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**T**HERE has, on the whole, been less to report than usual since our last issue. Owing to difficulties with the ground, the Sports will not be decided until after the copy has gone to press, but the Tug-of-War has been pulled, and for the first time in history a place has been found for it where there has been legitimate ground for the opinion that the toss made little difference to the result. The season has been a successful one for the cricket eleven, but the colts were not very reliable, a common fault with colts.

One noticeable and encouraging feature, was the marked political interest aroused during the General Election. The parties, judging by favours worn on polling day, appeared to be fairly evenly divided. There is little doubt that the present generation of schoolboys is much better informed in this respect than its predecessors of the days before 1939.

Many will be leaving this term and it is to be hoped now that a revival of the Old Priceans Association is to be expected that they will endeavour to keep in touch with the School and keep us informed of changes of address. In particular, we must pay tribute to that pair of inseparables, R. E. Daysh and J. D. Cole, joint Heads of the School and leading lights in nearly everything. The School has been fortunate in them, for more generous natured members and better sportsmen it has never had, nor can it reasonably expect to. We wish them with all confidence "good luck" and all those others whom we hope to see on future Old Boys' Days. In particular we must mention V. Knight, who has performed such an extraordinarily good job of work with the Corps under most difficult circumstances. The School owes much to him.

## Examination Results.

NAVAL CADETS ENTRANCE.—D. F. Morgan.

DOCKYARD ARTIFICER APPRENTICES, ETC.—D. F. Stone, P. Simkin, I. D. Shepherd, P. Cawte, L. W. Betts, L. A. Scott, J. W. Coleborn, H. L. Andrews, L. Corner.



4a.—M. P. Watson. 4b.—R. Oland. 3b.—M. Desmond, J. Punton. 2a. R. J. Monk.

2c.—B. C. Colley, J. D. Dyer,



BLACKBROOK.—V. A. Knight (House Captain, Prefect, C.S.M., Cadet Corps, School Running), J. R. Suggate (House Captain of Cricket, Prefect, Q.M.S. Cadet Corps, School 1st XI Football and Cricket, Steeplechase Winner), D. F. Morgan, J. W. Coleborn, H. L. Andrews.

CAMS.—R. E. Daysh (Head of the School, House Captain, Captain of Football, School Cricket, Sergeant Cadet Corps), J. D. Cole (Head of the School, Captain of Cricket, School Football, Sergeant Cadet Corps), L. Corner, T. F. Gray, B. F. Mead, D. Arber.

SCHOOL HOUSE.—L. E. H. Smith (House Captain, School 1st XI Cricket), C. A. Stubbington (Prefect), P. V. R. Pugsley, M. Smith, P. Tregunna.

WESTBURY.—H. Phillips (Prefect, Sergeant Cadet Corps), A. Jarrett, J. W. Letheren, W. J. Greenaway.

## Honours List.

M.B.E.—J. W. MOORE.

## Casualties.

We deeply regret having to record the following :—

Missing.—T. LEGGATT, P. HENLEY.

V. J. KIRBY, who should have been recorded as a Prisoner of War is now released, as are H. P. DAWKINS and B. S. and P. MANLEY.

## The Scouts.

The longest Whitsun holiday we have had for some years saw a little more than a dozen scouts in camp near Wickham at our old Whitsun Camp Site which last year had been occupied by an anti-aircraft battery. Fen Gale joined us for Saturday and Sunday, and Alec Bowmaker was with us all the time. Fen Gale is now in the detective side of the Police Force at Portsmouth, and writes to say how much his scout training has helped in his present work. Whit Sunday was pretty wet, but for the rest of the time the weather was perfect, and we slept outside the tents on some of the nights. A large oak tree had fallen into the sand pits and provided abundant opportunity for using felling and hand axes, and the new, slightly damp sand was excellent for training in reading the meaning of tracks. Quite a number of tests were passed in firelighting, cooking, axmanship and tracking, and two boys went off to camp on their own as part of their "Camper's Badge."

