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# THE SWINBURNIAN

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## EDITORIAL.

Swinburne Technical College, Junior School, is now in its ninth yeaf, and during that time it has made great progress in all directions. In 1917 the art building was erected, and this gave us the present woodwork and sheet metal rooms, as well as the shelter shed. Gradually we have worked up the idea of our own School Magazine, and we are sure that it will be a success.

The object of this magazine is to bring the boys and masters closer together, and incidentally to promote a greater interest in the school, both in work and play. We boys will find out in later years that we owe a great amount to this school, more than we think at the present time. Our masters do their best to give us a helping hand, and it is up to us to make the most of it. Some look on Swinburne as a learning-shop only. So it is. But it is more than that. It is the doorstep of the future. When we leave the Junior School some will enter the Senior day classes, but the majority will seek our fortunes in the trade we have chosen. NO. I.

If, in the following pages, any wit of a slightly personal nature appears, we hope that the victim will take it in the kindly spirit in which it is meant.

The response to our call for articles has been better than we expected for a first issue. We hope, however, that it will even improve with experience, and we wish to thank those who have already contributed.

We also wish to thank the masters for their kindly interest in our magazine, and we feel sure the critics will not be too severe on this, our first journalistic effort, but that they will back us up in further issues.

## THE EDITOR.

( To the Editor of the "Swinburnian Junior.")

Dear Mr. Editor,-I am writing a few lines to express the hope that your efforts to establish a magazine worthy of our school will succeed beyond your most sanguine expectations. I am sure that you (and your helpers) are doing your best for this, as you have always done for our other school activities, and I am looking forward to your first number as eagerly as any of you. You will be sure to have a lot of adverse criticism; numbers of people-generally those who do nothing-will point out your mistakes. Of course you'll make mistakes-but don't let that discourage you. Every one who does anything makes mistakes. One of my teachers, a great artist, in London, once said: "If you counted the mistakes made by a wise man and a fool, at the end of their lives you would find they had each made about the same number, the difference between them being this: the wise man seldom makes the same one twice, but the fool goes on making the same mistake."

I want you to understand that until your magazine has been accepted and approved by the Council, I cannot write you officially, either as a member of the administrative or teaching staff; but I would be very sorry for your first number to be issued without my best wishes for its success. I recognise fully all the work

## Grade B3.

Boys of B3; B3 boys, Stamp your feet and make a noise. When exams. are over we are glad— B3 boys are never sad.

Dear brethren, . . . . this is the state of reform that we are in at present, owing to the fact that we have a "Bishop" amongst us. His shapely ankles lend a very real dignity to our grade. Other forms take notice.

Why are we always so well fed, I hear you ask. It is because we have "Tucker" every day, with a small "Gingernut" to finish off with.

We have not been successful in the interclass sports, but we hope to do better in the future.

I sit alone and wonder what fate caused me to become the form reporter, but I have come to a finish.

#### Grade B4.

We started off this year with 25 boys, but before a fortnight had passed 10 were transferred to B8, where they are now learning(?) to be plumbers. Later in the year two more boys came to us, but after the terminal examinations two more lost heart and faded away. These were made up in quality, if not quantity, by one of our number reaching the age of "manhood." As we were deprived of our means of defence, namely, water-pistols, we have to resort to more suitable methods to guard us from the furies of the masters.

In the sports we did very well, and we congratulate R. Tasker on winning the medals kindly donated by Mr. McKay and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, for the best player in the Senior football team, and the highest number of points gained in the sports. You ask why we did not win the relay race? Well, the reason is because we did not want to take all the degrees for our own thermometer, so we "ran stiff" to allow B3 to win. They were winning easily, but they stoped to have a game of "put-and-take" half way across the field, and so the mutts were beaten by a whisker.

Wishing the magazine every success, we move to "fresh fields and pastures new" for next year.

#### Grade B5.

"Once more 'unto the breach, dear friends, once more," for our gloomy progress exams. have safely passed, and now we are preparing for the dreadful final exams.

But we didn't do badly in the sports. We

didn't win the relay race, because our champion's wheel came off and his brake wouldn't act.

Our N——r has been very frisky lately, but was forced to subside after being dipped in the tan in public by —— Co. and cooled with  $H^2O$ by the heroic fifth, but K.J. is feeling thicklipped and artistic. B——n is terribly funny lately also, but his jokes are cheap. We all wish for another exhibition. In basket-ball we sparkled until we met C3; then it was a rather exciting match on either side, for

"Closed full fast on every side, No slackness there was found, And many a gallant gentleman Lay gasping on the ground."

### Grade B6.

Although our class numbers only 15, we can hold our own in the inter-class sports. We won our first match of dodge-ball against B5, but were put out of action in the final. In basketball we also won our match against C4, but B8 put us out of the finals after having drawn with us three times. In the annual sports we had six representatives, two winning their places in the inter-technical sports. Russel, one of the best athletes in the class, won the 220 yards under 14. Shepherd won the junior high jump. Some of our class went to cricket practice on Wednesday, 4th October, and some of them proved to be excellent cricketers. Hallowell, the demon bowler of the class, bowled such a fast ball that it took the batsman off his guard and broke the middle stump. Moore, the midget of the class, proved also to be a worthy batsman, knocking up half the score. We think that we still have a hold on the cup, as the swimming season is coming on, and we will be well represented if we have swimming sports. An amusing incident occurred which caused much mirth to all in the class, with the exception of one youth called Jacko, who was caught in a bending position by our chemistry master.

