



# The Southern Cross

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## FROM THE HEADMASTER

### THE END OF THE BEGINNING

As we draw near the end of our third Year, it seems to be a good idea to take stock of our position. I think it would be a fair thing to say that we have completed the first stage of our growth—our infancy, if you like. The next stage -- that of vigorous youth -- lies ahead.

#### School Buildings

Most Third Year boys will remember that for a start we had only three buildings: Science, Manual, and Tuckshop blocks. The present Drawing rooms were ordinary classrooms, and the two Woodwork rooms were partitioned into three classrooms. By the end of 1957, Classroom block 1, the Library, the Administration block, and the General Activities block were ready for occupation. In the following year Classroom block 2, and the Physical Education—Music block were added. This year we have watched the Assembly Hall take shape. Before this paper reaches you, it will have been used for our first Intermediate Examination.

So these three years have seen the stage-by-stage expansion of our school buildings. Now, at a cost of over a quarter of a million pounds, the school building programme has been completed. We have reached the "end of the beginning".

#### The Intermediate

The reference to our "first Intermediate Examination" is a reminder that, in schooling as well as in building, we have reached "the end of the beginning." To the 260 boys who were enrolled at the beginning of 1957, the Intermediate was something in the remote future. Now the Assembly Hall is filled to capacity with desks and chairs, and those 260 boys are doing their best to prove that they have successfully completed the first part of the High School course.

Next year, about 140 of them hope to make a start on the Leaving Certificate course; and with the establishment of a Fourth Year the School will enter on a new phase of its development. It will no longer be a "three year" school, but a full High School preparing candidates for tertiary education and the professions.

#### Sport

We have been a "three year" school in Sport, too. Our sports afternoon has been Tuesday, and we have competed mainly against newly established schools. From the beginning of 1960 we shall switch over to Wednesday afternoons. How will we fare when our teams turn out to meet opponents from the older High Schools, such as Fort Street, Homebush, and Drummoyne? There's a real challenge to our sportsmen in that prospect, and a real incentive in the possibility of being selected to play with the "Firsts".

#### School Magazine

This Newspaper that you are reading is another illustration of "the end of the beginning". "The Southern Cross" first appeared in 1958 as a duplicated sheet. The 1959 issues have come to us from the printer (and this one, with the help of good friends who have paid for advertisements, has been greatly increased in size).

"The Southern Cross" has served a number of useful purposes. Among other things it has given a group of boys valuable training in gathering material for a school journal and arranging it for the Printer. We hope that it will continue as a Term Newspaper. But next year we are due to take a step forward: we must produce a School Magazine—and a good one.

#### Conclusion

There is other evidence that we have reached "the end of the beginning": the appointment of Subject Masters to take charge of the various departments; the demand for a Reference Library; the move for a Sports ground of our own; and so on. But there is no need, at present, to enlarge on these. Clearly, we are no longer just starting: we are well on the way.

H. E. M.

#### Subject Masters Announced for 1960

The following gentlemen have been appointed to the position of Subject Master at Epping Boys' High School from the beginning of 1960.

**ENGLISH and HISTORY:** Mr. W. Conomy, recently a Fullbright Scholar and at present English Master at Casino High School.

**MATHEMATICS:** Mr. N. M. Leeder, at present Mathematics Master at Fairfield High School.

**SCIENCE:** Mr. J. O. Holmes, at present Science Master at Port Hacking High School.

**COMMERCIAL:** BMr. J. W. Lennon, at present Commercial Master at Punchbowl High School.

**MANUAL ARTS:** Mr. R. S. Stanton, at present Manual Arts Master at Lismore High School.

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## Dence Park Pool Nears Completion



Dence Park, the site of the Epping War Memorial Pool, is a natural bushland area, and was named after one of the earliest settlers of Epping. The Pool, itself, will have an attractive bushland setting and is set back about 150 yards from Stanley Road.

The Pool is being constructed by Theiss Brothers, who are the largest construction engineers in Australia and who are currently completing a contract in the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme worth £9 million.

When completed the Pool will comply with full Olympic Standards which are 50 metres in length and 25 metres in width. To the present time the floor and walls of the pool have been constructed of reinforced concrete and these are now in the stage of being tiled. Work has already begun on the dressing sheds and the filtration plant. The Foreman in charge of construction has estimated that the Pool will be completed early in Jan-

uary, and that it will be opened some time later in the same month.

This Pool will have a great impact on the Epping district. It will provide a valuable recreational asset and will enable boys to swim much more often and at a much lower cost. People from surrounding districts will be able to swim at Epping without having to travel long distances to swimming pools. It will mean added business for the Epping area and it is a tribute to those men who have, for so long, persevered with this plan in the face of difficulty.

Summer Swimming for the School will be made much more attractive as the pool is but a short walk from the School. It will eliminate the costly bus travel and will enable boys to spend much more time in the water than before.