The Fareham District Scout Rally, the first since 1939, was spoilt by rain most of the afternoon—the only really wet day that week. However, the programme was carried through without much curtailment, and it was surprising how many people were there to watch the events. Our Troop gave a demonstration of hauling a tree trunk across the field with blocks and tackle, and then the right way to use a felling axe for cutting it up. An observation tower, twelve feet high, withstood half a dozen boys scrambling up it at once, and the aerial runway that we constructed from 30 feet up an oak tree down to the ground proved such an attraction that its use had to be postponed until other items were finished, and when we dismantled it at 9-15 p.m. there was still a long queue of boys waiting for a ride down it.

Our Troop was chosen again this year to send a patrol to represent Fareham District in the County Competition at Winchester for the Emlyn Trophy. Last year, when we had an exceptionally good team, the County Competition had to be cancelled for military reasons. This year all our scouts over 15 years were taking the School Certificate exam which clashed with the Competition Camp, so the six scouts we entered made a very young team. They went for one week-end training camp at Newtown, and had a very enjoyable time even if they did not get much training done. When it came to the actual Competition we were quite pleased with the results. Our team was the youngest team of the thirteen winning teams from all over Hampshire, and they came third in scouting tests, and ninth in camping, making their final place sixth out of thirteen.

Summer Camp this year is to be a change from our old site at Rogate Lodge, where we have camped during the war years under the trees to act as camouflage, with water to carry a long way, and the beautiful wild woods and bracken to play and work in. We shall be two miles from Petersfield, and instead of camping on pine-needles and twigs which are uncomfortable for bare feet, we shall be camping on a

grassy meadow with a stream running on two sides of it and woods on the other two sides. The tents we borrowed for the last four years are no longer available, nor can tents be bought or hired, so we shall be very short of canvas; but this will be rather fun, because the bivies and shelters we shall build will not be just for practice but for real use to live in. If we get washed out there are barns into which we can move, but we do not expect to have to sleep indoors unless the weather is exceptionally bad.

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## The Steeplechase.

Conditions for the runners were very good indeed, except for a brisk wind to annoy the Juniors as they came to finish in the Park. The races provided many desperate finishes, especially from the House point of view: the Junior Cup won by half a point, the Senior Cup was tied for; and once more it was proved that every runner can count. Blackbrook won the Junior Cup because one of their runners beat one of the Westbury team into the thirtieth place. Cams shared the Senior Cup with Blackbrook because one of their reserves beat the last man in the Blackbrook team. Westbury Juniors certainly had hard luck.

In the Junior race it was generally anticipated that Rowe would repeat his success of last year: indeed he appears to be building up a reputation which is probably of considerable help to him before he starts. Once again he seemed to suffer from stitch, but he was well ahead of Gwilliam, and faster than last year—16 min., 45-3/5 secs. Gwilliam too ran excellently against a bigger and stronger opponent, while Pyle indicated that he may, in time, repeat some of the successes of that excellent runner, his brother. Woodnutt too, ran one more fine race.

Suggate came into his own in the Senior race. He has run consistently well for several years and this time he proved himself definitely the best runner in the race. He won decisively and was far less exhausted than most of those who took longer. Cole once more showed what a sprinter can do when he takes to steeplechasing, but, as he himself said, he couldn't get near enough to Suggate to trip him up. Betts, having been fifth in the Juniors last year, did remarkably well to come in third and will obviously be difficult to beat in future years. Nobody ran more pluckily than Newell and Hoad, Knight and Gibody—all showed up well.

### RESULTS :

	Senior.		Junior.	
	1 Suggate (B)	4 Newell (B)	1 L. Rowe (B)	4 Woodnutt (B)
	2 Cole (C)	5 Hoad (S)	2 Gwilliam (W)	5 Bass (S)
	3 Betts (C)	6 Knight (B)	3 Pyle (C)	6 Alderton (W)
	Junior	Senior	Combined	
BLACKBROOK	111	57	561	
CAMS	200½	57	829½	
SCHOOL HOUSE	138	66	678	
WESTBURY	111½	147	922½	

## Cricket Notes, 1945.

Seven wins, two defeats, is the record of performance at the present time. The fixture list has been entirely against school sides for the first time since the war started, and one of the most pleasing inferences to be made from this record is that we have weathered the war years rather better than most of the schools in this district. Their difficulties have been greater than ours, but it is good to think that, in cricket at least, we have not suffered as badly as we might have done.

