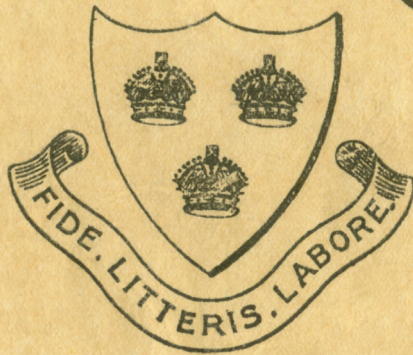


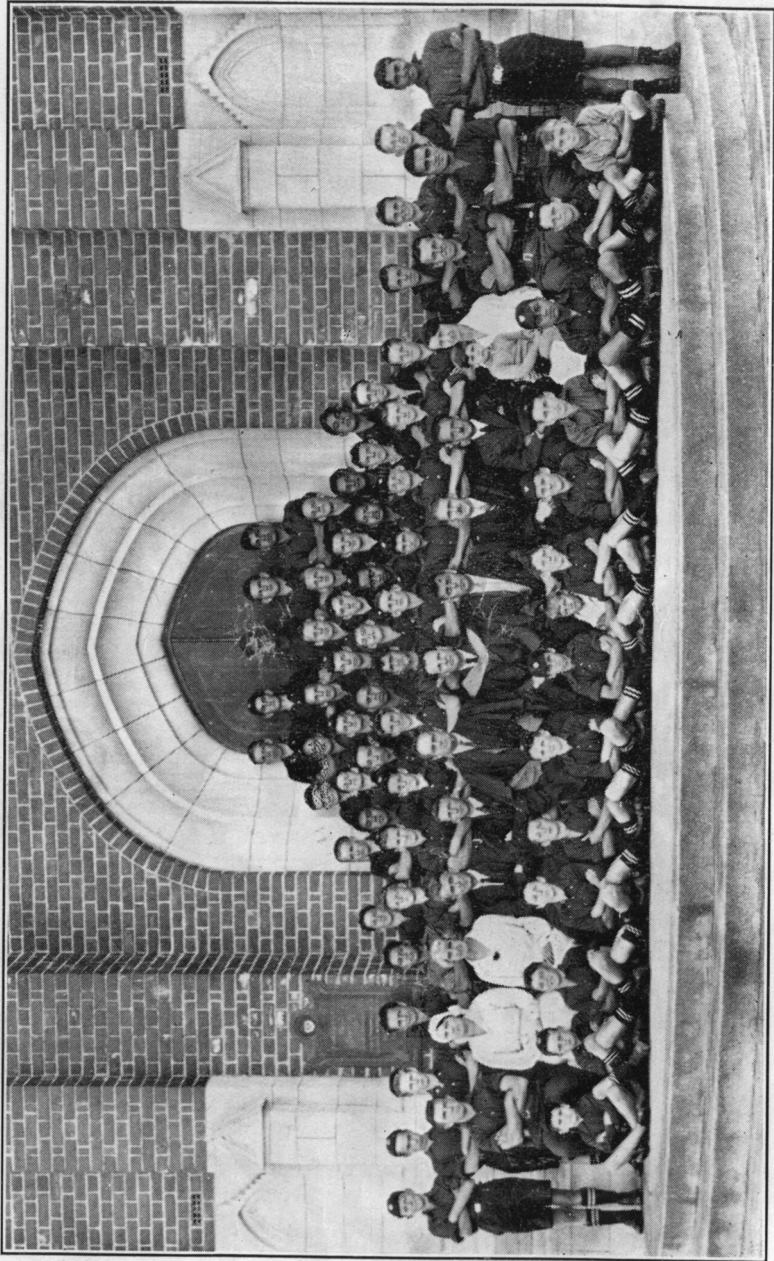
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FOREWORD.

THE BUILDING OF THE COLLEGE.

“Let us go we pray thee, unto Jordan, and takè thence every man a beam: and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell.”
II. Kings, c. 5, v. 2.

Ninety years ago, when Auckland was a straggling village in “our Province of New Ulster,” the fathers of the Methodist Church in New Zealand held a public meeting “to feel the pulse of the colonists on the question of establishing an institution or training school for ‘the instruction of the most hopeful of our converts.’” There was much enthusiasm. The Colonial Government gave a grant of land, and the newspapers free publicity. In 1845 the school was started on or about the site now occupied by Trinity College. Three years later it was moved to Three Kings.

The next reference we find is in a deed of gift signed by Sir George Grey. “Whereas a school hath been established by the Government at Three Kings in the suburbs of Auckland under the superintendence of the Superintendent of the Wesleyan Mission in New Zealand for the education of children of our subjects of both races,” it was considered right that certain lands should be granted, “so long as religious education, industrial training, and instruction in the English language shall be given to youth educated therein.” The school flourished exceedingly under the Principalship of Rev. Alex. Reid. The roll was at one time above 130. Present students will be interested to know that at one time no less than 20 of their predecessors were married and living in raupo huts round about. There were many girls also, and apparently a minority of white boys.

A new problem now faced the missionaries—that of the education of their own children. In 1850 they built “Wesley College,” on the site of what is now the Salvation Army’s Hostel—the People’s Palace. Here came the boys from the Methodist Mission

stations not only in New Zealand, but from Fiji and Tonga and Samoa. For a while this school also did well, but finance was difficult, and in 1865 the school was closed down and part of the property sold.

The times were very dark in the North. War raged throughout the Waikato, and the Old Boys, and Old Girls, too, of Three Kings were in many cases fighting. There was much bitter feeling, and students even from the parts unaffected by the fighting decreased so greatly that the school was closed from 1869-1875. The great promise of the missionary work was blasted by the fiery breath of war.

In 1876, however, a new start was made at Three Kings. The institution now combined theological training for students for the ministry with the education of Maori boys—the girls did not come back. For twenty years this system continued. Good work was done, although the institution never reached anything like the size or importance of its first establishment.

Twenty years after, the old Wesley College was revived, under the name of Prince Albert, with Mr. Thomas Jackson, M.A., as Headmaster. The theological students transferred from Three Kings, which became a purely Maori school, under the Rev. G. H. Simmonds. Prince Albert was for ten years a very great success, but, experiencing some financial anxiety, the College was closed in 1908.

