

# THE LION

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DECEMBER, 1937.

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## Chances and Changes.

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THE School is now larger than it has ever been and the Staff has been increased to cope with it. We welcome this term, besides those whose names appear on the Salvete List, Mr. J. Hollingworth: we hope his stay will be long as we are sure it will be happy.

A certain number of other changes have taken place. This year's entry and a certain number of veterans have been organised into three second forms; the old IVA and IVB have become IIIA and IIIB and VB has changed into IV. Thus Old Boys who find something odd about the Salvete list now have an explanation.

The Examination results speak for themselves about the most important phase of School activity, but we hope that other pages of "The Lion" will show that we have been active in the development of out of school activity and successful on the field. In particular, we may refer to the achievements of the Colts and we believe that we have a team capable of holding their own with any other team of their own age, and we hope that not too many of them will leave before they have a chance of fulfilling their promise in the First Eleven.

We wish our readers all as merry a Christmas as they deserve and feel that will be a very merry one indeed.



V.—A. E. Carr.

IV.—H. F. C. Parsons.

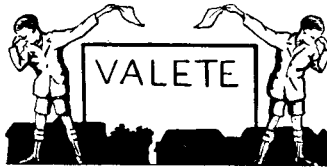
REM.—F. D. Crossland, J. V. B. Evans.

IIIB.—P. J. Burt.

IIA.—D. R. Andrews, M. F. Arnold, J. D. Bald, L. T. Bennett, R. V. Bone, S. Carter, H. J. Doughty, R. A. Foulkes, R. J. A. Fricker, K. A. L. Gale, G. W. Hawes, C. Hills, P. Hills, N. R. Jackson, P. R. Johnson, A. W. F. Kemp, A. E. Knight, R. Latty, R. A. Lee, C. M. Pyle, J. E. W. Samways, D. G. Upton, J. W. Wilson, N. W. Wood.

IIb.—H. G. D. Allerton, E. J. White, D. G. Carr.

IIc.—J. H. Bowles, C. J. Cheater, P. R. Dove, F. L. Flemans, D. M. Haley, T. Haslem, A. S. Hutchins, D. J. Hatfield, W. R. J. Ridge, H. R. Knight, K. A. Scrivens, J. R. S. Skiff, R. A. Tribbeck, R. B. B. Warwick, P. M. Williams.



E. F. Warren, D. G. Ward, J. Gingell, A. C. Smith, H. E. Hodges, S. C. F. Middleton, R. C. Nutter, E. L. R. Derges, A. S. Brooks, R. D. Gaiger, E. C. S. Macpherson, E. A. Haley, H. W. R. Stevens, C. F. Deadman, P. L. Hills, D. G. Sanders, J. Lockhart, J. G. Crouch, A. C. Carpenter, G. W. Brazier, P. G. Ruthen, S. D. Horsey, D. G. Earnshaw, T. V. Warren, J. F. Ridge, J. Ede, F. Day, T. Parker, J. Macpherson, P. Macpherson, J. R. S. Skiff, Banks.

#### EXAMINATION RESULTS :

OXFORD HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE. A. J. M. David, G. A. S. Young.

LONDON MATRICULATION (Exemption). T. G. Leggett, G. W. Andrews, C. W. M. Allen, A. C. Smith, H. E. Hodges, D. H. Clark, K. E. L. David, S. C. F. Middleton, E. G. Cummins, J. A. Whitwick, K. J. Long, R. C. Nutter, C. R. Milam, M. O. F. Tapper, E. L. R. Derges, A. S. Brooks.

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The School House was filled for Speech Day on Friday, November 5th, and there was the now usual overflow meeting in IIIA, and IIB, Form Rooms, and we were very fortunate in having Mr. C. Fairfax Scott, M.A. (Headmaster of Brighton College) to distribute the prizes. In his address, Mr. Fairfax Scott said that there had recently been an outcry about scholars having too much "prep." The boarders of the schools he had been connected with were allowed only one and a half hours for "prep" and they could not possibly spend four hours, as some parents alleged their children did at home in the evenings. In his opinion, one of the chief objects of homework was to make boys work quickly and he urged that parents should allow their children a set time for 'prep.' Thus boys would gain the ability to work quickly, a most valuable attainment.

The Headmaster, in presenting his report, referred to the School's steady progress. Twenty-four out of our twenty-five candidates for School Certificates passed, while two boys were successful in gaining Oxford Higher School Certificates. The School had increased in numbers and in Staff, and he referred to the increase in the Pavilion Fund, which gave rise to the hope that shortly the School would have a really worthy Pavilion and changing rooms.

The Chairman of the Governors (Rev. A. Cory) was able to indicate that the Governors had under consideration a plan for increasing the accommodation of the School in the near future.

The vote of thanks to Mr. Fairfax Scott was proposed by the Vicar of Holy Trinity, seconded by Mr. J. W. Dodge and carried with acclamation.

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## Pavilion Fund.

This term we have passed the £400 mark, assisted by the proceeds of a Bridge Drive, a Whist Drive, a very successful Dance and a Bazaar and we hope for another substantial addition before the end of term from profits from the Christmas plays.

The reference to this subject in the Headmaster's speech on Speech Day gives ground for the hope that practical measures may soon be taken to turn the Pavilion Fund into a noble Pavilion, but it must be emphasised that we shall need much more money before the full cost of the Pavilion can be met.

Our sincere thanks are due to all those who have given their assistance and support to all the functions we have mentioned above.

The Christmas Bazaar realised a profit of £27-5-7½ and the Pavilion Fund has now £415 to its credit.

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## Orchestral Society.

The School Orchestra can look back on a successful term, in which considerable progress has been made. The standard of performance shows a steady improvement, and the quality of music rehearsed is steadily raised in consequence.

The Orchestra made its first public appearance this term, when it accompanied the School Choir on Speech Day. The favourable comments made on the playing of

quite difficult music on this occasion was gratifying to the scholars comprising the Orchestra, all of whom are still quite young in the matter of technique.

The Orchestra is growing. The end of the Summer Term brought an inevitable loss when some players left school. The remaining nucleus has been reinforced this term with a number of recruits, who attend rehearsals with enthusiasm twice a week after school hours.

This influx of new talent has brought the numbers of the orchestra up to twenty-seven, made up of eighteen first and second violins, viola 'cello, two clarinets, two flutes, trumpet, drums and piano. There is, moreover, a waiting list of boys anxious to join when they have obtained their instruments.

Parents are reminded of the opportunity afforded by the Orchestra of the acquisition of a valuable accomplishment. There is still room for more players or would-be players.

H. G.

## The Science Society.

After being suspended for the Summer term, the activities of the Society recommenced with new vigour this term. The result has been a series of papers of exceptional interest, and, what is more pleasing from the Secretary's point of view, a keenness among the senior members to address the Society.

The first paper of the term was delivered by Mr. Foster on "Photography," since it had been decided to start the term well with this paper which he had previously promised. The paper dealt with the subject from first principles and was therefore easily understood. It contained many valuable hints to such of the Society as were amateur photographers, and was very fully illustrated.

