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News and Comments

SINCE the last issue of the Magazine many changes have befallen the Naval College along with the Defence forces of the Commonwealth generally. It was at the beginning of the Christmas leave in 1929 that the decision was arrived at that the College should be continued until the end of the second term in 1930, by which time it was expected that some definite decision would have been arrived at with regard to the future. The thought of leaving Jervis Bay, which had established itself as the cradle of the Royal Australian Navy, was heartrending to those who had spent years in building up what they had believed to be a permanent structure. The Captain of the College (Captain C. H. Benson, R.N.) proceeded to propound arguments why the Naval College should not be interfered with, and obtained permission to draw up a scheme by which it should be run at about one-half of its former cost. This scheme was drawn up and it was proposed to put it into operation at the end of the financial year. An alternative which was considered was an old proposal revived—the amalgamation of the Naval and Military Colleges at Jervis Bay. This plan was opposed by both Navy and Army, and it was agreed to carry on both establishments on a reduced basis. At Jervis Bay we were actively preparing to put into operation the new scheme. The Cadets' years had been changed from three terms to two, with a break of one month at midwinter, each term being divided by a further week's break during which camping and other exercises would be carried out. This was expected to effect a saving in travelling expenses, while at the same time affording Cadets the necessary interval of respite from ordinary College routine. The staff of the College was to be drastically reduced and many buildings closed up. Auxiliary service people were to take the place of the members of the ship's company, and economies were being effected by cutting out such conveniences as laundry, refrigerator, etc. Light and power were to be brought from Port

Kembla, which would have permitted a great reduction in the Engineering establishment.

But before a start was made under the new conditions, instructions were received that the College would close at Jervis Bay at the end of the term, and re-open at the beginning of the next term at Flinders Naval Depot in Victoria. A party of packers descended upon the College with hundreds of packing cases, and within a remarkably short time the packing was carried out. On June 26th the Cadets proceeded on leave, and during the following days various members of the staff completed their packing and departed. Goods were stored in the Pattern shop to await shipment. In the middle of July these were picked up by Illawarra steamers and taken to Sydney, where they were transhipped into the Patrick Company's "Cardross" and conveyed direct to Flinders Naval Depot. For some weeks after this there was still much to be done before the College buildings were ready to be handed over to the Works and Railways Department and its band of caretakers. Engineer-Commander Carr and Paymaster Lieut.-Commander Maynard remained until arrangements had been completed. Dr. Wheatley was also there for some time, after which, with an interval of leave between, he established himself at Navy Office as Educational Adviser to the Navy Board.

Meanwhile the fitting out of buildings to accommodate the College had proceeded apace at Flinders Naval Depot, but it soon became evident that the short period of one month's Cadets' leave was all too short for a change of such magnitude, and in consequence leave was extended so that the cadets did not rejoin until August 7th and 8th, after which a few days were allowed in which to shake in to their new quarters, and Studies were resumed on Monday, August 11th.

We extend our sincerest wishes to the members of the staff who are about to leave us. The Headmaster, Dr. F. W. Wheatley, would

have been leaving us shortly in any case. We congratulate him on his appointment as Director of Studies at Cranbrook School. Like Dr. Wheatley, Mr. Morrison has been on the College staff ever since the Geelong days, and his cheery personality on the tennis courts and cricket field will be a very serious loss. Mr. McLeod has not been with us so long as either Dr. Wheatley or Mr. Morrison, but it is with sincere regret that we bid him farewell. We hope to hear of his having obtained a position of trust and opportunity. Sister Saunders did not come with us to F.N.D. and we miss her bright and cheery personality, not only in the hospital, but also in the concert parties, where she had for so many years so ably filled the role of accompanist. Like the teaching staff, the Naval staff of the College has been greatly reduced, and now consists of the First Lieutenant (Lieut.-Commander Miller), and two Lieutenants (Lieut. Pearson and Lieut. Cook). To the efficiency and tact of these officers, but more particularly of Lieut.-Commander Miller, the College has owed a very great deal during the last few months. Everybody was very pleased when it became known that the transfer was to be carried out under the able control of Lieut.-Commander Miller who, as a term officer, had already gained our affection and respect.

Captain Benson proceeded to the Navy Office and has therefore remained still in touch with the Naval College, for the life of which he and Mrs. Benson fought so strenuously at Jervis Bay. Commander Michell reverted to the Royal Navy, and we understand is retiring from the Service. Paymaster Lieut. Blackwell has since retired from the Service. The other officers who were with us at Jervis Bay are now scattered throughout the various ships and establishments.

The College was very pleased to welcome once again Instructor Commander Slater, who

began his naval career on its staff many years ago and who has been closely associated with it at intervals ever since. Much of the arrangements with regard to Studies stores at this end of the transfer fell on his very energetic and capable shoulders.

We congratulate Mr. R. F. Cowan on his appointment as Senior Master and Director of Studies and trust that he may long be spared to direct a College which will gradually rise from its present state of depression to something of its former strength and influence.

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The Editors appeal to all old J.B.'s to support the Magazine. It is desired in this way to maintain touch between officers at sea and their old College. Items of news about the doings and achievements of former cadets of the R.A.N. College are always welcome.

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The retirement of Dr. Wheatley and the transfer of Mr. Morrison to the Military College involves the disappearance of two members of the staff who had been with the College ever since the old days at Geelong, the only other member of the staff who was at Geelong being Mr. Eldridge.

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At the end of 1929 Dr. Wheatley was elected Honorary Correspondent of the School of Mines and Industries, Adelaide. The title of Honorary Correspondent is the highest distinction which it is within the power of the Council to bestow. Honorary Correspondents are elected by ballot under a rule restricting nominations to persons distinguished in some branch of science cognate to the curriculum of the School, or who have promoted its objects, and a further rule limiting the number of such appointments to fifty.

College Log

1929.

- Oct. 10—First XI. v. H.A.C.
 „ 26—First XI. v. S.G.S.
 Nov. 2—First XI. v. Cranbrook.
 „ 16—Garden Party to meet R.-Adm. and Mrs. Evans.
 „ 16—First XI. v. S.C.E.G.S.
 „ 19—Inspection of the College by R.-Adm. Evans.
 „ 23—First XI. v. The Fleet.
 Concert by Artists from the Fleet.
 „ 25—Navy Boxing Finals in the Gym.
 „ 30—Band of 21st Light Horse entertained the College with a Concert on the Q.D.

- Dec. 9—Captain's Dance to Fourth Year Cadets.
 „ 10—Passing Out Dance.
 „ 11—Passing Out. Concert at night.
 „ 12—Cadets proceeded on leave.

1930.

- Feb. 19—Sailing Race. Cadets v. Ship's Company.
 „ 22—Visit of the Prime Minister.
 „ 26—Officers v. Cadets Cricket.
 Mar. 3—Return of Lieut.-Commander Miller.
 „ 5—Officers v. Ship's Company, Cricket.
 „ 8—Juniors v. Cranbrook.
 „ 12—Swimming Sports.

- „ 19—Sailing race. Cadets v. Ship's Company.
 „ 22—R.A.N.C. v. R.M.C.
 „ 29—First XI. v. S.C.E.G.S.
 „ 30—Lieut. (E) Rands and Ginger part company!
- Apl. 5—Cadets and Officers v. Squadron—a draw.
 „ 12—Cross Country Run.
 „ 17—Mid Term Leave. The Great Trek.
 „ 26—Return from Boat Harbour and Sussex Inlet.
 Visit of the Federal Treasurer.
 „ 27—Seining Party. Federal Treasurer present.
 „ 28—Cadets' Dance.
 „ 29—Training for Athletic Sports begins.
- May 14—Athletic Sports.
 „ 31—Hockey. R.A.N.C. v. Northern District. 2—3.
- June 24—The last Concert at Jervis Bay.
 „ 25—The 'Funeral.'
 „ 26—Farewell to Jervis Bay.
- Aug. 7—Cadets (excepting Tasmanians and West Australians) arrived.
 „ 8—Cadets shown round Depot and Study Blocks.
 A visit from representatives of "Sun" and "Herald."
 „ 9—Tasmanians and West Australians arrived.
 „ 10—Introduction to Captain Lecky.
 „ 11—College in full swing.
 „ 14—Inspection of new quarters by 1st and 2nd Naval Members.
 „ 16—Cadets thrashed the Depot at Hockey.
- „ 22—Acting Prime Minister (Mr. Fenton) and General Sir John Monash visited College.
 „ 23—Hockey. Cadets v. Depot. Draw.
 „ 27—Cadets beat Depot Officers at Rugger.
 „ 30—Cadets beat Depot Officers at Hockey.
- Sept. 3—Officers beat Cadets at Rugger.
 „ 6—Mid-Term Leave.
 Cadets beat United Services at Hockey — much to the surprise of both teams.
 „ 10—Cadets beat the Officers of the Depot at Rugger.
 „ 13—Cadets beat a picked Metropolitan "B" team at Rugger in Melbourne.
 „ 22—Farewell visit of H. E. Lord Stonehaven.
 „ 27—Cadets beat Brunswick at Hockey.
- Oct. 10—Leave.
 „ 19—Cadets returned from leave.
 „ 20—H.M.A.S. "Albatross" arrived with remainder of stores from Jervis Bay.
 „ 24—Trafalgar Day Review.
 „ 25—Cadets beat Haileybury at Cricket.
- Nov. 1—Cadets v. Melbourne Grammar at Cricket.
 „ 4—Mid-Term Leave.
 „ 8—Cadets beat Scotch College.
 „ 9—Tennis finals.
 „ 10—Boxing heats commenced.
 „ 12—Boxing finals.
 „ 15—Beaten by Wesley.
 „ 16—Cadets visit Cowes in the rain.
 „ 22—Beaten by Brighton Grammar (away)
 „ 29—Beaten by Trinity.

Passing Out

His Excellency the Governor-General, Lord Stonehaven, was, according to his invariable custom, present at the "Passing Out" of Cadet-Midshipmen, and distributed the prizes, the details of which are given below. No one knew at the time that this was not merely the last occasion on which Lord Stonehaven would be present to perform at Jervis Bay what he had himself more than once declared to be one of the most pleasant functions of His Majesty's representative in Australia. A remark made to the Headmaster under a misapprehension proved strangely prophetic. His Excellency said in the course of his address to the Cadets that he understood that this was the last occasion on which not only he, but

also Dr Wheatley, would be present in an official capacity at a prize-giving at Jervis Bay. It turned out to be the last occasion on which any of the members of the Naval College were present at such a function at Jervis Bay.