Three Kings—now definitely Wesley Training College—still remained. The city was growing rapidly, and the endowments were increasing in value. The Conference of 1913 gave its sanction to the transfer of the school to the large 600-acre farm that had been purchased at Paerata. The outbreak of war in 1914 paralysed the scheme, but at last in 1923 the change was made, and the school commenced on its new site, under Mr. R. C. Clark, M.A., to carry on with its task of educating the children of both races in the teachings of the Christian faith.

Eighty-nine troubled years ago the first handful of our boys assembled on the hill by Trinity College, and since then a long succession of men and boys have slowly built in all manner of precious things. To-day, after years of adversity, we are still building. We are yet only at the beginning of things, and on each of us there is laid the responsibility of building into the life of the school some beam of Faith, of Truth, of Reverence, of Work, of Service, of Sacrifice, of Loyalty, or of Valour. If our task is done rightly and worthily, long centuries hence it may be seen that what Whitby and Jarrow did for England, we will have done for New Zealand.

In Memoriam.

With deep regret we record the death of P. Joseph, 1925-1927, who had to leave College through ill health, and who passed away 31st October, 1934.

PRIZE GIVING, 1933.

ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING, 1933.

Form Prizes.—Form Ia.: R. Gollan. Form IIb.: D. West. Form IIa.: H. O. Bennett and S. Williamson. Form IIIb.: G. Dixon. Form IIIa.: L. Baxter. Form IVb.: A. McLean. Form IVa.: R. Elliott. Form Va.: T. Keepa.

Dux of the School.—T. Keepa.

Senior Prefect's Prize.—T. Keepa.

War Memorial Prize for Agriculture.—J. Tawhai, H. Ahipene, W. Pita.

Gardening Prizes.—Forms Ia. and IIb.: G. Boyle. Form IIa.: R. Schischka. Forms IIIb. and IIIa.: H. Ahipene. Forms IVb. and IVa.: L. Cook. Form Va. and Special: T. Keepa.

Best Science Note-books.—Forms IIa. and IIb.: F. Storey. Forms IIIa. and IIIb.: H. Ahipene. Forms IVa. and Va.: E. Suckling.

Collection of Grasses and Weeds.—W. Gollan.

Magazine Article.—R. Ellison.

1934 Proficiency Certificates.—T. Bickers, D. Boon, A. McDonald, J. Oien, W. Robertson, D. West.

1934 Competency Certificates.—R. Hale, I. Jack, J. Batchelor.

SPORTS MEDALS AND CUPS.

ATHLETICS.

Junior Cup.—A. Martin.

Senior Cup.—F. Rogers.

SHOOTING.

Lees Cup.—G. Dixon.

Lady Godley Cup.—E. Suckling.

TENNIS.

Junior Cup.—W. Gollan.

Senior Cup.—J. Tawhai.

CRICKET.

Stembridge Cup.—J. Tawhai.

Winstone Cup.—Simmonds House.

PREPARED SPEECH.

Boyce Cup (miniature).—F. Fleming.

ATHLETIC MEDALS.

Junior.—L. Robertson: High Jump, Steeplechase, Mile.

Senior.—R. Watts: Steeplechase, Mile, 880yds. T. Keepa: High Jump.


 THE CHAPEL.

Sunday morning services have this year again been conducted by the College Chaplain, Rev. J. H. Bailey. Evening services as a rule have been conducted by the Principal. Others who have assisted are Revs. H. Ranston, G. I. Laurenson and E. J. Clarke, and Messrs. E. Allan, J. V. Burton and O. E. Burton.

The quarterly Communion services have been held, and many boys have partaken.

The Choir has again rendered assistance with the music. Those officiating at the organ have been Miss Gainher and Mr. L. Hill.

BIBLE CLASS.

We have again had a successful year with the Bible Class. The average attendance has been about seventeen. Discussions have often been keen. The Junior Syllabus compiled by the Bible Class Unions has been followed as a rule. Attendance at the class is purely voluntary and it is pleasing that such a large number are interested. The class as a whole has developed, and many difficult points have been brought under our review. The secretary this year has been H. Rogers.

Several boys attended Bible Class camps at Easter and much enjoyed them.

"GOOD FRIDAY."

Under the direction of Mr. J. V. Burton, the boys of the Bible Class, with the assistance of some others, produced Masefield's "Good Friday." The dressing was carefully done, and the lighting was effective. All those taking part entered into the spirit of the play, and the result was an excellent presentation. This performance demonstrated beyond all question the value of this method of presenting the Christian story. Mr. J. V. Burton and the boys of the Bible Class are to be congratulated heartily on their achievement, and it is to be hoped that in future the Bible Class will produce at least one such play each year.

**SCHOOL NOTES.****STAFF.**

We regret very much that Mrs. M. V. Hall, who had been our Matron for over four years, has left us. She had come to be very much a College institution, and it will be a long time before she is forgotten. Whether she was chasing us off the wet grass, or giving us castor oil, or tucking us up and spoiling us in the hospital, we know that she was thinking all the time of our well-being. She takes with her the very best wishes of a whole generation of Wesley College boys, and we all hope that her future will be a prosperous and happy one. We understand that Tertius adds his "baa" toward the happiness of his "foster-ma."

Mr. G. A. Blake, our capable and popular farm overseer, has also left us to take an appointment as manager of the Waione Model Piggeries. He has our best wishes. His place has been taken by Mr. E. N. Young.

Mr. J. V. Burton, B.A., B.Sc., obtained an excellent pass in Advanced Economics last year and has this year sat for his M.A. Degree exam.

HEALTH.

While health has been on the whole very good, we had an epidemic of 'flu. Most of the boys had it, and Mrs. Hall was in her element.

During the second term holidays Joe Darby, of the Primary School, had a bad accident, which resulted ultimately in the loss of one leg. While the walking stick we bought him won't do much to replace the leg, we hope that it will show him how genuinely sorry we are for his very great misfortune.

We were very glad to get Samuela back with us after a spell in the Auckland Hospital.

CAMPS.

We were very pleased to have with us again the Leaders' Summer School of the Methodist Bible Class Union, and also the Y.W.B.C. Easter Camp. We fully realise what these movements mean in the life of the Church. It is a very fitting thing that year by year they should meet within the walls of Wesley College. It is in such movements that we see the hope of the future.

Our W.E.A. friends also paid us another visit. Their programmes and speakers are always interesting.

