstanding, everyone had a fair opportunity both at batting and bowling. As a result the interest of all was aroused and there were few who did not make a score for their side at some time or other. The matches were played after school on Wednesday evenings, and though timed, every player had a hand in every match. Reds won three of their four matches and were leaders with 15 points. Blacks were second with 10 points for two wins, and Blues third with 5 points for one win. Some individual performances are given below:—

R. McNamara: 50 n.o. and 5 for 14, 23 n.o. and 6 for 2.
K. Hassett: 30 n.o. and 3 for 7.
G. Rush: 22 and 7 for 14.
P. Fawcett: 11 and 4 for 18, 4 for 10.
M. Cosgriff: 34 n.o. and 5 for 7, 6 for 16.
T. Poynton: 4 for 15.
UNDER 13's.
Seated.—P. Fawcett, M. Cosgriff, T. Poynton (captain), L. Will, F. Dooley.

UNDER 11's.
Standing.—J. Fleming, A. Quinn, T. McClelland, J. McCall, P. Holland, B. Lefebvre.
Seated.—J. Chapman, A. McNamara, P. Poynton (captain), J. Harney, A. Morrison.
Football

Football began soon after the Easter holidays. A glance at the material in hand was not encouraging and did not forebode a season of success such as we enjoyed at cricket. However, a win in our first match against a much bigger team at Caulfield Grammar raised high our hopes of making a not unreasonable showing. But the year brought few victories, and we won only four of our fourteen matches.

UNDER 13's.

Captain: Tom Poynton.
Trophy for Best and Fairest: Tom Poynton.
Leading goalkicker: Tom Poynton, 19 goals.

There were few good players. Tom Poynton was the only one to show any football sense in picking out a man or in moving into position. Dick McNamara always played a valuable game, but has still to learn how to create opportunities for himself. Greatest improvement was shown by Leo Will, who was responsible for many saves on the back line. Bob Fleming frequently left opponents standing with his quick turns to left or right.

Match Results:
- 21st August v. Burke Hall. Lost, 9.20—7.10.

UNDER 11's.

Captain: A. McNamara.
Trophy for Best and Fairest: A. McNamara.

Match Results:
- 26th June v. C.B.C., St. Kilda. Won, 2.6—2.5.
- 10th July v. Haileybury. Lost, 5.7—0.1.
- 17th July v. Burke Hall. Lost, 5.10—2.6.
- 13th August v. Haileybury. Won, 2.22—1.0.
- 21st August v. Burke Hall. Lost, 3.11—2.3.

UNDER 10's.

Captain: B. Lefebvre.

Match Results:

COLOUR COMPETITION.

Since numbers were not sufficient to field three teams, as in the past, a new system was tried and worked with greater success. The boys were divided into two grades, A and B. Two teams, Reds and Blues, were chosen in each Grade. Boys of middle age groups played in both Grades, and so all were able to enjoy the matches without the necessity of the smaller boys competing in teams against the biggest in the school.

Three matches were played in each Grade. In A Grade Reds, captained by R. McNamara, won two of their three matches against one victory of the Blues (T. Poynton, captain).

In B Grade, the Reds with T. McClelland captain were also victorious in two matches and finished the season four points ahead of Blues (P. Poynton, captain).
UNDER 13's.

THE UNDER 11's.
Back Row (L-R).—B. Lefebvre, B. Need, M. Plunkett, P. Poynton, C. Poulain, A. Quinn, J. Forster, P. Holland.
Front Row (L-R).—L. Davidson, J. Chapman, T. McClelland, A. McNamara (captain), J. Harney, J. Fleming, K. Kost.
The annual sports meeting held on Friday afternoon, October 22, at Kostka Hall, Xavier Preparatory School at Brighton Beach, attracted a large attendance of parents and friends and of recent old boys of the School. The weather was inclined to be dull, but was fine throughout, and a pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all. In the championship competition for the senior cup (under 13) Peter Fawcett was the winner, as although he won only one event, the long jump, he was second in the 100 yards and the hurdles, and equal third in the high jump. Garry Rush, who won the hurdles, and Tom Poynton, winner of the high jump, were equal second in the cup competition. The 100 yards was won by Leo Will.

In the junior cup (under 11) there was a close competition throughout the afternoon, which finally resulted in a tie for first place between Tony McNamara, who won the high jump and the hurdles and was second in the 100 yards and the long jump, and Jim Harney, second in the high jump and hurdles and winner of the 100 yards and long jump. The under 10 hurdles championship was won by Brian Lefebvre. Eighteen handicap and novelty events provided ample opportunity for all the boys in the school, and plenty of entertainment both for the visitors and the competitors, especially for the boys under 7 and under 6, who probably enjoyed the day most of all.

Senior Cup (Under 13) —

P. Fawcett (19½), T. Poynton (13), G. Rush (13), equal 2

Junior Cup (Under 11) —

A. McNamara (26), J. Fleming (6), equal 1

CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Under 13 —

L. Will, P. Fawcett, H. Frederico, equal 1

High Jump —

T. Poynton, G. Rush, P. Fawcett and P. Gerraty, equal 3

Height: 4ft. 2in.

