

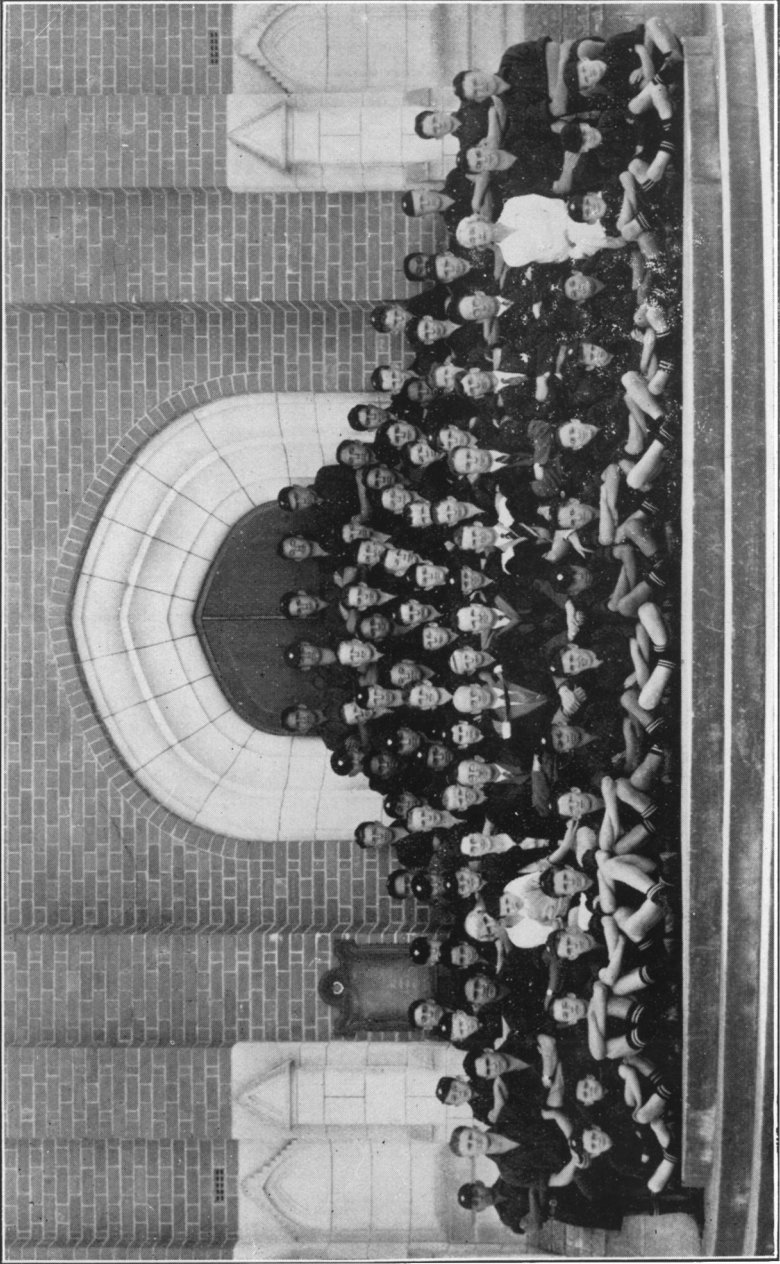
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Captains:

Cricket: J. Oien. Tennis: S. Ohlsen. Football: A. C. Vosailagi.

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FOREWORD.

Within the next decade there will be celebrated in New Zealand many interesting centenaries, of which not the least interesting for us will be in 1945, when the Methodist Church will celebrate the opening of its first school.

Opened by Governor Fitzroy, the first school was situated on a grant of six and a-half acres where Trinity Theological College now stands. Three years later Governor Grey laid the foundation of the school at Three Kings, where a further grant had been made by a Government keenly interested in the educational work of the Church.

Starting with a roll of thirty, the school contained nearly one hundred and thirty, when the tragedy of the Maori War brought about its closing. When it re-opened in 1876, the school at Three Kings had absorbed Wesley College, which had been founded in Queen Street in 1850, and the official name became Wesley College, Three Kings.

And so we see that Wesley College, Paerata, is closely connected with one of the oldest schools in the Dominion, and boys who pass through the school should be justly proud of its tradition.

In 1927, four years after the school had moved out to Paerata, the first Old Boys' Association was formed. For five years this body held successful reunions at the College on the Annual Sports Day, which was in those days Labour Day. However, during the depression the Association fell on hard times, and when in 1932 the Sports Day was moved to the first term, no general meeting was held, and the Association has been in abeyance ever since.

But though no official association exists for Old Boys, there is a very real group who do take an active interest in their old school. This year we have been visited at different times by over thirty Old Boys, all of whom would like to see the revival of the Old Boys' Association and the Annual Reunion.

We hope that in 1938 definite steps will be taken to get in touch with all Old Boys, to see if they cannot agree upon some suitable date for a general meeting, at which the old Association may be revived, to continue as a very vital influence in the life of the College.

Let us hope that in 1945 the Old Boys' Association may be able to take a very active part in the centenary celebrations.



PRIZE GIVING, 1936.

ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING, 1936.

Form Prizes.—Standard IV.: N. Lynch. Form IIa.: D. Nepe.
Form IIb.: J. Gamlen. Form IIIa.: R. Kerr. Form IIIb.:
E. L. Farr. Form IVa.: P. Gamlen. Form IVb.: T. Dill.
Form V.: C. Baker. Cadets: E. Ronaldson.

Dux of School.—T. V. Becroft.

Senior Prefect's Prize.—C. W. Baker.

Gardening Prizes.—Primary: P. Smith, 1; A. W. Vosailagi, 2.
Form III.: R. Kerr. Form IV.: S Nagatalevu. Form V.:
T. V. Becroft.

Best Science Note-books.—Form III.: E. L. Farr. Form IV.:
J. S. Oien. Form V.: T. V. Becroft. Special (Mr. Aldis):
A. Te Kiri.

Best Collection of Weeds and Grasses.—Form II.: A. W.
Vosailagi. Forms III. and IV.: G. Boyle. Form V.: T. V.
Becroft.

Maori War Memorial Prize for Agriculture.—W. Wiperi.

Magazine Prize.—C. W. Baker.

SPORTS MEDALS AND CUPS.

ATHLETICS.

Senior Champion.—A. C. Vosailagi.

Junior Champion.—N. M. Clark.

TENNIS.

Senior Champion.—A. C. Vosailagi.

Junior Champion.—N. M. Clark.

SWIMMING.

Senior Champion.—A. C. Vosailagi.

Junior Champions.—D. Powell, W. Strickland, L. Lynch, E. L.
Farr.

CRICKET.

Stembridge Cup, for best all-rounder.—A. C. Vosailagi.

CROSS COUNTRY.

Senior.—B. Wilson (record).

PREPARED SPEECH.

Boyce Cup.—C. W. Baker.

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION.

Winstone Cup.—Simmonds House.

MEDALS.

P. Gamlen: Junior 440, and Long Jump.

P. Smith: Junior Hop, Step and Jump; and Throwing the Cricket Ball.

G. Wilcox: Junior 120 Hurdles.

D. McKillop: Junior Mile.

D. Powell: Junior 100 and 200.

I. Speedy: Junior 880 yards.

T. V. Becroft: Senior 880 yards (record).



THE CHAPEL.

Regular Chapel services have been conducted during the year for both Sunday services and for evening prayers. The Principal and Chaplain have been the chief ministers, while Mr. Waring has given diligent service at the organ.

During the year we have been honoured with visits from the President of Conference, Rev. F. Copeland, Dr. H. Ranston, and Rev. V. Le G. Binet, and greatly enjoyed their services.

Special services in the Chapel during the year were the annual appointing of Prefects, in which W. P. B. Gamlen and C. Sorensen were appointed; the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was held at the end of the second term; and the Sacrament of Baptism on October 31st, when David Wesley Frazer Baillie was christened.

The thanks of the whole College are due to Matron and Mrs. Williams for the careful attention to the flowers and brass in the Chapel which they have shown throughout the year.

A. C. Vosailagi has again carried out very earnestly his duties as Custodian.



SCHOOL NOTES.

STAFF.

The year 1937 saw various changes in the College staff. Firstly, Mr. J. V. Burton, who had been at Wesley College for almost twelve years, left us to take an appointment at Wellington Technical College. Mr. Burton had interested himself in all spheres of our College life, and it was with sorrow that we heard of the departure of a friend and a sport.

Miss Gainher, Assistant-Matron for three years, also departed for Wellington, gaining a position as Matron at Queen Margaret College. During her stay Miss Gainher had rendered valuable work in connection with all concerts and plays, where her extremely artistic temperament could receive its widest scope, and was extremely popular among all the boys and staff. We miss her cheery sing-songs.

For four years Secretary of the College, Mr. Dunn was a popular and familiar figure with all who were associated with the College. He is now teaching at Hereworth, a preparatory school at Havelock North.

