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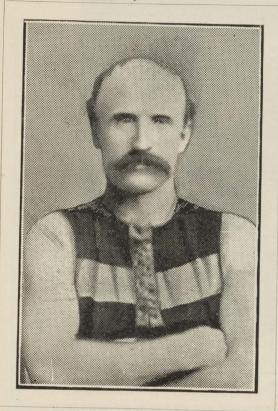


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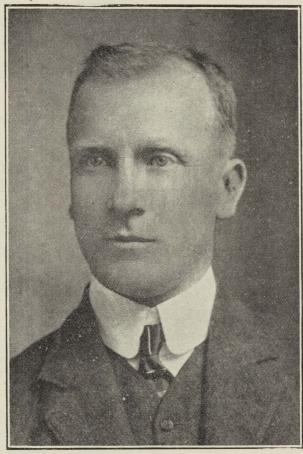
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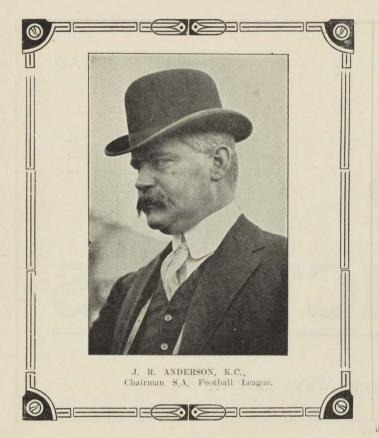
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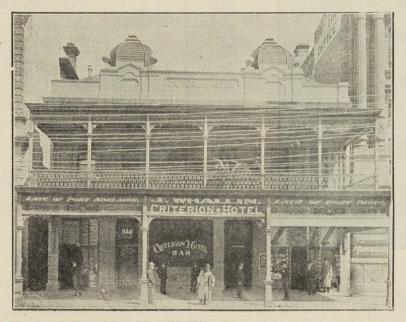
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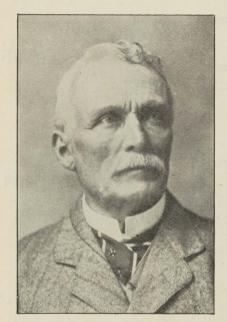


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"What great events from trivial causes spring," is an oft quoted phrase from Homer; and it finds appropriate illustration in tracing the beginnings of the Australian game fifty years ago. To kick something, an inflated ball for choice, and to do so in a competitive spirit, has always been characteristic of Britains, whether at the Australian diggings in the "roaring fifties," or in modern sun-baked India amongst "the Tommies." And thus, says the chronicler, the diggers of remote Victorian days found occupation and sport each Sunday (there were no "social reform " gentry in those days) in football, under nondescript rules, where argument and "scraps" divided the honors with strength and pluck. With twenty or more aside, and no "beg pardons," it was scarcely a game for consumptives and weaklings; and, indeed, for many a long year after the introduction of set rules by Mr. H. C. A. Harrison ("the father of the Australian game") and Mr. T. P. Power, whose photos we reproduce, and their colleagues, the strenuous nature of the sport gave force to the saving so frequently repeated by the old-timers that "they were giants in those days!"

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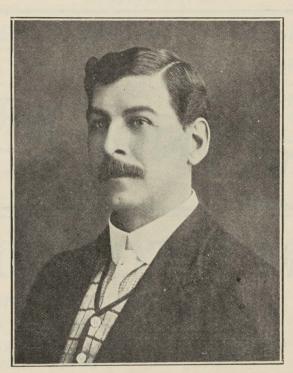
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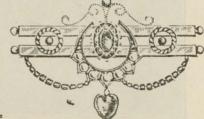
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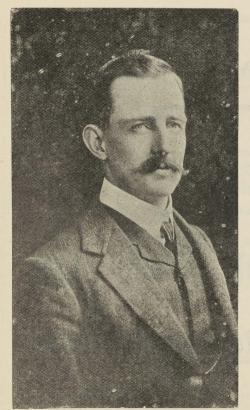
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Popularity in other States.

