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EDITORIAL

So ends another year of schooling, perhaps your last, then again perhaps your first. Have you analysed your progress, fall, success or failure—does the result of your investigation depend on examination marks? Should it? Is an education a pass mark in exams.

The four great objects of life and education can be listed as three P's and an F, i.e. poise . . . power . . . peace and freedom. Some of the marks of an educated person can be seen in the success at which he or she is able to obtain these. The signs of these people could possibly be seen in this list, check it for yourselves.

- 1. An open mind. This is the ability to toss even your most cherished beliefs into the fire if you find they are not true.
- 2. The educated person will listen to all the information someone else can give him on a subject, and then draw his own conclusions.
- 3. He never laughs at new ideas, he never says that something is impossible, ridiculous, or that it cannot be done.
- 4. Cross-examines his daydreams.
- 5. He discovers his strongest point . . . then makes the most of it. Find this strong point then learn how to play it. Success story inumerable.
- 6. Learn the value of good habits and how to form them.
- 7. Know when to think, and when to call in the expert to do your thinking for you. "It is not surgery that kills people, it's delayed surgery."
- 8. You can't sell the educated person magic. He throws superstitions out the window.
- 9. He lives a forward-visualising, outward-looking life. Psychology divides the world into two classes . . . introverts and extroverts. The inward-looking introvert loses health, efficiency, happiness and is a liability, while the outward-looking person builds, constructs, organises, achieves and harnesses the energies of the world.
- 10. The educated person cultivates a love for the beautiful, he sees beauty in just about everything.

"Men at the Top" by Osborn Elliott, is an American book about their top

executives of the big Corporations . . . the way they live, think and conduct themselves on the biggest checker board in the world. How did these men put themselves there: firstly the desire, the deep desire to achieve this is the motivator. Secondly a willingness to work continuously, for long hours, if necessary. Thirdly a vast amount of knowledge. They never stop learning, studying, and looking for new and better ways of doing business. Lastly their willingness to accept and be responsible for authority. They realise that mistakes are part of the business of life.

According to the book, the best way to get ahead is to teach the man below how to get ahead. "The best basis for being advanced is to organise yourself out of every job you're put into. Most people are advanced because they're pushed up by the people underneath them rather than pulled up by the top." Secondly schooling obviously doesn't educate you, but sets a basis from which you are then able to educate yourself. If you think your education can stop when you get out of school—you'll stop at the same place. There's a growing need for men at the top . . . but it takes men with a need to get there.

PERSONALITIES

BRYAN CROCKER

Since 1966 Bryan has won and taken fastest time in every school steeplechase he has entered setting records of 10m 47s in 1967 and 17m 3.8s in 1969 for the junior and senior events. Outside school he has competed in the New Plymouth Harrier Club for the last six years. This year, although still in colts ranks he competed in the West Coast North Island junior crosscountry championships and gained third place. Consequently he was selected to run in the National Championships held at Gisborne where he performed creditably and gained valuable experience for the future. Later in the season he gained second place in the W.C.N.I. colt's road championships.





Shinzo Matsuo

Bryan has also proved no mean performer on the track—at the beginning of the school year he set new records for senior 3 mile and 1 mile events. With his return to school next year it is very possible that these records will again be altered.

MR. A. N. WILSON, B.A., B.Sc.

Mr. Wilson has only recently been appointed Deputy Headmaster, to take up his position next year. He attended this school as a pupil from 1941-45, and from there went to Victoria University. First being appointed to Te Awamutu College, then back to the Boys' High. Mr. Wilson was housemaster in Pridham for five years. He teaches all the science subjects and has been head of the department for seven years. During the nineteen years of teaching he has taken part in many outof-class activities such as refereeing, Rugby coaching, master-in-charge of Drama, senior officer in cadet Battalion and other house activities. Outside of school, Mr. Wilson is involved in several associations including the "Old Boys". Also various relaxing sports and he has an interest in his home gar-

SHINZO MATSUO

A newcomer to our school is Shinzo Matsuo (Monty) from Kyoto, Japan. He is in New Zealand to study English for 2½ months. Back in Japan, Monty is studying economics at a university with 20,000 students, although there is a university with 100,000 students!