Mr. Aldis, who had succeeded Mr. Lidgard as Science Master in 1936, has taken up an appointment at Pukekohe High School. Mr. Aldis took an active interest in all our activities, particularly the Stamp Club, which he inaugurated and which he has supported even though he is not with us now. Following Mr. Aldis was Mr. C. Follick, from Te Aute College. He remained for only one term, being followed by Mr. F. E. Whimp, who has completed his degree and has had Training College experience. Previously he was teaching at a Hastings Primary School.

We have also had three Secretaries this year. Firstly, we had Mr. Paterson, who remained a short time only. Next was Mr. Waller, who has returned to us again after a short illness. During his sickness, Miss Duncan took over the secretaryship.

During the third term Mr. Blake, farm manager for the past year, departed. The new farm manager is Mr. Barber, who has held the same position twice before. We take this opportunity of welcoming him and Mrs. Barber, and hope that they will remain with us a long time yet.

To Mr. and Mrs. Baillie we must extend a hearty welcome. Mr. Baillie has succeeded Mr. Burton as first assistant, and already he has proved himself a splendid teacher, a good sport and an enthusiastic House Master.



PREFECTS, 1937.

To cope with the additional roll of junior boys, Mrs. Hickling was appointed on the staff to teach from the Primers to Standard IV., and we wish her the best of luck in her position.

In Miss Gainher's place as Assistant-Matron is Mrs. Williams, who has always proved a ready and willing helper of anyone in trouble.

At the end of the year we will be saying farewell to Mrs. Hall, our Matron, who is going to take the same position at St. Cuthbert's Girls' College.

CONGRATULATIONS.

To Mr. and Mrs. Baillie, on the birth of their son David Wesley.

To the Rev. H. H. Jeffreys, on the birth of a daughter.

HEALTH.

On the whole the health throughout the year has been exceptionally good. We have had no epidemics, but had a few mild cases of flu in the first term. Almost all boys have increased in weight, while many have grown several inches taller.

CEREMONY.

On Coronation Day, May 12th, after a service in the Chapel conducted by Mr. Clark, we marched down to the Sports Field, where two oak trees were planted. The first was planted by J. Oien and A. C. Vosailagi, and the other by P. B. Gamlen and C. Sorensen. Additional historical interest was added to the ceremony by the fact that the acorns from which the trees were grown were taken from trees which had been in the old College grounds at Three Kings.

NEW BUILDINGS.

Another new house has been added to the College during the last term, for the Farm Manager. Mrs. Barber is eagerly looking forward to starting housekeeping in a brand new house.

MAORI BOYS.

This year a special evening class for the Maori boys is conducted on Thursday evenings by Rev. E. Te Tuhi. This class, which is to be a permanent feature, is a distinct asset to the School, as it gives all Maori boys an opportunity to discuss their own problems with one in whom they have the greatest confidence.

A very successful concert party made up of Maori boys has also been organised by Mr. M. B. Knott.



FARM NOTES.

The year has been an uneventful one; the seasons on the whole have been very favourable, and the butterfat production has been quite good.

Five cows have been under C.O.R. test, and for the first time one of these is a Jersey, Vernons Prize Lass. All of the cows under test promise well, and the Friesian heifer, Mercena Dutch Belle, has for two months headed her class list. There has been a strong demand for Friesian bulls, and every animal reared has been sold at advanced prices, and the outlook is promising.

Pigs have been reduced in number during the year, principally owing to the uneconomic price of bought food stuff, and partly owing to a definitely lopsided demand. It has been impossible to meet the demand for Berkshires, and while the demand for Devons has been better than usual, the sale in the other breeds has been fitful.

A start has been made at the No. 3 dairy to raise porkers and baconers, and this will, we believe, help to adjust inequalities in the demand for pedigree animals, and will at the same time provide valuable information to the boys on the merits of the different breeds of pigs under similar conditions.

In sheep there is little to report. The flock sheep have been slightly increased, and the lambing has been good. Already about half the lambs have been sold.

Among the stud sheep the lambing was, as it too frequently is, rather disappointing. The two-tooth Southdown ewe is a shy breeder, and where a larger number of the two-tooths comprise the flock, it is difficult to average over 80 per cent. Rams have sold well, particularly Ryelands, and the demand seems likely to be maintained. During the year a stud Ryeland ram was purchased from Mr. W. O. Rennie, of Canterbury.

The demand for all classes of poultry has been very good, but the number kept and reared, particularly in ducks, has been reduced to make it possible to work this department in conjunction with the apiary.

The honey production of last season was the poorest for many years, and was the second year of disappointing yield. The demand for College honey is very keen, and it would be possible to sell many tons more than even in a favourable year we can hope to produce. This year the outlook is better, though it is still too soon to make a forecast of the likely yield.

A change of farm managers has taken place during the year. Mr. Blake resigned in September, and the Board felt it desirable that a married man should be appointed to the position, and it was decided to erect a house for the farm manager. This has been done in paddock A2, where it faces what will be the deviated road that is shortly to be constructed through a part of the western road boundary of the College.

From many applicants for the position it was decided to appoint Mr. Barber, who was farm overseer from 1929 to 1933, and both Mr. and Mrs. Barber have renewed their connection with the College.



ENTERTAINMENTS.

This year we have been unfortunate in losing both Mr. J. V. Burton and Miss Gainher, who have, in past years, devoted so much of their time and ability to the production of plays and concerts. Miss Gainher's artistic temperament had been utilized to the utmost in the designing and making of costumes, while Mr. Burton's success in transferring his own zest and enthusiasm was a marked characteristic of every play.

This year we have had considerably fewer plays, but have had two really successful concert programmes. The first one was given by the Maori boys at the end of the first term, and was greatly appreciated by all. The Maori boys, as usual, presented new and original hakas, together with action songs and canoe songs. In addition to these items rendered, the two Vossies gave a Fijian song, and the Caldwells brightened up the entertainment with flute duets. Through the coaching of Mr. Hickling and Mrs. Hickling's labours in designing and preparing costumes, a very successful and enjoyable evening was spent about the middle of the second term. Outstanding items were presented by the Primary boys (Standard IV. and under) in a Drill Display; the Maori boys and Form V., in the "Poetasters of Isaphan."

On the night before we dismissed for our second term holidays a party of forty from the secondary school went up to Auckland to the Secondary Schools Concert, held in the Town Hall. We cannot pay too high a tribute to the splendid organisation of the concert, nor to the really beautiful and unique massed singing effects.

To everybody's delight 1937 saw the revival of indoor games, which had proved so successful in Mr. O. E. Burton's time. All the old games, notably "shies," balloon races, in-the-pond-out-of-the-pond, and ring ball, were resurrected, with all their old popularity.

Our Guy Fawkes evening was spent in grand style on the Saturday night (the 6th). Over two dozen rockets were fired, presenting an impressive sight against the cold blue of the starry heavens. Crackers and other fireworks were present in abundance, all combining to make the evening one of the most hilarious of the year.



DEBATES AND SPEECHES

On the last Saturday night of the first term the first debate of the year was held. The subject was "That town life is preferable to country life," and Simmonds House, winning the toss, took the affirmative side. P. Gamlen, C. Sorensen and C. Becroft were the members of the Simmonds House team, while J. Oien, J. Rew and B. Mikkelsen made up the opposition. Except for Mikkelsen, the speakers delivered their speeches more as prepared speeches than as an argument, but the points were well brought forward, and related to the subject. These facts Mr. Baillie, who was judge, pointed out afterwards. When time came speakers from the audience were quite numerous, all wishing to aid their house. The summings up were quite good, but Gamlen showed more experience than Oien. The others of the teams, except for Sorensen, had not spoken before and were quite fair for their first efforts. Simmonds House won with quite a good margin, and the decision seemed popular with the audience.

At the end of the middle term the subject "That the cinema has done more harm than good" was brought forward, and School House, winning the toss, took the affirmative side. The teams were practically the same: P. Gamlen, C. Becroft and C. Sorensen against J. Oien, R. Bell and J. Rew. This time, with a little experience, the speakers were able to put more argument into their speeches. Bell, although only a beginner, delivered his speech very well. Mr. Clark did the judging, and Simmonds again won, being aided considerably by numerous speakers from the audience.

The final debate was held on the evening of Saturday, November 13th. The subject was "That the wireless exerts more influence over public opinion than does the press." There was a change in both teams: P. Gamlen, C. Becroft and R. Vardell representing Simmonds, and J. Oien, R. Bell and B. Mikkelsen School. Simmonds put forward good arguments, but the opponents seemed weaker than in the previous two debates. The masters were astonished by the number from the audience who got up to speak, and also by the talent some of them possessed. Rev. H. H. Jeffreys

honoured us by being judge Simmonds won by 40 points, and thus set a record of eight successive wins.