Of the seven wins, all but one have been scored decisively, and one of the losses was only sustained by a very narrow margin in a low-scoring match. In the two games against Purbrook, who of recent years, have consistently provided us with our toughest opposition, neither side could make many runs against excellent bowling on both occasions and the result in each case was obtained by two or three runs. Eastleigh beat us in the first matc'h of the season when the batting broke down for no apparent reason, but the return match later on gave us a complete revenge.

The side on the whole has been well up to the average in most respects—in some ways above the normal. The batting has been better than that of our opponents without exception, and only Purbrook have produced better bowling than that provided by the School attack. Six of the side could always be looked upon to score enough runs, and although there was a decided weakness in the tail—and a long tail it was—it did not prove fatal. Suggate and Young, for the second season in succession, have more than adequately borne the brunt of the bowling, and other bowlers have perhaps not been afforded sufficient opportunity to display their ability, although Holt and Smith have on occasion come on to finish off the opponents innings in very workmanlike fashion.

The fielding has been satisfactory. Very few catches have been dropped and some excellent ones have been made. The ground fielding and throwing has left room for improvement at times, but has never been bad. The weakest point of the side as a team has been its running between wickets. Many possible runs have never been attempted, the calling has not been at all decisive and some poor judgement has caused far too many wickets to be lost. This criticism does not apply to the whole side, for some members have called and run well, notably Daysh, Cole and Smith.

The value of good calling and quick running to any side is enormous, apart from the fact that it adds vastly to the enjoyment of cricket, and in this respect the team did not reach a high standard.

The team has been most capably led by Cole, who is a thoughtful, keen captain. He has set a high standard himself in all respects, has used his bowling wisely and has been popular with his side. It has been a very pleasant season's cricket with the First XI, and much of the pleasure has been due to the keenness and good spirit which Cole has infused into the side.

I have been asked by the team to express its thanks to Mr. Johnston, who has once again, despite all difficulties, provided such excellent wickets for the matches.

Of school cricket apart from the First XI and Colts (whose notes appear below) there is not much to be said. The long grass on much of the field has been a serious handicap to general school games, although boys who have been keen to play have had several good games.

The Second XI played few matches and the results were disappointing. There was an almost complete lack of enterprise in batting and running, but the bowling and fielding reached a fair standard.

The House Matches were affected and this year had to be played on a knock-out basis, Blackbrook winning the first round against Cams after a very fine game. In the Juniors Westbury beat School House in the final round.

I should like to see more general keenness in some of the lower forms, and perhaps with the gradual return of more normal conditions this state of affairs may be encouraged. At cricket more than any game an early start on the right lines is essential, and few good batsmen are made without proper practice in their earlier years.

B. R. SHAW.

May I add my personal comments to Mr. Shaw's notes above. He has mentioned each individual member of the team separately, but I should just like to mention the team as a whole. Each member has put his best into each game and the team spirit has been very high. I would also like to thank Mr. Shaw, Mr. Garton and Mr. Thacker for coaching the team and umpiring our games.

Thank you all for making it a very successful season.

J. D. COLE.

#### FIRST ELEVEN.

J. D. COLE (Captain). A sound left-hander who watches the ball well on to the bat. Has good touches to the off without enough power. Keeps wicket very well and is quick to stump. Has been a reliable and popular captain.

E. J. YOUNG (Vice-Captain). Has batted well at times, if not consistently. Has many good shots on both sides of the wicket, but does not play the forward defensive shot well enough. Bowls a good length with deceptive flight and sufficient off break to get many victims. A really good fielder.

R. E. DAYSH. Has improved his defence and attack since last year, and has been a reliable bat. Has a somewhat awkward stance, but hits well to leg and has a good drive through the covers. Catches safely and is an excellent ground fielder.

J. R. SUGGATE. Has bowled very well indeed in most matches. Keeps the ball well up to the batsman, and is fast, both in the air and off the pitch. Has played several good innings, and has a good square cut. A keen player of great promise.

