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March 1979 marks the Silver Jubilee of Papakura High School.

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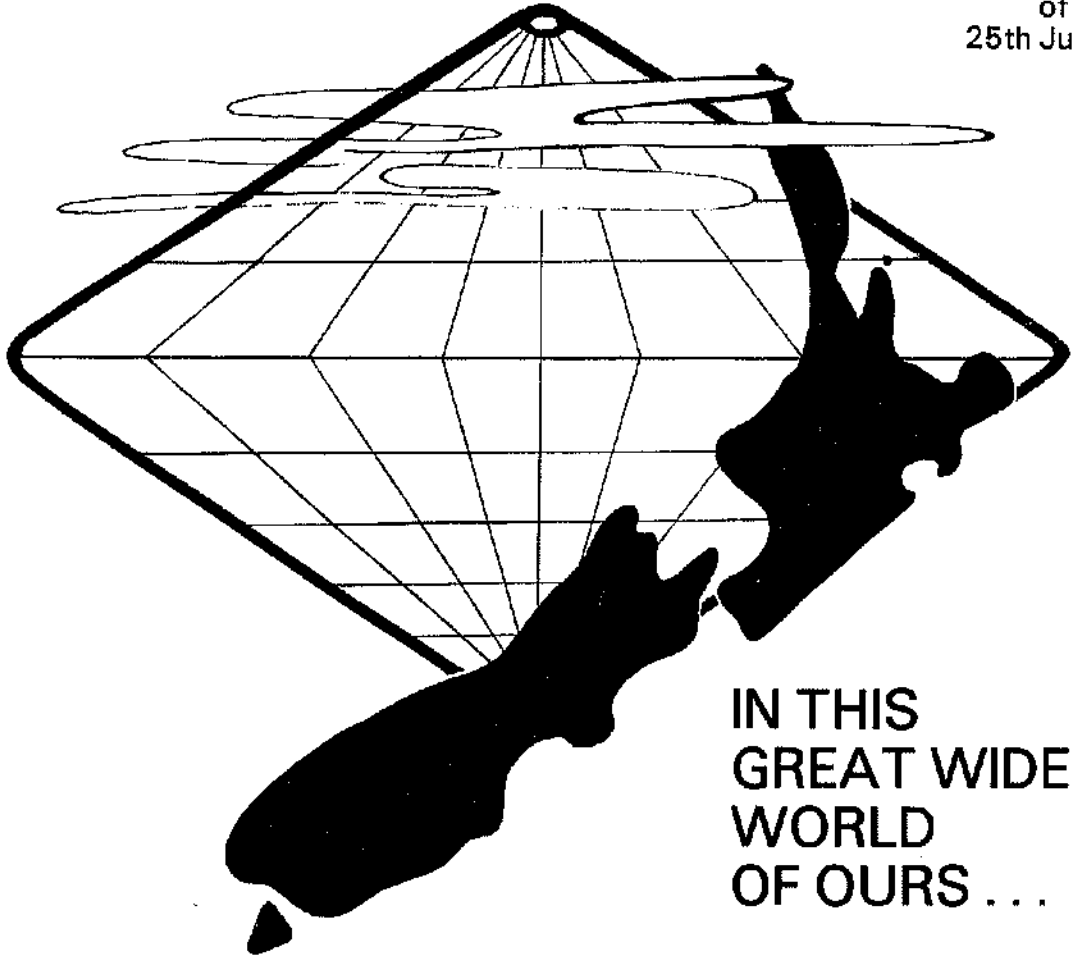
On this occasion, I should like to offer my warmest congratulations to the School on passing this milestone with such an excellent record and to wish you all a happy reunion with old school friends.

The foundations have been well laid and I am sure the School can look forward to the future with every confidence.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Keith Holyoake", written in a cursive style. The signature is underlined with a thick black line.

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I am delighted to have the chance to make a small contribution to the Papakura High School Jubilee Magazine. In doing so, I congratulate the school on the attainment of a very significant milestone.

May I pay a particular tribute to the teachers who have guided successive generations of younger people. We tend to forget that some of our schools are the size of small towns. Papakura is one of them. This makes special demands. Equally, teachers at Papakura High School have responded in keeping with their profession's best traditions. When I started teaching at St Stephens in 1962, I met the late Roy Marshall. Later, I came to know men like Ernie Foy, Fred Graham and Bill Fryer. Later still, I was privileged to meet the late Arch Campbell whose strength, wisdom and dignity meant so much in the foundation years of the school and Papakura City. These people, and others, embody the best features of New Zealand education. So too, do the countless old pupils who have excelled in academic, service and sports activities.

But a school is often faced with a constant and often pressing need to modify and adapt to meet changing demands. As the composition of the town/city has altered, the school has had to widen and expand its range of activities. I believe the Maori Studies block symbolises this as the new library symbolises the maintenance of old traditions.

To Don Hunt and his staff, the board, past and present pupils, my best personal wishes for a memorable weekend. To Papakura High School, good fortune in the years to come.

Merv Wellington
Minister of Education

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR OF PAPAKURA, MR J. FARRELL

On behalf of the City of Papakura it is my pleasure and privilege to extend congratulations to Papakura High School on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee celebrations.

When the school was founded the population of Papakura was about 4000 and the 25 years has seen it grow to about 24,000. Many thousands of young people have passed through the school and received the education which has prepared them for their adult lives. The school has a proud record in achievement in both academic and sport. Past pupils have distinguished themselves in many walks of life.



For all these reasons it is a time when the community and the past and present pupils should acknowledge with gratitude the service given to Papakura High School by teachers and all those community-minded people who have served on the Board of Governors throughout the past 25 years.

It must be true that, of all those to whom grateful thanks are due, none would rank higher than the late Mr A.J. Campbell, foundation principal and subsequently Mayor of the City.

The role of a foundation principal is onerous indeed. The whole future character and tone of a school is set in the establishment years. I know how proud Mr Campbell was of the school and its pupils. He had good cause to be proud. He set it on the right path and guided it through the early years to become the fine school that it is now.

In the years ahead may Papakura High School continue to present to our young people a balanced education which will enable them as adults to accept the challenges that are before them.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

It is my privilege to share with pupils, teachers and Board members past and present, this Silver Jubilee Celebration. Papakura High School has now established itself having served the community for a quarter of a century and in so doing can claim to have launched its own tradition.

May the years ahead see a continuation of the splendid example of the 25 years behind us. If this is a constant care, Papakura High School will live creditably in the history of the community it serves.

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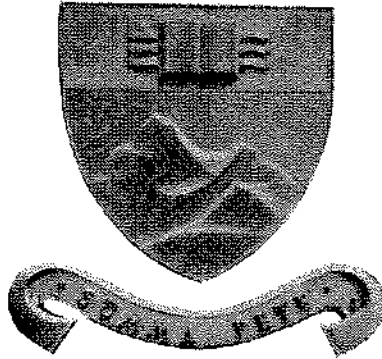
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Elizabeth H. Campbell



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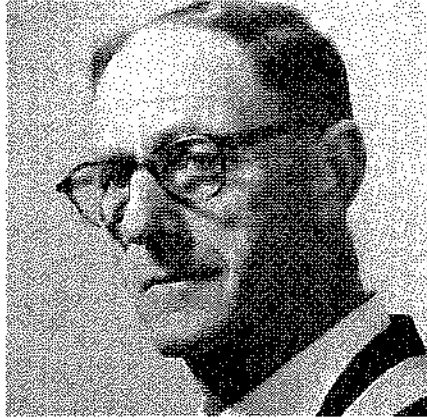
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A TRIBUTE TO MR A.J. CAMPBELL, MA (Hons), DIP ED, A.I.E.D



Arch Campbell was a Southlander and was proud of it all his life. As he moved north throughout his illustrious career his life blossomed - almost as if the increasing warmth of the sun, as he moved towards Papakura, was necessary to bring him to the full potential which he undoubtedly achieved in his fifty years and more of public life. He admired the character of Southlanders and took great pride in the quality and size of the swedes his native province grew. One recalls him relating how, as a small boy on the family property at Greenhills, outside Invercargill, he was sent to find a heifer that had gone astray. His search was fruitless and had to be abandoned. Four months later, in early spring, the heifer reappeared in the corner of the swede paddock. In late autumn it had eaten its way into a swede, munched quietly out of sight for four months, and finally emerged from the other side of the swede sleek and fat to greet the spring. Yes, they produce many good things in Southland!!

The typical love and respect for education of his Scottish forbears, combined with his alert intellect and capacity for sheer hard work soon won him a secure place on the first rungs of the career ladder he had chosen for himself. He was educated at Southland Boys High School, Otago University and Dunedin Teachers College. He graduated MA (Hon), Dip Ed, and won the James Clark Prize in History at Otago University. Taking up teaching as a profession, Mr Campbell taught at Forbury Primary School (Dunedin) and at Waitaki Boys High School from 1926 to 1929. He was a lecturer in history at Christchurch Teachers College from 1929 to 1941 and was also part-time lecturer at Canterbury University College in education and history.

Probably the most significant and far-reaching decision he made during this early part of his life

was to marry Elizabeth H Hendra in May 1927. Mrs Campbell was a real partner, a wise confidante and a loving wife who supported her husband totally and who gave unstintingly of her wisdom and loving kindness to all who came in contact with her. It is impossible to think of Arch Campbell or anything he ever did without automatically including his "Bess".

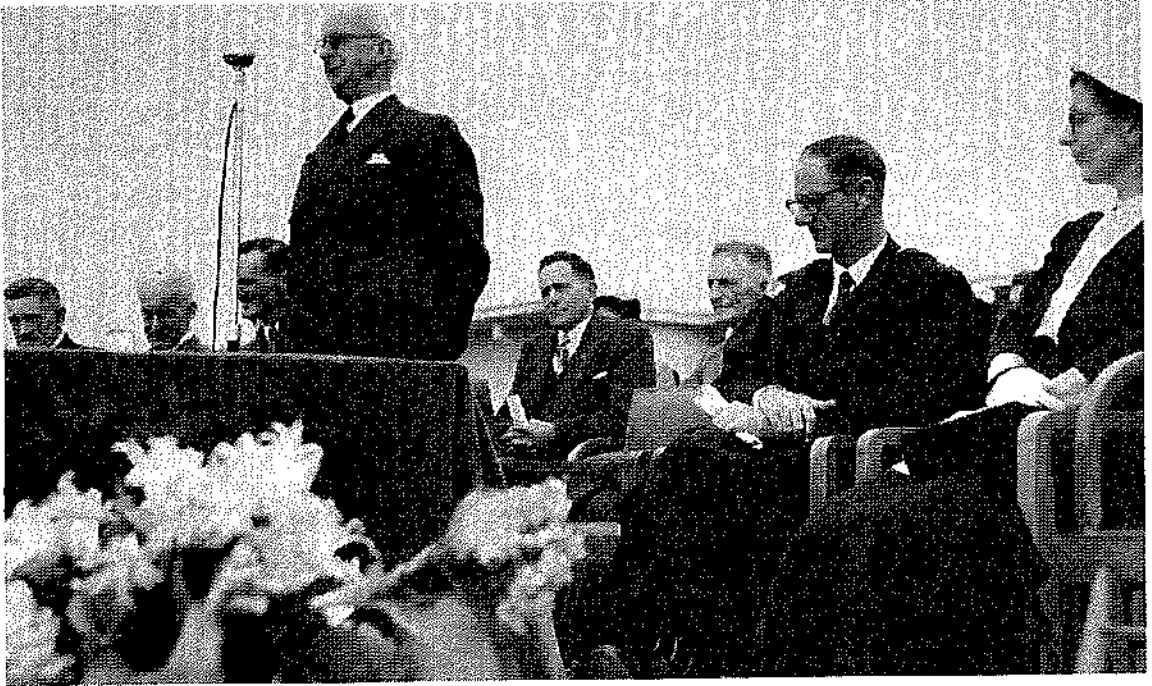
In education Mr Campbell was an innovator of courage and perception who made distinctive contributions to the educational field. He pioneered educational broadcasts to schools, was a major force in the establishment of the teaching of social studies, was first in the field to develop special programmes for slower learning pupils, and was an active worker in the WEA. He was a Carnegie Fellow at the University of London from 1946 to 1947 and became an Associate of that university.

During the war years he served with the home forces as part of the national reserve, with the Home Guard and the Army Education Corps. One recalls with pleasure his rather vigorous and certainly un-Campbell like descriptions of his digging weapon pits at Sumner with Professor Lance McCaskill and others. One gained the impression that it was rather a futile exercise, but his humorous descriptions of it were worth hearing.

Coming to South Auckland after the war, he was vice-principal at Ardmore Teachers College from 1948 to 1954. He served as acting principal in 1950-51. His job as vice-principal at Ardmore was complicated by the nature of the ex Air Force buildings and the fact that the campus was shared with a large contingent of student engineers from Auckland University. Protection of his delicately nurtured female college students from these less inhibited engineers became a major concern. One speculates

OPENING DAY - 1954

By Hon. R.M. Algie, Minister of Education



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as to how successful he was in this - his daughter married one of them!

Mr Campbell's closer association with Papakura began in 1954 when he was appointed foundation principal of Papakura High School. This period saw the zenith of his career. When he was finally compulsorily retired from membership of the Auckland Education Board at seventy years of age, he had been associated with virtually every aspect and level of education from primary through to university, both as a teacher and an administrator. But to most of us his years at Papakura High School represented the peak of his career. During his tenure the school established highest academic, sporting, cultural and behaviour standards and the school's name became synonymous with the very best all round qualities which are the traditional mark of the New Zealand education system.

Mr Campbell loved being associated with sport of any kind, regarding it not only as a healthy activity that brings the best out of people, but also as a means of moulding character and strengthening moral fibre. Some of us, now close to retirement ourselves, remember with pleasure when he coached the first fiftreen at Christchurch Teachers College in 1939. A vigorous approach supported by a deep knowledge of rugby brought the best out of us. And a generation later his influence as well as his presence inspired many hundreds of young people on every type of sports field to give of their best. How carefully and wisely he chose his teaching staff, aiming always to get the best and to make them better. For his school only the best was good enough and he moulded his staff into a skilled unit that produced the standards he demanded. Often, because his staff was good and had benefited from his guidance, he lost them to other schools where promotional opportunities appeared. While he rejoiced in their successes, he hated to see them leave his school and his students.