(GEOFF. McWILLIAM)

# ATHLETIC RESULTS

(From the Sportsmaster)

The School Athletics Team took part in 5 Carnivals, in all, with the following results:—

## 1. RYDE-HORNSBY CLUB CARNIVAL

With 14 schools taking part we were placed 6th in the Secondary Section, with 24 points. Unfortunately all the team did not take part or these results could have been improved.

## 2. WESTERN DISTRICTS P.S.A.A. CARNIVAL

With perhaps the smallest team of competitors we were placed 3rd. in the aggregate point score, Normanhurst and Meadowbank taking 1st and 2nd placings. We won the Under 15 and Under 14 Division Championships and have trophies to prove it. It is important to note that the two schools which beat us both had 4th and 5th Year competitors.

## 3. GRANNY SMITH FESTIVAL

Only very few boys took part but these filled many of the placings, including several Firsts.

## 4. ALL SCHOOLS CARNIVAL

This is a Carnival in which any school in the State may enter. In this we had one placing in the Under 15 years 100 yards (Ross Hagedoorn) who was placed 3rd with a time of 10.4 secs.

## 5. COMBINED HIGH SCHOOLS CARNIVAL

With 100 schools taking part we were placed 18th in aggregate points. Thirteen boys reached the finals in 15 events, and 6 were placed in the finals. These were: Ross Hagedoorn, Brian Tieste (2), D. Moffitt, P. Fisher, and the Relay Team (under 15), R. Hagedoorn, D. Seymour, J. Seymour, D. Fewchuk.

The outstanding feature was that we had no real champions but plenty of good material which could develop into champions. Our high position at the moment in the Inter School Athletics is due to the minor placings which these boys gained. In all carnivals our points were spread over all divisions, which is a tribute to the whole team.

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# EPPING HIGH SCHOOL BOY ON AMATEUR HOUR

(BRUCE McATEER)

On one of the recent Amateur Hour broadcasts Ken Brown from Class 1C gave a piano performance by playing a bracket of two numbers: "Tip Toe through the Tulips" and "Melody of Love". Ken gave a very favourable performance and was unlucky not to have gained a place in the first six. His failure to do this does not detract from his performance as the artists on the same bill as Ken were of an extremely high standard, including artists flown in specially from Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane. As a mark of appreciation the management of Station 2UE presented Ken with a cheque for £2/2/0.

## Prefects Elect for 1960

The following boys have been elected by the School and the members of the Staff for appointment as Prefects during 1960.

We take this opportunity of wishing these boys well in their difficult and important task. Their election is a tribute to them, not from one individual, but from all the boys in the School.

Pulsford	3A	Mudge	3B	Kearns	3B
Whetham	3F	Hargraves	3C	Bice	3B
Henry	3A	Collins	3E	Matthews	2B
Lapworth	3B	Moulton	2A	Evans	2A
Williams	2A	Fewchuk	2B		
Aliprandi	2D	Bennie	3A		

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(Mr. CHADWICK - CAREERS ADVISER)

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After reaching 14 years of age a Vocational Guidance Test, lasting about 3 hours, is given. At Epping Boys' High School these tests were held in July and August of this year. The tests were carried out by officers of the Vocational Guidance Bureau, Department of Labour and Industry.

The Careers Adviser takes four main points into account when interviewing a boy about the choice of an occupation. These points are:—

1. The result of his Vocational Guidance Test;
2. His results in School Examinations;
3. His own personal interests, and
4. Teachers' opinions of the lads' conduct, reliability, and activities as a citizen of the School.

Also, the Vocational Guidance Bureau will give individual tests for boys about to leave school. Branches of the Bureau are at Parramatta (49 Argyle Street, Phone YL 9520) and Crows' Nest (226a Pacific Highway), Phone JF 2085). The test is given by appointment and takes one day. A personal report is given stating the abilities of the boy, and recommendations about suitable occupations. This report can be used, when seeking employment.

A boy may be unable to find a suitable job through his own activities, or those of his parents, relatives or friends. The Commonwealth Employment Office is ready to help those who are seeking employment. The Head Office is at the Grace Buildings, 77 York Street, Sydney, and suburban branches are at 142 Victoria Road, Gladesville, and at 3 Florence Street, Hornsby.

Any boy who is leaving School without an immediate prospect of employment is STRONGLY advised to register his name with the Commonwealth Employment Office.

## SCHOOL WISHES THIRD YEAR WELL

(PETER SPRAGGON)

In a short and simple ceremony on Monday, 9th November, the Headmaster, Mr. McGregor, spoke to the School, and to Third Year in particular, as a gesture of farewell and to wish them good luck for their Intermediate Examination which commenced on Tuesday, 10th November.

