

Launceston College Old Boys' Association.

LAUNCESTON COLLEGE,

JUNE, 1935.

TO ALL OLD BOYS.

MY DEAR FELLOW OLD BOY,

I regret to have to report that the Honorary General Secretary of the Old Boys' Association, Mr. Wyndham F. Hender, has found it necessary to relinquish his appointment owing to great pressure of business. After consultation with him, with the Chairman of the Association, with the Chairman of the Governors and with others, I have reluctantly undertaken the duties of the office myself until another Old Boy can be properly appointed.

We do not get a great deal of mutual intercourse. We are suffering from the lack of a printed Directory of Old Boys, which would contain the names and addresses of all who have passed through either of the schools which have now been amalgamated to form Launceston College, and which would therefore serve as a useful link for putting former chums into contact with one another again and for maintaining their connection with the College.

As a first step towards this end, this communication is being sent to all Old Boys whose addresses we have. Many of these addresses may be out-of-date. Will you therefore be good enough to complete the enclosed form, using BLOCK LETTERS or a typewriter, and to return it in the enclosed envelope? You will see that we are making it as easy as possible for you to respond!! Probably the younger Old Boys, who may be changing their addresses somewhat frequently, may prefer to give their more permanent home address, so that letters may be forwarded to them, wherever they may be.

Perhaps you would like to take this opportunity of joining the Old Boys' Association, if you have not already done so, or of renewing your membership if it has been allowed to lapse. Former members of the Staff are eligible for

membership of the Association. The annual subscription is due in January, but in most cases has not yet been collected for the present year. The amount is 3s. 6d., if you wish to receive the magazine, or one shilling without the magazine. This almost nominal subscription is required to cover the cost of printing and posting the circulars and other literature relating to the College which we hope to send you from time to time. Last term's magazine has not yet been published owing to lack of subscriptions, though the energetic Editor, Mr. E. G. Peirson, B.Sc., has the material ready. For several terms there has been a loss on the magazine; it is impossible to continue publication under these conditions, and so we appeal to all Old Boys to help us to increase the circulation. If you are unable to do this, please join the Association without taking the magazine. If you do not see your way even to do this, do please return the Directory form. All boys leaving the College are accepted as members of the Association without any subscription at all for the first twelve months.

There must be a number of Old Boys whose addresses we do not know and who will therefore not receive this circular. If you know of any such in your neighbourhood or among your friends, it will help us greatly if you will kindly write their names and addresses on a piece of paper and send it with your own Directory form, or we will gladly send you a further supply of forms if you prefer.

We are always delighted to receive from Old Boys any items of personal news which can be published in the magazine.

The two local Branches of the Association hold annual Dinners and Socials, the Launceston Branch in February, the London Branch on the first Saturday of the Motor Show, the next being due, therefore, on 19th October, 1935. All members of the Association are automatically members of the Local Branches and no further subscription is payable. Communications relating to the activities of the Branches should be addressed to the Local Secretaries.

Most Old Boys are probably aware that a new Old Boys' Blazer and Tie were designed three or four years ago and are now largely worn by former members of both the constituent schools.

Perhaps you will welcome a word as to the progress of the College. Numbers have reached new high records every year and the Staff has been augmented and strengthened to deal with this situation. Additional buildings have been opened and others are nearing completion. The Plans for a splendid new Pavilion are in London awaiting the approval of the Board of Education and the

work will be commenced as soon as this is received. A further sum of money has been allocated for turning the shed, which adjoins the Gymnasium, into Changing Rooms, which we hope to equip with Shower Baths in the near future. A new wooden floor of the most approved modern type, a new ceiling and new heating have been added to the Gymnasium, so that it may be used in the winter evenings for Badminton, Ping-Pong, etc. Two new cycle sheds have been erected. The Quad has been entirely relaid. Central Heating has been placed in every room in the College. The Governors, the majority of whom are themselves Old Boys, are continually planning further improvements.

Rugger, Soccer, Cricket, Fives, Quad-ups, Racquets, Swimming and Athletics reach a high standard, and the new **Tennis Court** will be in use as soon as the workmen leave the adjacent new block of buildings. Scouting is very popular, and week-end and holiday camps are held. The Orchestra now contains thirty boys. Each year a Shakespearian Play is staged in the Town Hall at Christmas; Speech Day also fills the same building in October. Oxford Groups find an honoured place in College life.

On the purely academic side we expect better School Certificate and Matriculation results next month than ever before, and we have no fewer than seven boys taking the London Intermediate Examinations this year. Our new language courses are proving very popular and have already earned the praises of the External Examiners and Inspectors.

In closing let me appeal to you once more to make a special effort now to return the enclosed form.

Yours sincerely,

H. SPENCER TOY,

Acting Honorary Secretary.



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MR. H. SPENCER TOY, Launceston College.

Honorary Secretaries of the Launceston Branch :

MR. S. R. UGLOW, Hellescott House, North Petherwin.

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OLD BOYS AT THE SCHOOL.

Chairman of the Governors :

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