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PRINCIPAL'S FOREWORD

1961, the third year in the life of Onchunga High School, has almost passed, another year of progress, a year that I am sure we will look back on as one of our best.

It has been a pleasure to have fifth formers in the school and I am immensely proud of the 110 foundation pupils who returned this year. These foundation pupils have continued by their good example to consolidate the tone established in our first year. We wish these pupils success in School Certificate and hope to see many of them return in 1962 to establish our first sixth form.

The school is fortunate to have been controlled in its early years by a most enthusiastic Board of Governors. To Mrs Barrett, our foundation Chairwoman who did not seek re-election this year, I wish to offer my personal thanks for all she has done for the school and for the assistance and support that she has given me with my work. Her untiring efforts and the great amount of time she devoted to the school have contributed in no small measure to the successful establishment of the school.

The grounds are at last taking shape and we have commenced planting trees and shrubs, the tractor shed has been built and a start has been made on the extension to the two-storey block. We must have more grounds to provide for the future roll of the school, but we have so far made no progress in our efforts on this project. In fact, our front fence and entrance gates are held up indefinitely because the Government is short of money.

Our 1962 roll will be approximately 700 and the school will continue to grow in later years. A multi-course school must have a roll of at least 900 pupils to be economic and efficient and we will reach this number when we are fully grown.

It is pleasing to note the progress of our pupils in the fields of sport, music, drama and art. Our pupils have distinguished themselves in all fields and I expect these activities to make further progress in 1962.

In these days of acute teacher shortage, we are indeed fortunate to have such a capable, hard-working and loyal staff. We are also conscious of the great co-operation we have continued to receive from both pupils and parents.

We look forward to 1962, another year of academic progress, another year of struggle for buildings and grounds, another year absorbing new pupils and new teachers, another year in the growth of Onchunga High School; and we hope that it will be as rewarding as 1961.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The term of office of all members of the Foundation Board expired in May and elections were held in June. The Chairwoman, Mrs E. E. Barrett, did not seek re-election. The Board placed on record its appreciation of the great contribution that Mrs Barrett had made to the school in its early years, thanked her on behalf of the school, and wished her many restful years in retirement.

Other members who did not return on the new Board were Messrs R. C. Winn, C. H. McCurran and J. E. Grainger; new members Mr C. H. Grainger (new Chairman), Mrs E. V. Aitken, Mrs M. F. Hodgson, and Mr P. Tapene, were elected.

Under the new Scheme of Control, elections will now be held three-yearly with the next election in 1964.

The School thanks all retiring members for their sterling service and pledges its wholehearted co-operation with the Board in its aim to provide for the children of Onchunga the best possible education.

STAFF NOTES

Nine teachers joined the staff at the beginning of the year, making a total of twenty-five. New appointments were: Mr C. C. Allpress (Head of Mathematics), Mr A. J. Dreaver, Mr J. E. Fris, Mr W. F. Linklater, Miss J. E. Anderson, Miss B. A. Dent, Miss J. P. Knight, Miss F. E. Mills and Miss J. E. Saunders.

Miss Robinson went overseas on leave at the end of the first term to further her musical studies and since then we have been assisted by several relieving teachers of music, Miss Smith, Mr Hempstead and Miss Elliot. In the Homecraft Department, Miss Griffiths and Miss Handisides have each spent a term with us.

Miss Saunders was a member of the Auckland representative hockey team which toured Fiji early in the second term.

We regret that we are losing several staff members at the end of the year. Miss Hankin and Miss Knight are travelling overseas shortly and Miss Trowern is taking up a new appointment. We are grateful for their service to the school and wish them success in the future.

With the school roll increasing steadily, additional staff will be needed next year and the following appointments have already been made: Miss H. D. Aldridge, Mr A. F. Edwards, Miss M. M. Holzer, Mr T. P. Kirk-Burnand, Mr F. A. Simpson, Miss M. White.

We congratulate Mr Dreaver on completing his Master of Arts degree this year.

THANKS

Once again we wish to thank the many parents and friends who have helped us during the year in many ways.

The following new trophies have been presented to the school: Intermediate Boys' Athletics, Mr N. Bray; Intermediate Girls' Athletics, Mr K. W. Freer; Senior Girls' Swimming, Mr and Mrs J. E. A. Howat; Junior Boys' Tennis, Mr J. Slater; Junior Girls' Tennis, Mr P. Kirwin; Inter-House Athletics, Mr W. Norris; Gymnastics, Mr Stephen Vella, Mr C. H. Grainger, Mr Frank Livingstone and Mr W. Norris.

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Mr Smith, Miss Goodenough, Mr Dreaver, assisted by Diane Grainger, Jacqueline Sousa, Margaret Garrett and Vivienne Forbes.

PRIZE LIST

FORM PRIZES:

- 5A Aggregate:** D. F. M. Jones 1, Daphne Wong Too 2. **Certificates:** Linley Jones—Mathematics; Mavis Carter—Latin, Geography; Lynette Elley—Shorthand-Typing; Delice Jackson—History; Lynne Cathie—Art; Robin Dixon—French, Physical Education; S. McCallum—Geography; A. White—Biology; M. Burdett—Physical Education.
- 5B Aggregate:** Adele Jolly 1, S. Pilbrow 2. **Certificates:** Gail Harker—English; Barbara Whitehead—Clothing; Antonetta Wienbocker—Biology.
- 5M Aggregate:** D. W. Schutt 1, Gail Turner 2. **Certificates:** M. R. Anderson—English; Beverly Morrison—Bookkeeping.
- 5T Aggregate:** C. J. McGillivray 1, G. Lawrie 2. **Certificates:** J. Doherty—Geography, Physical Education.
- 4L Aggregate:** Vivienne Forbes 1, Diane Grainger 2. **Certificates:** Margaret Garrett—English, Social Studies; G. A. Osborne—Science; M. J. M. Jones—Mathematics; Koa Bruford—Physical Education.

- 4A Aggregate: Heather Carmichael 1, Gail Williams 2. Certificates: G. H. Stone—Bookkeeping; R. Nielsen—Mathematics.
- 4B Aggregate: D. G. Lewis 1, M. J. Ewen 2. Certificates: L. N. Proctor—English; Ann Wisnesky—French; N. H. Browne—Physical Education; Lynn Cunningham—Physical Education.
- 4TA Aggregate: G. C. Dixon 1, J. M. Gardiner 2. Certificates: D. T. Wardell—English; W. R. Newsome—Woodwork Theory; G. B. Simpson—Engineering Theory; R. F. Gray—Physical Education.
- 4TB Aggregate: R. A. Houltham 1, R. F. Somers 2. Certificates: B. A. Phillips—Social Studies; J. McArthur—Mathematics; C. A. Davis—Science; K. W. Gibbons—Physical Education.
- 4 COM A Aggregate: Betty Wong Too 1, Patricia Irwin 2. Certificates: Cheryl Patterson—Bookkeeping; Judith Foubister—Physical Education; Leone Watson—Physical Education.
- 4 COM B Aggregate: Diane Brown 1, Savita Dhana 2. Certificates: Jocelyn Leighton—Social Studies; Jeanette Tobia—Science; Pamela Phillips—Bookkeeping; Carole Hadler—Physical Education.
- 4H Aggregate: Kathrine Callinan 1, Anne Cunningham 2. Certificates: Raewyn Freer—Physical Education; Adrienne Friend—Mothercraft.
- 3L1 Aggregate: C. J. Halford 1, D. J. McKay 2. Certificates: Michele Bradley—English; Mary Peretz—Social Studies, Latin, Physical Education; J. H. Burdett—Physical Education.
- 3L2 Aggregate: Deborah Lees 1, A. O. Job 2. Certificates: Heather Wallace—Mathematics; Annette Vella—Social Studies; Joanna Dessau—French; J. F. Bruford—Latin; Raewyn Parsons—Physical Education.
- 3A Aggregate: Beth Campbell 1, R. W. Gibbs 2. Certificates: Heather Fletcher—French; R. J. Nelson—Mathematics; T. M. Morris—General Science; D. A. Gow—Physical Education.
- 3B Aggregate: G. J. Chamberlain 1, Adrienne Harrington 2. Certificates: Linda Rogers—French; R. D. Strong—Science; K. W. Shepherd—Mathematics; P. T. Gedye—Social Studies.
- 3TA Aggregate: J. Stewart 1, P. Nielsen 2. Certificates: D. Glucina—Mathematics, Technical Drawing; K. J. Logan—Woodwork; R. A. Tucker—Physical Education.
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- 3 COM Aggregate: Christine Anderson 1, Christine Jackson 2. Certificates: Julie Eastwood—English, Science, Mathematics.
- 3H Aggregate: Jacqueline Webb 1, Shirley Kemp 2. Certificates: Shirley Avenell—Social Studies, Physical Education.

SPECIAL PRIZES:

Merit Cup for Boys: D. F. M. Jones.

Merit Cup for Girls: Daphne Wong Too.

Sir William Jordan Memorial Cup: M. R. Anderson.

Sir William Jordan Memorial Roscbowl: Rosalynn Laird.

Endeavour Cup: Delice Jackson.

Science Award: D. F. M. Jones.

Magazine Prizes—

Serious Prose: Margaret Garrett.

Serious Verse: Lynne Cathie.

Humorous Prose: Margaret Garrett.

Light Verse: Mary Peretz.

Engineering—

5th Form: G. Lawrie.

4th Form: G. B. Simpson.

SPORT PRIZES:

Athletic Champions—

Senior Boys: W. E. Hunter.

Senior Girls: Elaine Hancox.

Intermediate Boys (Presented by Mr N. Bray): J. Doherty.

Intermediate Girls (Presented by Mr K. W. Freer): Colleen Sergeant.

Junior Boys: R. C. Kelly.

Junior Girls: Heather Stennett.

Senior Steeplechase: A. F. Harrison.

Intermediate Steeplechase: P. C. Reeves.

Junior Steeplechase: C. H. Logan.

Swimming Champions—

Senior Girls (Presented by Mr and Mrs J. E. A. Howat): Linley Jones.

Intermediate Boys: C. L. Groshinski.

Intermediate Girls: Cynthia Mold.

Junior Boys: A. H. Dale.

Junior Girls: Heather Wallace.

Tennis Champions—

Boys Open: G. H. Stone.

Girls Open: Sheryll Taylor.

Junior Boys (Presented by Mr J. Slater): P. F. Mayow.

Junior Girls (Presented by Mr P. Kirwan): Diane Hodgson.

Cricket Cup: N. C. Bourey.

House Championships—

Basketball: Green House.

Swimming: Red House.

Athletics (Presented by Mr W. Norris): Red House.

Inter-House: Green House.

SPORTS

GIRLS' INTER-SECONDARY ATHLETIC SPORTS

The annual Inter-Secondary School Athletic Sports were held during the first term at the Olympic Stadium.

The standards in all events were very high and, although our team gained only one final placing, several athletics gained places in their heats and performed well in the finals.

The following girls represented the school:—

Junior: C. Gibbons, A. Friend, S. Faulkner, J. Barnett, J. McGifford, D. Hodgson.

Intermediate: L. Underwood, L. Bassett, S. Orwin, M. Carter, J. Eastwood, C. Sergeant.

Senior: E. Hancock, N. Scott, V. Kelly, J. Neve, B. Beric, L. Cathie.

Colleen Sergeant, our only final placing, was second in the Intermediate High Jump.

GIRLS' INTER-SECONDARY SWIMMING

The Inter-Secondary School Girls' Swimming Sports were held at the Olympic Pool on Wednesday, the 8th March.

The School was represented by the following girls:—

Junior: M. Boag, H. Wallace, M. Bradley, J. Armitage.

Intermediate: L. Cunningham, C. Mold, J. Leighton, J. Jones.

Senior: L. Jones, V. Moore, M. Sherlock, J. Gordon, J. Neve, B. Whitehead.

Our swimmers had a most successful day with most swimmers reaching the finals of their events.

Results:

L. Cunningham gained first place in the Senior Dive, although she is still in the Intermediate age group.

L. Jones reached the finals of the Senior Freestyle and the Senior Backstroke.

C. Mold was placed third in both the Intermediate Backstroke and Breaststroke, and second in the Intermediate Freestyle finals.

H. Wallace swam in the Junior Freestyle final.

M. Boag, J. Armitage, M. Bradley, H. Wallace, swimming in the Junior Relay team, gained third place in their heat but were unplaced in the final.

On overall points the school was placed fourth out of the 25 schools competing.

SATURDAY BASKETBALL

The 1961 season was a very successful one for our school basketball teams. We had six teams this year and although bad weather often made the play more difficult, the teams did well in the championships. Team one, despite the fact that so many of its members left school during the season, played some splendid basketball and headed their grade. The other teams were evenly spaced on the list. It was particularly pleasing to see younger girls showing promise—a hopeful sign for next year's teams.

The highlight of the season came on the 19th July when two teams travelled to Kaipara College. Although both teams lost their games, they were not disgraced and all the girls enjoyed the trip, particularly the swim in the hot baths.

The girls would like to give special thanks to Miss Goodenough, who organised the basketball this season; and to Miss Dent, Miss Anderson and Miss Funnell, who gave up much of their time to coaching the teams throughout the season. We should also like to acknowledge the warm support Miss Gee has continued to give our basketball.

GIRLS' INTER-FORM BASKETBALL RESULTS

An inter-form basketball competition for girls was played during the last week of the season. The form champions are:—

Third Form—3 Commercial. Fourth Form—4 Commercial A.

Fifth Form—5A.

The School Champions are 5A, who defeated 4 Commercial A in the final.

SATURDAY BASKETBALL TEAMS, 1961

TEAM 1

Elaine Hancock (captain)
Jeanette Mackie
Jeanette Neve
Judith Gordon
Phyllis Rangit
Cynthia Davenport
Karen Young

TEAM 2

Delice Jackson (captain)
Leilani Allen
Conal Allen
Margaret Maioha
Josephine Leighton
Betty Reddish
Eunice Maioha

TEAM 3

Cheryl Patterson (captain)
Janette Jones
Wendy Mayow
Shona Zane
Emily Aperiahana
Racyn Freer
Joy Bruce

TEAM 4

Rodlyn Connell (captain)

Patricia Turner
Margaret Avery
Jeanette White
Patricia Irwin
Shirley Cope
Betty Crawford

TEAM 5

Dianne Blackford (captain)
Gaynor Feint
Norma Jackson
Sheryll Taylor
Anne Winesky
Marilyn Sherlock
Kathrine Callinan

TEAM 6 AND RESERVES

Racyn McCurran (captain)
Lynnette Beehre
Jacqueline Sousa
Vivienne Forbes
Dawn Basham
Barbara Chapman
Judith Clarke
Gaylene Keen
Mary Brister
Sherral Mann
Glenys Atkins
Margaret Garrett

AUCKLAND BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

Senior B Grade: Jeanette Neve, Karen Young.

GIRLS' HOCKEY

"Hockey one, shinny two, curly three . . ." and hockey was away to a flying start. As only five of the twenty-five handy foundation members knew anything about the game, our two teams have been built on enthusiasm, rather than on knowledge and skill.