After half-term, Boyes read a paper on "The Internal Combustion Engine." This dealt first with the earlier forms of the engine and with the difficulties encountered in making a petrol engine. The names of various parts of the modern petrol motor were given and their functions briefly described. Special attention was then turned to the method of working of the pistons, valves and carburetter, and the purpose of a supercharger described. After the paper, some interesting points were raised in discussion.

Our last paper at the time of writing was delivered by David I on his own hobby "Astronomy," limited by him to a detailed description of the moon, and an outline of the features of the planet Mars. The paper was, in many ways, the best we have had so far. The wealth of detail was amply supported by the number of illustrations David had arranged for the paper. His description of the moon dealt first with its probable origin, its connection with our earth and some interesting conjecture as to the form of moon and earth in a few millions of years time. The features of the moon's face were described and illustrated, not only by photographs, but also by drawings of probable sights seen by an observer actually on the moon's surface. A few minutes at the end of the paper were given to a description of the features of Mars. Since little is known for certain about these features, a somewhat heated discussion was raised. David was subjected to a constant series of questions, but it was found impossible to catch him out. His knowledge of the subject covered any points raised by members upon which they were not clear.

The use of the Epidiascepe has been a great assistance to the Society in making all its papers clearer and more interesting.

The Society also wishes to thank Mr. Shaddock and Mr. Hilton for their work for it and are pleased to see the interest showed in it by our new member of the staff, Mr. Hollingworth.

In conclusion, I would state that I should like to see more members of the Fourth Form join the Society, and some of the members of the Fifth pluck up sufficient courage to address the Society.

C. J. V.

## The Price's School Stamp Club.

This term has been heartening, for there has been a great increase in the membership. The Club had ceased activity during the summer term, except for exchange of books.

It was decided to form a Junior Section of the Stamp Club owing to the increase of membership. This Section has its own officials, Urry being elected Hon. Secretary and Priddle Hon. Treasurer. The Junior Section is run under the Senior Section.

Permission was obtained by E. J. Young to conduct a tour of inspection round the Post Office in Fareham on 6th October. Two of the officials showed the Club round. We were shown how the automatic stamp machine worked. We were then shown the cancellation machine and saw letters cancelled; the machine in use at Fareham is worked by hand, but electric cancellation machines are in use in London. We were then shown the sorting benches and how the letters are sorted. After the tour the Postmaster showed the Club sheets of current stamps up to ten shillings denominations, also other stamps used for revenue and various purposes. Thanks were tendered to the Postmaster, who offered us the opportunity of a further visit.

After this good start, the Club has been presented with a series of lectures by E. J. Young, who illustrated his lectures with stamps projected by the epidiascope on to a screen.

Although we have a fairly good membership, we should like to see more Seniors join the Club. Now the epidiascope has come into use, valuable time, which was lost in having stamps passed round during lectures, will be saved, and details on the stamps can be seen and pointed out easily.

W. V. B.

## Boxing.

The House Boxing Competition was held at the end of last term, after being postponed on account of bad weather. One extra weight (under 10 stone) was added this year, and the first two rounds of each fight were reduced to 1½ minutes with the final one of 2 minutes.

The competition for the House Cup was extremely close. At the end of the first round Cams, School House and Westbury were level, with Blackbrook only one point behind, and it was not until the last fight of the competition that School House made certain of winning the Cup from Westbury.

On the whole the standard of boxing was hardly as good as last year. Too many of the boxers aimed consistently at their opponents' faces, forgetting that the body is a much larger target, and that a well placed blow in the stomach is often just as effective as one on the jaw. One or two of the competitors were considerably and unnecessarily handicapped by the length of their hair—a fault that should not be difficult to remedy. There was, however, plenty of pluck shown and no signs of loss of temper, which easily compensated for any lack of boxing ability there may have been.

Of the actual fights, that between Powell and Andrews in the final of the under 9 stone class was probably the best, with the first round fight between Macpherson and Fleming very little behind. Crouch's extra weight and reach made him an easy winner while Jackson and Kiddle of the other winners showed most promise.

We were greatly indebted to Mr. A. H. Hebditch, who acted as referee, and to the two judges, Mr. G. Ward and Mr. S. Newell.

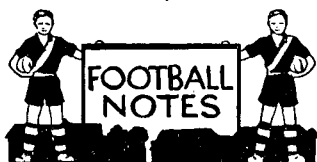
In conclusion, it is to be hoped that more boys, especially the younger ones, will take advantage of the boxing classes that are held twice a week by Mr. Hollingworth, especially as we hope in the near future to have an indoor ring, and boxing matches against other schools.

## RESULTS.

Weight	House	Ist Round	Final	Winner
Under 6 Stone	Cams -	Ruthen II	Knocker	Kiddle
	Westbury -	Knocker		
	School House	Kiddle	Kiddle	
	Blackbrook -	Gillespie		
Under 7 Stone	Blackbrook -	Akhurst	Akhurst	Macpherson (Fight stopped in 1st round)
	Westbury -	James		
	School House	Macpherson I	Macpherson	
	Cams -	Fleming		
Under 8 Stone	Blackbrook -	Haines	David II	David II (Fight stopped in 3rd round)
	Westbury -	David II		
	School House	Smith II	Dawkins	
	Cams -	Dawkins		
Under 9 Stone	School House	Patten	Andrews II	Powell
	Blackbrook -	Andrews II		
	Westbury -	Powell	Powell	
	Cams -	Tapper		
Under 10 Stone	Westbury -	David I	Jackson	Jackson
	Blackbrook -	Jackson		
	School House	Carpenter	Mason	
	Cams -	Mason		
Open	Westbury -	Hills I	Young II (after extra round)	Crouch (Fight stopped in 1st round)
	Cams -	Young II		
	School House	Crouch	Crouch	
	Blackbrook -	—	w.o.	

## HOUSE POINTS.

School House	-	21
Westbury	-	19
Blackbrook	-	16
Cams	-	15



The season now ending has been a good one in most ways. To begin with, the weather has been kind to us and no games have been scratched. It is perhaps a little rash to mention this fact, as the last time we had a dry autumn term it was followed by a soaking wet hockey season.

As regards the 1st XI matches, we have won seven and lost six, no game being drawn. The School were beaten by Portsmouth Grammar School (twice), Purbrook, Old Boys, Portsmouth Secondary School and by a Masters' XI. Victories were obtained against Midhurst, Purbrook, Gosport, Farnham, Bedales, Portsmouth Banks and a team from Crofton. This record is a good one, the best we have had for some seasons, and with a little luck, could easily have been more impressive. The side lost Knott with a broken collar-bone, and Durant with a torn ligament about midway through the season, and this must have adversely affected the results of at least two matches.

The only side to prove too good for us was the Grammar School, a team of much older, heavier and faster boys, with whom the School could do little in the way of attack, although in the home game luck was quite against us. All the other matches were quite even or definitely in our favour.

At the beginning of the season it was quickly apparent that with one or two exceptions the team would pick itself. There was little competition for most of the positions, and this lack of adequate reserve strength was at times a serious handicap. I do not remember a season when there were so few older boys of a sufficiently high standard. One good thing, however, arose from this fact—the team was not subject to many changes except through injury, and team selection was made relatively easy.