How he loved his assemblies each morning. The hall was his classroom and he was always worth listening to, whether he was leading the prayers, reading from the scriptures, admonishing the multitude or relating successes of his school on the sports fields or in cultural activities. He knew everything that was going on - always, and often it seemed, before it happened. It was a pleasure to hear him rendering Daniel 3 with Shadrach, Meshack and Abednego. It rolled from his tongue and when he came to the "burning fiery furnace" piece one could almost see his eagle eye pinning S of 5 vocational to his seat. One was never bored - wherever Arch Campbell was life was being lived. Within and without the school, on the playing fields, in the community, within his own family - everywhere, evidence abounds of the strong guiding hand and the outstanding personality of a man who loved his fellow men, loved his school, plan-

ned for its future, and laid the foundation of its tradition. The wide pattern of interests and tireless service which he, together with Mrs Campbell, set, brought him rich rewards of respect, friendship, trust and affection. Those who knew him will never forget him - he will always be with us.

On his retirement from teaching in 1963, Mr Campbell was elected to the then Papakura Borough Council and served as a councillor until elected mayor in 1966. Throughout his tenure of office he held the vision of a well-planned city and most successfully presided over the development of the city during its most explosive period of growth. He was renowned for his accessibility to the people of the city and for his friendly and sympathetic interest in their problems. Among the other offices Mr Campbell filled were: member of the Auckland Education Board and deputy-chairman, 1963-73; session clerk, First Presbyterian Church, Papakura; president Papakura Bowling Club; president Miller "The influence of Mr and Mrs Campbell's hospitable home has been paramount. It has stood, in our district, as a symbol of friendship and ready helpfulness. Few know how much has been patiently done to hearten pupils, to reassure parents and to assist all kinds of folk in time of need. As an elder of the Presbyterian Church he has been able to apply his philosophy of community life built upon the three-fold foundation of home, school and church. We shall never know how much our district owes to his moral leadership, his intellectual strength, his solid character and his understanding of a community's needs".

Every facet of life that his interests touched upon was better for his influence, whether education, church, local body government, sport or whatever. It was a great privilege to be associated with Arch Campbell and all who were influenced by him, or knew him, are proud to say so.

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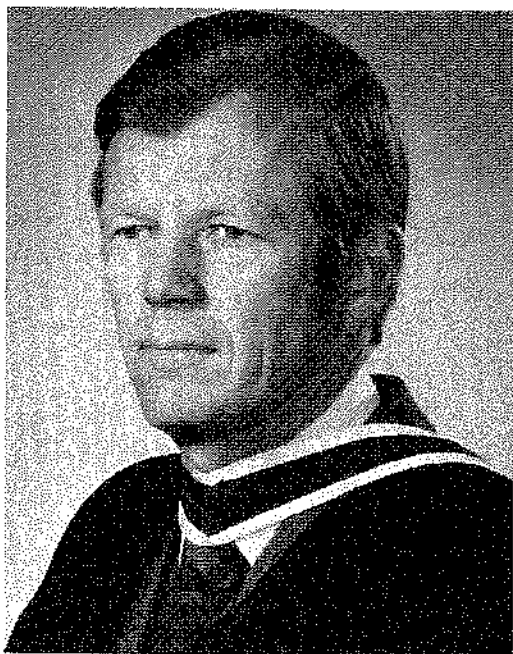
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DONALD HUNT, PRESENT PRINCIPAL OF PAPAKURA HIGH SCHOOL



Mr Hunt was educated at Avondale College and at Auckland University graduating with M.A. (Hons) before attending the Auckland Teachers' Training College.

His career in education began in 1957 at Kelston High School at a time when it was still co-educational. For the country service requirement he taught at Tereora College at Rarotonga in the Cook Islands from 1961 to 1963. He was Head of Department in social studies and geography. Upon returning to New Zealand he was appointed Head of Department in social studies, geography and history at Glendowie College from 1964 until May 1970. From here he took up the position of deputy principal at Papakura High.

As deputy principal he saw much of his role as a link between staff and principal as well as keeping in touch with pupil feeling and reactions. Although administration work occupied much time he saw the public relations role as important.

Major contributions to school life came from Mr Hunt's initiation while he was the deputy principal. An early contribution was the orientation programme where senior pupils, deans and teachers visited Raglan. Because of numbers the 1979 camp was held in the Hunua Ranges. As a result of this activity the pupils and staff developed an awareness of one another on a basis that was

difficult to achieve in the classroom. This made for greater understanding between teacher and pupil for the remainder of the year.

Mr Hunt also encouraged the introduction of the elective system. This involved senior pupils choosing from a variety of subjects ranging from Maori Studies, Liberal Studies, physical recreation, art and the production of the school magazine. Because the pupils made their own choice interest was maintained at all times.

Outdoor education has interested Mr Hunt for some time and as part of the physical recreation elective pupils were given the opportunity of living in the outdoors. A special part of the programme was to take pupils to the Urewera Ranges during terms one and two and let them sample New Zealand bush life. The pupils had to plan and buy food needs for a week and while in the bush such skills as river crossing and bush and mountain travel were taught. The pupils camped at Okui.

On all occasions, except one, Mr Hunt accompanied the pupils.

His philosophy on education is aimed at fostering potential in individual pupils. He feels there is a need for a high academic and sporting achievement in which pupils must always aim at producing their best efforts. It is important that pupils develop their potential mentally, physically and socially so that they can fit into society and make a useful contribution.

A further belief held by Mr Hunt is that pupils should be prepared for tertiary education - for vocational and leisure skills. At the same time he sees the school as a living place where there should be an interchange of ideas between teachers and pupils; where new ideas could be tested, assessed and perhaps reappraised.

He is adamant that pupils should not leave with a feeling of failure. Everyone should achieve something and all pupils should feel they were wanted and thus they would feel proud of their school.

In addition there was also a need to encourage the development of values such as honesty, courtesy, tolerance and sportsmanship; and that pupils should possess self respect but learn respect for others.

The school is part of a multi-culture community. Mr Hunt feels that better relations will develop between the school and the community through the schools Maori Studies Centre currently under construction.

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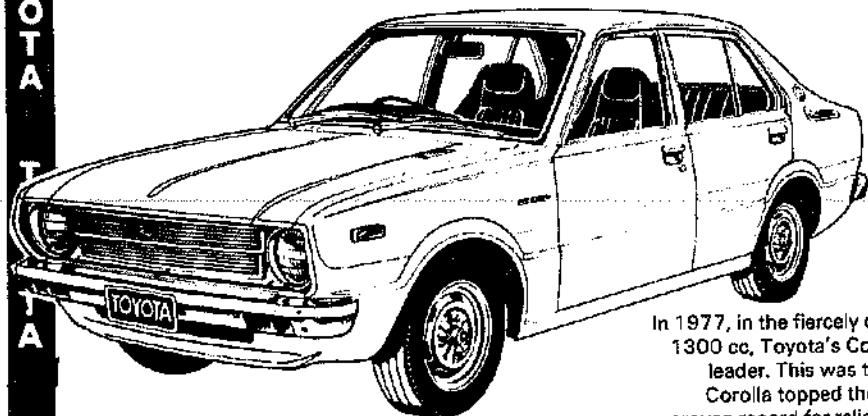
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The HON. A.E. ALLEN was elected to Parliament in 1957 as the Member of Parliament for Franklin. He held the position of chairman of the Local Bills Committee, Junior Government Whip, Chief Government Whip, chairman of Committees and Deputy Speaker. On retirement from Parliament in 1972 he was the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

... from HON. A.E. ALLEN, C.M.G., J.P.

I deem it an honour to have been invited, with others who have been associated with Papakura High School, to offer congratulations to the school on the attainment of its Silver Jubilee. I do this most sincerely and, at the same time, express the wish that the pupils and staff, past and present, will enjoy memorable and successful jubilee celebrations in 1979 and that the school and all associated with it will go forward into the future strengthened by the opportunities afforded them in such institutions of learning.

Reflecting on the past I can well remember when over 30 years ago I was one of a deputation which waited upon the Minister of Education, the Hon. Terry McCombs, now Sir Terence, when we presented a case for the establishment of a high school at Papakura. The late Ted Busing, then Mayor of Papakura, led the deputation which consisted of various organisations including school committees from surrounding districts. I was there as chairman of the Clevedon school committee.

We met at the old house in Coles Crescent which served as the borough council chambers and later adjourned to the site of the present high school advising the Minister that we already had an option of the land.

Mr McCombs did not appear to be particularly impressed and by no means enthusiastic about our case; he was of the opinion that a high school was not really warranted in Papakura at that time and besides that he considered the area of land, which now also accommodates an intermediate school, was far too large and according to him there were other obstacles in the way of proceeding with the school at that time.

It is perhaps interesting to record that at the time we were striving to convince the Minister the urgent need for another high school in the area was becoming more acute month by month as there were only two small schools providing secondary education between Pukekohe and Otahuhu - St Stephens at Bombay and Wesley at Paerata.

In my own area, which included Kawakawa Bay, pupils attending Otahuhu College were having to leave home round 7 am. and were not getting back home until about 6 pm. In the winter it was dark when they left in the morning and dark when they returned home.

From before our deputation waited upon Mr McCombs until the building of Papakura High School many of us never stopped pressing for the school and I can recall many private discussions relating to the proposed school I had with the late Mr J.N. Massey, then Member of Parliament for the district, and also with the late Sir Ronald Algie who was Minister of Education from 1949 to 1957.

Eventually Papakura High School opened in 1954. Under the guidance of the first principal, the late Archie Campbell, supported and assisted by a proficient, dedicated and conscientious staff, and backed up by a well-balanced Board of Governors, the school got away to an excellent start.

As the first of a number of high schools to be built between Pukekohe and Otahuhu during the past 25 years, Papakura efficiently filled an urgent want in secondary education and set a fine example for later schools to follow.

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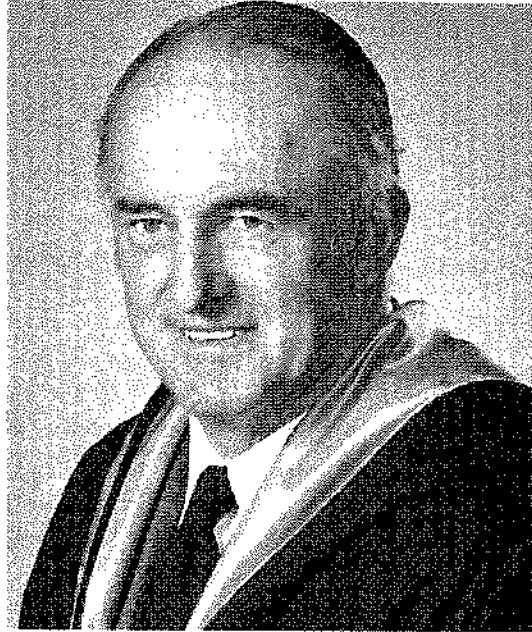
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NEVILLE THORNTON



Neville Thornton was principal for 15 years between 1963 and 1977.

Mr Thornton was educated at Otahuhu College, the Auckland Teachers' Training College and Auckland University.

His early career in education involved being appointed sole teacher-in-charge at Whangamarino School but he could not take up this position as he was serving in the infantry and tank units of the Army in Egypt and Italy during World War Two.

Upon returning to New Zealand he taught at Otahuhu College, Mt Roskill Grammar School before being appointed principal of Rotorua Boys' High School. This appointment lasted three years from 1960 before taking up the principalship of Papakura High School.

His contributions at Papakura High included the encouragement of pupils to take an all round look at life, to see there were "two sides of the fence to life" namely the academic and non academic. He was concerned that pupils should become aware of other points of view apart from their own; and to set a goal, face the challenge and stretch ability to the limit to achieve it.

The changes Mr Thornton noticed in his career at Papakura involved the attitude of pupils to education and learning in general and to see how the

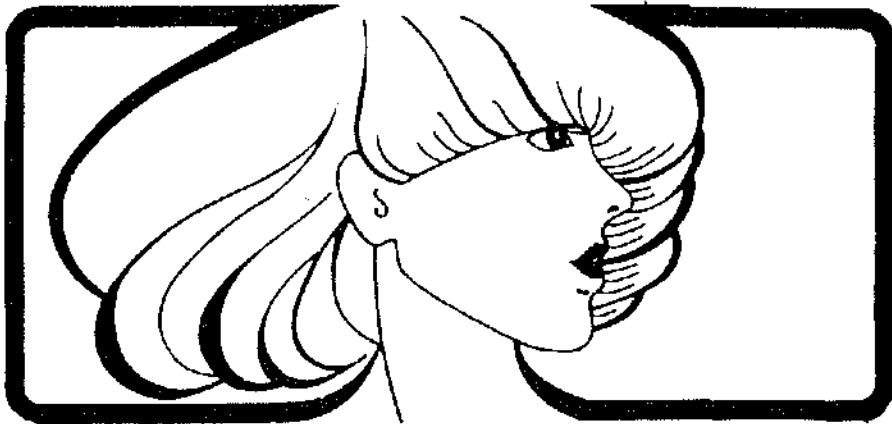
attitude had deteriorated. He saw the lessening of support from the community toward education but at the same time he was impressed by the tremendous development in educational facilities made available.

A major change he has noticed has been the increased demand on teachers not only because of new methods but because the teacher has taken over the role in many cases of the parent, guidance counsellor and welfare worker thus making unreasonable demands on the teacher.

His special interests at the school were to foster the development of the pupils and in particular the slow learners. During his time at Papakura High he encouraged the development of the slow learner department.

He also encouraged the Maori pupils to accept the challenge of education; and his special interest in sporting activities is remembered by many past pupils. A pleasant aspect of his career has been to note the advancement of past pupils and to feel the school had contributed.

Finally, in recalling the career of Mr Thornton it must be said that the school's appearance was greatly enhanced by his enthusiasm in tree planting. Today the trees have matured adding a touch of beauty in the educational environment.



