

# The School Year 1961

February 1—First Term commenced. Total roll 700.  
February 1-7—Barracks.  
February 3—Visit by Brigadier A. H. Andrews (Commander, S.M.D.).  
February 13—Prefects announced.  
February 22—Address to assembly by Mr. Cook, formerly chief administrative officer (Education), Bucks, England.  
March 2—Address to sixth-forms and first-form by Mr. E. W. Dawson, executive director of "Outward Bound's Trust of Great Britain."  
March 3—Athletic Sports Preliminaries.  
March 6—W. R. Speirs congratulated on winning national junior high-jump championship title (5' 10").  
March 8—Athletic Sports. Three records broken.  
March 15—School party (sixth-form) attend performance of "Murder in the Cathedral" by Dunedin Repertory Society.  
March 16-18—First Cricket XI played Southland Boys' High School at Invercargill. Game drawn.  
March 17—Earl and Countess of Eglinton visit School.  
March 20—Anniversary Day Holiday.  
March 25—Inter-secondary Schools' Athletic Championships at Invercargill.  
March 25, 27-29—Performances of "Charley's Aunt" by School Drama Club seen by over 1,400 people.  
March 29—Visit by representatives of Old Boys' Executive to address pupils on Jubilee celebrations and to explain the newly-granted coat-of-arms. Printed copy in colour presented to each pupil.  
March 31, April 4—Easter Break.  
March 31—Jubilee celebrations begin.  
April 1—Historical Meeting (Presentation of Coat-of-Arms). Banquet.  
April 2—Church Parade.  
April 3—Sports Meeting. Ball.  
April 5—Winter Sports begin.  
April 8—First-term Regatta. 8's race won by King's.  
April 17—Fifth and sixth forms visit performance by National Orchestra.  
April 24—Anzac Day service. Address by Rev. W. T. Williamson (at invitation of R.S.A.).  
April 25—Anne Day—School Holiday. School Band plays during laying of memorial wreaths at the Lawn Cemetery, Anderson's Bay.  
April 29—6BM Form Dance.  
May 1—Annual Military Drill Competitions.  
May 4—Annual Swimming Sports.  
May 5—First Term ends.  
May 23—Second Term opens.  
May 25—W. L. Taylor, Head Prefect in 1948, now Head of the Department of Economics at the University of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, addresses assembly.  
May 29—Scholarship entries.  
May 30—Touring English professional association football team trains on School ground.  
May 31—First Association Football XI plays Otago Boys' High School as curtain-raiser to England v. Otago at Caledonian ground. Assembly addressed by Mr. Michael Greenwood, member of touring English side, a teacher of physical education and a graduate of Loughborough.  
June 5—Queen's Birthday—holiday.  
June 7-9—Visit of post-primary Inspectors.  
June 15—Annual Rugby, Association, and Hockey games against Otago Boys' High School.  
June 21—Visit by Palmerston District High School rugby teams to play King's under-15 1/2 and C grade sides.

