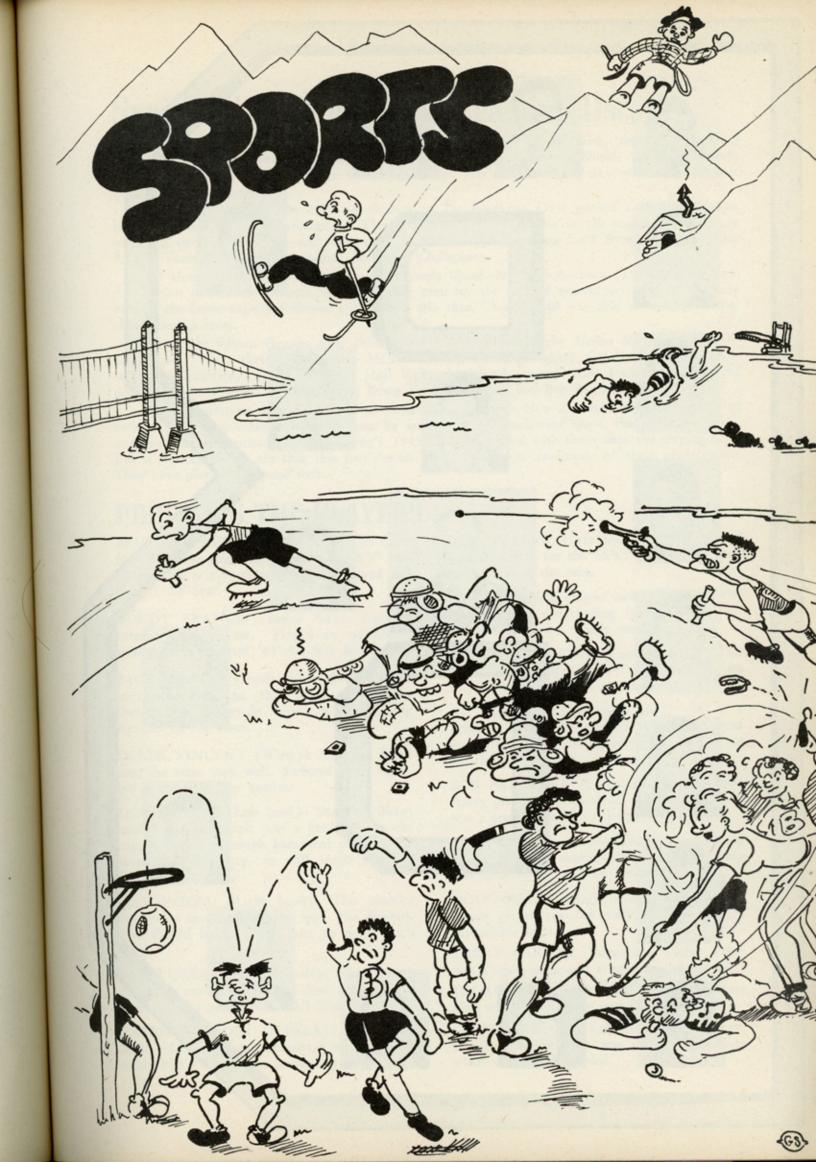
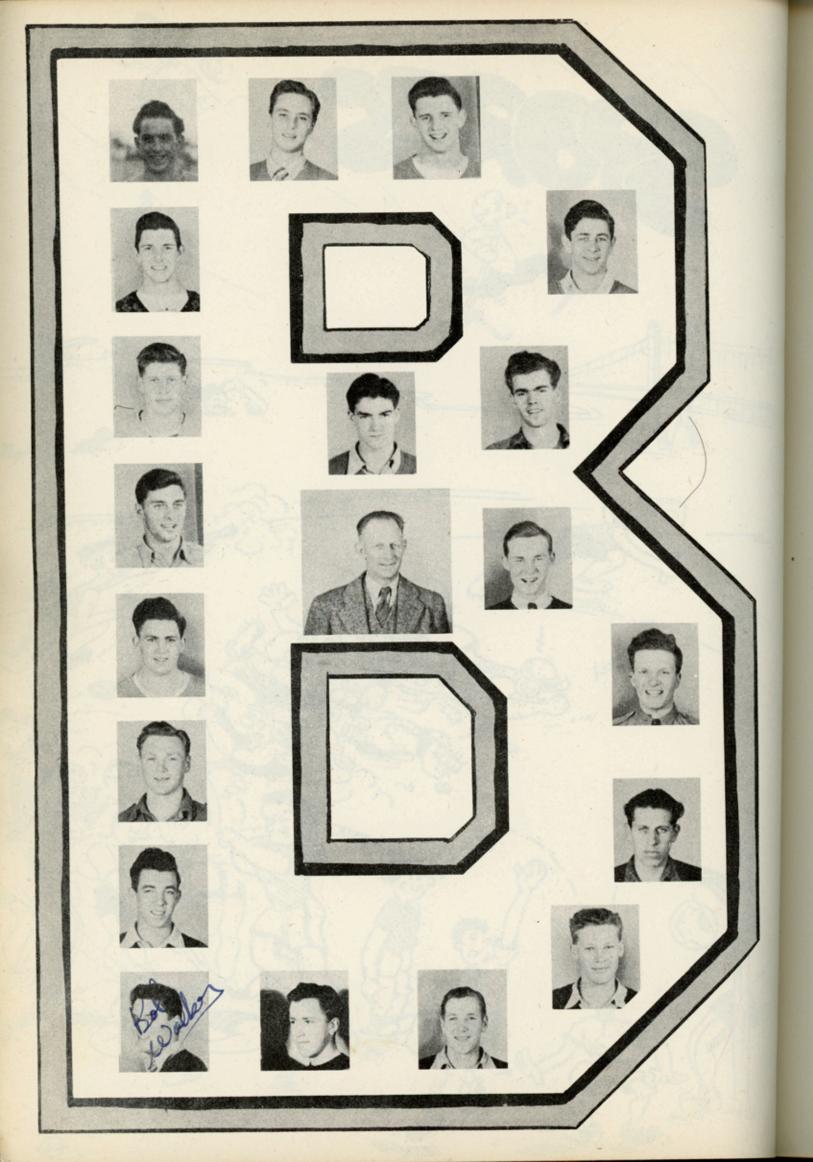
SPORTS