The usual festivities marked the Passing Out. The Captain's dance was a most enjoyable function, Captain and Mrs. Benson proving themselves on this, as on all other occasions, most charming host and hostess. The Passing Out Dance was one of the most successful in recent years, while the Concert party showed what can be achieved by enthusiastic amateurs under able direction, with the anticipation of leave ahead and the memory of a year of strenuous work behind.

Prize List

The outstanding feature of the 1929 Prize List was the phenomenal success achieved by Cadet-Captain Mayo who gained first place in every subject whether professional or literary, theoretical or practical. Only the rule that no one cadet may take more than two prizes (apart from the Otto Albert Prize) prevented him from completely "sweeping the pool" to the discomfiture of all his fellows. In the following list the recipient of the prize is indicated by heavier type.

Grand Aggregate: 1, Mayo; 2, Webster; 3, Menary.

Mathematics: 1, Mayo; 2, Webster; 3, Palmer.

Physics and Chemistry: 1, Mayo; 2, Menary; 3, Webster.

English: 1, Mayo; 2, Macliver; 3, Webster.

History: 1, Mayo; 2, Macliver; 3, Rose.

French: 1, Mayo; 2, Webster; 3, Macliver.

Navigation: 1, Mayo; 2, Menary; 3, Webster.

Engineering (Theoretical): 1, Mayo; 2, Webster; 3, Menary.

Engineering (Practical): 1, Mayo; 2, Menary and Gosse, aeq.

Seamanship (Otto Albert Prize): 1, Mayo; 2, Rose; 3, Logan.

Rugby

It looks as though this part of the magazine, in the future, will be smaller than it has been, as the game is not played in Victorian Schools and there will be a difficulty in finding opponents.

The team played very well and it is a pity that we were unable to have our usual games in order to form some idea of their real merit.

Old Colours.*

Wilson.—Captain of the team. Played on the wing this year as we had a good supply of centre three-quarters. Heavy and fairly fast. Does not always go low enough when tackling.

Hancox.—Centre three-quarter. Good pair of hands, but is too slow getting under weigh. Passes well. A very safe place kick.

Innocent.—Fly half. Quick off the mark and runs straight when he wants to. Cuts through well on occasions.

Langford.—Forward. On the light side but tackles hard. Played well in the second and rear ranks.

Ridley.—Rear rank forward. Did not improve as he should have done this year, which may have been due to the cares of scrum leading.

New Colours.

Hudson.—A strong running wing three-quarter with a useful hand-off. Has a tendency to run towards the centre at times and get caught, when a dash for the corner might have brought a score.

Adams.—Breakaway forward. Plays with plenty of dash and tackles all out. Played scrum half after Peek was crocked.

Gordon.—Breakaway forward. A good hard player who is very good in defence.

1st XV. v. Squadron Gunrooms.

(Saturday, May 24th, 1930).

The Gunrooms fielded a strong and heavy team, all of the players being officers who have passed through the College.

At first they rather ran us off our feet and before we had realised that the Rucker season had at last begun, had scored two unconverted tries from breaks through by their inside three-quarters. As the first ten minutes saw them ten points up, it looked rather as though the pessimistic forecast that we would be twenty points adrift at the end was unduly optimistic.

However, we were not yet running to form, and once the shock of this set-back was over, our team got under weigh and treated us to an exposition of football which, in recent years, has been too seldom seen on the quarterdeck.

For the greater part of the game it was our backs that stood out, but in the latter stages, when the squadron, one point behind, were out for blood, the loose rushes of the forwards saved the situation, time and again. The packing in the set scrums was irreproachable throughout the game and was responsible for the backs getting more than their fair share of the ball.

The final score, 3 goals (15 points) to 1 goal and 3 tries (14 points) makes it appear that the gunrooms were unlucky to lose. Perhaps

this is so, but on the run of the play one cannot help wishing that the final points were equal.

Although so early in the season, most of the XV. showed a finish to their work that augurs well for coming matches.

Team.—Smith (full back); Robertson, Norbury, Wilson (capt.), Hudson (three-quarters); Innocent, Peek (halves); Anderson, Ashley-Brown, Cody, Langford, Hancox, Adams, Ridley, Gordon (forwards).

Mixed XV. v. Blue Mountains Grammar. (Saturday, June 14th).

This was the first school match of the season and we put out a team which included some of the lighter members of the 1st XV. Blue Mountains, unfortunately, were a lot lighter and weaker than last year, so that we rather ran away with the game and were reaching the half century at the end.

1st XV. v. Sydney C. of E. Grammar.

Played at Jervis Bay on the last Saturday of the first term, this match was our farewell to Rugger in N.S.W. and we were able to leave a good impression as, with the team playing solidly, both fore and aft, we won comfortably by 17 to 3.

The result of the match brought home to us one of the disadvantages of our new home, as our game was improving to such an extent as to make us wish we could have stayed to take on some of the G.P.S. 2nd XVs.

Little need be said of the incidents in the game. Our backs were heavier and faster than theirs, and with the ball coming out regularly it was only a question of holding passes to score. As this was not done as frequently as could be wished, the final points did not make the win seem as easy as it really was.

Team.—Smith (full back); Wilson, Hancox, Norbury and Hudson (three-quarters); Innocent and Peek (halves); Anderson, Cody, Harvie, Langford, Raper, Adams, Ridley and Gordon (forwards).

1st XV. v. A Metropolitan Team. (Melbourne, Saturday, Sept. 13th).

Our match was staged as a 'curtain-raiser' to the Inter-national match, Great Britain v. Victoria.

The Metropolitan team was selected from the various clubs of the Victorian Rugby Union, with a view to providing us with something about our own weight to take on.

The Daimler did its first run in new country to take us to the game and went well until approaching the outskirts of Melbourne. Engine trouble then necessitated frequent

stoppages which made it obvious that we were going to be late. Passing through the more populated suburbs we were again delayed, this time by the traffic, so that we eventually arrived at the ground at the time we should have been kicking off. As the result we only played 20 minutes each way instead of the usual periods.

We were all over the place for the start and it was no surprise when the opponents scored an unconverted try. Play continued to be ragged for most of the first half and it was as well that our tackling was well up to standard or we might have been given a big score to chase. At half time we led by 5-3, a break through in the centre giving us a try which was converted.

In the second half we began to look something like a team, with the result that we ran the opposition off their feet and won by two goals and a try (13) to a try (3).

Team.—Smith (full back); Wilson, Hancox, Norbury and Hudson (three-quarters); Innocent and Adams (halves); Ashley-Brown, Anderson, Harvie, Cody, Farnsworth, Langford, Ridley and Gordon (forwards).

Once our game was over we were free to watch the International, and this game, more than anything else, will make the trip one to be remembered, as it was as fast as could be wished for, and the handling and backing up by both forwards and backs showed us the standard to strive for.

The homeward journey commenced at 5 o'clock, and we devoutly hoped that the Daimler would be on her best behaviour. For a long time all went well and it was not until just past Frankston that our former experiences began to recur. By this time it was bitterly cold and rain was threatening, so that the last few miles almost spoilt the pleasant recollections of the afternoon.

1st XV. v. Officers of the Depot.

Three matches were played between the teams, and we have to thank the Officers for giving the XV. much-needed match practice.

In the first game our opponents underestimated the nature of the task they had undertaken, and, having had the wind taken out of their sails as well as their bodies, were over run in the second half, the College winning by 25-12.

In the second game the result was reversed by roughly the same margin. Being on their mettle a strong 'Officers' team was raised which, by some mis-chance, included a few of the best of the Ship's Company players.

We were out for blood in the last of the series, and with the Officers at 'first match' strength we had no difficulty in beating them with about 20 points to spare.

Cricket

In addition to the 1st XI. matches against the Schools, the Junior XI. turned out against similar teams from Cranbrook on two occasions, and although defeated on the first innings in each case, were far from being disgraced.

Combined Officers' and Cadets' teams played the Squadron at the end of last year and the beginning of this, the second being made the more interesting in that Menary and Rose were in the opposition. With the wealth of talent that the ships can call on, they naturally got the better of things in most cases, but we gave them a run for their money in the last game, in which we were very few runs astern with 6 wickets in hand at stumps.

The 1st XI. also played a Squadron team, not quite their full-strength, composed of ex-College officers, and went under after a keen struggle. Hudson had a day out, getting 53 n.o., while the fly in our ointment was Lt. (E) Wilson, who batted very steadily for 61, being associated with Pay.-Lt. Matthews (30) in a partnership of 73 for the 5th wicket, this being the turning point of the game. The scores were, College 153, the Squadron 173.

At the beginning of 1930 Hancox relieved Rose as Captain of the XI. and has done very well, his personal achievements as batsman and bowler, backed up by his good fielding, being an inspiration to other members of the team.

1st XI. v. Hawkesbury Agricultural College. (Saturday, October 10th).

We led on the first innings, thanks to a hard-hitting effort by Logan, but in the second went to the pack before the wiles of a slow break bowler, and were all out for 43. The finish was most exciting, as their last man was out to the ball following the winning hit.

H.A.C.—1st innings, 117 (Gilmour 33); 2nd innings, 71 (Sturmer 32, Hancox 5 for 27, Wilson 4 for 9).

College—1st Innings.

Wilson, b Byrne	1
Hancox, b Byrne	7
Menary, b Kotthoff	8
Rose, st Gulliver, b Kotthoff	2
Gerrett, b Byrne	12
Logan, b Keast	76
Mayo, c Thiely, b Kotthoff	8
Cody, c Thiely, b Keast	8
Gordon, not out	0
Innocent, b Keast	0
Marks, run out	3
Extras	17

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College—2nd Innings.

Wilson, b Byrne	0
Hancox, b Byrne	0
Menary, b Kotthoff	0
Rose, c and b Keast	6
Gerrett, c and b Keast	6
Logan, b Keast	0
Mayo, b Byrne	6
Cody, b Keast	2
Gordon, c and b Keast	4
Innocent, lbw Kotthoff	9
Marks, not out	1
Extras	9

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Keast 3 for 17 and 7 for 21.

1st XI. v. Sydney Grammar School. (Saturday, October 26th).