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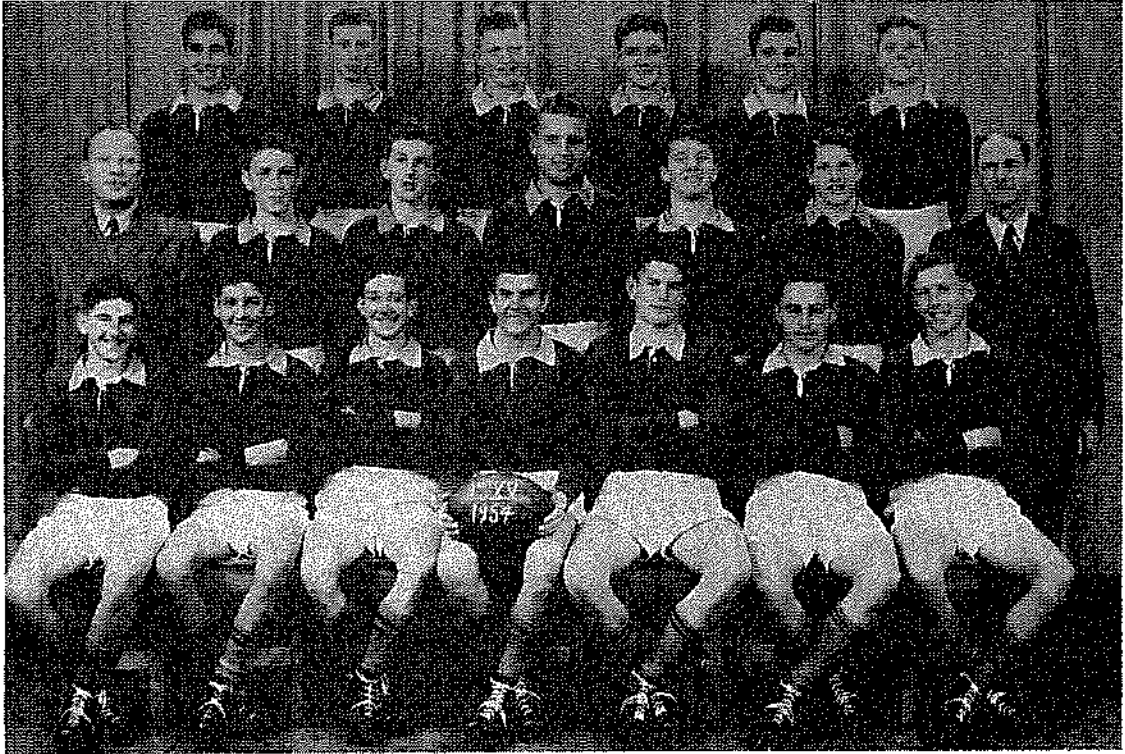
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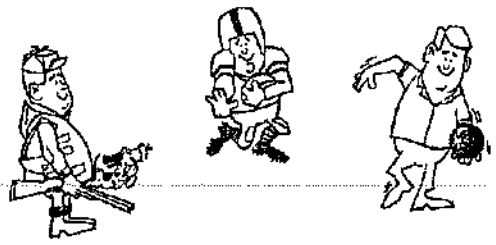
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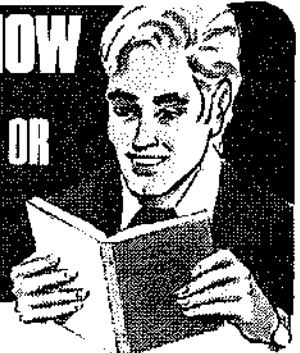
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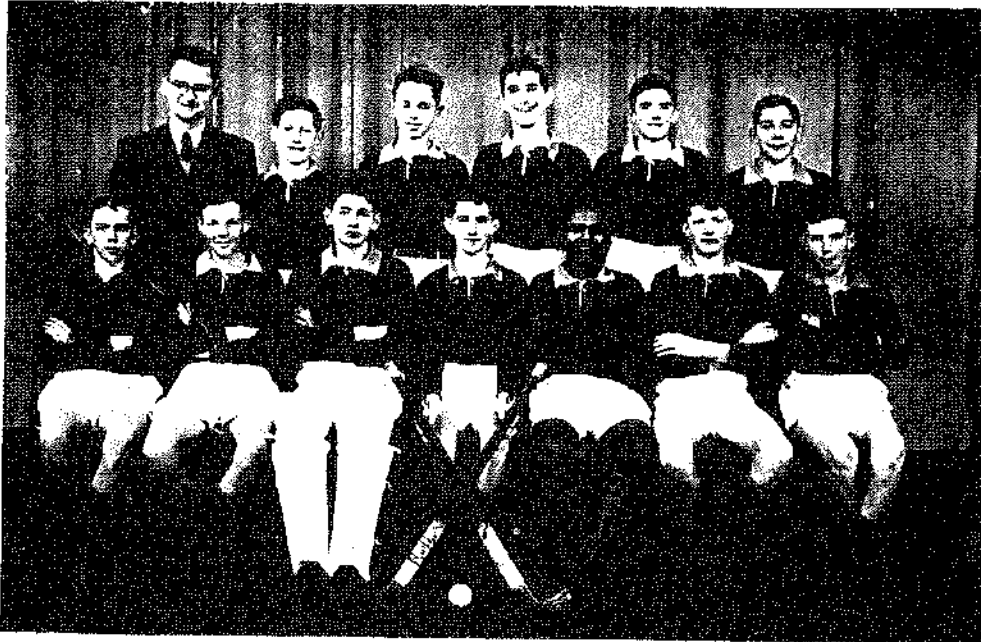
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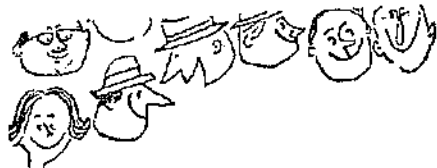
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1967	M. SOLLY
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1970	L. M'INNES
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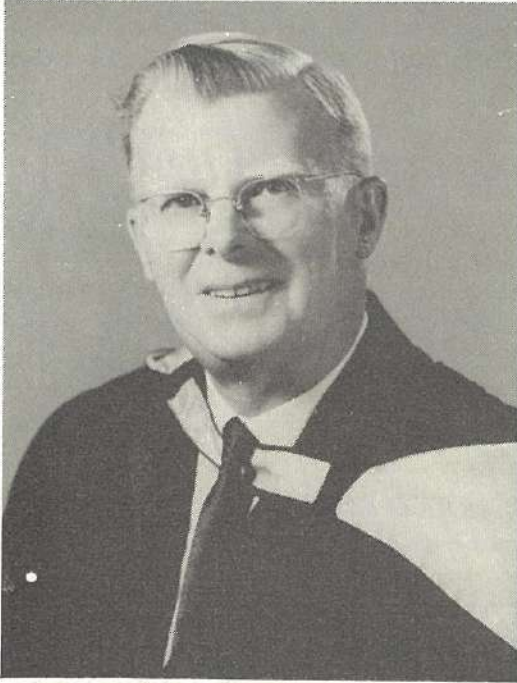


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I came to Papakura High School when it was in its fourth year. The school hall had just been completed; so daily assemblies, formerly held in the corridors, were now held in the hall. At first all the pupils could be provided with seating but as the school grew increasing numbers had to stand.

To me the daily assembly was very important. It gave a sense of corporate unity. We were all doing things together. The reading of the Scriptures, the prayer, and the singing of the hymn provided a quiet and dignified, if not a reverent start for the day's events. Announcements were made and various activities took place in the hall.

In 1958 the South Auckland Post-Primary Schools Speaking Contest was inaugurated and provided opportunity for pupils to match their ability and eloquence against those of others in the area. It is good to know that this contest is still being held. It was preceded in those days by form contests and by third, fourth, fifth and sixth form finals.

A school cannot have traditions until a reasonable time has elapsed. How old must a school be before anything becomes a tradition? The "Nine

Festivals with Carols" was celebrated for years near the close of the year but the Intensive Week seems to have made it difficult to hold such a function now. Yet it had become one of the school's traditions.

During my time as deputy-principal the library, which had originally been just one room, A1, was extended by the addition of A2, and remodelled. Mrs M.J. Brown was appointed Librarian in April 1960.

The original magazine was printed until 1960 when rising costs made a change of format necessary.

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The opening of Papakura Intermediate School in 1962 ended to a considerable extent direct contact with primary schools but there is much to be said for close association between high school and intermediate school pupils. That association has been made easier by the sharing of grounds.

In 1963 after much debate amongst the staff the present house system was established. I was all along keen advocate of it. There can be no question about that, despite the doubts of some, it has provided its worth. The larger a school grows, the more difficult it is for pupils and staff to know one another at all intimately. The houses help to create a sense of closer fellowship.

Congratulations to the school on reaching its Silver Jubilee. Many of the former pupils and some of the staff will, it is to be hoped, be present when the Golden Jubilee is celebrated in 2003.

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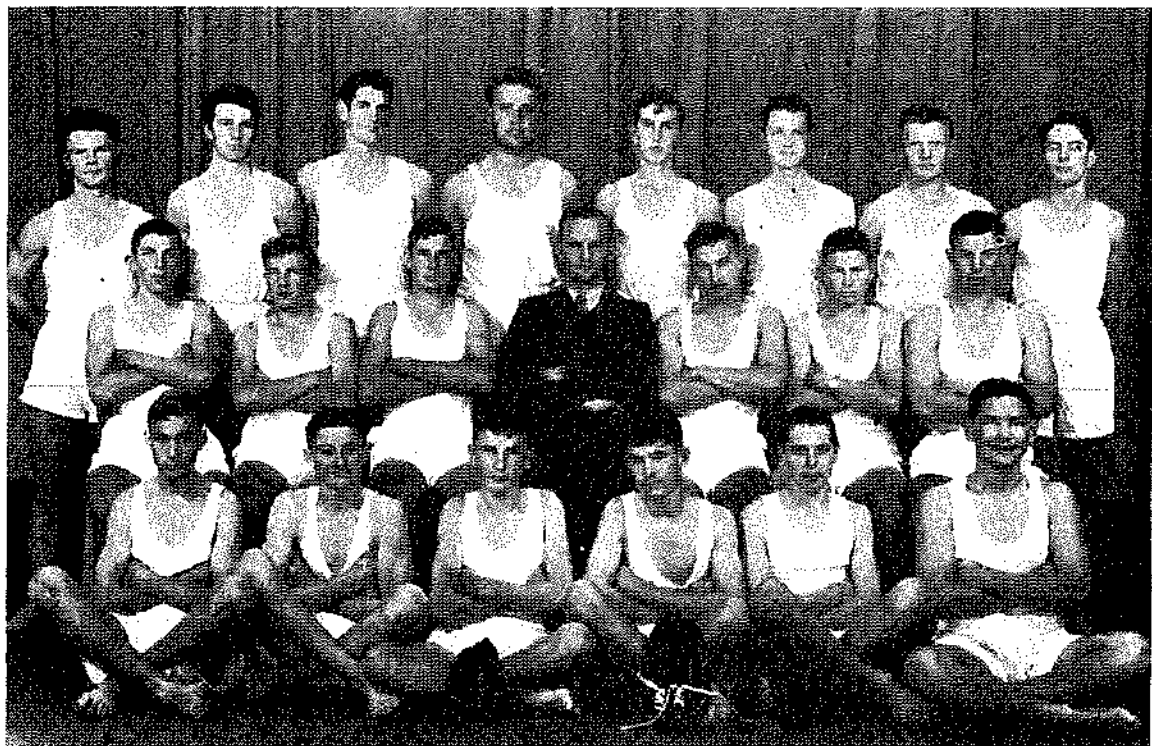
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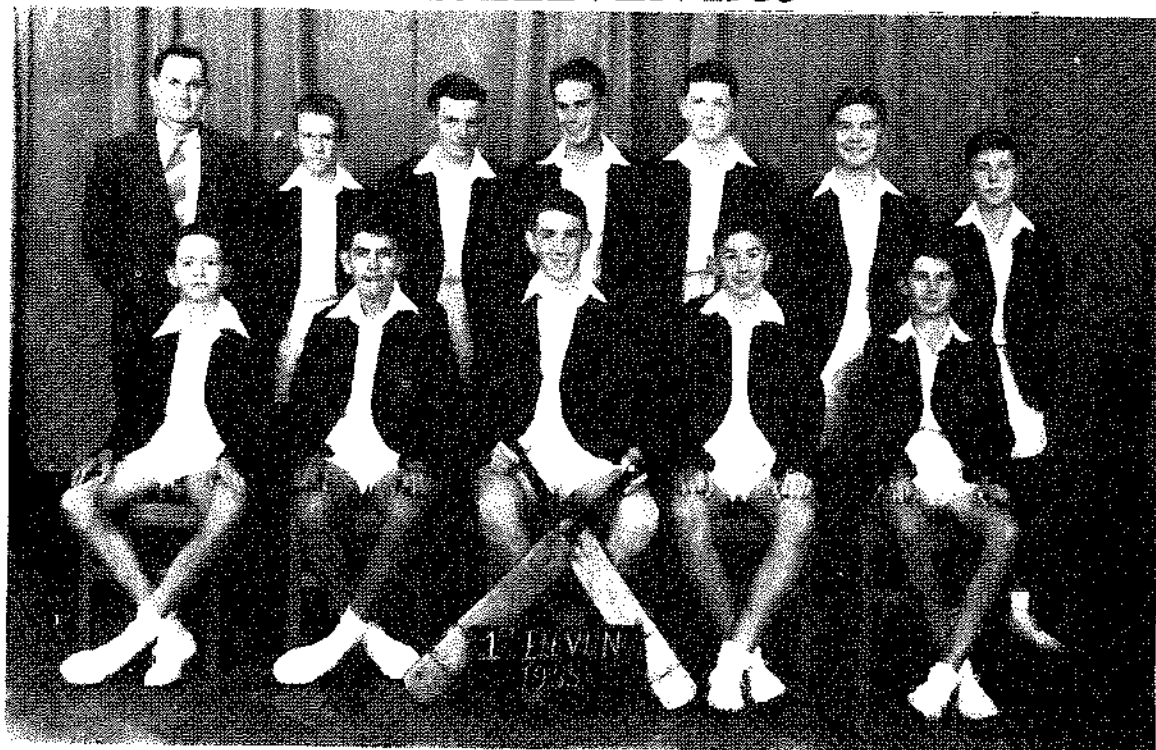
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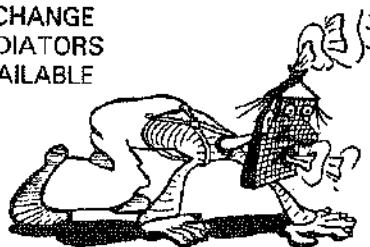
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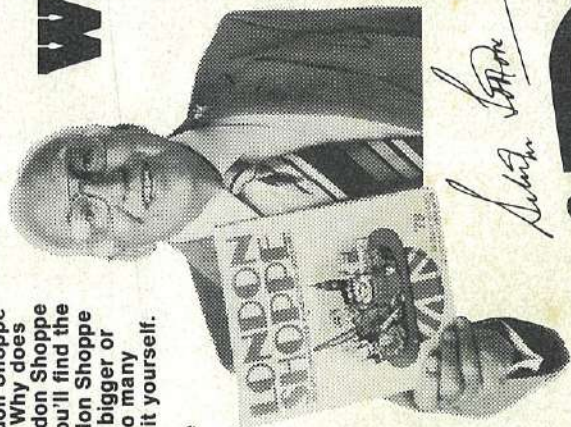
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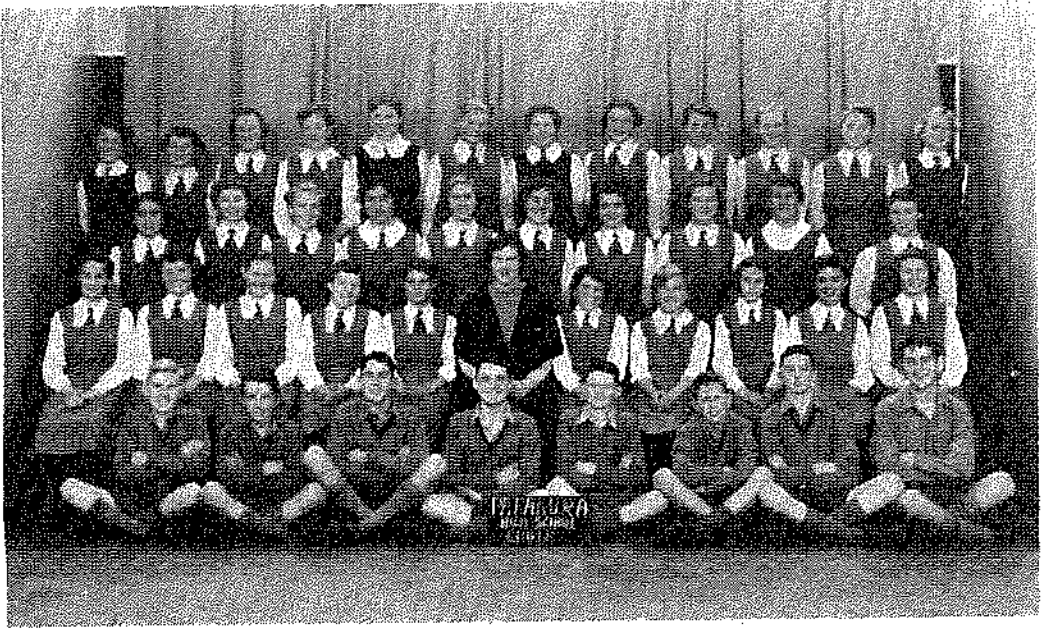
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A POTTED HISTORY OF PAPA KURA HIGH SCHOOL FROM 1954 TO 1979

