

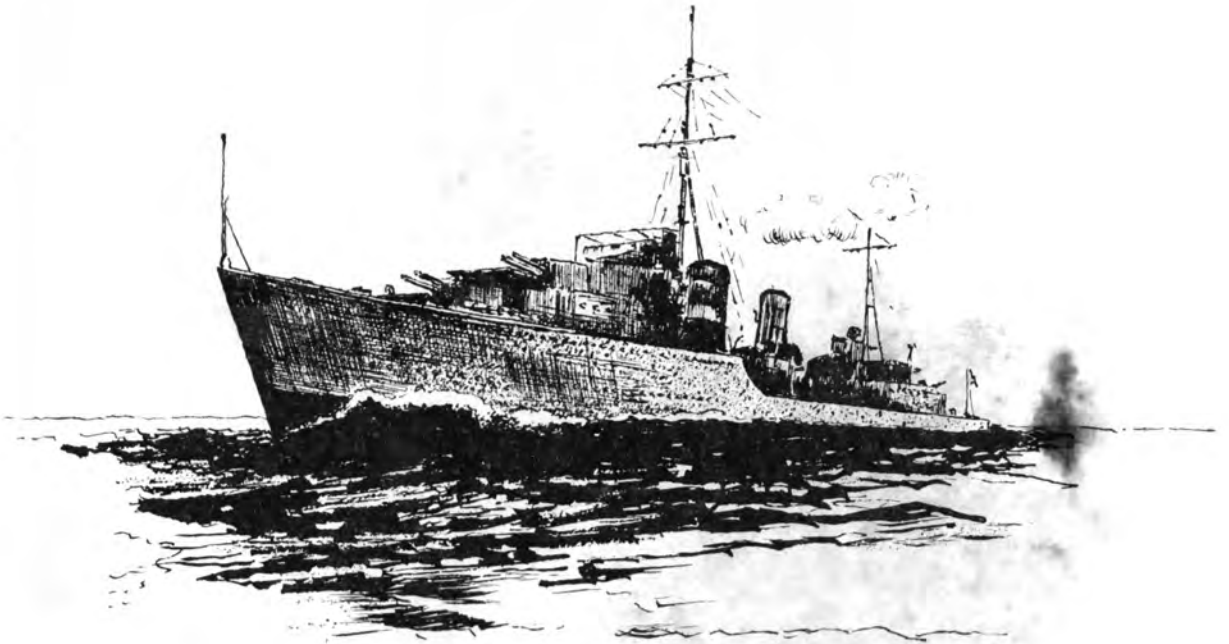
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## ACTING-CAPTAIN E. S. F. FEGEN, V.C., R.N.

Commander, The Royal Australian Naval College, Jervis Bay, 1928-1929

Late last year news was received that on November 5, 1940, the "Jervis Bay," an armed merchant cruiser, under the command of Acting-Captain E. S. F. Fegen, R.N., had been sunk.

"Jervis Bay" was escorting a convoy of thirty-eight merchant ships, carrying vital supplies to England, when a German warship appeared. The convoy received the order to scatter, while "Jervis Bay" at once turned to engage the enemy. Out-ranged, crippled by heavy salvos, and in flames almost from the start, "Jervis Bay" continued to hold the raider's fire for more than an hour, and thus allowed thirty ships of the convoy to get away to safety.

Captain Fegen, with one arm blown away, remained on the bridge throughout the action, issuing orders till the blazing ship sank under him. A Swedish ship, which was a member of the convoy, turned back to the scene of the battle after five hours, and succeeded in picking up sixty-five members of the crew of "Jervis Bay."

About a fortnight later it was announced that His Majesty the King had approved of

the posthumous award of the Victoria Cross to Captain Fegen: "For valour in challenging hopeless odds and giving his life to save many ships which it was his duty to protect." In honouring Captain Fegen, the award was also a tribute to the whole ship's company of "Jervis Bay," who fulfilled the highest traditions of loyalty in the way they supported their Captain's heroic conception of the duty imposed upon him. As one of the crew said later: "I think we were all proud when we turned towards the enemy."

As many of our readers will remember, Captain Fegen was Commander, R.A.N.C., at Jervis Bay, from January 20, 1928, to August 27, 1929.

It is a strange and sad coincidence that eleven years later he should have been killed in action in an ex-Australian ship named "Jervis Bay." It is intended to erect at the College some memorial to this very gallant officer; and we know that all who have been connected with the College at any time will desire to pay tribute to the memory of our former Commander.

## WAR HONOURS

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### LIEUT. WILLIAM GARRARD WHEELER, R.A.N.

News has just been received that Lieutenant W. G. Wheeler is missing, presumed killed.

Should this presumption unfortunately prove to be fact, the Service will have lost an extremely able officer. "Bill" Wheeler, though as yet a junior officer (he passed out of the College in 1932), had already achieved distinction in several engagements and operations in this war. In our last Honours List his name was recorded as having received a Mention in Despatches for good work in the Namsos area; and this year he received a further Mention, and, according to the press, the award of the Distinguished Service Cross for his share in operations against "Bismarck."

To his relatives and friends we extend our deepest sympathy, and hope that the knowledge of his gallant and able services will help to sustain them in their loss.

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Our second War Honours List contains those Honours which have been awarded between October 15, 1940, and October 15, 1941. Several of the names which appeared in last year's list are again to be found in this year's list. They are: Captain H. M. L. Waller, D.S.O., and Commander J. C. Morrow, D.S.O., both of whom have received Mention in Despatches; and Lieutenant R. J. Robertson, who last year received a Mention in Despatches, and this year has received the D.S.C.

Here is the list:—

**O.B.E.:** Commander J. C. D. Esdaile; Lieutenant T. K. Morrison.

**D.S.O.:** Commander(E) L. S. Dalton.

**D.S.C.:** Lieutenant R. J. Robertson; Commander E. F. V. Dechaineux; Lieutenant-Commander G. G. O. Gatacre.

**Mention in Despatches:** Lieut. V. A. Smith; Lieut. J. McL. Adams; Lieut. T. M. Synnot; Commander J. M. Armstrong; Lieut.-Commander G. G. O. Gatacre; Lieut.-Commander J. Denny; Captain H. M. L.

Waller; Commander J. C. Morrow; Lieut.-Commander R. Rhoades; Lieut. W. G. Wheeler.

**George Medal:** Lieut.-Commander A. W. R. McNicoll.

**Commendation:** Lieutenant(E) A. H. Mears.

**Commander J. C. D. Esdaile**, whose name appeared in the Christmas Honours as that of an officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, is one of the original 1913 Entry of Cadet-Midshipmen. At the first College "Passing out" Esdaile carried off the prizes for Navigation and Mathematics, and in addition was first in Physics and Chemistry.

**Lieutenant T. K. Morrison** entered the College in 1925. He is a son of L. N. Morrison, M.A., for many years Senior Naval Instructor and Senior Master at the Naval College and later Professor at Duntroon. Lieutenant Morrison, while at the College, won his colours for rugger, cricket, and tennis. He was awarded his O.B.E. in connection with the evacuation of British Somaliland.

**Commander L. S. Dalton** was a 1916 entry, and received colours for rugby and cricket. His D.S.O. came as a result of the "Sydney's" action with the Italian cruiser "Bartolomeo Colleoni."

**Lieutenant R. J. Robertson** belonged to the 1930 Entry, and his name appeared on the list of those who were awarded "maximum time" on Passing Out. Last year his name appeared in this list for a Mention in Despatches. This year he has won the D.S.C. (London Gazette, January 1, 1941) for "outstanding zeal and whole-hearted devotion to duty."

**Commander E. F. V. Dechaineux** belonged to the same "Year" as Commander Dalton. His D.S.C. was included in the Birthday Awards, July 1, 1941.

**Lieutenant-Commander G. G. O. Gatacre** belonged to the 1921 Entry, and gained his colours in tennis and cricket. He received the D.S.C. for "good service in operations against the 'Bismarck'." Mention in Despatches appeared in the London Gazette, July 1, 1941.

**Lieutenant V. A. Smith** entered the College in 1927. He was Mentioned in Despatches (L.G., October 25, 1940) "for bravery when attacking German battle cruiser 'Scharnhorst'."

**Lieutenant J. McL. Adams** entered the College in 1928, and at the Passing Out at the end of his course was the winner of the Otto Albert Prize for Seamanship. His prowess in sport is indicated by colours for swimming, rugger, cricket, and hockey. His Mention in Despatches (L.G., January 1, 1941) was earned by "outstanding zeal and whole-hearted devotion to duty."

**Lieutenant T. M. Synnot** was a First Year Cadet at the time of the transfer of the College from Jervis Bay, and at F.N.D. won his colours for rugger and cricket. He was Mentioned in Despatches (L.G., March 11, 1941) "for good service in withdrawal from British Somaliland." Lieut. Synnot is a King's Medallist.

**Commander J. M. Armstrong** was one of the second Entry to the College in 1914, and won his colours for rugger and swimming. He was Commander of the College in 1938-9. His Mention in Despatches was recorded in the London Gazette, July 1, 1941.

**Lieutenant-Commander J. Denny** entered the College in 1923, and in 1926 carried away with him the prizes for Navigation and French, while his colours included hockey, tennis, and athletics. His Mention in Despatches appeared along with Lieutenant-Commander Gatacre's in the London Gazette, July 1, 1941.

**Captain H. M. L. Waller**, who last year received the D.S.O., was this year Mentioned in Despatches (L.G., July 29, 1941) for work in connection with "inshore squadron co-operating with Army in Cyrenaica."

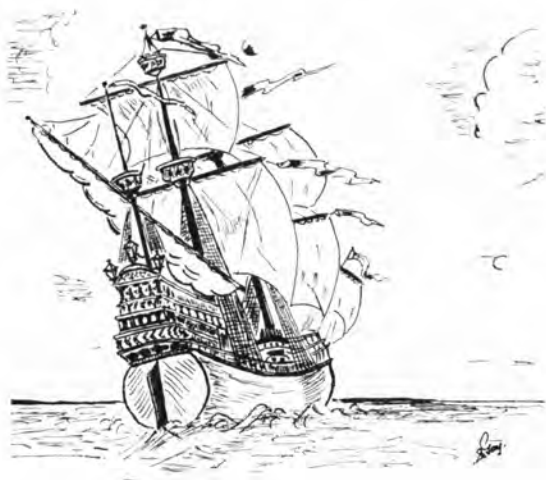
**Lieutenant-Commander R. Rhoades** belonged to the same "Year" as Lieut.-Commander Denny, and carried off the English prize at the Passing Out in 1926 and his colours for swimming. Lieut.-Commander Rhoades Mention in Despatches was included with the Mentions of Captain Waller and Commander Morrow, and, like theirs, concerned the "inshore squadron co-operating with Army in Cyrenaica."

**Commander J. C. Morrow** also received the D.S.O. last year, and with Captain Waller received Mention in Despatches also in connection with "inshore squadron co-operating with Army in Cyrenaica."

**Lieutenant-Commander A. W. R. McNicoll** entered the College in 1922, and at the Passing Out at the end of his course carried off the Grand Aggregate, French, and Seamanship (Otto Albert Prize) Prizes, and was also first in History and in English. In the field of sport he won his colours for rugger, rowing, and tennis. He was awarded the George Medal for "gallantry and undaunted devotion to duty."

**Lieutenant(E) A. H. Mears** entered the College in 1932, and is therefore the youngest of the R.A.N. officers ex-R.A.N.C. to be included in the Honours List. At the College he won his colours for rugger. He has received Commendation (L.G., August 5, 1941), the award being for "assistance to burning merchantman and countering air attack."

A further Mention in Despatches went to **Squadron-Leader A. G. F. Stewart**, who was one of the 1923 Entry to the College. He served with the Navy until 1931, when he was seconded to the Air Force. Having completed his flying training at Point Cook, he proceeded overseas in 1932.



## THE PASSING-OUT, 1940

Owing to the fact that His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia was detained at Canberra by urgent national business, he was represented at the Passing-out ceremony by the First Naval Member, Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, who took the salute at the march past and presented the prizes.



Passing-out, 1940 (R. G. Loosli)

For once the weather was perfect, and the ceremonial parade carried out on the lawn in front of the Study Block was watched with great interest by parents and friends.

In his address to the Cadets who were leaving to join what he described as "without doubt, the finest service in the world," Sir Ragnar Colvin said: "On your efficiency the efficiency and even the lives of the men you command will depend. You dare not, therefore, miss any opportunity to gain knowledge." The Admiral paid tribute to the work of officers and masters of the College, past and present, mentioning the success of such men as Captain J. A. Collins and Captain H. M. L. Waller as evidence of the soundness of the training given at this College.