#### Grade B7.

Although our class is one of the lowest in the sports average, it does not necessarily mean that we are not sports; far from it. Owing to the smallness of our grade, it was thought that we had not much chance in the dodge-ball competitions, but in the second round we put up a very good fight, considering we were short by five or six men. As it was we were only beaten by two men. In the relay race at the sports we were not last home. In blacksmithing the work is not without incident, as on one warm day, Ginner did a pretty dive backwards into a water butt. This caused much regret to all, as he would not repeat his performance, because he thought drying his garments before the fire a poor sport. As we had no clothes pegs, he was not hung up but he, being a good sport, we were allowed to laugh. In cricket this year B7 and B8 are combining, and we will play the other classes in twos until they will be called the remains of a team. In class work I think we are superior to any other form in some subjects, especially design, as one of our boys drew with another boy for top of the school, both only two points off the possible marks.

### Grade B8.

Within the walls of S.T.C. The famous B8 stands; They're not content until the cup Is placed right in their hands.

B8 did comparatively well in the sports held on Sept. 13th, obtaining three 1sts, five 2nds, and three 3rds, and also 2nd in the inter-grade relay race. A lot of interest is being taken in the boys who can swim, and we think it will help us to add a few more points towards the winning of the "Perpetual Cup."

Ansett must at last be taking sport seriously. It is reported that he was seen playing draughts.

## A Word from C1.

Here we are at last. At the present moment we are all very busy scrubbing the floor on account of "Blood" being in the room. The only one not working is Darrel North, alias "Dolly Vardon," who is frightened of spoiling his best silk gloves and his patent leather boots. But that does not worry us, for we are charmed with the presence of Bell. While he is about we are reminded of weddings and Christmas.

And now for a few facts. The following is a brief account of the happenings of the last two terms:

The first few weeks of the second term were quiet, with no sport other than the aimlessly kicking of a football about the yard. As some of the windows in the buildings were feeling rather put out, this was banned shortly afterwards. Later in the term a sports committee decided on a tournament between the classes of the Junior School. The first item was a series of dodge-ball contests, in which C1 won their first match, but were knocked out in the second. At the annual sports meeting, held at the Richmond Football Ground, C1 showed up well, winning several individual events and the team relay race. The term ended without anything of note happening. The third term opened quietly enough too, but as the cricket season came into full swing thoughts turned in that direction. It was not long before a C1 and C2 eleven challenged a C5 and C6 eleven. The match took place at the Urquhart Estate, and C 1 and 2 won.

Later, C1 played C2, but the weather conditions were not very favourable. C1 batted in pouring rain. The match had to be abandoned, during the second innings, for some of the C2 eleven could not swim.

In the home work competition we distinguished ourselves with a high average on each occasion, but we still hope to do better.

## Grade C2.

C2 is a form that forever is lit

- With the gleam and the grace of an infinite wit,
- For all quite so blithesome and gracious and gay,
- Are all quite exceptional men in their way. There is Stephen, the youth, who from Bayswater hails,
- And Rathjens, whose good-tempered smile never fails;
  - And the Powells, H. and L., who live close at hand,
  - Both notable men of a notable band.
  - And Thomas and Tribe, more smart than the rest,
  - Shine out like two stars when put to the test. While Clayfield enhances his worth to the form
  - With sallies of humour that take us by storm. While "E.C." in his corner sleeps peacefully
  - on,
  - And scarcely awakes when recess bell has gone.
  - And Darrel, a youth of unlimited cheer,
  - Grows sorrowful only when Civics draw near. And lastly, Frank Woodford, with flamecoloured hair,
  - Makes brighter the class room and warmer the air.

## CRICKET.

## C2.

This match was played under unfavourable weather conditions, the rain interfering with the play, but our captain (Thomas) led us to victory. C1 made 20, and then C2 went in and made the 21 runs for a win for the loss of three wickets. Dave Scott made 12 not out, this being the highest score for the match, and so the day ended successfully for us. L.G.P.

## Grade C3.

C3 sent in a number of exhibits to the Exhibition, such as a fire screen made by our best woodworker. We sent in some of the other "work," too. (Dry stuff, some of it.)

Now that the Exhibition is over, our class has started an inter-grade cricket team. We started to play C5 and 6, but it began to rain before the team could commence the first innings, but both teams played through it all (see we are not sugar babies yet). The match was left to be played on the following Friday; but when that day came we were kicked off the pitch by some second year "fags." (The game is not finished yet.) I hope this will suit the "Bishop."—Yours,

## A FIRST YEAR BOY.

## Grade C4.

"Ours is a nice grade, ours is," although there are few loquacious ones in it; but owing to the fact we have a member of the house of Lords, I think this can be easily explained. The most noteworthy of these is McDonald, known to the police (I mean the public) as Talker. This youth is extremely fond of writing lines and essays for Mr. Beal; but in spite of this he is a good chap, and worthy of being in C4. He is a great asset on the cricket pitch, as he has the blood of McDonald, the great bowler, in his veins.