It is scarcely surprising that the Australian game should find a ready acceptance in the neighboring States. The characteristic migratory instinct of young Australians leads many of them to seek new openings for their energies in the sister States, and where they have travelled there they have sought to introduce and p pularise the pastime. In South Australia and West Australia, in Queensland and Tasmania, and in ever-increasing degree in New South Wales, the zeal of the player has been just as readily supplemented by the enthusiasm of the onlooker; whilst every new innovation that tended to increase the pace and interest of both has been welcomed, adopted and perfected. Furthermore, of late year, the visits of teams to the other States from Victoria has enabled the visitors to copy the more advanced and improved methods of Victorians, and, in some instances, even "to petter the instruction." We realised this in those grimly-contested games between South Australia and a combined team of the Victorian Football League of a few years back; and, in a lesser degree, perhaps, the merits of the Westralian team, which jeurneyed to Melbourne a year or two ago, under the captaincy of E. Rowell (the erstwhile and present Comingwood crack), were a pleasing revelation of the future possibilities of the game as a great inter-state pastime. In New South Wales, where British Rugby and Association rules have so long held the popular taste, the progress of the Australian game during the past few years has been phenomenal, thanks mainly to the untiring zeal and patience of Messrs. Nash, Chesney, Hart, the brothers Balhausen, and a few other enthusiasts. Welshmen from the sterling contests they have fought with the Victorian League teams that have, year by year, visited the Mother State; whilst the skill exhibited and the victories achieved by the Petersham Public School boys in contests against

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The First Game of Football.

By H. C. A. Harrison, Esq., founder of the Australian Game in 1858.

Football was practically unknown to Australians when, in 1858, Mr. T. W. Wills, a native of New South Wales and fresh from the famous Rugby School in England, suggested to his cousin, Mr. H. C. A. Harrison, and others, including such fine cricketers as W. J. Hammersley and J. B. Thompson, that a club should be formed in Melbourne. Although Mr. Wills had captained the Rugby School Team, he considered the game too rough for adults who had to earn their living, and the consequence was that a sort of "go-as-you-please" kind of game was started.

Mr. Wills, who (as a cricketer led the Victorian Eleven to victory time after time against New South Wales) gave up football after a season or two, and his place as captain of the M.F.C. was filled by Mr. Harrison (also a native of New South Wales), who, as chairman at a meeting of delegates in 1866, submitted a set of rules, which were accepted without alteration, and which, after upwards of 40 years, are the basis of the present rules.

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As there were so few clubs at first it was necessary to fill up the season's programme by playing such matches as Volunteers v. Civilians, Australians v. The World, North v. South, and matches against the 14th and 40th Regiments of regulars, fresh from the Maori War. Lue soldiers never won a game against either the Melbourne or the Carlton, but being mostly from Old Ireland they played with terrible earnestness, and upon one occasion, when the Captain of the Melbourne team mildly remonstrated against having his shins kicked and hacking was not allowed by the rules, the reply he got was, "To hell with your rules, we are playing the Irish rules." Of course, arguments would have been useless and the warriors were allowed to do as they pleased.

The rules as to free kicks were rather vague at first, and it sounded very funny, on the occasion of a match, Melbourne v. South Yarra, when a stout South Yarra player demanded a free kick because he had been called a "lump of blubber."

The footballers for the first ten years or so were terribly handicapped by the want of enclosed grounds. The matches had to be played in open paddocks with flags to mark the boundaries, and very often 15 or 20 thousand people would encroach on the space to such an extent as to leave a space of about 20 yards wide to play in.

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This new departure was not only of immense advantage to the public, who wished to get a good sight of the game, but has caused the cricket and football clubs to a vance by leaps and bounds, so that at the present day (without counting the Melbourne and Geelong Clubs, which are amalgamated with the cricket clubs), the otner six League Clubs have a total membership of about 15,000, and the Australasian game is going ahead throughout the States, new Zealand, and South Africa, and there is every sign that it will soon be taken up in the old country, the United

States, and Canada.

To show what a leading London newspaper thinks of the game, the "Daily Mail" says in a recent issue, referring to the suggestion that a team of Australian Rugby players should be sent to tour Great Britain:—"If Australia wishes to do some real good for English sport, they should rather send two teams of men who play the Australian game, which, in the opinion of many English and American players, as well as by the greater majority of Australians is the fastest, prettiest, most scientific, and least brutal of all varieties of football. It would be no exaggeration to say that after such a visit there would be more teams playing the Australian game in a very short time than those playing under the Rugby Code at present."

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West Adelaide Football Club.

Originally founded about 1890, chiefly through the instrumentality of Mr. John McCabe.

In 1895 the Club won the premiership of the City and Suburban Association, and in the following year, on the introduction of the Electorate System, joined the Senior Association.