The end of the year 1940 also marked the end of a long term of loyal and efficient service on the part of the Director of Studies, Mr. R. F. Cowan, to whom the College wishes all health and many years' enjoyment of well-earned leisure.

The following Cadets passed out:—

J. S. Austin; H. J. Bodman; R. I. Davies; B. Dowling; G. R. Griffiths; P. Gyllies; D. J. Hamer; J. C. W. Kennedy; M. L. Molony; A. I. Parker; C. N. Russell; L. J. Tatham; F. K. M. Thompson; G. B. Thrum; G. J. Willis.

and the Prize List was as follows:—

Grand Aggregate: **Hamer, D. J.**

English: Hamer, D. J.; **Tatham, L. J.**; Willis, G. J.; Dowling, B.

French: **Gyllies, P.**

History: Hamer, D. J.; **Willis, G. J.**; Dowling, B.; Tatham, L. J.

Mathematics: **Hamer, D. J.**; Willis, G. J.; Dowling, B.; Kennedy, J. C. W.

Physics and Chemistry: **Willis, G. J.**; Hamer, D. J.; Dowling, B.; Kennedy, J. C. W.

Navigation: **Hamer, D. J.**; Willis, G. J.; Dowling, B.; Davies, R. I.

Engineering: Willis, G. J.; **Kennedy, J. C. W.**; Dowling, B.; Griffiths, G. B.

"Otto Albert" Prize for Seamanship: **Willis, G. J.**

Governor-General's Cup: **Austin, J. S.**

King's Medal: **Kennedy, J. C. W.**



Cadets Fallen-in on Quarterdeck, R.A.N.C.  
(M. E. Poynter)



FIRST YEAR, 1941.

Lt. Lawson; Baly, L. G.; Stevens, E. V.; Mackie, J. A.; Butt, A. C.; Cooper, P. B.; Stevens, J. D.;  
Lt.-Cdr. Lancaster.  
Dunlop, W. E.; Bennett, J. C. L.; Sallmann, A. F.; Sturgess, F. A.; Brent, J. P.  
Dillon, H. W. C.; Rust, R. J.; Goldrick, P.

## PERSONNEL AND PERSONAL

To Captain G. D. Yates, R.N., and Mrs. Yates the College would like to extend a hearty welcome, with best wishes for every happiness during their time at F.N.D.

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Cadet-Midshipman J. G. Morris.

On rejoining after the Christmas leave, at the beginning of this year, the College was grieved by the news that Morris had died during the leave as the result of an accident. Morris was about to enter his last year here, and his tragically sudden death is a loss to the College and to the Service, as well as to his parents and friends, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

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On Wednesday, July 30, the Second Naval Member, Commodore J. D. Durnford, R.N., inspected the College.

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Captain William Stephen Howard, who was one of the 1933 entry, but who was withdrawn, and who joined the A.I.F., went overseas with the rank of Lieutenant and was promoted to Captain some months later. He was reported in May last as being a prisoner of war.

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Another former Cadet-Midshipman, A. J. G. Tate, who was Lieutenant-Commander in charge of the College in 1932, but who was retired from the service some years later, joined up with the A.I.F., and has been reported killed in Libya.

We regret to report the death of still another former Cadet, I. C. Raper. He enlisted as a private in the A.I.F., was soon selected for an Officer's Training Course, and sailed as a Lieutenant with Sixth Division reinforcements. He was killed in a plane crash while engaged on army reconnaissance duties. We would like to extend our sympathy to the relatives and friends of these men.

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The following colours and prizes were presented by Captain Yates on April 30:—

Colours:—

- Swimming: Paymaster-Cadet Winch.
- Tennis: Cadet-Midshipman McLachlan.
- Cricket: Cadet-Midshipman Moore, Paymaster-Cadet Irving.
- Boats: Cadet-Midshipman Bourke.

Prizes:—

- "Otto Albert" Cup for Sculls Championship: Cadet-Midshipman Bourke.
- Singles Tennis Championship: Cadet-Midshipman Willis.
- Doubles Tennis Championship: Cadet-Midshipmen Willis, McLachlan.
- Photographic Competition: Cadet-Midshipman Burnside.

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On March 9 twenty-six Cadets were examined for the Bronze Medallion for Life-saving. Among them there were twenty second-year, three third-year, and three Paymaster and Special Entry Cadets. Twenty-four of the total number were successful in passing all tests; the remaining two failed in one test only.

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Our former Director of Studies, Mr. R. F. Cowan, left a set of golf clubs as a prize for a competition among the Cadets, and we wish to thank him for his generous gift. The clubs were won by Cadet-Midshipman A. A. Willis.

Incidentally, we hear that Mr. Cowan is working hard in Adelaide, on the staff of St. Peter's College, and we are glad to know that he is in the best of health.

Prizes for a Chess Competition amongst the Cadets were kindly presented by Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Crane. The trophy given by Mrs. Yates was won by Cadet Captain Robertson; and Mrs. Crane's trophy was won by Cadet Captain Gunn.

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The Right Honourable the Minister for the Navy, Mr. Makin, visited the Depot and inspected the Cadets and the College on October 24, 1941.

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On Sunday, June 22, His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne held a confirmation service, at which eight Cadet-Midshipmen of the first and second years were confirmed.



The College Bell (D. A. Ross)

**H.M.S. COSSACK.**

The drawing on our title page was submitted before news was received of the loss of this fine ship. Her name will always be remembered in connection with her services in Norwegian waters; and especially for her interception of the "Altmark." She was also concerned in operations against "Bismarck." We understand that Lieutenant W. G. Wheeler was serving in this ship.



## COLLEGE LOG

### January:

31. Cadets return from long leave.

### February:

3. Commence Cricket, Aquatics, Tennis, and Life-saving.
- 5 & 6. First XI v. Officers XI.
8. First XI v. Wesley (away).
15. Aquatic Sports.
16. First XI v. Depot Team.
17. Second Inter-house Tennis Tournament.
- 19 & 20. First XI v. Chief and Petty Officers XI.
22. Third Inter-House Cricket.
26. First XI v. Medical Branch.

### March:

- 1, 2 & 3. Mid Term.
4. Commence Rifle-Shooting.
- 5 & 6. First XI v. Communication Branch.
8. Tennis—Officers and Masters v. Cadets.
15. Inter-House Obstacle Whaler Race.
17. Open Singles Championship Tennis.
- 28, 29 & 30. Mid Term.

### April:

1. Inter-House Cricket Match.
5. First-year XI v. Grimwade House (home).
8. Third Junior Inter-House Tennis.
9. First XI v. Medical Branch.
11. Good Friday.
12. Fourth-year v. The Rest.
13. Easter Sunday.
19. First and Second XI v. Wesley.
20. Cricket and Tennis v. R.A.A.F. (Somers).
26. Officer and Masters v. Cadets (Tennis).
29. Sculling Championship.

### May:

2. Proceed on Long Leave.
30. Cadets return from Long Leave.

### June:

2. Instruction for Juniors in Rugby and Hockey.
4. Rugby First XV v. R.A.A.F. (Somers).
7. Junior XV v. Footscray Technical School (home).
11. Hockey XI v. R.A.A.F. (Somers).
12. Rifle Shooting v. R.A.A.F. (at Somers).
14. Inter-Rugby, Senior and Junior.
21. Rugby First XV v. Scotch College (home).
23. Inter-House Hockey, Senior and Junior.
- 28, 29 & 30. Mid Term.

### July:

1. Inter-House Rugby, Senior and Junior.
3. Tug-of-war.
5. Rugby v. Scotch College (two teams—away).
9. Inter-House Rugby, Senior and Junior.
12. Rugby First XV v. University. Junior Rugby Team v. Essendon.
16. Cross-Country Race.
19. Rugby XV v. Scotch College (home).
- 26, 27 & 28. Mid Term.
30. Visit of Commodore Durnford, R.N.

### August:

- 5, 6, 7 & 11. Inter-House Boxing Tournament.
13. Rugby First XV v. Communication Branch.
19. Rugby First XV v. Stokers.
22. Proceed on Long Leave.

### September:

12. Cadets return from Long Leave.
18. Cadets visit H.M.A.S. "——"
20. Inter-House Hockey, Senior and Junior.
27. Inter-House Hockey, Senior and Junior.
29. Commence Athletic Training.

### October:

- 4, 6, 7, 8 & 9. Heats for Athletics.
11. Athletic Sports.
- 13 & 14. Practice for Inter-House Relay Events.
- 15 & 16. Inter-House Athletics. Passing-out Exams. Begin.
24. Passing-out Exams End. Phew!
- 25, 26 & 27. Mid Term.
28. Commence Tennis Handicap Tournament.

### November:

1. Cricket v. Essendon Technical School (Junior).
3. Inter-House Cricket, Senior and Junior.
8. First XI v. Melbourne Grammar School (home).
10. Senior Inter-House Tennis.
18. Inter-House Cricket, Senior and Junior.
24. Junior Inter-House Tennis.
29. First and Second XI v. Scotch College (away).

### December:

6. Cricket—First Year v. Grimwade House. First XI v. Wesley College (away).
12. Cadets proceed on Long Leave.

# HOUSE NOTES



**House Officer:** Lieutenant J. P. Lawson.  
**House C.P.O.:** Mr. J. K. McKay.  
**House Cadet Captain:** G. H. McIntosh.  
**Cadet Captains:** J. G. Goble, A. J. Robertson.

The year 1941 has not seen such marked success for Flinders House as has been experienced in the past, but in spite of the fact that Cook House has taken more trophies than it did last year, we still maintain a slight lead. Hockey, Cricket, Tennis, Swimming, Shooting, and the Athletics have fallen to us. With the separate junior competitions the Flinders Juniors have had a chance to show their worth, and were successful in bringing home the honours for Junior Cricket and Tennis. The Junior Standard in the Inter-House Athletics was to a large extent responsible for our winning that event.

Outstanding sportsmen in Flinders House have been Bourke in cricket, hockey, swimming and sculls, Shands in athletics and cricket, Spittle in athletics, and Willis in tennis.

C. M. Jones left us in the middle of the last term to take a course at R.N.E.C., Keyham. To him, and to the Flinders House who left us at the end of 1940, we extend our best wishes for every success.

## COOK HOUSE

**House Officer:** Lieutenant-Commander M. W. Lancaster.  
**House C.P.O.:** Mr. Butler.  
**House Cadet Captain:** B. H. Loxton.  
**Cadet Captains:** B. C. Lovett, J. Gunn.

This year has been a successful one for Cook and a great advance on last year's effort. We have succeeded in living up to our motto, "We lead, the rest follow," in quite a number of events, these being:—

- Obstacle Whaler.
- Senior and Junior Rugby.
- Cross-Country.
- Tug-of-war.
- Junior Hockey.

The first Inter-House boxing tournament resulted in a draw. Wilson I is to be congratulated on his success in winning the Shelley Cup for the second time.

The Cross-Country was won by a great effort by all those running, most noticeable being members of the second year. We have at last succeeded in breaking Flinders' long run of wins. This event also was typical of the close finishes throughout the year.

The Inter-House Rugby provided some interesting games, as also the Cricket and Hockey.

The standard of the House has improved a great deal, and it is up to those who will come back next year to make our record an even brighter one than we have had this year. With the ability shown in the junior years this is highly probable.



'THEIR'S NOT  
TO REASON.  
WHY.'

### BOMBERS OVER ENGLAND.

Above the white and swirling cloud  
 The motors, throbbing, sound;  
 Death cries his challenging aloud  
 To the still skies around.  
 White puffs on patterned fields below  
 Mark shaken earth's reply  
 To these grim husbandmen who sow  
 Destruction from the sky.

Where river-circled cities stand,  
 Tall tower and stately spire,  
 The splendid fruit of heart and hand,  
 Man's dream and man's desire:  
 Now falls the sudden blow and blast,  
 Quick fire, and stinging steel,  
 Till tower and town are downward cast,  
 Till home and hamlet reel.

Stripped bare of garden, roof, or wall,  
 The folk of England stand;  
 Unbroken by the blows that fall  
 Upon their stricken land.  
 Before, the glory stood in stone,  
 In tower, and church, and hall;  
 Now stand the "little folk" alone,  
 Resurgent over all.

G. F. A.

### THE BATTLE OF CAPE MATAPAN.

On March 28, 1941, occurred a battle which turned out to be our greatest naval victory of the war.

The main body of the fleet, under Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, was in Alexandria when reconnaissance planes reported enemy cruisers south-east of Sicily. The C.-in-C. ordered Vice-Admiral Pridham-Wippell to proceed with cruisers "Orion," "Ajax," "Perth," "Gloucester," and some destroyers to a position south of Crete. The C.-in-C. then took the main fleet to sea and steered N.W. to intercept the enemy.

