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EDITORIAL.

Once more we have arrived at the end of our school year, and we may be pardoned for reflecting on the work of the past twelve months. A number of our students have been unable to continue their studies, and have left us. We wish them every success in their new paths of life. To those who are being examined for their Leaving and Intermediate certificates also, we wish every success. We are conscious that many have striven hard, and we trust that they may be rewarded for their efforts.

This year we are publishing a number of photographs, which will be of interest to all present students. Those of our old boys on active service are only a few of the many we have in hand. The remainder will be published in due course.

Our school is well represented in the battlefields of France, in the deserts of Egypt, in the North Sea; in fact, wherever the fortunes of war have led the British forces. At this season of the year our thoughts go out to them, and we trust that ere long they will return to us sound in health and with honours thick upon them.

We are conscious that, wherever they may be, they are worthy followers of those who have fallen, and that the spirit which animated them in the past on the playing fields and in our hallowed halls is leading them on to play their part in a nobler and loftier game. To the parents and families of those who have fallen our prayers and our sympathy are extended.

Since the last issue of the "Burr" many changes have occurred in our staff. Some of our teachers have been removed to other schools and others have left the teaching service to enter other avenues of life. While we are sorry to have lost them, we wish them every success.

Our school year has been broken into frequently by entertainments to old boys about to leave for the front, and in assisting the various patriotic movements. The success that has attended these efforts is recorded on other pages.

More co-operation has been shown among the students themselves in the various activities of the school. This is a pleasant feature of the year, and augurs well for the future. An active cooperation between the staff and the students is essential to the development of an understanding between both that must assist materially in the school work of the future.

It is gratifying to note that in the sporting side of school life, the co-operation of the students is increasing, and that the time to doubt will come when the whole of the work of the Sports' Union will be conducted by the pupils themselves.

One of the factors contributing to the success of this year has been the appointment of prefects, an innovation which has been distinct success. We cannot let this opportunity pass without congratulating the two prefects on the splendid manner in which they have carried out their duties.

To those who are about to leave the school we wish every success in their new spheres of life, and we trust that the holidays will be happy and beneficial to all.

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Headmaster:
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Needle Work.
MRS. TANSEN.

Sports Union.
Hon Sec., V. W. PETERSON; Hon. Treas., R. C. TAYLOR.
AN ESSAY ON ‘MEMORY DRIVE’

(The Essay gained the First Place and Gold Medal donated by the "Memory Drive" Committee—Ed.)

"GRANDPA’S STORY."

The fire was burning brightly in the hearth; the snow was falling lightly outside, and the dark foliage of the trees was veiled in a delicate, filmy covering, while the ground was thickly carpeted with snow. The scene was cheery within the fire-lit room of an English country home; outside, Nature in her winter gird, looked sorrowful.

A group of young people surrounded an armchair in which was seated an aged soldier. A little girl at his feet on the rug had just asked for a story about the "pretty trees; you know, Grandpa, dear." Else had heard this story before, and as it was her favourite, and as several of those present had not heard it, he cleared his throat and began:—"Well, my dears, many, many many years ago, when I was a lad about 20, a war cloud burst upon our Empire."

"Oh, yes, we know," chimed in several voices, "we learnt about it at school."

"I went to the war," continued Grandpa, "from my native town, which, you know, is Bathurst, the city of the sweeping plains. As I have told you before, I went through the war without our blog; I suppose there was no such phrase until this put me out of action."—and here Grandpa patted his armless sleeve. "And you won the Military Cross, Grandpa," interrupted Else.

"When I returned home—Oh, what a sad-merry day it was!"—Here Grandpa's eyes moistened as the vision of his mother's proud tear-stained face rose up before him.

"I found that our services had been recognised in Bathurst by a "Memory Drive.""

"Oh! what a nice name, Grandpa, how very suitable," exclaimed a little grand daughter. "Children, I love this Drive, and I hope to take some of you back to the land of the rainbow gold," when you are a little bigger."

What a ring of sincerity sounded in Grandpa's voice when he said this! How dearly he loved his "wide brown land." Smiling homesteads dotted the plain in round about. An air of prosperity was over all The majestic glory of 'Larkspur Mountains' filled my heart with pride. Oh! Memory Drive, how dear thou art to the hearts of all Australians. No matter where they roam, the splash of gold or our warm in their hearts. "There is no night so black, but you shine through it." Martial music aids the overgreens to keep alive the memory of the Anzacs. So I departed with a picture of that everlasting memorial stamped upon my brain. "Never, never shall I forget it." Grandpa's voice faltered and died away.

The arrival of the children's nurse broke up the fireside party. The little ones dispersed after caressing their beloved sire. The big boy at the window, home from school on holidays, moved over towards the old soldier's chair, and said, "I have been deeply moved by your story." A perfect understanding existed between the two. The account had been a splendid revelation to
the boy. Grandpa, usually so halting in his details of his own experiences of warfare, had waxed eloquent in his recital of his cherished "Drive." The obsequies had realized the depth of his sire's intense patriotism; that "New Britannia is another world," was ever present in his thoughts and it was the boy's chief delight to engage Granja in conversation about it. "You see, Sir," he continued, "Memory Drive commemorates the fight for freedom of the little States. It represents national service—the highest form of service a man can give. "Dulce et decorum pro patria mori." Worthy service in either civil or national life deserves public recognition. You have told me of the exquisite memorial at Gallipoli and in Australia. Your Anzacs were volunteers, and deserve special merit. How soothing it was to your spirits to know that the public appreciate your efforts, and how much better were you for seeing their appreciation expressed so delightfully in this famous avenue."

Grandpa agreed.

And Time, to whom I resort in conclusion, informs me—easily leaning on his scythe—that the boy, when he grew to manhood still retained the sentiments of his Grandpa's story, and was foremost in the rank of Australia's public men.

PRO PATRIA.

OUR PART IN THE WAR.

THE COMFORTS FUND.

The work done by the B.H.S. towards providing comforts for their own representatives at the front has been carried on throughout the year by an active committee of girls, with some help from the staff.

There are thirty-four names on the school list, and each of these men has had a weekly parcel from us. The sending of Christmas parcels is now in hand, and would have been completed, had not the difficulties of transport held up the work for a time.

The contents of these parcels have been as follows:—Weekly parcel, 1/-: Pair Socks, 1/6, Tobacoo, 1 pkt. Cigarettes, 1 pkt. Raisins, 2 Cakes Soup, 1 Writing Pad, 1 Card Bachelor's Buttons, 1 pkt. Chewing Gum, 1 Reel Cotton, 1 Handkerchief, Needles, Christmas Parcel: 1 Writing Pad, 1 Pr. Socks, 1 pkt. Cigarettes, 1 tin Tobacco, 1 Tin Sweets.