It will be a surprise to other grades to learn, that we have several useful(?) articles in this grade, namely, Silver and Steel, extracted from houses, and also Wood and Rag (G). On behalf of the grade we say good-bye till we are second years.

## W.M., K.F., T.N.

## Grade C5.

To the rest of the school and all concerned: We are the best grade in the school, as we are under the excellent rule of "King" Cole. (I suppose this is why so many C5-ites have dirty faces; they look at him so much that they go "Black" in the face).

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in our grade, and who, under the expert coaching of our grade, is showing great promise of becoming world-famed with that heartrending little melody, "When Ports are Premiers this year." Another well-known personality is Grindrod, that well-known Australian "actress," who excellently played the part of "Verna the Vamp" in the last operatic production. Surely we could produce a play of our own some day. Well, who knows?

We are also wondering how discoloured optics are contracted; perhaps from the class, because some are dinky-die "Blackies."

Wishing this magazine every success, we reach at last THE END.

## Grade C6.

Those of us who have played in the interclass competitions are not experts at the games, but they hold the name of C6 for a place amongst others.

One Friday we played a higher grade cricket, and we were beaten, but all the same we are not down-hearted, and we hope for better luck next time.

One of the most notable sportsmen in our grade is R. Roff, who played in the school football team, and is a very good batsman

There is a "thrilling" pastime at school called "Fly." This provides amusement for young and old; in other words, first, second, and third years. When the "infants" are turned off their pitches by the "grandads," they stand round and vent their feelings by passing uncomplimentary remarks about the grandads' jumps.

We are sorry to say that many "grandads" have not had a wash since we were deprived of our means of administering that awful punishment. G. PALMER.

## AROUND THE SCHOOL.

We regret to have to say that one of our school-fellows died in the past term. Cecil F. Dixon, late of A Grade, was a devoted student, and well liked by all who knew him. He died on the 15th of August, 1922, after a long illness. We take this opportunity of offering his parents our deepest sympathy.

The new arrivals in the ranks of the teachers for this year were Miss Moynihan, Mr. T. Hoey, and Mr. N. Carmichael. Miss Moynihan has the honor of being the first lady teacher in the boys' school, while Mr. Carmichael and Mr. Hoey showed their interest by coaching the under 16 football team. Mr. Carmichael helped to organise inter-class games. At this time we are wondering what the next year will bring us. We are sorry to say that our Headmaster, Mr. McKay, had an accident, which caused his absence from school for several weeks. Luckily the accident was not very serious, so we have him back with us once more, and we are pleased to say that he is regaining the full use of his foot.

Good fortune favoured us in the last term, when the founder of our school, Mr. Geo. Swinburne, presented to the library the sum of  $\pounds10$ for the purpose of buying new boks. We wish to thank Mr. Swinburne for his keen interest in our school.

During the term a visit to Melbourne was made by the Alan Wilkie Shakespearian Company, and a party from the school went to see the "Merchant of Venice," which is the play the second and third year students are studying. It was much enjoyed, and it aroused a greater interest in Shakespeare's works throughout the school.

We are very pleased to notice that Mr. Esca Cousins, one of our old boys, was awarded a prize for a study of a child's head, and that he is at present engaged in making a large shield for the A.N.A. Choral Competition.

## THE OLD BOYS' CLUB.

A suggestion was forwarded recently regarding the formation of an Old Boys' Club. On inquiring of Mr. McKay, I found that such a Club had been formed, but it had lapsed. I wrote to the secretary, Mr. E. Simpson, and the following are extracts from his reply:--

"I have much pleasure in informing you that it is my intention to reinstate the Old Collegians' Association early next year, and I am telling all the Old Boys I meet that the first meeting will be held about February....

"I would be very glad to get the address of any intending member of the Club. They can either leave it at the school, and you can pick it up, or send it direct to me.

"I can promise you that this time, with a little backing up, a success will be made of the Club; and by the way the Old Boys are speaking to me about it, we won't have any trouble.

".... and when I can give you further particulars I will be very glad to do so."

Address correspondence to Mr. E. Simpson, "Rosemont," 14 Beatrice Avenue, Surrey Hills. Many pleasant hours can be spent by a member of the "Old Boys'" Club in the company of his old school mates. Why shouldn't you be one of them?

## A SHORT HISTORY OF SWINBURNE JUNIOR TECHNICAL SCHOOL, FROM 1913 TO THE END OF 1916.

### By Our Headmaster.

Our Junior School was opened on the 31st March, 1913, on which day 31 boys attended, but before the year ended 94 had been admitted, and the following are names of some of the students who entered in 1913, and who have since given an excellent account of themselves: Gordon Bilsborrow, Ron Dixon, Ewin Gibson, Alan Gleadall, James Lockhead, Reg. Peterson, Allan Wood, Edward Marston, Lionel Bowditch, Alan Jordan, George Wharington, Arthur Jarvis, Eric Hogg. In the first year of its existence the staff consisted of the present Headmaster, D. McKay, T. A. David (now Headmaster of Geelong Junior Technical School), C. Fraser (now Principal of Brighton Technical School), D. Gray and G. Rofe, both of whom are still with us.