L. E. H. SMITH. Has a good eye and can hit the ball very hard, but is apt to pick the wrong one. Bowls a deceptively flighted slowish ball, which has had much cheap success.

D. E. HOLT. A keen player who has not had many opportunities this year. Bowls a fastish, good length ball, and with more match-practice might make a good hitter.

L. W. BETTS. A young player of considerable promise as a forcing batsman. Hits hard in front of the wicket, but his defensive back-play is weak. A very keen and good fielder.

E. W. GROGAN. A batsman with many delightful shots, but who has failed to score runs this season, probably through lack of confidence. A quick and safe field, and a useful reserve wicket-keeper.

K. NICKLESS. A left-handed bat with some good forward shots. Is inclined to nibble to the off, and should use his feet more in his back-play. Bowls a steady length.

The last two places in the side have been filled at various times by Joint, Shelton, Gray and Ashwell, the last-named of whom is really a Colt of considerable promise as an opening bat.

### RESULTS OF FIRST ELEVEN MATCHES.

Saturday, May 12th, v. Eastleigh C.H.S., at Eastleigh.  
 Eastleigh 96      School 49

School lost by 47 runs. (Young played through the innings for 24 not out).

Wednesday, May 30th, v. Portsmouth Grammar School, at Portsmouth.  
 Portsmouth G.S. 46      School 71 for 4 (dec.)  
 (Suggate 7 for 20)      Cole 22 (not out).      Daysh 26 (not out).  
 School won by 8 wkts.

Saturday, June 2nd, v. Purbrook Park G.H.S., at Purbrook.  
 School 59      Purbrook 54  
 (Suggate 20, Smith 12)      (Suggate 7 for 23)  
 School won by 5 runs.

Saturday, June 9th, v. Gosport County School, at Fareham.  
 School 81 for 9 (dec.)      Gosport 34  
 (Cole 34 not out).      (Young 8 for 10)  
 School won by 47 runs.

Saturday, June 16th, v. Portsmouth Southern Secondary School, at Fareham.  
 School 75      Portsmouth S.S. 55  
 (Daysh 17, Smith 29)      (Young 6 for 10)  
 School won by 20 runs.

Saturday, June 23rd, v. Portsmouth G.S., at Fareham.  
 School 104 for 9 (dec.)      Portsmouth G.S. 41  
 (Daysh 19, Young 22, Betts 20)      (Young 5 for 24)  
 School won by 63 runs.

Wednesday, June 27th v. St. John's College, at Paulsgrove.  
 St. John's College 35      School 91 for 3 (dec.)  
 (Young 6 for 16, Smith 4 for 7)      (Suggate 36 not out, Smith 21 not out,  
 School won by 9 wkts.      Daysh 15, Cole 14)

Saturday, June 30th, v. Purbrook Park C.H.S., at Fareham.  
 Purbrook 36      School 32  
 (Suggate 6 for 12)      Purbrook won by 4 runs.

Saturday, July 7th, v. Eastleigh C.H.S., at Fareham.  
 Eastleigh 56      School 89 for 8  
 (Holt 5 for 4 including "hat-trick")      (Cole 23, Betts 18)  
 School won by 6 wkts.

### HOUSE MATCHES.

1st Round—Blackbrook beat Westbury      Cams beat School House.  
 Final—Cams 96      Blackbrook 97 for 6.

### COLTS.

Several have learnt that there is the "off," to which strokes lead; some too have shots to cover, which is quite something to shew. There is still much to learn in the way of strokes, perhaps the most noticeable is the lack of a forward shot to leg off a well-pitched up ball on the legs, and playing the covershot later between point and cover. The judging of a run is not easy; we might have won the return Purbrook match if it had been noticed that a deep long stop, especially as the wicket-keeper missed quite a number of balls, means a bye every time, if you back up.