Since that time the team has been through many stages, at times playing brilliantly, whilst at other times their fortunes have been at a very low ebb.

The Club reached its pinnacle of success in the season 1908, when it won the Premiership of the State and also defeated Carlton, the premier Club of Victoria, thus winning the Championship of Australia. The following year the Club also secured the Premiership of this State.

Although the Club cannot boast of traditions of the early seventies, they have been the means of giving to the State some of the most brilliant players who have ever worn worsted, viz.:—McKenna Bros., J. Woolard, Lionel Hill, C. Fulton, J. Tierney, F. and Alick Sugg, J. D. Daly (Bunny), "Bos" Daly, T. and B. Leahy, A. H. Klose, V. Stephens, D. Horgan, B. Moy, G., P., and J. Bruce.

Mr. R. Manders was the first Secretary, followed by Messrs. W. Osborn, H. Hele, R. F. C. Sullivan, S. Mahoney, S. J. Dailey and G. P. Leahy.

Hon. W. J. Denny, M.P., (Attorney - General) is Patron, and Alderman J. L. Bonython (Acting Mayor) is President.

The Electorate of West Adelaide being so small and more of a commercial and manufacturing district, the executive has very small scope in which to secure the necessary players.

The training rooms of the Club are situated on West Terrace, where every convenience is provided.

The colors are Red and Black Hoop Jerseys and Hose, Black Knickers.

Committee of Management, H. J. Pascoe (Chairman), J. Bowden, J. McCabe, J. F. Travers, W. Marsh, J. Dailey (Captain), H. R. Head (Vice-Captain).

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W. S. Smith, photo.

West Adelaide Team, 1911.

Back Row.—J. Baker, J. Moy, W. Slattery, T. O. B. Lane, T. Moore, J. J. McCarthy, Art Conlin. Second Row.—G. Oakley, W. Mills, H. R., Head, J. Dailey (capt.), W. Dowling, L. Alcorn, Alec Conlin.

Front Row—R. Stearns, L. Smith, V. Conlin, H. Bates.

Port Adelaide Football Club.

Founded in May, 1870. First officers—President, Mr. John Hart, Jun.; Secretary, Mr. R. W. J. Leicester; Treasurer, Mr. G. Ireland; Committee, Messrs. J. A. Rann, R. Carr and F. Bridgeman.

Opening game took place Saturday, May 14th, 1870, on grounds of late Captain Hart at Glanville, afterwards known as "Buck's Flat." First colors were White and Blue, which after a few years gave place to Rose-print Jackets, to be succeeded later on by Magenta Jerseys, Stockings and Cap, and changing again to present colors, Black and White.

First inter-club match was played on North Park Land against the Young Australians, and ended in a draw.

The return match was played at Glanville. The late Mr. H. Y. Sparks captained Young Australians and Mr. J. Wald led the Ports. The game was played in a blinding duststorm and a gale of wind.

Mr. Leicester was followed in the Secretaryship by Messrs. G. Ireland, Charley Wells, F. Ireland, E. Le Messurier, R Cruickshank, H. Hills, Jno. Sweeney, and the present Secretary, Mr. Jas. Hodge. Promiscont members of the Association in its early days were Messrs. A. J. Diamond, Grainger and Hon. C. C. Kingston.

A history of the early days of the Club would not be complete without mentioning some of the men who worked so hard for its success. Among others were Fred Stone, "Boss" Middleton, known as "Spangles," Sam Tyzack, Tom Prideaux, Tom Smith, the LeMessuriers, Mitchell, the Fletchers, Ireland (2), Tom Tullock, Ranns (2), Gleddon, Sidoli, Hosie, Jack Noel and "Gobo" Cairns.

One of the earliest of supporters was John Cleave. The Club in its early days always had a brass_band to enliven the game, both home and away, and for years the season finished up with a ball carried out in great style. Admission by invitation only. All expenses were borne by the members.

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Port Adelaide Team, 1911.

Back Row.—A. McDonnell, F. I. Hansen, A. McFarlane, H. F. Rose, H. W. Oliver, F. J. Magor, F. A. Easton, J. S. Dickson, Second Row.—E. J. Callinan, H. B. Dewar, C. T. Cocks, G. P. Dempster, H. V. Pope, H. G. McEwen, F. A. Meadows. Front Row.—P. O'Grady, A. Congear, S. Hosking

North Adelaide Football Club.