A difference Monty has noticed between his school and ours is the lack of freedom and lack of girls. He likes N.Z. mutton.

MR. M. R. HERBERT, B.A., Dip. Ed. Mr. Herbert, present Housemaster in Pridham, and teaching Geography and Social Studies in the School, is intending to leave at the end of the year. Besides the classwork, Mr. Herbert takes an enthusiastic interest in various activities about the School, including Rugby, cricket, Military Drill, and this last year has been Master-in-Charge of a very successful 'Whistle' publication.







A. N. Wilson

MASTERS LEAVING

MR. T. N. WATT

Mr. Watt, present Deputy Headmaster and Head of Maths Department, retires from school teaching at the end of this year after 33 years at New Plymouth Boys' High.

Mr. Watt attended the School as a boy from 1925-1929. From School he attended Otago University, came back to New Plymouth after doing "section" at Auckland and taught a variety of subjects including Bookkeeping, Latin, Maths, Add. Maths, Chemistry and Physics.

He has been involved in Rugby and swimming coaching, including 20 years as coach of the Second Rugby Group. Mr. Watt has also taken a close interest in several clubs, namely alpine, surf and camer aclubs. He has also had 26 years of commissioned service, being at one stage second in command of the School Battalion.

He was Housemaster in School House (Moyes) for four and a-half years before the war, and after senior Housemaster of Carrington House for five years.

Significant changes since he has been here is a doubling of the roll from 550 to 1150. Mr. Watt now considers that the standard of sixth form is two years advanced and more difficult than the work done by sixth formers back in 1936.

Changes that he would like to appear in the schooling system that have not happened as yet are a reduction in the master to pupil ratio, more generous scale of staff and a smaller school. He considers it essential that more ancillary staff are available to do clerical work and trained teachers would then be able to devote more time to actual classroom teaching.

Asked if he had any advice for a boy who wanted to succeed at school he replied, "No matter what his academic abilities, if they work steadily and honestly and leave no gaps in knowledge, they will be able to be on top of that subject."

MR. R. PENNEY

Mr. Penney is also retiring at the end of this year after serving 26 years on the staff of this School (1943-1969). Mr. Penney was educated at Ashburton High School, then went on to Christchurch Teachers' College (1930-31), followed by

some time at Canterbury University where he attained his B.A. and Dip. Education. Before coming here he taught at Opunake High School from 1938-43. Since he has been here Mr. Penney has taught History, English, Geography and Social Studies and is present Head of the Social Studies Department.

Mr. Penney has organised and coached Rugby and hockey teams at School, and it was he who introduced hockey into the School in 1947. He was a New Zealand University Hockey "Blue" in 1934 and 1935 and also played in Taranaki hockey and tennis teams.

He took an active part in the military drill at School and with the rank of Major, for four years commanded the Battalion.

Today Mr. Penney sees less stability in staff, and there has been a change from masters moving to pupils moving to periods. He would like to see less emphasis on exam timetables and success in these exams. There should be a greater freedom of expression within each subject, and a tendency towards a university type timetable in the senior school.

MR. J. J. STEWART

Mr. Stewart has been teaching at Boys' High since 1948. He was educated at Sacred Heart College, Auckland, and then went to Massey (Dip.Agr.), on to Auckland Teachers' College and Auckland University.

Since he has been here he has taught General Science and sixth form Biology, and was in charge of the Agricultural course. He has been involved in Rugby and rowing, in particular, First XV for 15 years, also athletics and some cricket coaching. During the time he took the First XV the School had a very successful run of wins, being unbeaten for many years.