Of the players, Ashwell was translated "to another place." Webb is a most painstaking bat, with rather a clumsy stance and style; he has a safe defensive forward stroke and shots to cover and point; he might spin the ball. Packer watches the ball well, but must learn to play off strokes, not pat it up to near in-fielders, however hungry they may look; he should play forward more often, and forget the "move-to-the-off-and-play-round-to-leg stroke: as a wicket-keeper, he must not fall about so much. Jarman is a left-hand bowler who is not afraid to pitch the ball well up, watches the ball well, but must quicken up his play and uncramp his style. Miskin has a good forward stroke and a shot through the covers; sends down several balls with venom; is a most promising all-rounder. Biggs plays correctly, but must learn some scoring shots on the off, batted well in the first Eastleigh match. Butcher and Watts play forward quite well, but must acquire back-play. Figes, Willets and Browning have bowled quite well. The fielding, in which there should have been more practice, was none too good at times, though usually fair.

#### COLTS (UNDER 15)—RESULTS.

Eastleigh C.H.S. 63 (Ashwell 5 for 38)	School 107 (Biggs 29, Packer 24)
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Won by 44 runs.

Purbrook C.S. 78 (Jarman 8 for 31)	School 39 (Webb 15, Ashwell 9 not out)
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Lost by 39 runs.

St. John's College 32 (Jarman 4 for 12)	School 31 (Webb 13)
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Lost by 1 run.

Purbrook C.S. 31	School 26
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Lost by 5 runs.

Eastleigh C.H.S. 17 (Jarman 6 for 8, Miskin 4 for 8)	School 69 for 9 wkts. (Webb 15, Packer 28)
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Won by 10 wkts.

#### UNDER 14 XI.

Portsmouth G.S. 28 and 18 (Jarman 5 for 8)	School 38 and 9 for 3 wkts. Won by 7 wkts.
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Gosport C.S. 21 (Browning 5 for 2)	School 47 (Jarman 16 not out, Alderton 11)
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Won by 26 runs.

Portsmouth G.S. 33 and 30 (Jarman 5 for 10, Browning 5 for 7)	School 47 for 9 and 18 for 3 wkts. Won by 7 wkts.
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St. John's College to be played.

#### HOUSE MATCHES.

1st Round—Cams beat Westbury by 3 runs.

School House beat Blackbrook by 4 wkts.

Final—Westbury beat School House by 1 wkt.

# HOUSE NOTES.

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## Blackbrook.

One more term has flown by, leaving in its wake memories of exams and other trials which beset the poor pupil, so it is time for the Blackbrook notes to appear in "The Lion."

The weather this term has held up the events which are usually the subject of so much talking. The Sports have been postponed and the House Cricket matches have had to be run on the knock-out principle. However, we found time to win the Senior Tug-of-War.

In the Steeplechase we did very well this year; we won the Junior and Combined Cups and share the Senior.

Rowe, finishing at his usual pace, was first home in the Juniors, and was soon followed by Woodnutt. The other members of the House were spread out fairly evenly. However, on totalling up it was found that we had beaten Westbury by half a point.

This brought out the fact that it is absolutely essential that every member of the team must run his hardest, for had one person dropped back one place the cup would not be sitting comfortably on our shelf.

The Seniors had four out of the first seven runners home. Suggate took the lead a short distance from the start and forged ahead until at the finishing post there was a big distance separating him from the second man. Newell, our second man home, has come on exceedingly well since last year and deserves praise for the way in which he ran.

For the first time in several years, Blackbrook has won the most coveted of all Summer trophies, namely the Cricket Cup. In the first round of the Knock-out Competition Westbury were defeated by twenty-four runs, and in the final Cams were beaten in one of the best House matches seen for a long time. Cams batted first and scored ninety-six runs on a lifeless wicket, leaving the Blackbrook fielders and bowlers very tired. Then the real struggle began, for after losing three wickets for twenty-three runs, we seemed in a bad way; however, this difficulty was overcome by Young and Suggate, who brought the score to eighty-seven before the next wicket fell. The position soon appeared grim because the next two men came out for no runs. Despite this, Young and Newell took the match to a victorious conclusion and thus we won by four wickets. Congratulations must go to Young who scored fifty runs and took five wickets and to the remainder of the team, who backed up so splendidly in a extremely testing period. The Junior team, captained by Willetts, was knocked out in the first round by School House and one run. Woodnutt and Rowe (L) batted well for their team. Sport is only a part of the School life, those who are not good at sport have no need to despair for they can help in winning the Tarbat Cup. Set all work well and that trophy will once again be on our shelf.