In 1914 the number of new students admitted was 106, and as many of the 1913 students were doing the second year's course, the accommodation was severely taxed. Of the 1914 quota the following names occur in our register, and will be remembered with pleasure by many of the old boys:—Alfred Beer, Eric Bowman, who afterwards became secretary of the Old Boys' Association, Ralph Evans, Charlie Hamilton, Ken. Higgs, Harold Jack, Ernest Kennewell, Keith Shepherd Percy Short, Reg. Stamford, Roy Grant, Sydney Bell, who travelled from Mornington each day, Herbert Henderson, Don McGregor, Charles Pittman.

During 1915 the number of new boys admitted was 123, of whom the following are some who have succeeded well in the outside world:---David Begg, Ken. McConchie, Stan. Clarke, Arnold Calame, Digby Manton, Walter Mason, Esca Cousins, who is doing well in art metal work, Eric Hughes, Edward Raven, Cecil Rodd, Albert Stohr, Leslie Stohr, Seaton Scarborough, Ernest Wheat, Russell Wharington, Phil Fryer, Hubert Waugh, Joe Colley.

The following year, 1916, is remarkable for the large number of candidates for admission, and although 188 new students were admitted, many had to be turned away for lack of accommodation.

Many fine students were admitted in the above year, and a few names may be mentioned. William Isbister and Charlie Hocking were our concert organisers; Ernest Matthews, Ray Minchington, Clarrie Barnett (who helped very much to win the Winner Cup the first year it

was competed for), Leslie Burgess, Gordon Greswell, Gordon Hillard, Colin McKenzie, Edward Patrick, Bert Pickford, Rupert Smith, George Smith, Frank Vial, Vernon Worrall, George Alsop, Percy Begg, Ivan Brander, John Cole, Leonard Millgate, George Moore, Percy Pavey, Eric Simpson (present secretary of the Old Boys' Association and whose address is 12 Beatrice Avenue, Surrey Hills, in case any of the Old Boys wish to write him), Adrian Taebring, Leonard Waring, Harold Thompson. As space is limited, this account of the Junior School will be continued in a future issue of our magazine, but it is hoped it will have the effect of strengthening the bond between the Old Boys and the present occupants of the same old desks in which they sat, and while we all dwell upon the history of the Junior School, we realise how much we owe to Mr. G. Swinburne and the members of the College Council, and we desire to record our gratitude to them for the many benefits they have conferred upon our school, and in particular we desire to thank Mr. Swinburne for his many gifts to our Library, from which we derive so much pleasure and instruction. We also desire to thank our esteemed Director, Mr. Tranthim Fryer, who is ever ready to help and give us encouragement in our work and in our social gatherings.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

For the cover design of this magazine we are indebted to Ivor Horman, of B1, assisted by Mr. G. H. Rofe, of our Art Department.

The block for the cover design was kindly presented by Oscar Owen, Esq., of Messrs. Lyell Owen Pty. Ltd., Melbourne.

#### ESSAY COMPETITION.

A prize is offered for the best account of a camping trip taken during the summer vacation. It should be full of interesting and amusing incidents, not less than 250 words. The essay will be printed in our next issue.

## SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS FOR 1921.

- Engineering.—Day Course: H. R. Corr, L. A. Clegg, A. E. Dubberlin, A. O. Griffiths, A. G. Marshall, H. T. Popple. Evening Course: W. H. Sydserff, W. G. Gosbell, J. G. Endersbee, C. Webb.
- Art.—Day Course:—R. C. Guthrie, J. E. Pomeroy.

- Architecture.- Evening Course: W. R. Nicholson, K. Reid.
- Carpentry.--Day Course: L. A. Johnson, L. J. Maguire, L. D. Money.

## THE JUBILEE EXHIBITION. How it Concerned Us.

Some months past the Education Department celebrated the institution of free, secular and compulsory education in Victoria fifty years ago by means of a monster Jubilee Exhibition. All classes of work of schools were represented in the exhibits, which formed a comprehensive survey of the whole of the work done in our Victorian schools. In addition, Technical, High and State Schools sports were held on the Exhibition Oval adjoining the buildings, and there were many keen struggles for honors in athletics.

Visitors divided their interest over the various sections, but what concerned us most was our own court under the big dome. For many weeks before the Exhibition opened exhibits were being prepared, and each boy naturally gave his first thoughts, on entering, to looking for what he himself had done. If he finally found that his work had been honored by being placed with the best specimens in that section before the admiring gaze of the general public, his next thought was to parade his relations and friends before it. Then he would boyishly depreciate any compliments tendered to him, as though the work were, to him, the most ordinary thing in the world. Finally, he would lead his little retinue to see the rest of the work for which "our school" was responsible. And, indeed, Swinburne was well represented in all branches of technical work.