In his address Mr. McGregor said that he hoped Third Year would carry with them some of the pride we felt for the School. The boys who were leaving had done much to build the good name of Epping Boys' High School. We are proud to have had them here, and we hope they are proud to have been here. They were our first intake of pupils and that was something of which they could be very proud. Mr. McGregor wished them success in the Intermediate and success in the careers they would be following in later life. He did this on his own behalf and on behalf of the members of the Staff.

The School then paid tribute to Third Year with a sustained round of applause.

## STRANGE NOISES

"A CONSERVATIVE CLARINETIST"

If you've heard any strange sounds coming from the Music Room or Room 31 during the last few weeks it will, no doubt, be the "percussion" section of the School Band, led by a crazy drummer, practising some hot Rock 'n Roll theme for an appropriate occasion in the future.

This section of the Band has done much to increase our collection of "modern" music and, I hope, will continue to do so.

On the other hand, the original purpose of the Band was to play "Old Time" or "Ballroom" dance music. We have gained much experience over the last 11 months in playing for dances and 21st Birthday parties. (And here's a free plug without having to pay advertising charges). If you want us for any occasion like this please ring Peter Carter, WM 1687, or any member of the Band, and you've "got yourself a Ball".

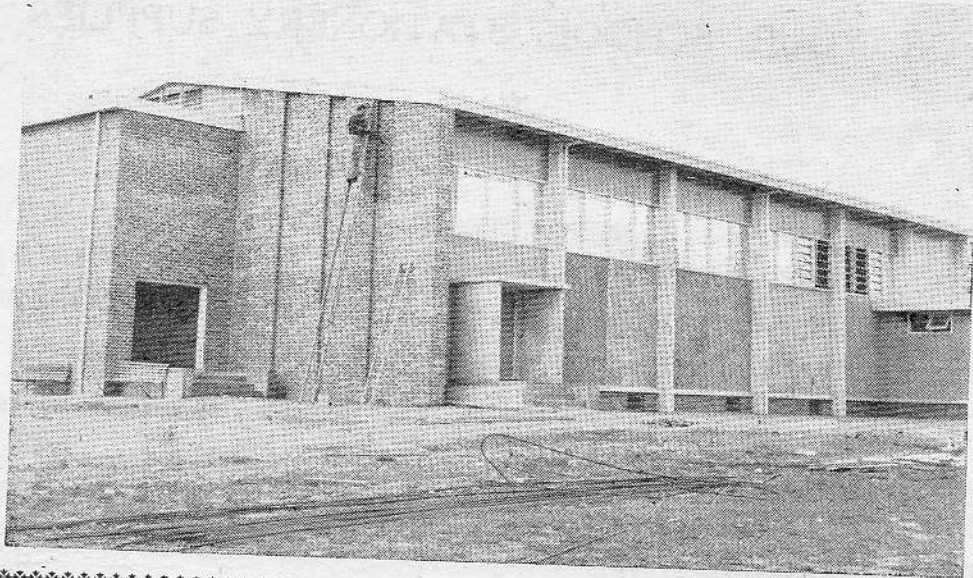
## AT LAST WE HAVE A HALL

After saying last issue that we expected to move into our new Assembly Hall early in Second Term, we had to go through a period of nail-biting waiting for the suppliers of the Air Conditioning plant. The delay with this equipment meant a delay to the whole building as the ceiling could not be fitted until the air ducting had been installed.

However, it's all over now, but for the cleaning up

and the electrical installation. We will have the Hall available for the Prize Giving and Speech Day which will be held on the second last day of Term, December 16th.

In the photo below, the back view incidentally, the room which houses the Air Conditioning plant can be clearly seen.



### ITALIAN AS SHE IS SPOKE

(P. SOMMERICH)

Class 2A has been enjoying an interesting experience since the beginning of Third Term. The Class Teacher, Mr. Arabia, has been giving up some of his time after School on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, to teach the Class the Italian language. All the Class have appreciated Mr. Arabia's kindness and interest, and this has been emphasised by their keenness and rapid progress. Up to date text books have not been available, but these will be supplied at the beginning of 1960 as a gift to the School by the Dept. of Education in Rome.

These classes, it should be stressed, are in no way connected with the normal school work, and boys are free to leave the class if the going gets too tough. Home work is voluntary and, through the amount of interest and hard work, progress is rapid.

All the boys hope that Italian will become a subject in the School at a later date, and perhaps the present class will be able to take Italian as a Leaving Certificate subject.

### NEW AREA ADDED TO SCHOOL

Word has been received from the Department of Education that the purchase has been completed of the block of ground running from the existing 3rd Year playground through to Vimiera Road. This block of ground, which measured 150ft. by 500ft., will be put to full use as soon as possible. It will provide additional playing area for the School, provide a direct access to the bus stops and will bring an end to the worrying and dangerous business of having hundreds of boys crowding up the narrow footpath which runs along the main road. Tenders have already been called for the clearing of some of the trees on the ground and the construction of an 8ft. wide pathway leading to Vimiera Road.