Before 1954 the secondary pupils from the South Auckland district either caught the train to Otahuhu college or went by bus to Pukekohe High. Otahuhu students came by bus for miles from way out Hunua, Waiau Pa, Drury, Karaka, Alfriston, Kawakawa Bay, Duder's Beach and Opaheke and caught the train at Papakura. Manurewa pupils joined this riotous mob nearer school each morning, and in the evening the reverse happened. Some had left home well before 7.00 a.m. and were back after 5.00 p.m., so it was understandable that moves were afoot immediately after World War II to establish a secondary school nearer home. In 1947, 41½ acres of the Willis farm was purchased for such a school but a lot more pressure and waiting had to go on before the school opened on February 2nd, 1954.

Mr A.J. Campbell M.A. (Hons), Dip. Ed. was the first Principal and Mr I.J. Day was the first Board Chairman. They were joined by fifteen staff and three hundred and twenty pupils all decked out in grey and slotted into forms three to five. work began promptly and as the years rolled by 'originals' such as Roy Marshall, Colin Atkinson, Stewart Watson, Jim Lane and Clarrie Mansell became long-term 'permanents', some serving over twenty years on staff or board.

As is usual with new schools the place was only half ready but no matter how unprepared buildings and facilities were, the pupils kept on coming, and a look at the roll for the first fifteen years is interesting.

1954 - 320	1960 - 753	1966 - 1172
1955 - 483	1961 - 808	1967 - 1249
1956 - 641	1962 - 855	1968 - 1394
1957 - 700	1963 - 956	1969 - 1434
1958 - 718	1964 - 1012	
1959 - 783	1965 - 1056	

The sixth form first came in 1955 and the 'M' Wing in 1956. Mr G.A.T. Wood became Board Chairman in 1955. The magazine of 1955 said, "With the new 'M' Wing and an assembly hall our school will be complete." If they only knew! The Campbell Wing (1964), library extensions (1966), West Wing (1966), Sports Pavilion (1969), Senior Study Room and A.V. Room (1972), the new Library (1978) and the Maori Studies Centre (1979) - and changing ideas about schools will make even more facilities 'essential' in the future.

A year by year trip down memory lane:-

1954

Hon. R.M. Algie LL.M. opened the school.

A library and no books.

November 5th. The first school fair - made two thousand pounds.

Versus Henderson High -

1st XV lost. 2nd XV won. Boys' hockey lost.

Girls drew. Netball girls lost.

Versus Huntly College -

Netball on grass courts. Only the 'C' team won.

2nd XV won. 1st and 3rd XV's lost.

First annual athletic sports held in November. The P.T.R. Association began fundraising for dressing sheds. The first prize giving ceremony was held at the Military Camp. 11 passed School cert.

1955

Outdoor assemblies in summer. In the long corridor in winter. Assembly Hall contract let. Rotary Club gave one hundred pounds for library books. Annual prize giving at Ardmore College. Henderson High School came for summer sports. We beat Huntly College in winter games. We paid a visit to Kelston High School. Our first swimming sports were held at the Ardmore College pool.

The first prefab arrived - temporary building only - and is still here.

28 passed School Cert. and two passed U.E.

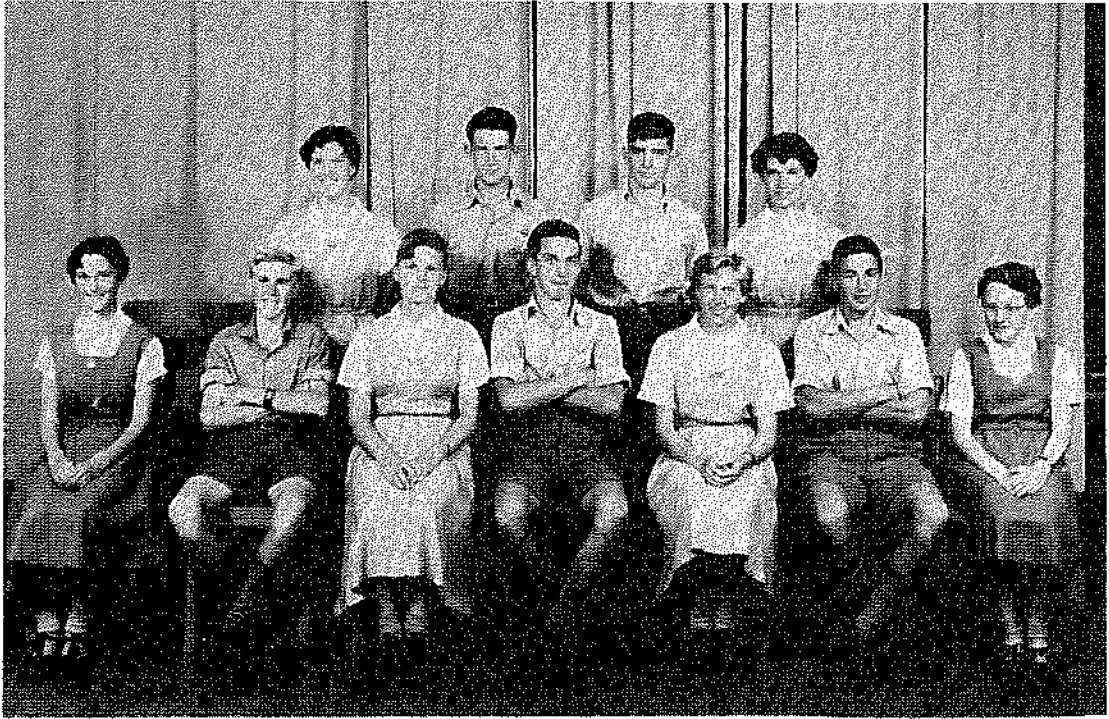
1956

Girls' tunic frock two inches below middle of the knee, and black stockings. Boys may wear a Donegal tweed coat. "We hope that our roll will be limited to 650." - A.J.C. The school became an accrediting school for U.E. First assistant Colin McGill left to be Principal at new Papatoetoe H.S.

'M' Wing was opened.

New Assembly Hall was opened and used for prize giving. Senior Mistress Win Tombs left to be Principal at Whangarei G.H.S. P.T.R. completed the new dressing shed.

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1957

A.H. Donnell and Miss J.P. Linton appointed to senior positions.

Old timers Ces Milne and Ernie Foy joined the staff. About 90 trees planted in July.

Orchestra grew to 15 members and two choirs were on hand. First South Auckland Secondary Schools tennis championships were held at Pukekohe. We won the Junior Girls Doubles (Lynette Watson and Leslie Young). The school had ten netball teams in local competition. An outstanding rugby year: won four grade championships out of five. Beat Kelston, Henderson, Thames, Huntly and Kings. 6A (now Form 7) had ten members. Old Students' Association held its first social. Lots of exam passes at all levels, including Chamber of Commerce.

1958

The last of the foundation pupils left. A rare year - a full staff all year.

1st Boys Cricket XI played Army Camp and beat them twice and thrashed the Rotary Club.

Lloyd Walker set a record for seniors at inter-sec cross country. So did George Martin in the juniors and each team won its grade.

'A' Netball team unbeaten during the season. So was the 'D' team.

1st Rugby XV beat Henderson, Kelston, Thames and Auckland Grammar 'B', but Kings won easily.

Boys 1st XI Hockey played in N.Z.S.S.H.A. tournament at Te Kuiti.

Schools team visited Taumarunui H.S. Weather was bad for the games. Boys lost hockey; girls won; we won both netball and rugby. Had a very successful social "despite the lack of a hall" - 1958 magazine. Where? Out in the paddocks?

Leslie Paver won first University Scholarship. Charles Akers went to Britain in Overseas League group.

1959

Lots of senior staff left. Norm Webb, Laurie Cornwall, Jim McCauley, G.S. Miller, Bob Walls, Pat Douglas, Bim Thornton, Les Thompson, Miss Wright, Miss Johnston and W. Hender. The never ending staff shortages again! Many ideas floating about on the new school that simply 'had' to be built in the district.

L.P. Sladdin started his valuable awards for art and music.

Corso appeal in the school raised one hundred and fifty-nine pounds, seventeen shillings and one penny.

Girls 'A' Netball team defeated the staff.

Geoff Taylor of 6B won the senior speech contest.

Crusader Union held South Auckland rally in School Hall.

The School Dance, as usual, was outstanding success. Maureen Barclay created shot putt in A.G.S.S.A.S.

School 1st XI beat Rotary Club at cricket.

Boys 1st XI hockey entered first grade in A.S.S.H.A. Won 7, drew 1, lost 4. Beat Thames, Christchurch B.H.S, but lost to Taumarunui.

'A' Netball team, playing at Windmill Road were beaten in their grade only by Queen Victoria and Epsom G.G.S.

1960

Manurewa High School opens and our boundary shrinks. So does the roll, but not for long.

Farewell to Board Chairman George Wood, who is replaced by Clarrie Mansell.

The school helped in an effort by the community to raise funds for a local swimming pool.

The Danneman piano was purchased for the Assembly Hall. Senior boys were reluctant (or slow) to join girls in the massed choir for School Concert - so Wesley College boys were invited. More of our fellows volunteered next time.

Junior girls won the girls' intersecondary athletics against 25 other Auckland schools. Val Wymer was second in three sprint titles, Jill Mitchell won the high jump and the relay team came first.

Anne Smith and Lynley Smith won the singles and doubles tennis championships in South Auckland competition. Five students were on the University Schol. Credit pass list.



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1961

Miss Linton retired. Mr & Mrs Aston left for overseas. Mr Thurlow went south to Darfield and Mr Rockel went north to Northland. No one went west.

Prefects adopted a new uniform this year.

Old students beat school first XV at rugby but lost at hockey.

The school choir girls still have to go to Wesley College to get boy friends for their annual concert.

The Maori Club began with regular weekly meetings.

Papakura took first place in all three events, senior, intermediate and junior at the Annual South Auckland cross country. The school entered an era of great strength in athletic for boys and girls, winning many events at South Auckland intersecs, and the girls in the Auckland competition.

'A' Netball team lost only once at Windmill Road, to A.G.G.S., and later to Thames H.S.

1st XI boys cricket beat the Rotary Club.

A Swords Club was formed this year - and Ces Milne is still at it.

1962

The first Principal Arch Campbell retired. S.G. Owen went to Te Kauwhata. Robin Howie resigned from the office and went overseas. Pat Marshall also disappeared overseas. Rachel Hammer became Senior Mistress. Priscilla Edmunds replaced Robin Howie as Principal's secretary.

Lord Cobham, Gov. Gen., had an informal afternoon playing cricket with the first XI.

In May Mr & Mrs A.H. Donnell took a party of 22 for a tour of Queensland, and in the August holidays 38 pupils and two teachers invaded the South Island.

Ian Haszard won the Bledisloe Cup for interschool speaking.

"The Shakespeare Theatre" the school's first attempt at drama, came out this year.

The theme for the ball this year - "Mexican Fiesta".

The school debating teams surprised even themselves by defeating Auckland Grammar School.

Jill Mitchell represented Auckland at the N.Z. Athletic Champs - in the high jump. Val Wymer, Raewyn Lever, Lyn Mathieson and Sheryl Hodges set records and won events at the Auckland Girls Intersec Sports and won the Drake Cup.

The boys did well too at the Intersecs, especially N. Mathieson, I. Haszard, K. Reeves and K. Collecutt.

In the South Auckland Cross Country Champs, Papakura not only won each grade in the teams

event, but also K. Reeves (Intermediate) and S. Lourie (Junior) won their events.

Five were on the University Scholarship Credit list.

1963

The new Principal Nev Thornton takes over. Among others, Lesley Blackmore (now Green), Terry Loney and John Sergeant joined up. Also among others the school lost Ann Richardson and Bill Fryer (temporarily) and Graeme Paton and Ken Congdon (permanently).

The House system was introduced.