A useful nucleus was left to us from last year. Jackson, Tubbs, Long and Barter in the defence, and Knott, Alderton and Durant of the forwards, and as was to be expected, they formed the backbone of the side, and all of them improved considerably upon their form of a year ago. Particularly was this the case with Barter, who as the season developed became a very powerful defensive centre-half, in addition to being an admirable captain, keenly interested in the side and always offering an example of unflagging endeavour. His height and reach, combined with great power in tackling, and safe kicking have made him one of the best centre-halves the school side has known for many seasons. Tubbs has been as usual essentially reliable, and Long has made him a good partner, improving rapidly as the season advanced. Knott, until his unfortunate injury, was doing very well at centre-forward, and it is to be hoped that he will have recovered his dash by next season. Alderton has got through a tremendous amount of work in most of the games, and has scored many good goals. The extra year seems to have given him much more pace and power.

Of the other members of the team, Beavis and Brown were perhaps the most successful, and both have made great improvement in the later games. Beavis has the right idea of the work to be done by an inside forward, and Brown plays an intelligent game at half, combining an effective tackle with anticipation, and parting with the ball to the advantage of his forwards.

The most difficult places to fill were the left-half and outside-left positions, and it must be admitted that no really satisfactory solution to the problem was found. Neither position is an easy one, and of the various people experimented with, all had

some of the virtues, but none had all. For example, Young at left-half tackles hard, but kicks poorly, whereas Adams kicks well but is weak in a tackle.

These weaknesses, however, were only exposed in the games against the stronger sides, and speaking generally, we may say that the 1st XI has been a good sound team. Certainly, for the most part, the matches have been enjoyable to watch, and in this connection it may be pointed out that the effect of a number of enthusiastic supporters on the touch-line has quite often helped the side to get over a poor start. This was particularly the case in the game against Midhurst.

The 2nd XI have played six games, winning three and losing three, but have a favourable goal average. The composition of this side has necessarily varied from game to game, but most of the games have been enjoyable.

The particular glory of the season, it cannot be denied, has been the extraordinary success of the Colts XI. This side, under 15 at the beginning of the term (and many of them were well under that age) have swept all before them. They owe much to the keen interest taken in them by Mr. Hilton, who has always been ready with advice and encouragement. Their record for the season reads:—

PLAYED 7; WON 7; GOALS FOR 42; AGAINST 3.

Not in any game has their superiority been challenged. At the beginning of a game it has often looked as though they have met their match, but the repeated attacks of their opponents have failed to break the solid defence of Wolfe, Hills I and Haines. On this trio the success of the Colts have been based. Their covering has been worthy of professionals. The half-backs have been both constructive and defensively helpful in emergencies, with Wheeler particularly outstanding as a centre-half. The total of 42 goals shows the forwards' ability and each man has shared in this total! The brains of the line has been Westbrook, but it must not be thought that he has been the most useful forward. Every forward line must have a "nerve-centre," but that nerve-centre must have support from the rest. The dribbling of Harding, the wing play of Amor, Scott and Marshall and the brilliant shooting of Patten have fitted in perfectly with the scheme. How marvellous if this team would be with us for three more years.

The House Competition, again played in two sections—Junior and Senior according to age—again yielded some good games, Blackbrook eventually winning both events, but only after some hard games in both series.

Ordinary school games have proceeded regularly. With the increasing number of boys in the school, the question of ground accommodation arises, and no longer is it possible to provide quite the number of games desirable.

I would like here to make grateful mention of all the boys who have regularly given up their lunch hours to blow up balls, not a particularly pleasant or easy task.

We were pleased to welcome this term the addition to the staff of Mr. Hollingworth, a footballer of great ability, whose advice and example has already had a good influence upon school football.

#### FIRST XI.

\*C. W. BARTER (Captain - Centre-half). Tackles exceptionally hard and effectively, and always makes good use of the ball. The XI owes much to him, both as a player and a captain.

\*D. D. ALDERTON (Vice-Captain— Inside-Left). A clever and capable player, who has played many excellent games, and scored many goals. Dribbles well and has a powerful shot. Has made a good vice-captain, whose opinions have been sound.



- \*T. F. KNOTT (Centre-forward). Has played well in this difficult position, especially before his injury. Is fast and difficult to knock off the ball and has plenty of thrust. Places the ball well when shooting.
- \*W. J. TUBBS (Right-back). Has more than fulfilled his early promise. Kicks and heads the ball extremely well and accurately, and is quite fast.
- K. J. LONG (Left-back). Has improved considerably as the season advanced. Is still rather inclined to rush blindly into a tackle, but he works very hard and proved a most useful member of the side. His right foot kicking is weak.
- J. BEAVIS (Inside-right). A very hard working and clever forward, who tackles back very well. His shooting is not up to the standard of the rest of his play, but he has thoroughly earned his place in the side.
- G. F. JACKSON (Goal). Has had a good season. Is reliable and shows good anticipation in dealing with shots, and in coming out to clear. Is inclined to carry the ball and must learn to kick the ball from goal-kicks.
- H. E. BROWN (Right-half). Tackles well and marks his winger closely. Shows considerable intelligence with his passes. Should develop into a really good footballer.
- G. B. DURANT (Outside-right). Is quite fast and beats his man cleverly. Centres and shoots well, but is inclined to falter when being tackled.
- B. H. G. ADAMS (Left-half). Has a good sense of the game and kicks and heads the ball well. Is rather too slow to hold a good winger, and his tackling is at present ineffective.
- E. J. YOUNG (Left-half). Has plenty of vigour and keenness, but his positional play is weak and his kicking wild. Tackles hard but not certainly.
- F. G. LEGGETT (Outside-right). Has played since Durant's injury, and has been a most effective substitute. Is quite fast and beats his man by a clever side-step. Should learn to use his left foot.
- G. AMOR and W. H. SCOTT have both played at outside-left. Both are rather small and young for the 1st XI. Scott centres well and unselfishly, and Amor kicks the ball beautifully, but is apt to hang on too long.
- K. B. FLEMING has played in various forward positions. His chief handicap is lack of size and weight, as in every respect he is a keen and intelligent player, who should do very well indeed next year.

\* Denotes Old Colour.

Colours have been awarded this season to Long, Jackson, Brown, Beavis and Durant.

#### COLTS NOTES.

- R. D. HILLS I (Captain). Has been a quiet and unassuming captain. His full-back play on either flank has been splendid.
- E. C. HAINES. Another good full-back, whose only fault is a comparative inability to kick with his left foot. Tackles and heads well.
- B. WOLFE. An excellent goalkeeper with a clean pair of hands and the ability to sum up a dangerous situation and position himself. Is very good at kicking a dead ball.
- G. P. SABIN. Not a brilliant wing half-back, but has plenty of determination and marks his opposite number very closely.

- C. J. WHEELER. Probably the best centre-half the Colts have had. A marvellous sense of tackle and an equal ability to distribute the ball.
- A. F. NEWBURY. A discovery and likely to turn into a first class wing half-back. A little immature at the moment, but never hesitates to tackle and passes well.
- W. H. MARSHALL. Has shown great improvement throughout the season, and has scored many goals by his ability to cut in and shoot at an angle.
- S. L. HARDING. A really hard worker with a good shot. Dribbles very well, but is inclined like all dribblers, to hang on a little too long. Tackles back very well.
- L. W. PATTEN. Perhaps not a brilliant footballer, but a grand centre-forward, and with a remarkable ability to miss the goalkeeper with either foot! A very hard-working player.
- N. WESTBROOK. Cool, strong, and the best distributor of the ball in the team. A very powerful shot in both feet and a keen eye for position. A player of very great promise.
- W. H. SCOTT. A good winger who has played for the first eleven. A little frightened of himself, but has distinct promise.