June 28—Annual Rugby and Hockey games against Waitaki Boys' High School at Oamaru.  
July 4-7—Mid-year exams.  
July 12—First XV play cadet-officers team from Otaio.  
July 25—"Otaki" Scholar addresses assembly. Second XV annual game against Gore High School, at Core. July 26—Annual Rugby and Association Football games with Southland Boys' High School—at King's.  
August 4-7—Third XV visit to play Alexandra District High School. August 9—Rugby games against South Otago High School, at Kings (under-14 team v. S.O.H.S. Third XV; Second XV v. SOHS. First XV). Third Association football XI visit Balclutha for annual game with S.O.H.S. First XI.  
August 18—Second Term ends.  
September 8—Mr H. H. Craig MA., B.Sc., Dip.Ed., Principal of Freyberg High School, Palmerston, appointed to succeed Mr Lang as Rector in 1962.  
September 12—Third Term begins.  
September 16—Gala Day run by Combined Gymnasium Committee, a financial success in spite of atrocious weather.  
September 18-21—School Drama Club presents "The Gypsy Baron"  
September 23—Annual School Dance.  
September 25—Death of Mrs Lang, wife of the Rector.  
October 4—Senior and Junior Cross-country Races.  
October 12-17—Third-term Examinations for fifth-forms and VIE.  
October 24—United Nations' Day. Myint Thein, Burmese student of technology attending University of Otago, addresses assembly.  
November 2-7—Third-term Examinations for VIA, third and fourth forms.  
November 9—Shakespeare Reading finals judged by Mr. A. C. Stephens of Dunedin Shakespeare Club.  
November 10—Accrediting announced.  
November 14—Sub-lieutenant John Welch, an Old Boy, now serving on H.M.N.Z.S. "Taranaki" after three years at Dartmouth Naval College addresses assembly.  
November 16—School Certificate Examinations begin. Debating Cup Finals judged by Mr. J. S. D. More. John Laidlaw awarded Admiralty Cup for best Sea Cadet from Otago area at "Tamaki" course.  
November 27, December 8—University Scholarship and University Entrance Examinations.  
November 30—Staff function and presentation to retiring Rector. Mr Lang, at Otago Officers' Club.  
December 4-5—Second Cricket XI play South Otago High School First XI at King's.  
December 5—303 shooting competitions.  
December 5-6—First Cricket XI play annual game against Waitaki Boys' High School First XI at King's.  
December 8-9—First Cricket XI plays annual game against Otago Boys' High School First XI at King's. Second Cricket XI v Otago Boys' High School Second XI at Otago Boys' High School.  
December 11—Associate Professor B. Mackie visits assembly to present a Royal Society of New Zealand award to J. B. Hyndman, winner of the C. M. Thomson Memorial Prize, a competition for biology contributions by Sixth Form pupils.  
December 12—Break-up in Main Town Hall.

## The New Gym

Early in the year Mr. Mathias saw his dream eventuate. The new Gym was on the way. Thanks to the hard, work of the local groups and the boys of the School, and the arrival of some supplies from overseas, work was started at long last.



## The School Dance

The annual School dance was once again an outstanding success and was voted unanimously by all who attended to be the best of the 1961 "season".

A seaside theme was finally decided upon after much discussion covering a wide range of subjects. The comparatively easy part now over, the problem of collecting suitable decorations was tackled with fiery enthusiasm. Instead of a division of the hall into four distinct corners each depicting a different aspect of the theme, as has been the practice in previous years, the decorations this year were spread more evenly around the hall. This proved most pleasing and effective.

The far end of the hall was set out in the form of a sandy beach, with cabbage trees placed in each of the two corners providing realistic substitutes for palm trees. In the foreground a full-sized rowing boat resting on the sand contributed to the reality of the scene while a back-drop, painted by Mr. Stewart, depicting a typical beach scene gave the whole a distinctly nautical flavour.

The band was housed on a small platform in a corner in the front of the hall, overhung by several more exotic-looking cabbage trees, while at the back of the stage the slightly altered back-drop of 'The Gypsy Baron' blended in with the surrounding scenery.

The remainder of the hall was decorated with many low-hanging streamers which added a splash of colour and gaiety to the scene.

In conclusion our thanks must go to Mr. Ockwell whose detailed and efficient planning played a large part in the smooth running of the evening, to Mr. Stewart for his excellent paintings and to all others who contributed so willingly.

All in all, the 1961 School dance will be remembered as a happy and successful function.



Decorated corners of the hall



# School Gala Day



What gambling in the Library—Bingo



More Gambling



Mr. Page working extremely hard

Don McKechnie



The King's Men: Alan Standing, Ian Burrow, Alan Smith, Keith Ashton, Alan Stent



Phys Ed School Display



The Salesmen



Model Train Display

# Rugby 1961



The Haka



OBHS Interschool



An expectant wait



Laidlaw waits



Following up



Team talk



Laidlaw puts in a pressure kick



Another lineout



OBHS Haka



Dive pass from Laidlaw



Poised

Deaker jumps high



Laidlaw feeds the Scrum



King's on the charge



Yet another lineout



Charge down

# CROSS COUNTRY

Faster times than last year were recorded in both the Senior and Junior School Cross Country Championships run on the Hancock Park-Lawyers Head course, on Wednesday, October 4, 1961.