The first meeting of the North Adelaide Football Club was held at North Adelaide on 24th March, 1893, Mr. Lewis Cohen being in the chair. The first match was against Port Adelaide on Adelaide Oval, when the former kicked 13 goals to 2.

Mr. Lewis Cohen (the present Mayor of the City) has been Patron of the Club since its inception. Mr. R. C Castle was the first President, and was followed by Messrs H. R. Dixson and G. M. Evan. Dr. E. J. Counter is now occupying that office.

Mr. C. H. Nitschke (who represented Broken Hill at the inaugural meeting of the present Australasian Football Council) was the first Secretary of the Club, having held the office both for the new team and that of the Medindie Club (its predecessor) for 15 years. Mr. F. P. Eaves succeeded Mr. Nitschke, then came Messrs. G. E. Kreusler, B. G. Lamprell and T. G. Ward. Mr. Lamprell again took up the reins in 1908, and occupies the office at the present time.

Mr. Arthur Brown was Captain when the Club joined the senior body. Other players of note in the old days were:— Messrs. H. Brown, Mosel, Beasley, Jarvis (3), Walsh, LeLue. Gardiner, Gilbert, Guster, Hannam, Lyall, May, McCauley, Oaten, Plunkett, Quinn, Stannett, Trealor, Ward, White, Woods, Dr. Hornabook, Watts, Groves and Cox

Later on came Pash (2), Matthews and Earl (this quartette played 15 years), McNamara (West Perth), Wilmshurst, Ernie Jones, E. McKenzie, Tom McKenzie, N. C. Clarke (Carlton), Joe Coates, N. Claxton, A. Daly, P. Sandland, J. C. Reedman (Captain 6 years), C. L. Jessop (Captain 2 years).

As evidencing the advantage gained by the Club by the Electorate or District system, it might be said that this Club was at the bottom of the Premiership list in 1899 and Premiers in 1900, the second year of the new system.

The Club's home ground is the Adelaide Oval.

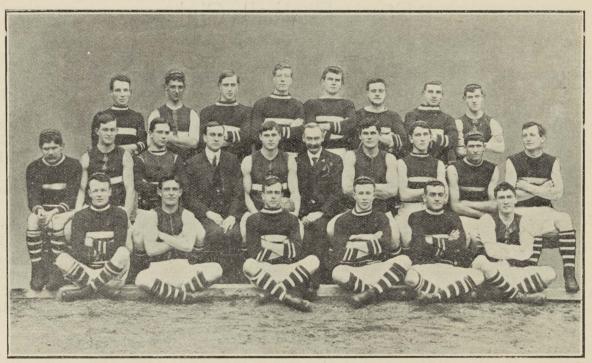
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Delegates to the S.A. Football League, Messrs. C. L. Jessop and J. F. Bennett.

Captain, Mr. Bern Leahy.

Secretary, Mr. B. G. Lamprell, Finniss Street, North Adelaide.

Premiers, 1900, 1902, 1905.



North Adelaide Team, 1910.

Top Row.—H. Pash, R. G. McKail, K. N. Steele, P. L. Russell, V. Leahy, A. Sugg, A. Ewers, F. P. Allen, Second Row.—A. Daly, A. H. Klose, C. F. Drew, B. G. Lamprell (secretary), B. Leahy (captain), C. H. Nitschke (patron), T. Leahy, S. Wliiams, C. Tuckey, A. H. Williams.

Bottom Row.—N. Pash, D. O'Brien, M. Stevenson, F. N. LeMessurier, A. Nicholls, E. B. Jones.

Sturt Football Club.

The Club, which is allied with the Cricket, Lacrosse, and other clubs controlled by the district committee, came into life ten seasons ago. Mr. A. C. Thomas, the present Secretary, was the founder, and, from the commencement, the Club, which it the "Benjamin" of the flock, has been managed most energetically, and has become stronger season by season. Sturt was provided for in the constitution of the Association when the splendid district system brought new life and interest into the grand Australian game, but it was some two or three years before a team was organised.

Percy Kekwick, the old South player, was the first skipper, and he did good work in getting a good efficient eighteen. The Committee have had a hard task in many ways. When they started the Club there were hardly any junior teams in the district, Lacrosse then being the favorite pastime.