Both teams were entered in the Saturday morning secondary schools competition, one in the open C grade and the other in the intermediate B. We have certainly learned much from our defeats and victories and made contact with players from numerous Auckland schools. Unfortunately, we have only one goal, the season seemed too short. It was only in the last few games that we realised fitness was the most important thing, that is, after keenness, to play the game!

Our entry in the August holiday secondary school tournament was an experience which we are sure will help us to begin next season with the same zest and enthusiasm which we have had this year.

Our sights are set high for a bumper season in 1962.

Teams:—

OPEN C GRADE: Kathryn Peters, Lesley Jones, Gail Johnston, Margaret Chamberlain, Lesley Peters, Gail Williams, Adrienne Friend, Loral Underwood, Koa Bruford, Jeanette Barnett (capt.), Diane Hodgson. Reserve: Adrienne Carpenter.

INTERMEDIATE B GRADE: Julie Eastwood, Sheryl Smith, Jacqueline Boorman, June Mann, Arneke Vant Veen, Margaret Joyce, Heather Fletcher, Madhu Patel, Lynn Cunningham (capt.), Lindsay Bassett, Roberta Reynolds. Reserves: Auriel Barnes, Katherine Sloggett.

RUGBY

This year Onchunga High School experienced the most successful season to date. The school entered four teams in the Auckland Secondary Schools Rugby Competition and what possibly was the most important move for both pupils and school, an open weight team was entered in the second grade competition. The most successful teams were the 4A and 6B, both being within a few points of the grade winner.

1st XV.

Despite a shortage of open weight players, the school managed to field a team in the second grade. Special thanks are due to the nine boys of third grade weight who stepped in to make this possible and to the senior boys who formed a solid enthusiastic core.

The best win was a 29 to 3 victory over at St Peters, while the majority of the other games were very close, apart from a heavy defeat from Mt Albert Grammar, the ultimate grade winners. Onchunga made amends for this later when they played Mt Albert in the last game of the season and although beaten once more by 5-3 they held the upper hand for most of the match.

Possibly the highlight of the season was the trip to Helensville. Although the Kaipara College team had a marked advantage in weight, speed and experience and fully deserved their win, the Onchunga team played a very good game. *The Coach:* Mr R. K. Grigg.

The Team: W. Hunter (Capt.), R. Newsome, R. Grant, K. Reese, K. Appleton, G. Currie, D. Wade, D. Furnell, R. Kelly, D. Reddish, J. Doherty, B. Smith, R. Marks, G. Rowe, R. Reay, A. Dale, W. Parker, P. Pratt.

2nd XV.

This season has been most enjoyable for both players and their parents who came to watch the games. The team was made up from boys of both fifth and fourth grade weight, and played in the Fourth Grade C division of the inter-secondary schools competition.

The team played well during the season under the supervision of Mr Smith, the coach. Only three games were lost throughout the season. Our thanks go to parents who helped with transport and to staff members who looked after us on Saturdays.

The Team: M. Jobe (Capt.), D. Schutt (Vice-Capt.), P. Cheyne, W. Handford, P. Smith, J. Cato, K. Fletcher, K. Birdling, F. Campbell, R. Magnuson, W. Richardson, N. Way, P. Wright, W. Gavin, W. Stevens, P. Nielsen, J. Norris, L. Toon, R. Waugh, T. Paurini.

3rd XV.

Our fourth team was entered in the Sixth Grade B division and had a successful year, coming third in its zone in the competition. At no time was the team itself outclassed, although in several games it ran up cricket scores against the opposition. During the second round only one game was lost and that to the eventual winners of the zone competition by the narrow margin of 5-6. No games were lost at Waikaraka Park, although two games were drawn here, one being a scoreless draw with Auckland Grammar School in pouring rain which the Onchunga team was unlucky not to win.

Coach: Mr Linklater.

Team: N. Littlejohn (Capt.), M. Jones (Vice-Capt.), J. Adams, C. Brown, C. Adler, N. Browne, R. Dear, J. Goodall, C. Hallford, W. Henry, R. Jackson, A. Kimber, K. Logan, P. Marshall, S. Spalding, L. Thow, P. Trillide.

CRICKET NOTES

1st XI.

The 1961 season was another successful one for the First XI, playing in the 3B competition. Most of the boys have played together since the third form and the team has had only four losses in three seasons, which is a grand achievement.

The team has improved as each season goes by, with more polish shown in batting, fielding, bowling and general sportsmanship.

Two of the four losses occurred this season when we were beaten by Seddon Technical College and Auckland Grammar School. The most pleasing feature of the season was the improvement in the batting, especially by those lower down the batting list.

The team for 1961 was: B. Travers (Capt.), W. Hunter (Vice-Capt.), K. Bruce, N. Bowery, J. Doherty, W. Ellmore, L. Bicknell, T. Rea, S. Pillmore, K. Ellis, D. Reddish, M. Jobe and K. Appleton (scorer).

Thanks go to our coach, Mr R. W. Riddolls, whose careful coaching has been a great help in building up our skill, and to the many parents who have attended the matches.

2nd XI.

This team plays in the 5th Grade and has done very well so far this season. We have played four games and have won all of them. The first game of the season was against the top team of Auckland Grammar and we were very surprised to beat them. We have lost one member but gained two who have proved their worth. The general turn-out, behaviour and team spirit is the best at all times. The team is out to win the championship this year so we always play our best.

We are grateful to Mr Robey for his help as our coach.

The team: P. Mayow (Capt.), P. Cheyne, R. Kelly, R. Harlick, N. Littlejohn, M. Gaptill, P. Anderson, K. Gibbons, W. Park, W. Harford, G. Dickson, P. Tribble, R. Crowhurst, D. Comber, G. Rimington.

3rd XI.

Our third team plays in the Sixth Grade and has had a very successful season, having lost one game, drawn one and won the rest. There were some notable performances, particularly by R. Clark, the team's top batsman and bowler, as well as by D. Mortimer and E. Horscroft. L. Thow's wicket-keeping was always reliable. On the whole we had a very enjoyable season with everyone showing strong points in different games.

We are grateful to Mr Fisher for his help as coach.

The team: E. Horscroft (Capt.), R. Clark (Vice-Capt.), B. Burgess, L. Norgrove, D. Mortimer, R. Johnson, R. Nelson, F. Campbell, B. Farnell, C. Hays, R. Gibbs, G. Elliot, K. Shepherd, R. Waugh, L. Thow, J. Bruford, L. Anderson, G. Smith.

SOCGER

The school played three teams again this year, one in the Junior section and two in the Intermediate. While our standard of achievement was not over impressive, it was considerably better than last year. Of twenty-five matches played we won eleven, drew two and lost twelve, all teams having a fair measure of success. Congratulations go to M. Hadrup and R. Clark, who were chosen as players for the Auckland Schools' representative team. We are looking forward to next season with quite high hopes of having an even more successful season.

INTERMEDIATE A

The season was a most successful one. The team played many exciting close games and had a fair amount of success. The combination and standard of play was a credit to them, considering the lack of playing area available to them for practice.

Thanks are due to Mr Heywood who was our coach for the season.

The team: K. Gibbons, A. Ashby, G. Milne, B. Goss, A. White, R. Gray, L. Clark, M. Ratcliffe, M. Hadrup, G. Moewood, R. Clark, R. Harlick.

INTERMEDIATE B

The B team has shown a very good spirit this season and after a bad start began to combine well and finished up with a burst to win three and draw one of their last six matches, a very good effort indeed. Worthy of special mention for their play throughout the season are G. Milne, D. May, G. Osborne, L. Ander-

son. The team finished the season by winning the knock-out competition and are now looking forward to next year.

We want to thank Mr Van Nieuwe for his help as coach during the season. The team: D. May (Capt.), P. Tucker, R. Gray, R. Crochurst, D. Jones, G. Osborne, R. Greer, J. Anderson, G. Milne, L. Anderson, T. Rea, W. Poff, R. Adamson.

JUNIOR A

After a very discouraging start, losing all games in the preliminary round, the team settled down and developed into a good combination and improved considerably.

All matches were won except one. Because of a misunderstanding on the appointed day, the team waited in vain at Waikaraka Park on 22nd July, 1961, while our opponents, Penrose High School, waited at their grounds.

The match was played on Tuesday the 25th and we lost 5-0. Although there were many struggles in front of their goal we did not manage to penetrate.

The regular team consisted of R. Nelson, Kevin Pope, Fred de Vries, Peter Rowe, David Gow, Colin McKenzie, Leo Morgrove, Grant Elliott, Kerry Shepherd, David Reynolds, Graham Smith, G. Schutt, J. Bicknell, R. Laurence and L. Banks. Later in the year Alan Mortimer, Gary White and Ray Cross joined the team.

Some fathers were always present and gave us some very much appreciated moral support and advice on the field as well as providing transport for which we thank them very sincerely. We are very grateful to Mr Feis for his assistance as coach.

BOYS' INTER-FORM BASKETBALL

The usual tournaments took place throughout the winter term and teams from each class took part. The games were played at lunch-time and were keenly followed by many non-playing members of the class. The third form championship was won by 5TA, the fourth by 4L and the fifth by 5M. In the inter-form championship play-off 5M were hard pressed to beat 5TA but then mapped back into form to beat 4L quite comfortably and so become school champions. Thanks are due to the fifth form boys who gave up their time to referee the games.

ONEHUNGA HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Onehunga High School Swimming Carnival was held at the Memorial Baths on Tuesday, 21st February. It was attended by the 600 pupils of the school, plus some parents who were most welcome visitors to this occasion. There were many entries for most of the events and some exciting races were seen, especially in the junior relay races, which were very close, and held interest right up to the final touch.

Lynn Cunningham, who was second recently in the Junior National Championship, gave a good display to win the school title and finished by giving a few exhibition dives which were greatly appreciated by the large audience gathered round the pool.

School records were established for the first time now that the school has been functioning three years, and we must congratulate Cynthia Mold on holding all the Junior and Intermediate titles with some times that will prove difficult to better.

In the school individual intermediate championship, there was a very close finish between Carl Goshinski with 22 points, and John Doherty with 21 points. Doherty proved the better swimmer but Goshinski gets the prestige of being champion by scoring extra points in the diving.

Results—

SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

GIRLS

JUNIOR—Heather Wallace	—	—	—	—	21 points
Runner-up—Maureen Boag	—	—	—	—	17

INTERMEDIATE—Cynthia Mold	—	—	—	21	"
Runner-up—Lynn Cunningham	—	—	—	12	"
SENIOR—Linley Jones	—	—	—	21	"
Runner-up—Marilyn Sherlock	—	—	—	13	"

BOYS

JUNIOR—Alan Dale	—	—	—	21	"
Runner-up—Robert Kelly	—	—	—	17	"
INTERMEDIATE—Carl Grodzinski	—	—	—	22	"
Runner-up—John Doherty	—	—	—	21	"

NOVELTY EVENTS

JUNIOR BOYS

Scramble:

- Race 1—C. Grant 1, Hays 2, R. Warrander 3.
- Race 2—Cleveland 1, A. Barrell 2, Toon 3.
- Race 3—Gray 1, P. Clark 2, G. Chamberlain 3.

Potato Race:

- Race 1—G. Larsen 1, C. Grant, Hays 2.
- Race 2—D. Burrus 1, P. Berry 2, B. Huston 3.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS

Potato Race:

- Race 1—G. Barry 1, D. Thomas 2, Fisher 3.
- Race 2—B. Patt 1, R. Nelson 2, T. Rea 3.
- Race 3—Linn 1, Charles 2, Ewen 3.

Tandem:

- Race 1—W. Parli and Harlick 1, G. Dickson and K. Ellis 2.
- Race 2—G. Barry and White 1, P. Goughstone and B. Travers 2.

JUNIOR GIRLS

Pyjama Race:

- Race 1—K. Young 1, J. Tobia 2, A. Friend 3.
- Race 2—S. Avenall 1, G. Johnston 2, S. Johnson 3.
- Race 3—A. Hutton 1, R. Bassett 2, A. Jenks 3.

Scramble:

- Race 1—M. Bradley 1, C. Holdsworth 2, L. Manuel 3.
- Race 2—G. Harker 1, M. Ashforth 2, K. Bradford 3.
- Race 3—R. Jenks 1, M. Chamberlain 2, J. Barnett 3.
- Race 4—D. Cooper 1, R. Bassett 2, J. Carter 3.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS

Pyjama Race:

- Race 1—S. Stephens 1, J. Jones 2, C. Sergeant 3.
- Race 2—A. Jolly 1, B. Morrison 2, M. Maish 3.

Tandem:

- J. Leighton and M. Boag 1, J. Carter and L. Jackson 2.

SENIOR GIRLS

Tandem:

- J. Neve and B. Whitehead 1, L. Cathie and H. Bennett 2.

NON-CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

JUNIOR BOYS

- 1 Length Freestyle: P. Smith 22.5 1, K. Birdling 2, Brewster 3.
- 1 Length Breaststroke: K. Wheaton 29.5 1, T. Jones 2, P. Cheyne 3.
- 1 Length Backstroke: T. Granich 31.5 1, K. Pope 2, N. Brown 3.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS

- 1 Length Freestyle: B. Patt 21.4 1, W. Parli and Harlick 2.

JUNIOR GIRLS

- 1 Length Freestyle: A. Winesky 27.9 1, L. Watson 2, P. Phillips 3.
1 Length Breaststroke: J. Tolha 36.0 1, J. Curtin 2, S. Avenell 3.
1 Length Backstroke: P. Phillips 30.0 1, H. Hoqa 2.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

JUNIOR BOYS

- 55 yds Freestyle: A. Dale 33.0 1, R. Kelly 2, D. Furnell 3.
55 yds Backstroke: D. Furnell 55.0 1, D. Park 2.
55 yds Breaststroke: A. Dale 47.5 1, D. Furnell 2, P. Camp 3.
110 yds Freestyle: A. Dale 67.5 1, R. Kelly 2, T. Angus 3.
Diving: D. Allen 1, B. Goss 2, R. Aitken 3.
Relay: Red House.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS

- 55 yds Freestyle: J. Doherty 32.6 1, C. Groshinski 2, T. James 3.
55 yds Backstroke: P. Geddes 46.2 1, R. Harlick 2, R. Burgess 3.
55 yds Breaststroke: J. Doherty 45.4 1, Turnbull 2, G. Dixon 3.
110 yds Freestyle: J. Doherty 67.0 1, C. Groshinski 2, T. James 3.
220 yds Freestyle: C. Groshinski 3m 25s 1, T. James 2, P. Geddes 3.
Diving: May 1, C. Groshinski 2, M. Bassett 3.
Relay: Red House.

SENIOR BOYS

- 55 yds Freestyle: S. Pillbrow 35.7 1, A. Harrison 2, M. Ewen 3.