So far as we know parcels have been received safely, four, however, have been returned.

The Treasurer's Report for 1917 is as follows:

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OLD BOYS ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

C-Sgt. Major H. W. T. Allan, M.M., M.M.
Gunner J. Baillie.
A-Sgt. W. Bartrop
Private H. Bissell
Private T. Chiplin
Sgt. K. Churches
Sgt. A. Clark
Private V. Connell
Private K. Cooke
Private A. E. Elliott
Private S. Gornaill
Gunner J. Hart
Lieut. C. L. Henry, D.C.M.
C-Sgt. Major R. F. Hodge
Lieut. R. W. Hughes
Private W. Hunt
Signaller H. King
Lieut. W. Lamerton
Private E. Lynch

Cpl. E. Macquarie
Sgt. L. G. Mackenzie
Sgt. H. Moxon
Private R. Neal
Bomb. J. G. Palmer
Private R. W. Robertson
Private J. Simmons
Driver H. Waddell
Sgt. J. G. Williams
Private W. Munro
Trooper H. Gornall
Trooper J. Macnamara
Capt. A. Jenkinson
Private A. McPhilamy
Private A. McLachlan
Private C. P. Smith
Private G. Bowden

Note: † Killed.

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The average per week from the School has been 13 or 14 shillings. We rely on good collections now to conclude the work of sending these parcels.

Gifts in kind have come from various sources:—Old Students’ Association: Knitted articles, tobacco, cigarettes, sweets, the proceeds of socials held by them; Mrs. Jennings, 6 prs. socks; Mrs. Mann, 1 pr. Socks; Miss Linda Gidney, 1 pr. socks, 1 cap.

COMFORTS FUND.

The letter writing campaign, organised through the Comforts Fund, has been an attempt to send each week, to all of our own Boys a letter from some boy or girl of the school. The Committee thanks all who have helped in any way, and will be glad to receive any suggestions or assistance in the future, also to have any fresh information concerning soldiers from our school, us new addresses, etc.

Comfords Fund Committee for 1917:
Miss Austin, Miss Burns,
H. Sec., Miss Linda Gidney,
Hon. Treasurer, Miss Annie Godfrey.
General Committee: Misses Lorna Welsh, Merle Smith, Olive Sutton, Ida Muddoway, Stelia Williams, Valerie Lannan, Ella Clardon, and Constance Fairley.

Lieut. Henry writes as follows, from Belgium, Sept. 14th:—

"It is fine to know that, even when so far away, such of us as are over here live in the memories of those we leave behind, and it is a fine privilege to be strong and free enough to do a little for those not so happily placed.

We were very pleased to receive one guinea from Lieutenant R. W. Hughes, as a donation to the Comforts Fund.

There has arrived a parcel containing articles, all acceptable, e.g. soap, socks, cutables. Please convey to the young folks of the school my deepest appreciation of the kindness and thoughtfulness that have prompted such gifts."

The Soldiers’ Comforts Fund is doing good work in sending these parcels along, and, could the donors but see and hear the expressions of delight with which such goods are hailed, they would feel their utmost trouble repaid. This work, moreover, is a very fine training in those principles of self-sacrifice and self-abnegation, which tend to sweeten and enable the human experience.

Gordon MacKenzie writes on Sept. 27, saying that he has also received a letter and parcel from us, and adds: "I have to thank you very, very much, indeed, for your exceedingly kind remembrance."

THE HUNDRED THOUSAND.

The school was never so busy buying and winding wool, persuading others to knit, and making socks as when the War Chest made its appeal for one hundred thousand pairs of socks.

As usual the parents and friends of our boys and girls responded generously, so much so that our success was beyond all expectations, and our contribution a creditable one. The first ne-
cessity was money, and here we never dreamed of a result such as we had. While we had counted on £20 at the outside, our total was £50 odd. The willingness to give to our fund was only equalled by a readiness to do when the wool was bought and ready to be turned into socks for our soldiers. Each class in the school did their share here, too, and in proportion to their numbers shared the work well. The staff, ex-students, and others must also be thanked for their kind help, and we are indebted to Miss Gardiner for getting her girls to work for us. Further we were more than pleased with some machine knitting which we had done for us, and our thanks are due to Mrs. Saunders for her generosity and promptness in executing the orders. Donations of socks amounted to 13 pairs.

The result of this combined effort was that on the day when school closed for the June holidays, a case sent to Sydney, containing 287 pairs of socks, duly acknowledged by the War Chest. Since then, about a dozen more pairs have been added, Mrs. Musgrove being most kind in offering prizes for good work in different ways on this occasion, and Mrs. Lynch in judging the knitting, earned our real gratitude. Dulcie Hodge won first prize for her knitting. Irene Bedding came second, while Phyllis Galsby followed very close, though gaining no prize. The prize for the greatest number of socks was won by Roas Thomas.

It only remains for us to acknowledge the kindness of local firms in allowing us the wool at a reduced rate, and finally we hope that what we have been able to do will bring us much pleasure to our fighting men as we had in working for them.

Here is a balance-sheet in connection with the above effort.

Amounts collected:

- Classes .................................................. £53 17 11
- To purchase wool and making 287 pairs of socks, with expenses of postage .................................. £53 16 5
- With expenses of postages .................................. £10 1 6

Total .................................................. £53 17 11

Since this amount was collected, £25 has been spent in making 36 pairs of socks for Christmas parcels.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.

Lieut. Henry writes:

Gordon Mackenzie was one of those who received our cards of invitation to the annual reunion, on which we noted that our thoughts would be with them on that night. He was grateful for the remembrance. Walter Lamerton dated his letter September 21, and had just received his invitation card, and no other cutting describing speech day. "I was very pleased to know that I was not forgotten," he says, "and to know that I was not neglected, and to know that I was coming."

When he comes over, and hope that I shall be able to locate him. Give my kindest regards to any of the staff and students whom I know."

Lieut. Henry speaks of receiving the card of welcome to the reunion. "Although such a simple missive, it woke memories of the happy days with you all, and for your kindly remembrance, I thank you. Best wishes to everyone. Joe Baillie hopes that the school is as ever, and is glad of our remembrance of him, too.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.

