

The Saga



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CHRONICLE

of

ST. CATHARINE'S SCHOOL



EDITORIAL

“Till the war drum throbbed no longer, and the battle flags were
furlled

In the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world.
There the common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe,
And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law.”

Two atom bombs have been exploded, and, simultaneously with the testing of atomic power at Bikini, the Foreign Ministers and representatives of practically every nation are undergoing the test of restoring peace to the peoples of the world, and power politics are explosive and acquiescent by turns.

U.N.R.R.A. has centred its attention and activities on the provision of food and clothing for the starving and shivering millions of occupied territories—a service made arduous by continued waterfront strikes and drought conditions. Free gifts of food—a realistic gesture engendered by the kind and completely unselfish hearts of the Dominions—have regularly arrived at English ports—a gesture for which the war and ration-weary British offer heartfelt thanks.

Mr. Winston Churchill, still active, has issued an appeal for greater unity throughout the world, for the sinking of national

differences and difficulties, for a United States of Europe, backed up by the interchange of cultural ideas, particularly between France and Germany—two nations bordering each other, and avowedly hostile since 1871.

General Smuts has denied the man-made barriers and distinctions of East and West, and Wendell Wilkie's proposition of a "One World" has recently been followed up by another American.

While there is talk of war in many places, we are urged to insist that there be Peace, and there must surely be enough of us who could be sincerely and sufficiently insistent to prevent a future conflict and to concentrate on realising the possibility and necessity of "One World," from which the haunting fear of a new war may be removed, unemployment solved, satisfactory living standards maintained, finances stabilised and inflationary tendencies eliminated, and trade relations amicably settled.



JOTTINGS FROM THE SCHOOL DIARY

- January 29th: The boarders returned, all feeling energetic, and eager to begin 1946 with a will.
- February 1st: Our first Corporate Communion in the School Chapel.
- February 3rd: The School was very sorry to say good-bye to Canon Edwards, who has been our very good friend, and Chaplain to the Sisters for some time.
- February 5th: The School attended the farewell ceremony to Sir Leslie Wilson at Leslie Park. Four of our Seniors helped to form a guard of honour with members of the other schools. Sir Leslie granted us a holiday, which was added to our Easter vacation.
- February 8th: The Queensland State String Quartette gave a recital in the Town Hall. The School attended in a body, and it was enjoyed very much.

- February 9th: The new girls held their Annual Concert, and apart from stage fright, it came up to expectations.
- February 20th: Eight of our girls sat for the Life Saving Examination. Four of them succeeded in gaining their bronze medallions, one her intermediate, and three their elementary certificates.
- February 25th: In the School Chapel, Marion Rose, Beth Harding, and Joan Wall were admitted to full prefectship, and Jeanette Lindley, Marian Becker, Pat Griffin, Joan Hinton, and Betty Jones were given Pro-Prefect badges.
On the same day the Inter-House swimming was held. Barnes House gained first place. Beth Harding won the honour of Senior Champion, while Ruth Monaghan secured the Junior title.
- March 4th and 5th: The School was visited by Dean Barrett. The Dean took Evensong in the Chapel on the 4th and addressed the girls.
- March 6th: The Rev. Shakespeare addressed the School on behalf of the British and Foreign Bible Society. He collected the stamps which we always save for this purpose.
- March 12th: Joan Beckinsale was admitted as a Pro-Prefect.
- March 23rd: A Concert was given by Sixth Grade, Scholarship and Fourth Form in aid of the Bible Society; £2/8/6 was forwarded to Brisbane.
- March 30th: Our Girl Guides held a Concert in the Assembly Hall in aid of the Guide Funds.
- March 31st: Father Benson preached at St. Mark's, and visited the School.
- April 1st-4th: The Mother Superior stayed at the School.
- April 8th-10th: Our Easter Tests were held.
- April 17th: Boarders returned home for Easter Holidays.
- April 29th: Beginning of Second Term.
- April 29th-May 3rd: Mother Margaret and Sister Madeline, of the Order of the Holy Cross, visited the School.
- May 4th: Opening of Highfield, the Preparatory School of Slade, by Archbishop Halse. It was a gala affair attended by many dignitaries, including Archdeacon Knight. The School attended in an interested body.
- May 6th: Miss Chadwick talked to the School on behalf of the Student Christian Movement. This made us realise our marvellous opportunities as compared with children in the less advanced countries.
- May 11th: The School attended the plays presented in the Parish Hall by the Girls' Friendly Society. They proved interesting and very, very amusing.
- May 17th: Together with other schools we attended the Matinee in the Town Hall, where Miss Enid Tardent enthralled us with her piano recital.

- June 2nd: Twenty of our girls were confirmed at St. Mark's by Archbishop Halse.
- June 4th: Dean and Mrs. Barrett arrived to visit the School.
- June 5th: A Fellowship meeting was held in the Chapel with a discussion afterwards.
- June 8th: An Impromptu Fancy Dress Ball held in the Assembly Hall.
- June 11th: The newly confirmed made their First Communion in the Chapel.
Later in the day we attended Slade Park to officially welcome the Duke of Gloucester to Warwick.
- June 18th: End of Second Term.
- July 19th: Beginning of Third Term.
- August 24th: Our Girl Guides held a garden party in the school grounds. Various competitions kept the visitors amused. The proceeds (£15) were divided between the Guide and Assembly Hall Funds.
- September 6th: We attended Slade School House Sports which were held on their own oval.
- September 8th: All the Warwick schools were well represented at the Youth Temperance Meeting held in the Town Hall. St. Catharine's attended in a body.
- September 12th: Our Inter-House Sports were held at Slade Park. Competition was keen and we spent a very enjoyable, if strenuous afternoon. Slade House won both the Athletics and Ball Games Cups, but Crothers won the cake prize given for the walking relay. Nancye Dunn became our Senior Champion and Hazel Wickham secured the Junior title.
- September 21st: After Mass on St. Matthias' Day, Marion Rose made a formal presentation of a small token of appreciation to the Reverend J. A. Housden, who for so long has been our Rector and very good friend. The Rector said he was sorry to be leaving Warwick and would always think of St. Catharine's School, which held such pleasant memories for him. He left us to take up the duties of Rector of South Yarra, Melbourne.
Later in the day we attended the Inter-School Sports held in Queen's Park. Although it had rained earlier in the week, the ground was in excellent condition for the Athletics, and a large number of spectators was present. The Scots' College won the boys' section and Warwick Technical College carried off the honours in the girls' division. Although not successful, we enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Healy presented the cups to the winning schools, a pleasure to which they always look forward.
- September 24th: Our Garden Party, which this year took the place of our annual Concert, was held in the grounds at White

House. It was well attended and proceeds went to the Assembly Hall Fund.

September 25th: End of Third Term. We returned to our homes for the Michaelmas Holidays.

October 2nd: Our Fourth and last term commenced.

October 5th: Our Girl Guides journeyed to Toowoomba to compete in a Downs Inter-company Rally. The rest of the School attended the M.C.L. Fete held in the Church grounds.

October 29th: The School attended an interesting mission evening in the Parish Hall. The Rev. Ian Shevill introduced Dean Bodger, Rector of S.S. Peter and Paul, Dogura. Films interspersed with talks by this widely travelled missionary proved educational to all.

October 30th: Mr. Sidney May and Mr. Archie Day, who had been examining music students in Warwick, gave a recital in the Assembly Hall at P.G.C. It was sponsored by the Adult Education Committee. Mr. May gave his views on music as concerned with the home, and his opinions as regards music teaching, modern music and exams. His good advice was interspersed by items given by Mr. May himself with Mr. Day as his able helpmate.

October 31st: The Paddy's Market was held in the Town Hall. It was a great success and three hundred pounds were the total takings. The proceeds are for the new Assembly Hall Fund.

November 1st: Being All Saints' Day, a Corporate Communion was held in the School Chapel. After the Service, Helen Naylor, Marian Becker and Pat Griffin were admitted as Prefects and Jean Wehl was made a Pro-Prefect.

EXAMINATION RESULTS, 1946.

ART OF SPEECH, Practical—May.

Grade I: Murray Perry, 72 per cent., Pass.

ART OF SPEECH, Theory—September.

Grade I: Helen Naylor, 73 per cent.; Murray Perry, 72 per cent.; Jeanette Lindley, 68 per cent.

Grade II: Cecily Davies, 78 per cent.

THEORY OF MUSIC—September.

Grade III: Heather Donovan, 80 per cent., Credit; Minna Dawes, 73 per cent., Pass; Rita McPhee, 65 per cent., Pass.

Grade IV: Maureen Wormwell, 86 per cent., Honours.

Grade V: Bloom Smith, 62 per cent.

Grade VI: Juanita Banning, 93 per cent., Honours; Jill Griffin, 92 per cent., Honours; Ruthe Morgan, 89 per cent., Honours; Pam Bingham, 85 per cent., Honours; Wilma Donovan, 67 per cent., Pass.

PIANO, Practical—2nd Period.

Grade III: Oriel Ruhle, 80 per cent., Credit.

Grade IV: Bloom Smith, 82 per cent., Credit; Pam Seitz, 81 per cent., Credit; Chelmer Campbell, 78 per cent., Credit; Sybil Frisby, 76 per cent., Credit; Juanita Banning, 73 per cent., Pass.

Grade V: Stephanie Jones, 86 per cent., Honours; Joyce Kamholtz, 85 per cent., Honours; Wilma Donovan, 83 per cent., Credit; Wendy Schwennesen, 83 per cent., Credit; Valerie Roberts, 82 per cent., Credit; Nancy Monaghan, 81 per cent., Credit; Ruthe Morgan, 79 per cent., Credit; Betty Tweedie, 78 per cent., Credit.

Grade VI: Antonia Brace, 86 per cent., Honours; Beverley Gordon, 85 per cent., Honours.

Grade VII: Judith Schwennesen, 87 per cent.; Desley Schwennesen, 85 per cent.

VIOLIN—2nd Period.

Grade II: Heather Donovan, 80 per cent., Credit.

Grade IV: Narelle Crain, 80 per cent., Credit; Juanita Banning, 78 per cent., Credit.

ART OF SPEECH, Practical—2nd Period.

Grade I: Jeanette Lindley, 81 per cent., Credit.

Grade II: Cecily Davies, 85 per cent., Honours.

Grade III: Sarah Sherry, 80 per cent., Credit.

Grade IV: Betty Tweedie, 78 per cent., Credit.

Grade V: Antonia Brace, 81 per cent., Credit; Lorna Witts, 75 per cent., Credit; Penelope Porter, 75 per cent., Credit; Wendy Schwennesen, 72 per cent., Pass.

Grade VI: Laurel Reimers, 80 per cent., Credit.

Examination Results

NOVEMBER, 1945.

| SENIOR | English French Mod. History Anc. History Geography Maths. I Physics Art of Speech Int Maths. Jr. Chemistry |
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| Louise Armstrong | C C C C C P |
| Daphne Salisbury | A C B C C P P |
| June Symes | C C B B |
| JUNIOR | English French Latin History Geography Algebra Arithmetic Geometry Chemistry Physics Physiology Art of Speech Music Bookkeeping |
| Marian Becker | B C C C A C B B B |
| J. Beckinsale | B C A C C C C |
| Patricia Griffin | A C B A A A |
| C. Harris | C C B B B C B |
| J. Hinton | B C B A C C C |
| D. Huntress | B C B C C C C |
| E. H. Jones | A C B B A A A B |
| E. King | C C C A C C |
| C. J. Mackay | B C C C C A |
| H. I. Naylor | B C A A B A A C C |
| M. Quinlivan | B B C C C C |
| J. B. Wehl | B B B C C |
| J. O. Young | C C B C B C C |
| M. H. Zupp | B C C C B A B B |

SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION, DECEMBER, 1945.

ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

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| Margaret Henning | 98 | 95 | 59 | 69 | 64.2% |
| Muriel Johnson | 87 | 101 | 64 | 56 | 61.6% |
| Marigold Reardon | 84 | 112 | 71 | 75 | 68.4% |
| Neredah Rogerson | 99 | 116 | 79 | 80 | 74.8% |
| Jennifer Smith | 75 | 80 | 55 | 50 | 52.0% |
| Betty Tweedie | 75 | 96 | 58 | 43 | 54.4% |



BARNES HOUSE NOTES

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| House Motto | “Dieu et Devoir” |
| House Colours | Navy and Brown |
| House Mistresses | Miss Gavin, Miss Gladwell, Miss Thomasson |
| House Captain | Joan Hinton |
| House Pro-Prefects | Joan Hinton, Joan Beckinsale |
| Tennis Captain | Ruth Monaghan |
| Athletics Captain | Joan Hinton |
| Ball Games Captain | Joan Hinton |
| Secretary | Joan Beckinsale |

Many of our old Houseites did not return this year, but we still have Miss Gavin and Miss Gladwell, and at the beginning of the year we were very glad to extend a welcome to a new House Mistress, Miss Thomasson, and also to a number of new girls. Although so many of us were newcomers we have become a happy, conscientious, and enthusiastic body.

During the first term two of our Sixth Form members, Joan Hinton and Joan Beckinsale, were made pro-prefects. The former was appointed House Captain and the latter was elected House Secretary. To these, we offer our congratulations, and also to our Public Examination candidates who were successful in 1945.

We were fortunate in having with us again this year our Junior Swimming Champion of last year, Ruth Monaghan, who again won the School title. Owing to the combined efforts of our swimming team, we also carried off once more the coveted Inter-House Swimming Cup. Unfortunately, however, we lost our prize of last year, the Athletics Cup, as we were narrowly beaten by Slade. Congratulations, Slade!

Barnes was well represented in our Inter-School teams, with two of our members in the B Tennis Team, and two in the A Netball Team.

Although 1946 has not been as lucky for us as some previous years were, we have the Swimming Cup, and are looking forward, not unhopefully, to the Inter-House Tennis matches, and the Physical Culture Competition. However, we have had a successful year as far as good comradeship and happiness are concerned, and in the future years we anticipate a continuation of this healthy, and, we hope, helpful, fellowship.

So we come to the end of another year, and, for some of us, the end of schooldays. It is with regret that we farewell those who leave us for a wider world, and we wish them God-speed, and every happiness.

CROTHERS HOUSE NOTES

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| House Motto | “Altiora in Votis” |
| Colours | Purple and Gold |
| House Mistresses . . | Miss McKenzie, Miss Nainby and Miss Taylor |
| House Captain | Joan Wall |
| Tennis Captain | Helen Naylor |
| Netball Captain | Helen Naylor |
| Swimming Captain | Patsy Schwennesen |
| Athletics Captain | Helen Naylor |
| Secretary | Betty Jones |

Jottings from House Minutes

1946

FEBRUARY 20th: Welcomed Miss Taylor and all new girls into the House. Congratulated Betty Jones, Helen Naylor and Corrinne Harris on their Junior passes and also our Scholarships.

MARCH 8th: Congratulated Swimming team on their effort in the House Swimming and extended our congratulations to Barnes on their win.

JUNE 14th: Mrs. Crothers sent us her birthday cake, which the House again enjoyed.

JULY 22nd: Helen elected Athletics Captain and the team was asked to practise.

SEPTEMBER 20th: Slade House congratulated on winning the Athletics and Ball Games Cups. Juanita Banning congratulated on her good work in the Junior events, and our Walking Relay Team for winning the cake.

OCTOBER 11th: Corrine welcomed back into the House. The tennis team was chosen. Helen, Corrine and Betty Jones remained from last year's team, and Margaret Welsh was chosen to take Hazel Emerson's place.

At present we are all working hard for Public Examinations, the Inter-House Singing and Physical Culture and the Paddy's Market.

We express our thanks to our House Mistresses for their helpful co-operation during the year, and wish Public Examination candidates the best of luck.

The Inter-House Physical Culture Competition was held on Saturday, 9th November. Crothers won the Senior division, and two of our members, Corinne Harris and Juanita Banning, won the Senior and Junior individual displays, respectively. We offer them our congratulations and thanks on behalf of Crothers House, and congratulations also to Neal on winning the Junior division of the P.T.

NEAL HOUSE NOTES

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| House Motto | "Honour Before Honours" |
| House Colours | Royal Blue and Red |
| House Mistresses | Miss Griffin, Miss Bunton, Miss Telford, and Miss Turner |
| House Captain | Marion Rose |
| House Prefects and Pro-Prefects | Marion Rose, Beth Harding, Pat Griffin, Marian Becker, Jean Wehl |
| Swimming Captain | Beth Harding |
| Tennis Captain | Marian Becker |
| Athletics Captain | Naneye Dunn |
| Ball Games Captain | Beth Harding |
| Secretary | Marian Becker |

The first meeting of the year was held at the end of February, and we were glad to welcome Miss Turner into the House, and to welcome back those Mistresses who were with us last year. It gave us great pleasure to be able to congratulate Louise Armstrong—

House Captain 1945—on her Senior pass, and Pat Griffin, Jean Wehl, Marian Becker, Muriel Quinlivan, Carley Mackay and Elaine King, on having passed Junior, and Nerida Rogerson and Betty Tweedie on their State Scholarships.

Early in the year Marion Rose and Beth Harding were made full Prefects, and Pat and Marian were made Prefects on All Saints' Day; so we congratulate them on their appointment, and Jean on her Pro-Prefectship.

The first Inter-House competition of the year was the Swimming Carnival, at which we gained second place. Congratulations, Barnes House, on having won the Cup! We were fortunate in having both the Senior Champion, Beth Harding, and the Senior runner-up, Pat Griffin, to swim for us. During the swimming season, both Beth and Pat won their Bronze Medallions for Life-Saving, and some of the Juniors are doing Life-Saving exams next month.

In July the House marks for the first half-year were totalled, and perhaps no other House was more surprised than we when Sister Kathleen announced that we had tied with Crothers for the first place in the General Excellence Cup contest. Most of the girls have been doing their best to live up to our motto, "Honour before Honours," so we hope to come well up in points at the end of the year.

Athletics practice occupied most of our spare time during the third term, and despite the capable leadership of Beth and Nancye, and the particularly fine effort on the part of our Juniors, we finished only third on the all-important day. Nancye, however, was School Champion, so our congratulation go to her, also to Slade—Cock House in the Athletics.

At present the girls are spending their mornings practising Physical Culture, and the competition for the Coulsen Cup, which we won in 1945, is to take place in three weeks' time. Beth Harding was Senior P.T. Champion last year, for the second year in succession. Well done, Beth!

The Tennis Championships are still being played, and the Inter-House Singing Contest, in which we hope to present a creditable performance, is yet to be held.

During the year we have been trying to raise funds for the new Assembly Hall Appeal, and, together with the other Houses, we have been collecting articles for the Needlework Stall, of which the School has charge at the Paddy's Market. We are grateful to all the girls and their friends who donated articles for the Neal House display.

1946 is rapidly approaching its close, and examinations are inevitably drawing nearer, so we wish all exam. candidates the very best of luck, and hope that we will be able to congratulate them in the 1947 edition of the "Saga"; and to those girls who are leav-

ing school at the end of the year we wish every success and good fortune in their future lives.

SLADE HOUSE NOTES

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| House Motto | “Through Trials to Triumph” |
| House Colours | Red and Light Blue |
| House Mistresses | Miss Wilson, Miss Roman |
| House Captain | Jeanette Lindley |
| Swimming Captain | Diana Budge |
| Tennis Captain | Nancy Bell |
| Athletics Captain | Doreen Foott |
| Ball Games Captain | Wyn Boatfield |
| Secretary | Jessie McDonald |

We are very sorry to say that we lost Miss Edwards at the end of last year, and Miss Wilson alone remained, but Miss Roman and Mrs. Young were appointed as members of Slade House. Unfortunately, Mrs. Young left at Mid-winter.

We wish to congratulate our last year's House Captain on her Senior pass, and we are sad at having lost her, but Jeanette Lindley has taken her place. Jeanette is the only Sixth Former amongst us this year and our only Pro-Prefect.

Barnes House is to be congratulated on their victory in the Inter-House swimming. We succeeded in gaining merely a humble third place, but we are optimistic and hope to have better luck next year. We should not be grumpy about this, because for the first time, in what seems like centuries, we have won the Inter-House Athletics. I am sure we will be excused if we appear proud, it was a great achievement for us.

We wish to congratulate Hazel Wickham, a member of our House, on gaining the Junior Championship for the second year in succession. We also congratulate Nancye Dunn, of Neal House, on winning the Senior Championship.

Wishing to reward us for our effort at Athletics, the day after the sports, Miss Wilson and Miss Roman called a House Meeting and treated us to a large tray of delicious cakes. You may be sure that we thanked them heartily and sincerely.

We are now in the throes of Inter-House tennis matches and are practising for Inter-House Physical Culture and Singing Competitions.

It was hard to choose a House motto because there were so many suitable ones, so we wrote them all down and stuck a pin into one of them. Our choice was "Through Trials to Triumph."

To all those who are doing Senior, Junior and Scholarship, we wish the best of luck, and hope that they gain some points for the House to start off next year.

CHAPEL NOTES

Our first Chapel Service for the year was held on the 1st February, the Reverend J. A. G. Housden celebrating.

On St. Matthias' Day, Marion Rose, Joan Wall and Beth Harding were admitted as full Prefects.

In March, the Dean of Brisbane (Dean Barrett) visited the School and spent a few days here.

Early in May, Miss Chadwick, of the Student Christian Movement, addressed the School at Evensong.

On the 2nd June, Archbishop Halse confirmed twenty of our girls at St. Mark's, and on the previous night the Rector baptised Linda Southey.

During the visit of the Dean early in June a Fellowship meeting was held after the Dean had addressed the School at Evensong.

On Whit Tuesday the newly confirmed received their first Communion. The Reverend J. A. G. Housden, assisted by Brother Black, celebrated.

We held the last Communion of the term on St. Matthew's Day, after which we gave a presentation to our Rector, thanking him for his help and interest he showed during his Chaplainship here.

On All Saints' Day Helen Naylor, Marion Becker and Patricia Griffin were admitted as full Prefects.

At the beginning of the year we were very sorry to say goodbye to Canon Edwards who has always shown such an interest in all School affairs. We also wish to thank the Reverend J. A. G. Housden, who was our School Chaplain until September, as well as Brother Roberts, the Reverend Tunstall, and Brother Hunter, who have taken weekly Services.



THE LIBRARY NOTES

The library this year has been under the supervision of VIB, and a large number of books have been read, and, we hope, enjoyed, from week to week by the girls. We are fortunate in having a splendid variety of well-bound, instructive books of all types and by most of the more eminent authors, both of the past and present. Some of the more energetic of our members mend the dilapidated volumes. New books are donated each year by those of our girls who are leaving and wish to donate a present to the School in token of their respect for the School and all it means to us.

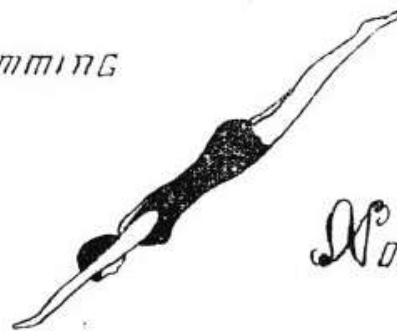
The books that have been donated by Past Pupils and friends of the School this year are: "Pastoral" by Neville Shute, "The Splendid Fairing" by Constance Holme, "The Scarlet Letter" by Nathaniel Hawthorne, "Departure Delayed" by Jan van Apeldoorn, "The Little Company" by Eleanor Dark, "The Two Mrs. Abbots" by Stevenson, "The Lonely Plough" by Constance Holme, "Lassiter's Last Ride" by Ion Idriess, "Five Go to Smuggler's Top" by Enid Blyton, "The State Torch" by J. G. Sarason, "The

Woman's Land Army" by West-Sackville, "My Friend Flicka" by Mary O'Hara, "Growing Up," by Angela Thirkell, and "My Love Must Wait" by Ernestine Hill.