To those who are not returning next term we extend our farewells and best wishes for the future and hope those who do come back will work and play as hard as those who are now leaving.

In conclusion, remember to work well, to play well; if everyone does his best then no one can expect him to do more.

V. A. K. and J. R. S.

Knight and Suggate are both leaving this term, Knight, most unfortunately, just before the Sports, which are his chief glory. Anybody who has read "The Lion" for the last few years knows how much we owe to them. They both bring credit on any organisation with which they are connected and we wish them both good fortune and every happiness in their careers.

H. R. T.

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## Cams.

As the Sports have been postponed, these notes will necessarily be brief, there being only last term's Steeplechase and this term's Cricket to report.

The Junior Steeplechase team was lacking in experience but should benefit next year by the experience gained. Pyle was our best man, finishing third. Our Seniors finished first equal with Blackbrook, and the whole team ran well, Cole and Betts, who finished second and third respectively, were best of a good team.

So far we have only had the Tug-o'-War of the Sports, and though we failed to gain any points, both the Juniors and Seniors reached their final.

Owing to shortage of time and pitches we have had a Knock-out Cricket competition. The Juniors lost by a small margin to Westbury in the first round. Jarman is the most promising of them, his batting and bowling being well above average. The Seniors reached the Final in beating School House by seven wickets. In the final, however, we were beaten by Blackbrook after a most enjoyable match. Batting first, we made what seemed a formidable total of 96, our chief scorers being Nickless, Shelton and Cole. Blackbrook, however, passed our total with four wickets in hand. We extend our congratulations to them on winning the Cup, especially Young and Suggate, who played the main part in our defeat.

This term we are losing Cole who has done a great deal for the House and the School. He has been School Cricket Captain this term; indeed he has excelled in every branch of School activities. On behalf of the House, I thank him for his great work and wish him the best of luck for his future life. Our best wishes go to all other members who are now going out into the world. I am sure they will agree with me that the best pleasures of school life, as anywhere else, follow in the wake of duties well done. I appeal to those fortunate enough to be staying on to bear this in mind, for in doing so you will be serving your School, your House and yourself to the best of your ability.

R. E. D.

In the above House notes Daysh has expressed the appreciation of the House and himself of the support and service which Cole has so keenly and successfully given. I wish to add my own appreciation and good wishes for the future. At the same time I must add, on behalf of the House and myself, expression of thanks to Daysh himself, who also is leaving us. He has been an excellent House Captain, and the House has indeed been fortunate in having two such members as Daysh and Cole who have been

joint Head of the School and between them, School Captains of Football and Cricket. They have set a very high standard of School conduct and play which many of the remaining members will do well to try to emulate. They will leave gaps which it will be most difficult to fill, but I hope their example will inspire their successors. Best wishes to both in the future on behalf of the House and myself.

R. E. G.

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## School House.

At the end of last term, the Steeplechase was run, but the results were too late to be entered in last term's issue of the "Lion." Although our team was not as strong as last year's, we did not come off so badly as we thought we might. We came second for the Combined Cup, but our Seniors and Juniors did not come high enough to procure a win. We came third in the Seniors and third in the Juniors. As a whole the team ran well and special mention must be made of Hoad (fifth) and Stubbington in the Seniors and of Bass (fifth) in the Juniors.

At the beginning of this term, we started trials for the Sports which were to be run in about three weeks after term began, but which have now been postponed till the end of the term. We have picked out some good runners, but our team this term is not as good as the year before, but I wish all runners the best of luck in contesting for the Sports Cups.

Although the Sports were not run at the beginning of the term, we did have the Tug-of-war pulls which are a part of the procedure of Sports Day. In the Juniors we won, but in the Seniors we lost.

Later in the term we had the knock-out competition for the Cricket Cups. In the Seniors we had to play Cams and in the Juniors, Blackbrook. We were beaten in the Seniors by a better team, but in the Juniors we beat Blackbrook. We played Westbury for the Junior Cup but lost by one wicket after a very good game. The side was captained by Hunt, ably backed up by Langworthy.