## SCHOOL FIRST XI.

- Sept. 25th *v* Crofton Home Won 10-0 (Knott 4, Alderton 4, Durant 2)  
 „ 29th *v* B. R. Shaw's XI Home Lost 3-5 (Knott 2, Mr. Garrett—o.g.)  
 Oct. 2nd *v* Farnham G. School Home Won 5-2 (Alderton 2, Knott, Fleming, Amor)  
 „ 9th *v* Midhurst G. School Home Won 6-2 (Knott 3, Alderton 3)  
 „ 13th *v* Portsmouth G. School Home Lost 0-6  
 „ 16th *v* Purbrook Park County School Home Won 2-1 (Alderton, Durant)  
 „ 23rd *v* Portsmouth Sec. School Home Lost 2-3 (Barter, Beavis)  
 „ 27th *v* Gosport County School Home Won 2-0 (Knott, Beavis)  
 „ 30th *v* Portsmouth Banks Home Won 5-0 (Mr. Hollingworth 2, Mr. Thacker 2,  
 Barter—pen.)  
 Nov. 3rd *v* Bedales Away Won 2-0 (Alderton, Durant)  
 „ 20th *v* Old Boys Home Lost 3-5 (Alderton, Leggett, Patten)  
 Dec. 1st *v* Portsmouth Grammar School Away Lost 0-7  
 „ 4th *v* Purbrook Park County School Away Lost 1-4

## SCHOOL SECOND XI.

- Oct. 13th *v* Portsmouth Grammar School II Home Lost 0-3  
 „ 23rd *v* Portsmouth Secondary School II Home Won 7-4  
 „ 27th *v* Gosport County School II Home Won 12-0  
 Nov. 3rd *v* Bedales II Away Won 11-0  
 „ 20th *v* Old Boys II Home Lost 4-7  
 Dec. 1st *v* Portsmouth Grammar School III Away Lost 1-3  
 Goal-scorers:—Westbrook 8, Patten 6, Amor 5, Leggett 5, Fleming 4, Powell 4,  
 Adams, Scott 1 (o.g.)

## COLTS XI.

- Oct. 2nd *v* Farnham Grammar School Home Won 14-1  
 (Harding 5, Patten 4, Westbrook 3, Marshall, Scott)  
 „ 9th *v* Midhurst Grammar School Home Won 7-0  
 (Westbrook 3, Patten 2, Scott, Kiddle)  
 „ 16th *v* Purbrook Park County School Home Won 4-1  
 (Westbrook 2, Scott, Marshall)  
 „ 30th *v* Portsmouth Grammar School Home Won 5-0 (Harding 3, Patten, Scott)  
 Nov. 17th *v* Taunton's School Away Won 3-1 (Harding, Scott, Hills)  
 Dec. 1st *v* Taunton's School Home Won 6-0  
 Patten 3, Westbrook, Wheeler, Marshall  
 „ 4th *v* Purbrook Park County School Away Won 3-0

## HOUSE MATCHES.

SENIOR XI's—Cams	3	...	School House	5
Blackbrook	7	...	Westbury	1
Blackbrook	4	...	Cams	0
Westbury	5	...	School House	2
Westbury	10	...	Cams	2
Blackbrook	2	...	School House	1
COLTS XI's—School House	3	...	Cams	1
Blackbrook	7	...	Westbury	0
Blackbrook	3	...	Cams	3
Westbury	2	...	School House	1
Westbury	0	...	Cams	0
Blackbrook	2	...	School House	2

FINAL POSITIONS:		SENIOR	COLTS
1	Blackbrook	6 points	1 Blackbrook 4 points
2	Westbury	4 „	2 School House 3 „
3	School House	2 „	3 Westbury 3 „
4	Cams	0 „	4 Cams 2 „

## SCHOOL FIRST XI MATCHES.

## V. Crofton. Home. Won 10-0.

The opposition in the first match of the season was rather too weak to give us any real indication of the strength of the side. The School were attacking for practically the whole of the game, and the Crofton defence could not cope with Knott and Alderton, who each scored four goals, while Durant scored twice. The School defence held a ragged forward line with little difficulty, and Jackson in goal had an easy game.

## V. Farnham Grammar School. Home. Won 5-2.

The School were eager to avenge their heavy defeat of last season, and did so in a satisfactory manner. At the start the School defence was poorly together, and Farnham scored a quick goal. Later on the School equalised through Amor and towards the end of an even half took the lead. In the second half the School had much the better of the game, and scored three more goals, Farnham only getting one more in reply. Fleming and Durant combined well on the right wing.

## V. Midhurst Grammar School. Home. Won 6-2.

Midhurst played strongly during the first twenty minutes, and obtained a lead of two goals to one. Soon after Midhurst had scored the School goal had a narrow escape when the Midhurst centre-forward headed over the bar from a corner kick. This escape seemed to stimulate the School and Alderton equalised. Two further goals were scored by the School before half-time. The School continued to have the larger share of the play in the second half and added two more goals, to win by 6-2. Knott (3) and Alderton (3) were the School scorers.

## V. Portsmouth Grammar School. Home. Lost 0-6.

As is usually the case in matches against the Grammar School, the School were at a disadvantage in height, weight and age, but the game was more even than the score of 0-6 suggests. The defence played quite well and Jackson could not be blamed for any of the goals against him, one of which was a penalty for hands. Had the forwards been more steady, and on several occasions more fortunate, they would have scored. Durant appeared to have a good chance when he recovered from a trip by a Portsmouth defender, and on another occasion quite early in the game, a back managed to kick out for a corner when the goalkeeper was beaten by a shot of Knott's. However, the Portsmouth team were always dangerous when attacking, their outside right and inside-left being particularly effective.

### V. Purbrook Park County School. Home. Won 2-1.

There was very little to choose between the teams throughout the game, but the School forwards appeared rather more dangerous in their attacks than Purbrook and at half-time were leading by two goals scored by Durant, with a header, and Alderton with a grand right-foot shot. Purbrook were superior to the School in their heading of the ball, but their forwards found the School defence—especially Barter—in good form. Purbrook scored their goal late in the second half. The School just deserved their victory of 2-1.

### V. Portsmouth Secondary School. Home. Lost 2-3.

For this game the School team was weakened by the absence of Jackson and Tubbs from the defence. The game started in torrential rain, and Beavis, who was playing his first game in the 1st XI, soon made his presence felt. He was unlucky not to score more than one goal. Alderton played well at back in the first half, and in the second, when he was nominally a right half, he was constantly attacking and did very good work. Barter scored a beautiful goal from outside the penalty area, and Beavis made the score 2-2. It was not until the closing minutes that the Secondary School obtained the winning goal. The School team in general gave one of their weakest displays of the season, but were unlucky not to draw, Durant missing a penalty.