In addition, Mrs. Rowland presented a collection of the "Historian's History of the World" complete with handsome bookcase.



SWIMMING



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SWIMMING NOTES

In 1945, for the first time, we went to the baths during the fourth term and life-saving classes were held. Owing to illness in the district, however, the exams. could not be conducted, so those of last year's life-savers who returned to School after the Christmas vacation were joined by other swimmers, and a life-saving squad was presented for examination in February, all candidates passing very well in their tests.

The following certificates were awarded:—

Bronze Medallions: Beth Harding, Pat Griffin, Pat Schwennesen, Ruth Monaghan.

Intermediate Certificates: Beth Harding, Pat Griffin, Pat Schwennesen, Ruth Monaghan.

Elementary Certificates: Pat Griffin, Pat Schwennesen, Ruth Monaghan, Diana Budge, Nancy Monaghan, Eileen Poulsen, Ruth Morgan.

Resuscitation Certificates: Pat Griffin, Pat Schwennesen, Ruth Monaghan, Diana Budge, Nancy Monaghan, Eileen Poulsen, Ruth Morgan.

We heartily congratulate these girls on their proficiency, and also Miss Bunton, who qualified for a certificate in instruction, in this most important and necessary branch of swimming.

This year again illness prevailed and prevented the holding of the Annual Inter-Schools' Carnival which was postponed indefinitely. Beth Harding was appointed swimming Captain for the year, and, although our team had not been chosen before the baths were closed, the girls had been training well.

On February 25th we held our second Annual Inter-House Swimming Carnival. The weather was ideal and the competition keen, the placegetters in most events being separated by only a touch, so we spent a most enjoyable afternoon at the baths. Barnes House again came first, thus winning the Inter-House Swimming Cup for the second year in succession. Neal House was second, Slade third, and Crothers fourth. Beth Harding won the Senior Championship with 57 points, and Pat Griffin was runner-up with 43 points. The Junior Champion was Ruth Monaghan, who gained $73\frac{1}{2}$ points, and was very closely followed by her sister, Nancy, with $72\frac{1}{2}$ points. In addition to the usual freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke and diving events, we had a novelty race, a wading race, and some life-saving competitions which were keenly contested. Nancy broke the 33 yards open freestyle record by 2.5 second, and equalled the record for the 33 yards freestyle (under 15 years) event.

At the end of 1945 full colours for swimming were awarded to Jill Harding (Captain 1945), Beth Harding, Pam Poulsen and Ruth Monaghan, and Junior full colours to Nancy Monaghan. This year full colours for life-saving were awarded to Beth Harding, and half-colours to Pat Schwennesen and Ruth Monaghan.

Best swimmers of the year:—

Freestyle: Beth Harding (Senior), Nancy Monaghan (Junior).

Breaststroke: Pat Griffin.

Backstroke: Beth Harding (Senior), Ruth and Nancy Monaghan (Junior).

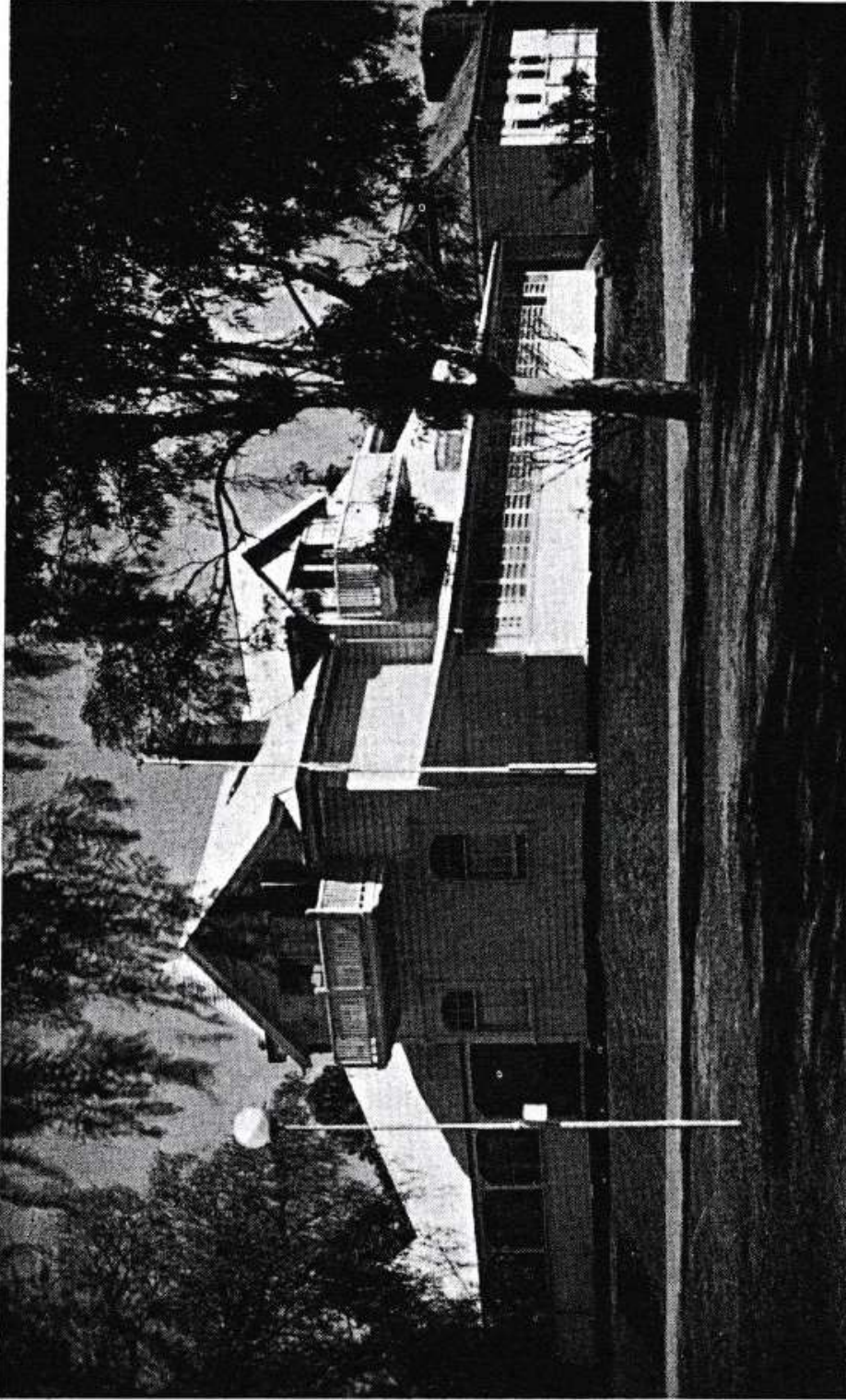
Diving: Ruth Monaghan, Beth Harding, Diana Budge.

Life-Saving: Beth Harding.

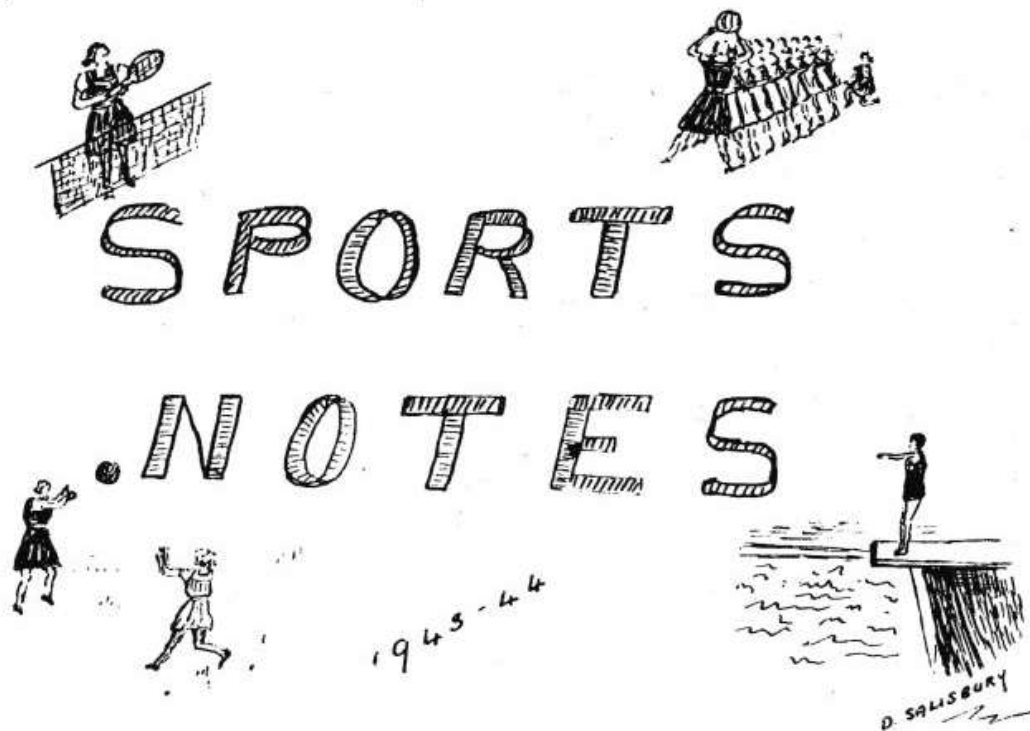
Most Promising Beginner: Wendy Schwennesen.

A cup, presented by Miss Bunton, to the best all-round swimmer of the year, was awarded to Beth Harding.

We wish to thank Miss Bunton for her excellent coaching in Swimming and Life-Saving during the season.



WHITE HOUSE.



SPORTS NOTES

We regret having to admit to defeat in all fields of sport this year. But that is how it is.

Unfortunately, we said good-bye to our entire netball and tennis teams last year, with the exception of Helen Naylor, whom we were very pleased to welcome back. We might also make the excuse that owing to alterations in the grounds we were without a netball court for one term, but now we proudly display two, and so hope to do much better next year, and offer more resistance to both W.H.S. and P.G.C.

Venesia Nicholls, Hazel Emerson, and Diana Budge were elected to the A tennis team, while Ruth Monaghan, Nancy Bell, Doreen Foot, and Betty Johnson made up the B team. During the year we lost Venesia, Hazel and Diana, so Helen once again stands alone as our only experienced representative.

Nancye Dunn and Hazel Wickham are to be congratulated on their performance at the All Schools' Sports, also the ball games teams, which secured our only victory for the day.

We would like to thank the staff for their kind assistance, and hope that they enjoyed, as much as we did, the netball matches we played against them.

In closing, we offer our hearty congratulations to both P.G.C. and W.H.S. on their victories.



GUIDE NOTES

II Warwick Company

Visiting Captain Miss Tilley
 Lieutenant Joan Wall

Patrol Leaders

Fuchsia Muriel Quinlivan
 Magpie Betty Johnson
 Robin Jill Griffin
 Waratah Diana Budge
 Company Leader Rosemarie Akers
 Secretary of Court of Honour Muriel Quinlivan

III Warwick Company

Captain F. N. Bunton
 Lieutenant Marion Rose

Patrol Leaders

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| Blue Bird | Jocelyn Cunningham |
| Gum Blossom | Cecily Davies |
| Thistle | Sally Sherry |
| Wattle | D'Ell Keable |
| Secretary of Court of Honour | Marion Rose |

Diary of Guide Events for Year Ending October, 1946

20th October, 1945: Held our Annual Inter-Patrol Rally at the Peninsula. Congratulations to the "Waratah" Patrol (II Warwick) on winning the Inter-Patrol Cup.

2nd November, 1945: Together with the Town Guides our Companies took part in the Inter-Company Rally which each year is held at the Guide Hut in Queen's Park. The II Warwick won the Commissioner's Shield for the fourth year in succession, while the III Warwick Company came second.

24th November, 1945: At Queen's Park a Camp Fire was attended by all Guides, Scouts, Brownies and Cubs in Warwick, primarily as a means of saying farewell, in true Guide and Scout fashion, to Miss Matthews (II Warwick Captain, 1942-45), and also as a breaking-up function for 1945. At the end of the Camp Fire Captain Matthews was presented with an autograph book which had previously been signed by all people connected with Scouting and Guiding in Warwick.