**FARM NOTES.**

Despite the continuance of difficult times in almost every branch of farming, the progress in the various farm departments has been well maintained. A dry autumn and a fairly hard winter has interfered considerably with the dairies, and the average yield this year will not be as good as for the previous year. The average number of cows milked has been 90 Friesians and 60 Jerseys. Both herds have been culled very heavily this year, as the herds are up to full strength and there is an adequate supply of young heifers coming on.

A new departure has been made in the erection of a small test-cow dairy shed to take four cows. It is intended to hand-milk all cows under C.O.R. test in this shed, and the quieter conditions and the close oversight possible in the small shed will, we believe, lead to much better records. Three cows are at present under the Government test, the whole of both herds, apart from these, being tested under an Association scheme.

The demand for pigs has been exceptionally good throughout the year. We have sold over 200 stud pigs and, even then, have been able to meet only a small part of the demand. Early in the year we imported a Tamworth boar, two Tamworth sows and a Middle White boar and sow from Australia. All of these animals were exhibited at the Sydney Royal Show and have been well placed. The Tamworths were obtained from J. A. Murray, of Kolondong, and the Rydalmere Hospital, while the Middle Whites were bred by Mr. Elijah Charlish, of Norfolk Stud, N.S.W. We have been well satisfied with all the animals, particularly with the two very fine Tamworth sows.

The poultry department has also made definite progress during the year, and has been able to meet only a small portion of the

orders received. During the year, Khaki Campbells were imported from Australia, together with three Rhode Island Red cockerels.

The past honey season has been a good one, over six tons having been produced, and another apiary has been established further out.

There has been a number of staff changes during the year. The Farm Overseer, Mr. G. A. Blake, resigned at the beginning of the third term, and Mr. E. Young, who holds the Diploma of the Monmouthshire Agricultural Institute, has been appointed in his place.

Probably the chief lesson of the year has been the value of mixed farming as a means of stabilising farm returns. It is very rarely that two branches of farming will suffer the maximum depression at the same time, and the spread of farming ventures to two or more branches, such as dairying, sheep, pig and poultry, can add not only to the interest of the work, but also help to smooth out many of the difficulties consequent upon having all of one's eggs in one basket.



ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Saturday evening entertainments have gone on as usual during the year. There have been games nights and ping-pong evenings and paper chases. On three occasions we had very merry evenings, holding impromptu concerts. No one knew what was coming next, and the items were varied and wonderful. A "silver" cup was given to the Third Form, whose programme was judged to have been the best. Unfortunately the cup has now disappeared. It is believed the Prefects or the Cadets ate it, silver and all, for the sake of the chocolate embedded in the base.

During the second term Miss Gainher and Mrs. O. E. Burton organised a concert, which was by common consent perhaps the best we have had for several years. Talk about "ladies in loveliness arrayed," they simply weren't in it compared with some of our synthetic brunettes and blondes.

On another occasion the Cadets and some of the bigger boys, mainly Form V., produced a large portion of "Journey's End." It was a realistic business, with flares, rifle shots, explosions and shell bursts. At one dramatic point a vivid flash blinded the actors, and they were not able to proceed.

A very jolly evening was spent when half a dozen couples gave an interpretation of a scene delineating Henry VIII. and Anne Boleyn. Mr. Clark and Miss Gainher were adjudged the winners, and Edwards and Fleming also gave an excellent impersonation.

Toward the end of the third term Mr. J. V. Burton produced two short plays, the "'Ole in the Road" and the "House with Twisty Windows." Another very happy evening.

The School owes a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Service for bringing up a star party of Scout Leaders and turning on an absolutely first-class indoor camp fire concert. Some of the stunts and choruses were first-class, and the whole tone was very high. Mr. Service and his friends will always be very welcome visitors—we extend a very cordial invitation to them to visit us again next year.

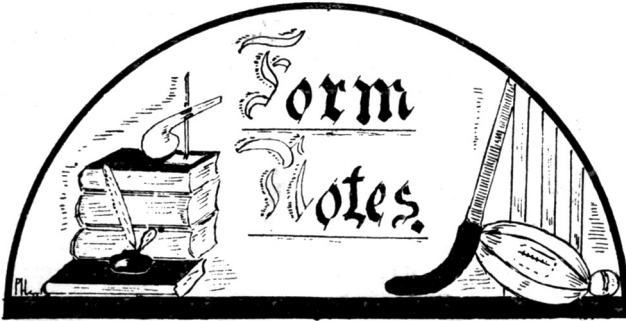
DEBATES AND SPEECHES

The first House Debate was held on the last evening of the first term. The subject was "That life in a Maori village before the white man came was happier than it is to-day." The speakers for Simmonds House were H. Rogers, A. Ayrton and W. Robertson, and for School House R. Common, F. Fleming and N. Olds. The result was a win for Simmonds.

The second subject, debated at the end of the second term, was "That free trade is the best policy in the present world situation." Speakers for Simmonds were H. Rogers, A. Ayrton and A. Tudehope, while those for School House were R. Common, F. Fleming and R. Elliott. Simmonds again won the contest.

Mr. R. C. Clark was judge for the two debates.





CADETS.

Lo! it came to pass, in the nineteen hundredth and thirty-fourth year, that four of the mightiest men of the land were come together at Wesley College, the house of learning, even to partake of the Cadet course, under the prophet R. Clark. These mighty men of valour came armed with suitcases, wherein lay the garments of warfare, in which they clad themselves and entered into the abode of learning. Deep did they delve into the works of the prophet Burton, and great was the entanglement thereof.

And with the rising of the sun did these men set forth over the land to feed the swine and draw the juice of the kine. And fain would they have filled their bellies with the husks that the swine did eat, but no man gave unto them till the eighth hour.

And one of these men did build himself a stack of the grasses of the fields. And the rains descended and the winds blew, and beat upon that stack, and it fell, and great was the fall thereof. Also at that time another of these mighty men did build a stack. But, being wise, he builded it in firm walls. And the rains descended and the winds blew and beat upon that stack, but it fell not. Again did these wise men set forth to build walls (fencing competition) wherein to hold the oxen and swine. And the swine being troubled by vermin upon their skin did lean upon one of the fences, so that it did bend to the ground, and great was the splintering thereof.

As this year of learning did proceed these men did grow in length and strength, until the lower classes who tried in vain to follow the high standard of efficiency set by these Cadetites did bow down at their feet.

In closing our Epistle to all peoples, we feel our thanks are due to our Principal and the masters, who have strengthened still further the minds of these mighty men, and also the cook, who did appease our appetites to the best of her ability for the many weeks of our stay at the house of learning.