At 0802 the Cruiser Squadron sighted the enemy, while the main Battle Fleet was still 95 miles away. Vice-Admiral Pridham-Wippell endeavoured to lure the enemy towards the main fleet, but the Italians turned and began to steer N.W. The British cruisers turned to follow, but were forced to turn back to avoid the guns of a Littorio class battleship, which was sighted at 1058.

Planes from "Formidable" now launched an attack on the Littorio class battleship, making

one direct hit. As a result of this attack the Italians turned for home, pursued by our forces.

At 1600 bombers of the R.A.F. attacked the enemy, scoring many hits, and greatly reducing the speed of the Italian fleet.

By 2210 the British were among the Italians, and in the night action which followed gave them a terrific pounding. The Italians lost three cruisers, "Zara," "Fiume," and "Pola," and also three destroyers; while at least one of their battleships was severely damaged.

On our side no loss or damage of any kind was sustained; and there were no casualties—a fact which makes this action unique. In no other action has a fleet done such damage to an adversary and itself emerged completely unscathed.

P. H. DOYLE.

### THE "BISMARCK" INCIDENT.

On May 22 the "Bismarck" and a new 8-in. gun German cruiser were detected crawling northwards out of the North Sea. They were immediately shadowed by two of His Majesty's cruisers, "Norfolk" and "Suffolk," but they were lost in the darkness and detected again near Iceland on the 23rd.

Then our ships under the flag of Admiral Tovey came into action. On May 24 the "Hood" was sunk by a 15-in. shell from the "Bismarck" at the range of 23,000 yards, and the "Bismarck" once more escaped under cover of darkness.

On May 26, after having evaded her antagonists for twelve hours, the "Bismarck" was sighted by a Catalina flying boat of the Coastal Command, and torpedo-bombers of the Fleet Air Arm were enabled to carry out an attack. This attack wrecked the steering apparatus, and the great supposedly unsinkable ship swung in huge circles. Then the British capital ship went into action once more, and on May 27 the cruiser "Dorsetshire" received orders to close in and administer the coup de grace.

There was a terrific explosion as the torpedoes struck, and the latest addition to the list of capital ships of the German Navy plunged to the bottom, leaving clouds of smoke on the surface.

F. A. STURGESS.

# SPORTS AND SPORTING

## COLOURS. (Showing Date of Award)

Rugby	Cricket	Hockey	Tennis	Athletics	Swimming	Boats
1940	1940	1941	1940	1940	1940	1941
R. E. Bourke	K. W. Shands	R. E. Bourke	A. A. Willis	J. D. Goble	R. E. Bourke	R. E. Bourke
1941	M. E. Poynter	N. L. Sanderson	1941	K. W. Shands	1941	
G. H. McIntosh	R. E. Bourke	B. C. Lovett	M. J. McLachlan	1941	Pay Cdt.	
B. H. Loxton	1941	J. Gunn		D. R. Mugg	L. F. Winch	
B. C. Lovett	Pay Cdt.	G. D. Moore		B. A. J. Spittle		
D. R. Mugg	J. D. Irving			I. W. Broben		
P. H. Wilson	G. D. Moore					
A. J. Robertson						
J. Gunn						
B. A. J. Spittle						
K. W. Shands						

## TENNIS

### OFFICERS AND MASTERS v. CADETS

On Saturday, March 8, a very interesting afternoon's tennis against the Officers and Masters was ended by an enjoyable afternoon tea in the Commander's cabin. The weather was at first very hot, but as the afternoon went on a rather nasty breeze sprang up, not bad enough, however, to interfere greatly with the tennis. The matches ended with the Officers and Cadets five sets all, the following being the results:—



Wilson I and Irving d. Lt. Lawson and Mr. Adeney, 6—4, 2—6, 6—4.

McLachlan and Willis d. Lt.-Comm. Lancaster and Mr. Robin, 6—2, 6—4.

Inst.-Comm. Franklin and Mr. Berry d. Smyth and Boord, 6—5, 6—5.

Comm. Loudoun Shand and Mr. Eldridge d. Loxton and Sanderson, 6—3, 4—6, 6—5.

## JUNIOR COLOURS.

(Introduced August, 1941)

Rugby	Hockey	Athletics
1941	1941	1941
I. W. Broben	P. C. S. Martin	R. G. Loosli
J. A. Robertson	M. C. Reeves	M. C. Reeves
D. A. Ross	F. E. Wilson	F. E. Wilson
M. C. Reeves		P. B. Cooper
P. Thomas		
F. E. Wilson		
J. G. Yule		
J. D. Stevens		

### R.A.A.F. (SOMERS) v. CADETS

During the first term a tennis tournament for Sunday, April 20, was arranged against R.A.A.F. (Somers). Unfortunately the weather was very bad, and it seemed as though no tennis would be played. However, with the help of the first year, who cleared the water from the courts, two sets were completed before the final downpour came. The following are the results:—

McLachlan and Willis d. R.A.A.F. No. 1 pair, 6—1.

Boord and Loosli d. R.A.A.F. No. 2 pair, 6—4.

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**OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP**

Goldrick	}	McLachlan	}	Willis	}	Willis, 6-1, 6-1
McLachlan						
Shands	}	Willis	}	Boord		
Willis						
Loosli	}	Loosli	}	Boord		
Sallmann						
Gunn	}	Boord	}	Boord		
Boord						

**OPEN DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP**

Bourke, McIntosh	}	Yule, Wilson II	}	Irving, Wilson I	}	McLachlan, Willis, 6-2, 6-3
Yule, Wilson II						
Irving, Wilson I	}	Irving, Wilson I	}	McLachlan, Willis		
Martin, Smyth						
Tranter, Boord	}	McLachlan, Willis	}	McLachlan, Willis		
McLachlan, Willis						
Robertson, Doyle	}	Martin, Butt	}	McLachlan, Willis		
Martin, Butt						

P. T. EDWARDS.

**TENNIS v. R.A.A.F. (SOMERS)**

A return match was played at the beginning of the second term. This time the Air Force team was much stronger and the College was beaten by 3 matches to 1. The College team consisted of: Mr. Robin and Mr. Berry, Cadet-Midshipmen Boord and Loosli, G. A. Bennett and J. D. Stevens, and Willis and McLachlan. Scores:—

- R.A.N.C. "A" won, 5—6, 6—5, 8—6.
- R.A.N.C. "B" lost, 0—6, 1—6.
- R.A.N.C. "C" lost, 3—6, 4—6.
- R.A.N.C. "D" lost, 2—6, 4—6.

A. A. WILLIS.  
M. J. McLACHLAN.

**JUNIOR INTER-HOUSE MATCHES**

The second of the series was played in February, and Flinders House won.

Willis (F) d. Stevens II (C), 9—2.

Loosli (F) d. Wilson II (C), 9—8.

Bennett I and Goldrick (F) d. Yule and Cooper (C), 9—6.

Martin and Butt (F) d. Edwards and Bennett II (C), 9—4.

In the third match, in April, Flinders House won 3—1, as their first doubles pair lost.

This match was played on the new courts, and resulted in Flinders winning the Inter-House Tennis.

R. G. LOOSLI.  
R. C. SWAN.

**THE THIRD SENIOR INTER-HOUSE TENNIS**

On April 26 this match was played, the doubles on the new, and the singles on the old, College courts.

The first doubles match was very close, Sanderson and Winch (F) defeating Wilson and Irving (C) by 9 games to 8.

Bourke and Shands (F) defeated Loxton and Smyth (C) by 9—4.

McLachlan (F) won the first singles against Gunn (C), and Boord (F) defeated Paynter (C), 9—4.

Thus Flinders House won 4—0.

F. H. BOORD.

**EXCHANGES**

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following magazines, and apologise for possible omissions in our list:—The Pegasus, The College Barker, The Brighton Gram-marian, Wesley College Chronicle, The Mel-burnian, St. Peter's College Magazine, The Scotch Collegian, Journal of the Royal Military College of Australia, The Britannia Magazine, The Sydneian, The Newington College Magazine, The Royal Naval Engineer-ing College Magazine.

## Squash Tournament

The annual Squash Tournament was played during the second term, the finals being played on Monday, August 4. In the open event for the "Captain Benson Cup," M. J. McLachlan was successful, while D. C. Bennett won the Junior Championship.

**OPEN:**

Wilson I	}	McLachlan	}	McLachlan
McLachlan				
Benney	}	Shands	}	McLachlan
Shands				

**JUNIOR:**

Martin	}	Martin	}	Bennett I
Cooper				
Bennett I	}	Bennett I	}	Bennett I
Michael				

K. W. SHANDS.



### R.A.N.C. 2nd XI v. WESLEY COLLEGE

This match was played on Saturday, April 19, at R.A.N.C. Wesley won the toss and chose to field. Our opening batsmen were Bennett I and Bennett II. They seemed to be doing quite well when Bennett II was bowled for 13. Gunn was soon out, and a little later Bennett I was bowled at 19. Sanderson and Goldrick made a good partnership. Sanderson retired when he was 52, and a little later Goldrick retired at 32. Tranter and Wilson held their ends up well, while McIntosh made the runs until the two latter were run out. Loosli, as last man in, also managed to stay there. We finally declared at 225. McIntosh was 43 not out and Loosli 10 not out. When Wesley went in it seemed that they were going to make a draw of it. After their first four wickets had fallen, however, they soon collapsed and were all out for 56. Kemp, their opening batsman, did well to make 20. He finally fell l.b.w. to Tranter.

Our best bowlers were Wilson (three for 7), Tranter (three for 17), and Loosli (two for 4). Although it was an easy win, it was a very pleasant game and was greatly enjoyed.

G. A. BENNETT.

### FIRST YEAR XI v. GRIMWADE HOUSE

First Year won the toss and went in to bat on a very slow wicket. Goldrick and Butt were the opening batsmen. Goldrick made a fine score of 23. The players adjourned for lunch with the score two for 23. After lunch play was resumed. Goldrick and Stevens II made a fine partnership. Stevens II was dismissed for 49. The rest of the team made small scores. The First Year were all out for 118. Grimwade House went in to bat for their first innings. They were quickly dismissed by the First Year bowlers, who were very effective. The Grimwade House team were all out for 35. The First Year fielding was very good, and not a catch was dropped.

The Grimwade House team went in for a second innings. The failing light stopped play and the final score for Grimwade House was four for 32.

J. P. BRENT.

### R.A.N.C. v. R.A.A.F.

Although the weather made the playing of this match somewhat unpleasant, it was quite interesting. We won the toss and batted, the wicket being fairly greasy on top.

Irving and Shands opened the batting, and when the score was 14 Shands was caught. Lt.-Commander Ward joined Irving, and runs came fairly rapidly. The score had reached 47 when Lt.-Commander Ward was bowled, and Moore joined Irving, who was batting very well. They carried the score to 86 before Moore was run out for 11. The R.A.A.F. team were without cricket boots, so fielding was very difficult for them on the slippery grass. Irving reached 53 and retired after a very bright display of batting. Lt.-Commander Lancaster and Lt. Lawson added 10 runs before Lt. Lawson was dismissed. Wilson and Lt.-Commander Lancaster carried on, the latter retiring at 17. Wilson was caught in the outfield for 10. Score 7—126. Loxton and Bryant continued, Poynter joining Bryant when Loxton was stumped for 2. Bryant was bowled, and Lovett joined Poynter, who had begun hitting. At tea the score was 9—143, Lovett n.o. 1, Poynter n.o. 10.

After tea the Air Force batted. Wilson and Moore opened the bowling, and they were followed by Lt.-Commander Ward and Poynter. R.A.A.F. had scored 6—75 at the close of play. Wilson, 1/15; Lt.-Commander Ward, 2/23; Poynter, 1/24.

K. W. SHANDS.

#### R.A.N.C 1st XI v. DEPOT XI.

February 16 was a fine, rather hot, day, with no wind, and the match was played on the Depot turf wicket. College won the toss and went in to bat, with Shands and Willis the opening pair. Top score for College was Moore, with 32. Poynter took the four Depot wickets that fell for a cost of 92 runs off eight overs.

Depot team contained many experienced cricketers, and their score of four for 225 showed College team what could be done. Analysis and conference after the match showed our team's mistakes and helped improve each player.

The team was entertained to tea by the Depot team, and all round, despite the defeat, it was an enjoyable day.

R. E. BOURKE.

#### R.A.N.C 1st XI v. COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH

This match took place about the beginning of March on the College wicket. Our two openers, Shands and Irving, compiled about 90 runs, which gave us an excellent start. The following batsmen brought our score up to 158.