There were no clubs with prestige and experience to make overtures to, with a view of taking over the district. As a result, for a year or two, Sturt was in every sense the "baby" Club, and older teams found the double blues

easy victims. But this has changed. "Taffy" Waye came from Willunga (travelling 70 miles every week to play football. Cameron from Mount Barker, and players like Hay, Hines, Warhurst, Wickens, Hewett, Bannigan, Chinner, Malpas, Cooney, Bond, Limb, Haslam, Pudney, Gurr, Hall, and Kelsh, were trained up and did yeoman service. Later some fine players, such as E. L. Renfrey (the present skipper), H. Cumberland, D. J. Walsh, D. McDougall, F. C. Dunne, and F. Golding, came into the district.

As everyone knows, the Sturt men showed such improvement last season that they ran the two blue colors into second place. However, that may be, it cannot be gainsaid that Sturt has brought a new interest into football, inasmuch as a few thousand new supporters of the game have helped to swell the ranks. The membership is now over 1,000.

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Delegates, Messrs. A. C. Thomas and F. Kelsh.

Secretary, Mr. A. C. Thomas, Crown Law Department.



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Sturt Team, 1911.

Back Row.—A. C. Thomas (hon. sec.), G. Allen, A. Webb (time-keeper), D. V. McDougall, B. McGlaughlan, A. E. Hewett, F. Golding, H. V. Cumberland, A. Walker, W. E. Curnow, J. Main, F. Richardson (assist. sec.).

Second Row.—J. Kerr, A. Fox, F. C. Dunne (vice-capt.), E. L. Renfrey (capt.), G. G. Sharp, A. Kirschner, C. V. Wickens.

Front Row.—H. R. Walsh (committee), W. Kennedy, J. K. Osborne, M. J. F. Bannigan, R. Cave, F. P. Kelsh (hon. treas.), W. B. Tank (committee).

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Norwood Football Club.

The Club came into existence in 1878. It owed its origin to the extraordinary success the Norwood Cricket Club was achieving at that time. Messrs. A. J. Diamond, J. R. Osborn, and H. C. Burnett were the prime movers in the organisation of the new Club.

The first meeting was held in the Norfolk Arms Hotel, Rundle Street, and Mr. A. J. Diamond elected the first Secretary. Mr. J. R. Osborn was the first Captain, with Mr. A. J. McMichael as Vice-Captain.

The colors selected were Red and Blue.

The first season of 12 matches was passed through without a defeat, and more marvellous still, only one goal was kicked against them the whole season.

The first year's team consisted of Messrs. J. R. Osborn (Capt.), A. J. McMichael (Vice-Captain), Geo. Giffen (then as successful at Football as he subsequently became at Cricket), W. Bracken, I. Suhard, T. Letchford (who played at 15 stone), J. and W. Soutar, A. B. and T. Terrell, W. Dedman, T. Blinman, F. Chapman, L. Kauffman, E. Woods, J. Coward, H. C. Burnett, T. Green, A. S. Young, and J. Traynor, all of whom were made life members.

The Club became Premiers 6 years in succession, from 1878 to 1883 inclusive.

The crowning glory of the Club was won in 1888. Its victories were so pronounced in that year that a challenge was sent to South Melbourne—by far the most powerful Club in Melbourne—to play three games for the Championship of Australia, and again won the Championship in 1907.

The games were played on Kensington Oval and resulted in three wins to Norwood.

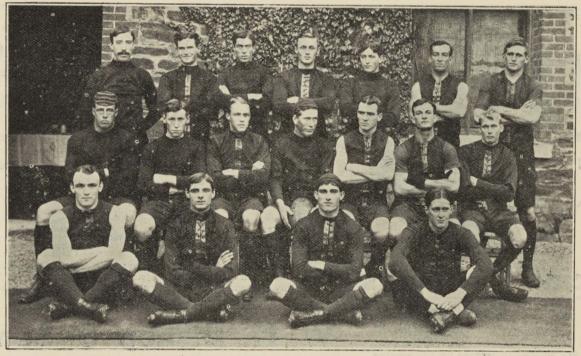
Those who rose to greatest prominence in the early years were:—A. McMichael, J. Traynor, Geo. Giffen, A. E. Waldron (a great Captain), P. Roachock, J. Pollock, J. Watson, and A. J. Roberts.

In the latter part of the eighties and early in the nineties, such players as J. D. Daly (Bunny), J. J. Woods, H. Rischbieth, G. Coombe, J. McGaffin, O. S. Bertram, G. McKee, W. Dixon, A. Burton, and A. J. Grayson found places.

The Club has been Premiers in 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1891, 1894, 1901, 1904.