Winner of Boyce Cup, for Prepared Speech, 1937: P. B. Gamlen. Subject, "The Maori Migration to New Zealand."

CITIZENSHIP DRILL, 1937.

We notice with keen interest that the Wesley College course of drill and training which was substituted for military drill in 1935 is becoming quite important as the only practical alternative yet tried by any school in New Zealand.

It is very pleasing to find that the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church has agreed upon certain proposals recommending to the Government Council of Sport that a similar course to ours should be substituted for military drill in all the schools of the Dominion.

The benefits of such a course are obvious, when one realises that by this means every man in New Zealand would grow up with a sound knowledge of First Aid, Swimming, and Life Saving, as well as general physical culture.

Perhaps the day is not so far distant when the whole of New Zealand will be divided into special districts, within each of which a travelling instructor, a specialist in his own line, will take monthly classes in First Aid, Swimming, Life Saving and Physical Drill.

Such a scheme would certainly develop a self-reliant man, who would always be able to give practical assistance in times of accident or drowning, as well as improving the physique and stamina of the rising generations.

Although our own course has now been running for over two years, we cannot yet say that we have the ideal. Life-saving has still to be taught chiefly through land drill, and we long for the day when in our own swimming baths every boy will learn how to swim, as well as how to save people from drowning.

In the same way, lack of equipment prevents the physical drill from being taken at its best, and we are quite sure that when we do get a gymnasium that this hour will be the most popular of the course.

This year the following instructors have had charge of the respective divisions:—

First Aid.—Mr. H. T. Waring.

Life Saving.—Mr. M. B. Knott.

Physical Drill.—Mr. F. E. Whimp.

Current History.—Messrs. R. C. Clark and F. J. E. Baillie.



LIBRARY NOTES

At the beginning of the year a new system of numbering library books was evolved. This consisted of marking the complete identification number of the book on the back cover in Indian ink, and it certainly made the Librarians' job easier. Many books which previously had occupied the reject shelves were mended and put into circulation again, although there is still a great deal that could be done in this direction by a bookbinder.

During the year considerable additions have been made to both the Fiction and Reference sections, which, however, have not been so well patronised by the Senior School generally as by the Lower Forms. On the whole, we consider that a considerable improvement in the type of fiction read has been the most singular tendency throughout the year.

Reading maketh a wise man. To this adage we give full support, because we claim that reading is the prime factor in our education. It broadens our minds, brings us into contact with a larger number of viewpoints than we could possibly meet with by personal contact. Our ability to make quick and wise decisions is strengthened by our knowledge of what other people did under similar circumstances. Thus we see the influence our library can exercise over the minds of boys, especially younger boys, who are ready to absorb the material they read. The library should be the friend and boon companion of every boy, and should furnish the pleasantest way of passing an idle hour. It does!



STAMP CLUB

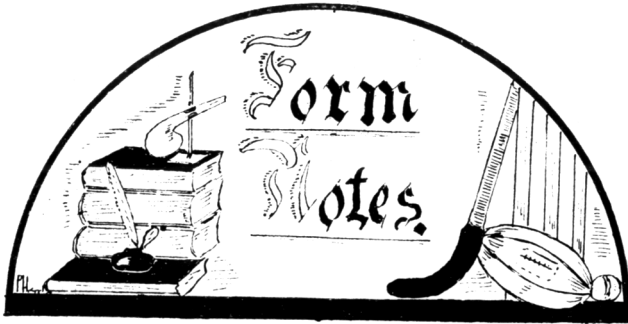
As the year is drawing to a close, we have decided to give an account of our work during it. In the first term Mr. Aldis was in charge, and he gave us some very interesting talks on stamps, watermarks and originalities. However, in the second term we lost Mr. Aldis, and P. Gamlen, our only enthusiastic Fifth Former, took the leadership, aided by the committee consisting of N. H. Pellow, W. S. Holt and C. A. Phillips, who had been elected at the beginning of the year. During the last two terms we have had quite a few meetings, at which our leader has given talks. On one occasion Mr. Aldis came from Pukekohe and gave us a talk on

stamps depicting animals. In our club we have about 25 members, most of whom have pen-friends in overseas countries. Our financial position is quite fair, as we have had subscriptions and bought a 1938 Whitfield King catalogue, and paid our subscription for the New Zealand Stamp Monthly.

BIBLE CLASS

During the past year we have had quite successful meetings under the leadership of Mr. Skuse. Our class, although consisting of all races and creeds, does not suffer by the different religious beliefs. At the Easter Camp at Puketutu Island this year we were represented by about thirteen boys who, being mostly juniors, were successful in winning the Herbert Smith Cup. During the second term a Bible Class country week-end was held in Auckland, and six of our class went to it, and had an enjoyable time, being billeted by Auckland residents. Again in the third term we went to a Bible Class Rally at Northcote on Labour Day. Although the day was wet, we went for a long sight-seeing walk, and spent an unforgettable day. Our studies this year have been taken out of the Junior Syllabus, "Followers of Jesus," and all the time we have been trying to abide by the B.C. Movement's motto, "The Utmost for the Highest."





FIFTH FORM.

The Fifth Form, a very intelligent class, represents the Solomon Islands, Fiji, and all parts of New Zealand. Four of us are sitting for Matriculation, and the other three are going for School Certificate.

First we have Becroft, who comes from Port Albert, is captain of the Second Eleven, is a Second Fifteen forward, and represents his house in the Debate, First Football and First Cricket teams.

From Whangarei we have Gamlen, the brains of the Fifth, who is well on the way to being Dux. He is an excellent speaker, and leads his house in the debates. As Librarian he keeps our classroom neatly lined with shelves of Dickens and other dry literature, but it fails to influence us.

Now there is Mikkelsen, who hails from Kiwitahi, and besides representing his house in the First Cricket and Football teams, is halfback for the Second Fifteen.

Oien is next who originally came from Solomon Islands, but is now concluding his ninth year at the College. He is Senior Prefect, captain of the First Eleven, a prominent player in the First Fifteen, and runner-up in the Senior Tennis competition.

Next comes Skuse, who, representing Dunedin, is our prospective minister. As junior master he conducts a high standard of behaviour in prep., and does not forget to join in our sports and football, playing fullback for the First Fifteen.

Sorensen, from Taupo, is our next. He recently joined the staff of Te Aute College as junior master, but while he was with us he was a prominent First Fifteen back, and chauffeur for Mr. Clark. He taught our Third Form Maori class, but in his new position he has a much wider range of subjects, and we wish him the best of luck.

Lastly is Vosailagi, our Fijian giant, who is a brilliant sportsman, but lately has been directing his attention to studying for Matriculation. He is returning to his home country at the end of this year.

FOURTH FORM.

We are a very happy Form, consisting of thirteen boys, most of whom possess a keen sense of humour. So we were told. In all branches of sport we have reliable representatives, and we can claim without boasting to be one of the most sporting Forms in the School. When we must work we do, and that is the reason why we are such an industrious Form.

Two of our members have not answered the roll call. They are Bruce Caldwell and Ian Boyd, both good sportsmen.

We thank Mr. Hickling and the other masters for helping us so much.

In IVb. we have Cranswick, who represented the College in the Inter-School Sports. Next we have Crampton, who excels in Boxing, Tennis, Cricket, Football and Running.

Then comes Darby, who is a noted musician, and a wonder at Tennis. Here comes Kerr, another member of the First Fifteen and Second Eleven. King is in the Second Eleven, and is a good Tennis player. Then there is Mikkelsen, who has been first in all of our exams. this year. He debated for School House. We now come to Morgan, who captained the First Fifteen in some matches, and was in the senior reps. He is a good Tennis player and runner. He is also in the First Eleven, and a House Prefect. And here's Nagatalevu, who hails from the Islands, and is a good footballer, cricketer, tennis player and runner. Paora is captain of the Second Fifteen, and plays in the Second Eleven. The youngest member is Phillips, who is a noted musician and runner. Then comes Varndell, who represented Simmonds House in the final Debate. He is the Form's mascot. In the Second Eleven we have Warbrick, who is also clever at school work. In closing the alphabet, we have Wilcox, a member of the First Eleven and Second Fifteen.

It is with mixed feelings that many of us look forward to the end of the year. Those of us who are leaving the College at the end of the year, though we may be anxious to be free of school and doing our bit, shall always look back on the last year in the Fourth Form as the happiest year of our school life, but short as our school days are, they have been long enough to form everlasting friendships. As we are a modest Form, we will not "further seek our merits to disclose," but will say "Au Revoir" till next year.

THIRD FORM.

Our Head Boy Joseph spends his time in weeding,
 Our boxer Speedy thinks that he is "tough,"
 Professor Greenaway is devoted to his reading,
 While the seventh of the Rogers likes it rough.

The elder Rogers' queerest way of singing
 Often startles Waka off into a run.
 His books Dick White is often seen a-flinging;
 Now Bell—he says he likes his "lot of fun."