Next day the C.B.'s scored very gradually until their captain, Griffen, commenced to add to their score. But in spite of his efforts they were all out for 140. The best bowling average went to Poynter, who took four for 41.

P. H. WILSON.

#### FOURTH YEAR v. THE REST

Played on Saturday, April 12. Captains of sides were: Irving (Fourth Year) and Shands (The Rest). Irving won the toss, and he and Wilson opened the batting for the Fourth Year. Moore opened the bowling for The Rest from the Depot end. Before tea the Fourth Year were all out for 138.

After tea Willis and Shands opened for The Rest with a brilliant partnership of 70. Lovett and Irving did most of the bowling for the Fourth Year, Irving having forsaken his usual position behind the stumps in favour of Sanderson.

The game was one of the most enthusiastically played of the season, and finished with the Fourth year leading The Rest by four runs—138 to 134.

B. C. LOVETT.

#### THIRD INTER-HOUSE CRICKET MATCH (SENIOR)

This match was held on Saturday, February 22, being finished in the one afternoon. It was a stifling hot afternoon, so conditions were far from perfect.

Irving, the Cook House captain, won the toss, and sent Flinders in to bat. Flinders gave a poor exhibition, securing only 67 runs. Cook House also collapsed, and lost by 14 runs, securing only 53.

N. L. SANDERSON.

#### FIFTH JUNIOR INTER-HOUSE CRICKET

This match aroused great interest amongst the juniors, as it decided the winners of the series of matches played during the two summer terms.

The match started on a fairly fine day, and Willis, Flinders House captain, won the toss and sent Wilson II's team in. Bennett II and Edwards opened for Cook House, but their partnership was soon broken. Disaster followed this, as Cook House's best batsmen were dismissed for very few runs. However, the whole side was finally out for 57. Loosli was mainly responsible for the dismissal, getting six for 25.

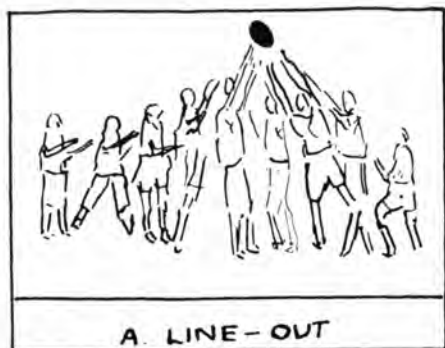
Flinders House commenced their innings disastrously, and were four for 9. However, Martin II made a particularly good stand, making the score five for 31. The whole side was out for 59, giving Flinders House the victory by 2 runs.

Both innings were very low scoring, compared with recent matches played.

The best bowlers for Cook were Wilson II (four for 28) and Stevens II (four for 21). For Flinders House, Loosli (six for 25) and Goldrick (two for 24).

F. E. WILSON.

## RUGBY



In keeping with College tradition, our team this year was lucky in possessing a good pack of forwards, who, in the wet conditions which prevailed throughout the season, generally controlled the games. In their loose play and rushes they were seen at their best, and, speaking generally, it was due to this method of attack that a great part of our scoring was made.

The backs were disappointing. Very often their movements consisted of rather mechanical passing from which any form of enterprise was missing. Although, apart from the two wings, we had no speed merchants, the halves and centres rarely took the ball running their fastest, and unless this occurs the attack has lost half its value. Rarely did they try to draw their opponents, and times without number, owing to being beaten for quickness, were smothered before they could formulate their attack.

However, looking back at the season as a whole, there was plenty of life in the play, especially in the forwards, and I am glad to say the tackling on the whole was good, but what was needed was more of the spirit of aggression and quick unexpected action.

There is only one word for our attempts to convert—"Atrocious." McIntosh captained the side throughout, and, as well as playing a sound, rugged game, was an inspiring leader. We were all pleased with his try when playing the C.B.'s.

Bourke, Gunn, Lovett, and Robertson did not play a single bad game in the season, Lovett being conspicuous in his determined runs with the ball tucked under his arm and his hand-off working overtime. These four

are a splendid example of untiring, hard-working forwards.

Simmons played in all games, and his hooking was remarkably successful, considering that most of the opposing scrums had the advantage in weight. He is also an untiring worker, but is still lacking in experience.

Goble and McLachlan completed the pack and played in most games with dash and determination.

Sanderson was disappointing. A scrum-half must be quick with his hands and feet and his passes accurate.

Moore was patchy, spoiling one good day's play with a bad one the next, but his good days show great promise for next year.

Wilson and Loxton, although steady in defence and rarely playing a bad game, lacked that dash and fire we hope for from centres.

The wings were both very good. Both have learned to run their fastest, Spittle particularly being fast off the mark, and his determination and good tackling have made him the most improved player in the team.

Shands is improving, and in the match against the Stokers played particularly well.

Mugg was patchy at full-back, sometimes playing very well, particularly in the House matches, and at other times badly. On the whole, his fielding was reliable, his kicking accurate, but defence unsafe, mainly because of being out of position and going high.

The reserves, Golder, Boase and Dyke, were unlucky because of the almost complete lack of casualties throughout the season.

Colours were awarded to McIntosh, Loxton, Mugg, Lovett, Wilson, Robertson, Gunn, Spittle, and Shands.

M. W. L.

### R.A.N.C. 1st XV v. SCOTCH COLLEGE

Played at R.A.N.C. on June 21. After several days' soaking rain the ground was very soft, though not particularly slushy. Wind was fairly strong from the south-west during the match, which began at 3.20. Scotch kicked off, running east. From the beginning Scotch forwards packed round well and were constantly on the ball. Our for-



wards were sometimes a little slow in getting on the ball and packing round. After a line-out 20 yards from our touch the ball got out to our three-quarters, but one of them was off-side. Scotch attempted a place-kick penalty goal, but were unsuccessful. After play up and down the field, Mugg ran from our 25 to the halfway line before being tackled, and the ball went out. After the line-out the ball was kicked to Wilson II, full-back. He kicked it to the halfway line, and Loxton got the ball from Scotch. After kicking it on, Mugg rushed up the left wing, picked up the ball, and sped home for a good try. This was not converted. Later, after a scrum in the centre of the field, the Scotch wing broke through for a try, not converted. Soon after another scrum the ball went out to Mugg, who got another good try near the post, which Bourke converted. Just before half-time a free kick was given to Scotch 25 yards from goal. A place kick for a penalty goal failed. Score at half-time was 8—3 in our favour.

After half-time the forwards took the ball up the field, and after a scrum ten yards from touch the ball went out to our three-quarters and Loxton broke through for a try, which was not converted. After play and scrimmages in Scotch's 25, good forward work by our forwards got the ball up the field and Lovett dropped on the ball for a try. Quickly following this, the forwards took the ball up at the toe and McLachlan scored a try. This was not converted. Again our forwards attacked up to our touch line, a 25 drop-out followed, and our forwards dribbled the ball up, when Gunn got a try. Again we almost got a try, and a 25 drop-out followed. With five minutes to play, a heavy drizzle set in. Scotch, after intercepting one of our three-quarter passes, got a try between the posts. The conversion kick hit the post. After the halfway kick our forwards took the ball up at the toe and McLachlan dropped on it for a try. There was no attempt at conversion. Just before full time Mugg ran up the left wing unsupported, but was brought down and the ball went out.

Final scores were:—R.A.N.C., 23; Scotch College, 6.

V. L. HENSHAW.

### R.A.N.C. 1st XV v. SCOTCH COLLEGE

Played at Scotch College on July 5. Scotch kicked off, the ball going straight to the College backs, who started a movement. Scotch, however, turned the attack when, after a line-out, they took it right up to the other end of the ground, where they received a penalty kick given against R.A.N.C. They were unsuccessful then, as well as a short time later when they made a similar attempt to score.

R.A.N.C. made an effort to break through, but a scrum caused a line-out which held up the advance. At this stage Wilson made a good but unsuccessful run. The try line was gained, but a five yards scrum was given when the ball was touched down. A second five yards scrum gained a try for R.A.N.C. by Spittle, but Bourke was unable to convert it. Scotch retaliated by breaking through and made the score 3—3. The play opened out with very few loose scrums and a fair amount of kicking. Scotch had the advantage when Mugg dribbled the ball right down the field into their 25. Immediately after a 25 drop-kick by Scotch, Spittle obtained his second try, which Bourke converted, and at half-time the score was 8—3 in R.A.N.C.'s favour.

After half-time Scotch scored another try, which was converted, bringing the score to 8—8. They then secured a penalty goal, which was followed up by another try which was not converted. This brought the score to 8—14 in Scotch's favour. After the kick-off, Moore gained a try, which was converted by Bourke. A few minutes before full time Lovett scored another try, but no attempt was made to convert it. At the bell the scores were:—R.A.N.C., 16 points; Scotch College, 14 points.

The forwards played consistently well all through; and also this match was the first time the three-quarters all took the ball running, although it was slippery. Mugg made his debut as a full-back and gave a very creditable display.

The team was: Mugg, Spittle, Loxton, Wilson, Shands, Moore, Sanderson, McIntosh, Lovett, Goble, Bourke, Simmons, McLachlan, Gunn, Robertson.

After the match tea was served in the Dining Hall at Scotch College, and, in spite of the weather, the visit was thoroughly enjoyed.

N. A. BOASE.

**R.A.N.C. 1st XV v. SCOTCH COLLEGE**

Played on August 9. Scotch kicked off at 3.20. During the first half both sides made many attempts to score. Spittle and Shands made one particularly good run, and Moore and Shands used the blind side well, but were stopped each time when nearing the line. At half-time neither side had scored.

In the second half, from a line-out near the Scotch 25, Moore secured a try and Bourke converted. This was followed by scrummages and line-outs, with a great deal of kicking for the side line, owing to the use of the old line-out rule. Scotch backs got through and scored, but this was not converted. Play now centred about the halfway line until Spittle got away and scored after an excellent run. The try was not converted. After the following kick-off McIntosh secured the ball and, on being tackled, passed to McLachlan, who secured a try. Bourke converted. Scotch now scored again and did not convert. They followed this with another try, which was converted. Despite the efforts of both teams no more points were scored, and the game finished in our favour with 13 points to 11.

Our team was: Mugg, Spittle, Golder, Wilson, Shands, Moore, Sanderson, Lovett, McIntosh (captain), Bourke, Goble, Simmons, McLachlan, Gunn, Robertson.

I. R. JONES.

**R.A.N.C. v. R.A.A.F.**

This match, played on June 4, took place on the Wednesday following the May leave, so our XV was rather raw and out of condition.

The day was too warm for energetic Rugby, and the Air Force team proved to be much too fast and heavy for us. Consequently the visitors began scoring from the start, and continued to do so consistently throughout the match. However, the College was not put to shame, as under the conditions our side put up a very good show, and there was some good, hard tackling, especially in our backs.

The final scores, showing the unevenness of the teams, were 54 to nil.

N. L. SANDERSON,

**R.A.N.C. v. UNIVERSITY.**

Played on July 12. University arrived one man short, and Boase, who filled the breach, played very creditably.

University were heavier and faster than our team, and the quickness of their breakaways and halves frequently caught Sanderson and Wilson in possession, with the remainder of the three-quarters standing still. The opposing backs were a good and fast combination, and our defence, with one or two exceptions, was good.

The forwards were consistently good when they realized that their frequent knocks back to the half were being frustrated and they kept the ball more at their feet, Bourke, Lovett, Gunn, Robertson, and Simmons being at times brilliant in loose rushes.

Lovett's run, which was rewarded with a try, was a classic, and gave a lesson to some of the backs in what determined running will do. Simmons was good, considering he is the smallest and lightest in the pack, but sometimes spoilt good play by impetuosity. His try was the reward of always being on the ball, and was thoroughly deserved.

McIntosh, Robertson, and Gunn played their usual sound game, while Goble and McLachlan are improving. Spittle also is improving, and is learning what strong running will do; but Shands must curb his impulse to dodge infield instead of going flat out for the corner flag.

The wings must develop a cross-kick, and also learn to come across to the opposite wing when the opponents are attacking, taking care they are not caught unawares by a cross-kick.

Sanderson and Wilson were not up to form, mainly owing to slowness at the base of the scrum, and, apart from occasionally falling on the ball, their defence was not good.

Loxton was consistent, dependable, and made few mistakes, although he lacks the knots.

Wilson was a bit out of his depth, but nevertheless played very soundly. Mugg although quite good, did not play the game he did against Scotch, and persistently went high for his man. Good full-backs go low.

Although the better side just won, our forwards deserve praise for their untiring efforts. Undoubtedly it was their day.

The scores were:—University, 16; R.A.N.C., 14.