Long Jump —

P. Fawcett, T. Poynton, L. Will, equal 3

Distance: 13ft. 7½in.

Hurdles —

G. Rush, P. Fawcett, P. Gleeson, equal 3

Handicaps.

100 Yards (Under 13) —

L. Will, T. Poynton, R. Fleming, equal 1

100 Yards (Under 12) —

P. Fawcett, M. Doyle, H. Frederico, equal 2

100 Yards (Under 11) —

S. Wong, A. Quinn, A. McNamara, equal 1

75 Yards (Under 10) —

B. Lefebvre, L. Davidson, J. Bailey, equal 2

75 Yards (Under 9) —

A. Mould, J. Suton, M. Noon, equal 1

75 Yards (Under 8) —

K. Giese, D. Lim, J. Horsfall, equal 2

60 Yards, (Under 7) —

J. Edelman, Peter Heeney, J. Stafford, equal 1

50 Yards (Under 6) —

P. Riordan, Peter Heeney, J. Boston, equal 1
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GRAMMAR II.
Dux of the Class: MICHAEL COSGRIFF.
Aggregate.—MICHAEL COSGRIFF, Thomas Poynton, Michael Doyle.
Religious Knowledge.—THOMAS POYNTON, Michael Doyle, Peter Gleeson.
English.—PETER LEONARD, Michael Lefebvre, Michael Doyle.
History and Geography.—MICHAEL DOYLE, Michael Cosgriff, Richard McNamara.
Essay.—RICHARD McNAMARA, Thomas Poynton, Michael Doyle.
Elocution.—KEVIN HASSETT, Francis Dooley; Peter Gleeson, Michael Lefebvre, and Richard McNamara (eq.).
Writing.—RICHARD McNAMARA, Thomas Poynton, Michael Cosgriff.
Latin and French.—MICHAEL COSGRIFF, Michael Doyle, Thomas Poynton.
Arithmetic.—MICHAEL COSGRIFF, Francis Dooley, Thomas Poynton.
Algebra and Geometry.—MICHAEL COSGRIFF, Michael Doyle, Thomas Poynton.

GRAMMAR III.
Dux of the Class: GEOFFREY CHAPMAN.
Aggregate.—GEOFFREY CHAPMAN, Patrick Mullins, Francis Straford.
Religious Knowledge.—GEOFFREY CHAPMAN, Robert Fleming, Patrick Mullins.
English.—FRANCIS STRAFORE, Patrick Mullins, Robert Fleming.
History and Geography.—GEOFFREY CHAPMAN, Brian Gerraty and Patrick Mullins (eq.).
Essay.—ROBERT FLEMING, Patrick Mullins, Geoffrey Chapman.
Elocution.—LEO WILL, Robert Fleming and Francis Straford (eq.).
Writing.—PATRICK MULLINS, Leo Will, Francis Straford.
Latin and French.—PATRICK MULLINS, Geoffrey Chapman, Francis Straford.
Arithmetic.—GEOFFREY CHAPMAN, Francis Straford, Brian Gerraty.
Algebra and Geometry.—FRANCIS STRAFORE, Geoffrey Chapman, Patrick Mullins.

UPPER GRAMMAR.
Dux of the Class: THOMAS McCLELLAND.
Aggregate.—THOMAS McCLELLAND, Bryan Lefebvre, John Fleming.
Religious Knowledge.—THOMAS McCLELLAND, Anthony Quinn, Bryan Lefebvre.
English Grammar.—PHILIP MARTIN, Thomas McClelland, Anthony McNamara.
History and Geography.—BRIAN NEED, Thomas McClelland, Bryan Lefebvre.
Essay.—PAUL HOLLAND, Philip Martin and Thomas McClelland (eq.).
Elocution.—PHILIP MARTIN, Bryan Lefebvre, Paul Holland.
Latin and French.—PHILIP MARTIN, Thomas McClelland, Bryan Lefebvre.
Arithmetic.—ANTHONY McNAMARA, Thomas Kane and Peter Phillips (eq.).
Comprehension.—BRYAN LEFEBVRE, Philip Martin, Peter Phillips.
Spelling.—BRYAN LEFEBVRE, Philip Martin, Thomas McClelland.
Writing.—PHILIP MARTIN, Thomas McClelland, Anthony Quinn.
Ob insigne meritum.—JOHN FLEMING.