Senior A's Capture New Zealand 'Oscar'

For the ninth consecutive year A. J. Dodd's Senior "A" rugby team, this time romping through a complete season of wins, captured the coveted New Zealand Shield. Strangely enough the same number of points as were tallied against last year's fifteen—only six—were scored against the succeeding champions.

The performance of the 1945-46 champs on the Brockton Oval proved a thrilling climax to a strenuous season of victories. There was not a true Byngite in the stands who did not inwardly swell with pride—and outwardly sight with relief—when Lord Byng's Number One Rugby Team was again proclaimed Mainland Champions.

All through the season veterans of last year's squad, Bruce McEachern (1945-46 Captain), Alf Vozza, and Gordy Francis, set a gruelling pace for the raft of newcomers; and it was only because the latter eagerly followed the veteran trio that "Art" Dodd was able to mould another championship team.

Six of the fifteen champs were chosen by the Vancouver Rugby Union for the 1945 All-Star Team. Two three-liners, Bruce McEachern (All-Star five-eights), and Gordy Francis (All-Star three-quarters), made the city's ideal high school rugby team, while four of the forward positions were awarded to Alf Vozza, Doug Pratt, Jim Tate, and Bob Bartlett.

Such superlatives have been used to describe Lord Byng's New Zealand Shield Champions of former years that little that is new can be said about the exuberant spirit, the justifiable pride, and the fine sportsmanship which Byng's 1945-46 crew carried with them onto the playing field. But it is sufficient to say that this year's team have upheld the traditions of their predecessors: They have played the game well.

PROFILING THE PLAYERS . . .

BRUCE McEACHERN (1st 5/8): This fleetfooted fellow captained the Senior "A's" this season. He is a veteran of the '44 squad and a 1945 All-Star.

GORDY FRANCIS (Inside 3/4): Another veteran of last year. Played an admirably steady game, copped '45 All-Star honors.

JACK WILSON (Inside 3/4): Jack was an invaluable asset to this year's squad. His speedy weaving made him an outstanding member of the team.

DEREK VINCENT (Wing): This lad fitted into the team very well. Suffered ankle injuries in the Oak Bay tussles.

DOUG PRATT (Left hook): Doug's brilliant smile and fiery spirit was a great aid to the team's morale. Though hampered most of the season by an injury, he still made the All-Stars.