### V. Gosport Secondary School. Home. Won 2-0.

This was a fairly interesting game, in which the standard of play was never high, but it was marred by Knott breaking his collar-bone in the second half. Both School goals came in the first half, and were due to good work by Beavis, who scored the first from long range with a beautiful shot, and presented Knott with an easy opening for the second goal. Play, on the whole was fairly even, but there was a good deal of aimless kicking in mid-field.

### V. Portsmouth Banks. Home. Won. 5-0.

For this game the School were strengthened by the inclusion of Mr. Shaw, Mr. Foster, Mr. Thacker and Mr. Hollingworth. For the greater part of the game the School were attacking, the Bank forwards making little impression on the School defence, in which Barter and Alderton were outstanding. Mr. Hollingworth played a fine game at inside-left and scored two first-class goals, the first being a shot from long range which gave the goalkeeper no chance. Mr. Thacker's two goals were also good ones, both well placed shots from difficult angles. The whole side played well and the game was most enjoyable.

### V. Bedales. Away. Won 2-0.

A bumpy ground and a greasy ball made good football difficult and largely accounts for the low scoring. Bedales were slightly the bigger side, but had little idea of combined play, while their shooting was very weak. The School had much the better of the game on the whole, Carter, Long, Tubbs and Brown playing strongly in defence, and sending their forwards away with good passes. Alderton scored a good goal in the first half after a dribble, and Durant scored from a centre from Fleming which was badly missed by the Bedales defence. In the last few minutes Bedales attacked strongly but could not beat Jackson.

### V. Portsmouth Grammar School. Away. Lost 0-7.

As in the earlier match, the Grammar School, a particularly strong side this year, were too good for us, and the game was largely a struggle between their forwards and our defence, little being seen of the School forward line. Jackson played well in

goal, despite the handicap of a greasy heavy ball. Towards the end of the game, very poor light and heavy rain were additional handicaps, and three goals came during this period. The School defence hardly deserved to be beaten by this score, as for most of the second half they held their opponents very well.

#### V. Purbrook Park County School. Away. Lost 1-4.

In this return match Purbrook were the better side, but not to the extent of 4-1. Rain fell throughout the game, and the ball was heavy and slippery. Purbrook, who had the better of the play, scored a goal through their left-back, and at half-time the score was 1-0. In the second half the play was more even, and Purbrook were perhaps lucky to score three more goals, against a goal scored by Knott, by the School, who might with a little better fortune have scored two other goals. The defence, with the exception of Brown, was not up to its normal form, frequent miskicking letting in the Purbrook forwards. Fleming and Beavis were the best School forwards.



## HOUSE NOTES.

### Blackbrook.

Last term we unfortunately lost the Boxing Cup, but this was not through lack of keenness, as was shown by the good fights put up by our representatives. Akhurst boxed extremely well to reach the final, in which he was forced to retire by a somewhat lucky blow on the point of the chin. His performance was all the more praiseworthy as he had had very little training. Andrews II was successful in his first bout, but he was beaten by a more experienced pugilist in the final, and Jackson, in gaining maximum points, gave his usual polished performances. It is to be hoped that new and also old members of the House will take the opportunity of learning boxing under the able instruction of Mr. Hollingworth, and so be ready to help the House at some future date.

This term gives reason for rejoicings, both Football Cups having been won. I think I am right in saying that this is only the second time since the House was brought into being, that we have won the Senior Football Cup.

The Senior XI played hard and keenly to win all three matches, and the Junior XI, although not excelling themselves to such an extent, were nevertheless unbeaten.

Against Westbury we won with a fair margin of safety by 3-1. Durant gained a hat "trick" and everybody played well, but I think that the match against Cams was the best performance, as we played with ten men for practically the whole game, Durant being injured, and then triumphed by the large margin of 4-0, despite the fact that a penalty was missed. Durant's injury was fortunately not as bad as was at first thought, and in mentioning this we must commiserate with Cams who were without Knott, as he had broken his collar bone earlier in the season. Of the last match, the least said the better. The team played much below form and just managed to win by 2-1. Akhurst, as in all the matches, played well and scored what proved to be a very useful goal. Jackson, in saving a shot from Patten and stopping a penalty, showed us his value as a goalkeeper.

The Junior XI was much too good for Westbury, and against Cams they showed fighting qualities which will be useful in the future, by drawing 3-3 after being 1-3 down a few minutes from time. In the game against School House more understanding between certain members of the team would probably have given us maximum points instead of a share of them. Knight I and Wheeler were outstanding in all games and congratulations must go to Wheeler, who, not yet fifteen, has played centre-half for the School 2nd XI and the Colts, unchallenged.

At the time of writing, the destination of the Tarbat Cup is unknown, but would it not be a crowning glory if we were to win it this term and thus show that we are just as efficient scholastically as we are at sporting activities?

Next term we have our reputation to keep up in the Steeplechase, and if all diligently do the training, which is essential, there should be no reason why all the cups should not remain with us for yet another year.

There will be a burden of two years of players ignorant of hockey next term, and it will be difficult to get together a Junior XI. If new boys put their backs into learning the game, we will have an equal chance with other Houses of gaining the cup.

Congratulations to all members of the House and indeed the School who upheld the prestige of the School in gaining School Certificates, and every success to those who have left for other spheres.

All that remains is to wish the House a Merry Xmas and a Prosperous New Year and to hope that they will not eat or drink too much at one time and so spoil the rest of their holiday.

## Cams.

Firstly, I must ask the House to join with me in congratulating E. F. Warren on gaining a County Exhibition and in wishing him the best of luck, both in his career at Oxford and in his life afterwards.

The Boxing Competition occurred too late to be mentioned in last Term's "Lion," but the results have only gone to show that the House is extremely lacking in pugilistic talent, although some members managed to get into the finals and put up some good fights against stronger opponents. I hope that more members of the House will avail themselves of the opportunity of learning the art of boxing under the guidance of our new and energetic instructor, Mr. Hollingworth.

In like manner, the House Matches have shown us that we sadly lack talented footballers, particularly in the senior eleven, which lost all its matches. In the match against School House, misfortune dogged us. Early in the match, Young II was injured and had to leave the field, and later Brown was to a certain extent disabled. This was a considerable drawback and led to our defeat by 5 goals to 3, which, but for the hard work of Knott and Tapper, would have been worse. In the matches against Blackbrook and Westbury, we were unfortunate in that Knott was unable to play, and although individual merit was not lacking, the team lacked someone to keep it together.

The efforts of the junior eleven were, however, less disconcerting. They lost only one match and drew the other two. The loss of their first match against School House was chiefly due to the fact that insufficient was known of the ability of new members of the House and full use was not made of the players available. In the matches against Blackbrook and Westbury, they had settled down somewhat as a team and were able to hold out against their opponents, but their performance could have been improved upon if the team had realised that positional play is more necessary than following the ball all the time. We have several promising young players in this team, notably Carnell, Marshall and Hancock, who should prove of great value to the House in future years.

Next term we must strive for the Steeplechase Cups and do our best to retain the Hockey Cup to make up for our failings this term. I hope all members of the House will practice more assiduously than they did last year and make an effort to prevent the Steeplechase Cups being a permanent ornament to the Blackbrook shelf. In Hockey we are bound to meet with difficulties, as those who entered the School last year will have had no experience at all of the game, but I hope they will make an effort to pick up the game quickly and to maintain Cams' Hockey prestige.