This newly acquired block of ground has a cottage erected on it and this cottage will become the dwelling for the new School Caretaker whose appointment will be announced during this week. The appointment of the Caretaker is a very welcome move as it will safeguard the property on the school from thieves and vandals during the long periods of the School vacations.

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(TREVOR HUNTER, 1A)

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 like a mantle, covering me with its softness.  
 Gently it wafts me off to the land of slumber  
 where things whirl round, but gradually come clear.  
 To my mind I am in another world,  
 where things are not material.  
 I dare not touch them, lest they bound away  
 and become things new. I am wrapped  
 in solitude. Alone in a separate place,  
 where none can intrude upon my joy.  
 But then I dream of things unreal  
 that stealthily advance towards me,  
 with hands outstretched in sightless exploration.  
 Then these dreams fade, and visions have their end.  
 And I awake, hoping to recall  
 the nightly cavalcade of spectral imagery.  
 But they nimbly elude the grasp  
 of my mind, and all is forgotten  
 Until the next night  
 when once again I shall dream  
 of things unfathomable.

**ELECTION PROCEDURE FOR PREFECTS**

With the election of Prefects for 1960 again in the news, it is of general interest to know how these nominations and elections are conducted.

Firstly, nominations are called, from Second and Third Years, for boys who are to stand for election as Prefects. A nomination is not considered unless it is signed by two boys who nominate a third, and signed by the third to say that he accepts nomination.

The Headmaster reserves the right to reject the nomination of any boy who is considered by himself, and

a number of teachers, to be an unsuitable candidate for election. The final selection is then announced to the School and all the boys of the School are called on to vote for the number of Prefects required. In 1960 this will be 10 Prefects from Fourth Year, and 5 Prefects from Third Year. The boys who are thus elected then elect, amongst themselves, a boy who takes the title and role of Head Prefect. He is assisted by a Deputy Head Prefect. During 1959 these positions have been held by Barry Pulsford, 3A, being assisted by Peter Carter, 3D.

**Geographers Visit Canberra**

(BRUCE McATEER)

In the last issue of this Paper mention was made of a forthcoming visit to Canberra. Here is a fuller report of the trip. The aim of the visit was to study Canberra as an area of High Population Density with an Administrative Function. This problem was investigated after lunch on Saturday, September 12th and, in the special bus chartered for the visit, such places as Red Hill, The National University, the Duntroon Military College, the Australian Institute of Anatomy, and the area in which all the Diplomatic Legations are located. From Red Hill it was possible to obtain a wonderful view of the Layout of Canberra and appreciate the value and beauty of the countless trees.

On Sunday the boys visited the Australian War Memorial, the Australian-American War Memorial, and Parliament House. The Australian War Memorial contained many items of great interest. Outside the building is a Japanese Midget Submarine sunk in Sydney Harbour in 1942. Inside are a Lancaster bomber "C. Sugar", which flew more than 100 raids against the Germans, and a Spitfire Fighter which flew with Australian Squadrons in the "Battle of Britain."

It is no exaggeration to say that all the boys had a wonderful time. Thanks is due to Mr. Russell and the Canberra branch of the Government Tourist Bureau who made the trip so interesting and so worthwhile.

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# ASSEMBLY HALL USED FOR INTERMEDIATES

(ALAN WILDMAN)

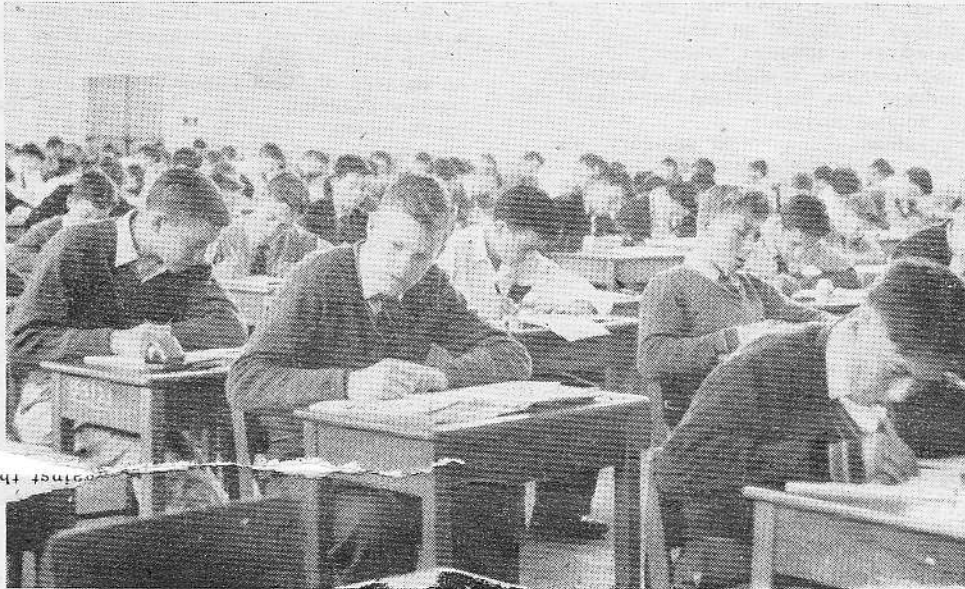
Tuesday morning, November 10th, was the first time the School Assembly Hall was used for an official purpose. At approximately 9.20 a.m. the Third Year boys who are sitting for their Intermediate Examination began their English paper. Tables and chairs are spaced about the Hall in 14 rows and at these are seated 260 boys, some of whom are beginning their final examination at this School.