JUNIOR GIRLS

- 1 Length Freestyle: H. Wallace 24.5 1, M. Beag 2, J. Armitage 3.
1 Length Breaststroke: H. Wallace 36.5 1, M. Beag 2, J. Armitage 3.
1 Length Backstroke: H. Wallace 29.0 1, J. Armitage 2, G. Johnston 3.
Diving: M. Beag 1, R. Yakas 2, L. Russell 3.
Relay: Red House.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS

- 55 yds Freestyle: C. Mold 35.4 1, J. Leighton 2, J. Jones 3.
55 yds Breaststroke: C. Mold 55.2 1, L. Cunningham 2, J. Leighton 3.
55 yds Backstroke: C. Mold 43.8 1, J. Jones 2, J. Leighton 3.
Diving: L. Cunningham 1, R. Dixon 2.
Relay: Green House.

SENIOR GIRLS

- 55 yds Freestyle: L. Jones 39.2 1, V. Moore 2, M. Sherlock 3.
55 yds Breaststroke: L. Jones 54.0 1, M. Sherlock 2.
55 yds Backstroke: L. Jones 46.2 1, M. Sherlock 2.

HOUSE POINTS

Boys: Red House 155; Green House 126.

Girls: Red House 157; Green House 114.

Champions: Red House 512; Green House 240.

ATHLETIC MEETING HELD AT WAIKARAKA PARK ON THURSDAY, 9th MARCH, 1961

Conditions were ideal for the 3rd Annual Athletic Championship Meeting. A very large number of entries were received, the programme consisting of 105 events. The junior events have been conducted for three years, so in this grade records have been established. (G Green House, R Red House.)

BOYS' EVENTS

SENIOR A CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 100 yds: W. Hunter (G) 1, D. Denton (R) 2. Time: 11.0 secs.
220 yds: W. Hunter (G) 1, S. Pillbrow (R) 2, D. Denton (R) 3. Time: 25.2 secs.
440 yds: W. Hunter (G) 1, A. Harrison (R) 2, S. Pillbrow (R) 3. Time: 54.7 secs.
880 yds: A. Harrison (R) 1, S. Pillbrow (R) 2.

1 mile: A. Harrison (R) 1. Time: 5 min 32.7 secs.
 Hurdles: W. Hunter (G) 1, A. Harrison (R) 2, S. Pillbrow (R) 3. Time: 17.4 secs.
 Broad Jump: W. Hunter (G) 1, A. Harrison (R) 2, D. Denson (R) 3.
 Distance: 18ft 6ins.
 High Jump: A. Harrison (R) 1, W. Hunter (G) 2, S. Pillbrow (R) 3. Height: 5ft.
 Discus: G. Morwood (G) 1. Distance: 71ft 10ins.
 Shot Put: G. Morwood (G) 1. Distance: 31ft 9ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump: G. Morwood (G) 1. Distance: 32ft 2ins.

SENIOR B CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 yds: D. King (R) 1, R. Grant (R) 2, M. Anderson (G) 3. Time: 12.5 secs.
 220 yds: D. King (R) 1, M. Anderson (G) 2. Time: 28.6 secs.
 880 yds: D. Jolly (G) 1.
 High Jump: R. Grant (R) 1. Height: 4ft 7ins.
 Discus: K. Breese (R) 1, S. McCallum (R) 2, B. McCallum 3. Distance: 77ft 11ins.
 Shot Put: K. Breese (R) 1, M. Ewen (G) 2. Distance: 32ft 9ins.

INTERMEDIATE A CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 yds: J. Doherty (G) 1, P. Pratt (G) 2, L. Bicknell (G) 3. Time: 11.0 secs.
 220 yds: J. Doherty (G) 1, P. Pratt (G) 2, P. Hong (G) 3. Time: 26.1 secs.
 440 yds: P. Reeves (R) 1, P. Pratt (G) 2, J. Doherty (G) 3. Time: 59.9 secs.
 880 yds: P. Reeves (R) 1, D. Reddish (R) 2, G. Clancy (R) 3. Time: 2 min 12.7 secs.
 1 mile: P. Reeves (R) 1, R. Adamson (R) 2, R. Marks (R) 3. Time: 5 min 13.2 secs.
 Hurdles: P. Anderson (G) 1, L. Bicknell (G) 2, R. Harlick (R) 3. Time: 19.4 secs.
 Broad Jump: J. Doherty (G) 1, P. Pratt (G) 2, P. Anderson (G) 3. Distance: 17ft 7ins.
 High Jump: D. Reddish (R) 1, J. Doherty (G) 2, R. Newsome (R) 3. Height: 4ft 11ins.
 Discus: P. Pratt (G) 1, D. Reddish (R) 2, J. Doherty (G) 3. Distance: 109ft 10in.
 Shot Put: J. Doherty (G) 1, P. Pratt (G) 2, D. Reddish (R) 3. Distance: 39ft 2ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump: D. Reddish (R) 1, P. Reeves (R) 2, B. Goss (G) 3. Distance: 37ft 1in.

INTERMEDIATE B CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 yds: G. Clark (G) 1, N. Bowrey (G) 2, G. Higgins (R) 3. Time: 12.3 secs.
 220 yds: C. Martin (R) 1, N. Littlejohn (G) 2, P. Linn (G) 3. Time: 28.1 secs.
 440 yds: M. Jobe (R) 1, A. Phillips (R) 2, E. Hardy (G) 3. Time: 65.0 secs.
 880 yds: M. Hadrup (G) 1, W. Parker (R) 2, M. Jobe (R) 3. Time: 2 min 28.2 secs.
 1 mile: G. Lewis (G) 1, A. Phillips (R) 2, M. Jobe (R) 3. Time: 5 min 40 secs.
 Hurdles: B. Travers (R) 1, T. Pox (G) 2, P. Turnbull (G) 3. Time: 21.1 secs.
 Broad Jump: M. Hadrup (G) 1, W. Parker (R) 2, T. White (R) and D. McKenzie (G) 3 equal. Distance: 17ft 2ins.
 High Jump: N. Bowrey (G) 1, B. Travers (R) 2, W. Parker (R) 3. Height: 4ft 7ins.
 Discus: W. Parker (R) 1, D. Hay (G) 2, T. Pox (G) 3. Distance: 86ft 4ins.
 Shot Put: W. Parker (R) 1, M. Hadrup (G) 2, R. Parker (R) 3. Distance: 43ft 5ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump: Dickson (R) 1, Waugh (R) 2. Distance: 27ft 7ins.

JUNIOR A CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 yds: R. Kelly (R) 1, G. Larsen (R) 2, W. Hall (R) 3. Time: 11.8 secs.
 220 yds: R. Kelly (R) 1, G. Larsen (R) 2, W. Hall (R) 3. Time: 26.2 secs.
 440 yds: R. Kelly (R) 1, G. Larsen (R) 2, K. McLeod (G) 3. Time: 59.3 secs.
 880 yds: G. Larsen (R) 1, D. Gember (R) 2, D. Park (R) 3. Time: 2 min 36 secs.

Hurdles: D. Allen (R) 1, K. McLeod (G) 2, B. Jones (G) 3. Time: 15 secs.
 Broad Jump: R. Kelly (R) 1, D. Allen (R) 2, P. Smith (R) 3. Distance: 18ft 10ins.
 High Jump: R. Kelly (R) 1, G. Larsen (R) 2, D. Comber (R) 3. Height: 4ft 8ins.
 Discus: K. Pope (G) 1, D. Furnell (G) 2, K. McLeod (G) 3. Distance: 87ft 9ins.
 Shot Put: D. Furnell (G) 1, R. Kelly (R) 2, K. Pope (G) 3. Distance: 27ft 7ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump: R. Dear (R) 1, W. Mann (R) 2. Distance: 27ft 9ins.

BOYS RECORD HOLDERS—JUNIOR A CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 yds: R. Kelly (R), 11.8 secs, 1960 and 1961.
 220 yds: W. Hunter (G), 25.4 secs, 1959.
 440 yds: R. Kelly (R), 59.3 secs, 1961.
 880 yds: K. Appleton (G) 2 min 33.4 secs, 1959.
 Hurdles: W. Hunter (G), 14.3 secs, 1959.
 Broad Jump: R. Kelly (R), 18ft 10ins, 1961.
 High Jump: R. Kelly (R), 4ft 8ins, 1961.
 Discus: P. Pratt (G), 92ft 1in, 1960.
 Shot Put: R. Newsome (R), 27ft 11ins, 1960 (best distance).
 Hop, Step and Jump: R. Dear (R), 27ft 9ins, 1961 (best distance).
 Relay: Red House No. 1 Team, 4 x 110 yds, 55.1 secs, 1961.

JUNIOR B CHAMPIONSHIPS

100 yds: H. Maskell (G) 1, R. Clark (G) 2, K. Birdling (R) 3. Time: 11.9 secs.
 220 yds: H. Maskell (G) 1, L. Anderson (R) 2, K. Birdling (R) 3. Time: 28.2 secs.
 440 yds: K. Birdling (R) 1, L. Anderson (R) 2, C. Halford (R) 3. Time: 63.8 secs.
 880 yds: K. Birdling (R) 1, S. Spalding (G) 2, H. Maskell (G) 3. Time: 2min 36.4 secs.
 Hurdles: H. Maskell (G) 1, C. Logan (G) 2, N. Bosene (R) 3. Time: 14.7 secs.
 Broad Jump: H. Maskell (G) 1, R. Magnusson (R) 2, P. Simmons (R) 3. Distance: 18ft.
 High Jump: R. Clark (G) 1, K. Winn (R) 2. Height: 4ft 4ins.
 Discus: P. Cheyne (G) 1, M. Jones (G) 2, G. Mackie (G) 3. Distance: 67ft 10ins.
 Shot Put: C. Brewster (G) 1, R. Clark (G) 2, P. Cheyne (G) 3. Distance: 37ft 0ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump: P. Cheyne (G) and G. Stone (G), equal 1, J. Bruford (R) 3. Distance: 28ft 8ins.

GIRLS' EVENTS

SENIOR A CHAMPIONSHIPS

75 yds: E. Hancock (G) 1, N. Scott (R) 2, C. Allen (G) 3. Time: 10 secs.
 100 yds: E. Hancock (G) 1, Y. Kelly (R) 2, N. Scott (R) 3. Time: 13.3 secs.
 220 yds: E. Hancock (G) 1, N. Scott (R) 2, C. Allen (G) 3. Time: 60 secs.
 Hurdles: C. Allen (G) 1, J. Neve (G) 2, N. Scott (R) 3. Time: 17 secs.
 Broad Jump: E. Hancock (G) 1, J. Neve (G) 2, B. Beric (G) 3. Distance: 14ft 3ins.
 High Jump: J. Neve (G) 1, C. Allen (G) 2. Height: 4ft 4ins.
 Discus: B. Beric (G) 1, N. Scott (R), 2. Distance: 81ft 4ins.
 Shot Put: B. Beric (G) 1, E. Hancock (G) 2, J. Neve (G) 3. Distance: 29ft 1in.

SENIOR B CHAMPIONSHIPS

75 yds: L. Cathie (R) 1, L. Bechre (R) 2, B. Morrison (G) 3. Time: 10.7 secs.
 100 yds: L. Cathie (R) 1, L. Bechre (R) 2, B. Morrison (G) 3. Time: 14.3 secs.
 220 yds: L. Cathie (R) 1, M. Sherlock (R) 2, B. Morrison (G) 3. Time: 36.1 secs.
 Hurdles: L. Cathie (R) 1, B. Morrison (G) 2. Time: 16.9 secs.
 Broad Jump: G. Feist (G) 1, M. Sherlock (R) 2. Distance: 11ft 7ins.
 Discus: J. Gordon (R) 1. Distance: 54ft 4ins.
 Shot Put: L. Jones (R) 1, J. Gordon (R) 2. Distance: 25ft 8ins.

OPEN SENIOR EVENTS

Three-legged Race: E. Hancox and J. Neve (G) 1, B. Morrison and D. Wong Too (G) 2.

Sack Race: L. Bassett (R) 1, L. Cathie (R) 2, A. Jolly (G) 3.

Skipping Race: L. Cathie (R) 1, A. Jolly (G) 2, B. Morrison (G) 3.

INTERMEDIATE A CHAMPIONSHIPS

75 yds: C. Sergeant (R) 1, L. Bassett (R) 2, S. Orwin (R) 3. Time: 9.4 secs.

100 yds: C. Sergeant (R) 1, S. Orwin (R) 2, L. Bassett (R) 3. Time: 12.7 secs.

150 yds: C. Sergeant (R) 1, S. Orwin (R) 2, M. Carter (G) 3. Time: 20.5 secs.

Hurdles: L. Bassett (R) 1, M. Carter (G) 2. Time: 15.7 secs.

Broad Jump: S. Orwin (R) 1, L. Bassett (R) 2, J. Leighton (R) 3. Distance: 10ft 1in.

High Jump: C. Sergeant (R) 1, S. Orwin (R) 2, R. Dixon (R) 3. Height: 4ft 7ins.

Discus: P. Phillips (R) 1, J. Leighton (R) 2, R. Dixon (R) 3. Distance: 54ft 1in.

Shot Put: C. Sergeant (R) 1, P. Phillips (R) 2, J. Leighton (R) 3. Distance: 31ft 7ins.

INTERMEDIATE B CHAMPIONSHIPS

75 yds: L. Underwood (R) 1, D. Jackson (G) 2, S. Stephens (G) 3. Time: 10.6 secs.

100 yds: C. Patterson (G) 1, M. Pleydell (R) 2. Time: 14.7 secs.

150 yds: M. Pleydell (R) 1, A. Jolly (G) 2. Time: 24.9 secs.

Hurdles: L. Peters (R) 1. Time: 16.4 secs.

Broad Jump: L. Peters (R) 1. Distance: 12ft.

Discus: M. Pleydell (R) 1, L. Peters (R) 2, S. Mann (R) 3. Distance: 63ft 4ins.

Shot Put: M. Pleydell (R) 1, L. Peters (R) 2, S. Mann (R) 3. Distance: 23ft 2ins.

OPEN INTERMEDIATE EVENTS

Three-legged Race: M. Chamberlain and L. Bassett (R) 1, M. Carter and M. Avery (G) 2, G. Turner and M. Pleydell (R) 3.

Balancing: G. Keen (G) 1, A. Jolly (G) 2, M. Carter (G) 3.

JUNIOR A CHAMPIONSHIPS

50 yds: H. Stennett (R) 1, J. Barnett (G) 2, S. Faulkner (R) 3. Time: 6.7 secs.

75 yds: H. Stennett (R) 1, S. Faulkner (R) 2, J. Barnett (G) 3. Time: 10.1 secs.

100 yds: H. Stennett (R) 1, S. Faulkner (R) 2, D. Hodgson (R) 3. Time: 15 secs.

Hurdles: H. Stennett (R) 1, J. Barnett (G) 2, N. Smith (R) 3. Time: 15.8 secs.

Broad Jump: J. Barnett (G) 1, G. Johnston (G) 2, S. Zane (R) 3. Distance: 15ft 5ins.

High Jump: J. McGifford (G) 1, J. Armitage (G) 2, G. Johnston (G) 3. Height: 4ft 5ins.

Discus: J. Eastwood (G) 1, J. Barnett (G) 2, L. Watson (G) 3. Distance: 72ft 5ins.