27th November, 1945: We held our final Guide Meetings of the year. We were very sorry to say good-bye to Captain Matthews, and both Daphne and Louise, our Lieutenants, who left School to attend the University. Both Companies presented Miss Matthews with a book during the Company Pow-Wow. The III Warwick Company is very thankful for the gift of a flag pole from Miss Matthews. Owing to manufacturing difficulties the pole has not arrived yet.

4th February, 1946: First meeting of 1946. Marion Rose and Joan Wall were appointed Acting Lieutenants, and Miss Roman, a new member of the staff, became Acting Captain of the II Warwick Company. We prepared an exhibit for the local show.

4th March, 1946: Celebrated "Thinking Day" and were pleased to have as visitors Mrs. Housden, Miss Topping, Mrs. Stephens and her friend, Mrs. White.

17th March, 1946: First Church Parade of the year.

30th March, 1946: Held a concert in the Assembly Hall and were pleased to hand Sister Margaret £12/5/- as a donation to the new Assembly Hall Fund.

6th May, 1946: P. Keegan, J. Kamholtz, S. McDonald, E. Hempel, D. Porter (III Coy.), M. Wormwell, V. Johnstone, M. and J. Henning, M. Jackson, L. Reimers, R. Morgan, W. Donovan (II Coy.) enrolled as Guides.

18th May, 1946: Spent afternoon at the Washpool—cooked tea in Patrols and held Camp Fire later. We were glad to have Mrs. Carstens with us.

19th May, 1946: Marched in Scout Week Procession and later attended a Scouts' Own in the Town Hall.

25th May, 1946: Took part in Scout Week Sports and II Coy. won the Guide Shield. The III Warwick Guides were notified that they had been awarded the Mary Tregear Cup for the year ending June, 1946. This cup is awarded each year for general efficiency, and, as the contest is State-wide, we are especially pleased and proud to have won it. Marion and Joan received their Lieutenants' warrants.

27th May, 1946: Church Parade to end Scout Week.

9th June, 1946: Victory Thanksgiving Day Church Parade. B. Smith enrolled as a III Warwick Guide.

29th July, 1946: L. Southey, P. Bingham, B. Johnston, J. Biggs, N. Smerden (III Coy.), enrolled. We were pleased to have Sister Kathleen and Mrs Stephens present at our ceremony.

12th August, 1946: Rosemarie Akers appointed Company Leader of II Warwick Company; Jill Griffin promoted to Patrol Leader and Hazel Wickham and Oriel Ruhle appointed as Patrol Seconds of the II Warwick Company.

13th August, 1946: Church Parade.

24th August, 1946: S. Boyd, of III Warwick Guide Company, was enrolled as a Guide.

24th August, 1946: Combined Companies' Garden Party in the School grounds in aid of our Guide Fund and Assembly Hall Fund.

It was attended by many Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Brownies and their friends, and we spent a most enjoyable time, and made £17/3/8½, of which we gave £6/2/- to Sister Margaret towards the new Assembly Hall Fund. We are very grateful to all who helped to make the afternoon so successful.

18th September, 1946: First Aid Examination held; Jill Griffin, Sally Sherry, D'Ell Keable, Shirley Boyd, Margaret Sargent and Joan McDonald were successful, the first four Guides also qualifying for St. John's Ambulance Certificates. Jessie McDonald also obtained her St. John's. We are very thankful to Mr. Lefrancke and Sister Edith, who taught the Guides, and to Dr. Best, who conducted the examination.

5th October, 1946: Representatives from our Companies attended an Inter-Company Rally at Toowoomba. Teams from Roma, Dalby, Jandowae, Goondiwindi, Laidley, Toowoomba, and Warwick competed, and the State President and State Commissioner were present and took the salute at the March Past. II Warwick won second place in the Rally and received a tomahawk, while III Warwick came third.

7th October, 1946: V. Hughes (II Coy.) enrolled. Oriel Ruhle promoted to Patrol Leader of "Waratah Patrol."

19th October, 1946: Inter-Patrol Rally held at the Peninsula. "Wattle" Patrol (III Coy.) won the Inter-Patrol Cup for 1946, with "Fuchsia" (II Coy.) second, and "Thistle" (III Coy.) third. Bravo, Wattle Patrol!

20th October, 1946: Trafalgar Day, Church Parade.

21st October, 1946: D. Schwennesen (III), L. Johnson, P. Dent (II), enrolled.

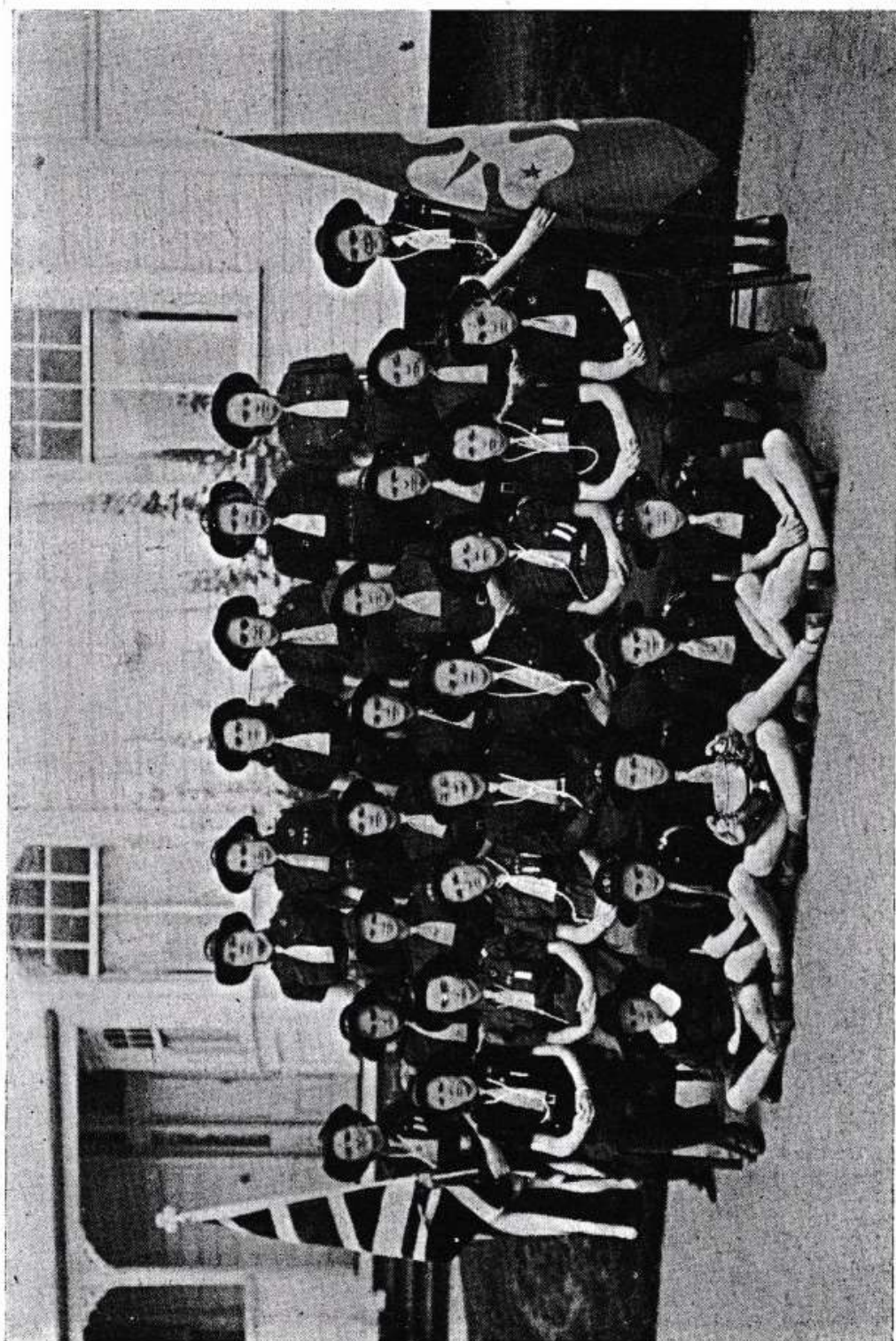
25th October, 1946: V. Donovan (III), enrolled. The Inter-Company Rally was held at the Guide Hut and this year after a very keen contest we lost the shield to the 1st Warwick Guides. Our heartiest congratulations go to them. II Warwick Company was second and III Warwick gained third place.

Throughout the year Guiding has maintained its usual high standard and Courts of Honour have been held regularly. The rest of the term is full of Guiding events, and we are eagerly awaiting the Camp Fire at the end of November, and looking forward to good Guiding in 1947.

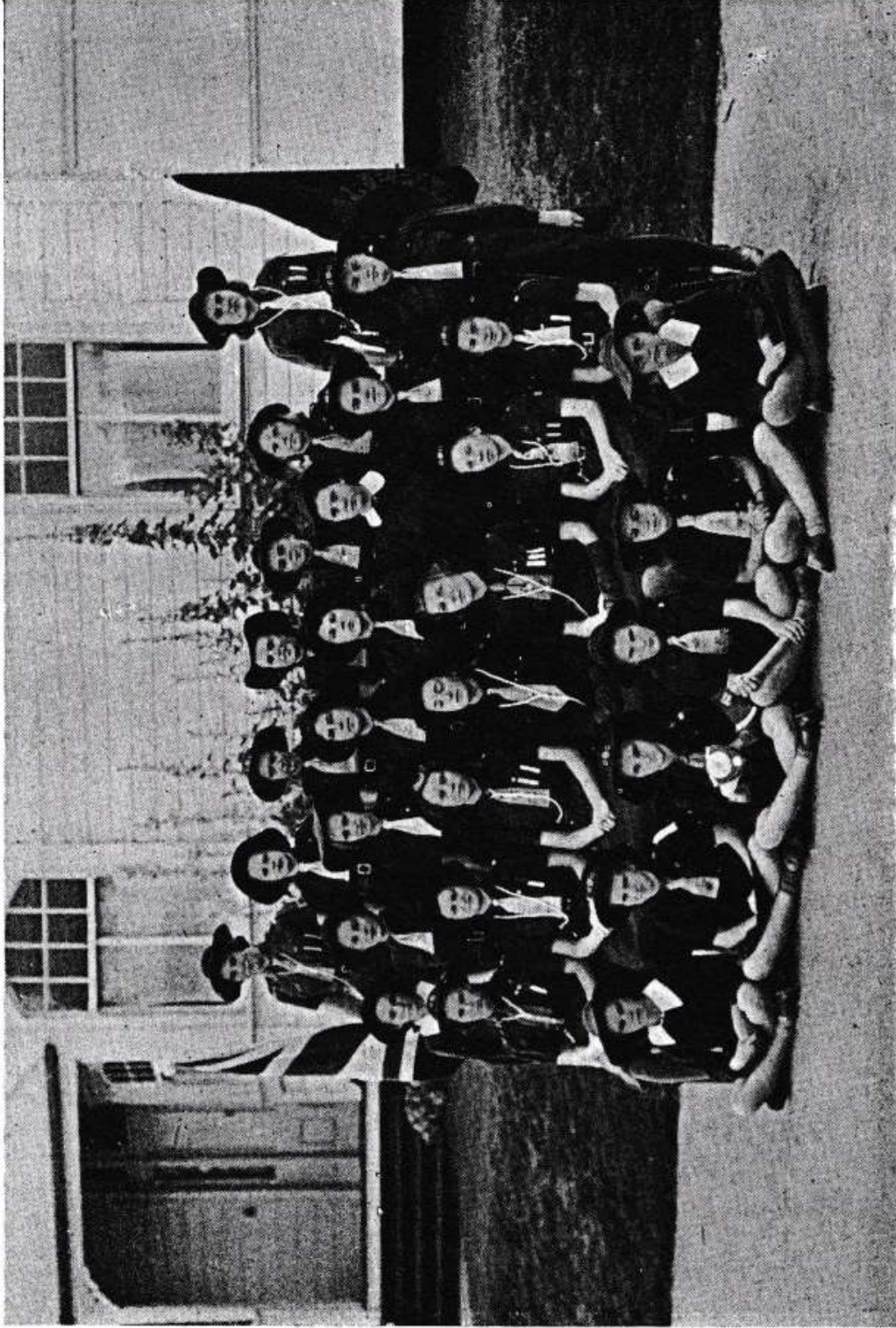
In concluding our notes for the magazine, we should like to thank Miss Tilley who has taken some of the II Warwick Meetings, and Beth Harding who has taken care of our books during the year; our thanks go also to the domestic staff at Mytton House, who have made our hikes possible, and to all others who have helped us in any way.