Our snowy-headed Caldwell's good at cricket,
 While Asher played his part a cup to win.
 Old Sherson couldn't even hit a wicket,
 Or tell a wrestler's "scissors" from a "spin."

Friend Carter in the Seconds is a bowler,
 And Matthews knows a lot about his stamps;
 Nui Karetai is famous as a stroller,
 While Parker on the farm does take his tramps.

Sam Andrews is a wizard at all drawing,
 But Slatter keeps his mind on things to eat.
 To Holt it seems that physics are just boring,
 While Haru thinks that Maori's hard to beat.

A piano Gregory rattles with his fingers,
 While Morgan is a wonder at the net.
 From substitutes our Pakeho malingers;
 Model aeroplanes are Owen Henry's pet.

Smiling Popata is also good at Maori,
 But Burnett would much prefer a little rest.
 William Edwards has a chest just like a kauri,
 And in hakas always stands out from the rest.

And there you have the roll call of the Third Form.
 Though some have left who answer not the call.
 In Simmonds you will find us and the School Dorm.
 A mighty bunch of fellows are we all.

SECOND FORM.

There was a young fellow named Shifty,
 Who in chasing of rabbits was nifty:
 When crossing C3
 He tumbled on three,
 And then there was pie for some fifty.

Bob Scott, Bob Scott, give us your great smile.
 Come along, jump along, speed along, now.
 For we want for to go a many a mile
 Wi' John Sherwin, Neville Mitchell,
 Andrew Copland, Peter Smith,
 Old Uncle George Rehu and all.
 Old Uncle George Rehu and all.

FORM II. ALPHABET.

A is for nobody here that we know ;
 B is for Bennett, so fat and so busy ;
 C is for Copland, whose curls are a show ;
 D is for David, our reader we know ;
 E's for young Evan, who's ever so wise ;
 F is for Foy, such beautiful eyes ;
 G is for Gamlen, with vigorous sighs ;
 H is for Henry, whose nice little bellow
 I, our brave Ian, ne'er cares for so well-O ;
 J is for John, of whom there's too many ;
 K's for dear Tuta who's saved not a penny ;
 L's for dear little Leon whose story is long ;
 M's for dear Neville, who's left part at home ;
 N is for Nelson, whom we mentioned before ;
 O—that's for our Master, so savage and sour ;
 P is for Peter, our famous right bower ;
 Q's for the questions that make us to lower ;
 R is for Raymond, who guards the far corner ;
 S for bold Scott, so QUIET and CALM ;
 T is for Tapsell, whose picture we have ;
 U's for the Union we show to the School ;
 V is for something that makes us keep cool ;
 W's for the man who found Mr. What ;
 X, Y, and Z for mysteries that puzzle the lot.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

We are the Wesley little boys,
 We have our sorrows and our joys.
 There's Lloyd and Arthur, Harold, Ted,
 All good lads if found in bed—
 Armour, Derek, Selwyn, Rex,
 Who never do their teacher vex.
 Donald, Harley, Alec, Cliff,
 Good fellows, but there's an *if*.
 If only washing they would like,
 Our Matron says she'd never "bite."
 And lastly Bill and Frankie Boy,
 Who try so hard not to annoy.

He'd taught the local boys enough,
 Down to work they settle,
 Their lips they'd never move again,
 While he was on his mettle.

He asked them questions ; no one answered.
 Angry he became.
 But he'd told them not to move their lips,
 So they were not to blame.

—R.V. (IVb.)

A GRAND GAME.

The First Fifteen were moving out
 To keep up their good name ;
 Their object was to beat King's Col.,
 At least to draw the game.

They set about their task with vim,
 Upon a muddy field.
 King's strove and rallied and strove again,
 To make our stalwarts yield.

The game had been in progress now
 For twenty minutes or more,
 When Vosailagi kicked a goal,
 And gave them their first score.

This triumph gave them greater dash,
 The backs were set in motion,
 But their tactics were of no avail
 Till Oien had a notion.

With a tricky run he passed King's men,
 And then came to the full-back,
 But over-eager Samuela
 Good judgment he did lack.

He rectified this bad mistake
 When later King's were pressing,
 For a grand save at the critical time
 Sam deserves our blessing.

King's tried to score an equalizer ;
 To our far line they bounded.
 We drove them back and were driving them still,
 When the final whistle sounded.

—R.V.

BEAUTY SPOTS OF THE FAR NORTH.

Ngawha's Unique Springs.

Although one sees the curative values of Rotorua advertised all over the world, scarcely anywhere are there seen reports on springs which are infinitely more valuable from a medical point of view and which despite their lack of advertising have effected some miraculous cures. These peculiar mineral springs are situated at Ngawha, a distance of some sixty miles from Whangarei, but even though they are within such easy access of this town most of the inhabitants are unaware of their existence. The reason for their lack of public support is probably that they are privately owned and receive no Government subsidy.

During the Great War a German professor predicted radium on the property; a statement which has been corroborated by the detection of water containing cinabar, a red substance which is an infallible sign of the presence of radium, the only cure for many so-called incurable diseases. The soil is also very rich in minerals, including mercury in very large quantities. Near the present Ngawha baths may be seen works which were used during the war for the extraction of mercury, but which now, owing to decreased demands for the substance, are closed.

There are seven baths, approximately seven feet long and three feet broad, whose bottom is of rich black mud, through which the spring water bubbles. Each bath is of a different temperature, this being made possible by cold water taps, as the heat would otherwise be unbearable. A lake about two hundred yards in circumference is close to the baths, but so pronounced are the minerals in it that there are no fish, and birds will settle nowhere near.

Many cases of rheumatism have been cured, and one in particular of rheumatoid arthritis was successfully cured. Mr. —, holding a responsible position in a freezing company, was compelled to give up his work because of the above disease. The afflicted man tried every advertised cure, but to no avail. He was pronounced incurable at one of the large public hospitals, and not until he at last found Ngawha Springs was he cured. After taking a few baths in the mineral springs he noticed a species of carbuncle developing on the back of his neck. From this, a week or so later, poured all the matter causing the paralysis of his joints, and after a few weeks Mr. — was able to walk again for the first time in several years.

Many similar cures, which space does not allow me to enumerate, have been made by these unique springs, which are also wonderful for the fact that they destroy all germs, thus preventing contagion of any sort. Consider how different their history would have been if they had been in America or England, where they

would have been "boosted" by the Government, and not left to be secluded through lack of financial aid. Should we not, as humanitarians, help Nature's gift to heal the afflicted and to remove a-portion of the illness caused by rheumatism from this earth?

—P.B.G.

THE MILKERS.

We rise to milk the College cows
 Before the break of day:
 When it is cold and dark, you bet,
 In bed we'd rather stay.

We put our dirty denims on,
 And working boots to match,
 And stride down in the frosty air,
 Our morning tea to catch

The switch is thrown; the motor starts;
 We put the water through.
 The teats are washed, the cups go on,
 And now the milk goes through.

The cows go out, and more come in,
 But soon they all are done.
 We clean the yard and then go home
 To share a day of fun.

At three o'clock each afternoon,
 Back to the shed we hail
 To get the profits from the cows,
 And put them in the pail.

Next morning Snowy takes the cream
 Upon the College lorry
 To dairy fact'ry down the road,
 And we are not so sorry.

"I have to milk at number three,"
 Says spare boy number one.
 "The cups fall off as soon as on,
 And we are never done."

You do not know what milking is
 Till you get over there,
 But we are tough, as you may know,
 And do not turn a hair.

But how we long for Sunday morn,
 For then our job will end,
 And Duxy'll get another gang
 On whom he can't depend.

—G.D.S.

WESLEY COLLEGE NATATORIUM.

(In other words, "Our Swimming Pool").

A dreamland pool, such as would be used by Cleopatra as she dashed down for her morning dip with all of her female slaves, tinted with tiles of dainty pattern, and filled with the lactic fluid of the udders of a thousand goats or cows, was the vision that emanated from the imaginative mind of some youth, that caused thirty dirty lads of the College, along with other stout fellows around about the place, to embark on the building of a swimming pool, a veritable natatorium (see above).

No doubt the idea appealed, because the sun had not set on that day until a construction gang was borne to the site of our deserted quarry nearby on our energetic lorry, to view the landscape o'er and put into action the dream of our young thinker.

After a hurried consultation the dirt began to fly! Picks clicked, and shovels dug, backs were bent and hands were rubbed, and great was the action thereof. High above from the watch-tower flew that message made famous in all Wesley College history: "The Principal expects every man to do his duty"; and as we sweated and strained with the earnestness of any Volga boatman we saw with delight the form of our mighty dam taking place. A tiny stream that flowed across the floor of the area soon spread over everywhere, and we thrilled as we watched the insignificant streamlet become a mass of H₂O: dirty, chilly and uninviting in the extreme. Our work was done—a buttress as strong as Arapuni.