RAY VOZZA (Right hook): This chunky lad was a mainstay on the line. His doggedness should be a great asset to next year's crew.

ALF VOZZA (Throw-in-half): Last year's fullback, moved up to the line this year to play a tireless game. A '45 All-Star.

RALPH NORMAN (Fullback): This wellbuilt lad was a great advantage on the backfield. His kicking was something to see. BOB WALKER (Left lock): "Slim" played a heady season for the "A's." He always loved to practise in the rain.

PAT ST. JAMES (Right lock): The "Saint's" drive was an outstanding factor in his success. He played a steady season.

GORDY CAMERON (Centre hook): This boy's footwork was a marvel. He very seldom let the other team get the ball.

AL PEARSON (Receiving half): Al is a graduate from the Juniors, and has played some fine games. Much credit goes to him for the three-line rushes.

BOB BARTLETT (Left breakaway): Bob's starry play was a standout. His ball-handling was a great asset. An All-Star.

JIM TATE (Right breakaway): Jim played a commendable season. His smooth playing was admired by all. An All-Star.

DOUG SMART (Right wing): Another ex-Junior player, this lad really used his head; a dependable man.

TERRY CARSON (Forward): Hefty Terry was a spare man, and a very dependable one.

JIM ROTHWELL (Fullback): A lanky spare man who ably filled in many a gap.

DOUG STEWART (Left hook): This heavyset spare scrum man was ready and willing whenever he was needed.



season of wins in the Western Division league play, but finally fell before King George 6-0 in the third replay of the semifinals. The previous playoffs had been scoreless ties.

Sensational is the best word to describe the scores chalked up by these boys during the league race: 29-0, 16-0, 33-0, 11-0, and 14-0.

Team's personnel is as follows: Albert Whitehead (captain), Grayson Laite, Ron Weeks, Len Fairey, Bob Morritt, Don Milley, Al Hoskyn, Norm Black, Bill Kennedy, Jack Coleman, Hank Booth, Harry Downs, Bill Sherwood, Jim Gormley, Tom Morrison, and Norm Babb.



Because they were the only "B" team in the league, Byng's Junior "B's" were obligated to compete against far more experienced teams. As a result, they ended in cellar position in the league standings. Despite their losses, the team, this year under Mr. W. J. Roper, served a useful purpose by training new players and providing spare material for the Junior 'A" squad.

The following players made up the team: Allan Kelly (captain), George Lydiard, Jim Thorsteinson, Gordon Robertson, Bruce Peyman, Allan Cobbin, Alec Cobbin, Don Fralick, Peter Burnett, John Antle, Bob Tapp, Bruce Bennett, Ben Robinson, Dean MacGilliviray, Danny Larsen, Bob Knapton.



A "B" team in any school league is looked upon by most as merely a "farm" team to supply spare men for the "A"

But it was a different story with Byng's Senior "B" Ruggers this year, when they came within an ace of knocking out squad in the same league. all contenders in their league—and were finally stopped only by Britannia. Britannia—undoubtedly a deserving aggregation, but incidentally that school's only senior club—later strode on to challenge our Senior "A's" at the Brockton finals. Byng's "B's" made a fine start in the league play by

tucking three consecutive victories under their belts. first win involved the 9-0 trouncing of North Burnaby, and their second triumph saw them downing Tech 6-0. Prince of Wales took a 23-0 blanking from the Scarlet and Grey machine in the third match, but in the fourth, the Byng boys ran into the "Brit" wall, and dropped a 5-0 decision. This defeat put them in such position that, in order to finish top dogs on the scoreboard, they had to win their final league

match. Unfortunately, in a tussle against South Burnaby, neither team managed to score. Thus, this deadlock spelled "finis" to the "R" rampage The Senior "B" squad was composed of: Bob Piercy (captain), Dick Grady, Jim MacNeil, Ernie Norman, Bert Watson, Robin Abercrombie, Jim Clark, Doug Mowat, John Bancroft, Don Waldern Herb Mathieson, Jack Hope, and Hugh Ryan. deadlock spelled "finis" to the "B" rampage.

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BANTAM RUGBY ...

Although the Lord Byng Bantams at first appeared to be quite a threat to other squads who had an eye on the Bantam crown, they became rather discouraged because of an early defeat, lost their foothold in the league standings, and never regained it.