Finally I should like to wish all members of the House a good holiday and success in the work and play of next term.

L. E. S.

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## Westbury.

Looking back across this usually very eventful term, we find that it has been singularly devoid of activity in the way of House affairs. This is perhaps mainly due to the postponement of the Sports, which have not been held, to the date of writing. The Tug-of-War was held one afternoon, but neither the Junior nor the Senior team gained much success, the Seniors standing no chance at all against the more powerful Cams team.

Owing to lack of time, the House matches this term have had to be run on the knock-out system, which has meant that the Seniors have had only one match. In this, they put up a very good show against a team far superior to them, and having got Blackbrook all out for 32, which low score was mainly due to the extremely good bowling of Joint, who took seven wickets, and Treloar, who took three, had the mis-

fortune to fail miserably in batting. The hopes that had been raised by Blackbrook's innings gradually crept down to zero as the Westbury wickets fell. The final score was 8, of which Upshall gained a very creditable five. Oland also played very well behind the stumps, and took three catches, showing himself a steady wicket-keeper, who will probably be of much use to the House later on.

The Juniors, under the captaincy of Packer, have had more success. They won both their matches and so gained the Junior Cup. Both the matches were won by a narrow but sufficient margin of runs, for which the credit goes mainly to Packer, although the whole team has played very well indeed.

I see that I have omitted all mention of the Steeplechase last term, which was very late and could not be included in last term's notes. None of the Cups arrived on Westbury's shelf, but the Juniors were very unfortunate and only just failed to win the Junior Cup.

So far, out of nine trophies to be allotted this term, Westbury has only secured one, but there are still the Sports to come, with their six Cups, and the Tarbat Cup, which we won last term.

Although the House has been somewhat unfortunate of late, those boys who are inclined to lose all interest in House affairs should remember that being on the losing side is a part of school life and must be taken with the rest. A bit of bad luck adds the spice of variety to life and, as Virgil says :—

“ Torsan et haec olim meminisse invabit.”

On the scholastic side we have to wish good luck to all those who have just taken either the School Certificate or the Higher.

In conclusion I wish all members of Westbury a pleasant holiday.

E. W. G.

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## THE CADET CORPS.

Once more the end of a school year has arrived and this time when the Company looks back over the past year, it can see a year of ups and downs, of difficulties and setbacks, all of which have been surmounted, getting itself into working order and carrying through a training programme the results of which can be seen by everyone.

At the beginning of the summer term we found ourselves with a great deal of work to do : each competition and each examination which has been held has called for extra effort from one or other of the company, only by each giving of his best have laurels been gained.

The Certificate "A" examination was held early in the term and results were excellent, eighteen cadets gained Part I and eighteen Part II. The entrants did very well. L/Cpl. Kelly and Cadets Stone and Tappenden were top of the Battalion in the two examinations and deserve congratulations.

Later in the term came the County Competitions, at both 'No. 2' represented the Battalion.

First came the "Craddock Cup" competition, this was for competition among the Bands of the County.

The Band travelled to Winchester at about mid-day and after eliminating contests all the afternoon, took part in the final test in the Guildhall before a large audience. The Band played very well, but did not manage to get in the first three places, being placed sixth.

Later in the term the "London Cup" competition was held; this is for a section from each battalion of the County.

Our Section under the command of L/Sgt. Hughes, with L/Cpl. Jackson second in command, worked well and gained second place for the whole County, being only beaten by six points. One of their strong points was drill, which was got to perfection in their own time, and it will have to be a good section which can surpass them in this subject.

In the early part of June, at the Battalion Sports, a handsome cup was won by an easy victory over the other five companies. The details of the positions which the entrants gained will be found below.

General Bond, the Deputy County Commandant, was the Inspecting Officer at this year's General Inspection. After the march-past a training programme embracing most of the year's training, was arranged.

The General was very pleased with everyone's work, passing many complimentary remarks about the manner in which the N.C.O.'s were instructing.