Mr. Stewart restarted the Rowing Club and during his time the School has produced some very successful crews. Several eight crews in the Maadi Cup finals included one first and several places.

He has also spent many years in the School Cadet system taking boys on camps, drill, etc., and has become Adjutant of the Battalion.

Mr. Stewart has spent some time in the boarding establishment, being Housemaster in Moyes for three years.

Next year he takes up the position of Principal of Flockhouse, an agricultural school in the Wanganui district.

Personalities Continued

MR. G. J. BURRIDGE (1963-1969)
Mr. Burridge has been teaching at the School for seven years; he leaves for

Matamata College when this year finishes.

He has taken a full and active part in many School activities including Rugby, cricket, Military Drill, and Drama. Mr. Burridge is present Housemaster in Niger.

T. J. NALDER (1963-1969)

Music Master since 1963, he leaves the School this year to take up the position of head of Music Dept. at Aranui High School in Christchurch.

Besides his duties as music teacher, Mr.Nalder has taken an interest in Drama and coached several successful Rugby teams.

The Editor wishes to thank his staff, all pupils who have contributed articles, the staff of the Commercial Printing Division Taranaki Newspapers Ltd., and Mr. Herbert (master in charge) for their assistance. Thank you.

"HISTORICUS"

History of Shooting in the School

Shooting began in 1912 when Mr. N. K. MacDiarmid, a member of the Board, initiated the draining of the gully swamp, or what is now the McNaught Field, and the construction of a rifle range there. In the same year practice for the Empire Shield began, although hindered by lack of rifles.

In 1913 the military side of shooting became important, as it has remained to this day. For the first time the School entered a team for the Imperial Challenge Shield competition, and in the same year the School won a competiton against Palmerston North.

Attempts upon the Imperial Challenge Shield continued in the years 1913-14-15, and in 1916 the School won its first major victory in winning both the Senior and Junior Shields in the competition, competing against 323 teams in the Seniors and 197 teams in the Juniors. Prizes for winning these shields were presented the following year in 1917. Many prominent people were there, including Sir James Allen, Minister of Defence. Tribute was also paid to the School coach, Lieutenant H. V. Searle, who was serving at the front at the time. However, the original silver shields could not be brought to New Zealand because of the wartime danger, so two replicas made of bronze were presented and these can be seen hanging in the foyer.

In 1921 the Headmaster received a letter from Colonel R. W. Fennell, the donor of the Imperial Challenge Shield, in which he was informed that Colonel Fennell had received a message from His Majesty King George V congratulating the School on its attainment of winning this highly sought-after trophy.

From 1917 onwards, the School continued to compete for the Shield, but owing to changes in the conditions laid down for entering, the School ceased to compete seriously after 1923.

In 1918-19-20 the School won the newly instituted Christchurch Weekly Press Shield. In 1920 the team gained 671 points out of a possible 680, with five boys scoring possibles. In 1921 the School won the Jellicoe Cup for the best average percentage obtained by the combined scores of the Senior and Junior teams.

In 1922 a 100 yards range was built in the gully, proving a great asset for long range shooting. In this year the School gained third place in the Imperial Challenge Shield and in the following year a record number of boys entered for this shield and the School won the Jellicoe Cup for the second time. By 1926 the School had won the Press Shield five times in nine attempts and in this year the School did the impossible—the whole team scored a possible.

No further outside trophies were attempted for until 1932-3 when the School entered for the Challenge Shield and the Earl Roberts Imperial Cadet Trophy, a competition for cadets in New Zealand. In 1945 the School competed for the Challenge Shield and the Weekly Press Shield. In 1947-48-49 the School entered for the Earl Roberts Cadet Shield.

In 1955 the original gully ground was abandoned because of the limited number of targets it could provide, and the danger to nearby residences. A new 25-yard range for .22 shooting was then built on the School Farm by the Army and this allows up to 20 cadets to shoot at once. .303 shoots have to be done at the Army range at Rewa Rewa, but the School Farm has been suggested as a possible site to build a .303 range which could shoot distances of up to 200 yards.