GIRLS RECORD HOLDERS — JUNIOR A CHAMPIONSHIPS

50 yds: Heather Stennett (R), 6.7 secs, 1961.

75 yds: Susan Faulkner (R), 9.7 secs, 1960.

100 yds: Colleen Sergeant (R), 12.8 secs, 1960.

Hurdles: Nancy Walker (R), 15.2 secs, 1959.

Broad Jump: Jeanette Barnett (G), 15ft 5ins, 1961.

High Jump: Janice McGifford (G), 4ft 5ins, 1961.

Discus: Bogdana Beric (G), 77ft 5ins, 1959.

Relay: Red House N. 1 team, 4 x 55 yds, 30.5 secs, 1961.

JUNIOR B CHAMPIONSHIPS

50 yds: C. Gibbons (R) 1, A. Friend (R) 2, D. Lees (G) 3. Time: 6.9 secs.

75 yds: G. Blincoc (G) 1, M. Wolfenden (G) 2, A. Friend (R) 3. Time: 10.9 secs.

100 yds: J. Tobia (G) 1, A. Friend (R) 2, L. Manuel (R) 3. Time: 14.1 secs.

Hurdles: D. Lees (G) 1, J. Wilton (R) 2, B. Campbell (G) 3. Time: 16.8 secs.

Broad Jump: J. Curtis (R) 1, K. Dunsinuir (R) 2, L. Manuel (R) 3. Distance: 12ft 10ins.

High Jump: K. Young (G) 1, C. Andersen (G) 2. Height: 4ft 3in.
 Discus: K. Young (G) 1, C. Morrison (G) 2, S. Brown (G) 3. Distance: 67ft 6ins.

OPEN JUNIOR EVENTS

Three-legged Race: K. Peters and J. Mann (R) 1, K. Moore and V. Moore (R) 2, M. Garrett and G. Williams (G) 3.
 Sack Race: K. Bruford (R) 1, G. Williams (G) 2, S. Zane (R) 3.
 Balancing: V. Forbes (G) 1, M. Chamberlain (R) 2, S. Smith (R) 3.
 Shipping Race: A. Friend (R) 1, C. Van Uden (G) 2, C. Barnes (G) 3.

CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

SENIOR BOYS: W. Hunter (G) 1, 28 points; A. Harrison (R) 2, 24 points.
 INTERMEDIATE BOYS: J. Doherty (G), 1, 25 points; P. Pratt (G), 2, 20 points.
 JUNIOR BOYS: R. Kelly (R), 1, 28 points; G. Larsen (R), 2, 17 points.
 SENIOR GIRLS: Elaine Hancock (G), 1, 23 points; Jeanette Neve (G), 2, 12 points.
 INTERMEDIATE GIRLS: Colleen Sergeant (R), 1, 25 points; Shirley Orwin (R), 2, 15 points.
 JUNIOR GIRLS: Heather Sennett (R), 1, 20 points; Jeanette Barnett (G), 2, 15 points.

HOUSE POINTS FOR 1961 MEETING

	Red	Green
Boys	301	255
Girls	416	248
Total	717	503

BOYS' RELAYS

JUNIORS

Red No. 1 1, Green No. 1 2, Red No. 3 3. Time: 55.1 secs.

INTERMEDIATES

Green No. 1 1, Red No. 1 2, Green No. 2 3. Time: 1 min 55.9 secs.

SENIORS

Green No. 1 1, Red No. 1 2, Red No. 3 3. Time: 1 min 45.2 secs.

GIRLS' RELAYS

JUNIORS

Red No. 1 1, Green No. 1 2, Red No. 2 3. Time: 30.5 secs.

INTERMEDIATES

Red No. 1 1, Red No. 2 2, Green No. 1 3. Time: 61.2 secs.

SENIORS

Red No. 1 1, Green No. 1 2, Red No. 2 3. Time: 60.6 secs.

BOYS' INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS

Onchunga High School took part in the Auckland Inter-Secondary Schools Athletics meeting. There are now 28 schools in this competition and so the competition has been divided into three grades—A, B and C. Onchunga being a new school, was placed in the C grade, which held their competition at Westlake High School on March 25, 1961.

Onchunga entered full teams in the Junior and Intermediate divisions and a small but determined group of Seniors did their best against boys one or more years older.

RESULTS

SENIORS: W. Hunter gained 2nd in both the 100 and 220. A. Harrison was 3rd in the hurdles.

INTERMEDIATES: P. Reeves was 3rd in the 880 yards. D. Reddish was 2nd in the High Jump. O.H.S. Relay Team placed 3rd.

JUNIORS: R. Kelly won the Broad Jump, 220 yards and 440 yards events. G. Larsen was 3rd in the 220 yards. P. Funnell was 3rd in the Discus.

Senior points, O.H.S. 16—giving us 5th place in 10 schools.

Intermediate points, O.H.S. 15—giving us 5th place in 10 schools.

Junior points: O.H.S. 32—giving us 3rd place in 10 schools.

Total school points were 66, placing us 4th in the C division.

Overall, the school team made a worthy contribution to sport and helped to establish further the name that O.H.S. is rapidly building for itself in its team activities.

INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP NIGHT

This meeting was introduced for the first time this year. The purpose of the meeting is to bring the placegetters of events within the three grades together to find out which athletes are the best within the 28 Auckland post-primary schools. Robert Kelly proved to be an outstanding Junior, winning the 100 yds, 220 yds and the Broad Jump.

SCHOOL STEEPLECHASE

Junior Results

This is the third year that this event has been conducted, thus a school record has been established in this event.

1st—Colin H. Logan, 5TA, Green House.

2nd—R. Tucker, 5TA, Red House.

3rd—D. Bruce, 5B, Red House.

4th—K. McLeod, 5LJ, Green House.

5th—K. Logan, 5TA, Green House.

6th—T. Angus, 3B, Red House.

Record: C. H. Logan (1961). Time: 13mins 12.7secs.

Red House won the Junior Section.

Intermediate Results

1st—P. Reeves, 3A, Red House.

2nd—G. Lewis, 4B, Green House.

3rd—S. Spalding, 4TB, Green House.

4th—T. Hardy, 5A, Green House.

5th—M. Gaptill, 4TB, Green House.

6th—P. Orwin, 4TB, Red House.

Best time over two years: P. Reeves (1961), 17mins 25secs. Peter Reeves reduced the Intermediate time of last year by 2 minutes.

Green House won the Intermediate Section.

Senior Results

This event, run over a new course, was conducted for the first time this year. Eighteen boys only took part.

1st—A. Harrison, 5A, Red House.

2nd—D. Reddish, 5M, Red House.

3rd—M. Ewen, 4B, Green House.

Time for the event this year: 21mins 20.5secs.

Red House won the Senior Section.

Total points: The 1961 Cross-country Championship was won by Red House, 510 points against Green's 561 points.

INTER-SECONDARY CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Twenty-eight Auckland Secondary Schools took part in this event which this year was conducted at St Kentigern's College, Pakuranga. The course was heavy and quite a strong breeze made conditions somewhat uncomfortable.

The event was run in A and B divisions with Owhonga High School competing against 15 other schools in the B division. We entered an under 16 years team only.

Results: P. Reeves 2nd, G. Lewis 10th. Other team members were C. Logan, T. Hardy, R. Tucker, S. Spalding and M. Gaptill.

FORM NOTES

5A

We chose our subjects at the beginning of the year,
Now in our classroom there is a serious air,
For School Cert. is coming our way,
And our subjects are still in sway.

Teachers are always yelling at us,
Of little things they make such a fuss.
About the exam coming up
You'd think it was for a cup.

Academically, David Jones tops us all,
In all subjects he is on the ball.
Of school reps we have a good share,
Who are all doing very fair.

Mr Thornton has guided us this time,
And we have committed no major crime.
We are sorry he has been so sick,
Perhaps he has been using too much, that stick!

We have enjoyed this year together
And though we are nearing the end of our tether;
We all strive for success in the coming exam,
For it could take our futures out of a jam.

There is no more to tell
So we wish everybody well.

5B FORM NOTES

As the last months are torn from the 1961 calendar, 5B is able to look back on a year of both hard work and play, a year which can never be repeated, for some of our members are leaving us at the end of the year for different walks of life, so different from that of school.

We began the year under Mr Robey, our form master, with a roll of 31 pupils which diminished to 29. The form was well represented in the Inter-secondary boys' and girls' athletic sports. Two of our members are House Captains, Bruce Travers and Bruce Goss of Red House and Green House respectively. All our boys are represented in Soccer, Rugby, Cricket, etc. Other members belong to the many school activities, choir, gym and drama groups. Our class took an important part in the school concert with our "Shakespearean Romance". This play was the only one in the concert in which a whole form took part.

Unity and form spirit have been stressed throughout the year, pupils have stood by one another and it would be hard to find such unity in any other form in the school.

We would like to thank all staff members who throughout the year have assisted us in many ways.

5M FORM NOTES

Oh where, Oh where have 5M all gone?
Miss Goodenough is our form teacher, you see.
Oh where, Oh where can they be?
We had twenty-nine, now sixteen's our lot,
The class may be small but fame we have got.
S. Orwin, C. Allen did well at our sports,
And our boys do wonders on basketball courts.
Don Reddish at Intersec. Sports jumped high,
He raised our hopes right up to the sky.
By the middle of April we had twenty-six,
If this goes on the school's in a fix.
In the concert there were many acts, old and new,
By the end of July we had a mere twenty-two.
At the school social we danced two by two.
At the end of August we were so very few.
With a mere sixteen at the Speech Contest we shone,
With David and with Mark who actually won.
The "school leaving" record we hold, we are sure,
Oh where, Oh where can they be?
So now we will again put our form to the fore,
By working hard for School C.

5T FORM NOTES

Among the youngsters in the throng
Some elderly gents just hobble along.
Their brows are furrowed with toil and care,
Their backs are bowed and thin their hair.

These are the remnants of our 5T
The last survivors, a few there be,
Who have defied the storms and strife,
Of three long years of high school life.

But others there are among the crowd,
Who seem still closer to the shroud.
These are the stalwart souls and true,
Who've had the struggle with this crew.

To lift them from their state of sloth
By urgings, coaxings, and by wrath.
Until they've got them to S.C.,
To—or through—we'll wait and see.

4L FORM NOTES

4L is notable for many things. They have brains, artistic ability, sporting ability and many other qualities of which the teachers do not seem to be aware. In fact, most teachers seem to misinterpret our normal high spirits for attempts to drive them to an early grave.

We have, of course, many distinctions, but being inherently a modest class, we must pass over these. If we were not so modest, we could name our finalists in the speech contest, our outstanding athletes and swimmers, our willing helpers at school functions, our contributors and prize winners in the school magazine (it's not printed yet but we're sure to have at least one). Again we might have mentioned the most favourable opinion of us held by all our teachers and refer constantly to our impeccable behaviour and unremitting attention, the incredible amount of work we do, our quietness in the form room at lunchtime, and, last but not least, the fact that we always turn up with all our books.

However, as before stated, we are far too modest to stress these factors, though our form master, Mr Allpress, is always pointing them out. In addition, our concert item was voted, by those lucky few who were near enough to the stage to hear it, the masterpiece of the show.

Well, as we are not going to write of our good points, perhaps we should mention our one great failing. We are far too modest!

4A FORM NOTES

Our class is made up of a hard-working thirty-seven which fills any classroom to which it is assigned. We had the distinction of selling the greatest number of tickets for "The Sorcerer", for which we received a half-holiday.

This was just one example of our energy. To go on and list the people who take part in Saturday sport would take too long. Several girls play Saturday basketball and several others hockey. We are represented in both Rugby and Soccer. Gym, athletics, yachting and fencing all play their part in our activities.

Seven of our members are librarians who assist Miss Trowern, our form-mistress, in the library.

Altogether, we are such an active class that you could not be around the school long without running into one of us.

4B FORM NOTES

This year 4B started off with a roaring start under the guidance of Mr Dreaver. Our form room was one of the four new prelabs and the roll at the beginning of the year was 32 and is now 28.

In the concert, once again guided by Mr Dreaver, 4B put on the first serious play in the school's concert history. This was a dramatization of the poem "Refugee Blues" by W. H. Auden. The leading parts were played by Grant Mackie, Lindsay Bassett, Lynn Cunningham and Roberta Reynolds. In the concert Lynn Cunningham was also the star of the gymnastic display.

In the sporting world Lynn Cunningham and Lyndsay Bassett represented the school at the Inter-Secondary Girls' Swimming Sports with Lynn winning the Senior Diving. Lynn also represented Auckland in the New Zealand Championships, gaining 2nd place in the junior diving. On the athletic track Lyndsay Bassett gained several places in the championship events and then represented the school at the Inter-Secondary Girls' Athletic Sports. Gary Lewis won the mile at the school athletic sports. Gary Rimington played cricket for the school 5A team.

This year in winter sports, six of our girls played in the newly-established hockey teams. Anne Wisnesky played basketball for the school in Team 5.

We have nearly completed an enjoyable year in the Fourth Form and are preparing for School Certificate next year.

4 COM. A FORM NOTES

4 Commercial started the year with a form of twenty-four girls, with Miss Robinson as form teacher. By the second term we were down to twenty girls. Miss Robinson left us at the end of the first term to study music overseas. Our form teacher for most of the second term was Miss Smith, and then Mr Hempstead took over for the rest of the year. Cheryl Patterson, Pat Irwin, Janette Jones, Norma Jackson, Jeanette White and Dawn Basham are Saturday basketballers.

In the first term Maureen Beag came 1st in Junior Diving and 2nd in the Auckland Championships. In the athletics Leone Watson reached 3rd place in the Discus and Cheryl Patterson was 2nd in the 100 yards. In the second term, 4 Com. won the fourth form basketball championship. All the girls in the class performed in the school concert. Ten were in a nigger minstrel item with Mr Smith as pianist. The rest of the girls were in the choir or the gym display. Our class captains are Leone Watson and Cheryl Patterson.

4 COMMERCIAL B FORM NOTES

Our form is a very small one, but we are all friendly. We have one member, Jocelyn Leighton, in Saturday basketball and at the athletic sports Jackie Curtin, Pam Phillips, Kathleen Dunsmuir, Jeanette Tohia and Judy Baird distinguished themselves in the Long Jump, Shot Putt, Discus and the three-legged race. At the swimming sports, Jackie Curtin, Pam Phillips, Jocelyn Leighton, Carol Heath and Jeanette Tohia upheld the honour of the form.

In the School Concert Jeanette Tohia led the Maori group and Kathleen Dunsmuir took part in the Drama Group's production. Jocelyn and Dianne Rundle were in the gym club. Jessie Kum, Yvonne Finlay, Philippa le Marquand and Sharon Brown were in the choir and Sharon sang solo.

During the year we lost several members and have now twenty under the leadership of Pam Phillips and Diane Brown. Our form teacher is Mrs Prendiville.



1ST XV RUGBY

BACK ROW: R. Newsome, R. Grant, K. Breese, K. Appleton, G. Currie, D. Wade.