A big tree planting effort in July, the first of many. Had to keep ahead of the vandals.

The drama club produced the first stage piece under Sarge's wing "The Prodigious Snob".

Remember 'Library Week' which lasted a few years.

Jessie Munro won a University Scholarship. The gymnasium campaign was begun and raised one thousand, one hundred and fiftyfive pounds this year.

The Campbell block was opened for use.

Intensive week was introduced.

Stewart Payne retained the Bledisloe Cup for the school in inter-school speech competition.

The 'A' Netball team finished the season second to Queen Victoria.

The girls won the Drake Cup for the second time in a row, over all other schools in Auckland. Some great girl athletes in the school in those days.

A late staff arrival - Phil Roberts.

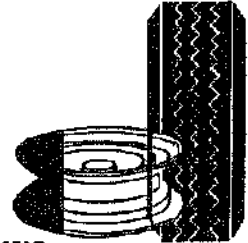
End of year activities included staff car driving by pupils and can swinging by Principal.

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1964

Roll reached over a thousand.

Honourable A.E. Kinsella officially opened the Campbell Wing.

Nan Barclay had to give up teaching through ill health.

Education Department made their part of the money available and the gymnasium was on its way. The Library (in L1) is to be extended to L2.

First interhouse debating competition held over six weeks. Freyberg won the seniors and Fergusson the juniors.

The school orchestra had 35 players, getting bigger and better.

Junior and Intermediates won Cross Country teams events at Wesley, and Seniors were second.

Mellsop trophy for interhouse athletics won for first time by Freyberg. First XV lost twice to Pukekohe but were undefeated in their other fifteen games.

Soccer teams represented the school for the first time and won both championship and knock-out competitions.

The Languages Department started a Continental Club, produced plays, folk dancing, and later, a meal.

Bernie Jennings took the first of his many school trips south, this time to Wellington.

Two more University Schois. to Michael Hall and Ann Herbert.

1965

Athol Donnell retired in May. Terry Loney became Deputy Principal. Val Symtheman joined the staff. Esme Bruce retired. She started here in 1955. Nan Barclay died.

The gymnasium was built and opened by Peter Snell on November 12th.

The Drama Club produced a splendid version of "The Admirable Crichton".

Freyberg won the House Speech Contests.

Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury" made its debut.

Old Boys beat 1st XV but boys' hockey won. Gloria Smith won the senior title in Secondary Schools Tennis Champs. Maryanne Fitzpatrick won the Juniors. Gloria represented Auckland in Australia.

1st XV won Counties S.S. open weight competition. Soccer 1st XI repeated success of 1964. Cross Country teams won all grades at Inter-Secs. Another Jennings jaunt in May, to the South Island.

1966

The Magazine this year talks of the new gym, new baths, new library, new study room, new books, new tennis courts, new prefects' rooms, new sick bays, new changing rooms and showers, new commercial suite, new social studies block (West Wing).

Among others, welcome Fred Graham and Arthur Brown.

Another drama highlight "Hobson's Choice" and a musical "Harmony Hall". The orchestra, now numbering 47, played on numerous occasions at school and around town.

Indoor basketball started at school and the 'A' (Boys) team won the local competition in its grade. Intermediate and Senior boys won the Cross Country Inter-Sec titles again, and the 1st XV won the senior competition again. So did Dave Douglas's fourth grade team and John Sergeant's sixth grade.

Tahiti visit in August. Jennings and Sergeant's trip to Wellington again.

1967

Clarrie Mansell still Board Chairman.

This year 'Drugs in Schools' made the headlines.

Welcome back to the staff Val Smytheman (from overseas), Ann Richardson (from resting at home) and Bill Fryer) from Titoki). Welcome also Graham Donald and seven others. Ken Thomson goes to Canada.

Denise Donald (Salisbury) left the office.

Sonny Bishop and Janie North came as A.F.S. scholars and made a great impact.

Fergusson House won the Mellsop Shield for athletics and also won the swimming.

1st Soccer XI went through the season undefeated, but the 1st XV had only one win all season, against Thames.

Sarge and the Drama Club produced "The Happiest Days of Your Life".

P.T.A. began to support Library with annual grant and monthly pledges.

Janie North, a Yank at Papakura, won the Bledisloe Cup for South Auckland Schools Speech Competition.

Walkathon (20 miles) for funds for Selwyn Oaks appeal raised \$700.00.

School music in great form with Brian Jarrett and Barbara Brown at the Helm.

The School 'Dance' became the School 'Ball'.

The Jennings-Sergeant South Island trips continue.

The Maori Club begins to shine.

Terry Loney left to be Principal at Thames H.S.

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1968

Welcome to previous staff member Les Thompson as Deputy Principal. Farewell to Clarrie Mansell as Board Member. He had been on the Board since the year the school began in 1954 and Chairman since 1960. Good show sir.

Veteran (1954) Board Member Dr Stewart Watson became Chairman. Dave Douglas went to Canada and Paddy Mercer went to Thames as Senior Mistress.

Jennings, the holiday tripper, went to Aorere College, Wally Opperman went to Westlake College and Jocelyn Brown left the library after nine years.

A Sports Council was formed to look after all relevant matters.

5th Grade Rugby won championship with thirteen wins and a draw. 'A' Netball team won eleven out of thirteen in top collegiate grade at Windmill Road and beat Taumarunui and Thames too.

Paul Bridson won N.Z.S.S. Foils Championship and he, P. Branton, G. Evans, D. Bridson and D. Robertson represented Auckland at National Championships.

D. Toe represented South Auckland Schools at Indoor Basketball; also played for Papakura Colts and Senior representative team.

1st Girls Cricket XI won Dot Simons Cup. The Drama Club "The Dairy of Anne Frank".

Joyce Nicholson took over as Library Assistant. Chuck Marcy A.F.S. won the sixth form speech contest. We also had Ann Rhian A.F.S. here, and Jeanette Lowden went as A.F.S. to New York.

Orchestra, choirs and operatta group went on trip to Thames. N.Z.B.C. recorded Maori Club and Madrigal group. The opera was "The Marble Guest".

Monitors meetings were introduced and four were held.

The Orchestra for the Prefects Ball forgot its booking and eventually turned up at 9.30 pm.

September 29th. Second school fair raised \$2,500 with stall, displays, "Miss Gala" and vintage cars.

First year of social discussions with the 'sex lady'. Louise Trussell won a University Scholarship. Quite a year!

1969

Lloyd Walker joined Thomson and Douglas in Can. da. Linda Worth went to Turangi and Alison Lever left the office.

Mary Beth Allen came as a American Rotary Scholar, and the school roll peaked at over 1500, the third largest in New Zealand.

Bledistoe won the swimming, gymnastics, netball, rugby, soccer, boys' fencing, indoor basketball, harriers, speech competition, and the total championship.

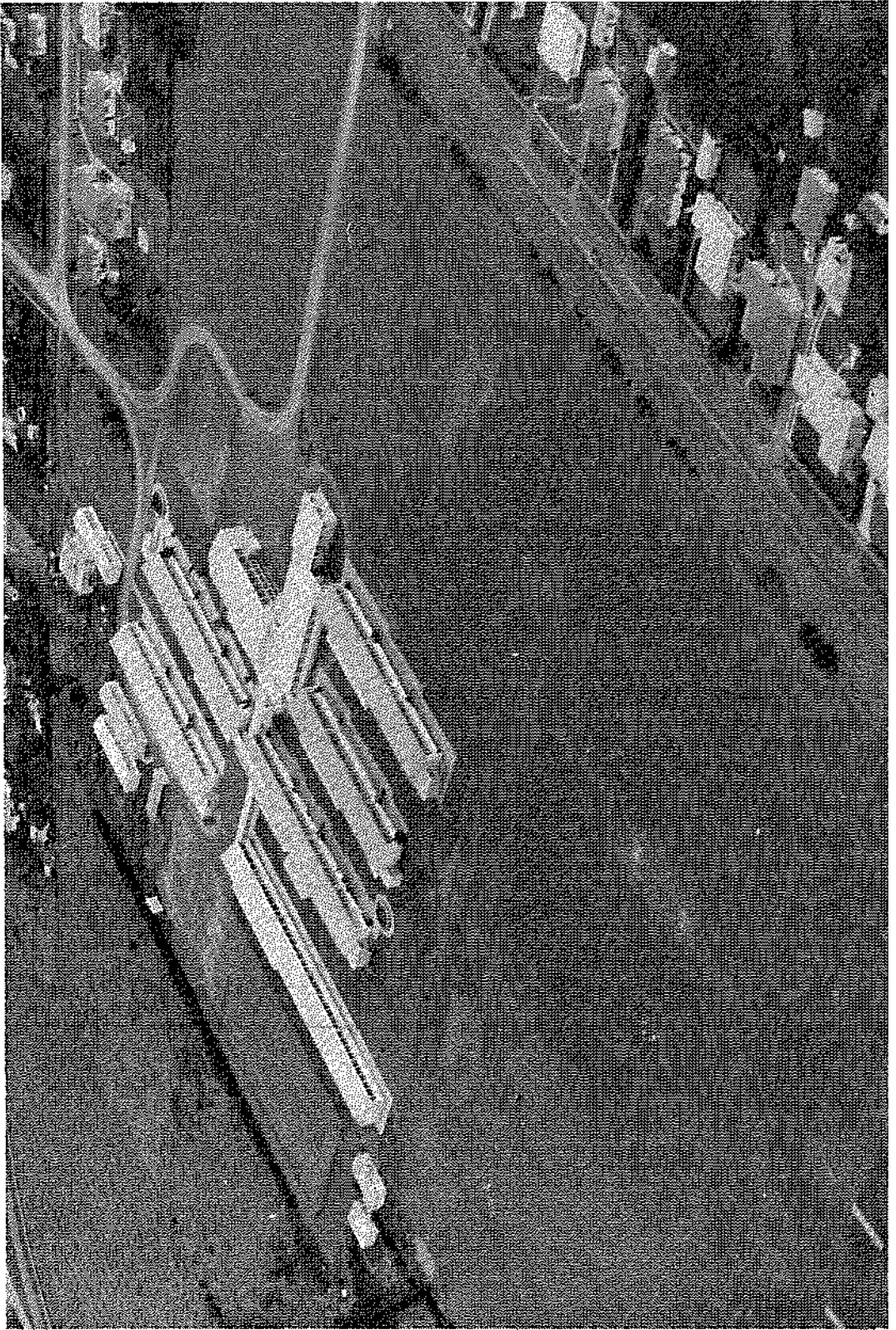
The Sports Pavilion is opened and used for the first time when the Counties Secondary Schools Rugby Reps play Alby Pryors XV. Fifteen records are broken at the school athletic champs. Fergusson won. We won thirteen firsts, fifteen seconds and eight thirds at inter-sec athletics.

P.H.S. gained third place in the "Business Game" run by N.Z. Society of Accountants.

Messrs Brown and Milne began visiting Okui with school groups and led the way for later Form 6 and 7 groups. Jim Brown joined the Music Department.

Marie King was chosen for the N.Z. under 18 Indoor Basketball team. Judy Game chosen for Empre Games swimming training squad. Grant Walker won the North Island Go-Kart Championship and was chosen to represent N.Z. in Australia.

HIGH SCHOOL 1956



1972

Graham Mansell won a University Schol. The A.V. Room was completed, as was the Senior Study Room - and the prefabs began to return.

Caretaker Royce Littlewood resigned after 13 years.

This was the year of the Rock Concert at Massey Park, where wet weather insurance was better than anticipated gate money.

A new winter uniform for girls was introduced. The P.T.A. held a Town and Country fashion parade.

Liberal studies was introduced to Form 6 as an option and electives were included in F6 and 7 programme.

Musical assemblies, led by Jim and Barbara Brown and the backing group "The Exception" were good.

John Boulter (of Black and White Minstrel fame) and Jonathan Cohen came and sang with us, as did Michael McGifford. Gray Bartlett played his guitar for us.

"The Sorcerer" (G. and S.) was presented with a cast of 150 including visiting guest leads.

We put third and fourth form entries into Mathex.

Except for netball, Tauramunui hammered us. 27 students were selected at representative level in eleven different sports. Cricket surged and the first eleven had only one loss (to Rotary) in the season.

"The Happiest Days of Your Life" from the drama club.

The Music Department lost Jim Brown but Barbara and the Exception carried on.

Veronica Hoffman's batik design gained a merit award in the Auckland Secondary Schools Art Competition.

The Water Polo boys' team won the Wally Martin Championship Shield.

1973

The late Roy Marshall, the last of the Originals, retired at the end of the year. Muriel Atchison was promoted and went to Manurewa High School after eight years here, and Barbara Brown decided seven years was enough.

School dances revived by the Prefects at the R.S.A. Hall. The Prefects instituted the 1973 Award for Service to the School.

Librarians complain they have too many books for the space they have.

Jeff Malpas won the Bledisloe Cup for public speaking. John Lawson and Veronica Hoffman were chosen to play solo with the Auckland Symphonia under Juan Matteucci.

Priscilla Edmunds left the school office after

twelve years. Other departures included Peter Brockbank, Bob McVittie, Roy Master, Lorraine Lindsay, Shelley Ryde. Ann Laidlaw went to Europe on an A.F.S. studentship.

1974

Welcome Morris and Norma Shirley, Lorna Bartlett, Lorraine Stiles, Neville Grant, Len Marr, Dennis Reeve, Ken Smith, Helen Rowsell and Pauline Schmidt, among others, while it was farewell to Mike Michelsen, who retired, Lorna Clauson who came back, Gill Gemming, Sandra Tritt, Peggy Dymond, Ailsa Grant, Steve Donnell, and a member of short-term staff.

Sarge runs out of plays so he repeats "The Admirable Crichton".

"Contact" the school newspaper was born.

Another New Caledonia trip with Val Smythman.

Five Polynesian students attended Maori Writers and Artists Conference at Wairoa.

P5½ - the converted garage which became the remedial reading room between P5 and P6.

Boys 1st XI hockey won interschool championship in its grade and the water polo, playing open grade won all games and the Championship. Brian Hayhow won the senior event in the South Auckland Cross Country Championships and the senior boys won their teams event. Freyberg won the House Swimming Championship. Bledisloe won the House Athletic Championship.

Ann Laidlaw won a University Scholarship.