Although 1916 is regarded as the highlight of the School's shooting career, wide interest is still being taken in shooting and it forms an integral part of school life. Under the present control and coaching of Mr. O. J. Oats, we are competing very creditably in internal and outside competitions.

Internally, these competitions include the McDiarmid Belt and School Senior Championship, which is won by the boy scorng the highest aggregate in the Kelly Cup and the Searle Cup. The Kelly Cup is a long range shoot and the Searle Cup a 25-yard shoot, both with 303. .22 championships are shot for on the 25-yard range and are graded according to age groups of contestants. The Hamblyn Cup for boys 15-17 years, the Loveday Cup 14-15 years, and the McLeod and Slade Cup under 14 years. Two cups are competed for in cadets. These are the Senior and Junior Lady Godley Cups shot for at 25 yards with .303.

Externally, the Press Shield is still contested for by the School, though no outstanding success has been gained since the change of rules, but the results have been encouraging. Two trophies are hotly contested for by School teams each year, both being dependent upon the yearly Inter-Secondary School Competition. The Defence Rifle Association Cup is awarded to the winning team of ten, and the Officers' Club Cup to the cadet achieving highest individual aggregate score for the day. This competition has been running since 1960 and in it the School has shown its shooting capabilities by achieving very successful results.

Rifles are supplied by the Army and they also maintain the ranges. A great deal of assistance is given by Army personnel and this is greatly appreciated because without it the School's shooting programme would be very difficult to operate.

-J. M. L. Western.



Volley Board takes shape

SCENE BY PERISCOPE

The School swimming pool was filled and opened on Friday, the 14th. Unfortunately the water is dirty, but it is hoped that the filters will clear this.

On Friday, 14th November, University Entrance accrediting was announced to the Lower Sixth. Of the 160 names, 96 were successful. We wish the 64 sitting the exam success.

Two hundred and ninety-one pupils began their first external exam on Monday, the 17th, with the beginning of School Certificate. The majority of them begin on the Tuesday, with the most important subject, English, in the morning. The best of luck boys and may the result be a true indication of your work.

We welcome the Matron back to work after her long illness.

The Upper Sixth left School on Monday, the 17th. They are given this time off in which to prepare for their coming external exams.

Following on in this hectic period, third and fourth formers started their end of year exams on Tuesday, 18th November.

Friday, 14th November, was the last day that 6A girls from the Girls' High School attended Maths and Physics classes. The boys will be sorry to see them go as they brightened the teaching of those



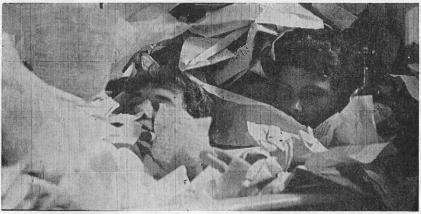
Tarewa Trippers

subjects and were delightful attractions when either of the two subjects became thoroughly boring.

Preparation is being made for a trip to Ruapehu for accredited Lower Sixth and a trip north to Bay of Plenty after School Certificate for a group of fifth formers.

The School grounds look quite attractive at the moment except the litter and dirt tracks over some lawns. Pick this paper up and stop walking on the grass.

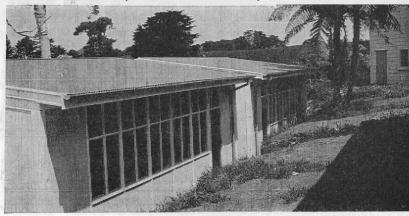
Roebucks (N.P.) have won the tender to build the new assembly hall block and we should see some action soon.



Immersed in their work.



"Great Expectations" or "madness" by C. V. Chunder



New Rooms 30 and 31

BELL TOWER

Rumour has it that the School Band will again present the "Blue Tango" at prize-giving.