S.G.S.—1st innings, 51 (Menary 6 for 14); 2nd innings, 83 (Wilson 3 for 7).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, b Sergeant	5
Rose, c Cowley, b Sergeant	0
Wilson, c Pearce, b Sergeant	26
Menary, run out	1
Mayo, b Page	20
Logan, b Page	23
Gerrett, b Sergeant	16
Cody, not out	3
Gordon, c Potts, b Sergeant	2
Innocent, std Cowley, b Sergeant	5
Marks, b Sergeant	0
Extras	7

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College—2nd Innings.

Hancox, c Potts, b Sergeant	16
Rose, b Keene	1
Wilson, st Cowley, b Sergeant	9
Menary, st Cowley, b Sergeant	0
Mayo, b Potts	22
Logan, b Sergeant	14
Gerrett, b Sergeant	2
Cody, c Bloxham, b Buttfield	2
Gordon, c Page, b Sergeant	3
Innocent, b Buttfield	4
Marks, not out	1
Extras	5

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Sergeant 7 for 37, and 6 for 44.

1st XI. v. Cranbrook School. (Saturday, November 2nd).

Cranbrook managed to lead us by 2 runs on the first innings. We were in a good position at stumps, having declared at 5 for 82 (Hancox

35 n.o.) and having our opponents 6 for 54. A quickly made 59 by Logan was the feature of our batting. Hancox bowled well in both their innings.

Cranbrook 131 (Commins 58, Croll 36; Hancox 5 for 34).

College—1st Innings.

Wilson, b Dowling	9
Hancox, c Meares, b Dowling	0
Mayo, c Welsh, b Dowling	4
Rose, b Croll	9
Logan, b MacKenzie	59
Menary, c Hardie, b MacKenzie	15
Norbury, c Hardie, b MacKenzie	12
Hudson, b MacKenzie	8
Gerrett, c Hardie, b MacKenzie	0
Cody, c Seccombe, b Croll	5
Adams, not out	0
Extras	8

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MacKenzie 5 for 62, Dowling 3 for 21.

1st XI. v. Royal Military College.
(Duntroon, Saturday, November 9th).

This match was typical of recent ones against the R.M.C. This time, however, instead of being just 'pipped,' we tied with them when it looked for all the world as though we might win on the first innings. We offer our congratulations to Julius on the marvellous catch that turned what seemed the winning hit into a wicket. Mayo surprised the critics with a steady knock of 48. We started well, as Hancox collected two good wickets in his first over, but after that some of their hitters cleared the bowling and made useful scores.

R.M.C. 146 (Bunny 36, Morcombe 26, Scoullar 25, Julius 25; Hancox 5 for 52, Menary 4 for 35).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, c Murdoch (2), b Millard	8
Mayo, c Murdoch (1), b Scoullar	48
Rose, c Herder, b Smyth	9
Norbury, c Morcombe, b Smyth	8
Wilson, c Julius, b Scoullar	20
Logan, b Millard	0
Hudson, not out	19
Menary, b Scoullar	2
Cody, run out	5
Adams, b Smyth	0
Gerrett, c Julius, b Smyth	10
Extras	18

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Smyth 4 for 21.

1st XI. v. Sydney C. of E. Grammar School.
(Saturday, November 16th).

We made a poor showing in the first innings, Mayo (27) and Rose (11) being the only two to reach double figures, with the result that we

were led comfortably. In the second, runs were made quickly, thanks to Hancox (81 n.o.) and we were able to declare, but while in a good position at stumps, could not quite administer the 'coup de grace.' Menary bowled well the first time, but was a bit expensive in their second innings.

S.C.E.G.S.—1st innings, 116 (Cullis-Hill 56 n.o.; Menary 5 for 43); 2nd innings, 6 for 53 (Hancox 2 for 3).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, c Cohen, b Newton	9
Mayo, b Rae	27
Rose, b Newton	11
Norbury, lbw Newton	0
Wilson, b Newton	7
Logan, b Newton	1
Hudson, c Brumley, b Smith	7
Cody, c Oldham, b Smith	2
Menary, run out	0
Innocent, not out	5
Gerrett, b Smith	1
Extras	9

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College—2nd Innings.

Hancox, not out	81
Mayo, b Rae	8
Rose, b Allerton	9
Wilson, c and b Newton	1
Logan, b Newton	7
Hudson, c and b Newton	11
Innocent, not out	8
Extras	23

5 wickets (decl'd.) 148

Newton 5 for 17, Smith 3 for 3.

1st XI. v. Barker College.
(Saturday, February 15th).

We won the toss and did quite well to get to 132, a second wicket stand by Wilson (44) and Hudson (27) giving us a very good start. As it turned out, we did not make nearly enough, as with the rain coming on after they were 2 for 77, we could do nothing against some very steady batting, so that when the match was abandoned they had reached 209 for the loss of only 5 wickets.

Barker College: 209 for 5 wickets (Savage 77, Brown 56, MacKenzie 28).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, b Read	10
Wilson, c Read, b Gilby	44
Hudson, run out	27
Norbury, b Dampney	3
Adams, c Brown, b Dampney	2
Innocent, b Dampney	16
Gordon, c Clisdell, b Dampney	0
Collins, not out	7
Cody, c Stanley, b Dampney	0

McDonald, lbw Dampney	8
Anderson, b Read	4
Extras	17

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Dampney 6 for 23.

1st XI. v. Trinity Grammar School.
(Saturday, February 22nd).

This match was graced by such distinguished spectators as the Prime Minister and Mrs. Scullin and the Minister for Defence (Mr. Green) who were inspecting the College during the week-end. We won on the first innings, having declared at 6 for 123 (Hudson 45, Hancox 38) in the second, but being unable to get our opponents out the second time to gain an outright win.

T.G.S.: 105 (Collins 4 for 18).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, c Mashman, b Border	3
Wilson, lbw Border	32
Hudson, b Border	11
Adams, c Bird, b Border	7
Gordon, b Geddes	0
Innocent, c and b Greer	27
Norbury, c Bird, b Border	1
Macartney, c Wise, b Border	7
Collins, c Finch, b Border	1
Cody, not out	5
Anderson, c Geddes, b Border	17
Extras	6

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Border 8 for 54.

1st XI. v. Knox Grammar School.
(Saturday, March 1st).

We won outright after having declared at 8 for 117 in the second innings. The first innings was notable for a last wicket stand of 59 by Anderson (33 n.o.) and McDonald (28) after 9 wickets had fallen for 69. In the second innings Hancox batted well for 42, getting his best support from Gordon. In addition to his batting success Hancox was in form with the ball, while Wilson had a remarkable spell of wicket taking in their second innings.

K.G.S.: 1st innings 119 (Crapp 53; Hancox 7 for 43); 2nd innings 64 (Hancox 3 for 34, Wilson 5 for 5).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, st Fitzsimons, b Paton	23
Wilson, b McKinney	6
Hudson, run out	14
Adams, b Crapp	0
Gordon, b McKinney	0
Innocent, b Adam	7
Norbury, b Adam	0
McDonald, c Crapp, b McKinney	28
Collins, c and b Paton	4

Cody, b Paton	0
Anderson, not out	33
Extras	13

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College—2nd Innings.

Hancox, b Crapp	42
Wilson, lbw McKinney	0
Hudson, c Fitzsimons, b Crapp	15
Adams, b Adam	6
Gordon, not out	26
Innocent, b Adam	0
McDonald, b Adam	5
Collins, b Crapp	16
Anderson, b Crapp	0
Extras	7

8 wickets (decl.) for 117

1st XI. v. Sydney Grammar School.
(Saturday, March 15th).

They batted first and made 101, and we collapsed miserably, Wilson alone reaching double figures. However, in their second innings Collins and Hancox bowled well and they were quickly out for 44, and a well made 60 by Hancox enabled us to pass their score with 4 wickets down.

S.G.S.: 1st innings 101 (Hancox 5 for 27); 2nd innings, 44 (Collins 5 for 22, Hancox 3 for 15).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, b MacQuade	4
Wilson, c Kennedy, b Wing	17
Hudson, c Rolin, b MacQuade	2
Adams, b Marsh	6
Gordon, c Kennedy, b Wing	4
McDonald, c Gowing, b Hardy	0
Innocent, st Kennedy, b Hardy	0
Norbury, not out	5
Collins, c Kennedy, b Wing	0
Cody, b Wing	0
Anderson, c Kennedy, b Hardy	2
Extras	1

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College—2nd Innings.

Hancox, c Gowing, b Wing	60
Wilson, b MacQuade	4
Hudson, b MacQuade	0
Adams, c and b Wing	17
Gordon, b Gowing	18
McDonald, not out	10
Extras	5

5 wickets (decl.) for 114

Wing 4 for 6, Hardy 3 for 15.

1st XI. v. Royal Military College.
(Saturday, March 22nd).

We were completely 'cleaned up' by the soldiers on this occasion. Perhaps they were

auguring the future and had foreseen this as the last match between the two Colleges, and in consequence, were giving us something to remember them by. They batted first and ran up 200, Herder (74) and Knights 45 n.o.) being the principal thorns in our flesh. Against this we could only muster 78, 47 of which came from a first wicket partnership by Hancox and Wilson.

R.M.C.: 200 (Herder 74, Knights 45 n.o., Collins 5 for 42).

College—1st Innings.

Hancox, b Murdoch (2)	34
Wilson, c and b Millard	16
Hudson, b Millard	5
Adams, st Anderson, b Murdoch (2)	0
Gordon, b Millard	1
McDonald, c Herder, b Millard	0
Innocent, c Murdoch (1), b Bunny	16
Norbury, lbw Murdoch (2)	1
Macartney, b Murdoch (2)	0
Cody, not out	0
Collins, c and b Balcham	0
Extras	5
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Millard 4 for 29, Murdoch (2) 4 for 40.

1st XI. v. Sydney C. of E. Grammar School.
(Saturday, March 29th).

We started badly by having 4 wickets down before reaching double figures, and were only saved from utter debacle by a dashing innings of McDonald. Badly as we had done we managed to get them out for a smaller score

as the result of steady bowling. In the second innings we were able to declare at 8 for 105, Hudson batting well, and then succeeded in disposing of the opposition for 89, the last wicket falling on time.

S.C.E.G.S.: 1st innings 49; 2nd innings 89.

College—1st Innings.