League Delegates are Messrs. W. B. Griffiths and J. J. Woods.

Secretary, Mr. J. J. Woods, Rose Street, Norwood.



W S Smith, photo.

Norwood Team, 1911.

Back Row.—A. Trembath, W. Beams, C. Packham, Verco, G. Stephens, E. W. Edwards, L. A. Lewis. Second Row.—A. Ross, W. Steele, P. Robins, C. McGavish (capt.), V. B. Stephens (vice-capt.), R. J. B. Townsend, B. Nash Front Row.—F. P. Mitchell, B. Selth, W. J. Short, C. T. Chamberlain.



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West Torrens Football Club.

The Club was formed in March, 1896, the first meeting being held at the Governor Hindmarsh Hotel, Hindmarsh. The following officers were elected:—Patron, Mr. Ralph Potts; Presidents, Mr. T. H. Brooker, M.P.; and Dr. Stewart; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. J. Carr; Committee, Messrs. G. M. Rimes, A. Craib, J. Collins, Stan Eaton; Captain, Mr. G. M. Rimes; Vice-Captain, Mr. J. Collins; Delegates to S.A.F.A., Messrs. T. H. Brooker and E. J. McInnes; Trainers, Messrs. A. Craib and N. Powell.

The first year the Club finished fourth out of five teams.

Principal players were G. M. Rimes, J. Collins, A. Conroy, W. Ellis, E. Filsell, L. Corston, Rilston (2), Matthews and M. McMahon.

In 1897 the Club ran into fifth place. Owing to the Electorate system coming into operation in 1897 the Club had to lose the services of Messrs. Corston, Sainsbury, C. and D. Adams, M. Healy and Tompkins who were compelled to play with Ports.

In 1900 the Club was at its best, running into the final round. The team included such fine players as Tom and Ted McKenzie, Bos Daly and Ralph Aldersey (all Interstate men)

The close of 1902 saw the Club fourth, but through the defection of the Ports they were entitled to third position, this they declined to accept as they had not actually won it. For this sportsmanlike action they received great praise from the older clubs and the press.

Other players of later seasons included Oscar Hyman, Pat McMahon, F. Bayley, M. Ellis, H. Thompson, Mossop, and H. D. Smith.

In the Secretaryship Mr. J. Carr was succeeded by Messrs. S. Tait and Jos. Andrews.

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West Torrens Team, 1911.

Back Row.—B. Hepworth, H. Hill, E. Huxtable, J. Wainwright, S. D. Geddes, W. Drummond, W. G. Scott, P. H. Phillips. A. Taylor. Second Row.—M. Muller, W. Hutton, D. Low, E. Gluyas (vice-captain), T. McKenzie (captain), O. M'Innis, C. Adcock, H. D. Smith. Front Row.—G. Harding, G. Kersley, A. Renfrey, W. Scott (head trainer), W. Murdock, E. Battye, A. Fooks.

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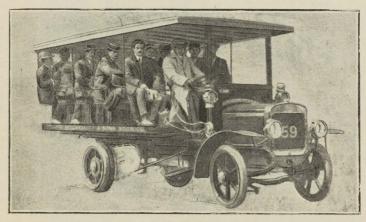
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South Adelaide Football Club.

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Mr. A. E. Chapman was elected President. Vice-Presidents were Messrs. C. Colyer, R. Couche, A. Parr, W. Holland, and M. C. Morris; Captain, Mr. G. Kennedy; Vice-Captain, Mr. A. Mehrtens; Treasurer, Mr. J. Holmsby; and Secretary, Mr. C. C. Kingston.

The Club played its first match on Saturday, June 10, 1876, against Woodville, which ended in a draw, no goals being kicked.

In June, 1877, Mr. Kingston carried a motion in the Association, to allow bouncing the ball whilst running.

The Club was at its best in the nineties, being premiers six times in the decade.

In 1880, Mr. Geo. Sharp became Secretary, followed

later by Mr. D. Young, H. W. Pounsett, A. Hamon, J. Maddern, A. Monck, and F. Marlow.

In 1884 the Club visited Sydney. Some of the earliest players of the Club were:—C. C. Kingston, G. and K. Kennedy, A. and B. Mehrtens, S. Wallace, Colby, Sharp, Absalom, D. Green, Maloney, Dedman, Considine, and then G. Rowley, Bob Hill, F. Scantlebury, B. Middleton, D. Coonan, M. Coffee, W. Watling, and "Neddis" Merrigan (Prince of Followers). Later came the Reedmans (2), Bushbys (2), Hills (2), W. Beucaut, E. Monck, Rapiport, and J. Kay.