The days, par excellence, on which Swinburne stood out were 9th and 10th October. On these days we supplied all the working classes at the Exhibition. There were working exhibits in Science, Pottery, Sheetmetal, Woodwork, and Turning and Fitting. Most visitors to the Exhibition remarked on the great interest that was shown throughout the sixteen days to these working exhibits. Perhaps that was because human nature almost invariably likes to watch other people work. They certainly did at the Exhibition, and saw them work well. Certain it is that the technical section received much attention from visitors, and much must have been done towards popularising this form of education in Victoria.

Shortly after our own exhibits were returned a party of about thirty Diploma of Education students from the Teachers' Training College visited the College, and the exhibits were displayed in Room 17. These were later collected with others in Room 6. This, our own, exhibition, is referred to elsewhere.

This was almost the last echo of the Exhibition, and the school again settled down to the more strenuous work of preparing for the final examinations, which will be the real test of the work done in what will be known for many years as Exhibition Year.

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## MODERN BOY.

"News has been received of the success of a young West Australian, Hal. Hanrahan, aged 17, whose parents, writes the "Sun News-Pictorial," "are well known in the Gordon district.

"With his parents he lived outback in the West, where there was no school, and did not start school till he was ten. For seven years he attended a State School, and now holds a junior University certificate, matriculation (uni.) certificate, leaving (uni.) certificate, and he is now doing his first year Medical course at the Perth University. If successful this year, he intends continuing his course at the Melbourne University.

"Hanrahan is also an athlete of note. He holds his junior cadet championship for shooting, has a yacht, and is a keen fisherman. In swimming he has held the championship for Perth boys' schools, for Perth metropolitan State Schools, and for Perth Junior Cadets in long-distance swimming. He recently obtained the highest award in life-saving, which is held by hardly 50 people in the world. Hanrahan was the first male in Western Australia to receive the honor. He holds all the lower awards, also the highest awards, in the Perth Boy Scouts' Association, open to competitors under 18 years. The talented boy is a nephew of Mr. D. T. Hanrahan, of Ballan."

## **REJECTED CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Sonnenberg, B5.—Your sketches are very good, but are not required in this issue.

Once a Bushman.—Your poem is fairly good. Try again.

Langdon, B3.—The metre in your parody is a little weak, otherwise it is good.

Reporter, B8.—Your footnote, "Deaths," was too gruesome, and so had to be rejected. If it had been disguised a bit more it would have been more successful.

## THOUGHTS IN THE EXAMINATION ROOM.

When I consider how my thoughts are spent, And half the time in this room has done a slide,

And that one paper that means "Fail" to hide,

I stare at blankly, and my mind is bent

To stoush therewith my neighbour, and present

- His true account, but the master then will chide:
- "Is this all in day labor?" I do cry,

But the master to prevent.

- That murmur soon replies. All bosses have a need
- For a man that works well for his pay. Who best
- Can do his job, they are paid the best. His state

Is kingly, others at his command speed

To post his letters, or clean his desk.

So I suppose I'll have to sit and wait. OPPOSITE ANGLES.

#### SPORTS EDITORIAL.

Our magazine must devote a little space in which to give an account of the sport that goes on at the school. As the football and athletic seasons are over, interest in the College teams has ceased to a great extent for the time being. The football season did not meet with all the success that might have been desired. We secured fifth place only; however, we were pleased with a season's fine sport.

There is, however, one important event which has just happened, worthy of note, and that is the College Sports. They were held on the Richmond Cricket Ground, on the 13th September. In the events Roland Tasker was the most successful competitor, but he was closely followed by several other young athletes. We are very grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall for having given a gold medal to the boy who obtained the highest number of points in the sports. This is the second occasion on which Mr. and Mrs. Marshall have presented a trophy.

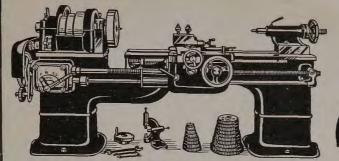
After the excitement came the annual Combined Technical School Sports, at which we were expected to do well, but our chances were greatly lessened owing to the fact that two members of the team were on the sick list.

The most successful boy at sport this year is Roland Tasker, who will take possession of the football medal as well as the medal for athletics. As in the past Mr. McKay again gave a medal to each of the best players in the Junior and Senior football teams.

Mr. Boanas made and gave a Perpetual Challenge Cup, to be competed for by the grades. There have been two competitions so far, a dodge-ball competition and a basket-ball competition.

> G. WILSON. I. ELTHAM.

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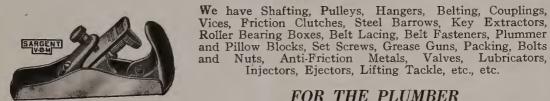
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## OUR SCHOOL IN SPORT. Some Outstanding Events.

This article does not claim to be an historical record of our school in sport. Rather it is a tribute to those Old Boys by whose efforts the school has been placed in such high regard in the realm of sport, and an incentive to the present boys to uphold the traditions of those gone before. On looking back, one remembers some notable events in football, athletics, and swimming.

When did we secure our first victory at football? Where was the match played? The honor belongs to the under 14 team, in a match with the Melbourne J.T.S., on the East Melbourne Cricket Ground, in 1914. In an evenly contested match our lads secured a three points lead a few minutes before the final bell, and were strong enough to hold the lead to the end. Premierships have come our way since then, but this was our first football victory, and much honor is due to those who first brought victory to the school.