Senior fastest time (13 mins 24 secs) went to I. Maskell, who holds the junior record for the shorter race, set in 1959. Three junior runners, B. S. Markham, A. J. Starkey, and W. K Dixon, all returned the same excellent time of 11 mins 52 secs.

The Senior race covered a 2 ½ mile course and the Junior 2 miles. Ground and weather conditions were good for a field of over 300 runners.

Results:

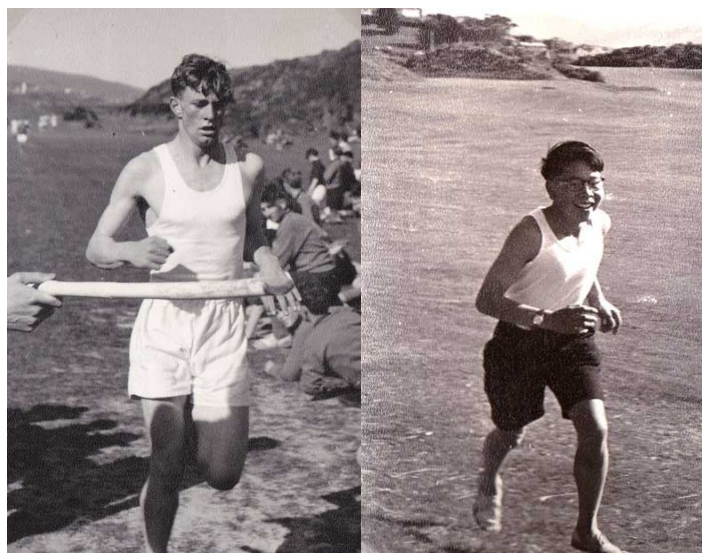
Senior. -

Fastest Time (Cup presented by Caversham Club): I. Maskell (T) (13.24) 1; A. M. Rumble (W) (13.53) 2 ;IC. E. Wilson (W) 14.04) 3. (Record 12.40, S. Inglis and P. Dey.)

Handicap (Cup presented by Civil Service Club); M. A. Cooper (S) 1; 3. M. Strang (W) 2, R. M. McKay (T) 3. Junior

Fastest Time (Cup presented by Caversham Club): B. S. Markham (T), A. J. Starkey (W), W. K. Dixon (S) (11.52) equal 1; W. H. Mackay (T) (11.59) 4. (Record 11.27, I. Maskell, 1959.)

Handicap (Cup presented by L. K. White): W. H. Mackay (T) 1; A. R Scott (W) 2; J. D. Fogarty (S) 3.



Alan Rumble

Young



They are just putting it on



Lindroos and Harper

Garth W.



The Charge



Roo Garland in front as usual



A Haka I believe



Halt!

## Mid Winter Swim

On the middle day of Winter several boys decided to brave the elements and go in for a swim. As the Rector would say, "There are always the fools."



"Hold it" The Star Photographer sends them back in. Some people will do anything for publicity



Ian Maskell



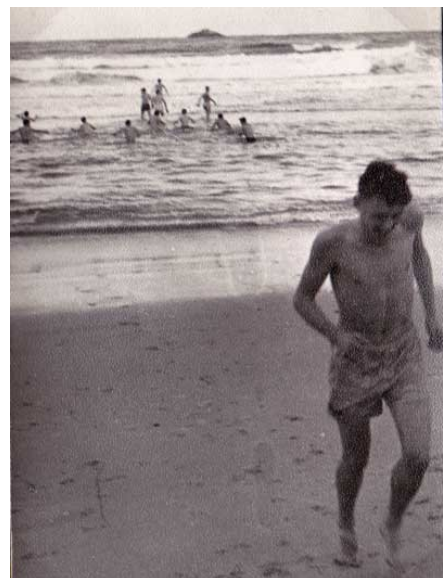
I wish I was young again.



