

BOYS TOP STATE IN LEAVING

SYDNEY, Thursday.—Newcastle Boys' High School students took first place in the State in two honours subjects in the Leaving Certificate examination.

Robert William Allan was first in Chemistry and Richard Temple was first in Mathematics I. Robert Allan was awarded the Liversidge Scholarship for Chemistry at the University of Sydney.

Richard Temple was also equal seventh in physics, and Robert Allan was equal 46th in French. James J. Johnstone, of Muswellbrook High School was second in the State in combined physics and chemistry honours.

John A. Bell, of Marist Brothers' High School, Maitland, was second in ancient history. Philip K. Redman, of Maitland Boys' High School, was second in geography.

Judith M. Allen, of Newcastle Girls' High School, was equal third in music.

Other honours placings included—

English: Mary Rummery (St. Joseph's Convent, Merewether) eq. 21; Barrington L. Howarth (Newcastle Boys' High) eq. 32; Susan Waterhouse (Gosford High) eq. 55; Ann M. Horsfield (St. Catherine's, Singleton) eq. 63; John A. Bell (Marist Brothers, Maitland) eq. 87; Rosalind Foulkes (Maitland Girls' High) eq. 67; Patricia Maguire (St. Joseph's, Merewether) eq. 90.

French: Laurel R. Webster

(Wyong High) eq. 16; Wendy Murray (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 24; Inese Dzelme (Wyong High) eq. 31; Judith A. Rogers (Gosford High) eq. 55.

German: Wendy Murray (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 22; Horst O. Ficher (Newcastle Technical High) eq. 43.

Latin: Josephine K. Kinder (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 15; Violet Lizzenis (St. Joseph's, Lochinvar) eq. 23; Jeanette D. Cook (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 33.

Physics: Robert J. Wilson (Newcastle Boys' High) eq. 14; Alexander L. McIntosh (Maitland Boys' High) eq. 36.

Chemistry: Malcolm G. McPherson (Marist Brothers, Maitland) eq. 12; Terence E. Launders (Marist Brothers, Maitland) eq. 14; Murray C. Marks (Newcastle Boys' High) eq. 27; Brian J. Lovelock (Newcastle Boys' High) eq. 32.

Combined Physics and Chemistry: Rosalind M. Kenny (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 15.

Agriculture: Rex W. Wendt (Muswellbrook High) 14.

Biology: Jeanine French (St. Joseph's, Lochinvar) eq. 43; Rosalind Coleman (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 53.

Mathematics I: Kathleen Noonan (St. Joseph's, Lochin-

var) 77; Michael J. O'Neill (Newcastle Boys' High) 86. Mathematics II: Raymond J. Nolan (Marist Brothers, Hamilton) 29. Modern History: Elizabeth N. Maugham (Newcastle Girls' High) eq. 45; Charmaine E. Cameron (Wyong High) eq. 50; Susan Waterhouse (Gosford High) eq. 57; Roslyn N. Burns (Singleton High) eq. 69. Ancient History: Gwendolen Nevin (St. Joseph's, Lochinvar)

eq. 9; Mary Rummery (St. Joseph's, Merewether) 12; Violet Lizzenis (St. Joseph's, Lochinvar) eq. 19; Robin Waugh (St. Joseph's, Merewether) eq. 26. Music: Jeanine French (St. Joseph's, Lochinvar) eq. 9. Geography: David J. Brown (Maitland Boys' High) eq. 11; Robert Gerard (Maitland Boys' High) eq. 22; William J. Jones (Raymond Terrace High) eq. 33.

CONFERENCE ON COUNTY AWARD

The Newcastle Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union (Mr. L. Wells) said yesterday that he and representatives of the Shire and Municipal Employees' Union would confer with officers of Shortland County Council on Monday on a new industrial agreement.

The old agreement covered several hundred employees of both the wages and salaried divisions.

The union representatives would meet the President of the county (Cr. Skelton) and the Clerk (Mr. H. Moyle).

GIRL CRUSHED TO DEATH BY BOULDER

AUCKLAND, Jan. 15. A.A.P.-Reuter. — A four-year-old girl, on a camping holiday with her parents, was crushed to death by a big boulder which plunged into their tent early to-day.

The camp stretcher on which she was sleeping was smashed to kindling.

The dead girl, Fiona Margaret Hogg, was taken to hospital with multiple injuries, but was dead on arrival.

The boulder stopped inches from where her mother was sleeping.

Several smaller boulders plunged through a neighbouring tent in which two of her brothers were sleeping. Neither was injured.

The family had been camping at the foot of a steep hill at a beach near Whakatane, on the North Island's Bay of Plenty.

They had set up their two tents in the backyard of the home of Mrs. Hogg's father-in-law, Rev. H. Hogg.