Athletics? Well, we have won the Winner Cup on two occasions, but will there again be such a day as the day of our first victory? Will anyone forget the responsibility that was placed on the shoulders of Clarrie Barrett when the 880 yards, the last race of the day, commenced? We were then two points behind the leading team, and to make victory secure it was necessary for Clarrie to win, and thus secure eight points, leaving five for "the other fellow." The responsibility, and incidentally our confidence, were not mis-placed. After running a well-judged race Clarrie won by a good margin, and in such good time that his record, though it has been equalled, still stands.

Yes, we once entered into com-Swimming? petition with Trinity Grammar School and Xavier College in a District Schools' Championship Relay Race, at a Patriotic Carnival at the Hawthorn Baths. Our team, consisting of A. Stohr, K. Aston, A. Thomas, and another student whose name we would be glad to know, commanded much attention. They were so small in stature, when compared with their rivals, that the spectators looked on them with pity. But no pity was wanted. They took the lead from the start, were never caught, and eventually won by about three-quarters of the length of the baths, much to the surprise of everyone who did not know the abilities of our lads.

The teams which did these deeds, as well as many other worthy teams which have honorably worn the school colors, both in victory and in defeat, have left us a noble tradition, which we must carry on. Success does not necessarily mean good sportsmanship. If success comes our way, well and good; but on all occasions the good name of the school must be upheld, and every lad, whether he be the captain of our senior team or the smallest "barracker" around the arena, must "play up, play up, and play the game." G.

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## THE COLLEGE SPORTS.

The following are the results of the Annual College Sports, held on 13th September, at the Richmond Cricket Ground:—

100 Yards Senior Handicap.—Gannon 1; Holdsworth 2; Ashman 3.

100 Yards Under 16 Championship.—P. West 1; G. Wilson and J. Baird dead heat for 2nd.

100 Yards Under 15 Championship.—R. Tasker 1; L. Geddes-Hawkins 2; W. Pile 3.

100 Yards Under 14 Championship.—J. Grant 1; T. Russel 2; W. Davies 3.

75 Yards Under 13 Championship.—G. Herkes 1. H. Byron 2; C. Williams 3.

Boot Jumble.—A. Robinson 1; L. Powell 2; I. Horman 3.

100 Yards Senior Championship.—Jensen 1; McIntyre 2; Pickford 3.

100 Yards Under 16 Handicap.—J. Baird 1; G. Wilson 2; J. Freame 3.

100 Yards Under 15 Handicap.—W. Pile 1; L. Geddes-Hawkins 2; C. Lamble 3.

100 Yards Under 14 Handicap.-J. Grant 1; E. Watkins 2; J. Collins and V. Jackson dead heat for 3rd.

75 Yards Under 13 Handicap.—Shuttleworth 1; Williams 2; Evans 3.

220 Yards Under 16 Championship.—J. Baird 1; P. West 2; G. Wilson 3.

220 Yards Under 15 Championship—R. Tasker 1; W. Milner 2; A. Moore 3.

220 Yards Under 14 Championship.--T. Russel 1; C. Williams 2; T. Clissold 3.

Siamese Race.—A. Robinson-Tucker 1; L. Powell-H. Powell 2; Calame-Ganderton 3.

220 Yards Under 16 Handicap.-G. Wilson 1; J. Baird 2; T. Trumble 3.

220 Yards Under 15 Handicap.—L. Geddes-Hawkins 1; G. Treeby 2; C. Wright 3.

#### HINTS TO YOUNG ATHLETES.

The usual outdoor exercise and field games indulged in by the ordinary healthy schoolboy are quite enough to get him into form for any competition. Some steady running on the track twice a week, without any racing, plenty of plain, wholesome food, and regular hours, these will be found sufficient.

The preparations for a contest should be a gradual process. Commence at least six weeks before the date fixed for the sports, so that you may have time to be systematic. The most common error is seen at once, for many boys start with exercises which they should not practice until they have been on the track for about a fortnight. They plunge right into the thick of things without regard to the fact that their muscles are quite unfit, as yet, for the strain put upon them. The old motto, "More haste, less speed," is true in this case, as their stiffness will assure them if they have started fast work without first preparing themselves by slow work.

## Sprinting.

Now take the runner in particular. Our schools, as a rule, do not include races of a longer distance than a mile; and the shorter events are easily the more common. In the sprints (usually 100 yards) probably the most important thing to be learnt is the start.

You must practise starting until you know how to be steady on your mark, and get away the moment the pistol speaks. Attempting to beat the pistol is not only bad sport, but it may entail disqualification. So keep firm. At the same time, it is of the utmost importance in a short race that you should be in your stride at once. So devote plenty of attention to this. Get someone to stand behind you and give the following orders: "Get on your mark" (upon which you stand in position). "Get set" (whereupon you put your hands down on your mark), and "Go" (or he may clap his hands in imitation to the pistol report). Move out of the holes fairly fast, and ease up in a dozen or twenty yards. Walk quietly back, spell for a minute, take a few deep breaths, and repeat. After two or three trials put as much speed as you can into the start, and extend the distance to 50 yards before pulling up, gradually.