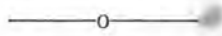
Hancox, lbw Terry	1
Wilson, lbw Terry	4
Hudson, b Jeffreys	3
Adams, b Jeffreys	4
Gordon, b Terry	0
McDonald, b Smith	20
Norbury, b Terry	7
Innocent, c and b Smith	4
Cody, not out	1
Macartney, c and b Balmain	0
Collins, c and b Smith	1
Extras	7
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College—2nd Innings.

Hancox, c and b Terry	0
Wilson, c Balmain, b Terry	16
Hudson, not out	43
Adams, b Jeffreys	5
Gordon, b Smith	13
McDonald, b Smith	0
Norbury, b Dixon	18
Innocent, c —, b Dixon	0
Collins, b Terry	4
Extras	6
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8 wickets (decl.) for 105

Smith 3 for 6, Terry 4 for 19 and 3 for 18.



Hockey

We had one outside game before leaving Jervis Bay, while, due to the change of air which was forced upon us, we were able to get a couple more during the latter end of the season. These matches are described later in the notes.

We also took on the Officers of the Depot and were beaten, the team as a whole playing well below 'par.'

The Interpart competition, run after we arrived in our new home, was a 'gift' to Maintopmen, who were able to call on a good proportion of the 1st XI. and a number of useful players in addition.

The results were as follows:—

	Goals		Pts.
	for	against	
F.X. (Anderson, capt.)	19	19	14
F.T. (Smith, capt.) ..	13	27	4
M.T. (Langford, capt.)	28	14	20
Q.D. (Ridley, capt.) ..	15	17	10

College XI. v. Northern Districts.

This match was played at Jervis Bay on June 21st, the 1st XI. being augmented by Pay. Lt. Cdr. Maynard and Lt. Cook.

The game throughout was very even, we being faster on the ball than they, while they had an advantage in stickwork. The final scores were: 3 goals to 2 against us.

The team was as follows: Cody (goal), Adams and Hudson (backs); Langford, Pay. Lt. Cdr. Maynard and Innocent (halves); Anderson, Gordon, Lt. Cook, Hancox and Wilson (forwards).

1st XI. v. United Services.

We were fortunate in getting the United Services' team to come down from Melbourne after the competition in the city had ended. The match, from our point of view, was interesting, as they were an 'A' Grade team who ended the season about half way up the com-

petition and we were thus enabled to get some idea of our standard of play, in comparison to that of the good Victorian clubs. A departure from precedent was made in playing no officers in the College team, but the 1st XI. on their own made such a good showing that this was justified.

The visitors started strongly, playing downhill, but the game was fairly even until the end of the half, when our marking was poor. This allowed the U.S. to keep up a sustained attack, some brilliant stickwork giving them a 3-1 lead at half time. Our goal in this half was rather a lucky one in that a visiting back, attempting to clear, hit a goal after the ball had been pushed slowly towards the net by one of our forwards.

In the second half our tactics were changed with beneficial results. Well-directed passing by the forwards kept us continually in attack and with the backs watching the opposition closely, the game turned so much in our favour that we won by 5-4 goals.

Team: Cody (goal); Adams, Hudson (backs); Ridley, Langford, (capt.), Innocent (halves); Wilson, Smith, Hancox, Gordon and Anderson (forwards).

1st XI. v. Brunswick.

Our last game of the season was against the Hockey champions of Victoria. Unfortunately, due to the commencement of the Cricket season, they could not field their full-strength team, which was probably as well for us. They did, however, have seven of this team available, so that they could by no means be called weak.

We ran up the hill in the first half, and by good all round play were four goals in the lead at half time. Our opponents were, if one can judge by their serious consultation during the interval, as surprised as we were at the way things were going.

In the second half they changed their team around a little with a view to preventing us running away with the game now that we had the advantage of the slope. In this they were successful, as we could only score twice more, while they also got a couple, so that the final scores were 6-2 in our favour.

The whole team played with great dash and the combination was all that could be desired. Special mention must be made of Langford, who was indefatigable, and Hudson, who was a rare stumbling-block to the visiting attack.

Team: Cody (goal); Adams and Hudson (backs); Ridley, Langford (capt.), Innocent (halves); Wilson, Smith, Hancox, Gordon and Anderson (forwards).

Tennis

Tennis is the game which has probably suffered the most by the transfer of the College. It is a big drop from the comparative luxury of four courts at Jervis Bay to one, and that in not too good condition, as we have at present.

Wilson acted as Captain of Tennis and celebrated his term of office by winning the Singles Championship, for the second year in succession.

Singles Championship, 1929. (31 Entries).

Mayo v. Hancox—Hancox (w. o.).
 Palmer v. Logan—Palmer 10-6.
 Marks v. Robertson—Marks 10-1.
 Wilson v. Webster—Wilson 10-7.
 Hancox v. Palmer—Hancox 6-5, 6-5.
 Marks v. Wilson—Wilson 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.
 Wilson v. Hancox—Wilson 6-5, 6-2.
 Winner: Wilson.

Doubles Championship, 1929. (11 Pairs).

Gordon-Raper v. Hancox-Wilson — Hancox-Wilson, 6-2, 6-0.

Rose-Palmer v. Marks-Webster — Marks-Webster, 6-3, 6-4.

Hancox-Wilson v. Marks-Webster—Marks-Webster, 6-2, 5-6, 7-5.

Winners: Marks - Webster.

Junior Years Handicap Doubles, 1929. (9 Pairs).

McDonald-Williams 1 (owe 15.3) v. Gordon-Raper (owe 15) — McDonald-Williams, 4-6, 6-5, 6-4.

Cody-Collins (owe 30) v. Peek-Welch (owe 15) — Cody-Collins, 6-3, 6-4.

McDonald-Williams v. Cody-Collins — McDonald-Williams, 6-1, 6-2.

Winners: McDonald - Williams.

Mixed Doubles Handicap, 1929. (16 Pairs).

Mr.-Morrison - C. M. Marks (owe 30.3) v. Mr. McLeod-C. M. Mayo (owe 30) — Mr. Morrison-C. M. Marks, 6-2, 6-3.

Mr. Simpson - C. M. Cooper (scr.) v. Lt. Pearson - C. M. Ridley (rec. 15.3) — Lt. Pearson - C. M. Ridley, 6—2, 6—4.

Mr. Morrison - C. M. Marks v. Lt. Pearson - C. M. Ridley — Mr. Morrison - C. M. Marks, 6—5, 1—6, 6—4.

Winners: Mr. Morrison - C. M. Marks.

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Singles Handicap, Div. A. (14 Entries).

Wilson (owe 30) v. Gordon (rec. 3/6) — Wilson, 6—4, 6—3.

Smith (owe 3/6) v. Peek (rec. 3/6) — Smith 6—5, 6—3.

Wilson v. Smith — Wilson, 6—2, 6—3.

Winner: Wilson.

Singles Handicap, Div. B. (14 Entries).

Harvie (scr.) v. Brewster (scr.) — Brewster, 6—4, 6—3.

McDonald (owe 15.3) v. Williams (owe 3/6) — McDonald, 3—6, 6—5, 6—3.

Brewster v. McDonald — McDonald, 5—6, 6—5, 6—0.

Winner: McDonald.

Doubles Handicap. (12 Pairs).

Wilson-Hancock (owe 40) v. Smith-Ridley (owe 15) — Wilson-Hancock, 6—3, 3—6, 6—2.

Gordon-Raper (scr.) v. Drew-Gabriel (scr.) — Gordon-Raper, 6—1, 6—0.

Wilson-Hancock v. Gordon-Raper — Wilson-Hancock, 6—3, 6—4.

Winners: Wilson-Hancock.

'Cook' Year Singles Championship.

(7 Entries).

Cook v. Fowle — Cook, 6—3, 6—4.

Purvis v. Robertson — Purvis, 6—5, 6—3.

Cook v. Purvis — Purvis, 6—1, 5—6, 6—3.

Winner: Purvis.

SPRING TOURNAMENTS, 1930.

Singles Championship, 1930. (24 Entries).

Wilson v. Peek — Wilson (w. o.).

Collins v. Robertson — Collins, 11—9.

Smith v. Hancox — Hancox, 10—5.

Cody v. Tapp — Tapp, 10—8.

Wilson v. Collins — Wilson, 6—3, 6—5.

Hancox v. Tapp — Hancox, 6—2, 6—1.

Wilson v. Hancox — Wilson, 3—6, 6—5, 6—2.

Winner: Wilson.

Doubles Championship, 1930. (10 Pairs).

Hancox-Wilson v. Adams-Welch — Hancox-Wilson, 6—2, 6—3.

Gordon-Raper v. Cody-Collins — Cody-Collins (w. o.).

Hancox-Wilson v. Cody-Collins — Hancox-Wilson, 6—0, 6—5.

Winners: Hancox - Wilson.

Junior Doubles Championship, 1930. (9 Pairs).

Cook-Purvis v. Tapp-Macartney — Tapp-Macartney, 4—6, 6—4, 6—3.

Skottowe-Wheeler v. McDonald-Williams 1—McDonald-Williams 1, 6—3, 6—3.

Tapp-Macartney v. McDonald-Williams 1—McDonald-Williams 1, 6—3, 6—5.

Athletics

A different scheme was tried out this year, in that the Championship Events were held on a different day from the Inter-Year Cup Events, the latter forming the programme of the official Sports Day.

We were unlucky in that the original day chosen for the Championships was a 'wash-out.' This brought them rather too close to the other Competition, with a consequently bad effect on some of the performances, due to staleness.

Robertson (1) did well to carry off four of the individual events and to be second in another, but he failed to reproduce this form in the Inter-Year races.

The 'Grimwade' Cup Competition resulted

in a fairly easy win for 'Jervis' Year, who have it is feared, a decided advantage in being a larger 'year' than the others, although their win, on this occasion, was handsome enough to discount the feeling that this was the sole reason for it.

The points gained by the 'years' were as follows:—

'Jervis' (3rd)	142 points
'Flinders' (4th)	106 "
'Phillip' (2nd)	106 "
'Cook' (1st)	67 "

Adams, for the second time, was awarded the prize for the best performances for a Cadet under 5 ft. 4 in.

Championship Results.

100 Yards—Robertson Mk. I. (10 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.), Hudson, Wilson.

440 Yards—Robertson Mk. I. (59 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.), Wilson, McDonald.

One Mile—Robertson Mk. I. (5 min. 22 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.), McDonald, Williams Mk. I.

120 Yards Hurdles—Hudson (16 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.), Robertson Mk. I., Dowson.

Long Jump—Robertson Mk. I. (19 ft. 6 in.), Hudson and Norbury, equal.