Our condolences go to the Housemaster who, while speeding home, perceived two Waiwakaiho bridges and chose the wrong one.

We notice a decline in the ranks of 6A G.H.S. Cou'd it be that they are all muscle-bound?

The popularity of a certain 6A English master has grown to such an extent that he has taken to locking his door against a certain brindle cow.

Judging by the mass disappearance of various assorted Army equipment this School must surely have the best equipped revolutionary army in Taranaki.

Can you determine the length of a legal sideboard? If not, take the length of your ear, divide by two and there you have it.

A very sun-burnt lad arrived at school on Monday morning only to be tersely questioned by a certain master:

"Been gardening all week-end, boy?"
"No sir, just weeding."

NATURAL GAS

. . . Russel G. Dreadon, Head Boy 1947, during the great Rugby era at School. Now a Veterinary Surgeon at Waipukurau. Will have a boy boarding at School next year.

Taranaki Scholarship, studied law at Victoria University before joining a Wellington law firm. Transferred to Whangarei and recently back to Wellington. Represented Northland in Rosebowl Golf several times.

Points to Ponder

"True politeness is always so busy in thinking of others that it has no time to think of itself."

Letters to Editor

Dear Sir,—I think that far too many things around the School are not kept up-to-date. By this I do not mean that the School should bring in a mod uniform, have the latest equipment, or use teaching methods just formulated, but simply annual publications or fixtures should be modified to keep up with changes in the School.

There are many examples of this: (1) The Map in the Calendar—The calendar published this year shows the pavilion on the bottom ground, which was burnt down eight years ago, and does not show the prefabs near the baths that were constructed shortly afterwards.

(2) The Map in the Hall: This like the calendar map does show the Rugby Pavilion but has been amended to show the prefabs near the baths.

(3) The Prep Book: Although this is not strictly an annual publication, I am sure that a new batch must be published at least once a year. In this the House boundries are out of date, so much so that the Country House mentioned here was abolished in 1959, ten years ago!

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The School rules include rules that are either out of date or so little enforced that they are useless

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(4) The Prayers Notice: This states that Mr. Hatherly will be found in Moyes House when he is usually at the time stated in the annexe.

If such small things were corrected many visitors would not be left wondering and please, if you correct a map or publication, correct all of it.—I am, etc.,

Anthony Wilson.
Sir.—Why must New Zealand school teachers resort to the cruel practice of caning? Are the pupils of New Zealand schools such unruly creatures that they must be beaten into shape?

The teachers of our schools could, in my opinion, control the pupils with much more humane methods. Some schools are already finding that a simple system of detentions has far more reaching effects and certainly punishes the rule-breaker without scaring or bruising him.

Think for a moment of the victim. After the tingling numb pain has gone does he think any more about it? I say no: In fact the boy's image is probably enhanced in the eyes of his friends with the number of notches in his belt.

I hope in the future school boys will be regarded more as human beings rather than punch bags ready to be mutilated for the slightest offence.—I am, etc.,

Richard Gray, 3P1.



CRICKET 69

Cricket Captain Hamish Morrison



One and Two and Throw

CRICKET

HAMISH MORRISON (Captain): Third year in XI. Left-hand middle order batsman, starting to strike form this season after a rather poor season last year. Is also a right-arm outswing bowler, bowling with moderate success.

MORRIS TUFFERY (Vice-Captain): Third year in XI. Aggressive right-hand opening batsman, getting the innings off to a good start consistently. He has also kept wickets well, considering it is his first year as wicket-keeper.

BILL KYDD: Second year in XI. Right-hand opening bat, striking early form this season, being well up on the table of North Taranaki aggregates. He is also a handy gully fieldsman.

BOB DUELL: Second year in XI. Enterprising right-hand bat at No. 4, having moderate success this season. He bowls right-arm in-swingers, being very useful for tying down one end.