#### "The Mile."

As the mile is a long test of endurance, a long preparation is necessary to lay a sound foundation, and it has been truly stated that cross country running is the best for that purpose. W. G. George, of England, who established the world's record in 4 min.  $12\frac{3}{4}$  sec. for a mile run, said that the best training for the distance was a steady (not fast) run every day. Long, quiet jogs, anything up to two miles, were what he found best, with occasional short bursts of a quarter and half a mile, and a few sprints at top speed. Once in condition, care must be taken not to do too much work. In any case, exercise on alternate days should be quite sufficient for growing boys.

#### "Hurdling."

Hurdle races are run over a distance of 120' yards. There are ten flights of hurdles, each 3ft. 6in. in height. From the starting point to the first flight there is a distance of 15 yards, with 10 yards between the other flights. The "run in" at the finish is an additional 15 yards.

When first practising over the hurdles it is a great advantage to wear shin pads, to protect your shins.

Boys wishing to become good hurdlers cannot do better than watch the straight-legged hurdlers in action.

### Embrocation.

A very useful training embrocation is five parts of eucalyptus oil to one part of olive oil, and the white of an egg to every  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint of oil. J. BAIRD.

## COMBINED TECHNICAL SCHOOL SPORTS.

The Combined Technical School Sports were held at the Exhibition Oval on the 7th October. In the competition between the Junior Technical Schools we came 5th, with seven 1sts, four 2nds, a total of 26 points.

Though we did not get a place among the first three, our representatives put up a good fight.

The Senior School, in the competition for the "Herald" Shield, were more fortunate in winning the Shield, with eleven 1sts and five 2nds, a total of 115 points.

We desire to congratulate the Senior School boys on their excellent performance.

I. ELTHAM.

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## GEELONG TRIP.

For weeks before June 3rd the members of the Senior football team had been eagerly looking forward to their trip to Geelong, to meet a team representing the Junior School of the Gordon Technical College. The match is an annual fixture, and in the past had always given a full measure of satisfaction and pleasure to those taking part. This year Mr. David, headmaster of Gordon Junior Technical School, invited our team to meet his on Saturday, June 3rd. When the day dawned it was found that the boys' high spirits had not been dampened by their early rising, and before the train moved off, at half-past six, all were present, and soon settled down for the journey.

The whole party was still intact when Mr. David and his boys welcomed the team at Geelong. Shortly afterwards the match was begun on the Geelong Association Club's ground. The game was played in a fine friendly spirit, and the Swinburne boys finally won by a comfortable margin of points. Roland Tasker, it was generally admitted, played the game of the day.

The match over, the visitors were the guests of the local boys at dinner. After dinner the two teams witnessed the League match between Fitzroy and Geelong. At the conclusion of the game there was little time left, and before the time of departure the last member of the party made a hurried entrance into the train.

The boys enjoyed the trip immensely, and greatly appreciated the hospitality accorded them by their Geelong hosts.

The Geelong boys made the return on Saturday, September 9th. They were welcomed at the station and taken to the Camberwell Sports Ground, where the match was played. Though Geelong were unable to turn the tables on their opponents, the game was enjoyed by all. An amusing incident occurred at half-time, when it was discovered that Swinburne had nineteen men on the field. The mistake was caused by the late arrival of some of the boys, the hasty start, and a false count. In consequence, all the points scored (21) up to that period by the Swinburne boys were lost. However, they managed to make good the leeway, and won by a small margin.

These visits have done much to promote a feeling of comradeship between the boys of the two schools. Thus, Mr. David, previous to the return match wrote: "If your lads enjoyed themselves as well as ours did last year, and will certainly do this year, then they will, I am sure, have been pleased with their trip."

After the match our boys entertained the visitors at "The Cavendish," where they were welcomed by our old friend, Councillor Burton, on behalf of the College Council.

## OUR OWN EXHIBITION.

The suggestion that we hold an Exhibition of our own was a very happy one. The various departments acted promptly, and combined to make an excellent display in Room 6.

The boys' parents and friends were invited, and very many attended. They were shown over the Exhibition by keenly critical sons, and the mysteries of construction and technique were made plain by these craftsmen. They were keenly interested, and expressed much satisfaction in what they saw.

In the absence of Mr. Geo. Swinburne, who was detained by his many duties, Mrs. Swinburne came, and after seeing the boys' exhibits she, too, expressed great pleasure and appreciation of the work being done in the Junior Technical School.

Several members of the Council, including Mr. T. Rust (President), and Mr. Herbert Hamen, examined the samples of work done by the boys, and agreed that a very high standard of merit had been attained.

The sight of the more advanced work of older grades gave a great incentive to the first year students, who will presently commence the more specialized work of the second year.

Is it possible to make this Exhibition an annual one? Why not?

### **EXAMINATION HOWLERS.**

The following were kindly collected from masters by J. Baird. They were extracted from C5 and 6 examination papers:—

A rope is a fat string.

Wolsey saved his life by dying on the way to London.

Work is that which makes you tired.

Dickens began his life at a very early age.

A simile is an optical illusion.

B.Sc. stands for boy scout.

Newton was the first man that discovered gravy. He discovered it with the aid of an acorn.