The day ended with an exercise for No. 1 and No. 2 platoons. This was most successful, there being only one big defect; this was the lack of speed with which all the movements were executed. The same defect was very noticeable in the "Battalion London Cup" at Fareham; cadets seem to be quite contented as long as they are under cover. All should remember—speed is the first essential of modern tactics.

Shooting, that integral part of Cadet training, is now once more one of the activities of the company. One section goes to the Wessex Drill Hall each parade for instruction under B.S.M. Moore. There is now a badge for good shooting, and judging by the first results, with a little practice this should be within everyone's reach.

During holidays, a good proportion of the company will be going either to camp at Basing Park or to one of the numerous courses which are available for the older members.

Both these short glimpses of military life are great: cadets come back with much more confidence in themselves, and all those who have attended either will agree that they are grand fun.

The coming term will see more changes in the organisation of the Company and some cadets will be bearing more responsibility, and some bearing responsibility for the first time.

Remember, every member of the Cadet Corps, from the youngest cadet to the senior N.C.O., the company is what you make it: it is up to you to pull your weight and keep up the reputation of the School and the Company.

## CADET SPORTS.

The Battalion Sports were held at Bath Lane Recreation Ground on June 9th in competition for the " Cooke Cup."

The weather was very uncertain and several times during the evening the meeting was stopped by showers ; this rain made it very greasy for the high jumpers, who found great difficulty in keeping their balance.

The results show that the victory was complete, although for various reasons (some best known to the cadets concerned) we were unable to put our strongest team into the field.

In mentioning the performances of the individuals it is only possible to draw attention to some of the many great efforts.

Suggate won the mile quite easily, and Ashwell, our only other entry, came second. This was a plucky performance on the part of a junior, for he was running against boys of eighteen and over. In the cricket ball, Daysh threw in his usual fine style to win with a very easy margin. In the sprints and other events the easiest way to see how well the cadets performed is to look at the results below.

The age groups were as follows :—

Junior	...	13½ years up to 15 years.
Intermediate		15 years up to 16½ years.
Senior	.	16½ years up to 18 years.

## RESULTS :—

Event	Entrant	Position
80 yards Flat, Junior ...	Cdt. Hamerton	First
100 yards Flat, Intermediate	L/Cpl. Jackson	First
100 yards Flat, Senior ...	C.S.M. Knight	First
High Jump, Junior ...	Cdt. Barnett	Third
220 yards Flat, Intermediate	Cdt. Stone	First
220 yards Flat, Senior ...	Sgt. Cole	First
150 yards Flat, Junior ...	Cdt. Watts	First
High Jump, Intermediate	Cdt. Joint	Second
220 yards Flat, Junior ...	Cdt. Watts	First
440 yards Flat, Intermediate	L/Cpl. Johnston	First
440 yards Flat, Senior ...	C.S.M. Knight	First
Tunnel Ball, Junior ...	Team of Eight	Second
Tunnel Ball, Intermediate	Team of Eight	First
880 yards Flat, Senior ...	L/Cpl Newell	First
Throwing Cricket Ball, Open	Sgt. Daysh	First
Relay (4x110 yards), Junior	Cdts. Misken, Hamerton, Watts, Pyle	First
Relay (4x110 yards), Intermediate	L/Cpls. Jackson, Johnston, Cdts. Stone, Ashwell	First
High Jump, Senior ...	L-Cpl. Jackson	First
Relay (4x110 yards), Senior	Sgt. Daysh, Cdt. Young, Sgt. Cole, C.S.M. Knight	First
1 mile, Open ...	C.Q.M.S. Suggate	First
	Cdt. Ashwell	Second
Tug-of-War, Junior ...	Team of Eight	First
Tug-of-War, Intermediate	Team of Eight	First
Tug-of-War, Senior ...	Team of Eight	Second

The final points of all the companies were :—

FIRST ...	No. 2 Prices School Coy.	...	66	points
SECOND ...	No. 3 Portchester Coy.	...	29½	"
THIRD ...	No. 5 Bishop's Waltham Coy.	...	23	"
FOURTH	No. 1 Fareham Coy.	...	8½	"
FIFTH ...	No. 4 Warsash Coy.	...	6	"
	No. 6 Swanmore Coy.	...	6	"

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