Everyone has been amazed at the size of the Hall and the amount of light available, despite the fact that the electric installations have not yet been completed.

It is estimated that the Hall will be completely finished in time for the annual Speech Day and Prize Giving which will be held before the end of term.

Although this is the first official use of the Hall there are already in occupation a nest of young starlings and a nest of young swallows who made their home under shelter before the windows had been fitted to the Hall.

After the Third Year boys have finished their Examinations the Hall will be used to examine the Second Year boys in Technical Drawing.



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(GEOFF. ROBERTSON)

As a token of their appreciation for the outstanding services rendered by Mr. Caletti throughout the year, and on Fete day, the Parents and Citizens' Association, at their September meeting presented Mr. Caletti with a small gift as a means of expressing their thanks and gratitude for the tremendous amount of personal effort he had given to the School.

The presentation took the form of a Wallet of notes which bore a small reproduction of the School crest and motto. Mr. Caletti was also presented with an engraved Bronze Plaque to honour the presentation, by Mr. Caletti and his family, of the very attractive fountain which marks the entrance to the School. (See photo below).

In his speech the President of the P. & C., Mr. W. E. F. Stewart, said that the School was indeed fortunate to have someone such as Mr. Caletti who took such a personal interest in the School, and who was so obviously determined to make Epping Boys' High School a show place of which the Parents, Boys, and the Department of Education could very well be proud. "Mr. Caletti's work at this school", Mr. Stewart said, "is a lasting memorial to the interest he has displayed."

Pictured below is the Fountain, which has been in operation since July this year. Almost without exception, every visitor to the School has paused to admire this fine piece of work.

## CLASS IC FAREWELLS MR. RUSSELL

(BRUCE McATEER)

Mr. Russell, a well-known and popular member of the Staff, left School on Friday, 9th October, on his way to Japan. Before he left the Class Captain of 1C presented Mr. Russell with a Fountain Pen which was a gift from all the boys in the Class. In reply, Mr. Russell thanked the boys and outlined, briefly, the route he would follow during his next 12 months away from Australia.