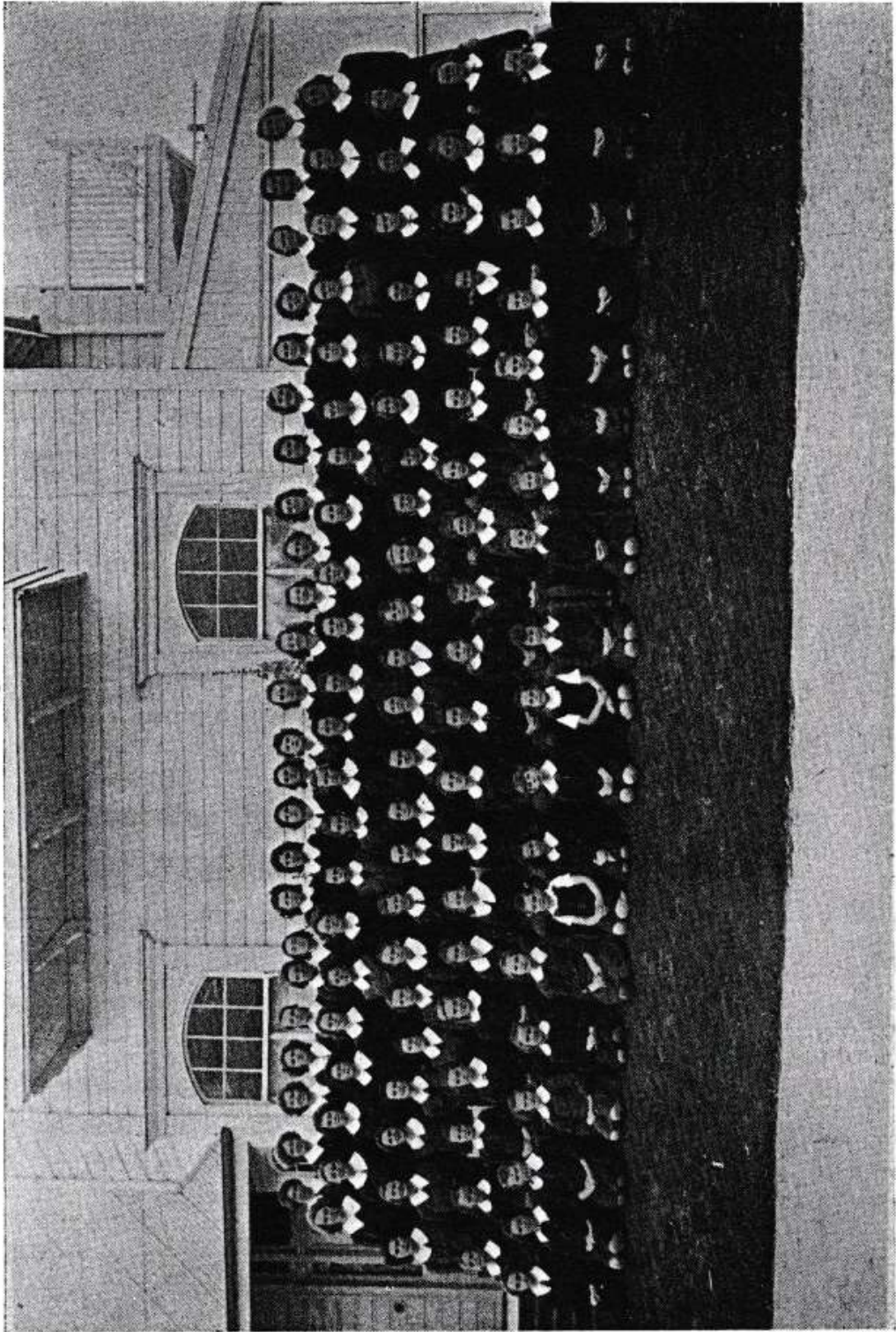
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SIXTH FORM NOTES

There are three Seniors this year and ten Sub-Seniors. Beth, who was here until Michaelmas in VIA, did commercial work and Senior subjects as well. She is now staying at home before taking a position in town. The VIB form was pleased to welcome Corinne back after Michaelmas. She has been at Brisbane Girls' Grammar School, but the "Old School Tie" seems to have proved too much for her, and she now helps the members of the old V form make up a splendid VIB form.

We find ourselves taking an active part in the sports of the year. Helen was Captain of the netball and tennis, with Joan, Jean and Muriel also netball stars. Beth was Senior Champion at swimming and Pat Senior runner-up. Beth, Helen, Joan, Marian and Muriel were in the School ball games teams.

On a smaller scale, we took a lively part in the Inter-Form sports held on Ascension Day at White House. The entry at least was glorious, and although we did not quite manage to win (coming last), we were heartily cheered by the other forms. We wore rainbow-coloured ribbons (the monochrome ones being insufficient in numbers) and an all-embracing war-cry made up an excellent team, and we put our defeat down to old age which creeps on daily.

We were all very sorry to say good-bye to Mrs. Young, our Form Mistress, who left at Midwinter, as she had proved most interested and helpful in our indoor and outdoor activities.

The Sub-Seniors wish to take the opportunity of wishing the Seniors all the best in the exams. If we do not wholly sympathise now, we feel a strong conviction that by this time next year we will be doing so most acutely.

No one of us is brilliant, but we have done the next best thing to being brilliant, by striving to, and, we believe, by succeeding in, fulfilling the requirements of our motto—"libus et ludus."

FORM V NOTES

Form Mistress Miss Griffin

This year Vth Form has travelled around the School. The Assembly Hall, where we now reside, with IVth Form at the other end, is our third form room this year. We are now equipped with a fine new board and floor.

Only three new girls entered our form at the beginning of

this year, and we are sorry to have lost one of them—Elaine Somerlad, just recently.

On Ascension Day we had Inter-Form sports. Until the last event we were a tie with IVth Form; but finally, after a hard fight, we triumphed. The prize was a large cake, which we consumed heartily.

Sixteen of us have been nominated for Junior and we are all studying hard.

We have given an entertainment in aid of the new Assembly Hall Fund, which we hope all enjoyed.

Noted members of our form are Nancye Dunn, Senior Athletics Champion, and Ruth Monaghan, Junior Swimming Champion.

We wish all candidates the best of luck for the coming public examination.

FORM IV NOTES

Pupils: At the beginning of the year we had twenty-three members, and amongst them was but a sprinkling of new girls. Unfortunately, we lost a number through the year, which reduced our total to seventeen. Miss Nainby is again the Form Mistress, and Margaret Henning was elected Form Captain.

Sport: The main sports played throughout the year have been netball, tennis, athletics and swimming. In all of these we were well represented. Two of our members were in the Inter-School A Netball team, and four in the B. Also, in Tennis, we had three in the A team and two in the B. In Athletics, three of the Senior runners were from our form, and there were several of us in the ball games teams. On Ascension Day, Inter-Form sports were held, as our dance with Slade had to be cancelled. Sixth Form turned out in rainbow-coloured ribbons, while our distinguishing colour was blue. Fifth Form came first in the contest, narrowly defeating our team, followed by Sixth and Seventh Grades, with Sixth Form last.

Entertainment: During the first term each form entertained the rest of the School for one evening, so Sixth and Seventh Grades combined with us in presenting a concert. It was very successful, and we thank Miss Roman and Miss Taylor for the bouquets which they presented to the performers. Later in the year we held another entertainment, also very successful; the programme was interesting and varied, and we thank Miss Nainby for her help.

Classes: This year there has been a great deal of changing about of class rooms. While the Assembly Hall was being moved we had classes in the Kindergarten, but moved back to our old home when the work was finished. Then, at mid-winter, the Sixth Form joined us for the ordeal of the half-yearly examinations. It was with great joy that we hailed the advent of two large new blackboards; they mean extra work for the duster, but they are a delight to the eye—and to our Mistresses!

After working for Scholarship, this has been a very pleasant year for us, with a wider range of subjects than before, many delightful excursions into—for us—hitherto unexplored realms of literature, and, in the commercial field, fascinating peramulations through tortuous mazes of figures! However, we emerge feeling refreshed and ready for the next year's effort, with Junior looming largely at the end—and we all hope to return to the fray in the New Year, feeling that "life is real, life is earnest." Our best wishes go to the Examination candidates, who, we notice, are beginning to look a little worn and harassed! So, Good Luck, Juniors and Seniors, and a Merry Christmas everyone!

COMMERCIAL NOTES

Well, readers, as our numbers have increased considerably this year, and we have (excuse the egotism), proved most helpful as regards the typing of notices, reports, etc., etc., we feel that we are now worthy of some notice, so take this opportunity of showing you how we have progressed.

At the end of the year we were very sorry to say farewell to Miss Edwards, but were very pleased to welcome Miss Taylor in her place. As Miss Taylor's arrival was delayed for a short time, Mr. Watts and Sister Kathleen helped us out of the difficulty, and for their kindness in giving us some of their time we are very grateful. We were also sorry to say good-bye to Venesia Nicholls, Hazel Emerson, Bette Cross, Grace Whittaker, and Elaine Sommerlad, and we wish them the very best of luck in their future undertakings. We welcomed many newcomers, hence our number suffered little depletion.

These notes will be very brief, as we are studying for examinations, of which you will read the results in next year's magazine. Besides, Miss Taylor is casting suspicious glances this way, and I fear she realises that this is no commercial document, and I am typing without the shield—so, good-bye, and Good Luck, Juniors.



KINDERGARTEN NOTES, 1946

On the night of the annual Kindergarten Christmas Tree, 1945, a short concert programme was given by the small children. Recitations by individual children and choruses by the classes were enjoyed by the children's parents and friends of the School. At the conclusion of the short items, Santa Claus appeared in person to the delight of the little ones, and presented each child with a gift from the beautifully decorated Christmas Tree, also small gifts for their parents made by the children. We thank all who helped to make the function a success.

During the second term of this year, the Kindergarten building was moved from its original position to the corner of the School allotment. While the work was being completed the children enjoyed having school in the boarders' sitting room at Mytton House.