Many of the players feel that, won or lost, the season's card was well worth playing, and aside from the enjoyment they derived, they gained much of the know-how so valuable to any sportsman.

It is to this group of athletes that Byng coaches will turn for Junior material with the coming of next season.

Under the guiding wing of Mr. J. Bardsley, the team was composed of Achilles Evans (captain), Glen Stewart, Bill Lightfoot, Lloyd Wylie, Dick Stokes, Ted Hill, Barry Downs, Bill Neen, Allan Coles, Dick Barr, Les Larsen, Ray Counsell, Harry Evans, and Bob Peters.





FLYWEIGHT RUGBY ...

Apparently not satisfied with the array of English Rugby trophies lying around as left-overs from the 1944 season, Byng coaches got their heads together, decided something could and should be done, and did it.

The result was the newest (and smallest) team to crash English Rugby circles in many a blue moon. The reference is, of course, to Lord Byng's own Flyweights, consisting of a number of Junior Highers who showed that the old Scarlet and Grey spirit is not a commodity exclusive only to the Senior students.

Laurels go to these fellows for downing every squad of opponents in sight and sighing for new teams to conquer—but alas, they were denied the privilege of playing a final battle on the Brockton Oval!

Footballers Play in Fall

Because of the simultaneous playing of two major sports on the Vancouver schools' interhigh syllabus last Autumn, Junior Canadian Football at Byng was somewhat overshadowed by the huge English Rugby machine that has long been the pride and joy of our Alma Mater.

It was under these conditions that some thirty aspiring gridmen, most of them appearing rather gaunt with a lean and hungry look, emerged from the dressing room last Fall to constitute Byng's sole entry into the Interhigh Canadian Football League. What they lacked in experience, they made up for in enthusiasm,

for many had never played the game before, a few only on outside teams, and veterans from last year's squad could be counter on the fingers of your left hand.

Victories in the six games played numbered only one, and tied games, the same, but it might be said that few of the fellows finished the season without feeling that they had learned something, perhaps about the game itself, perhaps about sportsmanship in general, or perhaps merely how it feels to have your face ground into six inches of freezing, muddy water by the heel of an opponent's boot.

The team was composed of Bill Sparling (captain), Glenn Milne, Ken Killick, Johnny Ployart, Fred Martin, Ray Rice, Bob Mitton, Lloyd Burney, Phil King, Ron Oates, Hal Tennant, Ross Stanway, Lynn Moat, Rundy Wilkinson, Jack Tomlinson, and Jack Muir.



SENIORS IMPROVE STANDARD OF BYNG HOCKEY...

This year's Senior eleven, under the able leadership of Mrs. W. Robertson, showed more teamwork and good playing than any other Senior squad that Byng has produced for quite some time. Highlight of the team's career came with a 2-0 drubbing of Magee, who, in their turn, lost the finals to those perennial winners, South Burnaby.

Score credits go to Peggy Upham and Gerry Nesbit in the overpowering of Magee, Joy Calvert in the King George win, and Peggy Upham (two) and Captain Anne Munro in the defeat of West Van. Strongest section of the entire squad was the team's trio of halfbacks.

TOP STRIP
MRS. ROBERTSON
ANNE MUNRO
DIONE TEASDALE
FRAN CARRUTHERS
PEGGY UPHAM
BEV ROBERTSON
BARB ESPLIN

SECOND STRIP GERRY NESBI'I DOREEN MARTIN JOY CALVERT DOREEN BLYTHE NONIE MARSDEN JOCELYN MONEY



INTERMEDIATES ...

Although not quite as successful as other Byng Intermediate teams have been in the past, this year's edition proved to be a strong aggregation and won some close games from other powerful schools.

Final scorecard tallies showed that the Intermediates at least held their own, winning three games, and losing three. Notable were their victories over King George when Betty Brooke tallied the lone marker of the game, and over Kits when Jackie Campion, Jean Cameron, and Betty MacLeod all figured in the scoring.