M. W. L

**1st XV v. COMMUNICATION BRANCH.**

Bourke kicked off for the College. Our forwards commenced hard work immediately and were aided by the fact that the C.B. backs were frequently out of position, sometimes even playing with the scrum. After some good passing, Shands' speed enabled him to score the first try of the match. McLachlan scored the second from passes by Shands and McIntosh. Bourke failed to convert both of these. A free kick to the C.B.'s near our line failed to cross the bar, and good forward play resulted in Simmons scoring a try (not converted). Lovett scored next with a run from a line-out. Mugg took the kick, but failed. At half-time the score was 12—nil.

Spittle scored the first try after the break, and Shands the next. Neither was converted. As the result of good passing by Wilson and Loxton, Spittle scored again, and the try was converted by Mugg. Gunn scored next, but this time Mugg failed to convert. McIntosh scored the last try of the match, and Mugg succeeded with the kick. The final score was 31—nil.

B. A. MILFORD.

**R.A.N.C. XV v. STOKERS XV**

This was the last XV match of the season, and was played on the College ground on a fairly warm afternoon (August 19). For the first quarter of an hour the play consisted mainly of kicking up and down the field. The first try was won by Bourke, who got the ball from Shands. This was not converted by Mugg. It was followed soon after by a try from a Stoker, who broke through from a scrum. Not converted. Ten minutes later Stokers got another try, and this was followed by a movement which nearly resulted in a try. The ball was knocked on near touch, and after the scrum it went out near touch. After the line-out, Stokers broke through for a try. College defence was, on the whole, poor, and in the majority of cases our three-quarters were not moving when they got the ball. Half-time scores were: Stokers, 9; R.A.N.C., 3.

In the second half College were running east. Shands (left wing) intercepted a pass from the Stoker three-quarter and got a good try at the corner flag. About ten minutes later an opposing three-quarter broke out of

a scrum on the halfway line and raced up the side-line for a try. Our defence in this case was very poor. This try was followed by another, which Stokers converted from the edge of the field. College then took the ball up and nearly scored a try. After College were awarded a free kick, Mugg scored a penalty goal. Again a Stoker three-quarter broke through from halfway and sped up the left wing for a try. A try by Robertson, after a line-out, quickly followed. After one unsuccessful attempt at a penalty goal, Mugg scored one from the 25-yard line. Stokers later got another try up the left wing, and again our defence was poor. Final scores were: Stokers, 23; R.A.N.C., 15.

V. L. HENSHAW.

**JUNIOR RUGBY.**

The juniors, of whom hopes were raised last year, justified their first year promise and produced some very fine football.

We were unfortunate in losing Willis and Edwards early in the season, Willis having a shoulder dislocated in a House match, and Edwards with a broken shoulder bone sustained in the first match of the season against the Air Force. However, without them, and with the inclusion of several First Year, the team was quite a good one, and except for scrambling play in some of the matches, for which we have the excuse of wet weather, most of the games were open and fast.

Wilson as full-back, Reeves and Ross as three-quarters, and Stevens II as stand-off half, were the best of the backs.

The forwards were a good hard-working pack, and, except for the Essendon Technical School, had to battle against much heavier scrums, which, considering their success, speaks well for their determination and pluck. The best of these were Yule, Thomas, and Robertson, but the others deserve praise for their untiring efforts.

The defence by the junior teams was very creditable, and it is to be hoped that they do not lose their enthusiasm for getting their man low.

Junior colours were awarded to Wilson, Ross, Reeves, Yule, Thomas, Robertson, Martin, and Stevens II.

M. W. L.

## JUNIOR RUGBY MATCH WITH SCOTCH COLLEGE

It was a cold, rainy afternoon on June 21, and the ground was very muddy. R.A.N.C. pressed hard from the start, nearly reaching the try line, but being forced back by the defending team, who by a series of penalty kicks got well up the field. However, their onrush was thwarted. Reeves tucked the ball under his arm and made a long dash from behind the halfway line, scoring the first try, which was not converted. The play zig-zagged about the field for a while, and then Broben scrambled over the line to score a hard-fought try. This was not converted, and soon after Scotch scored their first try owing to deficiencies in our tackling. Throughout the game our tackling was inclined to be poor; many did not go low, but grabbed their men around the neck. Scotch converted their try. Shortly afterwards Cooper, ably supported by Stevens II, dashed over the line, scoring our third try. As our kicking was not very accurate, we failed to convert the greater number of our tries. Scotch finished off the first half by scoring a try, leaving the score at 9—8 in our favour.

In the beginning of the second half Scotch forced the play down towards their try line, but by continual worrying Robertson II prevented them from scoring. Soon after another Scotch try was scored. Our first casualty occurred when Cooper and Stevens II had a head-on collision, as the result of which Stevens left the field with a cut head. After hard play by R.A.N.C., Scotch struggled through to score again, making the score 14—9 in their favour. With little time to go, it appeared that R.A.N.C. had little chance of bringing the game to a successful conclusion; but owing to two more fine tries scored by Reeves and a convert by Bennett I, we managed to win, the final score being 17—14.

The following comprised the team: Sturgess, Rust, Ross, Cooper, Reeves (captain), Stevens II, Goldrick, Yule, Thomas, Bennett I, Bennett II, Broben, Martin, Barnard.

A. F. LADE.

## R.A.N.C. JUNIORS v. SCOTCH COLLEGE 2nd XV

On July 5, rain had made the ground very greasy, and consequently the ball was difficult to handle. As before, Scotch were the

heavier side, and started the match by pushing home a quick attack, resulting in a try, which, however, was not converted.

Scrambling play followed, from which neither side gained the advantage, until Cooper picked up from the loose and made a fine run to equalise for the College. Wilson had no trouble in converting, and the score was: Scotch College, 3; R.A.N.C., 5.

The play kept to the leeward side of the ground, where for a time there were frequent line-outs and scrums, following knock-ons, owing to the inability of the three-quarters to handle the slippery ball. College then realised that more kicking and dribbling improved their play, and this kept the ball in their opponents' 25 till Martin scored, which was unconverted. At half-time the score remained: R.A.N.C., 8; Scotch, 3.

After the resumption the play opened out and Scotch attacked vigorously, good tackling by Thomas, Robertson, Barnard, and Stevens frequently stopping determined rushes. A breach for off-side, however, gave Scotch a penalty goal, making the score 8—6. The three-quarters now were handling the ball with more confidence, and the passing movement enabled Cooper to make a splendid run from almost halfway to score between the posts, this try being converted by Wilson. No further scoring was made by either side, and for the last minutes the sides were very even, the play being open and consisting largely of kicking. The final scores were:—R.A.N.C., 13; Scotch, 6.

Our team was: F. E. Wilson, R. J. Rust, P. B. Cooper, D. A. Ross, M. C. Reeves (captain), J. D. Stevens, F. A. Sturgess, J. G. Yule, P. C. S. Martin, P. Thomas, J. A. Robertson, J. McA. Barnard, G. A. Bennett, I. W. Broben, D. C. Bennett.

M. W. L.

## THIRD JUNIOR RUGBY v. SCOTCH COLLEGE

The match was held on the R.A.N.C. ground on July 19, under adverse weather conditions. Although Scotch won, 13—6, the score by no means indicates the difference between the two teams. Navy won the toss, and decided to kick off with the wind. From the start it was obvious that the heavy Scotch forwards, who continually forced the

ball into Navy's 25, would be the ruling factor of the game. Time after time Wilson and Butt saved for Navy, until at last Navy backs managed to get going and Reeves broke through to score the first try for Navy. No kick was taken. It was a noticeable feature that Navy backs, almost without exception, spoilt their chances by holding on to the ball too long. Navy's second score came from a very nice penalty kick by Yule, whose kicking was good during the match. Scotch soon replied with a very strong forward movement which carried the ball over the Navy line and resulted in their first try, which was converted. At half-time the scores were still: Navy, 6; Scotch, 5.

With the wind behind them, Scotch had everything their own way in the second half. The ball seldom got out to the Navy backs, and the forwards were pushed all over the field by their far heavier opponents. Two tries came to Scotch through forward rushes, and one was converted. Ross started one good movement for Navy, but it was checked, and the scores remained until full time:—Scotch, 13; Navy, 6.

A. A. WILLIS.

#### JUNIOR XV v. SCOTCH COLLEGE

The game commenced at 2.15 on August 9, and for some time play ranged from one 25 to the other. From a line-out in our 25 Scotch wing got the ball and scored, owing to a high tackle round the neck by Wilson being unsuccessful. The try was not converted. Play now centred in the Scotch half. Wilson secured the ball and passed to Gerrett, who scored. It was not converted. The game travelled up and down the field with a large amount of kicking, and from a line-out in the Scotch 25 the ball was carried over the line and touched down by Ross. Again it was not converted. From a scrum on the halfway line, Reeves got the ball and did a splendid run to the line. This try also was not converted. Scotch now carried the ball into our 25, and catching a kick from our full-back a Scotch back scored, but it was not converted. Soon after this the first half finished.

In the second half, Scotch kicked off, and carried the ball over our line from a line-out,

but did not convert. Soon after this Scotch scored again and converted. A series of line-outs and scrums followed, mainly in our half. In an attempt to clear the ball it was kicked across goal and taken by the Scotch wing, who, with a clear field in front of him, scored easily. This also was converted. From this point the game consisted of numerous line-outs and scrummages, during which the ball was several times carried over both lines but touched down by the opposing team. The final score was:—Scotch, 19; College, 9.

Our team was: Wilson, Stevens I, Cooper, Reeves, Rust, Stevens II, Gerrett (captain), Yule, Martin, Ross, Thomas, Robertson, Broben, Butt, Bennett I.

I. R. JONES.

#### R.A.N.C. JUNIOR XV v. FOOTSCRAY TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Played on August 2. Footscray won the toss, and we kicked off against the wind, which was very strong at that time, giving Footscray the advantage of sides. The ball was kicked up and down the field until it got out to Navy backs, but, owing to a bad pass from Ross, this movement was halted and the Footscray full-back managed to break through and score. This try was converted. After kicking off again, Footscray, with their superior weight, carried the ball into our 25, and a field goal was kicked, giving them a lead of 9 to nil. Nothing more happened, and at half-time the score was unaltered. Bennett II and Yule were very quick at getting the ball out of line-outs, and Robertson very rarely let the ball get out to Footscray backs. The majority of the forwards did not keep on the ball, and did not play a very good game. Reeves tackled well, and saved one certain try. Soon after half-time Footscray again scored, but this try was not converted. Yule scored between the posts after a succession of quick passes, and Wilson converted it. Stevens II, Martin, and Reeves also scored tries, two of which were converted by Wilson's brilliant kicks. Footscray made one more attack, but did not manage to score, before the full time whistle. The final scores were 18—17 in our favour.

N. LEE-WARNER.

### R.A.N.C. JUNIOR XV v. ESSENDON TECHNICAL SCHOOL

This match was one of the less exciting of the Rugby season. It was easy to see that the R.A.N.C. team was much stronger and much more experienced than the Essendon team. Our team played fairly well all through the match. As the ground was slippery, it was more of a forwards' game, but the back line played very well when the ball was secured from the scrum. The Essendon team made a bad mistake in that they would not kick in their own 25, and as a result we gained a few tries. There were no very outstanding individual tries, but there was some very good team work. We won the match with the scores, 44—3.

R. J. RUST.

### R.A.N.C. JUNIOR XV v. ESSENDON TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

The return match against Essendon Technical School was played at Middle Park on Saturday, August 16. It was a fine, cool day. The College won the toss. Essendon kicked off at 11 a.m. College's play throughout was scrambling, the passing was bad, and Stevens II was the only one who played really well. Stevens I and Martin tackled several times and saved tries, but Martin's play was never good. The first try to the College resulted from a good bit of forward play by Yule, Robertson, and Bennett I, but it was not converted. Soon after, Yule scored a penalty goal. Essendon then made an effort, but failed, and Broben managed to break through and score once more for the College. Once again it was not converted. At half-time the score was 9—nil in College's favour. Throughout the match the back line's passing and taking was not good, Goldrick and Rust being the main offenders. Stevens II, soon after having just failed to score, broke through and scored. Soon after, Yule and Broben scored again, but all three were not converted. Just near full time Essendon scored for the first time, but failed to convert. The match finished with the score 18—3 in the College's favour. The best player for the College was Stevens II. The College tries were scored by Bennett I (1), Broben (2), Yule (1), and Stevens II (1).