Ray Robertson writes:--"I am quite well, and back again in France, and will soon be chasing the wily Hun again. Met Alonzo Elliott, another old boy, here a few days ago; he is looking well, and is in the 14th, which was playing here yesterday to a crowd of French women and children, quite different to when I last heard him playing in Machattie Park on a Sunday afternoon, two or three years ago.""

C. Sgt. Major Allan writes:--"The fighting which my last letter has led you to expect, came off alright, but I'm not so sure now that old Fritz was as at the end of the stick after all."

When we "hopped over" early in the morning of April the 11th, and and about 1500 yards to go to Fritz's first barbed wire. "They cut us up cruelly, but we got through, and captured the first line of trenches; the edge of the barbed wire entanglement was marked by a long line of our dead. On we went, but once again held up by Fritz's second barbed wire.

After that things went pretty willingly; we had no communications, and no means of getting back. The brigade on our left retired, and our own supports did not arrive. The chaps in the shell holes on the barbed wire were without ammunition, surrendered; but the rest of us stuck out.

Anyway, a few of the lucky ones got back, and I was one of them. I am the only man left from my gun crew, and when last seen, the only at the finish, Sam was the only man alive on his gun. He must be either killed or a prisoner. Of our company of one hundred and twenty, who went "over the top" in the morning, only fifteen, mostly wounded, had reached our own lines."

[1] Sam is "Shib" brother—a prisoner of war, unfortunately.
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NATTY WOODS — BATHURST.

Our congratulations to Lieuts. Henry, Allan, and Laurieton on account of distinctions gained by them, and to Sergeant A. Clark, on the renewal of his studies after serving his country well. Also to all the ‘Varsity undergrads whose success this year we have noted with pleasure, especially that of Mr. Bartley Lynch.

Just as we went to press news came through that Jimmie Stevens, of 1B, had lost his brave father—Chaplain Captain Stevens—died from very severe wounds. Our deepest sympathy goes out to our dear little comrade.

During the year the pupils have worked for various patriotic efforts, and have also maintained their own Comforts Fund.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Yansen, Miss Burns, Kathleen, Grace, and Doris Speck, Elsie, Mabel, and Roderick Connell, in the loss of their dear ones fighting for Liberty and welfare.

Our sympathy goes out also to Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Macrinnis, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Gaymer, and their families in the sad grief which each has suffered through this year.

In answer to the appeal of the War Chest Committee for ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND pairs of socks the school made and collected close on three hundred pairs. We take this opportunity of thanking Miss Burns for her valuable assistance in receiving and packing these socks.
The social side of the visit of the Orange team was very much appreciated.

Several of our representatives in the A.I.F. have come to bid us farewell. Among these Bombardier Billy Bartrop, B.A., who, when he had received the good wishes of one and all, made us one of his characteristic speeches.

Mr. Harney dropped in on us one day on his way to Sydney, where he is exchanging the mortar-board for the wig of the law.

We learnt something of the privations and hardships suffered by the French people at this time, when Madame de Naud visited Bathurst and told us her experiences in Paris.

Our sympathy has been enlisted for the inmates of Ryde Home for incurables, and we are pledged to send them a cheque as soon as possible.

One step has been taken towards the obtaining of a new school building. A suitable piece of land has been secured.

One winter's day we expected a visit from the Director of Education, Mr. Peter Board, C.M.G., but a snow storm and threatening strike conditions prevented him from breaking his journey at Bathurst.

TO

"ALTIORA PETO."

There's a steep that I would scale,
And a sea that I would sail,
There's a river I would ford,
And a purple misted vale,
Where full sunshine's ever poured.

There's a hope that leads me higher,
And a thought that thrills with fire,
But I fear the turn of fate
Fear the sucking of the mire,
Still I toil and watch and wait.

Now I have sealed my steepest steep,
Sailed and stemmed the story deep;
In a clear and happy haven,
Tempests stilled, the world asleep.
Honours wait, by routes moss paved.

R.E.

PASSES AT THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION.

1916.

Basser, Leonard, A., 1H, 3L, 4A, 5A, 6B, 7B, 8B.

Chambers, Rosalie R., 1B, 3L, 4B, 7B.

tchney Elsie, II., 4B, 5B, 10B, 11B.

Ferrie Adelaide, 1H, 3B, 4B, 5A, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B.

Jenkins, Jack E., 1H, 3H, 4B, 5A, 7H, 8B.

Jennings, Noel M. Edgar, 1B, 4B, 5A, 6B, 8B.
PASSES AT THE INTERMEDIATE EXAMINATION, 1916.

Allan, Arthur T., 1B, 2A, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 9B.
Ambrose, Alex. J., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 11B, 12B.
Baxter, Albert J., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B.
Bellamy, Heather, 1B, 2B, 4B, 6B.
Bennett, Ivy, 3B, 5B, 13B, 14B.
Bullock, Harold K., 1B, 2B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 8A.
Davies, Warwick J., 1B, 3B, 4B, 5A, 12B.
Dudley, John L., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 11B, 12B.
Galbraith, Thomas, 1B, 2A, 4A, 5A, 6A, 7A, 9A.
Goffrey, Annie M., 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 10B, 13B, 14B.
Giddey, Linda P., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 7B, 8B, 10B.
Goodwin, Bradford W., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 9B.
Gwilliam, Marie E., 1B, 4A, 5B, 13B, 14B.
Jaques, Stanley, 2B, 4B, 5B, 11B.
Jones, Florence H., 1B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 10B, 13B, 14B.
Logan, Marion B., 1B, 2B, 4A, 5B, 6A, 7B, 10B.
McCarthuy, Victor R., 4A, 5B, 11B, 12B.
McMenamin, Marie C., 1B, 2B, 4B, 5B, 7B.
Martin, Eric, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 11B, 12B, 13B.
Miller Arthur K., 1B, 3B, 4A, 5A, 6B, 7A, 9B.
Moss, Clifford A., 1B, 2B, 4A, 5B, 6B.
Purdle, Ralph A., 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 12B.
Rivet, Winifred M., 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 13B, 14B.
Saunders, Francis R., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4A, 5A, 6B, 7B, 9B.
Smith, Keith W., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 12B.
Spicer, Doris E., 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 10B, 14B.

Taylor, Ada E. C., 1B, 2B, 4B, 6B 10B.
Thompson, Mary E., 1B, 2B, 4B, 5B, 6B.
Treglown, Aileen E., 1B, 2B, 4A, 5A, 6B, 8B, 10B.
Wallace, Ida Alice, 1B, 2B, 4B, 5B, 6A, 8B, 10B.
English 1, History 2, Geography 3, Mathematics 4, Math. 5, Latin 6, French 7, German 8, Chemistry 9, Botany 10, Woodwork 11, Mechanical Drawing 12, Art 13, Needlework 14.