FRANCIS HILL: Second year in XI. Right-arm opening bowler, being very fiery on occasions, with early success this season. Francis has also proved to be a very capable right-hand bat, often saving the side with an impressive display of batting.

PHILIP STEWART: First year in XI. Very solid right-hand batsman, scoring consistently this season. A good slip fielder and is also turning into a useful off-spin bowler.

RODNEY HILL: First year in XI. Left-arm slow bowler, proving useful to dispose of stubborn batsmen. Is a low order right-hand bat, often helping to get the team out of trouble.

TERRY JORDAN: First year in XI. Right-arm out-swing bowler, opening the bowling. He has bowled well this season, topping the "Wellington Sports" honours board on one occasion with nine wickets for 48. He has also scored well with he aggressive right-hand batting.

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DAVID WEBBER: First year in XI. Very aggressive low order batsman, often scoring runs when they're needed most. David is also looking for a place in the bowling attack with his right-arm out-swingers.

MARK CHRISTENSEN: First year in XI. A fiery right-arm pace bowler, but has not bowled this season because of an injury. Has also made some runs in the low order.

GRAHAM SKELLERN: First year in XI. An enterprising right-hand bat, scoring well in second grade this year. Graham can also keep wickets, and is a handy man in the field.

ROGER JOHNSTON (12th man): Has bowled well for the Second XI

this year.

The First XI has had moderate success this season, with two first innings wins and a first innings loss. All the top order batsmen have passed the 30-mark at least once, with the notable performances coming from Francis Hill (63 not out) and Bill Kydd (44 not out). Bowling has generally been of a high standard, particularly from the two opening bowlers, Terry Jordan and Francis Hill.

The team is trying to build up points on the table so the new XI

next year will not have too hard a task in front of them.

Third Grade A

v. Kia Ora. Won 65 to 55.

v. Vogeltown A. Lost 30 and 8 to 65 for three (declared).

v. Francis Douglas. Won.

Good performances by J. Bullick (six for 18), S. T. Morris (five for 30) and S. Moss, who scored 42 against Francis Douglas College.

Third Grade B

v. Kia Ora. Won 102 for eight to 100.

N. Collie (five for 38), B. Cawthray 23, D. Jackson 15. This was their first win in two seasons.

v. Old Boys. Lost. But good performances again by Collie and Cawthray.

Fourth Grade A

Lost narrowly to Spotswood and by only one run to Francis Douglas(but were well beaten by Inglewood. P. Meuli and D. Buxton have performed well.

Fourth Grade B

No wins as yet, but R. Murray, R. Tibby, P. Brooky and others are endeavouring to rectify this.

Fifth Grade A

Have won all three games outright without any trouble. D. Taumata has performed very well, being supported by Donaldson and Old in the batting, and Sheriff has helped with the bowling.

Fifth Grade B and C

No success here but all members of the teams are keen, particularly Dodson, Armstrong and Holder.



Nett profit



Aces 1 and 2

CHOIR

After many weeks of Track Spinning and retapes the Choir has finally completed its first LP pressing. Two hits were rolled out in studio two—Girls' High Assembly Hall on Tuesday evening—the rest were recorded after school on Friday in the main studio—St. Mary's.

With (or without) permission the Choir will be holding a barb . . . "stir" (nih up) at the termination of the busy recording season.

When a certain fuzzy-haired bass member—with an uncertain growth on his upper lip was asked by the "wife of Herman M" as to whether he was growing a mo'—the reply came hastily—"Moira less."

Other humorous incidents: Hands up the fiddlers—"oops wrong hand."

With the trio of "Tits" (member's nicknames) an excuse for finishing a word uncertainly (i.e. t-t-tit tit) was made. The trouble is sir, there are too many tits about the music.

MEAT BALL SATIRE

Imagine, dear reader, if you find it at all possible, the fledgling meat ball about to embark on the happiest years of his life. He is wide-eyed, and innocent, complete with regulation grey socks; the new revolutionary cuffless trousers, in regulation grey of course; mediumtaper black shoes; his growth anticipation oversize blazer and white shirt, set off by his school tie; and topping it all that magnificent head-swallowing edifice—his school cap!