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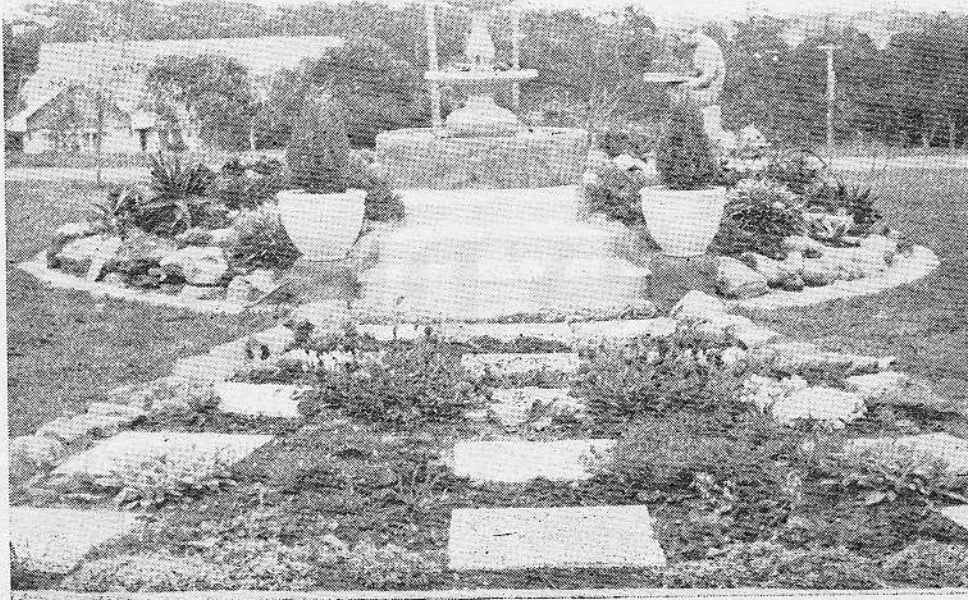
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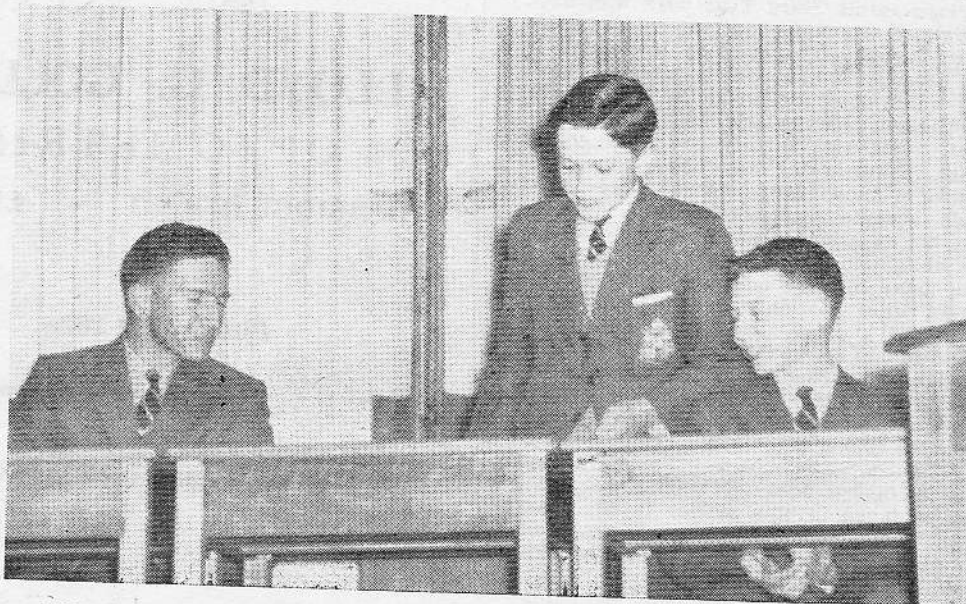
(GEOFF. ROBERTSON)

This year proved a very successful one for Epping Boys' High in the debating field. The Teasdale Cup, a trophy offered for inter-school debating in this area, was won by the Epping team.

After winning our Section the Epping team, John Wotton, John Prowse, and Michael Moulton with Bruce Kops as reserve, met Narrabeen Girls' High School team at Cremorne in the Final. Epping scored a narrow win over this team, by 3 points. The hero of the team was John Prowse who gained 82 points, the highest mark of the debate. This is the first cup for inter-school debating won by Epping High.

In the inter-House debating championship, the winning House was Darvall, with Terry second, and Harris third. In the Second Year competition the prominent debaters, apart from those boys who are in the School team, were Peter Wark, John Porter, Ian Roberts, and Roger Williams, while in First Year the boys who were most promising were Geoff. Robertson, Kent Mudge, and Roger Hillman.

With this crop of debaters coming forward Epping High can look forward, with some confidence, to gaining a name as one of the prominent debating schools in this area.



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## FOURTH YEAR BEGINS 1960

(Mr. K. WILLIAMS, School Counsellor)

One of the more important moments in a boy's life comes when he has his first shave. . . . it is a sign of his increasing maturity. Tradition has it that the whole family should share the experience. We at Epping Boys' High also feel that we are growing to maturity because in 1960 our first senior classes will commence their Fourth Year courses. And we would like the whole family—boys and parents—to know what an important event it will be.

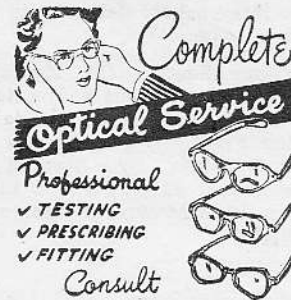
Already much of the groundwork has been covered. Advice has been given to all Third Year boys who have thought of remaining at school to continue their studies in Fourth and Fifth Years. The decision to remain is truly momentous, because it can greatly affect a boy's whole future. The value of education at the Senior level cannot be underestimated, particularly in the fields of social development. The two further years at school are most important in furthering any boy's education: he increases his store of knowledge; becomes more poised and self confident; accepts responsibility and develops leadership; widens his experience and develops a greater awareness of his obligations as a future citizen. It is considered that as many boys as possible should remain at school to benefit from post-Intermediate education.

The introduction of a Fourth Year course entails much organisation. So far, our school surveys indicate that upwards of 150 boys will return to school after gaining their Intermediate Certificates. The boys concerned have already been asked to make a tentative choice of subjects for 1960 so that the additional accommodation and staffing needs may be investigated. Courses chosen have shown that much guidance in this matter is necessary. During the Second Term, Third Year classes were advised by the Careers Adviser (Mr. Russell) and the School Counsellor (Mr. Williams). Points dealt with were Matriculation, the Leaving Certificate Examination, Vocational Test results, school marks, new subjects introduced at Fourth Year, and many other topics. Boys were encouraged to crystallise their ambitions in order to make a suitable choice of subjects, to study their strong and weak subjects to help them with their choices, to make enquiries about new subjects from teachers of those subjects, and most important of all to discuss with their parents the chosen subjects.