VA.

This year, as you, kind reader, may have realised, the Fifth Form has been split into two parts. Both parts do the same work, but we of the A Form are considered intellectually superior to VB. (by ourselves, at any rate).

What a class we are! Sports captains, cricket captains, football captains, school captains and marksmen! What other Form can say with truth that it approaches anywhere near our great record?

Our present state of confidence as to the result of the exam. for which we are at present sitting is largely, if not entirely, due to the unceasing and untiring efforts of our masters. We take this opportunity of wishing them, as we do you, dear reader, a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

(Surely masters are superfluous for such prodigies.—Ed.)

VB.

This year the Fifth Form was divided, and the cream of the Form rose to VB. We excel at all sports, and our brains are much superior to those of VA. Among our members we have representatives of all the School teams, as well as a galaxy of swimmers, tennis players and athletes. All but two of our members are sitting for Matric. Good luck to them! They'll need it!

PERSONALITIES.

"Bing Crosby," our melodious harmoniser, is a keen sportsman.

"Buster Crabbe," the famous "He man," better known as Tarzan. By his ear-splitting, deafening but melodious call he attracts all the animals to his lair (the bike shed).

"Johnnie Weismuller" rides a "one-boy-power" speed iron. A keen student and a hard worker.

Alan Tudehope is a hard worker and as a House Prefect is the representative of Law and Order among us.

"Joe," a tall, handsome, cheerful hobo from Te Kuiti, is a keen sport and an ardent collector of bugs and beetles.

IVAB.

A CHRONICLE OF THE DOINGS OF ROYALTY.

Hearken, underlings and strangers, to the decree of his Imperial Highness the King.

In the name of my sovereign lord and master, His Imperial Serene Highness, my Lord King Lidgard the Lion Hearted, ruler over all the dominions of the mighty Fourth Form, commander-in-chief of the College Rifles and father of all the powers that be in Science, I, crier to the King, make known unto you the holders of those high awards that the King doth bestow upon those who please him.

My Lord Alfred Ayrton, Knight of the Science Books, is made Prime Minister to His Celestial Greatness; and Doctah L. Baxtah, who did cure the King of his lung trouble, is hereby created Chief Minister of State to my Lord the Prime Minister.

Sir David Metherell, whose charming manners and enchanting melodies have long enthralled the entire Court, is given dominion over all musicians throughout the kingdom!"

But not only are the greater gifts of power bestowed upon rulers and world-famous artists. The men of Sport and Learning are also honoured, for I do proclaim unto you the name of Raptain Cricket, whose activities in the field of sport have long attracted the royal notice, as being made Supervisor of all Sport within the kingdom.

And then saith the paper: "Sir David Rogers be he made the Right Hand Man of the King Himself, Professor of Chemistry. In his company there will be Mr. S. S. Fleming, who shall be called a First Class Student of the French Language, for his French is beyond the understanding of the best scholars amongst us."

Such are the divine desires of our great Ruler. Ye have heard, people? Then so be it!

IIIAB.

The bright and brilliant gentlemen of IIIab., serious in class, strong friends of nature, players of the game on all occasions, say farewell to another year.

We are a gallant company! "Sandy," our experienced huntsman from the Thames Valley; Nelson, who has joined the Cadets and struggles round under a rifle these days; Bennett, our record-breaking cross-country champion from Port Albert; Rope, our agricultural expert; Rangihau, our Davis Cup player and haka

leader; Edwards, our genuine George Walker, another great leader of hakas; Bickers, of Te Kopuru, who finds organising Sunday picnics a very profitable pastime; King, our Algebra professor and the Primary XV. last line of defence; Elliot, our first-class violinist; Schischka, a regular Perry with the racket, and first-class gymnast; Hayman, the pianist who fascinates us with his technique and who is also Captain of the Primary XV.; Labarre, our Phar Lap, the winner of the Junior Championship this year; Story, our head boy, is the backbone of both Forms, a regular marksman with the rifle, and a splendid athlete; Smith, our latest recruit, who is making great progress; Andrew, a brawny lad with a beautifully cultivated nose, is a real strong man; Baker, commonly known as "Mr. Annyhydrous," a real Father Neptune, is the Junior Swimming champion; Beazely, our pocket Samson; Service, a bright lad, a keen footballer and cricketer; Becroft, our wise professor of all subjects, brilliant footballer and steady batsman, is a great all-rounder; MacDonald, the future All Black, sometimes boxes in real Highland style; Vosilangi, our miniature skyscraper from Fiji, has a permanent smile which delights us all, a great footballer and cricketer, and one of our most popular people; Pittendrigh, a real box of tricks; Samuela, from Tonga, is a member of the first XI. and one of our best scholars, and popular with everyone; Marsden delights us with his efforts on the mouth organ; Sorensen, head boy of IIIa., excels, we believe, in French Verbs; Thomson was thinking of going to Wimbledon this year, but is taking to handball instead.

From this it may be seen what a wonderful crowd we really are. We feel we have been very fortunate in having Mr. Hickling as our Form Master.

IIAB.

Form IIa. is our name,
 We work without cessation.
 But we are often worked so hard,
 Our brains go on vacation.

G.B.

As we come to the end of another year, we thank all those who have taken part in the strenuous work of pushing us through Proficiency.

We have ten merry members. First there is our "wireless set," who tries to talk one master per year into the Asylum. The "Baby Elephant" upholds the Form's reputation by playing in the First XI. and First XV. "Snowy," who has brains when he likes

to use them, is a great Primary School footballer. Robert is such an enthusiastic pig feeder that when we need a substitute we always look him up. Jimmy, our prospective sheep farmer, is a great hand at arguing. Our Waiuku representative is an excellent farm worker. John is one of the most promising cricketers in the School and goes keenly at work and play. Dudley topped our class proficiency list. Ian, who joined us only a few weeks ago, is settling down happily amongst us. Our head boy, Julius (Gilly), has done splendidly in work and play. A fine cricketer and tennis player, a good student, and now, although only fourteen, a School House Prefect.

CONTRIBUTED.

THE COLLEGE ROLL.