JACKIE CAMPION
PAT McQUEEN
JUDY GARRETT (Captain)
JACKIE HUME

SECOND ROW—LEFT TO RIGHT
JOAN CAMPBELL
PAT ELLIOT
BETTY MacLEOD
BETTY UPHAM

FRONT ROW-LEFT TO RIGHT:

BETSY FORBES

BETTY BROOKE

THIRD ROW—LEFT TO RIGHT EDITH CLARKE DOREEN ARMOUR JEAN CAMERON





FIRST STRIP-LEFT CAROL MURRAY DI WHITING BETTY HAMILTON VAUGHAN WHITE BEV HARRIS MARYLIN MCRAE MISS WHELAN

SECOND STRIP-LEFT MAGDELEINE SHAW BILLIE CARRUTHERS SALLY RANNIE LOUISE JOHNSON KAY MUIR MAUREEN TODD LOLA HARPER

JUNIOR B's SHARE TOP HONORS WITH MAGEE ...

The members of this team may well be proud of themselves because they brought back to Byng the first hockey cup since 1943. After beating John Oliver, winner of the Junior "C" League, they went on to meet the powerful Magee "A's".

In the final game, Magee had a 1-0 lead until the last minute of play when Kay Muir scored to tie the game. Thus Byng has the right to share the Junior Cup with Magee for 1945-46. Undoubtedly one of the main factors in the winning of the cup was the excellent coaching done by Miss Whelan.



JUNIOR A's ...

Even though they were not as successful as their sister "B's", the "A's" played creditable hockey all season. Under the guidance of Miss Whelan, this team has learned many tricky plays that will be of use next year when the hockey season again rolls around. Team's wins numbered three, ties, one, and losses, two.

FRONT ROW-LEFT TO RIGHT: ELSIE TIMMS DOREEN FAIRMAN PAT TEEFEL BARB ROBINSON

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RYAN PACES SENIOR HOOPSTERS ...

Something new has been added to Byng's calendar of sports activities this year with the formation of three inter-high basketball squads.

Inexperience and the fact that there was no home gym for our hoopsters were the main difficulties with which the coaches had to contend. Laurels go to all hoop men, who put in a creditable showing despite these handicaps.

The Senior hoopmen, although not as potent as their intermediate brethren, made a fiery beginning in the league play when they came out on the long end of a 27-24 count against King Ed. After this victory, however, they remained winless in the succeeding inter-high games.

Big Hugh Ryan paced the squad with an average of thirteen points per game.

Team's personnel, coached by Mr. J. Bardsley, was as follows: Bob Bartlett, Max Hall, Hugh Ryan, Bruce McEachern, Al Pearson, Bill Sparling, Al Walton, Jack Holden, Harold Kirchner, Les Gildemeester, and Alf Vozza (manager).

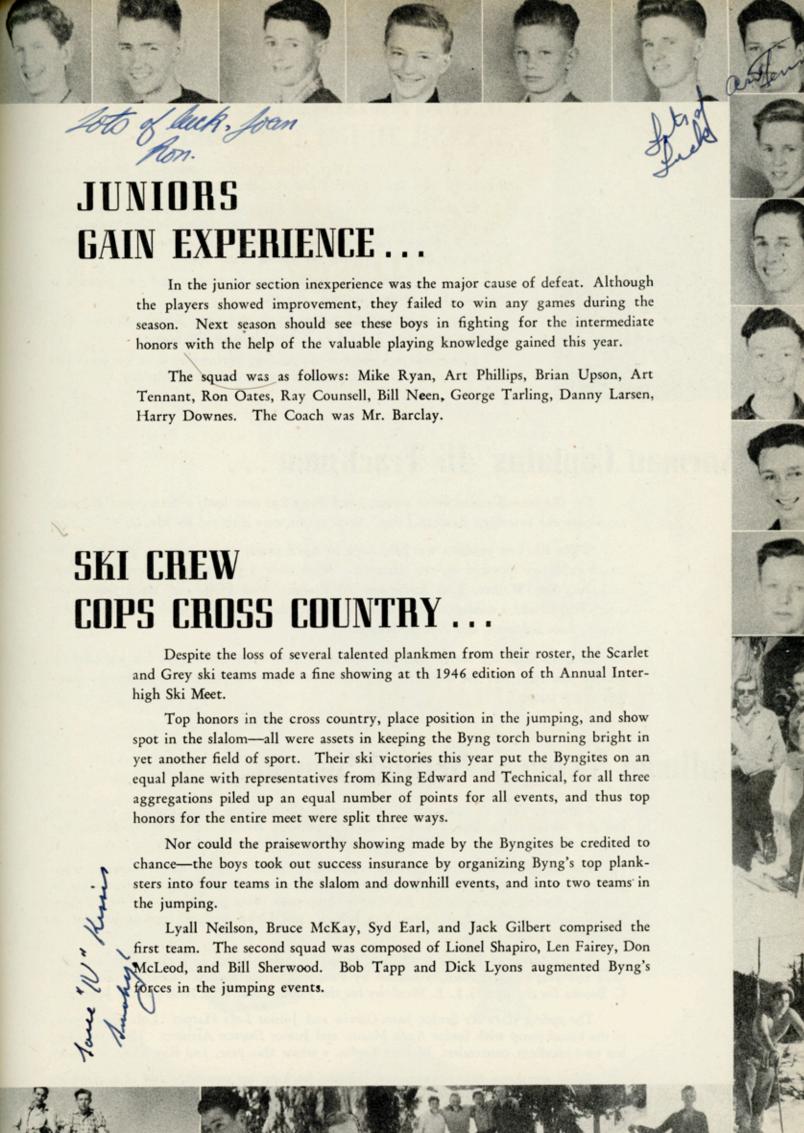
MEDE MELON MEN PRETTY POTENT...