Those of you who cannot help the House athletically, can do your share by helping it to regain the Tarbat Cup, which has long been absent from our shelf.

I wish to congratulate, on behalf of the House, all those who upheld the reputation of the School by gaining School Certificates.

We are fortunately not losing any members this term, but we regret the loss at the end of last term of Ruthen I, who did much for the House in all the departments of sport, and wish him and all those who left us last term the best of luck in their future lives.

It only remains for me, now, to wish you all a Merry Christmas and to hope that you will all return next term with renewed energy, ready to do your share for the House.

## School House.

The Boxing Tournament took place too late last term for any comments to be made in the last "Lion." We had a good team and were successful in winning the Cup in the face of strong opposition from Westbury. The boxing produced much excitement and as the tournament proceeded, we found that it was to prove a fight between Westbury and School House. Almost until the end points were even between us, but Westbury finally dropped behind, mainly through their lack of a good heavyweight. Crouch, Macpherson I and Kiddle boxed well and did much to gain their team's victory. This is the first time that we have won this cup and I hope that we will continue to do so in the future.

This term has not been one of outstanding success for School House, but it would be a mistake to regard it as one of complete failure, as the teams begin to show great promise. However, great successes were not to be expected, as we only possess four members of the School 1st and 2nd XI's.

To begin with we were most unfortunate in losing Hodges and Clark soon after the first House match. We wish them luck in their future undertakings.

The weather this term has been particularly favourable for football, so that the House matches have been played without any hindrance from our not always kindly climate.

The first House match produced an unexpected win for us against Cams by 5 goals to three, thanks largely to the efforts of Hodges. This, supported by a win by the Juniors, made a good start.

Hopes were, however, dashed to the ground in the second House match, when both teams were defeated by Westbury. The least said of this, the better.

Against Blackbrook we were expectant of a good trouncing, but this was not so. Both teams must be congratulated on their plucky efforts, the 1st XI only losing by 1-2, and the second drawing 2-2 (may I take this opportunity of congratulating Blackbrook on winning both Cups?).

There is one criticism that I must make of this term's play and that is that the Juniors spoilt many chances by being too selfish in front of the goal. This is a serious fault. Remember, it does not matter who scores, so long as someone does.

Although a notice to the effect appeared on the notice board, very few boys turned up to support their House. This must be remedied next term.

Summing up, I can say that, although this term we have not gained any cups to adorn our somewhat bare shelf, the prospects for the future are distinctly favourable, as very few of the present members will have left next year.

Congratulations to all who passed the Oxford School Certificate, especially to Hodges, Clark, Allen II, Nutter, Macpherson I and Gaiger, and we wish success to all who have left.

For those who have no athletic tendency there is always the Tarbat Cup for which to work. The fate of this cup is undecided at the time of writing. We possess it at present and I hope that we shall continue to do so in the future.

Next term there are the Steeplechase and Hockey Cups for which to compete. It is a long time since we did anything outstanding in the Steeplechase, and I hope that by dint of hard practising this will be remedied next term.

Finally, a Merry Christmas to all, and all the best in the New Year.



## Westbury.

The first thing to comment upon in these notes is the boxing of last term. We failed to gain the cup. This should not have happened, and I sincerely hope that the boxers of the House will pull themselves together and win that cup next year. I am sure that talent is by no means lacking. David II, fighting in his own weight, got into the finals and won against Dawkins, who was unable to hold his own for the full three rounds. Powell, who is the same weight as David II, fought in the heavier weight, in which he well showed his boxing ability. He won both fights, putting up a remarkably good show against Andrews of Blackbrook, who in the finals was beaten by a fair margin of safety. This last fight was a very creditable performance of Powell's.

In the under six stone, Knocker got into the finals, but was beaten by Kiddle, who had the advantage of reach. In the other weights nothing outstanding is to be commented upon. Hills, however, in the open weight had to fight a fourth round before he was proclaimed the loser of the fight in which he lacked height and reach.

In Football, we have had a somewhat disappointing season. Against Cams and School House we were gloriously successful. Cams was beaten 10 goals to 2 in the Seniors, whilst the Juniors drew their game with the remarkable score, for a School match, of 0-0.

School House likewise lost to us in both games, in the Senior game by 5-2 and in the Juniors by 2-1.

The only House which beat us was Blackbrook, who played a very good game, but I deplore the loss.

The Seniors were beaten 3-1, and in this game disasters were numerous. Co-operation between our players was almost wholly lacking, and although the ball was nearly always in the opponents' half we only scored one goal. This, I think, was mainly due to the Blackbrook goalkeeper, who undoubtedly saved his team from defeat. I again repeat that we could have easily beaten Blackbrook if the players had brought in team-work, and not individual play.

Against the same House our Juniors lost 7-0 and were obviously up against a far superior team.

To the clear delight of many of the Junior members of the House, the Steeplechase has been put off until next term. All boys must be prepared to pull their weight, and I intend to see that strenuous efforts are put forward to win a cup which has for so long been a conspicuous object on the Blackbrook shelf. This also applies to Hockey next term, which is a game in which practice is essential for success.

In conclusion, I would like to congratulate all boys who gained the School Certificate, and to wish every member of the House a Merry Christmas and Compliments of the Season.

A. J. M. D.



## Modern Warfare.

Poisoned with gas, helpless in fever's grip,  
 Writhing and tortured like green leaves in flame,  
 He lay unpitied, froth upon his lip,  
 Far from the placid country whence he came.

Ruined for work, a helpless cripple stood  
 On London's pavements, begging, cap in hand,  
 Death pale his face, a frowning "What's the good?"  
 We fought that man might live; but here I stand  
 Not scarred with polished swords, but in this modern war,  
 A living corpse brought back from death's cruel door.

E. J. Y. (VI).

## Daily Travel.

As the train steams out of the station I have full view of the Hamble river; house-boats are dotted here and there and the boat-builders' sheds can be seen in the distance. The train travels over the railway bridge which spans the main Portsmouth to Southampton road.

After the train leaves the bridge, I can see the deep blue river, which stretches as far as eye can see. As the train gathers up speed and thunders out of the tunnel, Bursledon Brickworks come into view and the red buildings are silhouetted against the glittering sky. The smoke which rises from the black dreary chimneys appears to mingle with the clouds, and the fleeting glimpse of the brickwork factory is past. Only apple orchards and the reddish-brown soil of the fields stand out for miles around. Farm labourers stand and stare at the fiery monster.

The train passes the massive Co-operative Laundry and immediately the grinding of brakes is heard above the din of the carriage wheels revolving over the metals. The train slackens speed and draws into the station. The journey by rail is over.

The passengers alight and the train goes on its way. I pass the Railway Hotel and the boisterous laughter of the servants echoes. I reach Trinity Church and turn to my left up Trinity Street; I pass the few shops which are dotted among the drab houses, up to the trees of Park Lane and so I reach my destination—the School.

M. (IIA).





## The Old Pricean.

### NOTE.

The Old Priceans' Association is a body formed to enable Old Boys to keep in touch with each other and with the School. All boys are urged to join immediately on leaving school, in order to preserve an unbroken association with the School.