In the days of *Nelson* there lived out *West*, in the village of *Pittendrigh*, County Wesley, a *Wylie* old *Batchelor*, whose name was *Andrew*, belonging to the clan of *Ayrton*. Now the *Storey* goes that one *Knight* he couldn't sleep, *Oien* to a mysterious illness, and that made him *Muir* wrathful than ever. So he decided in the morning to visit *King Pita*, who was a *Hale* and hearty old fellow, belonging to the clan of *Thompson* and *McDonald*, and could cure anything. It was *Darby* day, and *Andrew* forgot that *Service* cars were not so *Common* as they are to-day. So he *Rusht-on* till he arrived at the *Court* very breathless, as he got entangled on *Le Barre* wire, causing him to sneeze—*Schischka* !!

The *King* asked him his name, and he said, "I am *William's* son, called *Andrew*, and wish your Majesty to prescribe something for my illness." So the *Court* jesters, *Rangihau* and *Vosailangi*, suggested calling together all the wise medical advisers—namely *Joseph-Allcock*, *Rogers-Knowles*, *Binet-Bennett*, *Baxter-Clarke*, *Elliott-Fleming*, *Ruka-Sorenson*, *Wilson-Tudehope*, and *Limmer-Ruka*—all of the *Robert Robertson* clan. The *King* first ordered his *Cook*, *Baker* and *Hayman* to prepare extra food for all the guests, but it being a *Halliday*, they refused to work, and oh, their *Manners* were *Beazley*! Not to mention the *Bickers* between them. The Advisors arrived hurriedly from *Metherell*, via *Marsden*. As everyone talked and no one listened, they couldn't diagnose poor *Andrew's* complaint, so *King Pita* ordered a *Rope* (as a special *Boon*) to be placed round *Andrew's* neck, which would possibly cure anything, from a *Boyle* to *Rickits*, and made him *Walk-er* 20 miles home—and it proved a *Sher-win*!

L.G.



THE ORCHARD RAIDERS.

The orchard was silent. The moreporks had ceased their dismal calling. The lurid moon, patchily obscured by the scudding black clouds, appeared at intervals only, like a ghostly galleon sailing a dark water. With their heavy loads of luscious ripe fruit, the trees were bending almost to breaking point.

Look! what is that stealthy movement by the fence? Out of the blackness emerges a dark figure that seems part of the night itself. It glides noiselessly across until it merges with the dark mass of a peach tree. Stillness again! The vampire of the night glides from tree to tree down a whole row.

It starts back, but this time its progress is not so swift. It is clumsier and stumbles from time to time. Suddenly, and without warning, a blinding beam of white light cuts through the blackness and rests upon the mysterious figure. There, revealed in the merciless glare, seemingly stupified, but actually too weighted down by his spoils to make a quick retreat possible, stands a miserable boy, his shirt bulging with ripe fruit.

“Report to my office!”

The terse command broke the deathly silence like the report of a rifle, and soon the wretched boy is trying vainly to persuade an irate headmaster that he is subject to sleep walking.

L.W.

IVY'S STEW.

When Ivy's stew is boiling,
It's a very welcome sight,
You can hear the old pot bubbling,
So you know it's going right.

When Ivy's stew is cooking
And the College bright and gay,
When the carrots give some flavour,
Sure it steals your heart away.

J.C.

BINET ON BEING BEE STUNG.

After having for years taken the most elaborate precautions to avoid this disgrace—I have been stung by a bee.

Although the advantages were many it meant that I lost one of the purest and most delightful of life's pleasures—I could not eat my meals *twice*. This seemingly disgusting practice which I

have employed for many years is in reality not nearly as bad as it seems. The process is simply this:—On having the savoury (or otherwise) dish placed before me, I spend approximately five minutes in turning a grisly looking piece of meat into the most tasty rissole imaginable, or a grubby potato into the finest Yorkshire pudding. Then commences the mastication. By tremendous concentration and exercise of will-power, I hypnotise my tongue into giving sensations peculiar to the dainty desired. This is most effective, and I have at times changed the slushiest tea into the tastiest orange squash, and the most unappetising spinach into luscious green peas. After being stung though, this delightful deception was denied me. My eyes were tightly closed and though it may sound strange, my tongue refused to give the required sensations when I could no longer see. I had chosen the matron's last week for my blindness, and she did her best for me, which is saying a great deal. So I was served with the best of the masters' food, gooseberries and cream, etc.—and my power of taste paralysed—what a mockery!

In my blindness I meditated upon bees. How is it that they learn to buzz exactly alike? Men, women and monkeys are, I know, extremely imitative—but it is still more astonishing how one bee resembles another. Do they have a school of elocution in the common hive, where all young bees are taught exactly the right key and volume for a buzz. It must be deafening for the older ones when they are practising. Another thing I want to know is how they learn who to sting and who not to. Have they no powers of discernment? Surely if they knew who was who we should see more masters stung. But no! it is always the boys.

G.B.

GUNNER.

Doubtless you've all heard of Gunner,
The horse that's our glory and pride.
He really is sometimes quite stunner,
When we on the rake have a ride.

He stops and he starts and he sidles,
Like a duck going in for a swim,
And he takes no notice of bridles;
He'd say that they weren't made for him.

But when his day's work is over
He starts at a terrible pace,
For he knows that there's nice sweet clover
With which he can feed his face.

W.R.

A NIGHT SCENE.

The rising moon casts a pallid light over the bay lined with weather-beaten pine trees, through which can be seen the grotesque forms of three heavy working horses. Away to the left the rusty outlines of an old boiler were silhouetted against the chalky cliffs. On the precipitous slopes of the hill one could distinguish the fantastical forms of woolly-coated sheep. In the middle of a knoll the abrupt shape of an old tombstone stood eerily out. Tiny wavelets rippled incessantly up and down the smooth shingle of the long beach that stretched away to a barnacle-covered wharf.

In the background a hill rose steeply from a rocky base, to be crowned by a clump of stately nikau palms whose plumed heads swayed in the light sea breeze. Out to the front ran a headland of sinister black rocks, around which the current whirled and splashed in a thousand wicked eddies. Rippling down the valley between two hills was a crystal stream, which at one moment leapt madly in a turbulent cataract over a steep rock, and in the next lost itself in a quiet, deep pool in which the silver-bellied trout flashed to and fro.

Suddenly a dog barked. Floating across the stillness came an answering call—and then again—silence.

D.M.

THE MOMENT OF VISION.

There came a mighty crashing sound as with flame and smoke and deafening noise the heavens split asunder. Darts of fire, streaks of fire, snatching tongues of fire filled the void, and from the tortured air rang a great voice, so full of awful majesty, so pregnant with celestial power that the world trembled.