THE OLD STUDENTS' UNION.

President: G. R. Thomas.

Vice-president and Sec. W. McGe and Miss I. Yansen.

The Union has made a slight progress during the past year, and it is confidently hoped that it will continue to do so. The weather conditions prevailing at the present time have had a rather bad effect on the Union. During the year there a large number of Old Students have joined the colours, and some of them have paid the supreme sacrifice. Considerable trouble has been experienced in past years in keeping in touch with Old Students, as most of them leave the town on completion of their course.

May we urge the students who will leave the B.H.S. this year to join the B.H.S. O.S.U. It is to them the Union looks for recruits. Why is it that students, as they leave fourth, second years do not join the Union? There is not the name of one
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1916 L.C. candidate on our books. We trust all Old Students will see the value and necessity of linking up with the Union.
During this year some very enjoyable evenings have been held by the O.S.U., and much useful business has been transacted.
Next month the Annual Meeting will be held, and a Social Evening tendered to Captains H. Beavis and Sgt. Alec Clark. We trust there will be an enthusiastic gathering of old students.

CLASS NOTES.

1A: Our room is very fascinating with all its beautiful models, and its dividing curtain. Every sound is heard up in our room; we often hear Mr. Taylor telling 1.B. students to ‘Sit up!’ We hear him say it to us very often, too. I don’t know what 1.A. would do without a certain person who is always being scolded by some of the teachers. It is nice to see them angry sometimes, but not too often.

1B.: It was noticeable that 1B. figured prominently in the Bazaar. Hence it was a great success. Many of the girls wish that girls’ cricket would be introduced. Best wishes and good luck attend the efforts of those sitting for Exam.

Speaking of our sanctuary. It has been much improved of late, by the fixing of certain irritating blinds, but could be still more improved by the removal of the boxes against the walls.

We trust that our boys at the Front are all well. Good luck to them all.

We were all stunned by the news of the death of Fred Smith. Our sincere and heartfelt sympathy is extended to his parents. We cannot close without expressing our grief at the loss of dear little Trix.

The Agriculture Class: Our Class has recovered from the exertions of a nerve-racking practical examination.

This Class has come to an untimely end.

We regret very much the loss of one of our comrades, Fred Smith, who was in this class most of the time he was at school.

We are very grateful to Mr. J. J. Neylan for the assistance that he has rendered us during the two years of the existence of this class.

1C. GIRLS.

1C is greatly cut up on account of ‘Mutton.’ The Grecian Lady still reigns in 1C room. Her smile always cheers the down-hearted. It is about time that Rip Van Winkle woke up.

In Latin, ‘Tibi’ seems greatly objectionable. Lipsid is generally used by the female sex, but in 1C it is much used by ‘batyr,’” who also like blackening his eyebrows. 1C congratulates Eil on the evidence of her great popularity, shown by the recent election. Length of tongue seems to agree with the length of limbs with regard to a certain person in our class (now in 2A). It’s good to No-ah about motor cars. 1C and 1A intend
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ordering "speckled coats" for winter if the fashion still prevails. The girls desire to thank Miss Burns for her kindness in coaching them last season.

1C BOYS.

Our room has the luck to be just above the Teachers' room, and, judging by the amount of detention we receive, they make the most of this fact. They often speak of hearing the row we kick up at the foot of the stairs, but I imagine they mean in the Teachers' room.

We have lost some of our class members, who have been promoted to 2A. While we are sorry to lose them, we congratulate them on their promotion.

Our class contributed three candidates for bursaries this year; we wish them every success.

1C BOYS.—Contd.

We are all waiting patiently for the yearly examination. It will not be hard, so we think!

2A.

Good morning, studious friends; your mirth alarms us, although your interest in our progress charms us. And now you're here, we wish to humbly mention, that we, 2A, demand your whole attention. If you wish to know exactly what a model form we are, you should just step into our class room, if possible, during a History lesson, when our ample learning is a thing most commendable, only we request that you do not stay too long, as the presence of a stranger in our midst is apt to make us bashful and forgetful of our work. We are extremely fortunate in having as one of our number an artist of no mean repose, whose blackboard sketches are capable of holding at least one member of our staff spellbound, and should be a good advertisement of the menagerie with which, to all appearances, the artist is closely associated.

We feel proud to announce that we are the honoured class to which our High School Queen belongs, and we worked (as we always work) with an energy which failed not, for her, and for the War Chest Fund.

Some of our brightest stars have been making discoveries, etc.

That as cows are plentiful in Switzerland, the exports are milk, eggs, and bacon.
That ignorance is not always bliss, especially in a Maths lesson.
That heat travels faster than cold, because we can catch colds.
That, unlike their accomplishments, 2A's handwriting is not a thing of beauty and a joy forever.
That in the land of perpetual night the sun never sets.
28.

We of 2nd year wish to thank the teachers for the way they have so untringly worked on our behalf in order that we should pass the Intermediate, also for the kindly interest of Mr. Thomas.

A class-room committee was formed lately to keep our room in order, and we are expecting great things from them in the near future, for although we are always absorbed in lessons, we cannot help noticing the abundance of dust.

The Inter. class is looking forward to a good time next year. The success and peacefulness of our community is often disturbed by the entrance of many various odours from the "Lab." It is rumoured that Mr. Koebele is experimenting on a new invention in the way of gas-attacks. We wish him every success, and hope to hear further results of the "Powerful Factor," very shortly.

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We are, FOURTH YEAR to be.

Boys:

Once more we come into prominence, this time, however, we have crossed the bar,—i.e., the dreadful awe-inspiring Inter. We now give ourselves the required airs of a Third Year. Learn from our predecessors the present 4th year.

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Third Year entered with great spirit into the recent Bazaar, and endeavoured to find something to do in that connection which would necessitate the missing of a few lessons; some succeed, others failed.

We are about to face a yearly exam. upon which our promotion upstairs depends. We are all hoping for the best, and it is quite possible (though highly improbable) that we will all meet in Fourth Year. It is rumoured that owing to the general proficiency in French and Chemistry that no exam will be held in these subjects. We quite agree with the promoter of such a worthy suggestion.

The first year of the Bathurst High School has never yet seen a copy of the 'Burr,' and so this issue will be a treat to them.

Another subject which we appreciate is Business Principles, the name Business Principles testifies to us the fact that we only learn the Principles. Daily (twice on Thursday) do we wait for our leader to lead us, as if by the apron strings, to our little 'Dormitory' in the Tec. College.