As this primary year progresses he soon learns to have his socks pulled straight up the shin, not to collect the second course until twenty-five past and DEFINITELY never to go for a second helping until twenty-nine minutes past.

His first extra-curricular social occasion is Dancing Class—the dreaded D.C.'s. Precisely at 6.15 p.m. he leaves (along the correct route) for the G.H.S., hair plastered down with toothpaste and other traditional hair tonics and with the paternal warnings of no chewing and no mauling ringing in his still impressionable brain. This will be the first of many meetings with the meat balls from across the river.

The culmination of this junior year is the School Prizegiving when he will encounter his first distinguished old boy. He is now a true initiate of the meat ball sect.

We take up the story again in our meat ball's final year. The intervening three or four years (dependent on academic and/or sporting abilities) have seen radical changes. The regulation grey trousers have long since been replacedby more fashionable attire; the white shirt has

followed fashion trends to become blue or checked with button-down collars; and the vintage third-form cap, although shrunken and weathered, still remains.

Now a senior he reigns supreme at the head of table and moans continually about the food, the laundry and every master on the staff. By now he is a virtuoso at bunking church, grapefruit raiding and generally breaking out, whether it is to the beaches or merely town and around on Saturday night. His sideboards are his pride and joy and he is continually evading having either his hair, his sideboards or both trimmed to regulation length.

His knowledge of meat ball jargon is now complete and ranges from the first-learnt "pass the jerk" to the more up-to-date "p' out of br!"

This is a meat ball in his prime—from the first trembling encounter with the G.H.S. type meat ball he has progressed to the stage of casually strolling through the cemetry on the way to D.C.'s, maybe puffing as he goes, his pockets stuffed with protest chewing gum. Bent on enjoying himself he has by now perfected the art of indecent dancing, i.e. with both arms about one's partner.

Now chafing at authority, his waking, eating, working, sleeping day regimented by bells and his social education complete with three picture leaves a term he is ready to join the ranks of our most distinguished old boy meat balls.

HOUSE NOTES

WEST

Congratulations to Gavin Giles on his very good performance in

the gym championships.

Ronnie and David Jackson both played well for the 3rd Grade "B's" against Kia Ora. Norm Collie came out of retirement and bowled well to take five wickets for 38 runs. Unfortunately the coach, ——, got a little carried away with the victory.

Congratulations to Hamish on his appointment as a prefect.

CENTRAL

The annual Badminton Championships saw Fraser Brodie deservedly win the senior singles and pair with K. Johnston to win the senior doubles title. The table tennis senior singles was won by Stuart Roper and the two champions, Brodie and Roper, combined to win the senior table tennis doubles.

Belated congratulations to "Syb" Iveson, placed third over-all in the senior steeplechase and also to Terry Jordan on his outstanding bowling against Kia Ora.

It appears that Jeff Klenner, who gave a creditable performance in the junior section, was the sole House representative in the Gym Championships.

EAST

Many East members are in School cricket teams this season and we have three players in the First XI and five in the Second XI. Those in the First XI are M. Tuffery, T. Jordon and R. Hill. Terry Jordon's bowling deserves special mention. Against Kia Ora, a previously unbeaten team, he took nine for 48, enabling School to take the match.

Roger Johnson is captain of the Second XI and gave a good performance against New Plymouth, taking eight for 32. Other Second XI members from East are N. Johnson, C. Vernon, P. Hill and M. Smith.

Congratulations to B. Waddell on winning the Lady Godley Cup in this year's shooting.

NIGER

With the year coming to a rapid close, exams are the next big event for the boys. It has been noticed that many are working well. It is encouraging to see this.

The House wishes "Daff" and "Tub" well in their forthcoming

Bursary and Scholarship exams.