High Jump—Harvie (4 ft. 11 in.), Norbury, Anderson.

Officers' Race.

Captain Benson, Engineer Commander Carr, Lieutenant Cook.

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Boxing

To most of us the Boxing Tournament seemed to resemble 'to-morrow' in that it was a long time being promised, but refused to come.

At last things came to a head, and, with the heats commencing on the previous Monday, the finals were fought on Thursday, November 13th.

The prowess displayed by quite a number of the competitors was well above that of last year, while another noticeable feature was the much smaller casualty list in the sprained thumb line, a thing which speaks for itself as a tribute to improved methods of punching.

With a fair proportion of evenly matched pairs the fighting was always interesting to watch.

The winners of the different weights were: Robertson Mk. I., Hudson, Ashley-Brown, Gordon, Knox, Downs, McWilliam and Synnot. Good losers prizes were awarded to Dowson, St. Vincent Welch, Brewster and Milner, all of whom went down with their colours nailed to the mast-head.

The 'Shelley' Cup for the 'Best Exponent of the Art of Boxing' was won by McWilliam, who boxed with a considerable amount of aggressive science in each of his fights.

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Golf

Since our arrival at F.N.D. there has been an effort to make some links in the paddock at the back of the College. A start was made, but the work has not gone forward as it should owing to pressure of other games which must take priority. There is little hope of any more being done this year, but it is anticipated that in the New Year there will be the opportunity to go ahead and get something which will repay the labour expended.

It is only natural that we should miss the Jervis Bay course, which we had to abandon just as it was reaching its prime.

Instructor-Commander Rednall's familiar figure is also missing. There can be no doubt that his unflagging enthusiasm in instructing and encouraging the desperate 'divot-digger' was responsible for early attempts at the game becoming much less painful episodes than otherwise would have been the case.

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Swimming

The training brought about by that unpopular form of exercise, the early morning swim, was brought to fruition on Wednesday, March 12th, with the Annual Swimming Sports.

Bright sunshine showed off the large and colourful assembly to its best effect, while the 'nippy' water provided ample cause for the resultant vigorous displays.

Some disappointment was felt at the absence of high diving, but that at the low and middle boards was of sufficient skill to command interest. Innocent and Raper were placed equal first in the event, the judges being unable to separate them, even after a dive-off.

A very well-judged race was swum by Adams to win the 100 Yards, while Wilson



"UP & Down"



"Jumble Home"



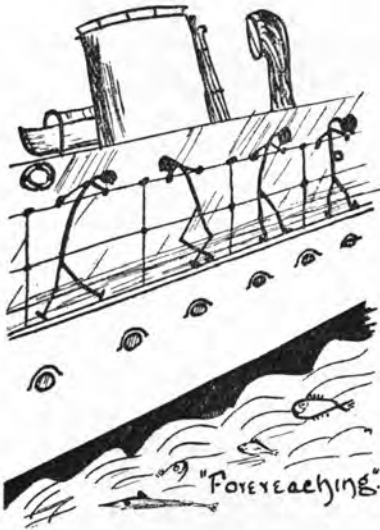
"A Handy Bully"



"Weighing the anchor."



"Lazvy Guys"



"Foreteaching"



"A Foul Hawse"



"Calling the Anchor"



"A Topping Lift"



"A Cap full of Wind" & "Buoy watching"

Sea Terms by 'Our Obstinate Artist.'

repeated his last year's Breast Stroke victory. To many, apart from the interest in the fortunes of the Cadets competing, the tit-bit of the afternoon was the appearance of Leading Writer Wilson in the Ship's Company race. He has been, for some time, one of the outstanding swimmers in N.S.W., and naturally, close attention was paid to his methods. The Greasy Pole was responsible for the lighter side of the afternoon's programme, the spectacle afforded being appreciated by all except the erst-while conqueror. McDonald achieved a clear-cut win in reaching the end of the pole with each of his two attempts.

Results.

- Junior 'Years' 50 Yards.—Skottowe (Phillip), 34 1/5 secs.
- 50 Yards Breast Stroke.—Wilson (Flinders), 44 secs.
- Junior 'Years' 50 Yards Back Stroke.—Skottowe (Phillip), 49 secs.
- 100 Yards' Championship.—Adams (Jervis), 80 secs.

- 50 Yards Handicap.—Ashley-Brown (Jervis) (scr.).
- Diving.—Innocent (Flinders) and Raper (Jervis), Dead Heat.
- Obstacle Race.—Robertson 1. (Flinders), 45 4/5 secs.
- Inter-Watch Relay Race.—Blue Watch.
- Consolation Race.—St. Vincent Welch.

On the next Sunday after the Sports we were challenged to a series of events by the visiting Sydney Grammar School Cricket team. Points were equal at the conclusion of a 50 Yards and 100 Yards Free Style, and a Relay Race, so a deciding 50 Yards Breast Stroke was swum between Kennedy of the Grammar and Robertson 1. and the latter just got home ahead of his rival. We also had a try at the R. M. College on the Sunday following their cricket match here, but as usual we were easily beaten by their stronger and more experienced swimmers.

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Life-Saving

Once more we had a successful year with this branch of swimming. The number of awards won was not as over-powering as was the case last year as we approached the job in hand from a different aspect. Our object this year was to get as many as was possible qualified in the awards senior to those already held, without bothering to re-qualify in the latter, unless this represented the limit of the particular Cadet's ability. This tended to give us a larger number of failures than before, but this was discounted by the correspondingly larger number who gained the Silver Medal.

The detailed results were as follows:—
'Bar' to Silver Medal.—Candidates 2, Passed 2.
 Silver Medal " 15 " 13.
 'Bar' to Bronze Cross " 2 " 2.
 Bronze Cross " 10 " 5.
 Bronze Medal " 15 " 15.
 Mr. W. H. Walker, the Secretary of the N.S.W. Branch of the Royal Life Saving Society, conducted the examinations, and his remarks on the standard shown were very gratifying to all concerned.

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Cross Country Race

The annual Cross Country Run was held on Saturday, October 4th, and, being after the flight from New South Wales, the course was naturally a strange one. We followed closely that which was used by the Depot, with the exception that our start and finish were at the College. This gave us a run of about two-and-a-half miles, the earlier stages of which were fairly easy going with a steady uphill climb, followed by a short distance of ploughed land to make a searching test of stamina.

The handicaps were as follows:—
 'Cook' Year 0 min. 0 sec.
 'Phillip' Year 0 " 45 "
 'Jervis' Year 1 " 15 "
 'Flinders' Year 1 " 35 "
 Of the race itself there is little to be said, except to make a note of the fact that the finish was remarkably close and, until the last Cadets were in, it was impossible to tell which Year would win the team Cup.

The team placings were as follows:—

'Cook' (1st) Year	1
'Jervis' (3rd) Year	2
'Phillip' (2nd) Year	3
'Flinders' (4th) Year	4

The individual order of finish was:—

McDonald	1	Farnsworth	8
Williams, Mk. i	2	Robertson, Mk. i	9
Milner	3	Brewster	10
Purvis	4	Cook	11
Ashley-Brown	5	Hudson	12
Ramsay	6	Wilson	13
Williams, Mk. ii	7	Gordon	14

Jenkins	15	Dowson	32
St. Vincent Welch	16	Collins	33
Cody	17	Knox	34
Adams	18	Raper	35
Jellicoe	19	Folkard	36
Smith	20	Skottowe	37
Synnot	21	Gabriel	38
Hancox	22	Anderson	39
Maxwell	23	Peek	40
Langford	24	Harvie	41
Ridley	25	McWilliam	42
Wheeler	26	Macartney	43
Norbury	27	Peel	44
Fowle	28	Kerruish	45
Burgin	29	Tapp	46
Innocent	30	Royle	47
Drew	31	Hinchliffe	48



Transfer of College to Flinders Naval Depot

During the early part of the year, owing to lack of money and to the general state of depression in the country, it was necessary to retrench in the Defence Forces. This caused many reductions in the Navy. Amongst other things, the fate of the College was in the balance and, after the possibilities of several schemes had been investigated, it was decided to transfer the College permanently to Flinders Naval Depot and to abandon the settlement at Jervis Bay.

The magnitude of this task was not fully appreciated at first, when it was proposed to complete the change over during the midwinter leave period, a short space of one lunar month.

A conference was held at Jervis Bay on the 19th June to discuss ways and means. It was decided to divide the stores into three classes: (a) those required to be set up in the new buildings before the commencement of the next term; (b) those essential to the proper equipment of the College, but not of an urgent nature; (c) those of a naval character which it was desirable to have removed to either Flinders Naval Depot or Garden Island. A rough estimate of the first two classes was made, giving A as 150 tons, and B as 150 tons. The primary object was to get all A stores shipped in time to re-open the College on the 24th July, and with this in view, arrangements were made forthwith to enlist the services of six professional packers, four from Garden Island and two from the Federal Transportation Branch.

Little could be done before the Cadets proceeded on leave on the 26th June, when packing was begun at full speed.

Arrangements were now made to use S.S. "Bergalia," capable of taking up to 350 tons, to ship both A and B stores to Sydney, whence

they would be transhipped to S.S. "Cardross" for transport direct to F.N.D.

It was obvious that with the small staff employed, it would not be possible to have everything required ready for shipment by the 12th July, on which date the "Bergalia" was to call. More packers were requisitioned both from Garden Island and the F.C.T.B., and local labour employed. As the stores had to be transhipped at Sydney, practically everything had to be cased, and the procuring of packing cases presented a problem. This was solved by the Director of the F.C.T.B. who came down to render assistance. He lent a large number of small cases and a dozen large containers, which were sent over from Canberra in lorries. The containers were cumbersome, some measuring as much as 12 ft. by 8 ft. by 8 ft., but were invaluable, and with the assistance of a tractor and special trailer were easily handled.

With the additional staff, the work proceeded smoothly and by the end of the first week in July we were able to say definitely that all A and B stores would be ready for shipment by the 12th July.

When the bulk of the gear had been packed, it became clear that the tonnage had been under-estimated by some 150 tons, and to make sure that none would have to be left behind, 100 tons of it were shipped in the S.S. "Bermagui" on the 11th July, when she called in on her weekly trip.

