

## Our Sports Summary

### DUNEDIN.

St. Patrick's Harriers held a successful run on last Saturday week. The trail led from St. Joseph's Hall up Rattray Street, on to the Queen's Drive, round past the back of the Otago Boys' High School, and along the drive as far as the Clear in Maori Hill. After a brief spell the run was resumed, returning through Cosy Dell on to the Town Belt.

The St. Patrick's Harriers had their usual run last Saturday. The trail led up Tennyson Street, round and along Arthur Street, thence on to the Queen's Drive. A fast run home from the Technical School resulted in F. White coming in first, with C. Hanrahan second.

The final of the Secondary Schools' Rugby Competition was played on the Caledonian Ground on Wednesday week last, between the Christian Brothers and the Technical High School, the former winning by 9 to nil. It was a fast open game, both teams throwing the ball about in fine style. The Technical had the advantage of a high wind in the first half but the "Greens" held them up, the score at half-time being nil all. In the second half Burrell, Hendren, and McCormack scored. The full-back—Walsh—played a great game. The forwards, led by McCarten and Churstain, wore the Technical School down, and notwithstanding the fast game, were fresh at the finish. The team was entertained at the Savoy after the match by Rev. Fathers Spillane and Marlow. A team from the school travelled to Invercargill last week and defeated the Marist Brothers team by 10-7. Among those who welcomed the team on their arrival was its old friend, Rev. Father Ardagh. The pleasure at the re-union seemed mutual. In his kindly way he helped to make the stay of the team in Invercargill a pleasant one. In the Southland v. Otago School representative teams on Saturday the "Greens" were represented by Burrell and Walsh in the A team, and by McKewen and McCrossan in the B team.

In the third grade Soccer fixtures on last Saturday week, Christian Brothers defeated Fairfield by 2 goals to 1. The game was fast and interesting. The Brothers' back division and forward line combining in good style. Reddington (centre) and Lee (wing) scored for the "Greens." Farrell scored for Fairfield. On last Saturday Christian Brothers thirds were defeated by Southern, these two teams now being level for the cup. The final, to be played next Saturday, should prove a good game. In the fourth grade Y.M.C.A. defeated Christian Brothers on last Saturday week by 3 goals to 2. This was the first defeat suffered by the "greens" in this grade during the season. Apart from the play of H. Cullen, W. Brooks, and A. Smith, the "greens" combination was not up to their usual high standard. Last Saturday the fourths scored a win, and, with only one defeat during the season, are the winners of the 1921 cup.

### WELLINGTON.

The Marist senior Soccer team defeated Karori the other Saturday by 2 goals to 1. In the junior division Marists defeated Y.M.C.A. by 2 goals to nil. Playing in the fourth division cup final, Marists lost to Y.M.C.A. by 5 goals to 1.

The results of the Soccer games on last Saturday week are as follows:—Marist seniors defeated Swifts by 3 goals to nil; the juniors had no difficulty in beating Island Bay, the score being 8 goals to nil; the thirds defeated Brooklyn by 3 goals to 1; the fourths (A) won from Karori by 2 goals to nil; and the fourths (B) defeated Technical College by 2 goals to nil.

All Rugby matches, excepting representative ones, are now over, and the Marists, considering that this is the first season they have placed teams in all grades from senior downwards, may be complimented on their creditable performance.

### CHRISTCHURCH.

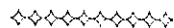
Considerable interest was taken in football circles on Saturday (writes our correspondent, under date August 29), in the meeting of Marists and Merivale, the latter's supporters feeling confident that they could extend the "greens." Merivale, however, was outclassed in every department of the game, and Marists, giving a fine exposition of Rugby, were victorious by 13 to nil.

Two teams from Marists, junior and third grade, journeyed to Ashburton on Saturday to take part in the seven-a-side tournament. Both teams carried off the honors.

The Elmwood Public Schools easily defeated West Christchurch in the light weight competition, thus winning the shield by  $\frac{1}{2}$  a point from Marists. The Brothers' boys were not beaten, but drew with the winners and Waltham.

At Soccer the Marists defeated Spreyden by 1 goal to nil.

In the third grade Rugby contest Marists still lead by  $\frac{1}{2}$  a point. High School defaulted to them on Saturday.



### INVERCARGILL.

As a curtain-raiser to the play-off for the senior championship on Saturday week (writes our own correspondent), the Christian Brothers' school football team from Dunedin met and defeated the local Marist Brothers' boys by 10 points to 7. The game was an interesting one throughout, and the boys gave a bright and clean display of Rugby as it should be played. A coincidence was that both sides added to their respective scores by goals from the field, and on each occasion the big crowd present loudly applauded the boys for their nippy play. The day was gloriously fine, the ground was in good order, and Mr. Connelly made an efficient referee. In the evening the visitors were entertained at the Federal Tea Rooms, and a feature of the function was that nearly all the toasts were proposed by the boys themselves. Besides the players many of the Marist Old Boys were present, together with several supporters of the "greens." Mr. Geddes (chairman, S.R.F.U.), occupied a seat near Rev. Brother Anslem, who carried out the duties of chairman in a manner that won the warm approval of all. It was essentially a boys banquet, and Brother Anslem is to be congratulated on the splendid success of the evening. Mr. Jas. Collins, who was entrusted with the toast of the Christian Brothers, in an interesting speech traced the successful record on the football field since the first Brothers' team was started in Dunedin in 1900. It was interesting to note that two of the players of that first team were present that evening. At least two members of the 1900 Christian Brothers' team afterwards represented Otago, and it goes without saying, that during the last seventeen years many fine players had been lost to the game in Otago as a direct result of the actions of the then O.R.F.U. debarring the Christian Brothers' school from the contests. Mr. Collins congratulated the Dunedin boys on their successful re-entry into Rugby, and on their win that day. To those who knew the Marist and Christian Brothers and their work, it was not surprising to hear of the remarkable success of their teams from Auckland to the far South. This training of the boys was part of their life's work, and their success on the field of play was only another proof of the all-round excellence of their teaching and training of boys. The Southland Rugby Union was thanked by the manager of the Christian Brothers' team for allowing the match to be played as a curtain-raiser to the big match. Such action showed that they were good sports and had the true interests of the game at heart. He took the opportunity of thanking the local supporters of the "greens" for the splendid time they were giving the boys. He hoped the match with the Marist school boys would be an annual one. Mr. Geddes, the chairman of the S.R.F.U., in replying to the toast of the Union made a fine sporting speech. During the evening several musical and elocutionary items were excellently rendered by the boys. On Sunday afternoon the visitors were taken for an outing to the Bluff, and on Monday afternoon they played a game against the Southland school rep. team.

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