LOWER GRAMMAR.
Dux of the Class: KARL ULMII.
Aggregate.—KARL ULMII, John Bailey, Allan Mould.
Religious Knowledge.—KEVIN HEENEY, Daryl Gagiero, Robin Allard and Allan Mould (eq.).
**RUDIMENTS.**

**Dux of the Class:** ALEX MORRISON.

**Aggregate.**—ALEX MORRISON, Leon Davidson, Hugh Corder.

**Religious Knowledge.**—HUGH CORDER, Alex Morrison, Joseph Mulcahy.

**English Grammar.**—ALEX MORRISON, Leon Davidson, Sherman Wong.

**History and Geography.**—LEON DAVIDSON, Alex Morrison Hugh Corder and Sherman Wong (eq.).

**Essay.**—FRANCIS DONOVAN, Leon Davidson, Joseph Mulcahy.

**Elocution.**—JOSEPH MULCAHY, Karl Giese and Alex Morrison (eq.).

**Arithmetic.**—SHERMAN WONG, Leon Davidson, Karl Kost.

**Comprehension.**—ALEX MORRISON, Hugh Corder, Sherman Wong.

**Spelling.**—ALEX MORRISON, Leon Davidson, Francis Donovan.

**Writing.**—LEON DAVIDSON, Karl Kost; Alex Morrison, Christopher Poulain, and Sherman Wong (eq.).

**ELEMENTS (A).**

**Dux of the Class:** JOHN HORSFALL.

**Aggregate.**—JOHN HORSFALL, Julian Doyle, Ian Wallace.

**Religious Knowledge.**—MICHAEL NOON, Julian Doyle, Ian Wallace.

**English.**—JOHN HORSFALL, Julian Doyle, Ian Wallace.

**History.**—JULIAN DOYLE, John Horsfall, Ian Wallace.

**Geography.**—JOHN HORSFALL, Julian Doyle, Ian Wallace.

**Essay.**—JOHN HORSFALL, Julian Doyle, John Dunlevie.

**Arithmetic.**—JOHN HORSFALL, Michael Noon, John Dunlevie.

**Reading.**—JULIAN DOYLE, John Horsfall, Ian Wallace.

**Elocution.**—JULIAN DOYLE, John Horsfall, Ian Wallace.

**Spelling.**—JULIAN DOYLE, John Horsfall, Ian Wallace.

**Writing.**—IAN WALLACE, John Horsfall, John Dunlevie.

**ELEMENTS B (1).**

**Dux of the Class:** JAMES PETTY.

**Aggregate.**—JAMES PETTY, John Lyons, Ramon Frederico.

**Religious Knowledge.**—JOHN LYONS, Ramon Frederico, Peter Lumsden.

**English.**—JAMES PETTY, John Lyons, John Edelman.

**History.**—PETE LUMSDEEN, John Edelman, James Petty.

**Essay.**—JOHN EDELMAN, John Lyons, Peter Lumsden.

**Arithmetic.**—RAMON FREDERICO and DAVID LIM (eq.), James Petty.

**Reading.**—JAMES PETTY, John Edelman, Peter Lumsden.

**Elocution.**—DAVID LIM, John Stafford, John Edelman.

**Spelling.**—JAMES PETTY, John Lyons, John Edelman.

**Writing.**—DAVID LIM, James Petty, Ramon Frederico.

**ELEMENTS B (2).**

**Dux of the Class:** JAMES BOSTON.

**Aggregate.**—JAMES BOSTON, Giuseppe Pagliaro, Brian Bailey.

**Religious Knowledge.**—JAMES BOSTON, Giuseppe Pagliaro, Michael Schumacher.

**History.**—JAMES BOSTON, Brian Bailey, Michael Schumacher.
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Essay.—MICHAEL SCHUMACHER, James Boston, Giuseppe Pagliaro.
Reading.—GIUSEPPE PAGLIARO, Michael Schumacher, Peter McKenna.
Arithmetic—BRIAN BAILEY, Michael Schumacher, James Boston.
Elocution.—BRIAN BAILEY, Giuseppe Pagliaro, Peter McKenna.
Spelling.—BRIAN BAILEY, Michael Schumacher, Giuseppe Pagliaro.
Writing.—BRIAN HART, James Boston, Giuseppe Pagliaro.

ELEMENTS C

Dux of the Class: HUGH LUMSDEN and PETER RIORDAN (eq.).
Aggregate.—HUGH LUMSDEN and PETER RIORDAN (eq.), Damien Burke.
Religious Instruction—PETER RIORDAN, Damien Burke, Gerald Devine.
Stories.—GERALD DEVINE, Paul Heeney, Hugh Lumsden.
Arithmetic—PAUL HEENEY, Hugh Lumsden, Peter Riordan.
Reading.—HUGH LUMSDEN, Peter Riordan, Gerald Devine.
Elocution—DAMIEN BURKE, Peter Riordan, Paul Heeney.
Spelling.—DAMIEN BURKE, Peter Riordan, Alan Plunkett.
Writing.—ALAN PLUNKETT and PETER RIORDAN (eq.), Graham McCall.

SPECIAL PRIZE.

Dr. Desmond Mali’s Prize for Proficiency in Studies and Sport.— (a) Senior Division: RICHARD McNAMARA; (b) Junior Division: BRYAN LEBEBVRE.

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