Brrrr! Jon Amies retreats



Oh to be young. Mr. Meiklejohn



Scotty Bruce chickens out

## Staff Capers



Do not remove sand from the Domain. (Okey 'ocking' sand)



Ah well we can't all be winners



Colin



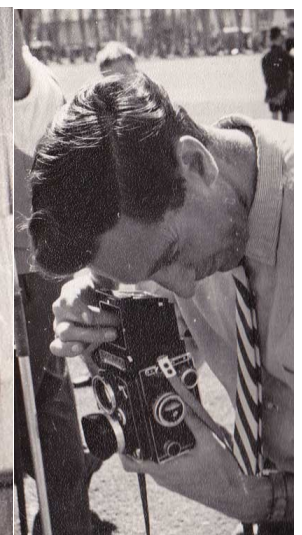
Isn't ANYBODY going? (Messers Graham and Haase)



It was a long hard day—Enough to melt a chap. Mr. Fraser

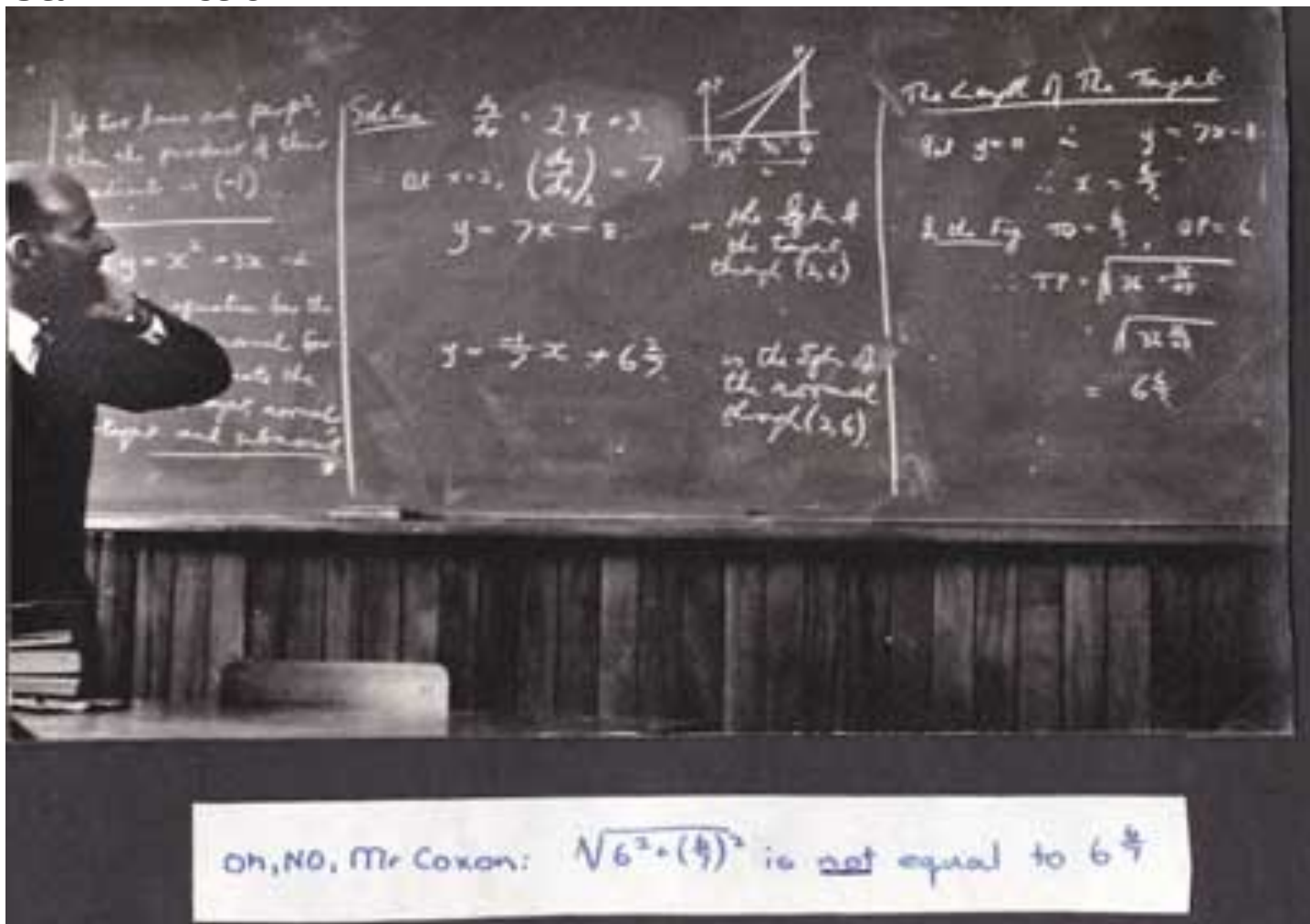


Pete

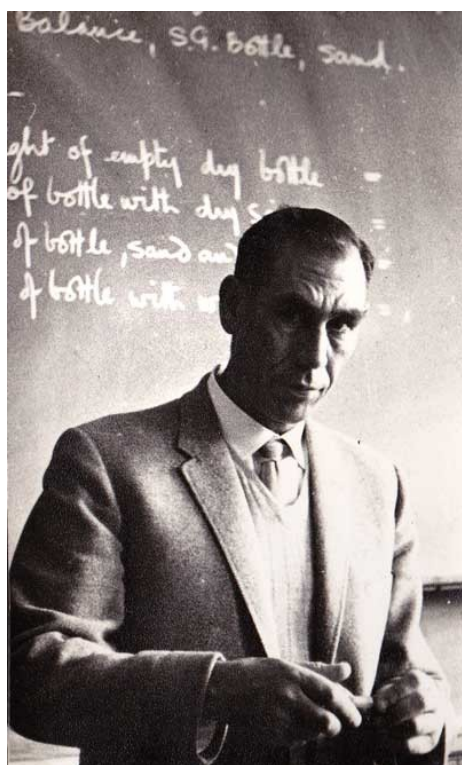


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## Staff in Action



Adam Coxon with an Oops!!!



Mr. Emslie



"Pae-Tension" Tom Mathias



John Huggett all gowned up

## Around the School



6A Chemistry



Kilgour, Bruce and Kleim



Lazy wogs



Thought—Sewhoy and Mr. Quark



The Beat



Wet behind the ears



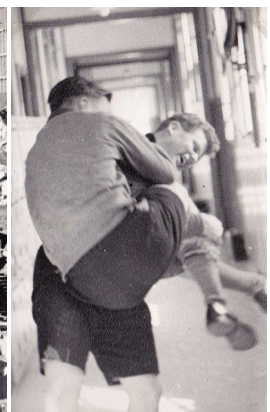
Group bonding exercise



Tuck shop staff



Boyhood dream



Porky and Trig

Some tricksters



Something going on behind his back



Oh what a beautiful Dey



“????????????????????”



The famous Harper Method