Many lads have sought interviews to obtain further information from Mr. Russell and Mr. Williams. Parents, too, have visited the School for advice and discussion. (The School Counsellor is available every Wednesday, and parents are invited to 'phone for an appointment if they wish to discuss their son's future. The importance of a correct decision at this stage of the boys' education cannot be over-emphasised, and Mr. Williams has had special training and years of experience which enables him to offer sound advice on the problems affecting Senior Students).

Boys in Fourth Year are expected to study six subjects of which English and Mathematics are compulsory. Science subjects, Languages, Commercial subjects, Technical, and Social subjects are also available, and a wide variety of choices is possible. From our first group of students we expect many to add to the growing prestige of the School in all avenues of achievement: Scholastic, Sporting, and Social. We feel that these boys will be better citizens for having spent their next two years in Senior work, and we feel sure that Epping Boys' High School will benefit from their continued attendance.

(Since Mr. Russell's departure for Japan, Mr. Chadwick has been appointed to carry on the position of Careers Adviser. Ed.).



### LLOYD G. GOLLAN

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The Headmaster,  
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Dear Sir,—I have been handed a copy of your term newspaper, "The Southern Cross", quite an enlightening paper of public interest, as well as its high interest value to pupils, and in keeping with your modern and progressive High School. I understand you plan a larger paper in the near future—and offer my best wishes in your efforts.

Being Service minded, I could not help but notice yours, and your House Masters' emphasis on Co-operation and Service; these we believe to be very fine virtues—we only get out of life what we put into it, to help those less fortunate than ourselves brings about a deep-down sense of well being, even if it only be to visit a sick friend or relative in hospital.

The Epping Lions Club, a purely Service organisation, have undertaken to furnish the Children's Ward in the new wing of the Poplar Community Hospital, and for this purpose have set about raising £500—would your boys like to furnish a bed? Cost £100, approx. 2/- per lad, the bed would carry a plaque suitably inscribed: "This bed was provided by the co-operative effort of the pupils of Epping Boys' High School" — We Strive to Achieve.

Should this Service suggestion appeal to you and your pupils, I will be happy to supply any further particulars required.

Yours faithfully,

ALEX. A. SMELLIE,

Health & Welfare Committee,  
Epping Lions Club.

### GRADE CRICKET -- 3rd Grade

(S. CHADWICK)

Players who represented the School since the Season commenced in September, 1959, are T. Palmer (capt.), J. Farr (Vice-Capt.), P. Bevan, K. Bruce, G. Bubb, R. Dunkerley, D. Gilroy, F. Hargraves, R. Matthews, K. Stewart, W. Wheeler. We regret that Len Ward, the former Captain, had to withdraw from the team because of an injury.

Garry Robinson was elected as a member of the Selection Committee with the Captain and the Vice-Captain.

Rain has reduced both matches played to one day games. With Carlingford we just missed gaining an outright win, while against Normanhurst we could easily have suffered an outright defeat had the match gone to two days.

Palmer, Farr, and Bubb have been the outstanding bowlers while Palmer, Farr, Bruce, Hargraves, Wheeler, and Gilroy have been the most prominent batsmen. The fielding of the team, both in the air and on the ground, has been very good. The two practice wickets in the School playground have been very useful and have greatly assisted the cricket practice.

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## What IS THE I. S. C. F. ?

(ROBERT KNOX)

In this brief article I will convey to you the purpose and the progress of the I.S.C.F. It may help you to know what the initials I.S.C.F. represent. They are the symbols which signify the Inter-School Christian Fellowship. The Motto of the I.S.C.F. is "To know Christ and to make Him known", especially among our school friends.

Since last year, there has been a steady and constant increase in the number of school pupils attending meetings during their Wednesday Lunch Hour. A great influx occurred as a result of the Billy Graham Crusade, many new members now attending having made decisions at the rallies.

We have had several outside speakers during the year. Amongst these have been Mr. Mills from the Eastwood Baptist Church and Mr. Blankey from the Missionary Aviation Fellowship. The latter presented a strip film about M.A.F. work in the Highlands of Central New Guinea. Mr. Don Gale, a Missionary from Bolivia in South America, gave a very interesting address on Wednesday 14th. October. He told us the work which Missionaries are doing in bringing the Gospel to the natives.