But alas! Even while we watched we saw a trickle appear on the lee side of the dam that told our more accomplished workmen a tale of doom. The dashed thing had sprung a leak!

Nothing remained but to once again rebuild the construction with greater care. Truly, a gargantuan task, and highly technical.

Ere night had fallen on the fourth day, we lived to see a glimmering sheet of water spread so invitingly across the space, and we looked upon it. Our dream had come true; Nature's natural natatorium (see above), an accomplishment which—but! But what? Well, the water was only three inches deep in one place! Eighteen in another, while down in a depression at one end three to four feet of water existed. The stream had cut itself deeply beneath the dam, and we had to admit defeat.

As we pass in the bus we gaze sadly on our work with the misery of Alexander, who had no other worlds to conquer! Maybe we will behold our dream in fact some day, but until then let us be content with Pukekohe and its attendant attractions. (Old Boys, please note!)

—C.H.S.

PARODY.

A short while ago at Wesley College,
 Where we lived quite a distance from the sea,
 The thing we used to do in early morning
 Was to fish for eels, and have them after tea.

We would catch them when we woke up in the morning,
 Our long lines hoisting out the weight;
 And we used to think of rowing down the streamlet
 And catching them with very little bait.

For we used to take the apples from the orchard
 And eat them while we fished for quarry eels,
 And watched the water flowing through the rushes,
 The long and wiry rushes by the fields.

The biggest ones were more than twenty-pounders,
 And when we got a big one on our lines
 We would pull them out and skin them and then cook them,
 And that was when we had the best of times.

To tumble from the boat into the water
 Was better than a swim in any baths,
 And if it was in very early morning
 One would feel as if his body was in halves.

But we were caught and made to work in the old Prep. room.
 Now, the quarry eels are very far away:
 We had to do some lines, about a thousand,
 And this was worse than working every day.

We will never any longer see the quarry,
 But the very last thing that we shall see
 Will be the twenty-pounders swimming in the river,
 Where we used to fish, but never more will be.

—D.R.C. (IIIa.)

THE DELIGHTS OF MILKING.

Milking a cow is a pleasant thing,
 When all you've to do is to watch and sing.
 But when it comes to milking that cow,
 Ah! who thinks it's a pleasant thing now?
 In genial weather the job's not bad,
 But when it's raining it's very sad
 To have to sit in the streaming wet,
 And milk that horrid Friesian pet.
 On winter mornings cold and drear,
 Duxfield comes with his usual cheer:
 "It's late; get up and milk," he cries,

When under the clothes my head he spies.
 After a while I rise and dress,
 And lazily to the cowshed press.
 With a wooden stool, and a pail of tin
 (The pail, you know, is to put the milk in).
 The cow in the grass I find so wet,
 So I drive her up: "Come on, you pet,
 Into the cowshed warm and dry."
 And then I commence her leg to tie.
 At last I sit upon the stool,
 And take the pail, as is the rule,
 Between my knees, and hold it tight,
 And then I milk with all my might.
 The milk comes out in foaming streams,
 A never-ending flow it seems,
 Until the pail is nearly full.
 And then I know I need not pull.
 The watcher looking on might say:
 "Oh! that's easy: it's just play!"
 You let him try, but just for fun;
 He'll find it easier said than done.

—E.C. (IVb.)

THE THIRD TEST.

Saturday the 25th at last. It was a very consoling thought to those who were busily doing the daily College duties such as milking and pig feeding, and it created excitement in those who were busily bending over their Geometry books in prep., trying hard to foretell the winners. Soon parade was over, breakfast forgotten, and the College far in the dim past as forty students sat patiently waiting in the speeding lorry. It seemed an eternity before they arrived at Eden Park. Impatiently they stood outside the gates, but it was not long, however, before they sat in the school children's enclosure, eagerly waiting for the greatest match in Rugby history.

Time slowly dragged by, and the huge crowd gave vent to its feelings by shouting and throwing things around at different stages of the day. Minor games of football were played to keep the crowd appeased during its long wait. But none of them proved very exciting, except perhaps the final of the Auckland Rugby games between Ponsonby and University, which resulted in an easy win for the former team.

At last the time came when the Springboks and All Blacks marched silently out on to the field of battle, amid the tumultuous roar of thousands of throats. The Governor-General shook hands with all the players just before the game started, but it was soon over, and the game ready to start.

Then the shrill blast of the whistle sounded, and New Zealand kicked off, to begin the greatest game in the history of Rugby. From the very start the Springboks attacked, opening up their game by passing the ball around amongst their invincible backs. Within the first eight minutes the Green and Whites opened their score. Trevathan kicked New Zealand's two goals, and they were certainly good kicks, too. The crowd roared themselves hoarse when these two kicks went over, but they failed to show as much enthusiasm when the Africans scored all their tries. The Africans showed particular brilliance in all their fine movements, and they dominated play from start to finish. Then the same blast of the whistle sounded through the air, proclaiming the end of the game, with the Africans the winners, having seventeen points to their favour, and six against them.

Roars of applause rose from some of the African supporters as the team hurried off the field to avoid the swarming crowd. The greater part of the crowd hurried to the gates to make their exit from the very disappointing game they had witnessed. Slowly the congestion died away, and Eden Park was left far behind in the bitter thoughts of the day.

—J.S.O. (V.)

THE BARS.

Dismissed from their lessons,
 They race to the door
 And file out by the pairs
 With such a big roar.
 They run on the shingle
 And jump over drains,
 But one comes a cropper
 And soon feels the pains.
 They perch on the high bar,
 And one does a flip,
 Another one tries it,
 But goes head over tip.
 They are just going fine,
 When the bell 'gins to clang.
 Says one, "Darn that bell,
 Who'll give it a bang?"

—S.P. (IIIb.)

FOOTBALL NOTES.

The past football season was found to have had something lacking in it. The games were not properly organised as in previous years, and the failure of one school to participate in the rounds threw the whole thing out of order. Both St. Stephen's and Wesley College had their First Fifteens divided into two teams of equal strengths. This was done to allow Pukekohe to play against them without fear of opposing a heavy team, but the dividing proved an utter failure. St. Stephen's were fortunate in that their divided teams were far better than their collective team, thus enabling them to win the inter-college football without a loss. The results of the various games are as follows:—

First Round—

Wesley A1 v. St. Stephen's A1.—Lost, 3–12.

Wesley A2 v. St. Stephen's A2.—Lost, 3–24.

Wesley A1 v. St. Stephen's A2.—Lost, 3–14.

Wesley A2 v. St. Stephen's A1.—Lost, 0–20.

Wesley A1 v. Wesley A2.—Won, 11–6.



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Second Round—

Wesley A1 v. St. Stephen's A1—Lost, 5-14.

Wesley A2 v. St. Stephen's A2—Lost, 0-23.

The above results may at first seem very disheartening, but in the two games which Wesley College played against St. Stephen's, both having combined their teams, saw Wesley College rise victorious on both occasions. The first match was played at St. Stephen's on a fine day, and, as stated previously, won by College 15-9, while the Second Fifteen won, too, the score being 14-6. In the second game College pulled off another victory on their own grounds by defeating St. Stephen's 19-11 in the firsts, and 11-8 in the seconds.

Although the inter-school competition was a little marred this season, it helped in securing games against outside teams. The first of the series of games was the annual fixture against Trinity College, played on the College ground. Trinity College was by far the better team this season, beating Wesley College for the second year in succession by 22-8. It was a good clean game, played in the best of spirit from start to finish. This season showed a new avenue opened in the Rugby line when Wesley College played "Kings" at Kings. They were fortunate in winning on a very heavy ground by a narrow margin of three points. The last game was against Port Albert, on the College ground the same day New Zealand won the first test at Wellington. Like New Zealand, Wesley College followed suit to beat Port Albert by 21-16.

HOUSE MATCHES.

The House Matches this season saw Simmonds House win all three matches with ease. Hearty congratulations, Simmonds House. The scores of the matches were as follows:—

First.—Simmonds 19, School 0.

Second.—Simmonds 21, School 0.

Third.—Simmonds 11, School 6.

No junior House Matches were played this season, since School House were unable to secure a heavy enough team to match against Simmonds juniors. In the last senior House Match Simmonds House were without the services of their tower of strength, Bob Vosailagi, thus explaining the sudden rise of School House's scoring. And so the season closes with many bright prospects for the coming year.

Two very interesting games played during the season were a Rugby match and a Soccer match between the Staff and the boys. In each game the boys proved superior, but both games were thoroughly enjoyed. The Staff early discovered that tactics and brainwork minus "wind" and speed were not enough.


CRICKET NOTES.

Owing to the late start this year, only one round was played in the first term, instead of the usual two. Once again the College lived up to its reputation by winning the inter-school competition, both in the first and second elevens. Although few changes were made in both teams, it did not spoil the excellent standard which

they had achieved. Mr. Hickling should be heartily congratulated for the high standard of play which his team was able to attain through his coaching. The second eleven, too, owe their thanks to Mr. Waring for his untiring efforts as coach. This year a decided improvement in all spheres of the game was shown, and there has been a keen interest in the game throughout the season. It is very pleasing, too, to see so much promising material for next year.