Worthy Peanut Club Member—Bill Evans



Mighty Mouse

## ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS

After being postponed several times because of rain, the sports were held on March 7, and the preliminary events, in spite of a heavy track, on March 3. The weather on Sports Day was perfect in the morning but in the afternoon a strong breeze sprang up and blew straight across the ground.

In the Senior Section a close contest for the Cup resulted in a tie between B. Dey and J. Robilliard with 16 points each. Both returned creditable performances, especially J. Robilliard who, though he was given no assistance from the track, broke the existing record for the 120 yards hurdles in the excellent time of 16 secs.

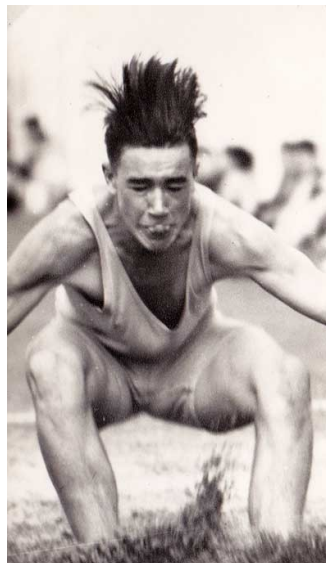
As was expected, W. Speirs, who had one week previously won the New Zealand Junior National High Jump Championship, broke the School record in this event with a fine effort of 5ft 10ins to take third place in the Senior Championship with 11 points.