I had a letter from an old pal the other day, Arthur Miller. He is surveying now, and generally having a good time, killing snakes, and working out logarithms by a new method, as he tells me.

"Hate’s Labour Lost," says the portion of 3rd Year that never took part in the play, was, to use a slang expression, "A Howling Success," and we are thinking that another one would go very well, indeed, for Christmas Holidays. The new play is yet in the hands of the composer, and will be to hand in a short period.

We will now once more retreat into the shades, never more to emerge until we have ascended the golden stairway, and are on the hallowed grounds of Fourth Year.

CAUSES AND RESULTS.

In Bathurst Town there is a school, Whose fame spreads far abroad, Where learning is a wide world rule, And wisdom great is stored.

Now to this school a student came, As many students do; Some, typical of beauty’s fame, And others of the——Zoo.

At first this boy it may be said, Felt strange and rather netted; And for a time this puzzled head Was grievously unsettled.

But as the sunny days went by, He kind of settled down; The dullness fled from out his eye, His brow relaxed its frown.

He buckled in with might and main, And soon was the possessor, Of such a store of knowledge, that We styled him the "Professor."

It was in "History" he excelled, He knew of every nation, One thing alone his spirits quelled, And that was "Exploration."

He studied each bewildering track, Sturt, Leichhardt, Burke, and Wills. In thought, they travelled down his back In apprehensive chills. To fix them in his troubled head, He seemed beyond our mention, But all the master ever said Was, "Learn it at Detention."

He looked the questions o'er and o'er, From early morn till late, He made dishevelled more and more, The hair upon his pate.

Until things grew to such a pitch, That in his dreams at night, He went exploring stitch by stitch — The desert, Gulf, and Bight.

"Twas thus he reached the tragic end (Which to report we’re sorry). This word to you we have to send — "He's drowned in the Macquarie!"

Asleep and clad in night attire, Brain fired with animation. He gained at least a wide strong desire, And conquered "Exploration." "WANDERER."

FOOTBALL.

The 1917 football season was, in spite of some disadvantages, a fairly satisfactory one.

At the beginning of the season it was seen that our team was far too light to compete in the senior grade competition. The games played in the junior grade were as follows:

1) B.H.S. v Saint Stanislaus College II. Won by B.H.S., 6-0. Tries were secured by C. Hazel and G. Baille. (11) B.H.S. v Centrals II. Won by B.H.S., 6-3. At half-time the score was 6-0 in favour of Centrals. Soon after the play was resumed C. Hazel scored a plucky try, and later, just before full time, Mr. Foley kicked a penalty goal.
CRICKET.

Cricket this year has been very satisfactory; perhaps, better than before. Of thirteen matches played we won nine. The most important match of the season, against the team from Sydney, representing the Combined Schools, we lost by a narrow margin of 12 runs. This was very unfortunate. Both teams fought very hard, and all are agreed that the better team won. The Sydney team, a fine lot of lads, made the trip under the management of Mr. Sterrrier. Although the weather was so good, they stuck it out, and even the trip to Sydney was marred by rain, but we must thank Mr. Searle for the generous way in which he gave us his time to co-operate during the week in which we were treated kindly.

The match next in importance was that against Orange, which we won by an innings and more. Other matches played were:-
(4) Against the teacher's, which we lost by about 30 runs. We are all hoping for another match before Christmas 
(5) Three matches against Federals, two of which we won. (2) Against "Old Saints" which we won. (4) Against Old Students, which we also won.

The most conspicuous players were:

Butts: S. Moelyan and K. Smith. 
Bowlers: A. Baxter, K. Smith and Rod Patterson.

HOKEY.

The annual report of the Hockey season is on the whole very satisfactory. Although the majority of this year's newcomers did not seem to take very kindly to hockey, the few who did played extremely well. Of the three matches played during the season we came off victorious; defeated the Old Girls in one match and Pixie Ladies' College in the other two. Among our players we had hardly any veterans, thus showing that next season the younger girls in the school will be greatly dependent on to keep up the old school's reputation on the hockey fields. Our much-longed-for match against Orange did not eventuate, but we are hoping to meet their team next year and score a victory.

A WAR STORY.

The sun was setting behind the hills of a village "Somewhere in France." The cottages were deserted, all save one. In this was an aged invalid lady and a young woman, her daughter. All day they had heard the boom of the big guns, for a fierce battle was raging between the teams and the Allies, but now only a occasional din the silence. Inside the cottage the girl was helping her mother to bed. This done, the girl went to the little porch to rest. She had been there, perhaps, an hour, when she was aroused from her meditations by the sound of a galloping horse. Soon she could hear others following the first. They came from the direction of the battlefield. At last she could discern the first figure. It was an Australian officer, who, upon seeing her, quickly dismounted and asked in fluent French, "Can you direct me to a place of hiding, Mademoiselle? The trumps are after me." "Yes," she said, "come here." He obeyed her, and after setting his horse galloping away she conducted him to an old, unused well, with a ladder leading down into it. "Quick, down there!" she said. "It is quite dry, and not deep. He hurried down, and when he reached the bottom, she pulled the ladder and closed the well. She then returned to her seat, and soon six riders rode up to her gate. "Have you seen an Australian officer pass this way, m'd'ltre?" they demanded. "On a grey horse," she asked. "Yes," they replied.
**Tennis**

This report has not been a great success this season. We have only played three matches against the Old Boys, in which we were defeated by our opponents. The interest in Tennis is very little, but has been shown by the older Girls in some of the Beginners. A great improvement in their play has been noticed by the better players, but there is a dearth of Lack of interest. New Blood is needed, and the Match between Old Boys and Firsts has been cancelled.

**Fritis**

Mr. and Mrs. Beavis came to the Boat Club in the morning to lend their support to the Boat Club. We heard a lot of interesting stories about the life of the life of the Boat Club. The B.C. has been doing very well this year, and we are looking forward to their return to the Boat Club.

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**On the Landing**

The Landing has been very busy this week. The boys have been very active, and the girls have been busy with their studies. Some of the older Girls have been showing an increase in their studies, and we are looking forward to seeing them do even better next year.

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**With apologies to Home**

The Headmaster has asked me to write this note to you all. He wishes to express his appreciation of your efforts on behalf of the Institute, and he hopes that you will continue to support the Institute in the future.
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**BAKERY BALL.**

Although we defeated Orange H. S. badly at the beginning of the season, interest has waned considerably throughout the rest of the year. The absence of other local teams restricts the activities of the Club, and no doubt accounts for the poor interest shown in the sport.