MIDDLE ROW: Mr Grigg (Coach), D. Furnell, R. Kelly, D. Reddish, B. Smith, G. Rowe, R. Marks.

FRONT ROW: R. Reay, A. Dale, W. Hunter (Capt.), W. Parker, J. Doherty.



BOYS' ATHLETIC TEAM

BACK ROW: D. Comber, L. Bicknell, K. Breese, E. Hardy, D. Furnell.

MIDDLE ROW: A. Harrison, S. Pilbrow, G. Larsen, J. Doherty, P. Pratt, D. Reddish, A. Dale, M. Hadrup, Mr Thornton (Manager).

FRONT ROW: P. Reeves, W. Parker, P. Anderson, W. Hunter (Capt.), R. Kelly, M. Jobe, D. King.

IN FRONT: H. Maskell.



GIRLS' HOCKEY SENIOR TEAM

BACK ROW (left to right): Miss J. E. Saunders (Coach), Adrienne Friend, Diane Hodgson, Gail Johnston, Margaret Chamberlain, Gail Williams, Loral Underwood, Adrienne Carpenter, Miss F. E. Mills (Coach).

FRONT ROW (left to right): Kathlyn Peters, Lesley Peters, Jeanette Barnett (Capt.), Linley Jones (Vice-Capt.), Koa Bruford.



GIRLS' ATHLETIC TEAM

BACK ROW (left to right): Coral Allen, Bogdana Beric, Yvonne Kelly, Janice McGifford, Jeanette Neve, Jeanette Barnett, Elaine Hancox, Miss J. E. Saunders (Manager), Lyn Cathie.

FRONT ROW (left to right): Shirley Orwin, Jeanette Tohio, Natalie Scott, Loral Underwood, Colleen Sergeant, Diane Hodgson, Adrienne Friend.



INTERMEDIATE A SOCCER

BACK ROW: Mr Heywood (Coach), K. Gibbons, A. Ashby, G. Milne, B. Gow, T. White, R. F. Gray.

FRONT ROW: L. Clark, M. Ratcliffe, M. Hadrup (Capt.), G. Morwood, R. Clark.



1ST XI CRICKET

BACK ROW: Mr Fiddolls (Coach), K. Ellis, G. Clancy, D. Reddish, S. Pilbrow, T. Rea, M. Jobe.

FRONT ROW: L. Bicknell, W. Hunter, B. Travers (Capt.), J. Doherty, N. Bowrey, K. Breen.



GIRLS' BASKETBALL (Saturday Players)

BACK ROW (left to right): J. Jones, D. Basham, V. Forbes, J. Sousa, K. Callinan,
 FOURTH ROW: R. Cromwell, G. Keen, S. Taylor, B. Reddish, J. Breese, P. Irwin, J. Clarke,
 D. Blackford, C. Allen.
 THIRD ROW: Miss Dent (Coach), S. Mann, M. Briener, P. Turner, J. Leighton, G. Felton,
 D. Jackson, E. Maicha, B. Crawford, M. Maicha, Miss Anderson (Coach).
 SECOND ROW: E. Apanahama, L. Beebe, C. Davenport, J. Neve, Miss Goodenough (Coach),
 E. Hancox, K. Young, R. McCumen, B. Chapman.
 FRONT ROW: R. Freer, S. Zane, M. Avery, C. Patterson, J. White, M. Garrett, N. Jackson,
 W. Mayow.



GIRLS' SWIMMING TEAM

BACK ROW (left to right): Maureen Boag, Adrienne Mills, Cynthia Mold, Jeanette Neve,
 Janess Armitage, Janette Jones, Michele Bradley, Lynn Cunningham.
 FRONT ROW (left to right): Barbara Whitehead, Judith Gordon, Linley Jones, Heather
 Wallace, Jocelyn Leighton, Vicki Moore.

4TB FORM NOTES

Mr Smith is the form teacher of 4TB. The form consists of twenty-seven boys. Eight of these are in school Rugby teams, one plays Soccer and three play cricket for the school. We have two boys in the P.E. group. We feel, therefore, that our class is really well represented in the field of sporting activities in the school.

4H FORM NOTES

4H commenced the year with 20 cheerful members, but the number has slowly declined to 14. We have provided members for school basketball and hockey teams. Colleen Sergeant won the Intermediate Girls' Championship at the athletic sports. Madhuben Patel won the Thrift Essay for this year. At the school concert our form revived the Charleston. During the year visits have been made to McKendrick's Carpet Factory and the Plunket Society Rooms. After our Practical Cooking Classes we have been able to entertain other members of the school to lunch. Adrienne Friend is our Form Captain and Miss Harris the Form Teacher.

3L1 FORM NOTES

Hurrah! A half-day off. Our class had sold ninety-three and a half tickets for "The Sorcerer".

Our light again shone out in the School Concert when our class contributed the play "The Question", with main characters Michele Bradley, Geoffrey Larsen and Craig Grant.

Mr Van Sambeek is our form teacher and some of our girls have done a useful job assisting him in the Book Room. Cherry Holdsworth has been our form captain throughout the year. Our class roll now stands at thirty.

We have done well at sporting activities, particularly Michele at swimming, Geoff in athletics and Keith also in athletics. Kevin shines at fencing and Sherryl has proved her knowledge of the "Road Code" by representing the school in an outside competition.

Our first year at High School has been a successful one and we are really enjoying all our new subjects.

3L2 FORM NOTES

In our class we have some champs
Who have a sport which is very damp.
One is a girl, the other a boy,
Swimming is their favourite joy.
Their names are Heather Wallace and Dale,
To enter a race they do not fail.

Basketball is another sport
In which Emily, Joy and Glenyss are caught.
They get there each Saturday morning
And attend to the game instead of yawning.
They sometimes win and sometimes lose,
The latter they do not always choose.

Although on the whole we are very fit,
When in our classroom at lessons we sit
We think of our members who are sometimes ill,
And many others who join in the mill
Of rugby, soccer and tennis and all,
And when in trouble we can always call
On our teacher, Miss Hankin, who never fails
To give us some Latin to make us quail.

Our class consists of twenty-eight
And in the morning some are late.
This really does not often happen,
But when it does we are quite flattened.
On the whole we're fairly good,
And do our homework when we should.

5A FORM NOTES

We have thirty-five people in our class, with Miss Anderson as our form teacher, and Peter Reeves our captain. We have taken part in various activities in the school and contributed "Sleep" to the School Concert—an item we prepared almost entirely by ourselves.

Interest has been added to our class by the arrival of four new members from different parts of the world. First came Keith Craje from Amsterdam. Keith used to live in a huge, modern block of flats and naturally has seen many fields of tulips and several dykes. At school he used to learn French, German, Dutch and English.

Anita Brown next arrived from Manitoba in New Brunswick. She has seen many of the famous places which we all hope to visit some day.

Kathy Lack is a New Zealander, but she has lived in many parts of our country.

The last arrival was Joyce Atwell, who comes from Victoria, Australia. So 5A has become quite a 'league of nations.'

Peter Reeves is perhaps the most famous member of our class, known for his running prowess. He is trained by Arthur Lydiard and evidently shows great promise.

5B FORM NOTES

5B began this year with 21 boys and 8 girls but during the year six members moved into 5A. Now we are 30—21 boys and 9 girls. Our form mistress is Miss Mills. Form captains have been Ron Marks, Peter Gedye and Karen Young.

We have shone in sport this year if little else! The whole class entered the swimming sports and four of our members were first placegetters. Later in the term at the athletic sports we had even more winners, Lawrence Anderson and Ron Marks being outstanding. Karen Young has also gained honour as an Auckland representative in basketball. Ron Marks is our member in the 1st XV. Three other boys belong to the Junior Soccer team.

Music has claimed the interest of at least two of our class. They are learning the violin.

Graeme Chamberlain has topped the class in term two but competition is keen. We look forward to a good fourth form year.

5TA FORM NOTES

We're the energetic crowd,
Of our teacher we're very proud.
Martin Ratcliffe's the class clown,
Elected captain three votes down.
At sport we're good as you can see,
We won the 5rd Form basketball spree.
Tucker and Logan the speedy two,
Won a race on foot and shoe.
Bulkely and Elwin, the two milkboys,
Have got a job that is full of joys;
They get out early from morning class,
And soon they're picking up broken glass
At English we are very good,
Although our heads are made of wood.

5TB FORM NOTES

In the first term we had several different form teachers and it was hard to settle down. However, Mr Fris took over and has looked after us for the rest of the year in one of the new prelabs. Our class had its share of success in the swimming and athletic sports earlier in the year. A good number took part in Saturday sports teams. During the winter term 5TB's inter-form basketball team were runners-up in the Third Form Championships, losing only four games out of seventeen. At the end of the second term the form visited the wharves through the courtesy of the Auckland Harbour Board and saw the new passenger terminal and the workshops. Some lucky ones were allowed to try their hand at welding. We would like to thank Mr Fris for taking us on this interesting trip. Our form captain has been Rewa Clark.

5 COM. FORM NOTES

Our class is the largest girls' class in the school with a roll of 54 now with four new arrivals since the beginning of the year—girls from Lower Hutt, Takapuna, Taupo and even as far away as Dunedin. All the girls get along well together as we share the same interests. Lyn Turner is our class captain and Christine Anderson our vice-captain.

Some of our girls are good at sport, starring in athletic sports and gym club. We also have several girls in school basketball and hockey teams. We are particularly proud of our success in winning the third form basketball championships.

3H FORM NOTES

This year our class has participated in school activities. We have three people in the choir and three in Saturday basketball teams. At the school athletic sports Kristin Moore won the three-legged race with her sister and Canie Van Uden won several novelty events. At the swimming sports Shirley Avenell won several events. We all were especially glad to see our members, Gwen Hinga, Patricia Reweti, Ngaire Taitimu and Helen Hopa in the Maori item of the concert. There are twenty-four of us in our form and our form teacher is Miss Knight.

SPEECH CONTEST

Eight finalists were chosen from the preliminaries to speak before the whole school on Friday, 29th September. Among the subjects chosen were "The World One Hundred Years From Now", "The Beauty of New Zealand", "Youth's Place in the World Today" and "The Place of Sport in New Zealand", while the impromptu talk for one minute was on "Films". Miss E. Stephens, a former Post-Primary Inspector, made helpful comments and criticisms as she announced her decisions: Boys, Mark Anderson (5M); Girls, Rosalynn Laird (5B).

The other finalists were Margaret Garrett (4L), Barbara Chapman (4L), Joanna Dessau (3L2), Craig Grant (3L1), Graham Harrison (4L) and David Schutt (5M).

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

A branch of the world wide organization, the World Student Christian Federation, began at Onchunga High at the beginning of the second term. In the second term we had a series of talks on Christianity in other countries, a talk by the Prison Chaplain, and a visit from the S.C.M. Schools Secretary. In the third term discussion groups alternate with speakers on the series Christianity and its relation to important topics.

The average attendance is about 25 pupils so far. We feel this group is worthwhile and hope it will continue to grow and function as a group where different denominations can meet on common ground, and where there is a fellowship of students who desire to understand the Christian faith and to live the Christian life.

AIR LEAGUE

This club is designed for pupils who are interested in aircraft generally, aircraft design, components or a career in aviation.

There have been several good talks on the construction of aircraft by Mr S. Heywood, who spent many years in the Experimental Department of Vickers Armstrong, Weybridge.

The club was also fortunate to have a talk and practical demonstration on Radio and Radio Transmitters given by Mr Brian Heywood from the School of Engineering, Ardmore.

ORIGINAL SECTION

NIGHT

First Prize. Serious Verse.

The call of a hoot owl echoes through the dark,
Drifts on the breeze and fades away.
Far in the distance a lonely mongrel barks,
Night has come to steal the day.

The swish of cars out on the street,
The tread of a policeman on his beat.
The sound of cats on the verandah rail,
The whizz of a boat and a stricken wail;
The laughing of party-goers on their way home,
In the flat next door the ring of an unanswered phone.
The swishing and rustling of the trees,
Swaying to and fro in the playful breeze.

These are the sounds of the night. —Lynne Cathie, 5A

THE AUSTRALIAN SWAGGY

My life's too lazy—so the rich folks say,
Tramping, tramping, night and day,
Roaming the dusty roads all day long,
Camping at night near a billabong.

I ask for food at a farmhouse door,
Bread and tea—I never want more.
The rich want more expensive things,
Cars and furs, and diamond rings.

I make fires of sticks and flax,
They have coal—and income tax.
But the rich folk like their city life,
With daily fights and lights and strife.

But give me the outbacks with shady trees,
Where I eat and rest in the soothing breeze,
Roaming the dusty roads all day long,
Camping at night near a billabong.

—Marilyn Goodin, 4L.

THE LONELY BEACH

The wind whips up the swirling sand
On the lonely beach.
Fish skeletons, tins, wreckage of long lost ships
Swept up by the storms.
Then all of a sudden
There is a lash of stinging wind
And the sea is whipped into cold waves
Breaking on the lonely beach.

—Margaret Maioha, 5B.

THE BUZZARD

Up he glides and e'er aloft,
He circles with his giant wings
Outstretched, his piercing eyes askance
For little things.

Up he glides and e'er aloft,
With stomach empty, feathers dull.
He stares for something that will make
His stomach full.

Up he glides and e'er aloft,
The summer's gone and winter lean
Has chilled his bones and sprayed the ground
With silver sheen.

Up he glides and e'er aloft,
The full moon now begins to wane.
The tiny mice are all in bed,
He waits in vain.

D. Jones, 5A.

THE DECISION OF THE GODS

First Prize. Light Verse.

"You know why we're here," cried Jupiter.
"Yes, yes, we know," replied the Gods.
"We're here to discuss something," said Jupiter.
"That's right, that's right," replied the Gods.
"We're here to discuss Mary," cried Jupiter.
"Quite true, quite true," replied the Gods.
"Mary's been bothering us lately," said Jupiter.
"Too true, too true," replied the Gods.
"She's been talking too much," said Jupiter.
"That she has, that she has," sighed the Gods.
"Her talking drives me mad!" cried Jupiter.
"It drives us mad, too," sighed the Gods.
"What can we do about Mary?" asked Jupiter.
"Yes, what can we do about Mary?"
"I know, I know!" cried the Goddess of Wisdom.
"Let's make her sing every word she speaks!"
"Yes, let's do that," cried the Gods.
"THAT will stop her talking!"