1975

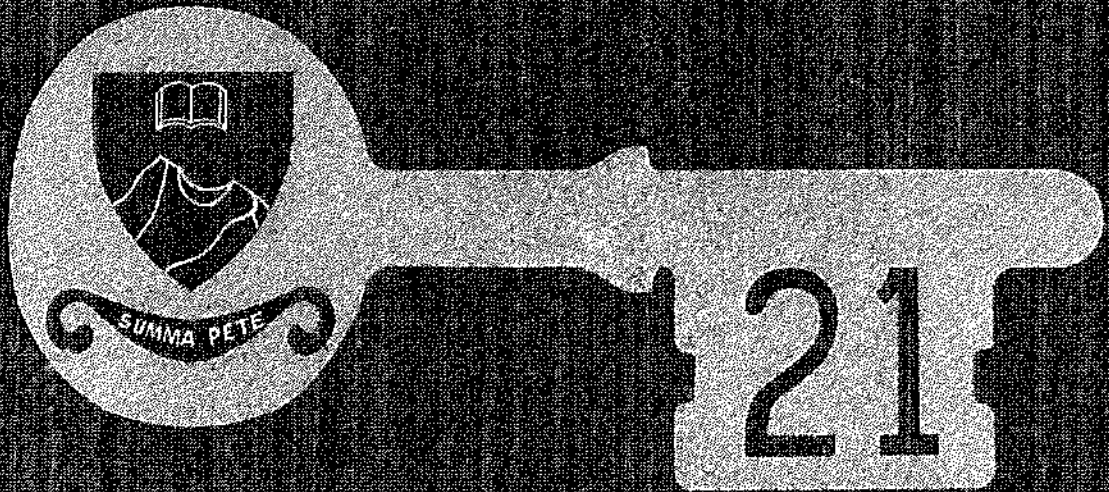
21st birthday party year. Most enjoyable weekend in August. Over 500 attended the get-together on the Friday night.

The usual load of staff changes. Alan Boghurst left and Emma Kuskis retired. She came in 1962. Bill Fryer went to Baradene School for Girls as Principal because he had done well with our girls' hockey teams. He even made them train. We said goodbye to Les Gordon, to Australia, Sheena Parnell, learning to multiply, Joyce Nicholson, to Whangarei and Joan Watson, home for a while. Len Marr, Helen White, Geoff Pyne, Ken Smith and Sarah Downey also left. Among arrivals were Richard Stacey, Jim McArdle, Dennis Wilkins, Spencer Wong, Marcia Wallace, Bronwyn Cross, Marilyn Blake and Daisy Sharp, while Fritzie Urquhart and Gerhard Gehrke came from U.S.A.

The sixth and seventh form began to visit Raglan for outdoor education at the start of the year but transport costs stopped this recently.

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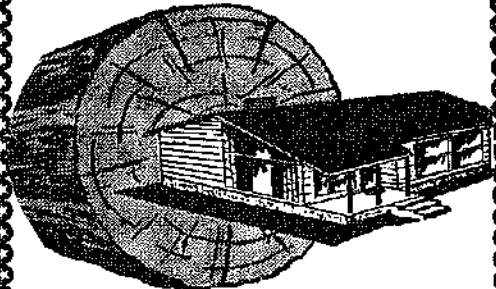
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Handball courts were completed and we always knew where to find the smokers.

Sarge produced "See How They Run".

The school ball adopted the theme of the "Great Gatsby".

The Maori Club became multi-cultural to include Pacific Islanders. A workshop for Maori writers and artists was held at the school.

Dr Stewart Watson left the Board of Governors after 21 years' service. Thanks.

Cobham House won the athletics - at last.

Lynette Pryor set a new 12.5 second record for junior 100 metres at Auckland Champion of Champions meeting. 1st XI boys cricket defeated Rotary - for a change.

A girls' soccer team took the field but couldn't find any opponents.

1976

New staff this year included a number of old students Derek Boston, Richard Thornton, Gwenda Cowrick, Lynne Morrison, Janet Clacher and Graeme Frith and nineteen others.

Doug Robinson, newly arrived Head of Science, set to work and founded the Colenso Society, a very active group studying everything from ecology to earthworms and going everywhere from Great Barrier to Ramarama.

Judy Trenwith took over in the library.

The 6th and 7th Forms again enjoyed Raglan and Okui, except for hard bits which were unenjoyable.

"Contact" the school newspaper produced three issues with a struggle, but remained financially solvent which was better than the Common Room Committee who gave away, unknowingly, too many free drinks and eats.

Jeff Malpas won the Bledisloe Cup for public speaking, making it the third year in a row this school had held it.

At the end of the year George Thorburn retired, Harold Partridge left through sickness, and Fritzie Urquhart went back to the U.S.A.

The Maori Club took fire with the enthusiasm of Margaret Williams. Plans were begun for a Maori Study Centre, and a Maori Intensive set off to Tauranga at the end of the year. A gala day in July did well, and so did the various departments which purchased equipment out of the profits. In the first term a litterathon covered city rubbish into \$3,500 for the school's P.E. and sporting equipment.

The Community Service programme was extended to Form 3 as well as Form 4.

A gymnastic team was formed and did well in schools competition. Swimming sports took on a new look with 378 entries in the walking race, and some curious events such as the biggest splash.

Cobham won the House Championship (the P.T.A. Cup).

1977

The school's second Principal retires. Nev goes out to pasture. John Sergeant (Sarge) and Ron Thompson (Rusty) move on and so do Val Ball from the office, Jan Clacher, Richard Thornton, Eileen Irvine, Olly Goldsbury, Bronwyn Cross, Ruth Lidgard, Shelly Ryde and John Mulligan. Fred Graham and Judy McDonald head overseas for 1978.

Welcome to Lorna Clauson, back from Manukau T.I., Sharon Anderson, Mac Burt, Peter Godfrey, Theo Mullinder and Janet Sweetman.

The Camera Club got under way with Derek Boston.

Sarge produces his last for the school "Shock Tactics".

Tenders are called for the construction of the new free-standing library.

The Maori Club fed the Prefects at a hangi at Ardmore College. They also went into the music business in the Senior Common Room selling request tunes at 10c a record.

First orienteering team entered local competitions. Ron Pederson is selected for the Auckland Provincial Secondary Schools Fencing Team.

With the exception of 'A' Netball, this was not a good year for team sports. The netball team won its local championship.

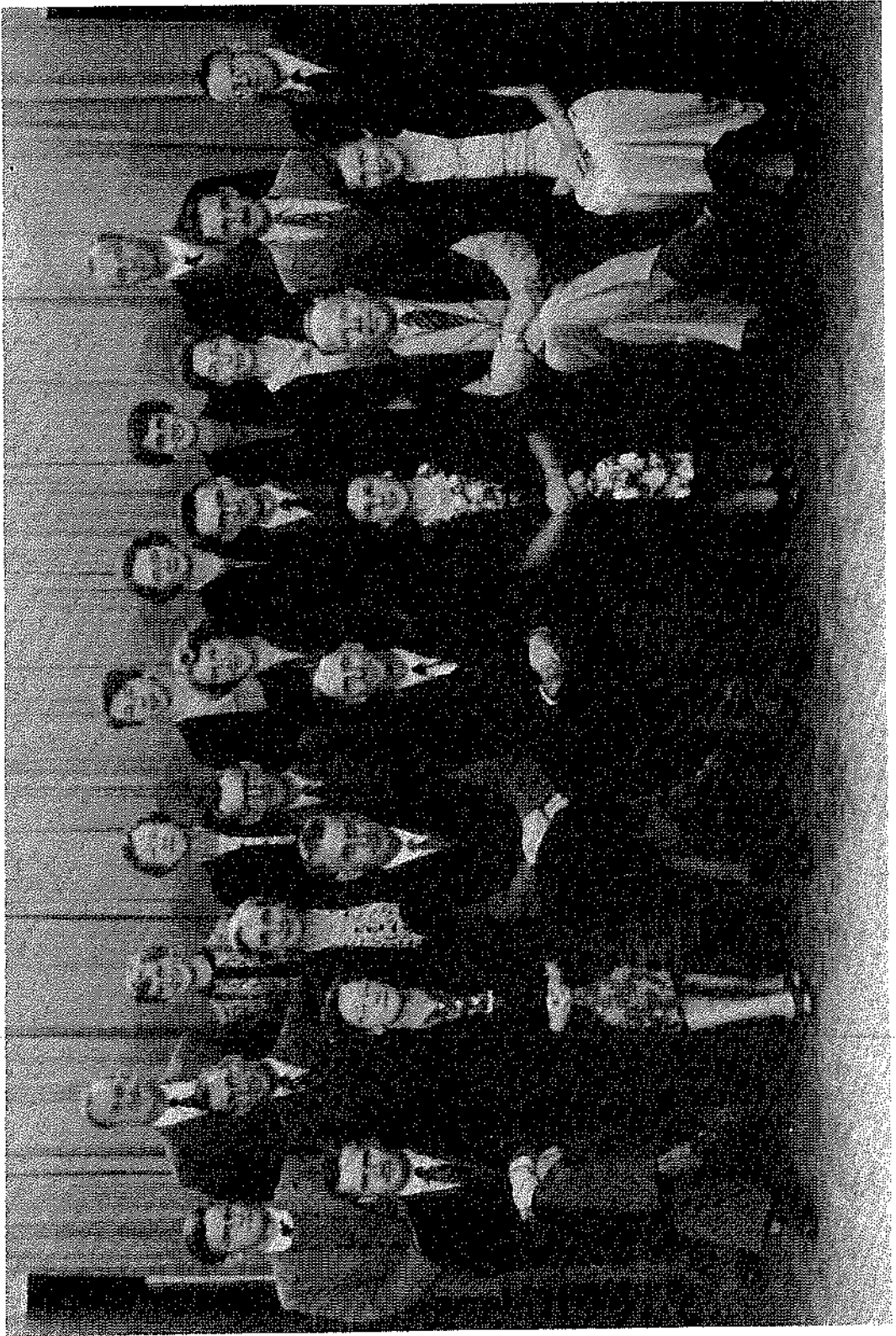
1978

Congratulations to the new Principal D.T. Hunt M.A. and welcome to his deputy George W. Bryant M.A.

Also greet the new H.O.D. Social Studies W.J. Pond and 13 other new staff including old boy David La Trobe. Caretaker Dave Barker left, and so did old boy and staff veteran Ken Thomson who went to Manurewa H.S. as their Deputy Principal.

Tim Carter left, so did Gwenda Cowrick, Linda Gregory, Janet Sweetman, Dennis Wilkins, Mac Burt and Olly Goldsmith from among the old timers. Helen Rowsell went on leave and so did Graeme Frith. Mike Bathum returned to the U.S.A.

SCHOOL TEACHERS 1955



1970

Bob McGarvey went to Rosehill as Deputy Principal. Les Thompson left for Teachers' College. Don Hunt came as Deputy Principal. Ken Thomson returned from Canada. Akker (Colin Atkinson) retired at the end of the year, after he had retrieved his mini from the foyer.

Lots of other came and went. e.g. Old Students Ann Balcombe and Glenys Watson, Geoff Pyne, Judy McDonald, and late Harold Partridge, Bob Chan, Alan Boyhurst and Rusty Thompson all came. Ida Lambert, George Love and Ann Coward were among the leavers.

Bledisloe won the House Championship again.

The 1st XV won the Moascar Cup with a great 14-9 win over Wesley College, and tied first equal in the local competition. Ten of the team were chosen for the Counties Rep Team. The school team beat Wesley 'B' by 109-0.

The Netball girls left Windmill Road and joined the local competition, with mixed fortune. Boys 1st XI hockey, playing Auckland 1B grade, won all thirteen games, but lost to Taumarunui. Motorama show held at school.

Lower grade teams played Titoki here and went north to Waipū. Ron Irvine nearly stayed there. Taumarunui and Thames visits continued.

Sarge produced "Will Any Gentlemen?"

Questionnaire on boys' caps produced the expected result. Caps abolished at end of Term 2.

The 'Old House' over by the Campbell Wing finally disappeared, leaving the Art Department with nothing to draw.

Sarge, Ann Coward and Liz Jackson took 35 off to the South Island for the May holidays. Arthur Brown took 25 boys into the Kaingaroa Forest and Tim Carter went with a group to Lake Waikaremoana. Frank Stutheridge led a gang off to Fiji and New Caledonia.

Teddy Morrice won the Auckland Cross Country Championship. Graeme Evans was one of eight boys representing N.Z. at a United States Air Cadet Movement gathering at Sacramento and elsewhere.

Gerald Warner went to Germany and Geoff Pyne went to Spain for World Cross Country Championships but got no medals.

1971

Welcome Dave Douglas back from Canada. Misses Grant, Cornane, Graham, Wilson (later Mrs Parnell), Mrs Ryde, Mr Wright, Counsellor Warn, Mr McVittie and Mrs Bateson. Farewell to sixteen including Phil Roberts, Dave Douglas, Brian Jarrett, Gail Hogg, Gerald Warner, Frank Stutheridge and Gail Watson.

The roll fell to 1250 from the 1969 peak of 1500.

Tenders are called for the A.V. Room.

Bledisloe plunged to bottom house at athletics with Fergusson at the top.

Pukekohe took the Moascar Cup at the first challenge. Good wins over Thames and Taumarunui in rugby but results were mixed in other games.

Water polo made progress as a new sport at P.H.S.

The seventh form wore nine different uniforms according to a magazine photo.

Sarge produced "You Never Can Tell" this time.

The Music Department went on the road and performed at Thames High School. The Orchestra Room arrived.

Ties disappeared from the girls' winter uniform and berets were out too.

The Guidance Counsellor did good business especially when a tough period was coming up. P.T.A. gave \$230.00 to the library from a fashion parade and organised a Trades Carnival, combined with Rosehill. Our share of the \$6,500 went towards a senior school building. P.T.A. also continued giving \$20 a month to the library.

Trips - in August, 44 went to the Chateau and 17 to New Caledonia.

Sheryl Smith went to Australia in an Auckland tennis team, while Mervyn Bull attended the Scout Jamboree in Japan. Bruce Farley represented Auckland in Dunedin at the National Driver of the Year Contest.