The First Eleven were as follows (Mr. P. A. Hickling): J. Oien (Capt.), W. Vosailagi, S. Nagatalevu, P. Morgan, H. Ranapia, A. Rogers, G. Wilcox, S. Ohlson, T. Kingi, D. Asher.

SENIORS.

First Term—

v. St. Stephen's—Two-point win (Oien 37, Nagatalevu 30. Nagatalevu and Oien shared the wickets.)

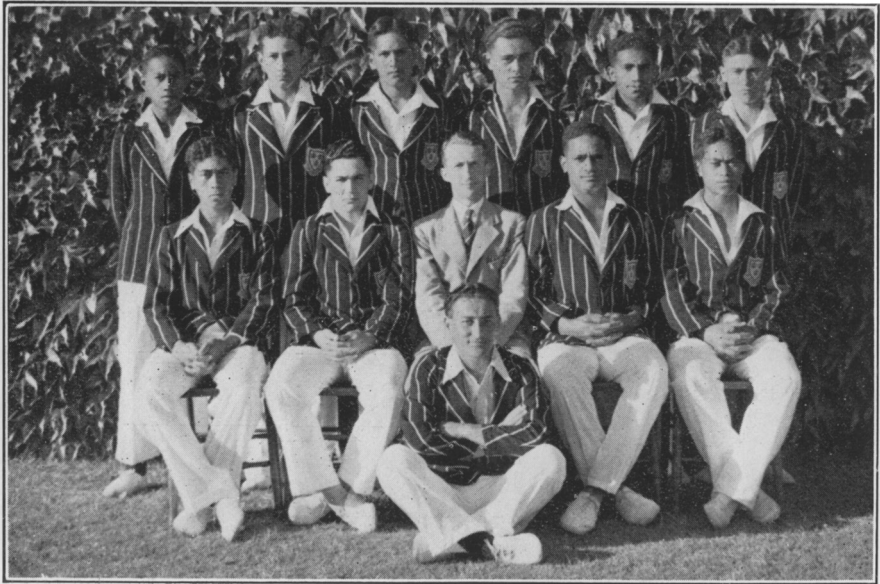
v. High School—Three-point win by ten wickets (Vosailagi 9, Oien 12. P. Morgan three wickets, Vosailagi four wickets.)

Third Term—

v. St. Stephen's—Four-point win (Oien 45, Ohlson 22. Nagatalevu and Vosailagi shared the wickets, and Oien seven wickets in second innings.)

v. High School—Draw. (A. Rogers 37, Oien 31. Morgan seven wickets.)

v. St. Stephen's—Three-point loss. (Ranapia and Nagatalevu 14. Nagatalevu eight wickets.)



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v. High School—Three-point win.

The Second Eleven were as follows (Mr. H. T. Waring): C. Be-croft (Capt.), T. Paora, W. Rogers, I. Speedy, P. Smith, C. King, E. Crampton, B. Warbrick, D. Caldwell, R. Carter, Edwards.

Results (third term only):—

v. St. Stephen's—Three-point win.

v. High School—Three-point win.

v. St. Stephen's—Two-point win on first innings.

v. High School—Two-point win.

The above results were for the third term only, as no record can be found for the two matches in the first term.

HOUSE MATCHES.

So far only four of the six games have been played, and the results are:—

First Round—

Seniors—Three-point win for Simmonds House.

Juniors—Four-point win for Simmonds House.

Second Round—

Seniors—Three-point win for School House.

Juniors—Four-point win for Simmonds House.

In the first term two friendly games were played against outside teams. Both teams played on the College grounds, and on both occasions a very enjoyable game was had. The first match was against Waipipi, and it resulted in a draw. The second match was against Pukekohe Colts, which resulted in a win for Pukekohe Colts on the last wicket. A friendly house match was also played in the first term, and it resulted in an easy win for Simmonds House. Masters were allowed to play in this match.

During the year a very handsome cup was presented for the cricket competition of the Franklin Secondary Schools by the relatives and friends of the late Jim Joseph. It is fitting that his old school should be the first holders of the cup by winning the 1937 competition.

STAFF MATCH.

The boys again successfully withstood a challenge from the Staff, even though the Staff were playing fourteen men in the first innings. Batting first, the Staff made 89, greatly assisted by A. C. Vosailagi, who made 49. The boys replied with 95. In the second innings the Staff declared with five wickets down for 88, but the boys played out time for the loss of five wickets for 44.

ANNUAL SPORTS.

The annual Athletic Sports were held on the College grounds on Saturday, April 17th. The weather was fine and the track was in good order.

SENIOR OPEN.

100 Yards.—A. Vosailagi 1, W. Vosailagi 2, S. Nagatalevu 3. Time, 11 2-5 secs.

220 Yards.—A. Vosailagi 1, S. Nagatalevu 2, W. Vosailagi 3. Time, 24 4-5 secs. (record).

Putting the Shot.—A. Vosailagi 1, W. Vosailagi 2, S. Ohlson 3. Distance, 37ft. 11ins. (record).

440 Yards.—A. Vosailagi 1, S. Nagatalevu 2, W. Vosailagi 3. Time, 56 4-5 secs. (record).

Long Jump.—A. Vosailagi 1, S. Nagatalevu 2, W. Vosailagi 3. Distance, 18ft. 7in.

High Jump.—A. Vosailagi 1, W. Vosailagi 2, S. Nagatalevu 3. Height, 5ft. 2in. (record).

Hop, Step and Jump.—S. Nagatalevu 1, A. Vosailagi 2, W. Vosailagi 3. Distance, 36ft. 7in.

880 Yards.—J. Oien 1, E. Crampton 2, P. Morgan 3. Time, 2 min. 36 3-5 secs.

One Mile.—J. Oien 1, S. Ohlson 2, P. Morgan 3.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—A. Vosailagi 1, W. Vosailagi 2, J. Oien 3. Distance, 92 yards.

120 Yards Hurdles.—A. Vosailagi 1, W. Vosailagi 2, S. Nagatalevu 3. Time, 17 1-5 secs.

Cross Country.—J. Oien 1, P. Morgan 2, H. Ranapia 3.

JUNIOR OPEN.

100 Yards.—T. Kingi 1, R. Morgan 2, S. Andrews 3. Time, 13 3-5 secs.

220 Yards.—T. Kingi 1, S. Andrews 2, R. Morgan 3. Time, 28 4-5 secs.

440 Yards.—R. Morgan 1, W. Strickland 2, C. Becroft 3. Time, 1 min. 7 2-5 secs.

880 Yards.—W. Strickland 1, C. Becroft and S. Andrews 2. Time, 2 min. 45 2-5 secs.

One Mile.—R. Morgan 1, W. Strickland 2, C. Becroft 3.

Long Jump.—G. Wilcox 1, T. Kingi 2, A. Phillips 3. Distance, 15ft. 1½in.

Hop, Step and Jump.—S. Andrews 1, T. Kingi and G. Wilcox 2. Distance, 32ft. 10in. (record).

High Jump.—G. Wilcox and W. Strickland 1, T. Kingi 3. Height, 4ft. 4in.

120 Yards Hurdles.—W. Strickland 1, C. Becroft 2, R. Morgan 3. Time 21 3-5 secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—R. Morgan 1, C. Becroft 2, I. Speedy 3.

Cross Country.—R. Morgan 1, W. Holt 2, S. Andrews 3.

SENIOR HANDICAP EVENTS.

100 Yards.—E. Ronaldson 1, P. Smith 2, D. Asher 3. Time, 13 secs.

220 Yards.—E. Crampton 1, D. Asher 2, P. Smith 3. Time 29 3-5 secs.

440 Yards.—S. Ohlson 1, R. Bell 2, H. Shepherd 3. Time, 1 min. 7 4-5 secs.

High Jump.—P. Morgan 1, R. Bell and D. Asher 2. Height, 4ft. 1in.

JUNIOR HANDICAP EVENTS.

100 Yards.—R. Thomassen 1, A. Copland 2, S. Popata 3. Time, 14 4-5 secs.

220 Yards.—D. Caldwell 1, R. Thomassen 2, R. Brown 3. Time, 32 4-5 secs.

440 Yards.—J. Sherwin 1, R. Thomassen 2, R. Bennett 3. Time, 1 min. 20 secs.

High Jump.—J. Cranswick 1.

UNDER 14 YEARS.

100 Yards.—N. Mitchell and J. Sherwin 1, D. Caldwell 3. Time, 14 1-5 secs.

220 Yards.—A. Phillips 1, W. Holt 2, J. Sherwin 3. Time 32 2-5 secs.

440 Yards.—W. Holt 1, A. Phillips 2, R. Brown 3. Time, 1 min. 12 4-5 secs.

OTHER EVENTS.