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 "Mary's been bothering us lately," said Jupiter.
 "Too true, too true," replied the Gods.
 "She's been singing too much," said Jupiter.
 "That she has, that she has," sighed the Gods.
 "Her singing is worse than her talking," said Jupiter.
 "Yes, her singing is worse than her talking!"
 "And her singing drives me mad!" cried Jupiter.
 "It drives us mad, too," cried the Gods.
 "What can we do about Mary?"
 "Yes, what can we do about Mary?"
 "I know! I know!" cried the Goddess of Wisdom.
 "Let's make her write every word she speaks!"
 "Why of course, of course!" cried the Gods.
 "THAT will stop her talking!"
 "You know why we're here," cried Jupiter.
 "Yes, yes, we know," replied the Gods.
 "We're here to discuss something," said Jupiter.
 "That's right, that's right," replied the Gods.
 "We're here to discuss Mary," cried Jupiter.
 "Quite true, quite true," replied the Gods.
 "Mary's been bothering us lately," said Jupiter.
 "Too true, too true," replied the Gods.
 "She's been writing too much," said Jupiter.
 "That she has, that she has," sighed the Gods.
 "Her writing is worse than her singing," said Jupiter.
 "Yes, her writing is worse than her singing!"
 "And her writing drives me mad!" cried Jupiter.
 "It drives us mad, too!" cried the Gods.
 "What can we do about Mary?"
 "Yes, what can we do about Mary?"
 "I know! I know!" cried the Goddess of Wisdom.
 "Let her talk!"
 "Yes! We give in! Let her talk!"
 For at least we know that her talking is not as bad as her
 singing or her writing!" cried the Gods in one voice.
 —Mary Peretz, SLI

ON BEING LATE FOR SCHOOL.

I slowly crept down Pleasant Street hill.
 All was silent, all was still.
 The gravel crunched beneath my feet
 As I scanned the road in case I should meet
 My foe, the teacher on duty, keeping guard,
 For if I did punishment would be hard.
 The bicycle squeaked, I was in a jam!
 The question was now scam or not to scam.
 If I perchance did happen to see

The teacher, my foe, my deadliest enemy,
I looked at my watch and fear sprang anew,
If a teacher came now, what was I to do?

But there was no teacher as I could see,
Perhaps a lucky day for me,
But surely my luck would not hold
Because so far I had been quite bold,
Past the school gate—carefully and slow,
Until all of a sudden there struck the blow!

It was too late! My foe had come!
My brain immediately went numb,
"You'd better hurry or get a detention,"
I looked at him with a blank expression,
Then regarded my watch with an air of gloom,
I'd better get it sent to the watchmaker's soon!

—Vivienne Forbes, II.

JENNY'S THRIFT

(with apologies to Rupert Brooke)

If I should save, think only this of me:
That there's some corner of a National Bank
That is forever Jenny's. There shall be
In that rich bank a rich amount concealed;
An amount which Jenny saved, built, made aware,
Gave, once, her thought, to save, her frittering ways to change,
A bank of Jenny's, breathing Jenny's worth,
Washed by the tellers, blessed by the tellers' mirth.

And think, this bank, where money's stored away,
Means for some a livelihood, no less,
Gives someone back the happiness they sought;
Which money brings, when saved with thought;
A well fed and clothed family makes a happy home,
For money saved gives no cause to roam.

—Lynne Cathie and Jeanette Neve, 5A

UNDONE WORK AND ITS CONSEQUENCES

(with apologies to)

To work, or not to work: that is the question;
Whether 'tis more painful to suffer
The canes and impositions of undone homework,
Or to take up pens against a mountain of writing,
And by working end it? To shirk; to dodge;
No more; and by dodging to say we end
The pains and thousand artificial shocks
That the seat is heir to, 'tis a soreness

Definitely to be dread'd, To shirk, to dodge;
To dodge; perchance to rest: ay, there's the catch;
For in that dodge of work what rest may come
When we are able to sit down again,
Must give us peace.

—G. Derrick and K. Appleton, 5A.

CONCERT NIGHT

Oh horrors, it's concert night,
Greasepaint and eye shadow, ugh, what a sight.
Mothers, fathers and pupils galore,
A full house tonight, we're packed to the door.
Directions and orders are given back stage,
The teachers just manage to contain their rage.
Nerves and jitters—the tension is great,
Now the main actor is missing, will our item be late?

The show begins with a round of applause,
And through the air the gym club soars.
From Shakespeare through Charleston to the rock 'n' roll age,
We see the years roll by as history turns her page.
And with an uproarious haka from our Maori friends,
On this high-spirited note the concert ends.

—G. Higgins, 5A.

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

First Prize. Humorous Prose.

How often when you see a name in a newspaper or magazine does your mind conjure up a picture of that person? If you are a frequent reader of the love stories in women's magazines you soon become a quick 'spotter' of characters just by looking at their names.

John or David are invariably strong, manly, bronzed and the hero, whereas the villain has a typically slinky, nasty name such as Ali or Maurice. The polished aristocrat is Miles or maybe Clarence. Henry is usually the decadent father, expected to die at any thrill-packed moment, and leave his fortune to one of his numerous sons. Just which son is supposed to be the big question. Actually it is obvious from the very first chapter that the down-trodden, despised (yet tall, tanned and handsome) black sheep of the family will eventually inherit the loot and carry off his childhood sweetheart to live in the family's elegant (all mod. cons) ancestral seat, while his step-mother who, needless to say, has been plotting for years to make off with the fortune, throws herself off some convenient cliffs.

Children in books also give away their looks by their names. Betsy is short, plump and has fat, fair pigtailed that stick out at right-angles to her head. Mary is plain and thin but constantly cheerful and it is not until her parents, brothers, sisters and all her other relatives die of the plague (or smallpox or measles or some other deadly disease) that the other girls of St Egbert's (or St

Agatha's or St Something Else's) realise that their burdens are not as heavy as they thought.

The latter character is found in practically every boarding-school book ever written, along with several other 'old faithfuls'. A few of these are (in alphabetical order):

Ann(e): Beautiful, charming, but with a sly side (probably plotting to pinch the school silver).

Barbara (Babs): Brilliant at sport. Captain of 1st hockey eleven, 1st cricket eleven, etc, etc.

Beryl: Captain of the school. Warm, kind-hearted, practically oozing sympathy and generosity.

Mirabel: Beautiful, charming, without a sly side and swept off to Hollywood (by stray talent spotter) at beginning of Chapter 4.

Sadie: Name of every American schoolgirl who ever drawled her way into an English boarding school since way, way back. (Even before the time of a certain writer whose initials are E.B. and who is not going to be labelled in this article.)

There is just one other boarding school character who deserves mention in these columns and that is Jim—the typical co-ed boy. Solemn, diligent, clean-shaven and of sober habits, he dominates the co-ed scene along with his chum (or pal but please **not** girlfriend) Midge or Mudge or some other imaginative name.

And so they go on—characters without whom no light fiction, long or short, would be complete.

—Margaret Garrett, II.

VISIT TO A FACTORY

You have probably heard of plastic flowers and plastic fruit. They are very popular because unlike nature's equivalent they last forever, never die or lose colour and, unless you throw them on the floor with terrific force, they never break. I wonder if you've heard of plastic coffee beans? Probably not, because they haven't been invented yet. But let us pretend that they have, because one day they will be, and so we may as well get used to the idea now.

The other day I visited the brand new plastic coffee bean factory that has just started in New Zealand. I was greeted by the Production Manager and he told me the advantages of plastic coffee beans.

"Plastic coffee beans," said he, "when ground, make a plastic coffee mixture which, when mixed with boiling water or milk, makes a beautiful, appetizing cup of plastic coffee. When the mixture cools it goes solid. You can't drink it of course, but who wants to drink coffee when you can have a cup of plastic coffee that will last forever? However," added the Production Manager, "one of the big attractions about real coffee is its delicious, mouth-watering smell. Well, plastic coffee beans, unlike plastic flowers and fruit, have been given the real smell. And because the smell is made of plastic, it lasts forever."

I was astounded. However, I soon regained my composure and the Production Manager led me into the Production Room. There

I saw a huge cauldron, filled to the brim with a brown boiling liquid. About half way up the cauldron was a pipe which stretched out into a gigantic turning tank supported longways by two thick iron poles. In here, the mixture was mixed for half an hour with the coffee smell, and then a small hatchway on the opposite side was opened by a man with a long pole. A delectable aroma filled the air while the mixture poured thickly out into coffee bean moulds which slid along below on a moving belt. When I asked, the Production Manager told me that the coffee mixture then passed through several freezing cold rooms to make it set, until it reached the Manager Supreme's office where it ran slowly past his desk while he inspected the coffee beans were up to standard. From the Manager Supreme's office the coffee beans passed into the Packing Room, where they were packed into 5oz packets by ten nimble-fingered ladies.

But now that I have told how the factory works, I must tell you the two most fantastic things about the whole place.

Except for the few people I have mentioned, there was not a soul about, which shows that most of the work is done by machinery.

The other thing that surprised me was the extreme quietness that penetrated the factory. It made me quite giddy.

And giddy I still was when I returned home and gazed dreamily at the cup of mouth-watering, undrinkable, plastic coffee I had made for myself from the free sample 5oz packet of plastic coffee given to me by the Production Manager. And even now, I am still breathing in that beautiful, everlasting, plastic coffee smell.

—Mary Peretz, S.L.I.

THE GREAT EVENT

Into your life has come a wonderful new, exhilarating experience.

"When is the happy event?" your friends ask. Father is happiest of all over this new arrival, only because now he can tell all his friends and workmates, "I happen to be the proud owner of —"

And what is this happy 'once in a lifetime' event? Television!

It all starts when you find out that going to the cinema isn't fun any more and that the cost of living has gone up. Added to this sudden realisation, little Willie keeps harping on Peter Jones and his new television set and as Mrs Jones is one of the leading citizens of your town you feel (and so does everyone else, I might add) that you have just got to keep up with the Jones's.

For weeks before the final decision is made you do a bit of research, for instance bringing home book after book on 'Videoism' and the human eye. Mother gets out her cookery book and looks up many a dish under the heading "For the TV Party". You don't dare tell little Willie for fear of having the whole school around to book a night to see "Robin Hood."

There is a certain way to buy a television set. Be sure that there are no people of the feminine gender about when you purchase it.

They look for beauty and you will be extremely lucky if you come across a good set. It is more likely that you will come across a good hat. Don't worry about the make of the set as they are all the same and all just as good. When buying make sure that there is a home trial and a good long guarantee. You will probably need it. Oh, yes, make sure the screen is nice and wide, for this gives father a better chance to view the women announcers.

The great day has arrived and you and your neighbours are wildly excited. The carriers bring the set, all nicely boxed up, into the living room. This is where the lady of the house should be very careful. Whatever you do, don't forget to make up your mind beforehand where you're going to put it. Carriers get very impatient and are liable to drop it in the middle of the floor, breaking it in the process unless you are precise in your instructions. The set, when in position, is unwrapped. By this time the neighbours have arrived and are all standing around the set giving helpful suggestions as to its unpacking and position.

When you have sent the neighbours away and all is almost back to normal you sit down and decide to see what is on. The family gather round while you proudly turn the switch on. You stand there transfixed. The screen gets whiter—whiter—whiter and then there is a sickening crash followed by a gurgle and a low rumble. The tube's gone!

After these 'first night' hazards you soon get used to television. There is the lovely sensation of seeing Ian Watkins and the sheer delight of Lassie worrying the cat who is not going to be left out of the picture. There is the fright you get when you find Willie looking in the back of the set "for the little men inside who do the acting". Yes, television can be fun as well as a headache.

M. Anderson, 5M.

LIFE ON THE FARM

Let us go for a visit to an ordinary everyday dairy farm and see what type of life the farmer leads.

We have now arrived at the farm gate. Outside we see a contraption made of pieces of wood of various shapes and sizes which we are led to believe is there to hold the cans that contain the means of the farmer's livelihood. Before we enter the farm we find a puzzle awaiting us. How are we going to open that thing they call a gate (Taranaki breed I believe) made of odd strands of wire and battens. After having left pieces of flesh and clothing attached to the gate we have now entered the farm.

The farmer's back porch is very interesting for it somewhat resembles a maze. It is absolutely impossible to enter the house without becoming hung up in an oilskin, strangled with a stockwhip or turning a somersault over a pair of wet and muddy gumboots. We find our friend, the hardworking farmer, asleep with an agricultural magazine over his face to complete the effect. But his

peaceful, well deserved slumber is disturbed when little Johnny runs in shouting "Daddy! daddy! Clarabell has just fallen in our dragline drain, she's drowning. Daddy! Hurry! Hurry!"

So the farmer, conscious of his duty of attending to the creatures which keep him fed and clothed, grumbles loudly, throws his magazine ungraciously on the floor and stamps out to don his boots. We will now follow him to the stricken cow to see him carry out his rescue as every hero should.

We find that darling Clarabell has picked the deepest and muddiest part of the ditch to fall into. Her calf is balanced precariously on the edge of the ditch bellowing furiously. Our hero the farmer climbs into the ditch and after receiving a cloven hoof firmly implanted in his stomach, and an eye full of mud, at last manages to get a heavy rope tied around the cow's horns. He is just climbing to the top of the ditch when the calf, a little over anxious as to its mother's safety, slips and falls plonk! on top of the farmer. So after fetching ten other farmers from adjoining farms, our hero has managed to extract himself, the cow and the blaring calf from the ditch.

We saw many other incidents typical of farm life. We saw the farmer play catch me if you can with the pigs when they all escaped through a hole in their sty. We saw him do a beautiful three-point landing after sailing over a fence—mind you, much of the credit should go to his bull.

We saw the farmer go through some wonderful antics when there was a power cut at milking time. So you now see that farm life is not as easy as many people believe, but even so it is a healthy and entertaining life—there is never a moment of boredom.

—Lynne Cathie, 5A.

FISHING

First Prize. Serious Prose.

It is 5 a.m. The first rays of dawn are just beginning to lighten the eastern sky. The waters of the lake are still—and cold. The only sign of life is the glow of a cigarette several yards off the shore. Suddenly a voice from the beach hails:

"Any luck? What are you using?"

Without waiting for an answer the questioner wades into the as yet, small line.

Two figures emerge from the shadowy lupin. One, a tall, well-built Maori, has a huge Alsatian bounding around his heels and the other, small and equally well-built, clutches his companion to him in a small flask. They both join the line and before long two more lines are flicking back and forth.

By now the sky is pink with touches of gold lighting the snow on the far away mountains. Closer to us the varying shades of green on the hills can now be seen, sloping down to the white, pumice shores then the icy blue-black of the water. Out on the lake a noisy outboard motor suddenly roars to life then dies away as if embarrassed by the way in which it shattered the silence.

The sun, with its golden brilliance, is now visible above the hills on the horizon and chases the gradually brightening colours of the dawn across the sky. The lake is several shades of blue and the figures of the fishermen stand out so clearly that you can tell one from the other by the shape of his hat or the way he handles his rod. (Hats are a most important part of the fisherman's apparel. They range from woollen balaclavas, hiding practically all the face, to the old 'lemon-squeezer' army hats. Only in one thing is one hat the same as its neighbour—all have a row of flies decorating them.)

The night has given up the unequal struggle for existence and has fled leaving the dawn supreme. More men have joined the line, the Alsatian has gone to sleep on the sand, the boat engine splutters to life again and another day, for fish and men, has begun.

Margaret Garrett, 4L.