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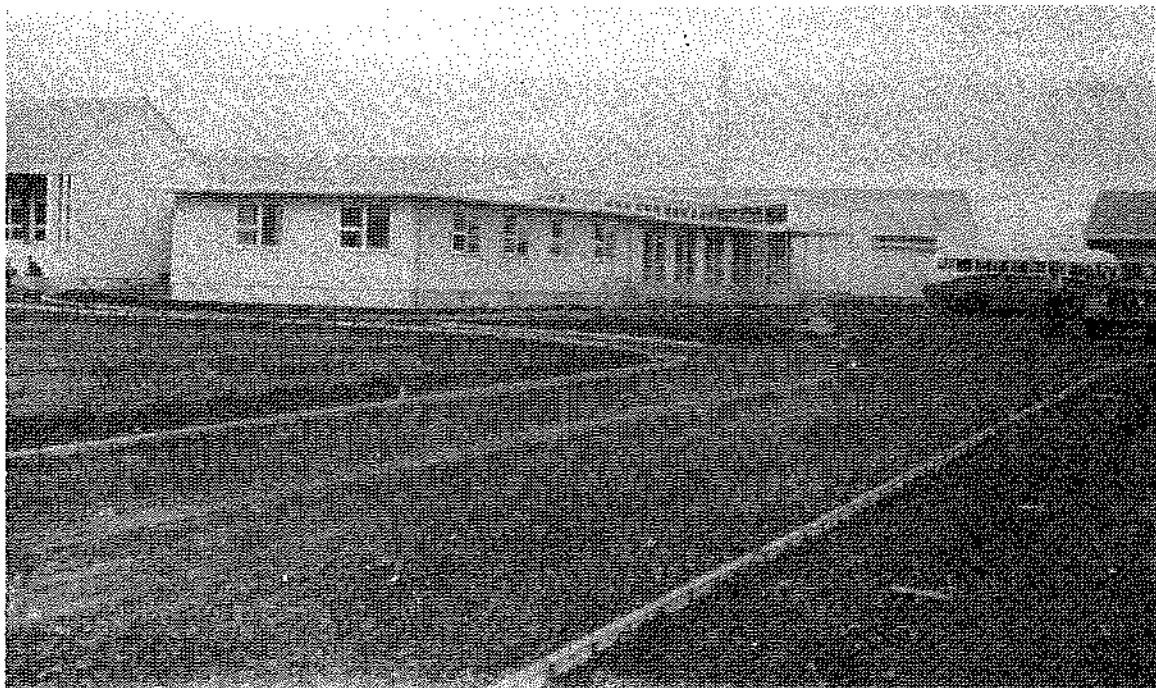
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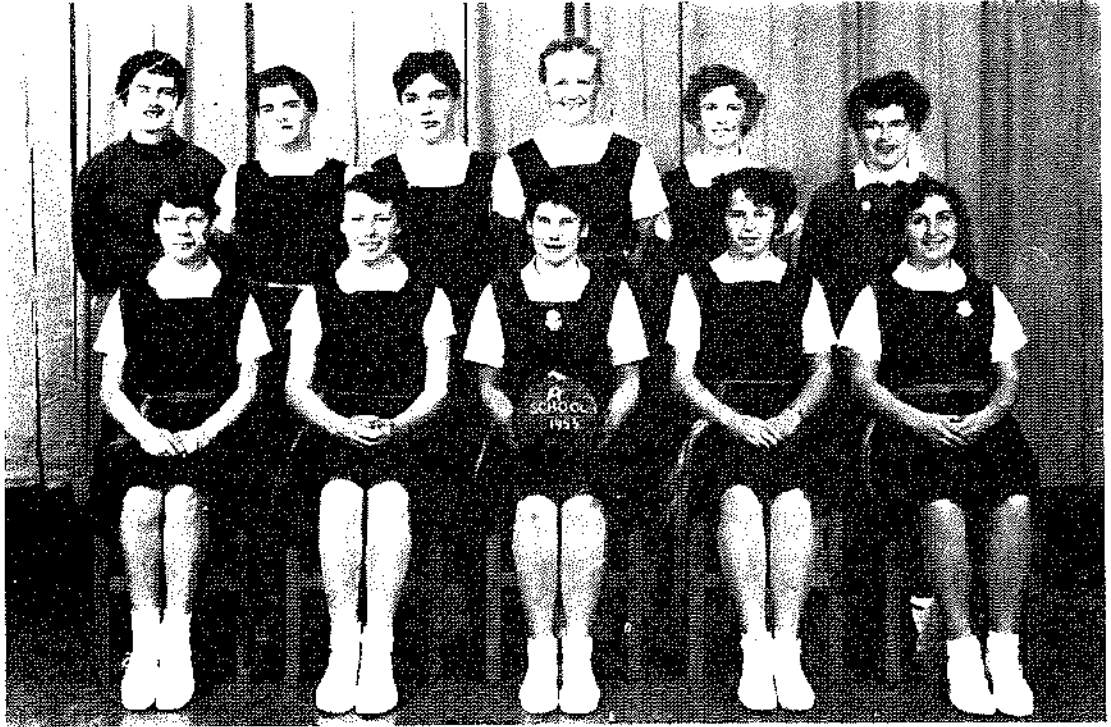
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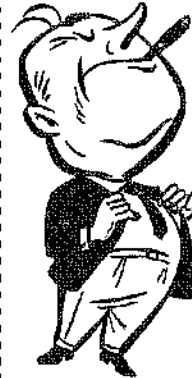
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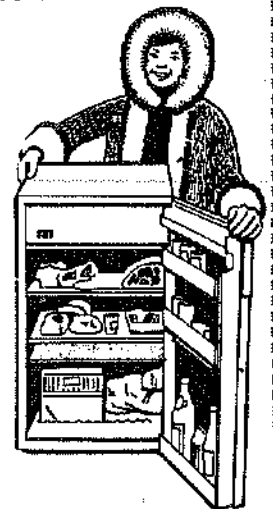


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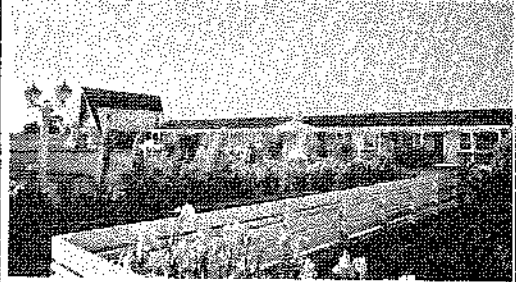
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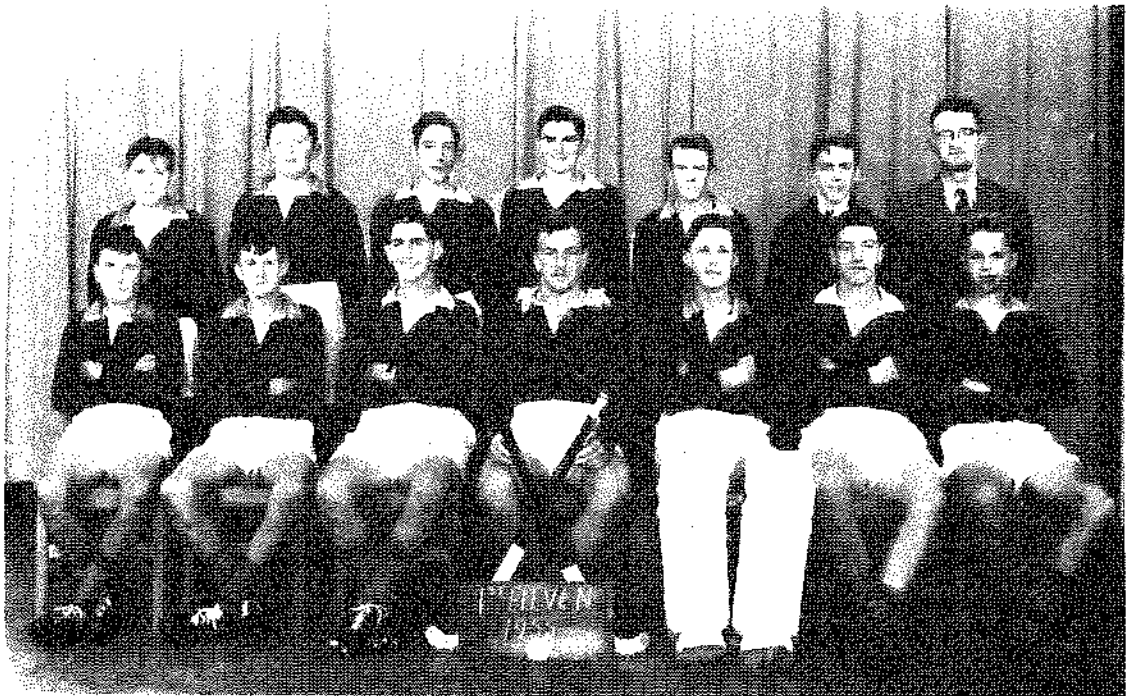
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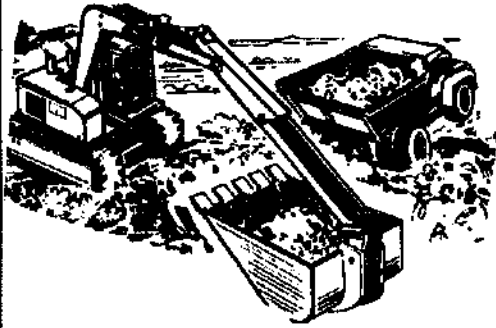


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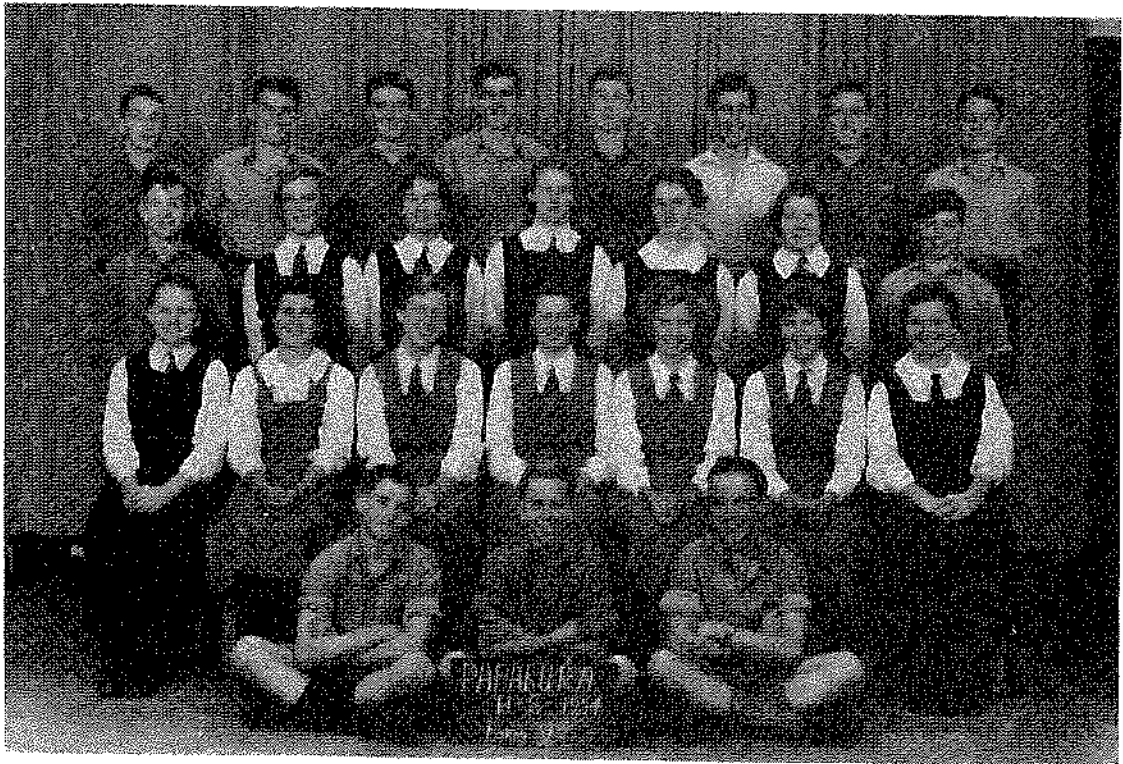
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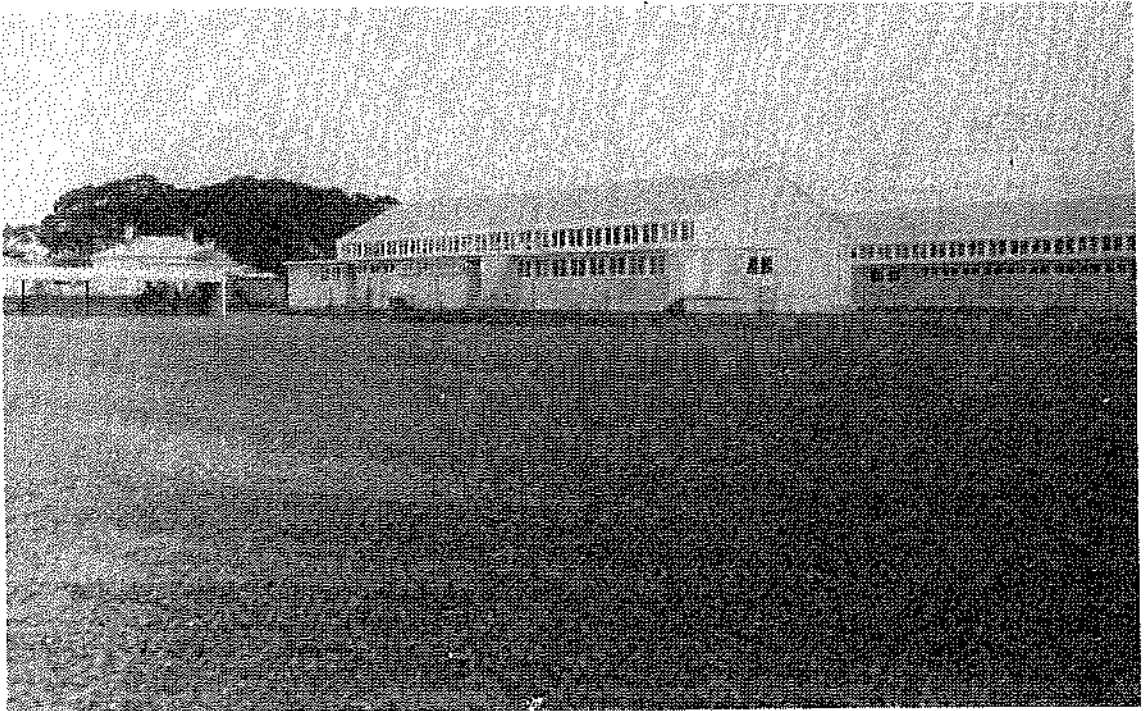
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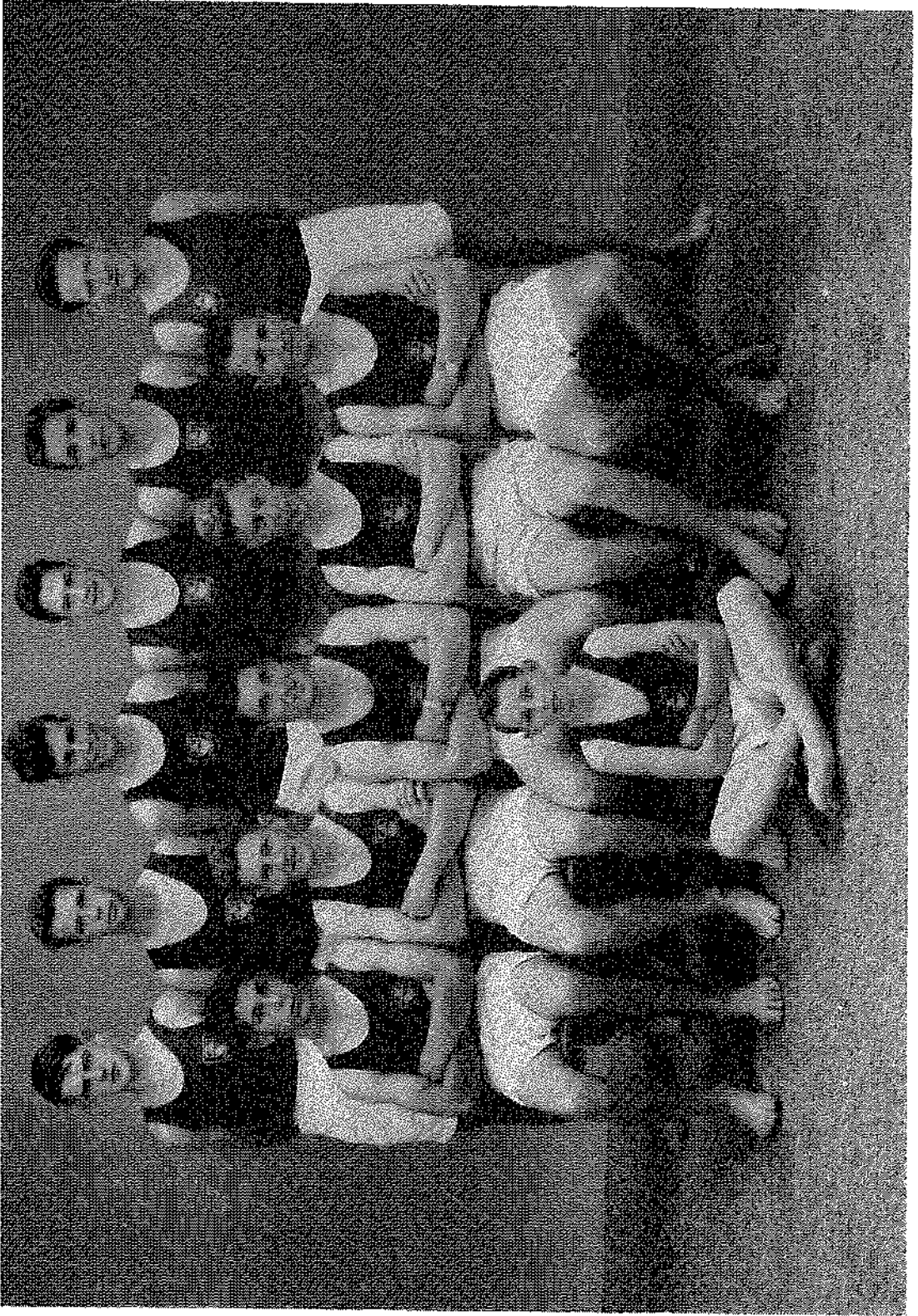