M. C. REEVES.

### FIRST SENIOR INTER-HOUSE RUGBY

Played on June 9. At 1415 Flinders House kicked off. Hard play immediately followed, with Flinders making a strong attack. Shands made a good run and scored a try. This was not converted. Cook then kicked off, but they were gradually pushed back, when Wilson received a pass and made a good run, thus making the scores even. Next Cook House made a break, and Poynter, supported by Loxton and Wilson, scored a second try. This was converted by Wilson. From then on Cook pushed hard, both sides striving to gain ground. In this way two tries were scored in succession by Cook, due to Dyke and Gunn. Neither of these was converted. Near the end of the half, Gerrett managed to break through near the line and scored. This again was not converted. Flinders swiftly retaliated, as Tranter made a very good run to get a try, converted by Bourke, making the progress scores for half-time 17—8 in Cook's favour.

Cook began the second half by a good kick-off. Moore got the ball and was not stopped because of poor tackling. However, this try was not converted. Soon after, the ball was passed out to the Flinders three-quarters and Spittle, well backed up, scored a well-deserved try, which was converted. Bourke attempted a field goal, but just missed. Flinders were gradually pushed back to their line, when Gunn received a pass from Moore and dived over to get another try, not converted. When the ball was kicked off, Robertson followed up hard, backed by Goble and Shands, who quickly forced the ball over and scored. From then on the play was hard, neither side breaking through, mainly due to the good tackling, which had improved considerable during the match. At the end the score was 23—18, with Cook House winning.

I. M. BURNSIDE.

### THE SECOND INTER-HOUSE SENIOR RUGBY

This match was played on the small ground, teams being 13 a side owing to illness. Cook House kicked off, running south. There was a great deal of forward play until Sanderson kicked for touch and cleared for Flinders. However, an intercepted pass at the 25-yard

line by Benney scored first try for Cook. A five-yards scrum at Cook goal line enabled Robertson to score for Flinders, making the score 3—3. Benney scored again for Cook after a line-out near the Flinders line; thus Cook led 6—3. After some forward play, Mugg kicked the ball ahead and after a dribbling rush scored again for Cook, which now led 9—3. Flinders attacked again, and a passing rush by their backs enabled Shands to score. 9—6. Cook House team now came well to the front, and after a loose scrum outside the Flinders goal mouth Benney scored again for Cook. Wilson I converted. 14—6. After a five-yard scrum Dyke scored a try for Cook, 17—5, and Gunn also took through to score. 20—6. Shands intercepted a pass, and after a twenty-yard run scored for Flinders. The whistle then blew for half-time. Score, 20—9.

After half-time Cook began with a rush. Benney intercepted a pass and scored a try, which was converted by Wilson. 25—9. After a lot of forward play Lovett broke through and scored, which Wilson again converted. 30—9. With about twenty minutes to time, Flinders rallied. After a scrum near the line Robertson scored for Flinders. 30—12. After being awarded a free kick, Bourke scored a penalty goal. 30—15. Benney

scored again for Cook, after running half the length of the field. 33—15. Jones and Sanderson now scored in quick succession for Flinders. 33—21. After a dribbling rush up the field by Bourke, McLachlan scored a try, which Bourke converted. 33—26. Goble broke through and scored again for Flinders. 33—29, but the whistle then blew.

Cook were just a little too strong for Flinders, their team work being excellent, but the rally by Flinders provided an interesting match.

P. H. DOYLE.

### FIRST JUNIOR INTER-HOUSE RUGBY.

The first Junior Inter-House Rugby match, which was played on Saturday, June 14, resulted in a win for Cook House. They had the stronger team, and from the start they scored steadily, the scores at half-time being 21—9 in Cook's favour. In the second half Willis (captain) sustained an injury to his arm, which removed a strong man from Flinders team. The final scores were 30—12.

Those who scored tries were Willis and Reeves for Flinders House; and Wilson (captain), Ross, G. A. Bennett, and Thomas for Cook.

R. BROKENSHERE.

## TUG OF WAR

Inter-House Tug-of-War was held on June 3. This year there were three pulls for both Senior and Junior teams, to be taken alternately, and counting two and one points respectively. The Juniors were the first to take the rope, and Cook House caught Flinders completely off their balance from the word "Heave!" The Seniors then had their turn, and very much the same thing happened. The score was now 3—0 in favour of Cook. After a short interval, during which ends were changed, the Juniors once again

took up their stance. Cook House went away with much better timing, and soon the score stood at: Cook, 4; Flinders, 0. Cook House's run of easy wins was brought to a halt with the next pull, when, after a hard struggle, Flinders Seniors recorded two points. Flinders House now had to win the remaining pulls to win the contest. However, the Juniors were not strong enough, and although Flinders Seniors won their last heat, Cook House had a well-deserved victory, the score being 5—4.

A. A. WILLIS.

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# ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS

This year's athletics were held on a windy day, so that conditions were not too favourable for the events. The band turned up in full force, and they succeeded in wearing about fifteen sets of neat holes in the turf of the cricket field, as well as providing musical encouragement for the athletes. It was noticeable that there was an unusual competitive spirit in the events—the effect of so much feminine inspiration—which had been lacking during previous meetings, no doubt. At the conclusion of events Mrs. Yates presented the prizes.

The championship was won by Shands with 22 points. Spittle was runner-up with 21½.

**RESULTS:—**

**100 Yards, Open—**  
Shands, 1st; Spittle and Boase (equal), 2nd. Time, 11 secs.

**100 Yards, Junior—**  
Broben, 1st; Reeves and Cooper (equal), 2nd. Time, 11-4/5 secs.

**880 Yards, Open—**  
Goble, 1st; Robertson, 2nd; Tranter, 3rd. Time, 2 min. 11-3/5 secs. (record).

**High Jump, Open—**  
Shands, 1st; Spittle, 2nd; Lovett, 3rd. Height, 5 ft. 1¾ in.

**High Jump, Junior—**  
Cooper, 1st; Ross, 2nd; Yule, 3rd. Height, 4 ft. 9½ in.

**220 Yards, Open—**  
Mugg, 1st; Shands, 2nd; Boase, 3rd. Time, 25 secs.

**220 Yards, Junior—**  
Broben, 1st; Reeves, 2nd; Willis, 3rd. Time, 25-3/5 secs. (record).

**Obstacle Race, Open—**  
Loxton, 1st; Simmons, 2nd; Dyke, 3rd.

**Obstacle Race, Junior—**  
Loosli, 1st; Wilson II, 2nd; Edwards, 3rd.

**Hurdles, Open—**  
Spittle, 1st; McIntosh, 2nd; Bourke, 3rd. Time, 21-2/5 secs.

**Hurdles, Junior—**  
Loosli and Reeves (equal), 1st; Edwards, 3rd. Time, 20-1/5 secs. (record).

**Shot Putt, Open—**  
Bourke, 1st; McIntosh, 2nd; Robertson, 3rd. Distance, 33 ft. 11 in.

**440 Yards, Open—**  
Mugg, 1st; Shands, 2nd; Boase, 3rd. Time, 57-4/5 secs.

**440 Yards, Junior—**  
Broben, 1st; Willis, 2nd; Reeves, 3rd. Time, 57-3/5 secs. (record).

**Long Jump, Open—**  
Spittle, 1st; Bourke, 2nd; Poynter, 3rd. Distance, 18 ft. 4½ in.

**Long Jump, Junior—**  
Yule, 1st; Loosli, 2nd; Rust, 3rd. Distance, 16 ft. 3¾ in.

**Mile, Open—**  
Goble, 1st; Lovett, 2nd; Sanderson, 3rd. Time, 4 min. 54-4/5 secs. (record).

B. C. LOVETT.

## R.A.N.C. ATHLETIC RECORDS.

At the Annual Athletic Sports this year five more records were broken. This was a fine achievement, considering that Cadets had only one week of training before the heats; and also that on the day of the sports the grass track was slow and soft. The College records now stand as follow:—

**100 Yards, Open—**  
D. A. H. Clarke } 10½ secs. { 1938  
J. S. Austin } { 1940

**100 Yards, Junior—**  
K. W. Shands, 11 secs. 1940

**220 Yards, Open—**  
J. S. Austin, 24½ secs. 1940

**220 Yards, Junior—**  
I. W. Broben, 25-3/5 secs. 1941

**440 Yards, Open—**  
R. R. Dowling, 53 secs. 1918

**440 Yards, Junior—**  
I. W. Broben, 57-3/5 secs. 1941

**880 Yards, Open—**  
J. D. Goble, 2 min. 11-3/5 secs. 1941

**Mile, Open—**  
J. D. Goble, 4 min. 54-4/5 secs. 1941

**High Jump, Open—**  
G. B. Thrum, 5 ft. 5½ in. 1940

**High Jump, Junior—**  
K. W. Shands, 5 ft. 0½ in. 1940

**Long Jump, Open—**  
J. S. Austin, 20 ft. 10¼ in. 1940

**Long Jump, Junior—**  
B. A. J. Spittle, 17 ft. 7¾ in. 1940

**120 Yards Hurdles, Open (3 ft. 6 in.)—**  
R. D. Hancock, 17-3/10 secs. 1923

**120 Yards Hurdles, Junior (3 ft.)—**  
R. G. Loosli } 20-1/5 secs. { 1941  
M. C. Reeves } (dead heat) { 1941

**Shot Putt (13 lbs.)—**  
J. S. Austin, 38 ft. 6 in. 1940

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### THE INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS

The Inter-House Athletic Sports were held on October 15 and 16. They proved to be very even, the whole result depending on the Shuttle Relay, which was won by Flinders House. The Senior Long Jump was also very close. The results were as follow:—

**Heaving the Line:** Flinders.

**Shot Putt:** Flinders.

**Cricket Ball Throwing (Senior):** Cook.

**Cricket Ball Throwing (Junior):** Flinders.

**Bumping (Junior):** Cook.

**Bumping (Senior):** Flinders.

**110 Yards Relay (Senior):** Cook.

**110 Yards Relay (Junior):** Flinders.

**Hurdles (Senior):** Cook.

**Hurdles (Junior):** Flinders.

**Obstacle Race (Senior):** Cook.

**Obstacle Race (Junior):** Cook.

**Medley Mile (Senior):** Flinders.

**Medley Mile (Junior):** Cook.

**Long Jump (Senior):** Cook.

**Long Jump (Junior):** Cook.

**Shuttle Relay:** Flinders

Flinders House won by 23 points to 18.

A. J. ROBERTSON.

### THE OBSTACLE WHALER RACE, 1941

This year the two races were held on the afternoon of Saturday, March 15. Each House supplied an "A" and a "B" crew, and as high tide was at 1400, the race was held with an ebbing tide.



Start of the Obstacle Whaler Race (H. B. Gerrett)

The crews started by pulling from the Depot wharf to the Range wharf, and then sailing from the Range wharf to the Coaling wharf, and then pulling back to the Depot wharf. Two laps of this triangular course constituted one race. The wind was S.S.W. for the first race, and no tacking was necessary. Flinders "A" won the first race, Cook "B" were second, Cook "A" third, and Flinders "B" fourth. This result made the points equal.

After a short rest the crews changed boats and lined up for the second race. Cook "A" forged ahead in the first pulling stretch, and maintained their good lead easily throughout. During this race the wind dropped, and came only in light puffs. Sailing from the Depot wharf to the Range jetty, Cook "B" were just able to round the pile. Flinders "A" had to tack to round it, and so lost a lot of ground. Flinders "B" were second throughout, and Cook "B" were third, with Flinders "A" fourth.

Cook House won the day, 11 points to 9.

V. L. HENSHAW.



Preparing for the Race (H. B. Gerrett)

# ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS

For once we were lucky enough to have a fine and hot day—so hot that spectators were most envious of the competitors.

There were eleven events on the programme, including the comic events, slippery pole for juniors, and musical lifebuoys for the seniors. The 100 yards Open Championship was won by Bourke for the second year in succession; and the event for Special Entry and Paymaster Cadets produced some very good swimming and was won by Pay-Cadet Winch in excellent time (62 3/5th sec.).

The Inter-House Competition was won by Flinders House with 55 points, against Cook House, 44 points.

Detailed results were as follow:—

**110 Yards Open Championship:** Bourke, 1st; Gunn, 2nd; Spittle, 3rd. Time, 72 secs

**50 Yards Open Breast-stroke:** Yule, 1st; Shands, 2nd; George, 3rd. Time, 41-3/5 secs.

**100 Yards Special Entry and Pay-Cadets:** Winch, 1st; Marsh, 2nd; Irving, 3rd. Time, 62-2/5 secs.

**50 Yards Open Back-stroke:** Spittle, 1st; Bourke, 2nd; Goble, 3rd. Time, 50 secs.

**65 Yards (Juniors):** Michael, 1st; Yule, 2nd; Bennett I, 3rd.

**Open Diving:** Thwaites, 1st; Wilson I, 2nd; Bennett I, 3rd.

**Junior Diving:** Bennett I, 1st; Butt, 2nd; Wilson II and Yule, equal 3rd.

**Junior Obstacle Relay:** Cook House.

**Senior Relay:** Flinders House.

**Slippery Pole (Juniors):** Martin, Wilson II, Butt, Cooper (equal).

**Musical Lifebuoys (Seniors):** Gunn

## R.A.A.F. (SOMERS) REGATTA

During the first term the Royal Australian Air Force stationed at Somers held a sailing regatta, and the College was asked to participate in it. The four College skiffs were transported to the Somers Beach, where they were launched and rigged. The College skiffs did not distinguish themselves, and the regatta was won by some representatives of the St. Kilda Club, who used the Air Force skiffs. After the races the skiffs were re-loaded and taken back to the Depot.