SHEARING

As I walked in the door the bleating of the sheep, the warm stench of greasy wool and the throb of shearing motors hit me. There before me was a picture of scurrying activity; of men with sweat streaming off them, wrestling with bleating woolly sheep, of others shearing the greasy wool with deft methodic strokes, of tarboys running to the call of shearers to take away the wool to the pickers and sorters working with quick hands pulling the bits of twig and biddy-bid off the fleeces, of the tally-clerk noting on a large black-board the number of sheep shorn by each man and accrediting for a ram the worth of three sheep.

Every few minutes there would be a bleat as a sheep was kicked bodily by the shearer through a hole at his back leading down a ramp to a yard rapidly filling with clean shorn sheep. The shearer would then stagger forward to his pen and drag another bleating lamb back to the shears or a funnier sight would be seen of a shearer fighting to hold a tough ram down while he applied the shears, swearing profusely at the kicking beast at his feet.

Suddenly a bell was rung for dinner and the workers downed tools in an instant and raced like men who had not been fed for a week to the kitchen.

C. Halford, 3L1.

LIFE ANEW

A spark, a miniature flame, it leaps high, its greedy fiery tongue licking, crackling in the undergrowth. It runs quickly along the ground, climbing the tallest trees, its forked tongue scorching and destroying the young saplings planted for man's flourishing industries. The animals grazing or sleeping, catch the scent of the fire, their instinct warns them of the oncoming danger. Quickly, the mothers gather their young who, never having experienced this danger, tremble and run frightened to their mother's side for comfort.

Now the air is filled with a thousand animal sounds. The birds fly low, while drowned by the thunder of hooves and the patter of

hundreds of feet are the cries of the helpless fledglings stretching and craning their tiny necks with the flames each moment coming closer to their tree-top homes. Deer with fawn plunge on to safety. Many of the young whose legs were not yet strong enough, fall exhausted to be left behind. It is the fittest who will survive this race.

The river ahead, that was their only hope, to reach the river and swim to safety. The roar was deafening, timbers crashing, the flames greedily licking and crackling, the squeals of young and old alike, the smaller exhausted animals being trodden down. Panic fills the forest. The birds, flying aimlessly, their tiny wings scorched and burning.

The river was reached, the splashing could be heard in the distance amid the roar of the fire. The animals, fear-crazed, rush headlong on into icy swirling waters. The fire was halted! It could not pass the river, it was defeated! The animals, dazed and wet, shook the water from their coats and scrambled up the bank. None looked back at the utter desolation and death, but forward, the only way to start life anew.

Yvonne Kelly, 5B

AT THE BAY

The gentle breeze softly ruffled the calm crystal blue sea. The reflection of the sun on the water made it sparkle brightly. Slowly the tide crept in, gently fingering the golden sands at the same time. Hanging in the sky was the sun, like a ball of fire. The deep blue sky had none of its usual feathery clouds. The bay was almost a perfect oval. Apart from the sea and the golden sand, was a rich, luscious undergrowth. In the corner of the bay was a narrow, swift flowing stream. The only sign of civilization was a rough track.

Chatter, chatter, chatter, went the stream, bumping, jumbling and rattling the pebbles, twisting round bends and flowing gleefully into the sea. The whispering sea mingled with the sound of rustling leaves. All these soft noises were suddenly drowned by a high pitched screeching of a bird. At that, all the trees came to life as if an invisible hand had shaken them, and a flock of frightened birds fluttered in the air. Crack! went a rifle. The noise echoed in the hills like a chorus of protest.

Feebly fluttering, the bird quickly lost height, while beneath, a dog was in a frenzy, running round in circles and leaping with excitement. "Fetch it!" shouted its master hoarsely, and the dog merrily bounded off.

Everything had calmed and settled down by now. The weary hunter and his alert dog were leaving the scene, the dog bounding on ahead, his master slowly following. The chattering birds were nestling down for the night and slowly, ever so slowly, the sun sank. Red, pink, yellow, gold and many other colours tinted the newly formed feathery clouds, vividly painting the sky. Slowly the tide was withdrawing, leaving little beads of seaweed behind on the dull sand.

Adele Jolly, 5B.

FROM ONE ERA TO ANOTHER

I stood in front of the shop. "Ye Olde Curiosity Shoppe" the signboard said. The shop was enveloped by two houses on either side. The protruding bay window was dusty and one could hardly see inside the murky shop. I walked in and at once the sounds of modern civilization were cut off abruptly as the door shut behind me.

There was hardly any light, dust lay everywhere, underfoot, in the air and on the conglomeration of things lying around. A soft chime was heard as a clock with a broken face attempted to strike the time. A tall sombre grandfather clock stood in the corner. Bowls, books, candlesticks, bells, hundreds of them, were lying around. An old gramophone, now silent, stood on top of a table. Nearby was a dressmaker's dummy with its stuffing falling out where the mice had been busy. An old sofa stood in the middle of the floor, piled high with china which had seen better times.

"Can I help you?" I swung round, and there, between piles of books, was a wizened old man. I couldn't even guess his age, his face was like an old apple which had been dried, his thatch of white hair hung over his face. He swept the hair back and I saw a pair of white bushy eyebrows beneath which a pair of periwinkle blue eyes twinkled at me. His skin was the colour of parchment, yellow with age. He had a nose of large proportions with a cherry-red tip. When he smiled his open lips disclosed toothless gums. When he spoke I felt I was being transported back a hundred years into a Victorian drawing room, sipping tea. He was in an old smoking jacket and green tweed trousers. Though his shoulders were bent with age, he moved quickly like a spider in fear. He had a pencil behind his ear and kept pushing it back as it slipped forward. Maybe this was one of his habits. His ears were set closely to his head, giving him a Puckish look.

I explained I was looking for a book which was now out of print. We spent a while looking for it among the others. He then opened cupboards which held more books, and more. At last we found it. I paid for the book and as he wrapped it in brown paper he said, "You're welcome to come whenever you like and browse through the books." I thanked him and as I opened the door I felt the fingers of the past loosening their grip and the hands of the present reaching out to pull me forward. As I stepped into the street, the honking of horns, the screech of brakes and the murmur of passing pedestrians met me.

M. Bradley, S.L.I.

WAR AND PEACE

Hitler—what does that name convey to you? To most it conveys the meaning of war, death, starvation, concentration camps, brutality. But to a few he was a symbol of glory for the German Reich.

When the war commenced, the majority of the German people were with him, thanks to his powers of oratory and persuasion. But he had a particular hatred of all Jews, which was shown by the

murder of millions of Jews in all the occupied countries of Europe, particularly Poland. The atrocities he and his henchmen committed were so ghastly that the name of Hitler brings only a feeling of loathing and hatred to all peace-loving peoples. These atrocities were so inhuman that some of his own Generals plotted to liquidate Hitler.

He was having a meeting with some of his leaders when a bomb was placed nearby, but it failed to have the desired effect, leaving him with only minor injuries. Needless to say, the conspirators were all sentenced to death. Hitler was eventually surrounded in Berlin by allied forces and committed suicide in his air-raid shelter.

This has only been an outline of one of the most barbarous creatures in all history. And it happened only a short while ago in the age of so-called civilization.

We have won the war against Hitler but have yet to win true peace. Have we another madman in Khrushchev or Kennedy? Will either of these start an atomic war which will mean the end of civilization?

The world is living on the edge of a volcano. And it is up to us, the coming generation, to learn from the mistakes of others that war is senseless slaughter. We must work only for peace and instill the message into our children in the hope that they may have peace.

Jill McKnight, S.L.

FROM ABOVE

The view was magnificent. I do not usually like views but on that day my trouble in getting there had been well worth while. It had taken me an hour of hard tramping up a steep country road under a broiling sun which beat down like a giant, white-hot press. It was one of those freak days in late autumn when you feel that it is still midsummer.

I reached the top of the road and followed the well-worn track through some beautifully soothing and cool fir-trees. I suddenly came back out into the glaring, stinging sun and found myself on a ledge overlooking the most exquisitely beautiful sight I have ever seen—and I have seen a few.

Below me were woods, around me were woods, the hills in the distance were covered in woods. But these woods were not one mass of dull green. They were a mass of glittering and sparkling colours—browns, reds, yellows, oranges, golds, silvers, light greens. The only colour that wasn't there was blue and there was a sky full of that. And all these colours merged together to form even weirder colours which all combined to form a picture from fantasy land.

And through this glittering wonderland, like a silver beam running through the dispersed colour from a prism, slowly wound and zigzagged the main river of the district, the Wye. Its clear, placid surface sparkled like tinsel in the sunlight as it calmly ambled along, not caring which way it was going or when it was going to

get there or whether it was even going to get there at all. It seemed like a ribbon of pure silver inset with diamonds and rubies.

Almost below me, where the Wye took one of its many gigantic horseshoe bends, in a small rowing-boat sat a stout old man with a long fishing rod in his hand. He was dressed in his old fishing clothes and in the boat lay a salmon of at least twenty pounds. He seemed to make the picture perfect.

As I looked at the old man again, I began to feel dizzy. I managed to stagger back from the ledge and sat down on the cool earth underneath the fir-trees. When I had recovered, I viewed the scene from the back of the ledge as I did not want to get dizzy again.

I glanced at my watch and found that, while I had thought I had been there about half an hour, I had actually been there two hours. I must leave immediately to catch my bus. So, with many a backward glance, I left the beautiful scene. Though I have been there many times since, it has never been quite as beautiful as when I first saw it on that autumn day.

D. Jones, 5A.

TENNIS CLUB

To cater for some 20-odd pupils wishing to learn or improve their tennis, a club was formed this year in the school. The club meets each Saturday morning in the summer months from 9 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. A small committee of pupils is responsible for organization of the morning's play and for providing morning tea. Before morning tea spell, play takes the form of friendly singles, doubles and mixed doubles games with Mr Allpress giving coaching lessons at the same time. After morning tea, various types of tournaments are conducted.

It has been most pleasing to note the keenness of the players demonstrated by their regular attendance and also the general improvement in standard of play throughout the first term.

There is room in the club for many more members whether beginners or experienced players. When numbers become sufficient we hope to enter teams in the regular inter-secondary school competitions.

CHOIR

The Choir has had a chequered career this year with a different conductor each term. Nevertheless, a strong girls' choir sang in the school concert and is working hard during the third term preparing special music for the end of year ceremonies.

Choir members hope that Miss Robinson, who left us at the end of the first term, is enjoying her musical studies overseas. For part of the second term Miss Smith was in charge and for the rest of the year Mr Hempstead has been conductor, with Mr Smith helping at the piano.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLUB

The Phys. Ed. Club is going from strength to strength and at present has forty members with still more wishing to join. The club may have to limit numbers soon, to enable Mr Lillie to continue to give the individual attention which is so important in this kind of activity. At the school concert this year the club did four acts—parallel bars, hi-low bar, chair tricks and groundwork. The members worked hard to produce the high standard and precision of timing given in the performances. Earlier in the year members took part in a display at the Albany Show which was greatly appreciated by the public. It was good to see the name of the school spreading beyond the limits of our own locality.

In August R. Grey, P. Smith, R. Parker, V. Mayes, M. Burdett and D. Jones took a part in the Auckland School Championship and finished a creditable fifth despite a last minute substitute caused by injury to L. Clark.

More members have higher awards in the National Incentive Scheme this year and we hope to have our first gold badges in the school soon. This has been in spite of the fact that we have been so busy and that we have had very little chance to concentrate on this type of work during the year.

This has been a busy and successful year and we hope to finish it with our most ambitious project yet, a full scale gymnastic and sports display at the end of the year.

Present members are:—Shona Zane, Judith Foubister, Raewyn Yakas, Deborah Lees, Raewyn Parsons, Karen Young, Judith Wolle, Adrienne Harrington, Leone Watson, Maureen Boag, Lynn Cunningham, Robin Dixon, Lesley Peters, Jocelyn Leighton, Natalie Scott, Shirley Orwin, Koa Bruford, Adrienne Friend, Julie Rutledge.

Boys: M. Jones, M. Hadrup, K. Gibbons, L. Clarke, P. Tribble, D. Jones, R. Harlich, R. Burgess, A. Falkenstein, R. Grey, R. Lowe, R. Parker, P. Smith, M. Burdett, V. Mayes, J. Burdett, N. Browne, J. Bruford, H. Maskell, L. Thow, P. Camp, R. Magnusson, P. Clarke.

RECORD CLUB

For part of the year, the Music Department sponsored a Record Club where a group of enthusiasts met weekly to hear programmes of records presented by members. Among the programmes were excerpts from musical comedies and shows, ballet music, while Mark Anderson gave some carefully planned and particularly interesting programmes of music illustrating the capabilities of the various instrumental groups within the orchestra, as well as showing contrasting styles in music.

FENCING

The Fencing Club still has few members but with their enthusiasm and their keenness, they are showing great improvement. A competition for secondary school children, the first ever held in Auckland, took place in June. All our members fenced and acquitted themselves very well. A special mention should be made of Shirley Orwin and K. Pope, who finished fourth in their competitions.

In September, a mixed pairs tournament was held at the school and all members participated with the unlucky exception of C. Gibb, whose partner failed to arrive. It was very enjoyable and a good day's fun was had by all. Our thanks go to parents for their help in supplying equipment and clothing for the fencers as well as refreshments for the tournaments. Members of the club are:—Shirley Orwin, Leslie Davison, Adrienne Carpenter, Rex Nielson, Kerry Ellis, Kevin Pope, Fred De Vries, Colin Gibb, G. Laurent.

SCHOOL CONCERT

Our second variety concert was staged early in July with two evening performances as well as a special afternoon show for the Onehunga Senior Citizens. Two hundred pupils took part and by efficient organisation the show ran smoothly. The standard of performance was generally high with individual, group and class items. Special mention must be made of 5B's "Shakespearean Romance," in which the whole class took some part and which provided a swift-moving, colourful spectacle. Likewise, the clever miming of Gordon Clarke's "Stinkpots" left the audience calling for more.

EVENING CLASSES

Evening classes continued this year and there are at present sixteen different classes. The following subjects are taught:

Millinery, Ladies' Hairdressing, Physical Fitness for Ladies, Sewing and Patternmaking, Metalwork, Woodwork, Owner-Drivers, Art and Painting, Floral Art, Typing and Shorthand, Typing.

We are planning a number of new classes for next year.

SCHOOL ROLL

5A

Mr A. J. Thornton

Boys:

Appleton, K. J.
Burdett, M. R.
Derrick, D.
Hadrup, M. V.
Hardy, E.
Harrison, A. F.
Higgins, G. W.
Jobe, M. B.
Jones, D. F. M.
McCallum, B. D.
McCallum, S. J.
Stewart, A. J.
White, A. J. R.

Girls:

Avery, Margaret R.
Carter, Mavis J. H.
Cathie, Lynne S.
Dixon, Robin C.
Elley, Lynette D.
Hancox, Elaine J.
Jackson, Delice A.
Jones, Linley C.
Joyce, Margaret J. H.
Mackie, Jeanette A.
Neve, Jeanette M.
Reunie, Judith A.
Winn, Margaret S.
Wong Too, Daphne

5B

Mr A. L. Robey

Boys:

Anderson, J. R.
Bowrey, N. C.
Clarke, G. L.
Elmore, W. S.
Goulstone, P. N.
Gow, B.
Milne, G.
Morwood, G. D.
Parker, W. R.
Pillmore, S. C.
Popple, M. R.
Rea, T. P.
Travers, B. H.
Whitler, A. W.