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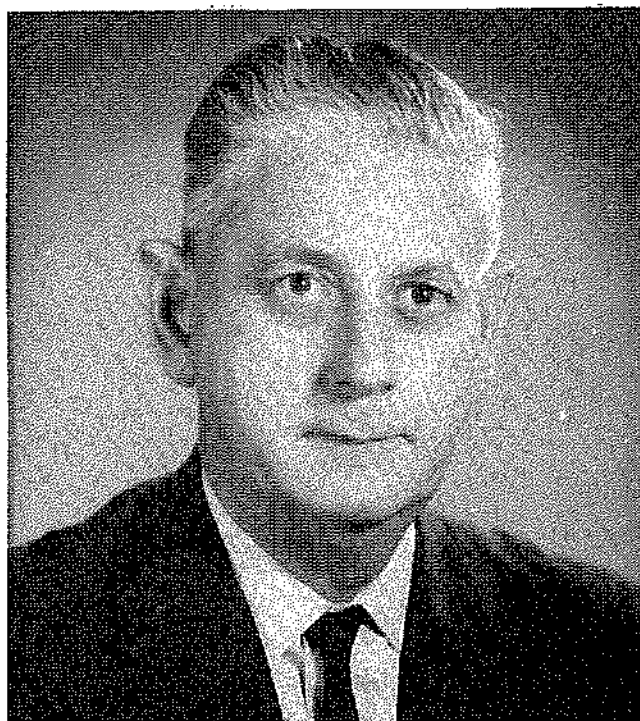
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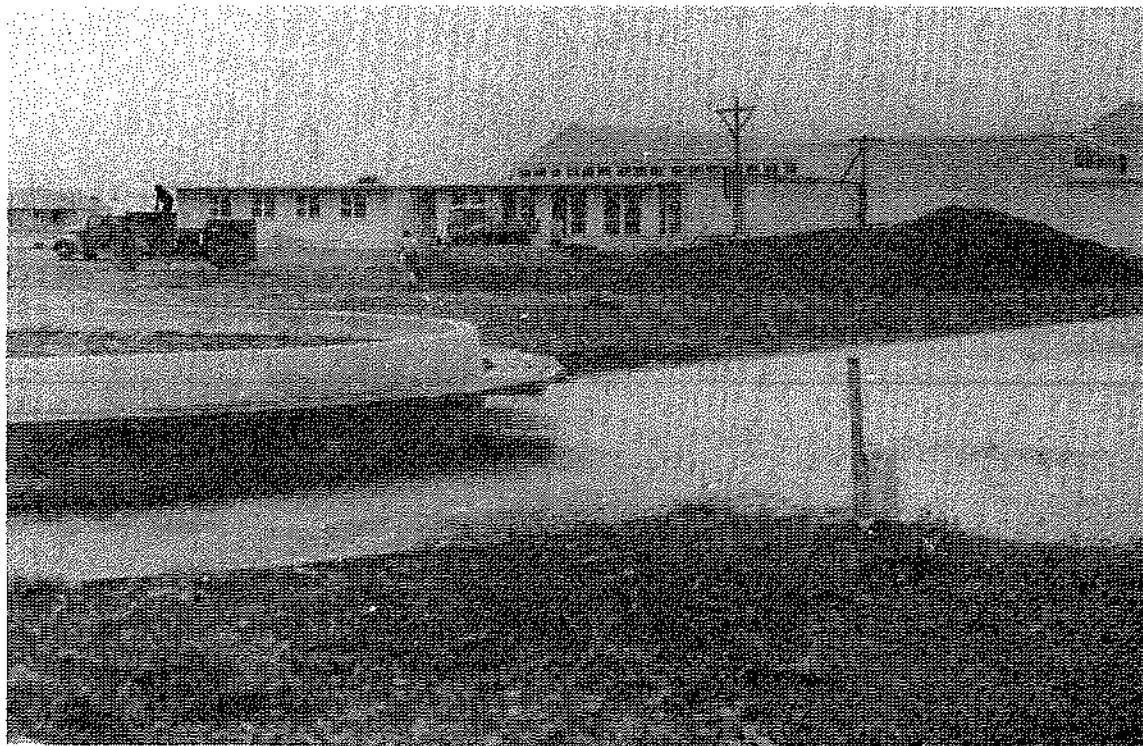
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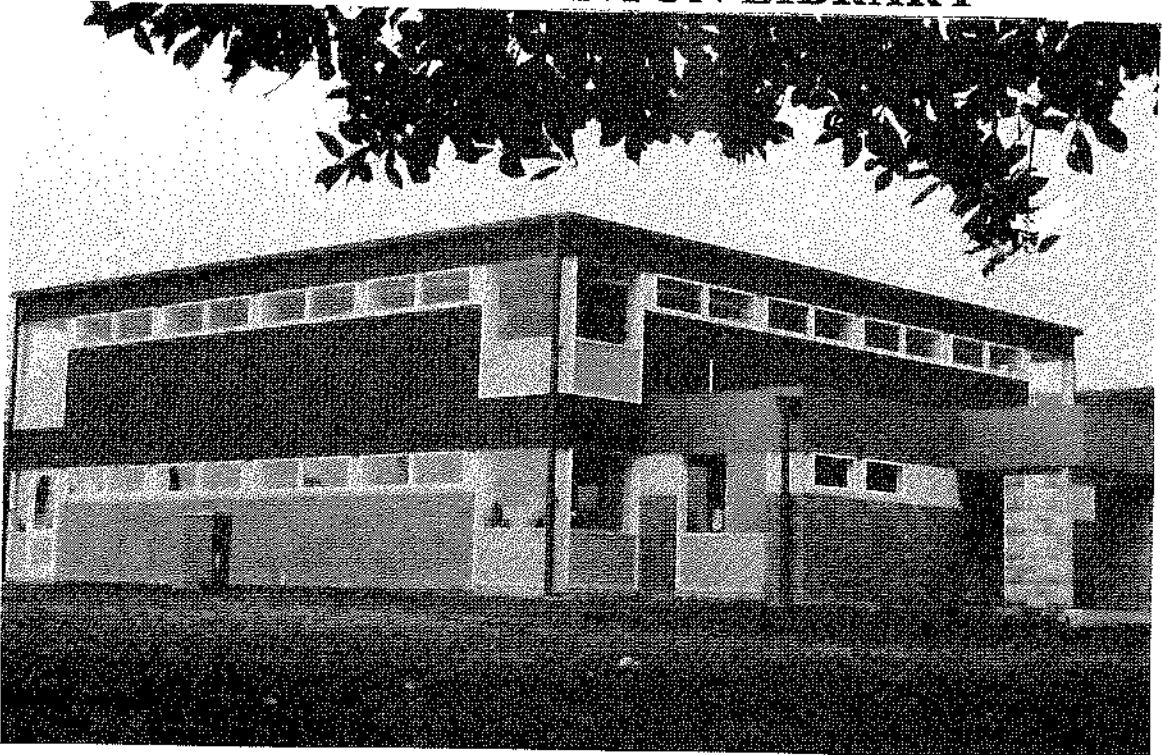
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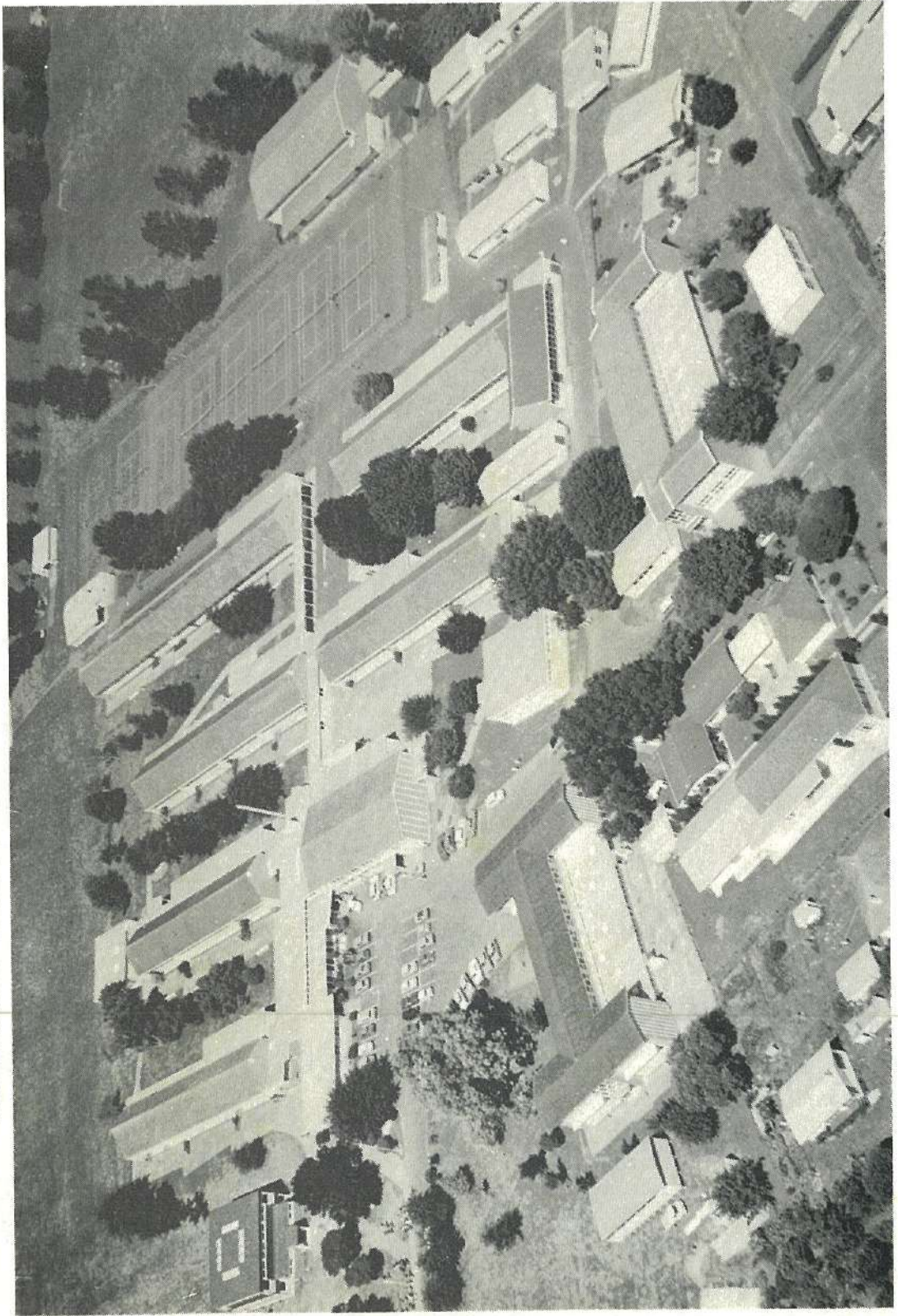
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