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School Union.—Hon. Sec., Mr. V. W. Peterson, B.A., B.E.; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. R. C. Taylor, B.A., B.E.; Cricket Club.—Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Elliott. Football Club.—Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Allen. Tennis Club.—Hon. Secretaries, Mr. S. McGlynn, Miss H. Bel-lamy.

Hockey Club.—Hon. Secretary, Miss Grace Spicer. Basket Ball Club.—Hon. Secretary, Miss I. Wallace. Senior Prefects.—Mr. Noel Jennings, Mr. Roland Elliott.

A HAPPY IDEA.

On the Friday preceding the L.C. Examination, the School was assembled to wish the candidates ‘‘good luck.’’ After greetings had been given by the Headmaster, Mr. Teasdale, and representatives of every form in the school, a very fine innovation, for which we are indebted to Miss Gladys MacMillan of III. Year, was introduced. A neat little ‘‘good luck’’ badge was pinned on each candidate. The badges consisted of a tiny horse-shoe covered with the school colors and with blue and gold streamers. For the candidates, Noel Jennings, Roland Elliott and Stuart Mcglynn very suitably responded.

A similar function followed on the Friday preceding the 1C Examination, the honours on this occasion falling to the candidates for that ordeal. The badges were a button in blue and gold with streamers attached. Similar greetings were given here as on the former occasion.

In the making of the badges, our thanks are due to Miss Gladys MacMillan and the Third Year Girls and to Miss Ethel Brett and the Second Year A Girls. It is hoped that this happy ceremony will become traditional.

THE SCHOOL PICNIC.

During last Christmas vacation, a very successful re-union and picnic—the third—was held at Dee-Why. There were some fifty to sixty present and what with surfing, cricket and other games, a very happy day was spent. There was quite a number of teachers present, although we regretted Mr. Scott, who has always been with us before, was absent. Our thanks are due to Jack Galbraith for undertaking the secretarial duties connected with the picnic. We are particularly glad to have had Mr. Bartrop with us—his last association with the school prior to going into camp.

SPeECH DAY—1917.

On 5th June last, Speech Day was held in the Lecture Hall and proved to be the finest gathering of its kind that the school has celebrated. On this occasion, the function took place at night, the change proving very beneficial and popular, if one may judge by the audience. The hall was packed to the doors—there was not even standing room—and quite a crowd of people could not gain admittance.

The gathering was presided over by His Worship the Mayor, Alderman W. J. McPhilamy and, associated with him, were Mr. Geo. Blumer, M.A., Inspector of Schools, Mr. F. J. Tonkin, President P. and C. Association, Mr. W. J. Layton, B.A., Rev. W. M. Woodhouse, Messrs. N. L. Suttor, C. R. Barry, E. A. Wright and other prominent citizens; the Headmaster and the staff. The latter lent quite a scholastic tone to the gathering in their academic gowns and hoods.

After the headmaster had read his report—dealing with every phase of school life both of the past, present and future of the B.H.S., Mr. George Blumer delivered the speech. In it he very strongly supported the main points of the Headmaster’s report—the necessity for an up-to-date school in its own grounds; the great need of a hostel; the provision of a course in domestic science for girls. The splendid part played by the school for the Empire was feelingly dwelt upon both by the Headmaster and Mr. Blumer; and the frequent applause of the audience showed how their sacrifice was deeply appreciated. The sports’ master, Mr. Keeble, also presented the annual report of the School Union.

Then followed the presentation of prizes and certificates by Mrs. Blumer. Rounds of applause greeted those who had worked and won.

The presentation of blues came next and proved, as ever, a most popular item. But the event of the evening was the naming and decoration of the captain of the school (who happened also to be the honor holder for sports) as the captain for 1916 was named—Mr. Noel Sligar—the school cheered lustily. Unfortunately, he was not present to receive his honour—the Captain’s badge—a small shield of bronze, with the school’s crest on one side, and on the other, Noel Sligar, Captain, 1916. We hope our next captain, whoever he may be, will be present at the speech day gathering, and also those who gain school honour caps and badges.

Then came the naming of the Prefects for 1917. There were Roland Elliott and Noel Jennings. Both appointees were very popular and were graciously received. It was pleasing to note that the dons of the school—the fourth yearmen—were seated on what looked like, stools of penitence—not far from the dias. We hope the precedent so established will pass into tradition. We look for more precedents, for it is on worthy traditions that a school grows big and great.

After the Prefects had called on the school to be up and doing in the matter of supporting the Headmaster and the staff, and after the Mayor, in two very happy little speeches by Mr. Tonkin and Mr. Suttor, had been thanked for his presiding at the meeting, cheers were given for the staff, the boys at the front and the King, and a most enjoyable and successful gathering ended.

Acknowledgement must here be made of the donations received from the following towards prizes:—The Mayor, Mr. Blumer, the Headmaster, Mr. Bartrop, Mrs. Ennis, Mr. Scott, Miss Burns, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Tonkin and Mrs. Jack Palmer. This is a very fine tribute to the work of the school.

Also our thanks are due to Mrs. Blumer for her kindness in presenting the prizes and blues, and to the following who with their
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music made the evening very pleasant:—Mrs. Thomas, Misses G. Makepeace, E. Blomfield, B. Waddell and Mr. Keeble.
We look forward with keen anticipation to Speech Day, 1918.
Hereewith is the award list:—

**BATHURST HIGH SCHOOL.**

**Prize List—1916.**

**HEADMASTER'S PRIZES:**
- Dux of School.—N. Sligar, J. Jenkinson (eqq.).
- Best Boy in L.C. Examination.—T. Galbraith.
- THE MAYOR'S PRIZE (presented by Ald. W. McPhilhamy):—
- Dux of Fourth Year.—Miss D. Nielson, H. Payne (eqq.).
- GUNNER PALMER'S PRIZE (presented in his name by Mrs. J. Palmer):—
- Dux of Third Year.—T. Galbraith.
- BOMFARDEK BARTROP'S PRIZE (by request):—
- Dux of Second Year.—T. Galbraith.
- PRESIDENT OF P. & C. ASSOCIATION PRIZE:—
- Dux of First Year.—Miss Alma Williams.
- MRS. ENNIS'S PRIZE:—
- Prox. acc. of First Year.—Miss Myra Burgess.