Like a breath from the tomb there fell a sudden silence. No sound but a dimly distant note of heavenly music. The world waited and its throbbing pulse was stilled. A sense of some great thing to be revealed, indefinite, shadowy, yet strangely persistent, lay upon the silent land.

In the fire-swept sky there slowly grew a great Cross of living flame. . . .

F.F.



CRICKET NOTES.

This year the inter-schools cricket has been held in the first and third terms. In each term we played two matches against each of the other two schools, making a total of four games per term, and eight for the year. We feel that this number is regrettably small, and hope that in future at least three rounds in each term may be arranged.

This year there has been a very keen interest shown in cricket, and many boys have made decided improvement. We are glad that there is much promising material for next year's teams, and trust that cricket may soon reach the same high standard of a few years ago.

The results of the inter-schools competitions are as follows:—

Senior Team (Mr. P. A. Hickling).—H. Rogers (capt.), L. Cook, J. Oien, A. Vosailangi, H. Rickit, R. Schischka, D. Metherell, L. Bennett, G. Boyle, G. Binet, S. Taumoebeau.



FIRST ELEVEN, 1934.

Senior, First Term—

- v. High School—lost by 52 runs on first innings.
- v. St. Stephen's—three-point win by 39 runs.
- v. High School—lost by six wickets.
- v. St. Stephen's—four-point win.

Third Term—

- v. High School—lost by 29 runs on first innings.
- v. St. Stephen's—won by innings and 33 runs.
- v. High School—won by 17 runs on first innings.
- v. St. Stephen's—lost by 17 runs on first innings.

Junior Team (Mr. O. E. Burton).—A. Ayrton (capt.), R. Elliott, A. Tudehope, J. Labarre, R. Manners, T. Becroft, J. Ruka, W. Edwards, J. Joseph, C. Sorenson, L. Walker, R. Knight, D. Rogers, S. Court.

Junior, First Term—

- v. High School—lost by innings and 33 runs.
- v. St. Stephen's—won by innings and 38 runs.
- v. High School—three-point win.
- v. St. Stephen's—three-point win by 7 runs.

Third Term—

- v. High School—two-point win.
- v. St. Stephen's—won by 114 runs.
- v. High School—two-point loss on first innings.
- v. St. Stephen's—three-point loss by 30 runs.

Primary School XI.—

- v. Pukekohe School—lost by 66 runs on first innings.
- v. Pukekohe School—lost by 37 runs.

HOUSE MATCHES.

The games so far played have resulted:—

First Round—

- Senior—Three-point win for School House by 51 runs.
- Junior—Three-point win for School House by 67 runs.

Second Round—

- Senior—Three-point win for School House by ten wickets.
- Junior—Two-point win for School House by 40 runs.

In the first term the College played a friendly match against Mauku Cricket Club, who visited us for the occasion. A very enjoyable and friendly game resulted in a win for Mauku by 10 runs on the first innings.

TENNIS.

Tennis has again had its full quota of enthusiasts. We now possess a new court, making a total of three, and though the new one is not yet fully consolidated, it will undoubtedly be the best of the three.

Two inter-school tournaments have been played, one in the first term and one in the third. We were not successful in winning either the junior or senior. The games were, however, close, and our teams put up a very creditable performance. The results of the two tournaments are as follows:—

Junior.	St. Stephen's.	Pukekohe.	Wesley.
First Term	4	3	5
Third Term	6	4	2
	—	—	—
Total Matches	10	7	7
	—	—	—
Senior.	St. Stephen's.	Pukekohe.	Wesley.
First Term	8	3	1
Third Term	6	3	3
	—	—	—
Total Matches	14	6	4
	—	—	—

The House tennis tournament for 1934 was held on Saturday-1st December. The results were as follows:—

Junior (School House names mentioned first)—

West lost to Thomson, 0—9.

Sherwin lost to Robertson, 8—10.

Pittendrigh lost to Walters, 6—9.

Sherwin and Pittendrigh lost to Robertson and Walters, 5—9.

Intermediate—

Ruka beat Marsden, 9—0.

Oien beat Smith, 10—8.

Rangihau beat Boon, 9—4.

Bennett beat Knight, 9—4.

Rangihau and Bennett beat Boon and Knight, 9—2.

Senior—

Rickit beat Joseph, 9—7.

Cook beat Sorenson, 10—8.

Baxter lost to Rogers, 7—9.

Schischka lost to Vosailangi, 5—9.

Rickit and Cook beat Joseph and Sorenson, 10—8.

Baxter and Schischka beat Rogers and Vosailangi, 9—7.

The result is therefore that School House wins the Senior and Intermediate, and Simmonds House the Junior.



FOOTBALL NOTES.

This year we had three teams playing in competition matches; the First and Second Fifteens in the Franklin Secondary School Association's competition, and the Primary Fifteen in a series of matches against Pukekohe primary schools. Three senior and three junior House matches were also played, as well as our annual fixture against Trinity College, Auckland. An outstanding feature of almost every game was the evenness of the play, which is fairly indicated by the scores in each match.

The results of competition matches were as follows:—

First Fifteen (Mr. Hickling): H. Rogers (capt.), L. Cook, H. Rickit, A. Ayrton, D. Rogers, L. Bennett, F. Storey, M. Robertson, A. Vosailangi, D. Metherell, L. Baxter, G. Boyle, R. Common, W. Edwards, C. Sorenson.

First Round—

- v. St. Stephen's—Lost, 5-3.
- v. High School—Lost, 5-0.

Second Round—

- v. St. Stephen's—Won, 9-6.
- v. High School—Won, 9-8.

Third Round—

- v. St. Stephen's—Won, 14-0.
- v. High School—Lost, 6-0.

This last game was to decide the winners of the competition; played with a wet, greasy ball, High School made the better use of any chances which were offered, and won by two tries after a hard and even game. We congratulate them on their well deserved win.

Second Fifteen (Mr. J. V. Burton): R. I. Elliott (capt.), J. Joseph, S. Court, G. Dixon, G. Binet, J. Oien, C. Muir, A. Tudehope, L. Walker, J. Labarre, R. Schischka, R. Knight, C. Elliott, T. Bickers, G. Marsden, R. Minhinnick.

First Round—

- v. St. Stephen's—Drew, 3-3.
- v. High School—Drew, 3-3.