Girls:

Annabell, Patricia J.
Bechre, Lynette R.
Beric, Boglana S.
Cromwell, Robyn C.
Feint, Gaynor G.
Harker, Gail L.
Jolly, Adele F.

Keen, Gaylene E.
Kelly, Yvonne M.
Laird, Rosalynn M.
Makoha, Margaret J.
Mann, Sherral R.
Peters, Lesley
Scott, Natalie D.
Sullivan, Heather M.
Wiensbocker, Antonetta
Whitchard, Barbara

5M

Miss J. F. Goodenough

Boys:

Anderson, M. T. R.
Geddes, P.
Grosbowski, C. L.
Henderson, B. J.
Honey, T. R.
James, T.
Jolly, D. R.
Mackenzie, D.
Martin, C. K. P.
Phillips, A.
Pike, C.
Reddish, D. J.
Schutt, D. W.
Sharpe, D. W.

Girls:

Aberhart, Janette L.
Allen, Coral R.
Allen, Leilani E.
Blackford, Dianne B.
Gordon, Judith M.
McCurran, Racheen F.
Moore, Vicki M.
Morrison, Beverly M.
Naylor, Diane C.
Orwin, Shirley R.
Pleydell, Margaret F.
Rawnsley, Pamela M.
Scallow, Lynn M.
Taylor, Sherryl A.
Turner, Gaile A.

5T

Mr R. K. Grigg

Adamson, R. F.
Barry, J. G.
Bicknell, L. N.
Bree, O.
Breeze, K. W.
Burt, D. W.
Chamberlain, L. E.
Clancy, G. B.
Denton, D. R.
Dickson, W. D.

Doherty, J.
German, M.
Grant, R. S.
Hay, D. R.
Hendley, L. R.
Hunter, W. F.
Kerha, A. K. W.
Kestle, R. L.
King, D. E.
Lawrie, G.
Leat, N. G.
McGillivray, G. J.
Morrow, J. R.
Reese, R. G.
Rower, G. R.
Watson, E. A.
White, W. J.

6L

Mr C. C. Allpress

Boys:

Camp, P. F.
Cato, J. W.
Cheyne, P. D.
Clark, P. E.
Dickson, G. C.
Granich, T.
Harlick, R. I.
Harrison, G. J.
Jones, M. J. M.
Kelly, R. C.
Lacy, P. S.
Magnusson, R. J.
Maskell, H. J.
Mayow, P. F.
Osborne, G. A.
Tucker, P. L.
Wright, P. E.

Girls:

Boorman, Jacqueline
Bristor, Mary E.
Bruford, Kou
Carpenter, Adrienne M.
Chapman, Barbara D.
Crawford, Betty A.
Day, Robyn P.
Faulkner, Susan J.
Forbes, Vivienne J.
Fraser, Pauline
Garnett, Margaret C.
Goldbury, Patricia J.
Goodlin, Marilyn J.
Grainger, Diane N.
Hodgson, Diane F.
Laing, Joan
Mohl, Cynthia A.
Smith, Sheryl M.
Sousa, Jacqueline

Sennett, Heather
Zane, Shona M.

4A

Miss L. Trowen

Boys:

Anderson, P. M.
Baumbach, D.
Brown, C. D.
Clarke, L. A.
Currie, G. W.
Edwards, L. J.
Ellis, K. M.
Fickling, I. C.
Greer, R. T.
Hartford, W. N.
Highway, J.
Mayes, V.
Nielsen, R.
Parker, R. C.
Smith, P.
Stone, G. H.
Sunnott, A.
Watson, B. R.

Girls:

Armitage, Gay S.
Barnett, Jeanette C.
Burgess, Raewyn L.
Carmichael, Heather E.
Chamberlain, Margaret
Clarke, Judith A.
Hadrop, Carol A.
Hamer, Jocelyn N.
Hanton, Adella
Hornell, Carol E.
Jenks, Adrienne B.
Jones, Lynette L.
Macpherson, Isabel J.
Salisbury, Joan A.
Schellback, Cheryl A.
Sharples, Pamela M.
Sherlock, Raewyn B.
Turner, Patricia A.
Williams, Gail S.

4B

Mr A. J. Deaver

Boys:

Bousene, N. H.
Burch, G.
Barrus, D. A.
Carpenter, C.
Derrick, R. L.
Ewen, M. J.
Glen, R. W.
Hosrat, P. E.
Lander, E. J.
Lewis, D. G.
Mackie, N. Grant
Murray, N.
Nelson, R. M.

Parli, D. W.
Proctor, L. N.
Rimington, G.
Rundie, W. I.
Smith, B. S.
Wahl, J. D.
Wahls, G.
Wood, R. F.

Girls:

Russett, Lindsay L.
Bryson, Marilyn
Barrett, Melody R.
Cunningham, Lynn A.
Currey, Margaret G.
Mason, June O.
Marshall, Cheryl A.
Peters, Kathryn A.
Pike, Jeanette L.
Reynolds, Roberta M.
Vant Veen, Anneke J.
Winesky, Anne

4 COM. A

Mr Hempstead

Addorath, Margaret
Basham, Dawn
Bailey, Christine
Bell, Fiona
Bennett, Deirdre
Boag, Maureen
Carter, Janis
Coombes, Janet
Cooper, Diane
Darham, Leanne
Foubister, Judith
Francis, Joy
Graham, Dorothy
Irwin, Patricia
Jackson, Norma
Jones, Jeanette
Patterson, Cheryl
Sue, Kwai
Watson, Leone
White, Jeanette
Wong Too, Betty

4 COM. B

Miss V. R. Prendiville

Baird, Judith M.
Brown, Diane H.
Brown, Sharon L.
Curtin, Jacqueline J.
Dhana, Savita
Dunsmuir, Kathleen A.
Finlay, Yvonne L.
Hadler, Carole A.
Heath, Carol L.
Kain, Jessie
Legg, Sharon R.
Leighton, Jocelyn M.
Le Marquand,

Phillipps, S.
Mansell, Karen A.
Marsden, Shirley A.
Matson, Fay M.
Morrison, Carole A.
Murphy, Janice C.
Phillips, Pamela A.
Rundie, Diane K.
Sherlock, Marilyn A.
Tobia, Jeanette H.
Veller, Norma
Williams, Kathleen A.

4FA

Mr W. F. Lisklater

Abrahams, W. J.
Anderson, R. G.
Ashby, A.
Brewster, C. R.
Charles, B. J.
Comber, D. J.
Croschurst, R. G.
Dixon, G. C.
Elwin, P. J.
Fisher, D. A.
Fletcher, P.
Gardiner, J. M.
Gavin, W. D.
Gray, R. F.
Linn, P. R.
Luen, G.
Metcalfe, K. J.
Newsome, W. R.
Pratt, P. D.
Rawlins, K. L.
Richardson, W. D.
Roberts, T. A.
Simmonds, H. W.
Simpson, G. B.
Thompson, A. C.
Turnbull, P. J.
Wade, D.
Wardell, D. T.

4TB

Mr N. J. G. Smith

Burgess, R. N.
Burnell, A. R.
Davis, C. A.
Fletcher, K. H.
Gibbons, K. W.
Guptill, M. K.
Hagen, T. H.
Henric, P.
Hong, P.
Hosking, P. R.
Houltham, R. A.
Littlejohn, N. G.
McArthur, J.
McGrath, R. P.
Marshall, P. A.
Orwin, P. J.

Phillips, B. A.
Poa, T.
Pott, B. J.
Rae, G. E.
Rangitui, K.
Russell, F. G.
Somers, R. F.
Spalding, S.
Thomas, D. H.
Thorne, A. M.
Thorne, J. D.
Tribble, P.
Walker, F. J.
Wolfe, C.

III

Miss B. J. Harris

Aylward, Miriam A.
Barnes, Ariel B.
Bird, Karen P.
Bryant, Sandra E.
Callinan, Katherine G.
Colledge, Robyn P.
Cunningham, J. Anne
Davenport, Cynthia J.
Frer, Racwyn B.
Friend, Adrienne V.
Keane, Sheryl F.
Paiet, Madhuben C.
Rang, Phyllis J.
Schwyn, Lila P.
Sengram, Colleen E.
Selbert, Lesley J.
Stoggett, Katherine L.
Stephens, Susan J.
Wallis, Jean M.
Wood, Yvonne M.

III.1

Mr A. L. Van Sandbeck

Boys:

Ranka, G. F.
Bryers, G. G.
Bardett, J. H.
Cleveland, R. W.
Falkenstein, A. E.
Grant, C. D.
Hafford, C. J.
Henry, W. A.
Larsen, G. D.
Laurent, T. G.
McKay, D. F.
McLeod, K. A.
Pope, K. B.
Rowe, P. N.

Girls:

Beckett, Josephine M.
Bradley, Michele H.
Davison, Lesley D.
Hokhuworth, Cherry M.
Karakevics, Sylvia A.

McAlpine, Sheryl
McKnight, Jill C.
McLeod, Edith G.
Mansell, Lenore T.
Mears, Shirley S.
Peters, Mary R. R.
Rose, Racwyn
Scott, Ellen
Smith, Nancy J.
Willis, Maureen
Wilson, Janet L.
Wollenden, Mollie A.
Wong, Thorn

III.2

Miss C. A. Hardin

Boys:

Adams, J. F.
Adler, C. F.
Bucknell, J. C.
Brathford, J. F.
Dale, A. H.
French, R. S.
Hall, W. M. W.
Jackson, R. W.
Job, A. O.
Jones, B. N.
Kane, T. W.
Mortimer, A.
Reay, R.
Way, N. F.
Yockney, G. C.

Girls:

Aperahama Emily M.
Atkins, Glenys A.
Breese, Joy L.
Dessau, Joana M.
Fletcher, Julian A.
Johling, Sheridan S.
Lees, Deborah B.
Mills, Adrienne L.
Neil, Lesley V.
Parsons, Racwyn G.
Smythe, Pat N.
Vella, Annette S.
Wallace, Heather R.

III.A

Miss J. E. Anderson

Boys:

Antken, R. A.
Bucknell, J. C.
Brook, A. G.
Burgess, B. R.
Crape, C. A.
Dear, R. M.
Gibbs, R. W.
Gow, D. A.
Hays, C. F.
Kimber, A. B.
Lawrence, R. J.

McFall, F. A.
McKenzie, C. M.
Morris, T. M.
Nelson, R. J.
O'Brien, M. H.
Park, D.
Reeves, P. C.
Schatt, G. B.
Smithyman, G. P.
Stubbins, P.
Thurley, D. C.
Wheaton, S. J.

Girls:

Armstrong, James M.
Atwell, Joyce
Baillard, Pamela C.
Brooke, Susan P.
Brown, Anita
Campbell, C. Beth
Fletcher, J. Heather
Hosking, Lorraine K.
Hugill, J. Ann
Lack, Kathy M.
Palmer, C. Anne
Young, Lorraine K.

III.B

Miss F. E. Mills

Boys:

Anderson, L.
Angus, T.
Bannister, R.
Bence, D.
Caste, D.
Chamberlain, G.
Cole, J.
Elliott, G.
Frith, G.
Gedye, P.
Heaton, M.
Huxton, W.
Jones, S.
Kelly, J.
Lewis, C.
Mann, W.
Mansell, K.
Marks, R.
Martin, R.
May, D.
Norris, J.
Reynolds, D.
Samsey, K.
Shepherd, K.
Sproule, C.
Strong, R.
Toon, L.
Winn, K.

Girls:

Dixon, Dianne L.
Harrington, Adrienne

Reinheimer, Joyce M.
Rogers, Linda
Wolfe, Judith A.
Young, A. Karen

31A

Mr S. Heywood

Allen, D. G.
Armstrong, W. L.
Athelst, G.
Berry, K. S.
Bodding, K. A.
Bulkeley, G. T.
Carpenter, I. M.
Ehwin, P.
Friend, R. D.
Gallagher, L. M.
Giucina, D.
Horan, D.
Horscroft, E. N.
Johnson, R. L.
Leah, H.
Logan, C. H.
Logan, C. R.
Logan, K. S.
Luen, C.
Nichen, P.
Norgrove, L. R.
Ratchile, R. M.
Smith, G. G.
Stewart, J.
Swallow, H. P. E.
Tucker, R. A.
Turner, G. D.
Varey, K. L.
Warrender, R. A.
Waugh, R. M.
Wood, R. M.

31B

Mr J. E. Friis

Anderson, D. N. D.
Bechre, A. R.
Bray, A. J.
Brookes, G. L.
Campbell, F. C.
Clark, R. S.

Crabstock, R. J.
Cron, R. J.
De Vries, F.
Doherty, C. R.
Fountain, W. F.
Furnage, M. W.
Furnell, F. D.
Gibbs, C. M.
Goodall, J. F.
Jerkovitch, G. A.
Johnson, T. R.
Langley, W. R.
Lowe, A. W.
McLaren, M. S.
Miller, O. B.
Morgan, G. L.
Patterson, T.
Shinton, T.
Simons, P. A.
Stephens, W. S.
Turnbull, D. T.
Van Uden, J.
Varey, J. W.
Varey, R. G.
Warrender, R. A.

31CDM

Miss J. E. Saunders

Andersen, Christine J.
Anson, Gaye, S. L.
Blanco, Glenys
Blanco, Jacqueline
Boag, Shirley
Bodgen, Margaret
Cassidy, Lynette M.
Churches, Margaret
Cope, Shirley
Craneheld, Glenys
Donaldson, Rebecca
Douglas, Josie L.
Eastwood, Julie
Gibbons, Carolyn G.
Hendrick, Carol
Jackson, Christine E.
Jackson, Margaret I.
Johnston, Gail P.

Karon, Elizabeth L.
Langford, Barbara
McGibson, Janice
McGraith, Madeline T.
McIntosh, Julie M.
Manoha, Eunice
Mayow, Wendy
Munn, Gayle
Pukaabow, Maude M.
Reddish, Betty V.
Reicha, Rosemary
Rutledge, Julie
Smith, Pauline A.
Turner, Lynette E.
Underwood, Loral E.
Vail, Cheryl H.
Whitaker, Jennifer M.
Yakas, Raelyn D.

31E

Miss J. P. Knight

Ames, Janice L.
Avenell, Shirley J.
Barnes, Colleen R.
Brown, Mary J.
Crookenden, Jean M.
Dullabh, Nirmalaben
Gurnick, M. Annie
Hinga, Gwendoline R.
Hopa, Helen C.
Kemp, Shirley S.
Kosha, Lolita W.
Maxwell, Harriet
Miller, Glenys A.
Moore, Kristin M.
Pavel, Manjuben, C. V.
Russett, Patricia W.
Romana, Tikapa
Speck, Noeline J.
Stevens, Gaylene T.
Taitana, Ngare R.
Turvey, Glenys A.
van Uden, Cumea C.
Webb, Jacqueline C.
Webster, Marlan R.