**SPECIAL PRIZES:**
- Mr. INSPECTOR BLUMER’S PRIZE, for MARKED PROGRESS—
  Herman Phillips and Roland Elliott.
- MR. SCOTT’S PRIZES for ENGLISH and HISTORY:—
  Marie McMenamin, Arthur Tinning Allan and Bradney Goodwin.
- MR. PETERSON'S PRIZES FOR GEOGRAPHY:—
  Charles McLeod.
- HEADMASTER'S SPECIAL PRIZE FOR LITERATURE AND HISTORY OF EUROPE:—
  Jack Jenkinson.
- MR. BARTROP'S SPECIAL PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS:—
  Herbert Payne and Perry McGee.

**CLASS PRIZES:**

**FOURTH YEAR:**
- Herbert Pratley.
- Adie Ferris.
- Eva Links.
- Elsie Cheney.
- Leonard Bassett.

**THIRD YEAR:**
- Roland Elliott, Prox. acc. Dux.
- Kathleen Tremain.

**SECOND YEAR:**
- Annie Godfrey.
- Ida Wallace.
- Arthur Miller.
- Linda Gidley.
- Keith Bullock.
- Frank Saunders.
- Marie Gwilliam.
- Joe Goddard.
- Eric Martin.
- Reg. Rowley.

**FIRST YEAR:**
- Frank Gentle, Prox. acc. Dux.
- Alfred Martin.
- George Harrower, Prox. acc. Dux.
- Edward Lamerton.
- Fred Smith.
- Dorothy Williams.
- Thelma Wood.
- Keith Ward.
- Eileen Press.
- Alice Pegg.
- Norrie Barker.
- George Dowler.
- Charles Niland.
- Con Bidgood.
- Wallace McKenzie.
- Nellie Thomas.
- Doris Clift.
- Beryl Middenway.
- Gordon Bestwick.
- Winnie Newman.
- Leslie Bowen.

Captain of the School.—Noel Sligar.
Senior Prefects.—Roland Elliott and Noel Jennings.
Junior Prefects.—To be appointed.
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THE BURR.

SPORTS AWARDS:

Honor Badge for Girls—Eva Links.
Honor Caps for Boys—Noël Sligar.

BLUES:

Football—Clyde Hazel, Alec Pringle, Rod Patterson, Noel Sligar, Ben Tonkin, Will Yansen.
Cricket—Albert Baxter, Roland Elliott, Clyde Hazel, Stuart McGlynn, Keith Smith.
Tennis—Tom Oulbraith, Stuart McGlynn, Horace McKibbin, Elsie Cheney, Beryl Middenway.
Basket Ball—None awarded.
Swimming and Hand-Ball—Rod Patterson, Alec Pringle, Keith Smith, Ben Tonkin.

B.H.S.—ITS PROGRESS.

While wishing in no way to ‘blow our own trumpet’ we feel that ex-students particularly would like to hear something of the school’s progress. After all there is really something of which we may be proud.

Established in 1913, under the guidance of Mr. Inspector McLachlan, the school had enroled pupils in its first year, 83 boys, 44 girls. The staff at that time consisted of Mr. McLachlan, Mr. W. A. Ferguson, Mr. C. P. Smith, B.A., Mr. R. W. Hughes, M.A., Mr. Clout, Mrs. Nutter, Miss P. Saunders, B.A., and Mrs. Yansen. The work done during that year was most important—and saw its result so far as the scheme of High School Education is concerned, in the past list of 1916—the higher and best to that date—22 in the I.C. Exam. and 31 in the I.C. Exam.—100 per cent in the higher and 94 per cent in the lower—truly a fine result.


During the period from 1913-17 we have said good-bye to quite a number of good friends: Miss M. Hall, B.A., Miss P. Saunders, B.A., Miss E. Smith, B.A., Miss M. Sherwin, B.A., and Messrs. P. W. Hughes, M.A., C. L. Henry, W. Bartrop, B.A., R. K. Scott, B.A., W. Munro, B.A., and W. A. Ferguson, and Mr. J. Herne, B.A., Mr. C. P. Smith, B.A., and Mr. Clout, Mr. Laughlin of the 1913 staff. All of these have left their influence upon the school and have done nobly in building up its traditions.
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carrying out very nobly and with manly self sacrifice, duties in a
sphere far exalted above the merely academic. Among the Em-
pire's defenders we are proud to mention Lieut. R. W. Hughes,
Lieut. C. L. Henry, D.C.M., Gunner W. Bartrop, Private W. Munro
and Private C. P. Smith, all honored members of our staff. We
pray for their safe return.

OUR NEW HIGH SCHOOL,

It will delight our readers, particularly ex-students, to learn
that the site of Bathurst High School has been purchased. At
present we inhabit a sort of internment camp, whence we look
out on dusty, noisy streets, and back yard areas. But when the
Treasury can afford it, we mean to go up higher and take pos-
session of a beautiful, up to date two story school on the site
referred to. For position an ideal spot has been purchased, prac-
tically an island block surrounded on three sides by Rocket, Ben-
tineck, and Park Streets, respectively, and looking out across Ce-
tennial Park, upon an exquisite panoramic view of our lovely
district.

All we ask now is that a fine school will be erected
—one worthy of Bathurst and the Educational Department; it
will then form a fine land mark—decorative, and, we trust,
of great advantage to the civic life of the community.

To negotiate the initial step has taken many months. The
erection of the school will take many more—in fact, we cannot
hope to see the building begun until the war is well over.

In the meantime, however, something may and will be done
to open up the grounds for sport. Already the committee of
the Parents and Citizens' Association, in co-operation with the
teachers, has been formed to discuss the possibilities of pre-
paring the ground for sports, and next year should see that
good work in progress. There is no reason why tennis courts
and a basket ball ground may not be provided—of course, funds
are the one drawback. But the school may rest assured that
whatever can, will be done.

Of the students who have passed through our school we are
also justly proud. In the first place of those who so gallantly
gave up the prospects of youth and the joys of home to face the
enemy in the dreadful trench or on the blinding sands. Of these
there stands, first, the Captain of our school, C.S.M. R. Hodge
(Captain, 1913); Sergt. J. Williams (Captain, 1914); Lieut. W.
Lamerton (Captain, 1915). Then proudly heading the list of
scholars stands our old friend, Slab Allan, now Lieut. H. B.
Tinning Allan, M.M. (Eng.), M.M. (France), and it is reported
(surely a fact, too) that he has been awarded a D.C.M. The list
then runs almost to forty, and may be read elsewhere in this
issue. One of our boys, Sergeant Alex. Clark, has returned, hav-
ing been badly wounded. We are glad to know that he is
again with us, and is proceeding with his studies at the Sydney
University.
Of the lads who have gone forth from our school one has made the highest sacrifice—Corporal Macryanis. Quite a number have been wounded—some several times. They can carry no higher marks of honour.