Second Round—

- v. St. Stephen's—Lost, 6-3.
- v. High School—Lost, 6-0.

Third Round—

- v. St. Stephen's—Lost, 18-3.
- v. High School—Won by default.



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PRIMARY SCHOOL FIFTEEN, 1934.

Primary Fifteen (Mr. O. E. Burton): J. Hayman (capt.), S. Williamson, P. King, T. Becroft, D. Jennings, R. Minhinnick, D. Boon, W. Robertson, A. McDonald, R. Beazley, J. Batchelor, D. West, F. Nelson, L. Pittendigh, R. Knight.

First Round—

- v. Pukekohe Convent—Won, 3-0.
- v. Pukekohe Primary—Won, 10-0.

Second Round—

- v. Convent—Won, 12-5.
- v. Pukekohe—Won, 17-0.

Wesley College thus won the G. K. Lawrie Cup, presented for this competition among primary schools of the district.

HOUSE MATCHES.

First Round—

- Senior—Resulted in a draw, 3-3.
- Junior—Won by Simmonds House, 3-0.

Second Round—

- Senior—Won by Simmonds House—6-3.
- Junior—Resulted in a draw, 0-0.

Third Round—

- Senior—Won by Simmonds House, 9-3.
- Junior—Won by Simmonds House, 3-0.

ANNUAL MATCH.

This year we travelled to Auckland to play Trinity, on the Auckland Grammar School ground. We were very pleased to find Mr. J. Gasparich had turned up to act as referee for our match, which proved to be one of the hardest and most enjoyable games of the season. Unfortunately we were without the services of H. Rogers, D. Rogers and H. Rickit, who had been picked to play in a rep. match in Pukekohe on the same day.

At half time there was no score, although Trinity had made repeated rushes which were dangerous. After the change-over, they put on three unconverted tries in quick succession; then Wesley rearranged their team and soon after Joseph followed up smartly for a good try, which Cook converted. Play was now very keen, and from a passing rush Cook made a great run to score, finishing off this success by a fine kick, which gave Wesley the match, 10-9.

After the game we were entertained by the students, and had tea in the Hall. After tea, and speeches, and a most enjoyable time (particularly in "swapping" hakas) the boys left for home, tired and happy.



SHOOTING NOTES.

This year has seen a definite forward step in shooting activities at the School, in that a new 25-yard shooting range has been constructed, at once convenient and yet eminently safe. In the third term, among the shooting enthusiasts competition was keen, and consistently good targets were recorded. The teams finally chosen to compete in the competition on December 1st against St. Stephen's and Pukekohe Technical High School were:—

Senior: F. Storey, G. Binet, G. Boyle, L. Baxter.

Junior: J. Oien, F. Nelson, C. Baker, F. Fleming.

The day was fine, events went off smoothly and according to schedule, and altogether a pleasant afternoon was spent on the St. Stephen's open-air range.

The results were:—

Senior.—St. Stephen's 349, Pukekohe 339, Wesley College 334.

Junior.—Pukekohe 323, Wesley College 285, St. Stephen's 254.

The Lady Godley Cup was won by F. Storey, in the Senior Division, and the Lees Cup by J. Oien, in the Junior.



ANNUAL SPORTS.

SATURDAY, 21st APRIL, 1934.

Sports Day this year was Saturday, 21st April. We were favoured with a fine day, and some good contests were seen. There was a number of visitors from Auckland and elsewhere, but heavy rain in the City which we did not experience doubtless reduced the number. Several records were broken.

The contests for the Senior and Junior Championships were keenly fought. We congratulate H. Rogers and J. Labarre on their fine performances in annexing the Senior and Junior Cups respectively.

The following are the results:—

SENIOR OPEN.

Cross Country.—1, L. Baxter; 2, L. Cook; 3, R. Common. Time, 29 mins. 56 4-5 secs.

100 Yards.—1, F. Storey; 2, L. Cook; 3, H. Rogers. Time, 12 3-5 secs.

- 220 Yards.—1, L. Cook; 2, H. Rogers; 3, F. Storey. Time, 27 secs.
 440 Yards.—1, H. Rogers; 2, L. Cook; 3, L. Baxter. Time, 1 min. 16 3-5 secs.
 880 Yards.—1, G. Boyle; 2, W. Edwards; 3, R. Schischka. Time, 2 mins. 43 3-5 secs.
 1 Mile.—1, L. Baxter; 2, R. Schischka; 3, R. Common. Time, 6 mins. 16 3-5 secs.
 120 Yards Hurdles.—1, D. Metherell and H. Rogers (dead heat); 3, L. Cook. Time, 21 2-5 secs.
 Throwing the Cricket Ball.—1, A. Vosailangi; 2, R. Common; 3, S. Taumoebeau. Distance, 84 yards 1 foot.
 High Jump.—1, A. Vosailangi; 2, H. Rogers; 3, G. Binet. Height, 4 feet 6 inches.
 Hop, Step, Jump.—1, H. Rogers; 2, L. Cook; 3, A. Vosailangi. Distance, 36 feet 9½ inches.
 Broad Jump.—1, L. Cook; 2, H. Rogers; 3, H. Rickit. Distance, 17 feet 3 inches.
 Putting Shot.—1, D. Rogers; 2, H. Rogers; 3, A. Vosailangi. Distance, 28 feet 6½ inches.

JUNIOR OPEN.

- Cross Country.—1, L. Bennett; 2, J. Ruka; 3, J. Oien. Time, 28 mins. 29 1-5 secs. (record).
 100 Yards.—1, J. Labarre; 2, S. Court; 3, J. Rushton. Time, 13 3-5 secs.
 220 Yards.—1, J. Labarre; 2, M. Robertson; 3, S. Court. Time, 30 secs.
 440 Yards.—1, J. Labarre; 2, L. Bennett; 3, J. Rushton.
 880 Yards.—1, L. Bennett; 2, J. Labarre; 3, D. Boon. Time, 2 mins. 41 secs.
 1 Mile.—1, J. Labarre; 2, L. Bennett; 3, D. Andrew. Time, 5 mins. 16 1-5 secs.
 120 Yards Hurdles.—1, M. Robertson; 2, S. Court; 3, J. Labarre. Time, 22 2-5 secs.
 Throwing Cricket Ball.—1, J. Oien; 2, R. Elliott; 3, M. Robertson. Distance, 69 yards 1 foot (record).
 High Jump.—1, M. Robertson; 2, S. Wylie; 3, L. Bennett. Height, 4 feet 4 inches.
 Hop, Step, Jump.—1, M. Robertson; 2, S. Court; 3, J. Labarre. Distance, 31 feet.
 Broad Jump.—1, M. Robertson; 2, S. Court; 3, L. Bennett. Distance, 14 feet 4 inches.