Raleigh was the first man to see the Invisible Armada.

Gravity is that which keeps us from floating away.

A blizzard is the inside of a hen.

## WANTED.

Now that Christmas is coming, many of us are looking for positions, including myself. The other day I was looking through the "Wanted" ads., and these are a few extracts:—

1. Wanted, an umbrella, suitable for an old gentleman with an ivory top.

2. Wanted to sell, a bicycle suitable for a boy with a B.S.A. frame.

3. Wanted, a room for a lady 14ft. x 10ft.

4. Wanted, an axe by a man with a  $4\frac{1}{2}$  pound head.

5. Wanted, a bee mask, by a man with darkened eyes.

6. Wanted, a canoe, by a man with three-ply sides.

7. A bedstead is wanted by a man with wooden legs.

8. A wristlet watch is wanted by a young lady with a hand-painted dial.

9. Wanted, a table, by a young lady with carved legs.

J. BAIRD.

## THE STUDENTS' VIEWPOINT.

We would like a locker and cloak room. Our lockers at present are scattered over all parts of the school, some are in corridors, some in class rooms; they are really very inconveniently situated.

We would like our Gymnasium fitted up.

We would like a sports ground all of our own, like our neighbours, Scotch and Xavier Colleges.

We would like a swimming class during the summer.

We would like a certain time in the week for sports, say the last two periods on Wednesday.

We would like continuous inter-class sports competitions for the "Perpetual Challenge Cup."

We would like the badges to be again brought into vogue, but instead of "Founded 1908," a motto on them would be better; also one badge for the whole institution.

We would like an assembly hall.

We would like some budding poet to compose a good war-cry or yell, since on such occasions as the winning of a football match or some cup we felt at a loss for some method of expressing our feelings.

We would like occasional visits to such places as Point Cook Flying School, and at these places, if possible, hear lectures. The boy whistled away the stick.

A canyon is a thing used in warfare.

A press man is a man that cleans clothes.

A chiropodist is a man that teaches canaries to sing.

## PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

G's, by A. Chester. The Sermon, by Bishop. The School's Support, by Pile. The Mud Pile, by Clay-field. A Man of Shreds and Patches, by Waring. Running Water, by Brooks. Sweet Chimes, by A. Bell. The Zuyder Zee, by Holland. Turning and Fitting, by File. Scots Wha' Hae, by Bruce. Far Away, by Miles. A Trip to the South, by North. East is East, by West. Bush Ranging, by S. Hart. Fishing, by Grubb. Bird-Nesting, by Rooks. Talking, by McDonald. Sydney, by Harbor. Fires, by Cole. Starving Europe, by Tucker. The C1 Butchers, by Blood and Brawn. The Knights of the Round Table, by Arthur.

#### UNDERSTOOD.

That Swinburne is the best school of all. That we've made it so.

That first-years think that they are the "we" mentioned.

That second-years think likewise.

That third-years are the "we" mentioned.

That union is strength (sometimes).

That this is our first issue.

That we hope it is a good one.

That fights are popular.

That discolored optics are also popular.

That we follow our teachers' footsteps (sometimes).

That there is a rumour of a choir commencing. That we will be dead if there is.

That we wish they would be "movies," style, seen but not heard.

That the first practice will be awful.

That we are getting used to nerve strains.

That the baths are open now.

That several youths will soon have another wash.

That we hope the water will not turn to mud.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"Antonio."—Yes, the rumour about that youth who trades in green groceries, handing out his goods free of charge, is nearly true, as some "crool" youths raided his department while he was learning another trade.

"Clarrie."—Perhaps the following lines may be suitable:—

"A boy was on the footer field,

He was a pretty sight;

He could not play at all well-

His trousers were too tight."

"Prevention."—You may be assured that your letter about the advisability of buying a set of boxing gloves to avoid further accidents will be deeply considered.

"Wagglerod."—No, we do not think that your lines—

"On such a night,

Did Laurie sit with tiepins two,

While Jessie cooed,

"Antonio" (again) —Not even the best chemists would recommend strong H2SO4 as a nourishing beverage without telling you to choose your undertaker.

" Bard."—

"A girl, to start,

Once made some tarts,

All on a summer's day;

A boy named Hart,

Ate one little tart,

So a hearse took him away.

"Bard."-Yes, this may be taken as a warning to those who are thinking of buying their lunch at the Domestic Arts.

"Oswald."—Yes, perhaps the vendor of apples is the youth that has given all the masters the "pip."

"Cattey."—The best way to make a watch go would be to tie it on to a stray dog's tail. It would go then—wherever the dog went. Note: Likely to run continuously without winding. Would not apply so well, therefore, to a stopwatch.

"Fireworks."—Decidedly not! No one could starve whilst possessing a ginger nut like yours.

"Suggestive."—Yes, it would be a good idea to let our orchestra "murder" several ditties in the same room as unwanted people; if they survived this, they would be entitled to die naturally, without further interference.

"Me."—No, the man who can view the world as one vast plain is not necessarily the man who strikes a match on a barrel of gunpowder. Phone Hew, 2239

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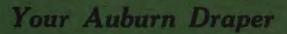
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