The Intermediate Cup was won by R. Tregonning with 18 points, gained by winning the 100 yards, 220 yards and the long jump. Only two points away was R. Bryant who won the 90 yards hurdles and high jump. In third place was R. Hislop who ran brilliantly in the 880 yards to create a new record of 2 mins 5.3 secs. He also equaled the record of 54.6 secs in the 440 yards. Third equal in this section was I. W. Maskell who ran well in the distance events.

J. Irvine, by winning the 100 yards, 220 yards, and the 440 yards, won the Junior Cup with 15 points. W. Gough was second with 11 points, and J. Muir third with 9 points.



Blind Instinct—R. Mains



Tregonning at full strain



Almost got him—Barr lets fly



Final of the 100 yds. sprint



The Finish from behind



The traditional Mile Walk



With both eyes on the finish—John Robilliard



"Birdman" Spiers has now soared to number two on the New Zealand height parade

## SWIMMING SPORTS

The twenty-sixth Annual Swimming Sports were held in the Municipal Baths on the afternoon of Thursday, May 4, 1961. This year was notable because only a small fraction of the School was able to attend the Sports, the size of the School having become too large for the size of the baths. Besides the 121 competitors and officials only the third formers and the upper sixth attended as spectators. For the remainder of the School it was "business as usual."

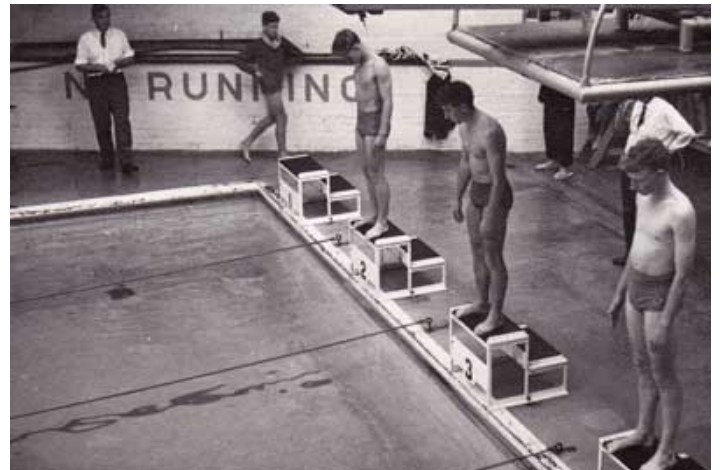
The standard of swimming was good, the struggle for the Senior Cup being particularly exciting and producing excellent performances from D. S. Winefield and C. R. Laidlaw. Winefield set a new record by bettering the 1960 time of I. R. Burrow in the Senior Championship 50 Yards Backstroke by 6/10 secs to leave the new record at 30.5 secs. A long standing record for the Senior Championship 50 Yards Freestyle set in 1950 by J. R. Jarvis was equaled by Winefield in the first heat and beaten by C. R. Laidlaw in the final. This record now stands at 25.9 secs, 4/10 secs faster than before. Winefield and Laidlaw were equal in points before the last race both having gained two first placings and a second. The deciding race was the four lengths Medley which was won after a tense struggle by Winefield.

Thus for the second year in succession the School Championship Swimming Cup was won by D. S. Winefield with 18 points. C. R. Laidlaw was a close second with 16 points and I. R. Burrow was third with four points.

No records were created in the Junior Championship events but J. M. Brown was the clear winner of the Junior Cup with a maximum of 20 points. G. French was second with eight points and A. Young third with six points.



Murray Bell swoops down. He is again the School Diving Champion.



Wait for it. The start of the 50 yds free style.

## Sea Cadets

Motor Launch trips both senior and junior—were favoured with good weather. The seniors cruised around the coast to a point offshore from Wickliffe Bay, and lunched while moored to a beacon, getting much amusement from playing around in the dingy which was lowered for a short period. The junior trip included a visit to the Miller and Tunnage boat-building yards at Port Chalmers and a cruise to a point offshore from Seacliff.