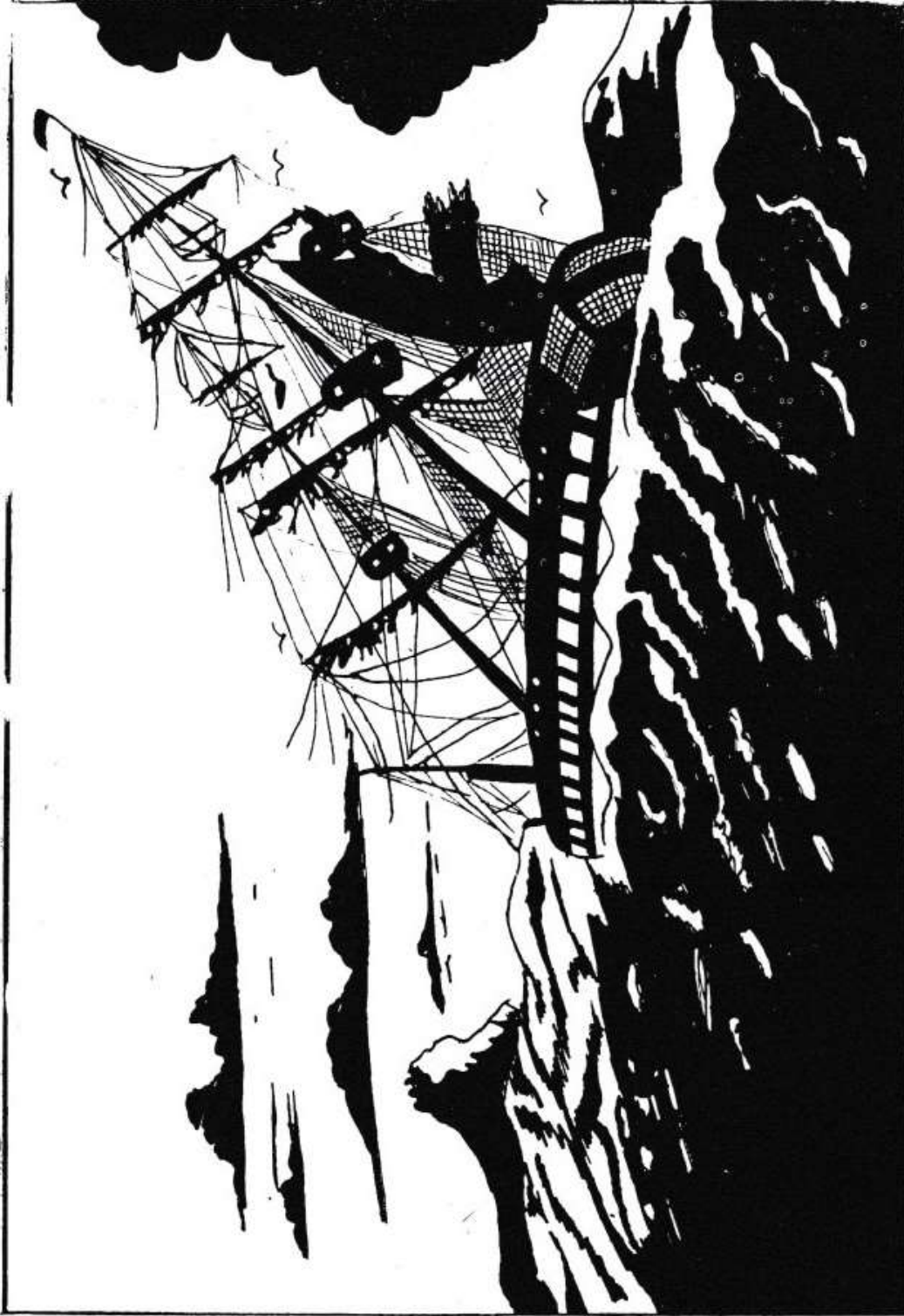
On Ascension Day, after a morning of games and races, the little ones had an enjoyable feast at Mytton House. They were delighted, and very grateful to Sister Margaret for the little party.

In the half-yearly examination this year Janice Raymond came first in Grade I. Marlene Bodineade was first in Prep. III. and Pamela Reid gained first place in Prep. I.

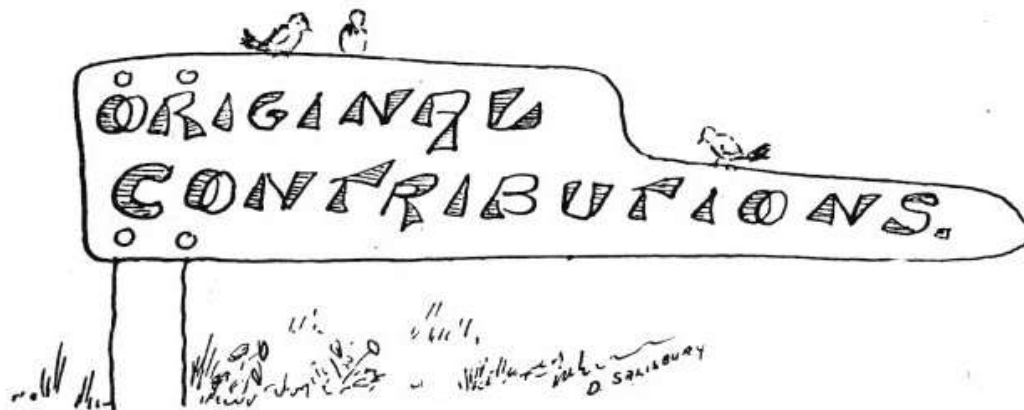
The Preparatory grades were promoted after the mid-winter vacation.

On 24th September the Kindergarten children contributed an item to the concert given at the Garden Party. Their singing of several choruses delighted the audience.

We are thankful to the day-children for providing flowers for the school room.



JOAN BUCKMASTER (VI.B) "THE WRECK OF THE DELHI" (CHILDREN'S ENTRIES)



THE GARDEN PARTY

On the day before we went home for Michaelmas, the Garden Party, that long-anticipated function, was held in the School grounds in aid of our new Assembly Hall Fund. Posters, with details of the afternoon's attractions, were sent round Warwick, so there was a splendid attendance. Many of the townsfolk were there, also P.G.C., Slade and Scots.

The afternoon was opened by the singing of the National Anthem by the School choir, followed by "Where E'er Ye Walk" and "Slave Song," sung by the Senior choir. The Kindergarten children sang A. A. Milne's "Vespers," and the Junior choir, "God's Garden."

One of the most attractive items of the afternoon was a eurythmics display by eight of our Senior girls—Beth Harding, Joan Wall, Joan Hinton, Jean Wehl, Marian Becker, Cecily Davies, Minna Dawes, and Jocelyn Cunningham. The Senior and Junior Physical Culture squads also gave displays on the drive.

The Fourth Form verse-speaking choir presented "The Famine," from "Hiawatha," and "The Singing Leaves" by J. R. Lowell.

Members of the staff and some of the Senior girls worked on the competitions, and the soft-drink and sweets stalls. The girls also served afternoon tea on the terrace to the visitors.

A puppet show, in which Jessie McDonald and Nancy Wilmot were the star performers, was held in the Assembly Hall. It proved most popular and was enthusiastically applauded.

Games carried on during the afternoon included bobs, skittles, table tennis and miniature golf. Guessing competitions, for which prizes were awarded, were held.

We feel that the afternoon was wholly successful, and we hope it was enjoyed by all who came. We wish to thank Miss Griffin and Miss Gavin for coaching the Physical Culture squads, Miss Taylor and Miss Thomasson the Eurythmics, and Miss Thomasson for her accompaniments. Miss Nainby organised the puppet show,

and her offsidiers spent a busy afternoon counting golf scores (which were startlingly high!), while Miss Gavin manfully umpired wild table tennis matches. Mr. Leadbitter and Miss Thomasson also spent hours training the choirs.

Last, but by no means least, we wish to extend our heartiest thanks to those who worked, unnoticed and unthought of, in the background, and also to our many friends who helped our School to further its Building Fund.

—TWO MEMBERS OF VIB.

SOME OBSERVATIONS ON THE PADDY'S MARKET

Our Paddy's Market took place on Thursday afternoon, October 31st, in the Town Hall. The function had been widely advertised, and I believe that when it became known that Kings Theatre was advertising it, people flocked from far and near, not to see the pictures, but to wait in suppressed excitement for the great advertisement to appear on the screen.

As a result, an immense crowd had gathered outside the Hall prior to opening time, and when that long-anticipated moment arrived, people surged in by the hundred.

The School itself had been responsible for producing novelties for the gift stall, although many parents and friends assisted us very extensively in this direction. For weeks before the market took place, girls sewed industriously all over the place, which soon became a forest of needles, pins and cotton. One girl, on being given an hour's detention (those dreaded things!) and being told to spend the time sewing, was so pleased that she said, "Thank you ever so much," and immediately did a two hour detention!

When the St. Catharine's girls arrived in full force and full uniform, the Hall certainly became crowded; but the stalls, particularly the cake, soft-drink, and sweets stalls, became empty very quickly.

I notice that the poor ladies who served were enervatedly fanning themselves in the brief breathing spaces between customers, and by the end of the afternoon, most of them were prostrate!

During the afternoon, several competitions, such as guessing the lucky number, the number of peas in a bottle, etc., were carried on. The prizes were a supper cloth, an iced cake and baby's set; (with reference to the lastmentioned, Mrs. Hughes promised to knit a replica if the winner were the owner of twins!)

One of the most popular attractions of the day was afternoon tea, served in the supper room; some girls, it was noticed, became quite well-known round that region during the course of the proceedings.

The most hectic section of the show was the gift stall, which was so well patronised by St. Catharine's that very few other people had muscle enough to attempt a purchase there! Snatches of conversation overheard there were quite interesting: "How much is this? Oh, really; do you think it's worth that? Well, I should know; I made the thing." "Don't buy that tea-cosy, Joan; I made it, and I'll make you another one, and I'll only charge you half the price." Alas, for the restrictions of the juvenile pocket!

At the close of the day, all were wilted—the flowers, the assistants, and the toffee apples, still clutched in the hands of triumphant children, too pleased with their purchases to consume them yet.

Three hundred pounds were the total takings, and we offer heartiest thanks to all who gave of their wealth, goods, assistance, time and energy for the cause.

Miss E. L. McGowan was our very capable organiser, and she was ably assisted by the following people, whom we again thank most sincerely:—Staff officials: Produce, Mesdames McNickle (convener), E. H. Johnson, Baird, T. Webb and Ferguson; soft drinks, Mesdames Robertson, Christmas and B. Stockwell; work, convened by staff of St. Catharine's and assisted by Mesdames Reid, Hughes, Cooper, and the Misses Wheateroft; cakes, Mesdames W. Stephenson (convener), Olsen, R. Rowland, C. P. Lewis, Wright, and Misses Lomas (convener), and R. Rowland; afternoon tea, Mesdames Stabler, Dempster, T. Stay, Bray, Horsley, Tully, Redgwell, Brunckhorst, and Misses Millward and Tilley; flowers, Mesdames A. C. Gillam and E. Anderson; sweets, Mesdames Cantor (convener), Rowland, Baguley, Tunstall, Dodd, C. Smith, Douglas, Gavin, Zwoerner, and Miss Grieve; jumble and second-hand clothes stall, Mesdames McDonald (convener), Dawson, Dent, Luther and Warrener. Our thanks also go to Mr. McNickle for his general help, and to Mr. E. L. Diery, who acted as treasurer.

—JESSIE McDONALD (FORM V).

CITY VISITORS

The women who come from the city to stay with us out west amuse me immensely. They leave the city with intentions of having a good rest, and they usually do that thoroughly. Most of them are fond of riding horses. They come to stay, well equipped with riding clothes, which they wear all the time, thinking that they are being the typical, free and easy "bushies", while the rest of the female household wear dresses.

You must understand that all city people can ride, or at least think they can. It is very rarely that, on enquiring into a guest's

riding ability, one receives a negative reply. (Here I must apologise to those who admit that they cannot ride, and those who really can.) It is wise to ask, "How well?" although it is a rude question, and a common answer is that they spent a fortnight or so in the country when they were children, where they actually learned to canter, or something to this effect.

I am the one who usually takes our guests for rides. I ask if they would like a ride. "Oh, yes! That would be lovely." So off I go to bring in the horses. Some of the more energetic visitors may come down to the yards with their bridles to catch their horses, but usually they put in their appearance after I have called out that everything is ready. If, when they come out, they do not ask which side to mount, they usually go to the wrong one, but that is nothing. They mount with difficulty, often with help, and if the saddle has not rolled by the time they are half-way on, I give a mighty push and hope the horse stays still until its rider is perfectly settled. Thus we are ready to begin our ride.

On coming home, the rider, if not too sore, attempts to take off the saddle; I go to the rescue to take off the crupper, but if it is forgotten, exciting scenes are likely to occur. Fortunately, my horses take things very patiently when the saddle is being removed.