100 Yards Staff Race Handicap.—Mr. Blake 1, Mr. Hickling 2, Mr. Baillie 3. Time, 12 2-5 secs.

100 Yards Old Boys' Race.—T. Becroft 1, I. Becroft 2, D. Metherell 3. Time, 12 1-5 secs.

75 Yards Handicap, Under 12.—P. Tapsell 1, A. Eustace 2, H. Cant 3.

Sack Race, Final.—R. Morgan 1, W. Holt 2, R. Bell 3.

Potato Race, Junior.—D. Caldwell 1, P. Matthews 2, A. Copland 3.

Potato Race, Senior.—H. Shepherd 1, R. Bell 2, P. Smith 3.

Potato Race, Under 12.—H. Cant 1, P. Tapsell 2.

House Relays.—Junior: School House. Senior: Simmonds House.

Tug of War.—Junior: Simmonds House. Senior: Simmonds House.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

Senior.—A. W. Vosailagi; runner-up, S. Nagatalevu.

Junior.—R. Morgan; runner-up, W. Strickland.

HOUSE POINTS.

Senior.—Simmonds House, 51; School House, 30.

Junior.—School House, 50½; Simmonds House, 25½.

A feature of this year's sports was the excellent showing made by A. C. Vosailagi, who now holds the School records for the 220, 440, High Jump, Putting the Shot, Long Jump, 120 Hurdles, and has equalled the record for the 100 yards. Vosailagi very sportingly withdrew from the Senior Championship, which he had won in the previous two years, in order to make a more even competition for the other seniors.

INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS.

This year for the first time the inter-school sports between St. Stephen's, Pukekohe High, and Wesley College were held on the College grounds, instead of on the Pukekohe High School grounds. The tracks were in good order, but the weather was cold and wet, and the last event of the day was run off in gathering darkness.

In the senior division, Wesley was successful in all the track events except the hurdles, S. Nagatalevu winning the 100 yards, W. Vosailagi the 220 yards, E. Crampton the 440 yards, and J. Oien the 880 yards and mile. Wesley also won the relay and the throwing the cricket ball, in which latter event J. Oien set up a new inter-school record.

The junior division was very evenly contested between the three schools, our four best juniors, T. Kingi, S. Andrews, R. Morgan and W. Strickland, all doing well.

SWIMMING.

Pukekohe Baths, Tuesday, 16th March, 1937. The day was overcast, with a cool wind blowing from the south-east. Conditions for swimming were only fair.

This year, owing to the late start, there was no inter-school swimming competition.

SENIOR OPEN.

25 Yards Free Style.—A. C. Vosailagi 1, A. W. Vosailagi 2, H. Skuse 3. Time, 14 1-5 secs.

50 Yards Free Style.—A. C. Vosailagi 1, A. W. Vosailagi 2, S. Nagatalevu 3. Time, 33 secs.

100 Yards Free Style.—A. W. Vosailagi 1. Time 89 4-5 secs.

25 Yards Breaststroke.—A. W. Vosailagi 1, S. Nagatalevu 2, R. Bell 3. Time, 20 3-5 secs.

25 Yards Backstroke.—A. W. Vosailagi 1, A. C. Vosailagi 2, S. Nagatalevu 3. Time, 19 1-5 secs.

Under Water Swim.—H. Skuse 1, R. Bell 2, A. W. Vosailagi 3.

Long Plunge.—A. W. Vosailagi 1, H. Skuse 2, R. Bell 3. Distance, 30ft. 7in.

Standing Dive.—H. Shepherd 1, H. Skuse 2, R. Bell 3.

JUNIOR OPEN.

25 Yards Free Style.—T. Kingi 1, I. Speedy and W. Strickland 2. Time, 15 3-10 secs.

50 Yards Free Style.—T. Kingi 1, I. Speedy 2, R. Scott 3. Time, 35 3-5 secs.

75 Yards Free Style.—I. Speedy 1, S. Andrews 2. Time, 63 secs.

25 Yards Breaststroke.—T. Kingi 1. Time, 28 1-5 secs.

25 Yards Backstroke.—T. Kingi 1, C. Becroft 2. Time 24 1-5 secs.

Under Water Swim.—W. Strickland 1, P. Tapsell 2, R. Bennett 3. Distance, 33 yards, 9 inches.

Long Plunge.—C. Becroft 1, I. Speedy 2, A. Phillips 3. Distance, 34 feet, 10 inches.

Standing Dive.—R. Brown 1, P. Tapsell 2, T. Kingi 3.

Beginners' Race.—R. Brown 1, C. King 2, R. Thomassen 3.

25 Yards Senior Handicap.—H. Skuse 1, H. Shepherd 2, A. Rogers 3.

25 Yards Junior Handicap.—H. Cant 1, R. Brown 2.

Big Splash.—A. Copland 1.

HOUSE RELAYS.

Senior (4 x 25 yards).—Won by Simmonds House.

Junior (4 x 25 yards).—Won by School House.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

Senior.—A. W. Vosailagi (17) 1, A. C. Vosailagi and H. Skuse (8) 2.

Junior.—T. Kingi (13) 1, I. Speedy (8½) 2.

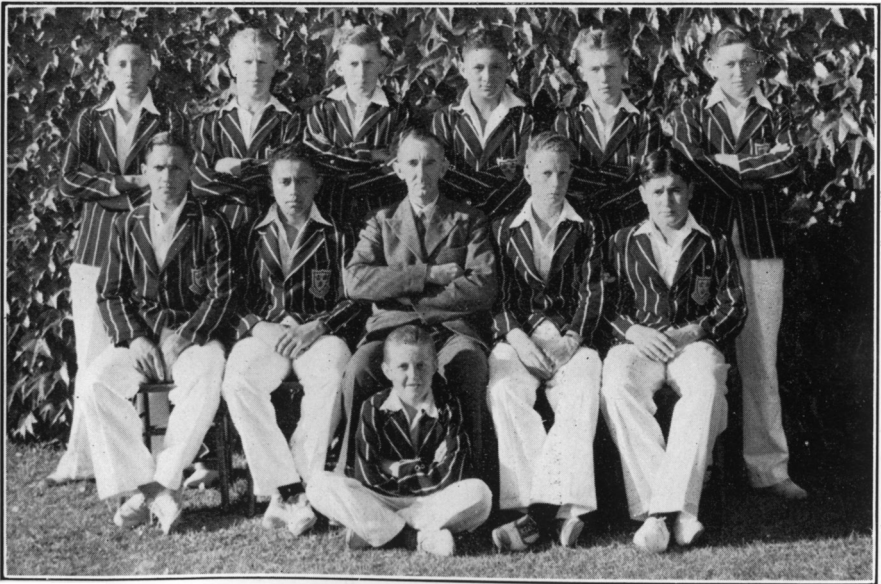
HOUSE CUP POINTS.

Senior.—Simmonds House (34) 1, School House (17) 2.

Junior.—School House (33½) 1, Simmonds House (15½) 2.



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TENNIS.

In the first and third terms, when the weather is fine, it is quite the usual thing to find all three courts being used from four o'clock till the "get-ready" bell at 5.45. This year has found an even greater number than usual taking part in tennis, and the school championships were better contested than for many years past. For the Trounson Cup there were thirteen senior entrants, and for the Court Cup thirteen juniors.

The results of the two championships were as follows:—

SENIOR.

First Round—

- A. Rogers beat D. Asher, 6—5, 6—4.
- R. Kerr beat R. Joseph, 6—2, 6—2.
- T. Paora beat J. Darby, 3—6, 6—4, 6—2.
- P. Morgan beat A. W. Vosailagi, 6—1, 6—5.
- E. Crampton beat P. B. Gamlen, 5—6, 6—2, 6—0.
- J. Oien, N. Karetai and S. Ohlson had byes.

Second Round—

- A. Rogers beat R. Kerr, 6—4, 6—4.
- P. Morgan beat T. Paora, 6—3, 4—6, 6—4.
- S. Ohlson beat E. Crampton, 6—5, 6—1.
- J. Oien beat N. Karetai, 6—1, 6—0.

Semi-finals—

- J. Oien beat A. Rogers, 6—4, 6—1.
- S. Ohlson beat P. Morgan, 2—6, 6—5, 6—3.

Finals—

- S. Ohlson beat J. Oien, 6—2, 6—5.
- Congratulations, Sonny!

JUNIORS.

First Round—

- Burnett beat N. Pellow, 9—6.
- A. Phillips beat R. Carter, 9—6.
- D. Caldwell beat R. Scott, 6—2, 6—2.
- T. Kingi, L. Storey, R. Morgan, I. Burton, C. Becroft had byes.

Second Round—

- T. Kingi beat L. Storey, 6—3, 6—2.
- R. Morgan beat Burnett, 9—7.
- A. Phillips beat D. Caldwell, 9—8.
- C. Becroft beat I. Burton, 6—1, 6—1.