Boys, on leaving school, will be asked to pay a subscription varying in relation to the number of terms remaining in the school year in question, i.e., boys leaving in July, 3/6, December, 2/4, and March, 1/2. The Life Subscription is still £2 2s.

Members will receive the "Lion" on publication and will be entitled to play in Past v. Present matches and to take part in the various functions organised by the Association.

The Hon. Secretary is D. C. T. Humphries, 186, Tulse Hill, S.W. 2, and the Hon. Treasurer, M. W. Gardner, "Skirr Cottage," Bulstrode Park, Gerrards Cross, Bucks (to whom all subscriptions should be addressed).

Old Boys living in and around London are urged to join the L.S.O.P., a very lively body, run by its very energetic Hon. Secretary, D. R. Masterman, 35, Hillside Gardens, Wallington, Surrey, who will be overjoyed to hear from prospective members.

Past v. Present Matches will be held on the following dates:—

HOCKEY—1st Saturday in March.

CRICKET—2nd Saturday in July.

FOOTBALL—3rd Saturday in November.

## Secretarial Notes.

Once again I begin my notes with the pleasant task of congratulating the School on the results of the Oxford Locals. Another splendid achievement. I understand that the School is larger in numbers than ever before and that it is hoped to begin work on the new Pavilion in the near future.

The attendance on Old Boys' Day was not as great as usual but we *did* play two matches against the School and we *won* them. I hope to turn out two teams against the School in March, and also would like to fix up a match against local Old Boys on the Sunday if it is possible to fix it up.

The London Section is still flourishing and has a very keen group of members. The Section is holding its Xmas Dinner on Tuesday, 7th December, at "De Hems" Restaurant, Gerrard Street, W.I. It is anticipated that several Fareham members will make the journey and hope that they will not regret it.

I would like to thank Mr. Shaddock very much indeed for his noble work in collecting subscriptions from the "first year" boys and trust that the new system will prove a great asset. E. F. Warren, St. John's College, Oxford, is Secretary for his year of Old Boys. He will be glad to hear from all Old Boys of his year.

I would like to hear from any Old Boys who have any interesting news of themselves or who wish for information of other Old Boys. I will be glad to supply any addresses. Any suggestions and criticism will be welcomed.

Old Boys' ties (5/- each) and Old Boys' cuff-links (these make nice Xmas presents) are obtainable from Chas. Dunn, West Street, Fareham, who will forward same on receipt of an application.

The Festive Season now draws near and I would like to wish the School Staff (past and present) and Old Boys a very happy Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

D. C. T. HUMPHRIES,  
186, Tulse Hill, S.W.2.

NOTE.—Next Old Boys' Day will be on MARCH 5TH, 1938. Book up this date NOW!

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## Easter, 1938.

It has been decided to enter a team in the Bournemouth Hockey Festival at the Bournemouth Sports Club ground at Ensbury, near Bournemouth.

H. E. Dean Cooper is organising the side and would be glad to hear from any Old Boy among our members who would like to play. We need at least fourteen players to be on the safe side. Matches take place on Good Friday, Easter Saturday and Monday.

It is hoped that most of the following will be able to turn out:—V. M. Dodds, D. R. Masterman, J. Riches, A. D. Hayward, A. G. Crouch, F. G. Wagstaffe, A. Jones, W. J. Henry, C. P. Aps, B. G. Buckley. We hope that Nugent will be able to skipper the side as usual and that Mr. B. R. Shaw and Mr. F. H. Brown will be able to turn out also.

Will all prospective players please communicate either with H. E. Dean Cooper, "Mimosa," Lodge Lane, Keymer, Sussex, or myself, as soon as possible.

D. C. T. HUMPHRIES.

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## Old Boys' Day, November 20th, 1937

This year we were extraordinarily lucky with the weather and the day was dry and cold and ideal for football. I am glad to say that I had a greater number of prospective soccer stars, and with the aid of a few of the "present" boys we ran two teams.

The 1st XI game was really excellent and a very close match. The School played very well indeed and were unlucky not to make a draw of it. The Old Boys were very lucky to have Bob Lewry playing his usual magnificent game at full back and he was a host in himself. B. G. Buckley, W. Jones and R. A. G. Powell were the pick of the rest of the team. Jones (2) and Powell were the goal scorers. The result was a win for the Old Boys 5 - 3.

The 2nd XI game was a tussle of skill against brute strength. All the old crocks played including Dudley Masterman (who had not played for 21 years) and we were very proud to win. The School played nice football and it was only by sheer terrorism that we managed to "put it across them." I can assure the School that they have some grand little players among the "Colts," a fact of which they are, I expect, quite aware. The Old Boys won 7-3.

After the games we adjourned into School House to tea and had long chats with the Staff. We were glad to see Mrs. Ashton well enough to put in an appearance, and were also pleased to see the familiar faces of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, Mr. Gale, Mr. Shaddock, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Garton and Mr. Foster. A number of Old Boys turned up and the party did not break up until about seven o'clock. We would like to thank the Headmaster and Mrs. Ashton for their kind hospitality.

The attendance of Old Boys was not as high as usual. Among those present were:—

K. G. Akers, D. F. Abbott, C. P. Aps, J. D. Bent, L. M. Boxwell, A. S. and H. E. Brooks, B. G. Buckley, W. H. Cook, H. E. Dean Cooper, E. E. and W. J. Dore, J. Gingell, J. F. Hill, J. Hoad, D. C. T. Humphries, W. L. Jones, C. G. Jeffery, D. R. Masterman, D. Mortimer, S. G. H. Miller, R. A. G. Powell, F. J. S. Ridge, P. G. Ruthen, P. A. Silvester, D. Tatford and D. G. Ward.

TEAMS.—1st XI. D. F. Abbott, R. A. Lewry (Capt.), J. F. Hill, H. E. Brooks, B. G. Buckley, R. A. G. Powell, W. H. Cook, W. Jones, P. G. Ruthen and A. S. Brooks.

2nd XI. J. Bent, C. P. Aps, D. Humphries, S. G. H. Miller, J. Gingell and D. R. Masterman.

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## Changes of Address.

GARDNER, M. W., "Skirr Cottage," Bulstrode Park, Gerrards Cross, Bucks.

GIBSON, H. G., 4, Medmerry Hill, Bevendean, Brighton.

MACPHERSON, E., 109, Earlsfield Road, Lough, S. Lincs.

POWELL, R. A. G., 35, Southampton Hill, Titchfield, Hants.

## New or Rejoined Members.

AKERS, K. G., 2, Holly Grove, Kiln Road, Fareham.

PEARCE, C., Cottage Grove, Portsmouth.

SAUNDERS, M. C., Telephone Exchange, Wickham, Hants.

SWINSTEAD, D. S. H., 55, Forestdale, Southgate, N.14.





If anybody ever reads these notes of mine, and if any of these "anybodies" get any amusement out of it, will they please accept my apologies for being too late for them to get into the "Lion" last time? Humphries, thinking I was away on holiday, nobly wrote some observations for me, but in point of fact I scrambled off some of the usual rot just before I left for my holiday and felt the effort was worthy of a halo, but alas, 'twas too late, evidently, for they did not appear in print.