The facilities for loading large quantities of stores at Jervis Bay are not good, and the embarking of the gear took rather longer than is usual. Despite this, the "Bermagui," which arrived at 1330 in a heavy rain squall, was able to sail at 1700. The loading of the "Bergalia" on the 12th presented no unforeseen

difficulties and she was able to sail at 2000 on the same day. These stores were landed on the wharf in Sydney and were transhipped to the "Cardross" before she sailed on the 18th.

The boats, and C stores, were now all that was left at Jervis Bay to be shipped to Westernport, and, as these were not urgently required, they were left to be brought round direct by H.M.A.S. "Albatross" in October.

In the meantime the Warrant Officers' mess at F.N.D. was being gutted and alterations and additions were being made for the accommodation of the Cadets. The Department of Works and Railways was working at full pressure, but was unable to complete the work in time, and the date of opening was postponed until the 31st July.

The S.S. "Cardross" arrived at Westernport on the 23rd July. All hands in the Depot

turned to, and completed the disembarkation of stores before dark, all motor transport available being used to distribute the stores to their respective buildings.

The fitting in of the furniture to the new buildings did not present many difficulties, and but for the alterations and additions not being completed it would have been possible to commence the term on the 31st July. The position was reconsidered and the opening further postponed until the 7th August.

All Cadets except the Tasmanians and West Australians, who came two days later, arrived on Thursday 7th August. They settled in quickly and comfortably so that it was possible to commence the term's work on the following Monday.

J. R. M.

Verse from a Blank Mind

(Written a few miles above Crib Point).

Six weeks have passed, six weeks and with the length

Of six short days; and once again I hear
Hoarse orders, grated out by brazen throats—
Appalling, loathsome noise. And once again
As I behold the wide and dusty plains
My mind becomes oppressed with dreadful
fears

Of deep captivity, until the landscape
Appears to be the windows of a cage.

The day is come wherein I must submit
To guidance by an iron hand.

My view
Is swamp and mud and stunted ti-tree scrub
With winged bugs that breed and buzz and
bite.

And after many wanderings—long years
Of absence, when the ever-changing scenes
Should cause the thoughts to vanish far away
This mem'ry in my mind will hold its sway.
G. P. R.

The Boat-Harbour Camp

As the year's work was divided into two terms instead of the customary three, for reasons of economy, it was considered that a week's camping in the middle of the first term would be beneficial to the Cadets. Consequently, on the 18th April we (the 'Flinders' and 'Jervis' Years, 1 C.P.O., 1 stoker, 1 cook and 1 S.B.A.) set out for Boat-Harbour with Lieutenant Cook.

We loaded all sorts of camping gear and provisions into the yacht, sloop cutter and skiff. The former proceeded under sail in a leisurely fashion, as there was very little breeze, while the cutter and skiff were towed by No. 2 Motor boat. In under two hours our diminutive flotilla reached its destination.

The Harbour is a pretty little inlet on the North Eastern side of Jervis Bay, some five or six miles from Captain's Point. It is roughly two hundred yards in diameter and ingress is

gained through a narrow channel. The beach is sandy with isolated stones and rocks, while in the centre of the inlet is a large rock, which dries three feet at low water, around which soundings of four feet were obtained. Thus we had an ideal, well sheltered, clear swimming pool.

The camp was pitched in an excellent position on the eastern bank, overlooking the harbour. The typical bush afforded good cover, and the water supply being adequate.

We rigged four tents. A large one for each of the two 'Years,' a small one for Lt. Cook, and a fourth for stores and provisions. An ensign staff was set up in the centre of the camp and the colours were hoisted and lowered with due ceremony each day.

All sorts of tables and wash basins etc., were improvised, and except for the determined

attacks of hungry mosquitoes on the first few nights, we were very comfortable with our hammocks.

A certain amount of routine, a little irksome at times, was carried out; but it was very necessary with a camp of this size.

Our days were usually commenced with a quick dip at 0630, while the six duty cadets helped the cook prepare breakfast. Hammocks were lashed and stowed, and tents etc. were cleaned before 0800 "Colours," giving us a long forenoon for fishing, sailing, walking or perhaps an occasional game of Rugby or Cricket on the beach.

Several parties set out in the afternoons for walks to Point Perpendicular Lighthouse, Target Beach, or Trinity Pier, etc., while others fished from the rocks, skiff or motor boat. On one occasion we sailed the yacht and sloop cutter to Huskisson for a visit.

The weather was extraordinarily kind to us except on the last two days. Just as we were about to have supper one night, limbs of trees started falling indiscriminately, tents flapped and dragged at their frapping lines,

plates, etc. blew from the tables, ashes and burning sticks from the fire filled the air and, worst of all, the four boats unavoidably anchored on a lee shore tugged determinedly at their anchors. (The entrance to the little harbour faces due West). A Jervis Bay westerly had struck us!

At the height of this gale a Cadet was seen to approach Lt. Cook and enquire despairingly, "Please Sir, What shall I do? A tin of peaches has been blown over." Perhaps it was as well that the reply was drowned by the Westerly.

On the 28th April we returned to the College. There had been no cases of sickness and all undoubtedly looked healthier and felt better for the relaxation. We had gained quite a lot of experience in practical boat work, sailing, scrubbing, securing, beaching, and handling them generally, also in the selecting, laying out, and running of camps.

We thoroughly enjoyed the Camp and were sorry to have to come back to finish off the term. Little did we know that it was to be our last at Jervis Bay.

The Legend of Evil

(After Mr. Kipling).

EXCHANGE IN ENGLAND.

This is the sorrowful story
Told when the twilight fails
When Colonials walk together
Waiting for overseas mails.

"Our fathers worked in the farmlands
Happy as men can be.
Why did we leave our homesteads
And take to the cursed sea?"

Living in iron prisons
Far from our open plains;
Exiles condemned to Service
In lands of continual rains."

That is the horrible question
Asked when the twilight dies
When Colonials walk together
Swapping their overseas lies.



A Brief Historical Sketch of the Royal Australian Naval College

Eighteen years ago the first Cadet Midshipmen joined the Naval College for training as officers for the Royal Australian Naval College. These lads are now Lieutenant-Commanders in our ships afloat; and they and their successors have been steadily building up a tradition of service of which Australians should be proud.

It was in April, 1911, that Admiral Henderson's Report was published. This report advocated Middle Head on Sydney Harbour as a suitable site for the establishment of a Naval College for the training of the officers of the Australian Navy, which it had been decided to establish as a branch of the Royal Navy. The citizens of Sydney contributed the sum of £40,000 from the Dreadnought Fund towards the cost of the erection of the College, the condition being that the site should be within the bounds of New South Wales. In May, 1911, the officer named by the Admiralty to supervise the establishment of the College arrived in Australia, and was instructed by the Naval Board to report on the matter of a site for the College. After inspecting many sites, including Trial Bay, Jervis Bay, Pitt Water, La Perouse and many others, a choice was finally made of a site at Burraneer Point, Port Hacking, and the necessary measures were taken to reserve an area of land at this place. It was at this stage that the question was raised in Parliament, and it was argued that, just as the Military College had been established in Federal Territory at Canberra, it was fitting that the Naval College should be established on Federal territory at the Federal Capital port. Accordingly, the decision was arrived at to build the College at Captain's Point, Jervis Bay, and preliminary work was immediately put in hand. But the Naval Board was anxious to begin at the earliest possible moment the work of training officers, for this training is necessarily a lengthy process. A temporary home for the College was therefore sought, and a suitable place obtained when the Geelong Harbour Trust offered Osborne House at North Geelong. The Works Department estimated that an expenditure of £8,000 would provide the necessary accommodation for a start to be made considerably earlier than would be possible at Jervis Bay. The work of organizing a Naval College was proceeded with, and in 1912, twenty-eight boys between the ages of thirteen and fourteen, were selected as the first entry to the Royal Australian Naval College. These Cadet-Midshipmen, as they were called — the term Cadet, which is used in England, having already been appropriated in Australia for the junior train-

ees under the compulsory military system—joined up on February 13th, 1913, while the official opening of the College took place on the 1st March following.

The first Captain of the College was Captain B. M. Chambers, R.N., who resigned the position of second Naval Member to take command of the College. His executive officer was Lieut. Duncan Grant, R.N., on whom fell the task of organizing the physical training for the Cadet-Midshipmen. Engineering was in charge of Eng. Lieut. W. A. Monk, R.N., who had the assistance of Eng. Lieut. Weeks. The Studies Department was in charge of Mr F. G. Brown, B.A., B.Sc., with Rev. William Hall, R.N. as Assistant-Director of Studies.

At the official opening on 1st March, 1913, the Governor-General, Lord Denman and the Prime Minister, Mr. Andrew Fisher were present. Mr. Fisher in the course of his speech on this occasion emphasised the fact that, unlike all other Naval Colleges, the Australian Naval College was open to all, irrespective of financial position, the only qualifications necessary being intelligence and general fitness. The Governor-General stated that that day's ceremony provided a proof that the country was thoroughly in earnest in the matter of naval defence, that "the naval defence of this country was adopted in no reckless or ill-considered spirit—not as the result of an ephemeral phase of warlike enthusiasm, but it has been decided upon with careful thought and mature consideration."

As the year 1913 drew to a close it became evident that the buildings at Jervis Bay would not be ready for occupation in 1914 and accordingly additional quarters were provided for the second entry of Cadet-Midshipmen and for the additional staff required. The newcomers joined in February, 1914, among the additional members of the Staff being two present members—Dr. F. W. Wheatley, B.A., D.Sc., who joined as Senior Naval Instructor (since 1920, Headmaster) and Mr. F. B. Eldridge, B.A., who joined as Naval Instructor and is at present Senior Master. Another member of the staff who joined at this time was Mr. M. H. Moyes, B.Sc., now Instructor-Commander Moyes, R.A.N. In April, 1914, Captain Chambers returned to England, and the command of the College devolved upon Commander Duncan Grant, who had been promoted the previous month.

The outbreak of the War naturally had its effect on the College, though it was decided to continue with the work. Both officers and men were drafted from the College to the

Ships. Lieut. Commander C. B. Elwell, R.N. and the gunner, Mr. Dix, joined the expedition to New Guinea, where Lieut. Commander Elwell was killed in September, 1914. Lieut. C. J. Pope, R.N. went to the "Sydney" and participated in the destruction of the "Emden." Dr. Wheatley was called to the Navy Office where he performed excellent service by decoding German wireless messages.