Sea Cadets at Miller and Tunnage boat building yard

## The Camera Club

This year the Camera Club did it in style for their annual hike. They scrounged three cars and had an enjoyable day tripping all around the Peninsula.



View on hike



Why did they put all these rocks here



“Coop” - John Cooper



Shutter bugs



The man who makes the Camera Club tick—R.K. Graham



Not far now little Smurfs



Talking Cameras

## More from the Camera Club



Tired after a long car ride



“Brain” Hall



What a view

## General Happenings



Bird Watchers Society



Prizegiving



Junior school's Biological Survey



The School Band at practice—Blood, Guts and Thunder

## Charley's Aunt

This year the School began a new tradition, in addition to the usual opera; the well; known farce by Brandon Thomas, "Charley's Aunt". Was performed. The play was stage just before Easter in conjunction with the 25th Jubilee Celebrations.



The Cast

Russell Tregonning, Michael Andrewes, Graeme Wilson, M. Graham, Roger Lampen, Selwyn Robertson, John Kliem. Mrs. Ford, Pam Morrison, Pam Gambol, Julie Banfield, Janine Thomason, Mrs. Wyber



Russell Tregonning



Roger Lampen and Graeme Wilson as Charley and Jack



Selwyn Robertson poses a question



"My dear Kitty" (Julie Banfield and Graeme Wilson)



John Kliem

# The Gypsy Baron

This year, as an experimental diversion from three previous productions of Gilbert and Sullivan operas, the School tackled Johann Strauss's "Gypsy Baron". This proved a most successful and enjoyable production, with its medley of romantic Hungarian names; its choruses of gypsies, male and female and its colourful soldiers.

The highly improbable story involves treasure hidden in an exciting old castle, and a war between the Hungarian and the Turkish invaders. The dialogue was brash and farcical and gave plenty of opportunity for slap-stick humour. On the musical side, the more romantic parts were linked and made more palatable by some rousing marching tunes and lilting Viennese waltzes. Throughout there were the usual crises, provided by "girls" voices breaking into sudden and startled baritones, by a glass that dropped and broke amongst the bare feet of the gypsies during a performance. Final curtains invariably found the cast very tired but excited with the results of months of hard work. And it was universally agreed that the production, however inconsistent the plot, was highly colourful and moved with great speed.

Leading parts were played with great zest the lead by Michael Andrewes as a ridiculously outrageous Mayor; Russell Tregonning and Chris. Laidlaw as pompous officials, Murray Deaker as the kindly Gypsy Baron, and a whimsical John Kliem in a role described as a character ' . Geoffrey Saunders, Russell Purvis, David Oliphant, and Graham Robertson were courageous and surprisingly successful female leads.

Assistance was given by many friends of the opera group, in particular by Mrs Pat Harrison who worked wonders with a somewhat volatile soprano chorus. Mrs. Ford and her assistants costumed the production in magnificent style, putting endless days (sometimes literally) into the preparation of an extraordinary variety of costumes and wigs. Our other regular and willing helpers included Mrs. Huggett and Roger Dunbar as accompanists, the School Band, Mr. P. J. Stewart and Mr. Cessford in construction of the set, and our front-of-house manager Mr. Familton.

The opera played for four nights to capacity houses.



It's never too late for a glass of Tokay—John Kliem, Michael Andrewes, and Russell Tregonning



Soldiers



Girls Chorus



Gypsies



.....and both feet of Kalman Zaupan



“No doubt you will remove them at the earliest opportunity”  
Michael Andrewes and Murray Deaker



The Cast



Practically moribund



Otto—John Kliem



Ian Burrow, Chris Laidlaw and Carrick Jones



I love her almost as much as I love our beautiful pig - John  
Kliem and Carrick Jones



Two of the lovely girls



Mrs. Ford putting on makeup



Gladly your Gypsy Baron I will be—Murray Deaker



Foote and Isaacs



The sag of my nag was a snag



Dance scene



Finale, Act One



The ravishing Saffi



The Soldiers Chorus