UNDER 14 YEARS.

- 100 Yards.—1, T. Becroft; 2, R. Minhinnick; 3, D. Boon. Time, 14 3-5 secs.
 220 Yards.—1, T. Becroft; 2, H. Service; 3, R. Minhinnick.
 440 Yards.—1, T. Becroft; 2, J. Bachelor; 3, H. Service. Time, 1 min. 17 3-5 secs.

OTHER EVENTS.

- House Relays.—Senior: Simmonds House. Junior: School House.
 House Tug-o-War.—Senior: Simmonds House. Junior: Simmonds House.
 1 Mile Bicycle Handicap.—1, D. West; 2, J. Hayman; 3, T. Bickers.
 High Jump Junior Handicap.—1, D. Boon (2ins.); 2, R. Limmer; 3, R. Knight. Height, 3 feet 11 inches.
 220 Yards Junior Handicap.—1, C. Elliott; 2, D. Boon; 3, J. Darby.

440 Yards Junior Handicap.—1, D. Boon; 2, W. Robertson; 3, F. Fleming.

100 Yards Junior Handicap.—1, J. Darby; 2, J. Sherwin; 3, J. Burton.

Hop, Step, Jump Junior Handicap.—1, J. Bachelor; 2, J. Darby; 3, R. Limmer.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

Senior.—H. Rogers, 18½; L. Cook, 17; L. Baxter, 11; A. Vosailangi, 10; W. Edwards, 6; D. Metherell, 3½; D. Rogers, 3; S. Taumoebeau, 2.

Junior.—J. Labarre, 20; L. Bennett, 16½; M. Robertson, 15; J. Oien, 6½; J. Rushton, 3; D. Andrew, 2; C. Muir, 2; S. Wylie, 2.

HOUSE POINTS.

Senior.—Simmonds 40½ points, School 40½ points (equal).

Junior.—Simmonds 24 points, School 69 points.

HOUSE COMPETITION.

WINSTONE CUP.

Event.				Points Gained.	
				School.	Simmonds.
Senior Cricket	1	..	..	3	—
" "	2	..	..	3	—
" "	3	..	..	3	—
Junior Cricket	1	..	..	2	—
" "	2	..	..	—	—
" "	3	..	..	—	—
Senior Football	1	..	..	0	3
" "	2	..	..	1½	1½
" "	3	..	..	0	3
Junior Football	1	..	..	1	1
" "	2	..	..	0	1
" "	3	..	..	0	3
Debate No. 1	..	..	..	0	4
No. 2	..	..	..	0	4
No. 3	..	..	..	—	—
Tennis, Senior	..	..	..	5	0
Intermediate	..	..	..	3	0
Junior	..	..	..	0	2
Swimming, Senior	..	..	..	5	0
Junior	..	..	..	4	0
Athletic Sports, Senior	..	..	..	2½	2½
Junior	..	..	..	4	0
Totals	..	..	..	37	25

While the totals are not complete, School House win.
Heartiest congratulations.

WESLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

Although we have so many Old Boys, it is a matter for regret that the Old Boys' Association is still in abeyance. While, of course, many former students are working on farms scattered all over the countryside, while many of our Maori boys are in remote settlements, and while some are widely scattered—China, Brazil, Fiji, Tonga, Solomon Islands, Australia and elsewhere—yet we know that many are in Auckland. We know, too, that many of them are keenly interested in the School. Sometimes we are accosted in the streets by tall young men, very much à la mode, and for a moment find it difficult to recognise once chubby little lads, whose knees and necks were a daily problem. Sometimes a fine car comes tooting up past the chapel and we have the pleasure of entertaining a party at afternoon tea. It would be a fine thing if next year we could have an Old Boys' gathering once more.

Letters come to some of us from distant places. Trevor Litherland writes long, interesting accounts of his voyage up into the heart of China, where he is a missionary of the China Inland Mission. Gina is now in charge of the mission station at Simbo, Solomon Islands, and is doing first-class work. His baby son is "like all other babies." Kera is also married and working in the mission. Many will remember Charlie and Flinders Procter, who are now in Brazil—no penny postage there, it costs them 6d. to get a letter to New Zealand.

Will all Old Boys remember that we are always very pleased to see them, and that if they are round about there is always a welcome for them at their old School?



THE SCHOOL ROLL, 1934.

Boys on the roll at the beginning of 1934. New boys' names are marked with an asterisk.

*Allcock, G. M.	*Hale, R.	Robertson, W.
*Andrew, D.	*Halliday, J.	Rogers, D.
Ayrton, A.	Hayman, J.	Rogers, H.
*Baker, C.	*Joseph, J.	*Rope, V.
Batchelor, J.	*King, P.	Ruka, J.
*Beazley, R.	Knight, R.	*Ruka, R.
*Becroft, T.	Knowles, J.	*Rangihau, J.
*Bickers, T.	Limmer, R.	Schischka, R.
Binet, G.	*Labarre, J.	*Service, H.
*Bennett, L.	*Manners, R.	*Sherwin, J.
*Boon, D.	*Marsden, G.	*Sorensen, C.
Boyle, G.	*Metherell, D.	Storey, F.
*Clark, J.	McDonald, A.	*Tudehope, A.
*Common, R.	Muir, C.	*Taumoebeau, S.
Cook, L.	*Minhinnick, R.	*Thomson, T.
Court, S.	*Nelson, F.	*Vosailangi, A.
*Darby, J.	Oien, J.	Walker, L.
Dixon, G.	*Olds, N.	West, D.
*Elliott, C.	Pittendrigh, L.	Wilson, L.
Elliott, R.	Rushton, J.	Williamson, S.
*Edwards, W.	Riekit, H.	*Wylie, S.
Fleming, F.	Robertson, M.	

Boys who joined during the year :—

Alcorn, W.	Smith, C.	Jack, I.
Jennings, D.	Walters, M.	

Boys who left during the year :—

Allcock, G.	Knowles, J.	Minhinnick, R.
Alcorn, W.	Muir, C.	Williamson, S.
Dixon, G.	Rushton, J.	Wylie, S.