The Intermediate melon men fared considerably better than the Seniors, winning three of their contests on the inter-high card. West Van provided the fodder for two of their slaughters, while King Ed was their other victim.

In the long run inexperience told upon Byng's second hoop squad, but we may safely say the intermediates went down fighting.

The team, under Coach Mr. Barkley, was composed of: Robin Abercrombie, Bert Watson, Bob Peters, Hugh Rae, Don Waldern, Ernie Norman, Ted Hill, Tommy Jenkinson, and Art Smith.







JUNIOR SWIMMERS SPLASH TO GALA HONORS . . .

Lord Byng Junior High School now has possession of the Vancouver Crystal Pool Trophy and the Austin Taylor Trophy.

In the Thirteenth Annual B. C. School Championship Swimming Gala at Crystal Pool on December 1, 1945, Byng's Juniors became the Junior Aggregate Champions of 1945-46. The Austin Taylor Trophy symbolizes championship in the Junior Girls' Relay.

Patty-Lou Whiteside captured two first spots and two seconds in four of the "under fourteen" events.

In the Junior Girls' Relay, Diane Johnson, Beverly Brooks, Barbara Knapton and Patty-Lou Whiteside took the honors.

Honorable mention for outstanding performances in the meet also goes to Ralph Norman, Glen Kirchner, and Carol Murray.

Norman Captains '46 Trackmen . . .

For the second consecutive season, Lord Byng has sent both a Senior and a Junior team into the Interhigh Baseball Loop. Both teams were directed by Mr. G. W. Rusler.

When the first practice was held early in April nearly twice as many players as the coach expected appeared on the diamond. With only a few veterans from last year, including Bob Walker, Tom Jenkinson, Al Pearson, Max Hall, and Mack Stone, the coach had to add a considerable number of rookie players, among them Art Smith, Alf Vozza, Ross Stanway, and Norm McLeod.

At press time the teams' lack of experience gave them little hope for outstanding success this year, but the boys feel that they are improving the calibre of Byng's base-ball every season.

Ballmen Swing at Second Season . . .

Although they do not appear as strong in the running department as they were last year owing to the loss of several valuable sprinters, Byng's tracksters should manage to give all contenders a good run for their money in the interhigh meet in May.

The Byng roster still boasts some valuable sprinters, such as Ralph Norman, captain of this year's Club; Dick Pierce, John Bancroft, and Hank Booth. Outstanding in the long distance department is Bob Piercy, who took place position in last year's mile. Newcomers, including Ron Oates, Ken Killick, and Lloyd Burney, showed promise in early-season training.

Byng's squad of femme tracksters, promising much more in both ability and size than last year's aggregation, is headed by President Anne Munro. Coaches include E. C. Brooks for the seniors, L. E. Meadows for the Juniors, and Wm. Reid for the Juveniles.

The spring stars are Senior Joan Girvin and Junior Lola Harper. Lola also figures in the broad jump with Senior Anne Munro and Junior Doreen Armour. High jumping has two excellent contenders, Barbara Esplin, a senior this year, and Kay Muir, a junior.

There are many fine runners and jumpers backing up our stars and it is through their faithfulness and co-operation that track meets may be won.