After the introduction of the Electorate System, every Club in the Association (Port excepted) was captained by an old South player.

The colors are Blue and White.

Premiers in 1885, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1896, 1898, 1899.

Delegates, Messrs. J. F. Dawes and F. Marlow. Secretary, Mr. F. Marlow, 16 Waymouth Street.



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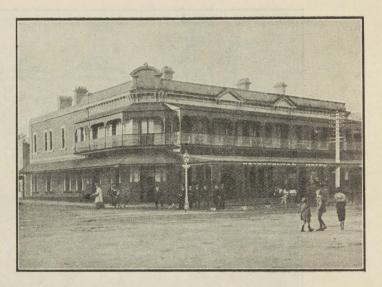
South Adelaide Team, 1911.

Back Row.-J. Mahoney, J. Ardell, O. Wadewitz, R. Coleman, J. Hanley, C. Hollow, J. Sullivan. Second Row.-J. Magor, J. B. Windsor, G. Wallace, J. Treadrea, W. O'Connell, G. Coley, E. Jones. Front Row.-F. Barry. C. Warburton, A. Job, A. C. Schedlich, W. C. Young.

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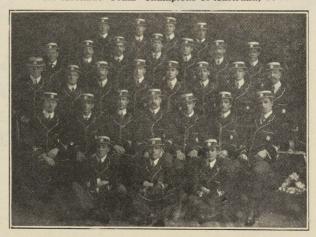
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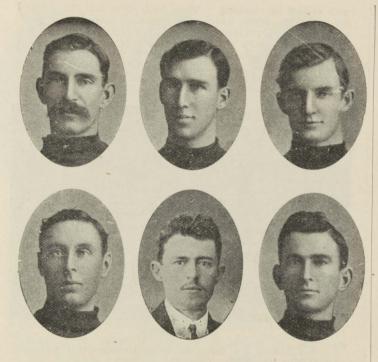
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Second Row.—F. James, W. Mansfield, W. Kemp (vice-pres.), R. Feehan, G. M'Shane, A. M'Cracken, J. Adams, E. Francis, G. Prout, W. W. Rogers, C. Lethbridge.

Front Row.—Geo. Cairns, A. C. Walker, H. Griffiths, T. Nally, A. Steel, J. Watt. J. Martin.



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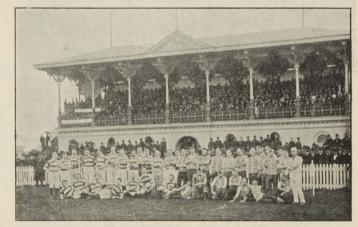


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South Melbourne v. England.
Played at South Melbourne, June 23, 1888.
South Melbourne 7 goals, England 3 goals.



Port Adelaide, 1884.

Back Row, -R. Sayers. T. Gifford, C. Kellett, T. Turnbull 'capt.), W. Bushby, A. Slight, R. Turpenny, R. Bolycombe, W. Reil, J. Noel, R. C. Roy, E. Le Messurier (secretary, T. G. Smith. Second Row, - H. Coffin, J. Fry, G. Gliddon, J. B. Siloli, R. Hosie, J. Litchfield, H. Smith, W. Buchan, T. Nosworthy, M. Coffey, C. H. Smith. Front Row.—H. Sayers, R. Kirkpatrick, J. L. M'Kenzie, E. Raven, T. Robertson, C. Fry, A. Mitchell.

The Game gets faster.

The whole policy of football legislation of late years has been to make the game faster by bringing everyone into full play. The introduction of the boundary umpires by the League has immensely improved the game from a spectacular point of view. Another great aim has been to encourage combination and to discourage purely individual efforts. In the early days, though there was a cer-

tain amount of cohesion, a player had to rely mainly on himself, the development of the game was bound to change all that. Strength gave place to skill; force and weight were superseded by judgment and resource; so much so that nowadays the lightest and physicany weakest player on the field has an equal chance with the heaviest and strongest to turn the tide of victory in favor of his



Norwood, 1887.