Mr. Smythe and Mr. Lindsay, both members of the teaching staff, are Counsellors for the I.S.C.F. and have often spoken on Christian living. On Wednesday, 9th September, Mr. Smythe screened a film, "Beyond the Stars". This concerned the study of Astronomy, a subject which was of interest to all boys. The film showed some of the unlimited and indescribable wonders of God's creation in the Universe.

On recent occasions several of the members have addressed the meetings. Ross Lapworth of 3rd Year, spoke on Peter's denial, and gave a very challenging address. Another excellent speaker was Ron Mitchell of 1st Year who spoke about the Bible.

These, and other speakers' messages have been an inspiration, a blessing, and a help to all those boys who have been able to attend. We would especially like to invite any interested boys to attend the Lunch hour meetings, where they will be made most welcome.

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## The Importance of Service

The section of the Sundin Shield competition which requires some thought on the part of the boys of this School is that of "Service".

There are two aspects of Service which are taken into account.

Firstly, there is Personal Service in which each boy is asked to contribute some personal service which will be of benefit to the School. For example, each House has an area for which it is responsible, in terms of general tidiness, neatness of lawns, cleanliness, etc.

Secondly, there is Service in the form of a donation of money to one Charity selected for support during the Term. In this case a quota is set, and the House to attain its quota is awarded 100 points. If a House fails to reach its quota its point score is reduced proportionate to its donation.

This year we supported, in First Term, Dr. Bernardo's Homes and donated an amount of approximately £25.

In Third Term we supported the Spastic Centre, Mosman, with donations of Groceries.

Throughout the year we maintain a continual appeal for support to the Stewart House Preventorium. Our special interest in this arises from the fact that Stewart House is maintained WHOLLY by support from the Schools and Teachers of New South Wales, and is operated EXCLUSIVELY for the benefit of School Children. Our contribution to this fund over the year has been £32/16/0 and has been obtained by donations of 1d per boy per week.

Our emphasis on this matter of Service is to try and encourage in you boys the idea that Service is the factor which helps people live together more happily. It comes back to the old Sunday School motto, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you". By helping someone who is less fortunate than yourself you are making that person's life a little happier and helping to make the World a better place to live in.

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**NOTED CRICKETER COACHES EPPING**

(TERRY BOOTH)

During the Cricket Season a number of well-known cricketing stars have been conducting coaching classes for school boys at various ovals throughout the Epping-Hornsby area, on Saturday mornings.

In this manner it is hoped to develop the potential of promising junior cricket players and to encourage them to take part in Grade Cricket. At the end of the Rainbow, of course, is the possibility that, one day, the boy may be selected to represent Australia as an International Cricketer.

A number of boys from Epping Boys' High, who attend these coaching classes and who play in the Beecroft teams, have been selected by Jim Burke to receive specialised and personal coaching from him. These boys include Terry Hargraves, Terry Booth, Richard Jones, and Jeffery Bott.

(These boys deserve our congratulations, and it is encouraging to think that future International Cricketers come from such boys as these. Ed.)

**GRADE SPORT SUMMMARY**

Summer	Tms.	Pl'd	Won	Lost	Dr'n
CRICKET .. . . .	4	20	12	5	3
TENNIS .. . . .	4	43	12	20	11
GOLF .. . . .	2	12	2	8	2
<b>Winter</b>					
LEAGUE .. . . .	5	51	20	30	1
UNION .. . . .	3	33	26	6	1
SOCCER .. . . .	4	47	26	12	9
BASKETBALL .. . . .	4	52	23	27	2
HOCKEY .. . . .	2	19	8	8	3
GOLF .. . . .	1	10	2	8	-
TENNIS .. . . .	4	39	27	8	4
<b>Totals</b>					
SUMMER .. . . .	10	75	26	33	16
WINTER .. . . .	23	251	132	99	20
	33	326	158	132	36

**GRADE CRICKET -- 6th Grade**

(R. HILLMAN)

The 6th Grade Cricket Team had a most successful season, earning a place in the Quarter-Finals by winning its Division. Capably captained by Terry Hargraves, the Team scored two outright wins, two first innings victories, and two draws. The talent of the boys in the team was brought out by the Coach, Mr. Burr. Terry Booth and Terry Hargraves provided the foundation for the Team's success with excellent batting and bowling performances. John Monfries gave a very good display behind the stumps.

Scores:—

Epping defeated Hunter's Hill outright on a forfeit. Epping, 9 for 129 (Evans 48, Bott 35) drew with Meadowbank 148.

Epping, 6 for 70, defeated Granville 6 for 60 on the first innings.

Epping, 2 for 83, declared (Hargraves 30 n.o.) defeated Carlingford outright 38 and 18 (Hargraves 5 for 15 and 4 for 5. Booth 4 for 12 and 3 for 2).

Epping, 189 (Booth 50, Hillman 47) defeated Normanhurst 145 (Green 4 for 39, Booth 3 for 27) on the first innings.

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