Our Annual Xmas Dinner is being held on Tuesday, December 7th, at De Hems, 16, Gerrard Street, W., when we hope to have a numerous and happy gathering.

Humphries, in his untiring manner, has arranged a splendid hockey fixture list and to date we have played 5 games, winning 2, drawing 2 and losing 1. Not too bad considering the strength of our opponents. We did well to draw against the G.W. Railway last Sunday, though the fact that we played in fog may have had something to do with it, maybe they did not see C. P. Aps running through with the ball in his pocket to score the equalising goal! I believe Humphries is writing a brief account of the games as he has much better qualifications for the job than I, and also of course, he is skipper and "head man" generally in that show. London Section takes this opportunity of publicly thanking him sincerely for the large amount of work he puts in to secure these Sunday games for us, for his magic in producing eleven men each week, and for his consistently good play in the actual games; he is here, there and everywhere, and always seems to bob up where he is wanted as all good centre halves do.

I was encouraged to see the large percentage of "Londoners" at School on Old Boys' Day, and congratulate the O.P's. on winning both the games. As far as the second game was concerned it must be allowed that the boys played football but we scored the most goals. It was the first game of soccer I had played in since I left school way back in the shockingly distant past, and, like the soldier on the route march, I'm quite sure I was the only one in step. I studiously ran up and down the field on a "menagerie lion" drawn on the inside left position, whereas all the others roamed all over the place, C. P. Aps coming up from his place as right back to score a goal and Humphries kicking the ball flat into my face nearly knocking me unconscious and then being so ignorant as to laugh. It was quite disconcerting to me afterwards to learn that an inside left *should* rove about a bit, and add to that the fact that one of the Staff, who shall be nameless, was rude enough to tell me that he noticed me doing some wonderful stuff, and was it something I had brought down from London? You will, I'm sure, agree that I have every justification for saying, "I won't play again, so there!"

In conclusion, if the Editor is not so late with "The Lion" as I am with these notes, it is highly probable that the magazine will be out in time for London Section to offer its greetings to all and sundry for Xmas and the New Year, and may the School and all Pricicans, past and present, go on from strength to strength.

DUDLEY R. MASTERMAN, Hon. Sec.,

Wallington 4570.

35, Hillside Gardens, Wallington, Surrey.

## L.S.O.P. Hockey Results.

October 17th, v. Arcadians. Draw, 3-3.

This was the first game of the season, and as a team we were all at sixes and sevens, and were also a man short. The hockey was not of a high standard but the result was very fair. The ground was very hard and inclined to be bumpy and we were content with the result.

October 24th, v. Harrodians. Win, 4-2.

Played at Barnes. We were a trifle lucky to meet a weakened Harrodian side and in spite of losing Thompson (our dashing right back from Southgate) in the first few minutes, managed to achieve our first victory. We spent a very pleasant evening in their excellent Club House and attended a dance which takes place every week in the huge ballroom.

October 31st, v. Indian Gymkhana. Loss, 0-3.

Played at Osterley Park. This game was overclouded by the very sad death of Prince Victor Mityendra, of Cooch Behar (the Hon. General Secretary of the Indian Gymkhana Club) which occurred on the Great West Road on the previous evening, while he was crossing the road to Osterley Park Station. He was a keen hockey enthusiast and a great loss to our opponents.

Before the bully off the teams lined up in the centre of the field and observed a two minutes' silence as a mark of respect to his memory.

I think that the best method of describing this game would be to quote the account supplied to "Hockey World" by our opponents. "Each side played a man short and the Old Priceans gave a good account of themselves. A. D. Hayward at centre half, and the two full backs, defended so cleverly that it was not until the twentieth minute that Khan was able to open the scoring. In the second half Akbar dribbled past three opponents and netted from close range. Pell injured his left hand but crossed over to outside right and the third goal came off his stick with a magnificent right-handed shot from an acute angle. (This shot, taken from the goal line at the edge of the circle, curled round the post about head high, and was one in a million). D. R. Masterman, the O.P.'s goalkeeper, saved several hard shots, and the visitors' forwards, notably led by W. J. Henry, attempted many a good attack and would have deserved at least one goal." This is a very fair summing up of the game in which our defence played very well against a team well known for its uncanny stickwork and passing.

November 14th, v. Selfridges. Won, 5-0.

Played at Harrow. Our opponents had only just taken up hockey and were rather crude in their methods although they made up for this in keenness. The game improved in standard in the second half and was very enjoyable although we should have won by an even larger margin. Our opponents played one girl in their team and she proved a rare sport and quite their best player. A very pleasant evening was spent in our opponents' Clubhouse.

November 28th, v. G.W.R. Draw, 1-1.

Played at Castlebar Park. In spite of the fog this proved our best game of the season. The visibility was only twenty yards or so at first, but soon improved. Hard hitting was penalised and as a result a great tussle ensued. Our opponents spent 9/10ths of the game in our "25" and our defence had the game of their lives. When our forwards broke away the opposing defence were taken unawares and Aps scored a surprise goal. The whole team then defended till the whistle blew. Masterman played the game of his life and was showered with praise from our opponents.

We have an extensive fixture list to complete, including matches with Barclay's Bank, Exiles, Gresham, Brentham and the London Scottish, as well as returns of the games already played. I would like very much to thank all those stalwarts who have turned out for us, both Old Boys and substitutes, and I am very confident that we will have a successful season, perhaps the most successful yet.

In passing I would like to mention that I should be very glad to hear from any Old Boy in London who wishes to play Hockey on either Saturday or Sunday for a Club. I am extremely lucky in that I can get Old Boys the chance of joining the Tulse Hill Hockey Club, one of the foremost clubs in the country. A perfect ground (three pitches), a huge pavilion and a very high standard of hockey in all its six teams is something really worth while. Our Sunday side costs you next to nothing, and offers ideal companionship and healthy exercise.

Our team this season has been chosen from the following:—D. R. Masterman, A. D. Hayward, M. J. Hynes, A. G. Crouch, W. J. Henry, C. P. Aps, B. G. Buckley, D. C. T. Humphries, H. E. Lardeaux, A. S. French (Tulse Hill H.C.), E. A. H. Thompson (Southgate H.C.), H. F. Earl (Purley H.C.), Wilson (Royal Dental Hospital) and J. A. Rasch.

“CAPTAIN” HUMPHRIES.

## News of Old Boys.

J. C. HORDEN seems to be enjoying life in Singapore with the Asiatic Petroleum Co. Ltd. He says that he has not seen much of Singapore itself, because he is on an island some four miles off Singapore. There are ten European Engineers there and three wives, and the rest of the island's population is made up of Eurasians, Chinese, Javanese and Malays. There are over 1,000 on the island, which is about half a mile long and 200 yards wide. It is owned by the firm. He gets tennis and very fine hockey of a very high class and also plenty of rowing in the sea. He sends his regards to Old Boys and Staff.

B. J. HYNES is now in India with the Welch Regiment—present address unknown.

H. W. A. MUNDY is now staying with his father in Herefordshire—address unknown.

J. RICHES has been distinguishing himself on the hockey field and has been chosen to play in the South-West trial at Teddington on 8th December. We wish him every success.