Semi-finals—

- R. Morgan beat T. Kingi, 9—8.
- A. Phillips beat C. Becroft, 9—7.

Finals—

- R. Morgan beat A. Phillips, 9—6.
- Congratulations, Rolly!

INTER-HOUSE TENNIS.

Senior (School House teams mentioned first)—

- J. Oien 0, v. A. C. Vosailagi 9.
 - P. Morgan 9, v. S. Ohlson 4.
 - H. Ranapia 9, v. A. Rogers 2.
 - S. Nagatalevu 9, v. R. Kerr 3.
 - J. Oien and P. Morgan 9, v. A. C. Vosailagi and S. Ohlson 8.
 - H. Ranapia and S. Nagatalevu 5, v. A. Rogers and R. Kerr 9.
- (Five points to School House; four matches to two.)

Intermediate—

- D. Asher 9, v. E. Crampton 6.
 - R. Morgan 9, v. C. Becroft 5.
 - J. Darby 9, v. R. Carter 3.
 - T. Kingi 9, v. B. Burnett 1.
 - D. Asher and R. Morgan 6, v. E. Crampton and C. Becroft 9.
 - J. Darby and T. Kingi 9, v. R. Carter and B. Burnett 0.
- (Three points to School House; five matches to one.)

Junior—

- T. Kingi 9, v. A. Phillips 3.
 - J. Sherwin 5, v. D. Caldwell 9.
 - P. Tapsell 2, v. P. Matthews 9.
 - N. Pellow 3, v. R. Scott 9.
 - T. Kingi and J. Sherwin 9, v. A. Phillips and D. Caldwell 6.
 - P. Tapsell and N. Pellow 2, v. P. Matthews and R. Scott 9.
- (Two points to Simmonds House; four matches to two.)

At Pukekohe on November 17th and 20th, J. Oien, S. Ohlson, A. Rogers and P. Morgan represented the School in the senior division of the Inter-School Tennis Competition, while R. Morgan, T. Kingi, C. Becroft and J. Darby were the junior team. Pukekohe proved far too strong for our boys and St. Stephen's in the singles, while St. Stephen's won the day at doubles, leaving Wesley third in both divisions.

STAFF MATCH.

During the second term a team of six from the Staff played the top six on the boys' ladder. The Staff team comprised Mrs. Hickling, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Blake, Mr. Hickling, Mr. Follick and Mr. Skuse. Six singles and three doubles were played, the boys winning by five matches to four.


BOXING.

The House Boxing competition, which was begun again last year, was continued with greater success this year. Several boxing lessons were given by Mr. Follick, and a punch-bag was provided for training purposes. The gloves were in constant use by boys who were training in hope of securing a position in their House team. Those who were successful enough to obtain a place in their team did a few days' solid training. This year, owing to the inequality of the weights in the two houses, certain of the boxing divisions were unable to be filled. However, a very enjoyable

evening was spent by all the boys and staff. Mr. Hickling and Mr. Baillie acted as judges, while Mr. Follick was the referee.

The result of the competition is as follows:—

JUNIOR.

- 6 Stone and Under.—Tapsell v. Scott. Won by School House.
- 7 Stone and Under.—Holt v. ——. Won by Simmonds House by default.
- 8 Stone and Under.—Caldwell v. Mikkelsen. Won by Simmonds House.

INTERMEDIATE.

- 8.10 and Over.—Shepherd v. Pellow. Won by Simmonds House.
- 9.4 and Over.—Becroft v. Strickland. Won by School House.
- 10.0 and Over.—Crampton v. Nagatalevu. Won by School House.

SENIOR.

- 10.7 and Over.—Sorensen v. Oien. Won by Simmonds House.
- 11.4 and Over.—Vosailagi v. ——. Won by Simmonds House by default.

HOUSE COMPETITION.

WINSTONE CUP.

Event.	Points Gained.	
	School House.	Simmonds House.
Senior Cricket	1	— 3
	2	3 —
	3	— —
Junior Cricket	1	— 2
	2	— 2
	3	— —
Senior Football	1	— 3
	2	— 3
	3	— 3
Swimming	Senior	— 5
	Junior	4 —
Athletics	Senior	— 5
	Junior	4 —
Boxing	Senior	— 5
	Intermediate	3 —
Tennis	Junior	— 2
	Senior	5 —
Debates	Intermediate	3 —
	Junior	— 2
	No. 1	— 4
	No. 2	— 4
	No. 3	— 4
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This year no Junior Football Competition was held, as School House could not field a team anywhere approaching the weight of the Simmonds House Juniors. The House Master's agreed to abandon this section of the competition.

Although the Cricket competitions are not concluded at the time of going to press, Simmonds House has won the 1937 competition.



WESLEY COLLEGE OLD BOYS'
ASSOCIATION.

We record with deep regret the passing of Hugh Eastwood (1928-29) as the result of injuries received in a motor accident. The sympathy of all Old Boys who knew Hugh goes out to his mother and sisters.

The following boys left at the end of last year: T. V. Becroft, G. Boyle, K. Busbridge, N. M. Clark, L. Common, T. Dill, J. Eastbury, E. Finlayson, W. J. Farr, E. L. Farr, P. C. Hayden, W. J. Phillips, D. G. Powell, J. Rangihau, D. Rogers, V. Wallace, T. Thomson, and B. Wilson, who are farming.

Also C. Baker, who is now at John Burns Ltd., Auckland; K. Boyd, working in an Insurance Office, Wellington; J. S. Clark, at Hamilton High School; T. R. Ellison, at Otago Boys' High; G. Marsden, at Te Aute College; D. D. and E. E. McKillop, in Australia; D. Nepe, working in the N.Z.R. at Auckland; H. Service, attending New Plymouth Boys' High; A. Te Keri, now a guide at Tikitere; and R. Schischka, who is in a factory at Auckland.

During the year there has been a very keen interest shown by Old Boys, over thirty of whom have been able to visit their old school, and of whom many have written to tell us of their progress, and to inquire about the College.

One of our most enthusiastic Old Boys came over from the Solomon Islands to attend the Conference at Auckland and then to tour the country—Rev. B. Gina. "Gina" is now headmaster of a large school in the Islands, and tells us that his experience at Wesley College has proved invaluable. From the Solomons also came most interesting letters from Nathan Kera, who is now the proud father of two.

Other letters were received from E. Suckling, A. Roberts, R. Ihaka, J. Winter, T. Litherland, T. Poole, F. Prince—both of the latter being in U.S.A.—while the following Old Boys visited the College during the year: C. Kidd, E. Kidd, M. Boyd, L. McK. Scott, W. Gollan, R. Gollan, D. Knight, T. Keepa, A. Martin, N. Mace, R. Harris, E. Hollay, F. Fleming, W. Robb, D. Andrew, H. Rogers, R. Rogers, J. Tawhai, E. Hodginott, G. Binet, F. Storey, D. Metherell, R. Manners, J. Rushton, G. Dixon, A. Bennett, O. Bennett, L. Bennett, C. W. Baker, T. V. Becroft, T. Dill, J. Eastbury, W. J. Farr, E. L. Farr, and Brian Wilson.

In December, 1936, an informal meeting of Old Boys was held at the Y.M.C.A., and all those present were unanimous that the time had come for the revival of the Old Boys' Association in 1937 or 1938. No meeting was called for this year, but it is hoped that next year there will be a reunion date fixed, and that as many Old Boys as possible will try to be present to set the Association going again.

CONGRATULATIONS—

To Graham Blamires, on his marriage to Miss M. Grimsshaw. Graham is now headmaster—and sole teacher—at Kawau.

To H. Rogers, on his success in University Exams.

To R. Rogers, on being accepted as a candidate for the ministry.

To M. D. T. Walters, on representing the Northern Maoris—and Wesley College Old Boys—at the Coronation.

To E. Hoddinott, as senior student at Trinity.

To R. White, on being picked for the All Black trials.

To T. Keepa, on his trip to England with Rev. Seamer's Maori Party.

Our Bay of Plenty group of Old Boys bids fair to outnumber the Port Albert group. We learn that M. M. Clark, R. White, G. Mitchell and D. Woolfield are members of the Waimana Young Farmers' Club. H. Luke, J. Breengan, B. Wilson and D. Boon are all farming, and we hear that Brian is contemplating taking a partner for life.

Space does not permit us to record the doings of all Old Boys, but next year, when they can guarantee to order, say, one hundred copies of the Magazine we will be only too pleased to extend this most important section of the Magazine.

EXCHANGES.

We gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following exchanges:—

"King's School Magazine," Vols. I. and II.

"Dilworthian, 1937," Vols. I. and II.

"Fideliter, 1937."

"Takapuna G.S. Magazine, 1937."

"Auckland Grammar School Chronicle."

"The Scot."

"The Hamiltonian."

"Sacred Heart College Magazine."

"The Albertian."