Back Row.-M. S. Bowe, O. Bertram, A. Packham, G. A. Combe. G. Liston, A. G. Miller, R. M. Bertram, W. Guster, W. Rawson. Third Row.—H. C. Burnet, A. J. Roberts, C. Rischbieth, G. McKie, G. Mugg, N. Richards, J. J. Woods, P. B. Roachock, J. Shaw, A. Burton, W. Griffiths, R. E. Kippist. Second Row, F. Thompson, W. Slattery, H. Holebrook, G. Donnithorne, J. Daly, J. M'Grath, C. Gaff, C. Woods, Front. -W. Dixon, H. Richards.



West Australia, 1904.

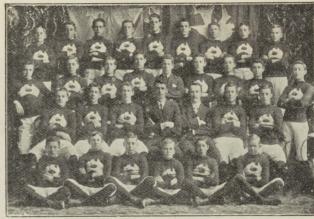
Third Row.—A. Sharp, H. Kelly, M. Kenny, R. Bliss, A. Franks, W. M'Namara.

Second Row.—R. Sweetman, A. Nelson, A. Doig, W. Plunkett, E. Tyems, Jeffries, W. Goddard.

Front Row.—S. Heindricks, C. Cooper, N. Gilbert, F. Jarvis, E. Rowell.

club. The introduction of "systems," such as the, at one time, almost invincible and inimitable Collingwood "system," with its passing and exchanges, long or short, at once placed the heavy bullocking player at a discount, and necessitated methods with which he was quite unacquainted. Combined play came to be regarded as the keynote of success; and the team which gave the most studied care to the science of the game found it-

self on top most of the time and almost all the time. The effect of the transition has been as marked as it has proved popular; whilst the latter-day innovation of expert "coaches" is rapidly tending towards perfection of the game. Nowadays, to do his part as it ought to be done, every member of the team must work in harmony with the rest, and on a definite system, in all



Young Australia League, W.A., 1907.

Back Row. F. Halliday, W. Perkins, S. L. Jordan, V. M. Harrold, R. W. Thorpe, C. H. Golding, J. Barr, J. S. Webb, C. B. Oliver.
Third Row. R. U. Randall, F. R. Olsen, C. W. Hampton, W. H. Taylor R. W. Middlemas, A. G. Curlewis, W. C. Watts, C. L. Ing, G. A. Coyne.
Second Row (sitting).—H. S. Crawford, R. F. Lawrence, F. M. O'Connor, Mr. J. J. Simons (manager), Mr. A. A. Moffat (assistant manager), A. H. Halliday, W. J. Hayes.
Front Row.—F. J. See, V. G. de Banks, N. F. Knox, F. W. Buggins,

A. J. Samuel, A. E. Hawtin.

cases subordinating his own methods and personal interests to promote the general well-being of his side. In another direction, what an object lesson this is in that spirit of co-operation which the progressive Democracy of Australia manifests in some of its mere advanced communal aims and ideals.

South Australian Football Association.



F. ADAMS, (Secretary.)

J. J. KELLY, (Chairman)

Victorian Association.

The Victorian Football Association was founded on May 8, 1866, and consisted at that time of four Clubs, whilst during the season 1897. twelve Metropolitan Clubs, together with one Urban Club (Geelong), were competing for the Premiership.

At the close of that season an unfortunate split occurred and eight Clubs seceded and formed the Victorian Football League, leaving Port Melbourne, North Melbourne, Richmond, Footscray, and Williamstown in the Association.

During the four succeeding years Brunswick, West Melbourne, Prahran, Essendon, and Preston were admitted, and the Clubs named at present constitute the Association.

Since the formation of the League the V.F.A. Premiership has been won by Port Melbourne (twice), Footscray (three times), North Melbourne (twice), Richmond (twice), and West Melbourne.

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The League has long been recegnised as the ruling body of the game in Australasia; in fact, Melbourne has been the home of the game.

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There are ten Clubs in the League, viz.:—Fitzrov, Carlton, Collingwood, South Melbourne, Geelong, Essendon, St. Kilda, Melb urne, Richmond, and University.

The V.F.L. has done veoman service in assisting the game in the various States, particularly N.S.W. and New Zealand.

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August 5— Tasmania v. Victoria At 1 p.m. S.A. v. W.A. At 3 p.m.								August 10— Young Aust. W.A. v. High School, Adelaide At 1.15 p.m. Tasmania v. N.S.W. At 3 p.m.							
August 7— (N.S.W. v. W.A. At 1 p.m. Tasmania v. S.A. At 3 p.m.								August 12— Tasmania v. W.A. At 1 p.m. Victoria v. S.A. At 3 p.m.							

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