At the end of 1914 the operations at Jervis Bay had advanced sufficiently for the College to be established on the selected site, and while the Cadet-Midshipmen in training were away on their Christmas leave the move was made by sea, this work being supervised by Commander Grant, who remained in command until the arrival of Captain C. H. Morgan, R.N. in the middle of 1915. The third entry of Cadet-Midshipmen joined in February 1915, and just before the transfer from Geelong, Mr. L. N. Morrison, M.A., at present Senior Master, joined as Senior Naval Instructor in place of Senior Naval Instructor S. C. Smith, who resigned. Another change which occurred at this time was the resignation of the Director of Studies, Mr. F. G. Brown, his place as Director being taken by Rev. William Hall, R.N.

Work at Jervis Bay was commenced in 1915 with the buildings which were then ready, the additional classrooms required being constructed during the year. In March the First and Second Naval Members made their first inspection of the College, and in July the Governor-General made his first visit. For the training of Cadet-Midshipmen in the more practical side of seamanship and navigation, a steam yacht, the "Franklin," now in the government service in New Guinea, was provided as a tender to the College. This vessel, in addition to her weekly cruises for the training of cadets, also made fortnightly trips to Sydney for supplies.

The year 1916 marks a definite stage in the development of the College, for it was in this year that the College reached its full numbers with the arrival of the fourth entry of cadets. Among the new members of the staff at this time was Mr. J. C. Slater, M.A., B.Sc., now Instructor-Comander J. C. Slater, R.A.N. The number of Cadet-Midshipmen was now 115. It had been hoped that New Zealand would decide to join with Australia, as she was doing in connection with the training of Military Officers. This would have brought the full complement of the College to about 160. This part of the scheme, however, never came into operation.

During 1916, Rev. William Hall returned to England, his place being taken by Senior Naval Instructor R. J. M. Holliday, M.A., R.N., who left H.M.S. "Marlborough" to take up his Australian appointment, just before the battle of Jutland. The end of 1916 marked an

even more important stage in the development of the College than the beginning of the year had done, for it was then that the Naval College celebrated its first "Passing Out," the 1913 Entry of Cadet-Midshipmen having completed their four years' course and being ready for sea. Of the original twenty-eight, death had claimed one, two had dropped by the way, not being able to maintain the high standard demanded, and twenty-five proceeded to sea as Midshipmen. Cadet-Captain W. L. Reilly was the first Cadet-Midshipmen to gain the distinctive honour of receiving the King's Medal. This medal is presented annually by His Majesty on the recommendation of the Captain of the College to the Cadet-Midshipman who is considered most deserving, the qualification being officer-like qualities, gentlemanly bearing, character, and good influence among his fellows.

In 1917, on the return of Captain C. H. Morgan to England, Captain Duncan Grant took command of the College for the second time, and it was during the period of this command that the number of entrants reached its maximum with an entry for 1918 of no less than 36. Of these, however, only 12 proceeded to sea at the beginning of 1922, as numbers were drastically reduced at the end of 1921.

The year 1919 was noteworthy for two reasons. In the first place, the College received a visit from Admiral of the Fleet, Viscount Jellicoe, who arrived aboard H.M.S. New Zealand in the month of June. In the second place, Captain Grant, who had been at the College ever since its inception, now severed this old link with the early beginnings at Geelong by returning to England.

During this year occurred the second death while on active service, in the ranks of Jervis Bay trained officers. The first had been that of Midshipman E. J. Cunningham, who was drowned on January 31st, 1918. On June 20th, 1919, Sub-Lieut. F. L. Larkins, while returning to Australia, was drowned in the Carimata Strait, between Borneo and Sumatra.

When the College was established at Geelong the instructional staff had been appointed to the Permanent Naval Forces with Commissions as Naval Instructors. At the beginning of 1920, however, the staff was re-organized, the instructors in Navigation retaining their commissions as Instructor Lieutenants, the remainder of the staff being constituted a civil or "professorial" staff, with the titles of Senior Masters and Assistant Masters, Dr. F. W. Wheatley being appointed Headmaster. This year may be regarded as marking another definite step forward in the training of Australian Naval Officers, for one of them was for the first time attached to the Naval College when H.M.A.S. "Warrego" served as tender, one of her officers being Sub-Lieut.

Ross Wheatley. The first Australian trained officer to serve at the College as Term Officer was Sub.-Lieut. I. Macdonald, now Lieut.-Commander Macdonald, and recently Flag-Lieutenant to Rear-Admiral Evans. The outstanding event of the year 1920 was the visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. Escorted by H.M.A.S. "Brisbane" flying the Naval Board Flag, H.M.S. "Renown," with the Prince aboard, sailed into Jervis Bay on June 14th. Large numbers of people had thronged to the College from the surrounding district, and never before had such crowds been seen at Captain's Point.

The year 1921 was a period of much uncertainty regarding the Australian Navy in general, and the Navy College in particular. Finally, at the end of the year it was decided that numbers would have to be very much reduced. Rear-Admiral Dumaresq was appointed president of a Committee, the other members being the Captain of the College and the Head Master. The function of this Committee was to examine the records of all Cadet-Midshipmen at the College and reduce the numbers to approximately twelve per annum. The results were not made known until after Cadets had dispersed to their homes for the Christmas leave. Twelve of the 1918 entry proceeded to sea as Midshipmen and in the following year only thirteen of each of the 1919 and 1920 entries returned to the College. The entry for 1921 had consisted of only eleven. A considerable reduction was also made in staff.

The reduced number of Cadets under training naturally caused the question to be raised as to whether some modification should not be made in the method of training. In February of 1922 the College was inspected by the Minister for the Navy (the Hon. Massey Greene), Vice-Admiral Sir Alan Everett, Commodore Hardy, Rear-Admiral Clarkson and Lieut.-General Sir Charles Brudenell White, who discussed the question of amalgamation with the Military College at Duntroon. In the following month a visit on the same errand was paid by Commodore Hardy, Lieut.-General Selheim and Brigadier-General Foote. It was decided, however, that an amalgamation of the two Colleges was impracticable. A further scheme which was put forward at this time proposed to re-organise the Naval College on the lines of a great Public School which would take in fee-paying students in addition to a limited number of naval-scholarship holders. This proposal, advocated by the Headmaster, was also not adopted, and the work of the College proceeded as before, but with the smaller numbers. The Commanding Officer during this very difficult period of the history of the College was Captain R. H. Walters who, in 1924, returned to England after having held the command for five years. During the time of his successor, Captain R. H. O. Lane-Poole, the general welfare of the

College appeared definitely to improve. Money was available for very necessary maintenance work, and great improvements were made in the appearance of the grounds, in which the trees, shrubs, lawns, etc. planted in earlier years, were beginning to develop under the care of gardeners, who for the first time were provided with adequate implements for their very extensive field of labours. The erection about the same time of a large reservoir on the hill immediately behind the College provided the water so essential in case of fire, on the one hand, and on the other for the maintenance of playing field and gardens in the sandy soil during the hot months of summer.

1926 may be regarded as another important landmark in the work of the College, for in October of this year the first officers trained at Jervis Bay reached the rank of Lieut.-Commander, when H. B. Farncomb and E. S. Nurse were promoted to that rank.

In another place, the transfer of the Naval College to Westernport in 1930 is dealt with.

Between 1916, when the first batch of Cadet-Midshipmen proceeded to sea, and 1929, 317 young officers have "passed out" from the College. Of these 188, at the time of transfer to F.N.D., were serving at sea, six had died, ten had been invalidated out of the service, and 113 had left the service. Of this last 113, thirty Cadet-Midshipmen were retired by the Naval Board at the end of 1921 and thirty-two resigned in response to the invitation of the Naval Board; the remaining 51 include those who failed to pass their examinations or who were withdrawn as unsuitable.

In competition with officers of the Royal Navy, Australian officers have always held their own, and each year has had its crop of successes. To give anything like a complete list would require more space than the scope of this article warrants, but we may mention as examples the Jackson Everett Prize for long Signal Course at Portsmouth, prize of £20 in Naval History Competition in 1924, the "Henry Carslake" prize for 1929 for essay dealing with the work and development of the fleet, and prize of £10 for essay on "Rodney as Strategist and Tactician." To these might be added numerous instances of first places gained in various advanced courses and more than one instance of five First Class Certificates in Lieutenants' Examinations. From such considerations we gain the impression of a high grade of theoretical proficiency among our Jervis Bay trained officers, and the civilian who is privileged to go aboard one of His Majesty's Australian Ships is as strongly impressed by the air of keenness and efficiency which is apparent among our young officers and he must feel that the College which has been responsible for the early training of officers of this stamp is indeed an asset, not merely to the Navy, but also to the country as a whole.

The Laws of the College

(After Mr. Kipling).

Now these are the Laws of the College, known
and accepted as fact;
And the Wonk that observes them will prosper;
if broken, the Wonk will be whacked.

Work hard from the day-break till night-fall;
keep the whole of your thoughts for your
work;
Remember the night is for resting—in Studies
don't slumber or shirk.

Take heed of the words of the Masters and
then at the end of the "four"
You will pass and remain in the Service; if
not,—you'll return to the Shore.

Keep peace with the men who instruct you—
the Masters and 'Lieut' of your Year;
To do other than this is unwholesome; 'twill
certainly gain a thick ear.

If ye fight with another in anger, ye must
fight him alone in the Gym.
Lest others be minded to help you, and the
struggle thereby made more grim.

If a First Year run foul of a Fourth Year,
'twere better the former be dead.
So watch where your footsteps are leading;
look out for the dangers ahead.

The Gunrooms of Wonks are their refuge, the
place that they have for their own;
And entrance to others forbidden—leave a
Wonk in his Gunroom alone.

Ye have striven with actions unlawful? Got
to windward of someone therein?
Do not boast of the thing in the open. Re-
member the bulkheads are thin.

Now these are the Laws of the College, and
sanctioned by custom are they,
And the course which will steer clear of
trouble is found in the one word—"Obey!"