My own horses are usually the victims of our city visitors. I am afraid one of my horses is inclined to be extremely lazy. After making inquiries into our guest's ability to ride, it is usually decided that Topsy is the most suitable horse. Beside being lazy she is always extremely hungry, no matter how much she has just eaten. One guest, in despair, suggested that she might obtain some "horses' chewing gum" before she visited us again. Our visitors go very well for the first hundred yards, but then Topsy feels an acute pang of hunger, and down goes her head to a juicy piece of grass. Nothing but a hard kick will budge here, and I often supply this myself as I ride slowly past. If Topsy is in a bright mood, she steps sideways and the unfortunate person often finds her hat perched in a tree or lying on the ground, or, worse still, herself minus a few pieces of skin. A switch has very little effect, and is usually more trouble than it is worth. It is dropped, it breaks, or becomes tangled in Topsy's mane, and because of Topsy's peculiar proficiency in keeping at a safe distance from any tree where one might be obtained, it is not a very satisfactory method of accelerating locomotion.

One of my other horses is reasonably lively and a good walker. Of course, everyone likes a horse that will walk without having to be kicked all the time, but, unfortunately, after years of practice. Lone Star can sum up the equestrian abilities of her rider, and so adjust the standard of her behaviour. All goes well the first day. She walks perfectly, and rarely gets left behind; but after that—oh, dear! She settles down to a nice steady jog at the beginning

of the ride, and continues to go from a walk to a jog and back again for the rest of the visitor's stay.

Even since I have been at school, I have never experienced or understood the agonies of stiff and sore from a ride. Our poor visitors ruefully rub their chaffed and bruised legs, and complain of sore shoulders, and backaches, and dozens of other ailments, until about the second last ride, when they cheerfully declare that they feel perfectly comfortable and happy on horseback—and afterwards!

—PATSY SCHWENNESEN (FORM V).

“A MOONLIGHT NIGHT”

After Mum's footsteps had receded down the corridor, my brother and I jumped out of bed, and hastily stuffed pillows and cushions into our beds, to give them the appearance of being occupied, then with stealthy step we crept to the window and raised the sash.

A scene, which has been impressed on my memory ever since, now met my eyes. The old-fashioned garden stretched away before me, bathed in silvery moonlight, and holding those beckoning by-ways, which we longed to investigate. As we scrambled down the thick arms of the wistaria, our faces were showered with the fragrant mauve petals, that fell like dainty stars. The perfume of this arbour was wafted to us, even in the remotest corner of the garden.

We slipped along stone-paved paths interlaced with moss, and tall holly-hocks and larkspurs swayed along the borders of these paths. In the centre of the garden a crystal fountain played, occasionally splashing the white seats that lay in the rose covered arbours. Here we sat for a few minutes, listening to the tinkle of the water.

Then we entered an avenue of plane trees that showered the path with golden flecked leaves, and, as I looked up, I saw through the breaks of the foliage, stars, like golden fairies, peeping through. On we tripped, skipping over shadows and twigs, till we reached the small white gate which marked the boundary of the garden.

Once through the gate we bounded out on the springy turf of the moor, and racing with the wind in our eyes and the dew on our feet, we reached a huge rock and sat down to rest. In the heathery patches, we danced and laughed, sometimes scaring away a timid rabbit, who had come out to play.

The moor ended in a steep incline, and on gaining the top we raced hand in hand down the other side, to land with a slide on a mossy bank. After resting we chose a track through the forest, edged with stately pines whose eerie rustle caused us to start and

run. After going several yards we were startled by a particularly sad moan and so began to run for our lives.

On coming onto the moor again we ran lightly and quickly home.

—HAZEL WICKHAM (GRADE VII).

GEOMETRIC GYRATIONS

Despite a marked aversion on my part for any form of work or mental exertion, I would venture to be so bold as to say that I have a favourite subject—namely Geometry.

The angle I have on Geometry affords an extensive scope, within the radius of commonsense, for expansion. If it is required to prove that an angle falls in a certain position, what do you do? Why, just suppose that it does not, and construct one that does. With a little more construction, all should be perfectly clear, and, of course, the solution “just falls out”! If you are one of those people who like to expand and literally let themselves go, you should be in your element in a maze of equal circles, chords, and angles. Tangents and coneyclic quadrilaterals afford much entertainment and food for thought to the probing mind.

For the not-quite-so-ambitious student of Geometry, a comparatively elementary step is provided in the Theorem of Pythagoras. If the would-be Geometry student overcomes this obstacle, he may pass on, to be plunged immediately into the properties, and all things else, concerned in making the science of the study of the simple circle more complicated. If the student emerges from this conflict with a clear knowledge of all that he has waded through, he passes beyond my sphere to one of a higher, and—for me—impene-trable level. I am still labouring in a field of tangency, and pluck at random for my depending theorem when given a rider and told to solve it.

Perhaps, as I appear to be continually in a state of baffled frustration during Geometry periods, it seems to you somewhat of a wonder that I should choose it as my favourite subject. It does, indeed, seem contrary to the very principles of my own scholastic outlook, that I should indulge liberally in so difficult a subject, but such is my pleasure.

Once launched upon the stormy waters of a difficult problem, one is absorbed in a ceaseless strife against the elementary forces of commonsense. The battle is a hard one—the odds almost over-whelming—courage and endurance are taxed to their utmost—but, oh!—the undefiled joy—the triumph of the victor! To know that I have succeeded where others before me have failed, is my reward for the many headaches which the genial science of Geo-metry has afforded me.

—ROSEMAY AKERS (FORM V).

A CONVERSATION BETWEEN A SAUCEPAN AND A CABBAGE

One day when the cabbage was being violently boiled up in the saucepan, they began to talk to one another.

"Oh!" said the cabbage to the saucepan, "surely you could give me enough time to cook tenderly; no wonder little Mary gets into trouble for not eating me when you hurry the water round me so fast!"

"Yes, and no wonder Mrs. Brown takes hours on end to clean me, when you cling to my sides so much," retorted the saucepan angrily.

"I daresay you would feel like something to cling to if you were thrown into a geyser," replied the cabbage, "and it's much the same in here for me, when you're whirling me round with such incredible speed."

"Alright," said the saucepan dryly, "I suppose I could go a little more slowly—that is if you would try not to cling to my sides so much."

Now, all the time this conversation had been going on, the saucepan had been forgetting to boil the cabbage, and, as you may guess, they were in a horrid mess.

"Oh," said the saucepan, "I have forgotten to boil you at all." "So you have!" exclaimed the cabbage. "Do please hurry again."

After this the cabbage was late for dinner, so ever since they have decided that the cabbage would have to put up with its fast boiling, the saucepan with its sticky sides, Mrs. Brown with the washing up, and little Mary would have to eat the cabbage she didn't like!

VALMAI DONOVAN (GRADE V).

RETROSPECT

As our magazine is going to print for the second time in peaceful circumstances for many years, let us not allow the occasion to pass without thinking for a moment of the great mercy which has been bestowed upon us.

We naturally tend to forget the great burdens and unhappiness of war, but we must not forget the debt we owe to Him Who guided us to Victory and to those who paid the supreme sacrifice for their friends.

Every one of us can do his or her part. Even the least among us—we who learn at school, may mould our lives in the impress which will be of most use in the future, in order to gain true peace. Even now, among ourselves, we may do much to spread an atmosphere of brotherly love and equality—the atmosphere which is lacking all the world over.

Even now, more than a year since the declaration of Peace,

the necessary spirit of brotherhood is lacking. We may see this in world happenings and in the less important things which are happening around us day by day.

Let us not allow the lives that were given for us to be given in vain. As their sacrifices were glorious, let our gratitude be glorious also, and let us show our appreciation by striving for true happiness and love. It is through our individual efforts that this may be gained, and spread throughout the world.

Finally, let us hope that when next our magazine goes to print we may be surrounded by more security, that to-day's troubles may have given place to to-morrow's happiness. Remembering our mortal weakness, let us ask for security in the place of un-settlement, and love instead of hatred.

—PATRICIA GRIFFIN (FORM VIB).

BRACKET OF CLASSICAL POEMS OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

Black Saturday

Whirl, whirl, scurry, scurry,
Ports out, hurry, hurry,
Clothes here, clothes there,
Needles, cottons everywhere,
Mend this, mend that,
Ports shut, on sat—
Sat on—that's that.

Alexander and Roxana

Smart fellow; cute dame,
Same story over again;
Looks, sighs, sighs, looks,
All the mush you read in books.
Hero stuff,
Heroine fluff,
Heart ache—Puff, Puff.

The Modern Hat

Whisp of veiling, piece of straw,
Several flowers and no more.
Against sun, protection none,
Smart hat causes fun.
Stuffed bird, a feather or two,
Makes creation look quite new.
Our hat, loved best,
Brown, white and navy blessed.

Trigonometry

Sine, cos, cos, sine,
 What on earth's the log of nine?
 Right, wrong, wrong, right,
 I'll leave this one and do it to-night.
 Log, tan, sine, trig,
 Why was there ever a man called Brigg?
 Ring bell, bell ring,
 What relief! Sing, sing.

—JOAN BECKINSALE and JOAN HINTON (FORM VIB).

ODE TO THE SCHOOL CLOCK

Oh thou blank mechanical thing
 Whose heart is merely a metal spring,
 You sit so smugly on your stand
 Knowing well that your creeping hand
 Moves ever across your bland old face,
 With your ceaseless tick, tock, tick, tock,
 The old school clock.

At playtime, so quickly dost thou go,
 Your pendulum swinging to and fro,
 Hurry, hurry, don't waste your time,
 Tidy your books and run into line;
 And once again school time begins,
 With your ceaseless tick tock, tick tock,
 The old school clock.

Down through the years you tick along,
 Ever singing your timeless song,
 Never ending but to be wound,
 Do you ever grow tired of the monotonous sound,
 As you gaze at the room before you—?
 With your ceaseless tick tock, tick tock,
 The old school clock.

--AIRDREE NEIL (Vth FORM).

A DAY IN A SCHOOL-GIRL'S LIFE

Our day begins at ten-to-nine,
 For that's the time we stand in line,
 With shiny shoes, and nails so clean,
 We're fine enough to please the Queen.

And then we have Divinity,
 Which makes us good as you can see,
 And so the long hours creep around,
 With scratching pens the only sound.

But what are those sad sounds I hear,
 Like trombones wailing in the ear?
 They are the anguished cries of those
 Who delve in the mysteries of Latin prose.

We also have French with Mademoiselle,
 Who always wants me after the bell,
 For my tenses are confused again,
 And running riot in my brain.

When the bell rings at half-past three,
 'Tis then we're free till after tea,
 When, sad to say, 'tis when we find
 That once again we must sit and grind.

So I must end this tale of woe,
 But these words you'll hear, where e'er you go—
 "I haven't done my prep, because—!"
 I'll leave you to guess what that one was!

MURIEL QUINLIVAN (FORM VIB).

ON EVERYDAY THINGS

On Food

Custard is a food which for growing girls is good,
 And milk is absolutely unsurpassed;
 Porridge, as well as stew,
 Is very good for you,
 And both of them are made to really last.

On Getting Up

As for getting up at six, well, nothing really lies
 That feeling one should have at early morn,
 For there's work that must be done
 In rain or storm or sun,
 So all creep from peaceful slumber with a yawn.

On Silence

When the prefects creep around, there's not a single sound
 To be heard from girls who like to make a noise,
 So with very little said
 We all creep off to bed,
 And wander off to dreamland and its joys.

On Holidays

But the time will come at last, when the weary year has passed,
 And girls will toddle off to pack their bags;
 For there's joy in every face,
 And fun in every place,
 As happy folk begin to write their tags.

JESSIE McDONALD (FIFTH FORM).

WESTERN MAIL MEDLEY

(With apologies to Shelley)

Oh, Western Mail, thy string of school-folk bearing,
 Thou from whose funnel tall the smoke
 Is driven, with sounds as of a monster dying,
 Oh, Western Mail, with smoky cloud enveloped,
 How many miles dost thou creep in a day,
 As steaming and roaring, blowing and whistling,
 Thou meanderest on thy way?

All day and night, towards thy goal,
 You make great noise as on you stroll—
 And time is never dull or sad,
 For travellers all are gay and glad;
 And though sometimes 'tis hard to find a seat,
 Dark nights aboard fly as on winged feet.

Thy doors are all quite battered, and floors are dirty too,
 The electric lights will never work, but no one minds—do you?
 And though the nasty porters sometimes say "Express to Roma!"
 No power of Heaven or Earth can haste thee on thy way,
 And small sidings all receive thy grave attention.