Congratulations to Duck, Junior, Brad and Barrie on being accredited.

As well as doing well in the classroom many boys have been noticed on the sports field. Out at Waitara, Simons, Washer, Colebrook and Herdman are progressing with their rowing. On the cricket field McDougal is doing well for the third form "A" team. Also congratulations to Dunn for making the School "C" tennis team. Keep it up boys, and we hope others will follow your example.



Mission Impossible

PRIDHAM

The House is relatively quiet at present with examination pressure beginning to tell on the select few. We are confident of success in H.S.C. even if Scholarship and Bursary chances are slim.

S. T. Morris at present is topping the Third XI bowling averages with a fine five for 24. Other Pridham boys in the Third XI are I. Rawlinson and Shearer.

Congratulations are due to B. Issac on making the semi-finals of the Intermediate Tennis Champs.

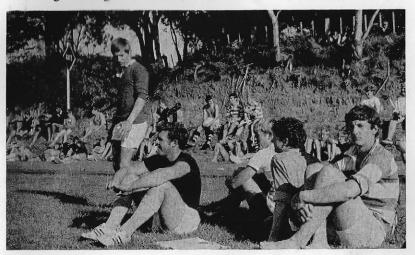
Certain seniors felt they are victims of circumstance after being bowled out for being at the beach merely because they were thought to be potential typhoid carriers.

We must also congratulate Piglet on winning the Kelly Cup and

McDiarmid Belt and Priga for winning the Hamblyn Cup.

Finally we warn all those beaded trendsetters not to cross the path of a certain senior Housemaster. Please note that Housemasters are underpaid and that the hippie bead market is lucrative.

Hot news has just come to hand: Martin, McColl, Underwood, Pyselman, Hone, Hargreaves, Brookfield, Gordon, Ayson and MacClean, who we had previously heard had been struck off the list, gained U.E. by accrediting. Congratulations (watch the celebrations).



Batter Up

CARRINGTON

With the sacking of the previous "MA" editor-please appreciate the radical change in our notes.

Congratulations to O. King and J. Halse on their respective second and third placings in the fourth form Gym Champs.

The House hopes that with an increase in roasting our Aomeha may shed

its winter coat. Do it gradually though, Jon.

Our controversial "T Ma" has recently achieved a vertical re-entry despite his well worn phrase "never to go near the Gh again." However, his excitement

has been offset sadly by Grutz's cooking failure.

The House has been well represented in the School tennis team by having three boys in the junior team. They are: R. Manson, J. Marshall, M. Underwood and G. Mailman as reserve. These boys are playing well in club matches—notably Manson, who beat the top-dog in the Waiwaka "C" team.

We are pleased to report of Typhoid Tich's violent recovery compared to

Muscle Glizzard Gus. Get your symptoms right though, Tich.

It is very encouraging to note the long hours of swot being put in by some however keep maths equations out of sleep-talk, Ross.

Despite the recent rigorous midnight efforts the graveyard dash was to no avail—the record still stands at a hot B.O. 5min. 4sec. But with our extra half-hour we may break it?

The prefects would like to express their thanks to the brilliant recording made by the three musketeers (alias Uncle Bob, Cousin Guthy and Grunthy). Unfortunately this peace of art was wiped from the tape.

The following gained U.E. by accrediting: G. Glover, A. Young. K. Ryan, Worth, M. Christenson, B. Bason, B. Smith, M. Johnson, M. Van Praagh, R. Dean. Congratulations.

Well done Blucky on your recent assassination attempt-perhaps not advisable in front of the whole Carroll family, but one more loop in the Tiger Moth may have produced a psychedelic cockpit.

NEWS FLASH: Jesse Johnson, the roughest, toughtest, orneryest cowpunk in this here terreetory, fought a mean hand-to-hand gun battle with similarly built K. Carson. Nobody knows the score cause they's both all shot up (5—10 plus ??)