Colours 1930

Rugby.	Cricket.	Hockey.	Tennis.	Athletics.	Swimming.
Wilson	Hancox	Langford	Hancox	Wilson	Robertson, A.
Hancox	Wilson	Hancox	Wilson	Robertson, A.	Adams
Innocent	Hudson	Wilson		Hancox	
Ridley		Anderson		Wilson	Rowing.
Langford		Innocent			Hancox
Adams		Hudson			Wilson
Hudson		Cody			Robertson, A.
Gordon					

Honorary Colours, 1930

Rugby.	Cricket.	Hockey.
Smith	Anderson	Adams
Anderson	Innocent	Gordon
Ashley-Brown	Adams	Peek
Cody	Cody	
Norbury	Collins	
Peek	Gordon	
	McDonald	

A Tragedy

Could he do it? Again and again he had turned the question over in his mind, and, seeing no solution, had hoped against hope, that, when the time for action did come, there would come with it some inspiration which would show him the course to take.

But here he was, face to face with the crisis and, alas, the prayed-for inspiration was missing. Now, once and for all, he must decide, and, having made his decision, there could be no turning back. He must be prepared, not only to carry through to the bitter end, but in all probability, to justify himself afterwards.

The scene was just as he had dreamed it would be if he won through. The man lay prostrate at his feet, and all he had to do was to rush at him and administer the coup de grace.

Of course there were ways and ways of doing the thing, and one slip, or even the slightest gesture of over-assertiveness would be sufficient to alienate the present sympathetic feelings of those watching.

For one short moment he wished that he were one of the crowd and that someone else stood in his place. The thought was quickly replaced by the remembrance that to him had been given the honour of wiping clean the record of past misfortunes.

He looked into the distance and then at the man at his feet and set his jaw. His mind was made up. What did it matter if he failed? Crowd memory was notoriously short and, probably in a week or so, the whole incident would be forgotten.

Drawing a deep breath he made for the man and kicked.

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He missed!

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What might have been a glorious victory ended in a tie owing to the unaccountable failure of an unusually safe kicker to convert from in front of the posts.

The Phantom Ship

To-day I renew my friendship with the fine old battleship "Centurion." But, whereas my last visit to her was when she was flag-ship to the Commander-in-Chief, Reserve Fleet, at Portsmouth, now she is the "Phantom Ship." No captain, no crew, no living soul on board her; yet she steams ahead, alters course, increases or reduces speed—like a living being.

I was on board her, on the occasion of the Spithead Review, in June, 1925, when Admiral Sir Victor Stanley flew his flag in her; and various large lunch parties added to the gaiety of the ship's "Cuddy," Wardroom, etc. Our own party numbered 20, I remember. The picture of that large crowd of gay folk on board "Centurion" that day, makes one realize her great size. The dignity of a battleship's quarter deck needs no further elaboration.

Now, all is altered. "Cuddy" and Wardroom are deserted. Her decks and bridges—bare. No gunners man her turrets, no torpedo officers and men stand by to fire their dangerous weapons. All cabins are empty. The ship steams ahead with all her old dignity—alone.

The "Shikari"—looking like a small dart alongside the great ship—has just taken off the "Centurion's" crew, and steamed away—holding the reins of control in her wireless chamber. One touch of a button, and the old battleship hurries forward, or sweeps

around, to the course indicated by her controller—the wee destroyer, whom, previously, "Centurion" could have crushed like a beetle under the heel of a giant.

Time for the attack.

"Warspite" and "Valiant"—nearly 7 miles distant, now signal their intention to fight "Centurion," and train their great guns with intent to blow their enemy to pieces. But her protectors rally round—"Walrus" (another destroyer) fitted with special new smoke screen equipment, throws her protecting clouds of fleecy white across the "Centurion's" silhouette. At the same moment "Centurion" herself, puffs out her own smoke screen—seeking to blind her enemy battleships.

Up in the air, circle the silver "dragon-flies"—the spotting aeroplanes, allies to "Warspite" and "Valiant," their job being to mark the accuracy (or otherwise!) of their salvos.

The brilliant sunshine of the Mediterranean, lights up their silver wings till they glitter like shooting diamonds against a vivid blue sky.

Crash, bang! "Warspite" has let loose her guns. Has she hit her enemy? No! the splashes of her projectiles are short of the mark—"Centurion" remains afloat. The smoke

screens are thick and effective. What happens now? "Centurion" has turned towards her attackers. (To alter range, and increase their difficulties of calculation). Another volley. Where are the splashes now?—Beyond the old ship—the "Warspite" guns have straddled her. Again go the guns. Ah! this time a hit—right amidships. They've got her range now. Another hit registered! This time right through her fore top. Again her smoke screens puff out—adding to the illusion that she is hit, and exploding. "The sinking battleship"—for such is now the picture before us. (We watch from a distance of a mile away). What a sight! Now she is enveloped in clouds of thickest white smoke. Only the black point of her fore-mast sticks up above the clouds. Even that is now smothered in smoke. Surely she must be sinking.

Well shot the "Warspite!" But she is not allowed to have it all her own way! "Centurion's" allied seaplanes are now attacking "Warspite" with aerial torpedoes. Can they sink her from the sky?—We watch anxiously.

"Valiant" now opens fire; she vies with "Warspite" in her efforts to hit the poor old smoking "Centurion." Her first salvoes are beyond the mark. Now comes a hit! 11,000 yards is a good distance off, for accurate shooting. Over her again—next one a bit short. The sea spurts up high fountains of spray as the projectiles hit the water with great splashes. Now we are being attacked ourselves! The line of destroyers astern of us (we are the Leader) is swerving across a torpedo attack. Those venomous "fish" speed

through the sea, and seek to sink our Flotilla! "Valiant" is having a nasty time now. Some poisonous gnats are stinging her badly. ("Centurion's" friends, the seaplanes). One is looping the loop with boisterous glee, above "Valiant"! Is he afraid of a battleship down in the sea? No! indeed. To one who can circle and swoop in the clear space of the heavens—the great guns of the biggest battleship offer no desperate menace. Again the comforting embrace of soft smoke surrounds "Centurion." A moment's respite follows. Now comes our turn—we are for it! The torpedo attack is directed on us. We may be sunk at any moment. Over come a swarm of protecting aeroplanes. (Actually, to spot the enemy torpedoes, and assist destroyers to locate and pick them up, after the attack).—The sky holds the eyes of the modern fleet. — Such are the marvels of science. Now great puffs of black smoke emerge from "Walrus" (astern of "Centurion"). The emergency signal to cease fire. "Centurion" has surrendered.

A nasty white streak has just passed across our bows. Not sunk this time!—"Shikari" is just going alongside "Centurion" now — to register the hits.

Here comes a torpedo! Are we hit? No! we're ahead of her line—all safe. And there are "3 cables" between us and the next destroyer, so she is O.K. too.

Ah! the guns may fire, and the torpedoes dart at their foes—but distance and water safeguard them—and skill. Truly it is the personnel which count, above all the marvellous machinations of material things. M. B.

Sports Records

100 Yards (Open)—

C. J. Stephenson (1924), 10 3/5 secs. . . . 1927

100 Yards (Under 16)—

F. T. Rorke (1915), 10 4/5 secs. . . . 1917

100 Yards (Under 15)—

A. H. Percival (1919), 11 2/5 secs. . . . 1920

D. A. Menlove (1920) 1921

100 Yards (Under 14)—

A. H. Robertson (1927), 11 3/5 secs. . . . 1927

440 Yards (Open)—

R. R. Dowling (1915) 53 secs. 1918

Mile (Open)—

D. Logan (1926), 4 min. 58 3/5 secs. 1927

Broad Jump (Open)—

N. McGuire (1922), 20ft. 9 1/2 ins. . . . 1925

Broad Jump (Under 5ft. 4ins.)—

R. F. Hatherell (1919), 18ft. 7ins. . . . 1923

High Jump (Open)—

R. D. Hancock (1920), 5ft. 3 1/8 ins. . . . 1923

High Jump (Under 5ft. 4ins.)—

A. D. Cairns (1915), 4ft. 9ins. 1917

Throwing the Cricket Ball—

R. C. Pockley (1916), 102yds. 1ft. 10ins. 1919

Hurdles (Open)—

R. D. Hancock (1920) 17 3/10 secs. . . . 1923

EXCHANGES

The editor wishes to take the opportunity of thanking all those who, during the last twelve months, have been so good as to forward copies of contemporary magazines.

List of Officers and Cadets at the End of 1930

NAVAL STAFF:

Captain Superintendent of Training	A. M. LECKY, D.S.O.
Commander	R. M. SERVAES.
Instructor-Commander	J. C. SLATER, M.A., B.Sc.
Lieut.-Commander	JOHN R. MILLER.
Lieutenant	ROBERT S. PEARSON.
"	FREDERICK N. COOK.

PROFESSORIAL STAFF:

Senior Master	LEONARD N. MORRISON, M.A.
" "	FRANK B. ELDRIDGE, B.A.
Master	ROBERT F. COWAN, B.A.
"	HUGH D. SIMPSON, B.A., B.Sc.
"	HECTOR McLEOD, B.Sc.
"	GEOFFREY F. ADENEY, M.A.

CADET-MIDSHIPMEN UNDER TRAINING.

Flinders Year, 1927.

Anderson, W. D.
 Dowson, J. H. (C.C.).
HANCOX, P. S. F. (C.C.C.)
 Harvie, B. D.
 Innocent, D. G.
 Knox, G. F. E.
 Langford, G.
 Ridley, K. T.
 Robertson, A. H.
Smith, V. A. (C.C.).
Wilson, N. B. (C.C.).

Jervis Year, 1928.

Adams, J. M. (C.C.)
 Ashley-Brown, G. J. A.
 Cody, J. J.
 Collins, R. H.
 Drew, W. S.
 Farnsworth, R. T.
 Gabriel, G. E.
 Gordon, G. S.
 Hudson, C. M.
 Norbury, R. V.
 Peek, R. I.
 Raper, I. C.
 Royle, G. P.
St. Vincent-Welch, S. (C.C.)

Phillip Year, 1929.

Brewster, H. C. W.
 Downs, I. F. G.
 Jenkins, E. R. M.
 Kerruish, R. H. E.
 Maxwell, J.
 Macartney, J. H. B.
 McDonald, I. H.
 McWilliam, N. D.
 Skottowe, N. B.
 Tapp, W. K.
 Wheeler, W. G.
 Williams, L. L.
 Williams, R. L.

Cook Year, 1930.

Burgin, H. G.
 Cook, W. F.
 Folkard, J. M.
 Fowle, G. L.

Hinchliffe, L. M.
 Jellicoe, P. R.
 Milner, T.
 Peel, E. J.

Purvis, I. K.
 Ramsay, J. M.
 Robertson, R. J.
 Synnot, T. M.