JESSIE McDONALD (V FORM).

NAMEODDITIES

I wonder if she's related to "Billie" Hughes
 I wonder if she's as unpopular as her namesake Bell
 Length by breadth over 10 equals area in Akers
 A hideous creature in story books Griffin
 Does she know Julius Caesar, I wonder Roman
 You should have two Foott
 She destroys everything Hayles
 I wonder where she leads one to Dawes
 I wonder if she has the same influence over people Sherry
 She keeps the cart up Wehl
 She looks a pretty solid one Wall
 The cause of a housemaid's knee Neil
 Boats were originally made for water Boatfield
 This Gov. of Tasmania was recalled in disgrace Wilmot
 You find her on the railway station Porter
 I wonder how many holes she's got out of Brace
 A mighty man is he Smith

RUTH MONAGHAN and MARGARET HOWARD (V FORM).

YOUTHFUL IMPRESSIONS

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|---|--------------------------------|
| A-Roving | Breaking Bounds |
| Waken, Lords and Ladies Gay | Slade Dance |
| I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud | A New Girl |
| The Vagabonds | Up to Slade for Physics |
| The Bridge of Sighs | Scot's Weir |
| It's not to be thought of | Going to the Pictures |
| The Song at Dawn | Prep. Bell |
| Crossing the Bar | Into Sister's Office |
| Into Battle | Scrape's Out |
| Soldier rest! Thy Warfare O'er | After Exams. |
| The Spacious Firmament | The New Running Track |
| Clear and Gentle Stream | The Fountain |
| The Unrealised Ideal | Future Assembly Hall |
| Hope and Fear | Going Out—Will Slade be There? |
| Is Life Worth Living? | Not on Black Saturday |
| The Wanderer's Song | Oh, Danny Boy |
| Last Lines | What a Relief |

R. AKERS and J. TAYLOR (V FORM).

CAN YOU FIND THE HIDDEN WORD?

My 12, 1, 8, 3 spells corn.
 My 5, 4, 11 spells tin.
 My 14, 15 spells us.
 My 9, 4, 5, 12, 6 spells hitch.
 My 13, 7, 2, 3 spells horn.
 My 12, 2, 10 spells cry.
 Put it together and spell it to me.

Answer: Ornithorhynchus.

BETTY TWEEDIE and BETH GEISEL (FORM IV).

PHYSIOLOGICAL CONUNDRUMS

1. Where the river joins the sea mouth
2. A measure of length foot
3. A scholar pupil
4. To strike with a whip lash
5. Ninth letter of the alphabet eye
6. Island tree palm
7. To supply with weapons arm
8. Impudence cheek
9. A male deer heart
10. Horse's height is measured by the ? hand
11. These hold our homes together nails
12. A band instrument drum
13. A flower iris

14. Part of a shoe tongue
 15. A kind of rabbit hair
 16. A strong box chest
 17. Shows which way the wind blows vein
 18. Part of a hill brow
 19. A shell fish muscle
 20. To support back
 21. Narrow top of a bottle neck

MAUREEN WORMWELL (FORM IV).

IN THE GARDEN

In the garden bright and gay,
 All the children love to play;
 Little flowers are growing up—
 Violet and stock and buttercup.
 When the sun comes up so bright,
 When it gives its golden light,
 In colours cream and pink and white,
 The roses make a lovely sight.

When the butterflies come out,
 And the birds all fly about,
 Dewdrops scattered on the lawn
 Come and dance before the dawn.

Then the night falls across the skies,
 And the flowers shut their tiny eyes,
 The butterflies and birds so bright
 Go home to their nests till morning light.

ANN ROSBROOK (GRADE III).

THE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Monday we went down to swim,
 And every girl she tried to win.
 I am Barnes, and I raced up;
 I hoped Barnes would win the Cup.

Old girls, new girls, all race up,
 Trying hard to win the Cup;
 Some wore red togs, some wore blue,
 And the ones I wore were nearly new.

Ruth and Nancy, Beth and Pat,
 Dived and swam like water-rats,
 And in the end Barnes came up,
 And that is how we won the Cup.

LORRAINE JOHNSON (GRADE III).

RIDDLE-ME-REE

My first is in sea, but not in land;
 My second is excellent, but not in grand;
 My third is in harbour, but not in bay;
 My fourth is in work, but not in play;
 My fifth is in horse, and also in cow;
 My sixth is in leaf, but not in bough;
 My whole is a place where knowledge is gained;
 You'll all go there sometime, so don't get caned!

Answer: School.

VALERIS ROBERTS (GRADE VI).

AT HOME

At home there are many beauties rare;
 There are creeks and gullies all so fair,
 And lovely scrubs and waterfalls,
 Where you may hear sweet bird-calls.

In our scrub, there are flowers and ferns,
 And a pretty creek with lots of turns.
 There are tall and majestic trees,
 Through which blows the sighing breeze.

To many a beauteous water-fall
 Parents bring their children all,
 To see what God in his goodness made,
 And before the feet of all people laid.

VALMAE DONOVAN (GRADE V).

CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Day is drawing near,
 Santa Claus will soon be here,
 Bringing toys to girls and boys,
 And filling us with Christmas joys.

He brings us crackers, toys and books,
 And fills our stockings on their hooks;
 He quietly passes little beds,
 And smiles at all the sleeping heads.

Then away go all the toys;
 And all the little girls and boys
 Are happy, joyful, bright and gay,
 At the close of another Christmas Day.

PENELOPE PORTER (GRADE V).

THE SAGA

FAIRIES

At night time when the moon is high,
 Little fairies come to dine,
 Sing, and dance, beneath the sky,
 To music played by a butterfly,
 On nights when the weather's fine.
 Then when the moon goes down again,
 Back they go to their cosy home,
 Near to the pond of bright blue rain,
 Across the meadow from Primrose Lane,
 By the shores of a sea of foam.

PENELOPE PORTER (GRADE V).

MOONLIT RIVER

The willows bend like graceful ballerinas,
 Dancing to and fro before the Goddess Venus,
 The river glides beneath their drooping boughs,
 While lazy dragon flies turn homeward there to drowse.

The moon her silver beams puts forth
 Like witches' fingers stretching south and north,
 To catch the sparkling river's spout,
 As like a fountain springs the glist'ning trout.

On banks with rough and jagged rocks
 That hide by night the cunning, killing fox,
 The silent daisies fall asleep,
 And like all mortal things are in God's keep.

The river curving round with many a turn and twist
 Is by the pale moon's lighting softly bathed and kissed,
 And while the leaves so softly shake and quiver,
 God and His Angels keep watch on a "Moonlit River."

BLOOM SMITH and SALLY SHERRY (FORM IV.)

OLD GIRLS' NOTES

We wish all future happiness to our Old Girls who have announced engagements this year. **Alison Ralston's** fiance is an Englishman, Frederick Hooper, late of the R.A.N. **Edris Grimley** has announced her engagement to William Reid, ex-R.A.A.F. (Dalby), and **Gladys Castle** to Les Benney.

Pat Smythe (Penrose) is now living in Sydney, and **Jill** is still teaching at the Boys' Prep. in Toowoomba. **Pat Keable** and **Barbery Becker** are governessing. **Sheila Harvey** has completed her Training College course, and is teaching in a one-teacher school on the Downs. **Lyndall Hughes** has the responsible position of Scholarship mistress at St. Michael's. **Val. Carstens** and **Nereda Hudson** have joined the teaching staff at St. Gabriel's. Among other of our Old Girls who are teaching are **Margaret Laney** and **Melva Law**. **Mary Taylor** and **Alice Wilson** are teaching at St. Catharine's, and **Joan Bain** at St. Anne's.

Dorothy Thomas is continuing her training at the Warwick General Hospital. **Noela Smith**, who, last year was assisting the matron at Slade, is now training in the Dalby Hospital. **Valda Smith** is nursing at Goondiwindi, and **Olive Nystrom** at Jandowae. **Beryl Hammond**, **Betty Deshon** and **Beryl Parkinson** are training at St. Martin's, and **Pat Fogarty** and **Margaret Petherick** are still nursing at the Brisbane General. **Beryl Scott** is nursing at the General in Toowoomba.

Several of our girls are studying hard for University exams. **Maureen Kirk** is doing Second Year Medicine, and **Margaret Wilson** Second Year Physiotherapy. **Daphne Salisbury**, **Jane Oakeley** and **Louise Armstrong** have almost completed one year's work at the University. Daphne is studying physiotherapy, Jane is taking an Arts course, and Louise is studying Agricultural Science.

Marjorie Dickinson is at the Teachers' Training College in Brisbane, and **Madelene Eager** is training for Kindergarten work.

Jill Harding, **Connie Gee Kee**, and **Dorothy Hayles** are at Business College in Brisbane. **Pam Poulsen** is working in a Brisbane factory, and **Rhonda Gavin** has a position in the "Courier-Mail" office. **Brenda Burton** and **Betty Thomson** have positions in solicitors' offices in Brisbane. **Mary Cassidy** is working for Dalgety's, and **Pam Muir** for Burns Philp Shipping Company. **Shirley Devine** has a position in the Government Pay Office. **Mary Arden**, **Leona Whip**, and **June Symes** are other of our Old Girls living in Brisbane.

Lorna Judge, **Carma Lancaster**, **Fay Wright**, **Nita McCorkell**, **Marjorie Deacon**, **Beth Harding** and **Joan Hammond** are all helping at home. So, too, are **Fay Sheridan** and **Gloria Donovan**. Fay has been enjoying a long holiday in North Queensland, and Gloria recently made a trip to Sydney. **Wilma Giles** is holidaying in Brisbane.

Pat Tweedie has been discharged from the A.A.M.W.S., and is now at home. **Natalie Laidlaw**, **Bernice Harding**, and **Iris Corderoy** have had their discharge from the W.R.A.N.S. Iris has taken up nursing at the Brisbane General.

Sylvia Sorensen has an office position at Canowindra, and **Ella Hatten** is working in the Shire Office at Quilpie. **Muriel Castle**, **Beryl Meier**, **Helen Hope** and **Dorothy Smith** are working in Dalby. **Coolah Malonos** is helping in her father's cafe at Killarney, and **Audrey Hudson** is working for her father at Woody Point. **June Boatfield** works for Central Motors in Stanthorpe. **Irene Robinson** is in a sawmill office in Goondiwindi.

Both **Margaret McKenzie** and **Dell Warrener** are working on the Exchange, Margaret in Surat and Dell in Yangan, and both **Judith Young** and **Fay Nation** have commercial positions. Judith is in Charleville, and Fay works in Toowoomba for Nuss & Co.

A few of our Old Girls have office positions in Warwick: **Dorothy Millward**, **Roma Warner**, **Val Clarke** and **Carley Mackay**. All are very active members of our Old Girls' Association. So, too, are **Belle McNickle**, **June Stidolph**, **Joyce Ross (Stidolph)** and **Audrey Thomas**. June is doing very well in her own business. Bell is also doing well in a hairdressing business of her own.

Lesley Patterson is in the Commonwealth Bank in Maryborough. **Marjorie McDonald**, **Blanche Martindale**, **Millicent Cameron** and **June Single** also have positions in Banks.

Peggy Bassett (Sheridan) now has her own home, and is living outside Roma.

Joyce Donovan has decided to take up dressmaking in Warwick. She is very eager to begin her work.

Mary Nystrom is still helping at home. Her sister, Lyla, is now Mrs. Andrew Tuppoek. **Joan Kirk** and **Eve Welsh** are also living at home. Eve is a frequent visitor to the School.

Beth Wood is enjoying herself in Toowoomba, and **Pat Edwards** too, is at present on holiday. **Venesia Nichols** is living at home, and recently paid a visit to the School.

Pat Anderson and **Betty Penfold** are both in Sydney, nursing at Prince Alfred's.

The Old Girls' Association has been revived, and any Old Girls in Brisbane who wish to take an active part in this organisation can contact Madeline Eagar, secretary for the Brisbane Branch.