D. A. ROSS.

# SHOOTING

## THE INTER-HOUSE RIFLE SHOOTING.

The Inter-House Rifle Shooting took place on Thursday, April 10. As usual, the competition was keen. Each House was represented by a team of twelve members, three from each year. The scores were as under:—

### Flinders House:

McIntosh	45
Milford	50
Bourke	49
Burnside	46
Robertson	49
George	48
Brokenshire	41
Lee-Warner	42
Willis	47
Butt	47
Sturgess	35
Sollmann	46

Total	553
Average	46.01

### Cook House:

Smyth	47
Golder	44
Henshaw	47
Poynter	41
Simmonds	47
Gunn	50
Francis	47
Ross	46
Thomas	45
Crosby	39
Cooper	43
Bennett II	41

Total	537
Average	44.75

Flinders House won by 16 points, so retaining the Captain Pope Cup.

B. A. MILFORD.

## R.A.N.C. v. R.A.A.F.

This competition took place on the 25-yard range at the Air Force Camp, Somers, on June 12, 1941. Each side had two teams of eight members, the College "A" team being captained by Commander Loudoun-Shand, and the "B" team by Henshaw. Each member of the team had two sighters and five shots to count, the total score being 25. The Commander was the only member of the team to obtain the possible score. The Air Force won by 37 points, the scores being 344—307.

J. W. GOLDER.

## HOCKEY

### THE FIRST SENIOR INTER-HOUSE HOCKEY

The first of the Senior Inter-House hockey matches for 1941 was played on Monday, June 23, in ideal weather. Flinders got away quickly, and after some hard fighting with the Cook backs Shands scored the first goal for Flinders. This was in the first two minutes of play, and the game became very hard, the ball being for the most part in the Cook half. Mugg now showed up with some fine dashes, and after a good piece of team work he scored the first goal for Cook. Mugg followed up soon after with another well-deserved goal, thus giving Cook the lead. Bourke, who was playing a very good game, next scored for Flinders. He was backed up well by Sanderson, who played a good game consistently. Shands was the next to score, giving Flinders the lead once more. Moore, who was ably backing up Mugg, next scored for Cook with a smart, dashing shot, baffling the goalkeeper. Just before half-time Bourke again scored for Flinders with a goal off the hand of the Cook keeper. This made the half-time score 4—3 in favour of Flinders. At the commencement of the second half Bourke again scored for Flinders. Mugg followed up with a goal to Cook. The play did not ease off in the slightest, and Bourke again scored. The outstanding players for Cook were Mugg, Loxton, and Moore; and Bourke, Sanderson, and Shands for Flinders. Bourke finished up the game by again scoring, thus giving Flinders a win with 7 goals to 4. Considering that it was his first effort at keeping, the Flinders keeper, Spittle, did very well and deserves mention.

F. H. BOORD.

### FIRST INTER-HOUSE HOCKEY (JUNIOR)

This game was played on Tuesday, June 24. Flinders ran north, and they soon scored two goals. However, Cook equalised these very soon, and later in the first half they scored again, leaving the scores 3—2 in Cook's favour at half-time. In the second half Cook further increased their lead and finally won 5—3. This was the last hockey match for the second term, and the remainder will be played in the third term.

G. BENNETT.

## CROSS-COUNTRY, 1941

The course was the same as in previous years, with the exception of a detour which cut out the run past the Ship's Company quarters. Thirty from each House competed, and Cook House reversed last year's result by narrowly winning from Flinders with an average placing of 29.9 to 31.3, the total points being: Cook, 889; Flinders, 941.

The day was ideal, and from the start Goble took the lead, which he maintained to the end.

Going over the stile towards Somers, Goble was leading from Lovett, followed closely by Dyke, G. A. Bennett, Parker, and Shands. Shands drew level with Lovett passing through Somers, followed by Bennett, Dyke, Parker, and Broben, and this order was maintained until the runners approached the stile leading to the bridge, except that Lovett had dropped back to seventh place.

Goble maintained his lead and finished well within himself, beating Shands by 300 yards, with Bennett and Parker 150 yards astern in third and fourth places. J. D. Stevens, in eleventh place, was first of the First Year. Goble's time was 45 min. 25 sec.

The order of finishing was as follows:—

Place	Name	Time
1	Goble, J. D.	45 25
2	Shands K. W.	46 20
3	Bennett, G. A.	46 25
4	Parker, V. A.	47 37
5	Dyke, D. L. H.	48 07
6	Broben, I. W.	48 20
7	Thomas, P.	48 20
8	Ward, G. A. D.	48 20
9	Lovett, B. C.	49 10
10	Simmons, F. F.	49 30
11	Stevens, J. D.	49 31
12	Loxton, B. H.	49 45

Then in the following order.—Tranter, A. N.; Barnard, J. McA.; Butt, A. C.; Robertson, A. J.; Bourke, R. E.; Brent, J. P.; Stevens, E. V.; Boly, L. G.; Jones, I. R.; Spittle, B. A. J.; Yule, J. G.; Burnside, I. M.; Poynter, M. E.; Goldrick, P.; Lesh, R. E.; Martin, P. C. S.; Loosli, R. G.; Golder, J. W.; Henshaw, V. L.; Brakenshire, R.; Cooper, R. P.; Gerrett, H. B.; Gunn, J.; Dunlop, W. E.; Boord, F. H.; Lade, A. F.; Ross, D. A.; McIntosh, G. H.; Doyle, P. H.; George, A. St. V.; Bennett, J. C. L.; Wilson, P. H.; Lee-Warner, N.; Michael, J. C.; Benney, I. S.; Reeves, M. C.; Wilson, F. E.; McLachlan, M. J.; Robertson, J. A.; Sanderson, N. L.; Mugg, D. R.; Sinclair, J. B.; Lawless-Pyne, B. K.; Sturgess, F. A.; Swan, R. C.; Milford, B. A.; Sallmann, A. F.; Francis, J. W.

## THE ANNUAL BOXING TOURNAMENT

This year, for the first time, the system of individual championships in the different weights was abandoned, and the boxing was arranged as an Inter-House contest. Each Cadet had one fight only, and two points were awarded for a win, one for a draw. The result was an amazingly close contest, extending over three afternoons, and the final result was a draw, each House gaining 31 points.

There were some particularly good bouts, amongst which the following are worthy of special mention: Boord v. Ross, won by Ross; Robertson and Loxton, won by the former, after a very game display on the part of Loxton; Goble and Wilson, won by Wilson; Sallmann and Cooper, won by Cooper; McIntosh and Mugg, won by Mugg.

Captain Yates kindly presented a Cup for the winning House. This year, as the result was a draw, the names of both Houses will be inscribed on the Cup.

Wilson I was awarded the Shelley Cup for the "best exponent of the art of boxing." Congratulations, Wilson!

Full results were as follow:—

Flinders	Cook	Winner	F C	Points
Barnard	Bennett, J. C.	Barnard	. . . . .	2 —
Baly	Dunlop	Dunlop	. . . . .	— 2
Lesh	Lade	Lade	. . . . .	— 2

Flinders	Cook	Winner	F C	Points
Burnside	Gerrett	Burnside	. . . . .	2 —
Martin	Bennett, G. A.	Martin	. . . . .	2 —
Butt	Stevens, E. V.	Butt	. . . . .	2 —
Michael	Thomas	Thomas	. . . . .	— 2
Milford	Simmons	Simmons	. . . . .	— 2
Shands	Wilson, F. E.	Shands	. . . . .	2 —
Boord	Ross	Ross	. . . . .	— 2
Bennett, D. C.	Parker	Parker	. . . . .	— 2
Rust	Robertson, J.	Robertson	. . . . .	— 2
Tranter	Stevens, J. D.	Stevens	. . . . .	— 2
Mackie	Crosby	Mackie	. . . . .	— 2
Broben	Yule	Draw	. . . . .	1 1
Sanderson	Dyke	Sanderson	. . . . .	2 —
Reeves	Moore	Moore	. . . . .	— 2
McLachlan	Golder	Golder	. . . . .	— 2
Spittle	Gunn	Spittle	. . . . .	2 —
Robertson, A.	Loxton	Robertson	. . . . .	— 2
Bourke	Lovett	Lovett	. . . . .	— 2
Sinclair	Francis	Sinclair	. . . . .	2 —
Sturgess	Brent	Sturgess	. . . . .	2 —
Doyle	Lawless-Pyne	Lawless-Pyne	. . . . .	— 2
Loosli	Ward	Loosli	. . . . .	2 —
Lee-Warner	Swan	Lee-Warner	. . . . .	2 —
George	Benney			
Goble	Wilson, P. H.	Wilson	. . . . .	— 2
Jones	Poynter	Jones	. . . . .	2 —
Sallmann	Cooper	Cooper	. . . . .	— 2
Boase	Henshaw	Boase	. . . . .	— 2
McIntosh	Mugg	Mugg	. . . . .	— 2
Final Totals				31 31

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## CORVETTES IN THIS WAR

Although the U-boat menace will not be overcome by any one method, the corvette is certainly a large part of the answer to the problem. The term "corvette" was originally applied to a type of small French frigate.

The corvette is being built in great numbers both in Britain and in the overseas dominions for the purpose of conveying merchantmen and patrolling submarine-infested waters.

Since the Nazis opened their unrestricted submarine warfare there has been a great need for large numbers of small efficient warships for convoy duties. The advantages of these small craft are their small cost, which is important when great numbers are used to protect merchant vessels where the cost of the same number of destroyers would be

many times that of corvettes; and their great speed of building, for one slipway can produce one a month. They are very sturdily built, as their work necessitates staying out in all weathers.

Their armament consists of one 4-in. gun, anti-aircraft machine guns and depth charges. They are also fitted with all up-to-date anti-submarine detecting gear.

The crew of a corvette is four officers (or sometimes five), with fifty to sixty men, and their work, ordinarily fatiguing, is rendered more so by the terrific amount of rolling which these small craft are subject to.

The corvettes have been successful already in many U-boat encounters, and several of their Captains have been decorated for their services.

R. E. LESH.

## THE SUTTON HOO TREASURE

In July, 1939, a discovery unprecedented in English history was made at a place called Sutton Hoo, near Woodbridge, in Suffolk. Here was unearthed the hull of a clinker-built ship, 84 feet long, 14 feet beam, and 5 feet in depth—a more primitive ship than the previous Viking finds and probably 300 years earlier.

The ship was built with nine strakes of oak  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, and 18 inches wide, on each side. The strakes had been held together by iron nails some two inches long. In places there were signs where the planking had been repaired after collisions. The 26 ribs were generally spaced three feet apart, but were

closer at the stern to take the strain of the steering oar. The ship had no cabin, but below a burial chamber made of rough planks other treasures were found, including a massive gold buckle with intricate designs and delicate engraving, and several beautiful gold bowls in perfect order. A sword was found, and a nest of nine silver bowls imported from South-Eastern Europe.

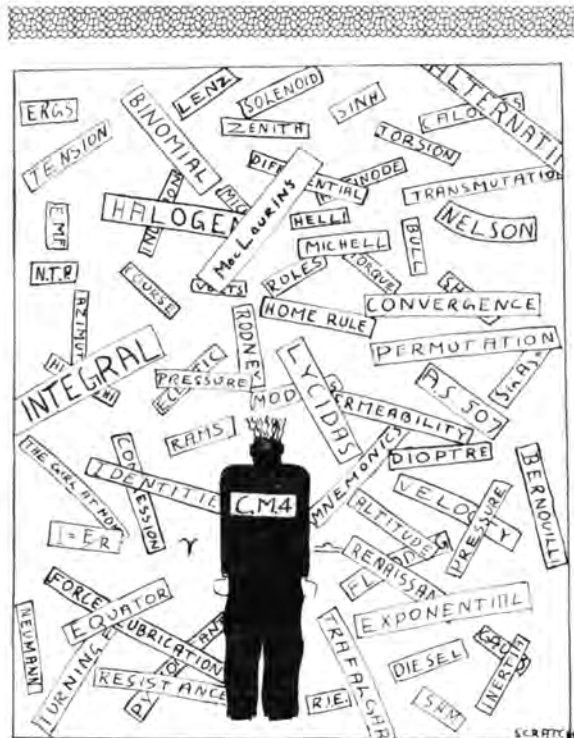
The significance of this find lies in the fact that it may be regarded as the earliest English war-vessel known, and therefore as a direct ancestor of the British Navy.