Then in matters scholastic we are "keeping our end up." We are at present represented at the Sydney University by 13 undergraduates: Mr. B. Lynch (Med.), Miss M. Pollard (Sc.), Mr. H. Yates (Sc.), Miss Dorothy Nielsen (Sc.), Miss Eva Links (Sc.), Miss A. Ferris (Sc.), Miss D. Phillips (Arts), Mr. H. Pratley (Arts), Mr. J. Jenkinson (Ec.), Mr. H. Payne (Ec.), Mr. C. McLeod (Ec.), Mr. P. McGee (Ec.), Mr. N. Sligar (Eng.).

We hope to have the pleasure of congratulating our first University Graduate, Miss Marjorie Pollard, on gaining her B.Sc. Already we congratulate her and her associate undergraduate on their continued success at the 'Varsity, and if we may particularise, wish to send heartiest congratulations to Mr. Bartley Lynch on his excellent results in Medicine.

Another who would have been an undergraduate is now in a higher school—Sergt. Horace Moxon. This is a very excellent beginning. Next year we should have at least five more at the University, and the year following quite a batch.

On the field surveying we have four students—B. Tonkin, W. Yansen, A. Pringle, and V. Williams. In the Public Service we have quite a large number, both in the senior and junior grades.

As a School, we wish here sincerely to thank the Parents and Citizens' Association for all it has done to have our aims realised, even to this extent. We look into the future with keen anticipation, and trust that those who have done so much for us in the past will not weary in well-doing, but will go right on now until they reap the reward due to their whole-hearted interest, in seeing a worthy and handsome High School planted on this excellent site.

WAR CHEST FUND (QUEEN COMPETITION.)

Again the School has done well in the Queen Competition. Miss Ethel Brett having been elected as the School's Candidate, an enthusiastic effort was made to gain her return at the head of the poll. In this we were willingly, whole-heartedly, and personally assisted by the Schools of Bathurst and district. Even from little Schools twenty or thirty miles away subscriptions came in.

It was easily seen that our candidate could not win by the mere sale of tickets, hence a Fair was organised, and so earnestly carried out that for the one afternoon and night's effort no less than One Hundred Pounds was realised. In addition to this, 90 Pounds was raised by the sale of votes, making our total receipts some One Hundred and Ninety Pounds. When expenses were deducted the net return was £185. Truly a remarkable result when one considers the many calls at present being made on the parents and our scholars.

The Headmaster desires to thank all who came to our help in this matter—particularly the Headmasters and Headmistresses on the staff of the Primary School and Parents and Citizens' Association. For his energy and enthusiasm in carrying to a successful issue, the sale of votes, special thanks are due to Mr. Noel Jennings, Prefect of the School.

To particularise further is unnecessary. The best thanks one desires under circumstances such as these is splendid success. This we realised beyond all anticipation. We regret we did not win. The manner of her losing was sensational. At five minutes to 10 on the fatal Saturday the HeadMaster and many others interested were at the Town Hall. At 10 o'clock our last donation, a cheque for £2 10s. was handed over to the treasurer, and the B.H.S. candidate was leading by 2000 votes! But a gentleman who, it is said was determined that Pixie College should win was unknown to any of the High School, at that moment writing a cheque. This was handed in as the Town Clock finished the last stroke of ten. The B.H.S. was defeated by 1000 votes! The cheque was drawn for THIRTY-EIGHT POUNDS! Was it not "hard luck!"

We are naturally disappointed after doing so remarkably well and running the score up to £185. But let us remember this—and it makes us the moral victors in the competition—that, without the schools' effort the War Chest Fund would have been the less rich by some two or three hundred pounds. We made the pace, and made it hot. It is not the pacemaker that always wins. But great is that school that can take a defeat, especially under such sensational circumstances, in a spirit of good sportsmanship. We did our best, we worked with a high motive, and we scored well. We offer our congratulations to the Queen, who beat us on the last stroke of TEN on that Saturday night, the 10th of November.

Below is a Balance-sheet connected with the Schools' War Chest Fair.
QUEEN COMPETITION.

War Chest Bazaar, 24/10/17.

Expenditure. Receipts.

£ s d £ s d
Change 5 4 3 Flowers 5 15 10
Sundries 0 2 6 Refreshments 10 0 0
Drinks 1 2 6 Ice Cream 8 10 3
Glasses 0 6 6 Groceries 8 1 7
Ice Cream (Heaths) 1 2 0 Sweets 12 6 3½
Ice Cream (Red Rose) 2 3 0 Jumble 9 13 4
Advocate 0 18 0 Cakes 13 4 8
Webbs (Glasses) 0 3 9 Produce 5 13 1½
Edgley (Glasses) 0 7 9 Shooting 4 7 10
Times 0 14 3 Art Gallery 1 6 3
Meagher 0 4 8 Knitting 1 4 9
Prizes 0 2 0 Nail Driving 0 8 3
Hoopla 1 12 4 Penny Polishing 0 6 4
Pair War Chest 85 0 0 Beer 9 16 0
Paid War Chest 2 2 8 Hat Trimming 0 4 3

Total 101 6 2
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ROBT. C. TAYLOR,
Hon. Treasurer.

We will doubtless be losing a number of students this year. Wherever their lot may be cast, they will always have our best wishes for success in the future. We know they will ever try to remember what the Old School did for them, and also that it sent them out into life's restless sea to work out the same old motto of the blue and gold—"Altiore Peto."

Congratulations to Orange H.S. on their fine success at the last L.C. and I.C. examinations, 1916, and particularly on their gaining the general proficiency honours and the Lithgow Scholarship.

IN MEMORIAM.

Word has come through that Sgt. C. L. Henry has been awarded the D.C.M., and has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant. The official order covering the award makes the following reference to Sgt. Henry: "He set a splendid example to his men by moving up and down on the parapet of the trench, which was being dug, encouraging his men under very heavy shell and machine-gun fire. On one occasion, when a stretcher was called for there was none available. Sgt. Henry at once went back through the barrage, which was at that time particularly intense, and returned with a stretcher. This he passed on to the stretcher-bearers, and carried on with the task. His conduct through May 3rd and 8th was exceptionally gallant."

Sgt. E. Macryannis,
Killed in France,
1917.

Gordon Guymer,
Accidently Killed,
Bathurst, October, 1917.

Emily B. Higgins
("Trixie"),
Died at Bathurst,
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Fred. J. Smith,
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