G. A. D. WARD.

## MORNING CLASSES AT THE STUDY BLOCK

When I'm asked for close attention for a problem most severe,  
 And the board is full of writing with its meaning far from clear,  
 And I'm striving to assimilate some knowledge indispensable,  
 For I know that ill success will be ranked as reprehensible,  
 Why on earth on such occasions, in the middle of the lesson,  
 Is the moment always chosen by the Air Force for its session  
 With the Anti-Aircraft gunners? If the plane's a yellow trainer  
 I can sometimes just ignore it, for I've often seen them plainer.  
 But when the full-fledged Hudson comes blasting from the sky,  
 And roars up just above the roof, I can no longer try,  
 Even though I know the penalty may be elimination  
 If I make a hopeless failure of the year's examination.

C. R. F.

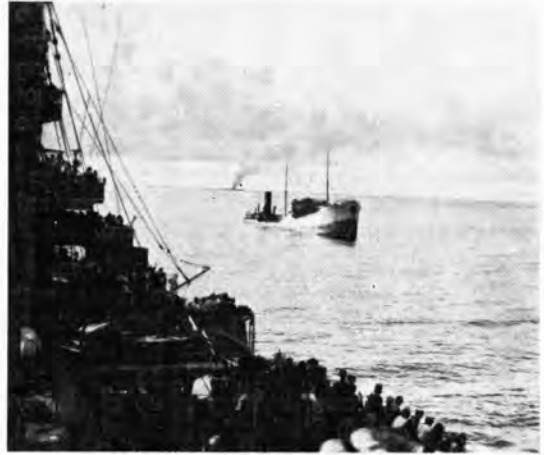


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## INCIDENTS AT SEA



Sunset in the Indian Ocean.



Ketty Brovig.  
Boarding Party is just about to be lowered.

The following are extracts from letters from Midshipmen who passed out of the College at the end of last year:—

### I.

As you have probably heard, some time ago we had the good luck to get a couple of German ships in the Indian Ocean. They were the "Coburg," a supply ship for raiders, and the "Ketty Brovig," a Norwegian tanker, captured by the Germans some months previously. We afterwards found that they had fuelled a pocket-battleship and an armed merchant raider just before meeting us.

We sighted them at about 1600 one afternoon, and they separated and made off in different directions. I was down in the fire-control station during the action, and thus got quite a good idea of what was going on, though I could see nothing.

We opened fire on "Coburg," and within a few minutes she was burning furiously, and was abandoned.

The tanker, meanwhile, had turned south and been scuttled by her crew, which then abandoned her. Our aircraft landed near the tanker, and the observer boarded her to see what he could find out. We steamed down to her and sent away the boarding party, recovering the aircraft when we

arrived there. The crew of "Ketty Brovig" came alongside in a couple of boats, and we picked them up. There were three German officers and about fourteen ratings, as well as thirty-three Chinese who had been her original crew before her capture by the Germans.

When the boarding party came back they reported that it would be impossible to save the tanker, as the Germans had done a really good job of scuttling. To hurry up the sinking we put a couple of shells into her at close range. It was almost dusk, and there was a flash and a terrific bang as the guns were fired, and a few seconds later a dull red flash and a thud as the shells went home. When the plane returned next day there was a tremendous patch of oil on the water and a few bits of wood floating around.

MIDSHIPMAN G. J. WILLIS, R.A.N.

### II

Having as yet contributed nothing to the Magazine, I thought I might tell you of the last three days of our journey over here. As you know, Sir, we came via New Zealand and Panama; and what a boring journey it was! Our ship was only a 7000-ton freighter, capable of 14 knots. This was quite fast for such

a ship, so after Panama we proceeded alone and not in convoy.

Except for the last three days nothing happened, but it is those three days I want to tell you about. On the morning of the third day out we met a tanker, which persisted in keeping on in our wake. Realising that two ships together offer a better target for a submarine, our captain altered course south for an hour, and then resumed the original course. That tanker was torpedoed in exactly the spot we would have been that afternoon had we not altered course.

That evening, during the first watch, something went wrong in the engine room, and sparks were pouring out of the funnel. These must have been sighted, for, half an hour later, "Bang, Bang, Bang," three star-shells were coming down, lighting us up as clearly as day. "Action Stations" was sounded, and I took up my stand on the after gun platform. About thirty star-shells were fired, and we could make out a small object in the water on our starboard quarter. Then there was silence. Our wireless operator was transmitting a raider alarm, and, believe it or not, sparks were actually flitting along the wires!

However, all was well, for soon a ship loomed up alongside, speaking through the voice-pipes: "Who are you? Where are you bound for? British destroyer '\_\_\_\_\_' on patrol. Cancel your raider signals."

Well, after that excitement, we thought we would not be molested again, little realizing what the next day held in store for us. The following afternoon I was reading in my bunk, when one of the ship's officers came in and said: "There are a couple of planes out there, if you are interested." I strolled outside to have a look, and saw two planes skimming over the water towards us on our starboard beam. I was standing with a group of men on the boat-deck, and one said, "It's two Sunderlands." "No," I said, "they are Blenheims; probably come to escort us in." The first plane was on top of us by then, and we started waving as we could see the pilot and all three gunners. In reply the pilot lifted the plane slightly, and three seemingly huge bombs dropped out. A split-second later all three machine guns opened fire, and we could hear bullets thudding across the deck. It was fortunate for us that the machine guns opened fire a short while after the bombs

fell, for it gave us a chance to throw ourselves flat, and the bullets went about five yards over us. The bombs were poorly aimed, for the first one fell five yards forward of the bridge, in the well-deck, and so low was the Heinkel that the bomb bounced off the deck into the water, where it exploded harmlessly with the other two. The second Heinkel followed, dropping no bombs, but raking us fore and aft with its guns. The two planes returned on our port quarter, the first dropping four, and the other three, bombs. However, all these fell short, and the only harm was a thorough soaking for those down aft. Again they returned, peppering us with bullets, and then sped away over the horizon. We were somewhat shaken by this, but not one bit of damage was done, and the only casualty was a steward who dropped an armful of plate and fell on them! We proceeded on our way, feeling quite proud of our experience.

MIDSHIPMAN P. GYLLIES, R.A.N.

### III

#### PANAMA.

We left New Zealand in a 10,000-ton cargo ship which was "flat-out" at 15 knots, and took three weeks to reach Panama, during which time we sighted neither ship nor land.

Every ship going through the Canal has a guard on it, and there are nets in all the locks which come up under the ship to prevent damage to the locks by the dropping of bombs or depth-charges.

The surrounding country is rather desolate, but the lakes in the centre are heavily wooded with very dark green trees beautifully reflected in the still, deep, blue water.

#### SPORT?

A day out of England we were bombed by two Heinkels. They bounced a bomb off the deck, but did no damage. Other than that we have had only one game of any description, and that was hockey, on very hard ground and with the temperature about 110 degrees.

MIDSHIPMAN J. S. AUSTIN, R.A.N.

C.P.O.: "Blank, stand to attention!"  
Blank: "I am at attention, Chief. It's the uniform that's at ease."

J. D. STEVENS.

### A VISIT TO ESSENDON AERODROME.

On August 16 we played Essendon Rugby, and after having a wonderful lunch at the Technical School we proceeded to Essendon Aerodrome. As we drove up, a large Douglas airliner, bound for Hobart, roared off the 'drome. Passing the Army Guard, we were allowed to enter the aerodrome.

The first view we really got of the 'drome was a long row of huge tin hangars, a cement tarmac and rows of Wackett training planes, and also a few civilian passenger planes.

We were taken into the different hangars to inspect planes. We saw inside a small passenger liner, and also a hospital plane. Many of the engineering shops were inspected and we were shown over the Radio Plotting Room, and simple aerial navigation was explained.

While we were on the tarmac a Douglas was wheeled out and loaded with luggage. It was amazing how much freight could be carried, some in the stern and some well forward. A bell rang in the Australian National Airways waiting room, and the passengers came out and were checked into the plane by the air hostesses. The plane was the "Loongana," bound for Adelaide. The pilots mounted into their cabin. The star-board engine was started, the chocks were pulled away from under the wheels, and the port engine came to life. There was a deafening roar as slowly the huge air-liner taxied into a position to take off. Then it raced across the field and gracefully sped away on its course to Adelaide.

Now it was time to leave, and we boarded the bus and left the officials who had so kindly shown us around.

J. McA. BARNARD.

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Twinkle, twinkle, little star,  
How I wonder where you are,  
What's your Declination (rough),  
Right Ascension, Azimuth?  
How to show you on a figure,  
To compare you (without rigour)  
To your comrades, and be able  
To select from all the table  
Those I think my need defines  
To give the best POSITION LINES.

C. R. F.

### MYSTERY AT MIDNIGHT.

The last stroke of midnight boomed and slowly died away. Simultaneously a low whistle sounded in an upper room of the grim, silent building. It was followed by the sound of many feet, moving stealthily. Soon the leader (he who had whistled) was surrounded by a cluster of dark forms.

All listened intently for a few minutes. Then there was brought forward a large, ominous-looking container, which, with great care, was rested noiselessly on the floor.

Again they listened.

Apparently satisfied, the leader produced, from a capacious pocket, a long, gleaming instrument. He worked silently for a time. Then, with a sigh of satisfaction, he leaned back, at the same time bestowing a warning glance on his companions.



Engineering Instruction (I. M. Burnside)

The next operation was the most difficult, and the most dangerous. A shudder ran round the group; there was still the possibility of failure if they were heard.

The leader, realizing the heavy responsibility upon him, bent cautiously again to his task. Steadily, but firmly, leverage was applied. Then, with startling suddenness, there was a loud report, almost immediately followed by the sound of escaping gas. For a few moments the group stood, tensely silent. Had that sound betrayed them? But all was still. Evidently they were still safe. They relaxed. Willing hands passed cheerfully around that large bottle of ginger beer. The feast in number 13 had begun.

G. D. MOORE.



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### COOK HOUSE.

#### Fourth Year, 1938.

Benney, I. S.  
 Golder, J. W.  
 Henshaw, V. L.  
 Lovett, B. C. (C.C.)  
 Loxton, B. H. (C.C.)  
 Mugg, D. R.  
 Wilson, P. H.

#### Third Year, 1939.

Dyke, D. L. H.  
 Gerrett, H. B.  
 Gunn, J. (C.C.)  
 Lawless-Pyne, B. K.  
 Lade, A. F.  
 Moore, G. D.  
 Poynter, M. E.  
 Simmons, F. F.  
 Thwaites, J. S.  
 Ward, G. A. D.

#### Second Year, 1940.

Bennett, G. A.  
 Edwards, P. T.  
 Francis, J. W.  
 Parker, V. A.  
 Robertson, J. A.

Ross, D. A.  
 Swan, R. C.  
 Thomas, P.  
 Wilson, F. E.  
 Yule, J. G.

#### First Year, 1941.

Bennett, J. C. L.  
 Brent, J. P.  
 Cooper, P. B.  
 Dillon, H. W. C.  
 Dunlop, W. E.  
 Stevens, E. V.  
 Stevens, J. D.

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#### Fourth Year, 1938.

Boase, N. A.  
 Bourke, R. E.  
 Goble, J. D. (C.C.)  
 Jones, I. R.  
 McINTOSH, G. H. (C.C.C.)  
 Milford, B. A.  
 Sanderson, N. L.

#### Third Year, 1939.

Boord, F. H.  
 Burnside, I. M.  
 Doyle, P. H.

George, A. St. V.  
 Lesh, R. E.  
 McLachlan, M. J.  
 Robertson, A. J. (C.C.)  
 Shands, K. W.  
 Spittle, B. A. J.  
 Tranter, A. N.

#### Second Year, 1940.

Barnard, J. McA.  
 Bennett, D. C.  
 Broben, I. W.  
 Brokenshire, R.  
 Lee-Warner, N.  
 Loosli, R. G.  
 Martin, P. C. S.  
 Michael, J. C.  
 Reeves, M. C.  
 Sinclair, J. B.  
 Willis, A. A.

#### First Year, 1941.

Baly, L. G.  
 Butt, A. C.  
 Goldrick, P.  
 Mackie, J. A.  
 Rust, R. J.  
 Sallmann, A. F.  
 Sturgess, F. A.

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