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THE WEATHER played such havoc with our athletic activities during the Spring Term that there was very little material for an issue of *The Lion* in April and it was accordingly decided to postpone publication. This issue is, therefore, the record of two terms including some events, such as the Steeplechase, which normally occur in the one, but this year slipped over into the other.

We reported in our last issue that the status of the School had been decided and we had high hopes that something would by this time have been done to remedy the worst deficiencies in our building. Unfortunately these hopes have not been fulfilled and it is impossible to forecast how long it will be before the work is started.

Meanwhile we can report that in some ways we are at least holding our own. Nobes will be leaving us this term and, after his military training, will be going up to University College, Oxford; Shaddock is going up next October to Christ's College, Cambridge. Both of them have won County Major Scholarships and have done honour to the School.

Our runners seem to be as good a lot as we have ever had, and with Byng and White still available to us next year as well as some very promising juniors, we can hope that the Winchester Sports really will take place next year. If our cricketers were not quite so successful as they have been of recent years, they have certainly gained some notable successes, especially against Peter Symond's and the Old Boys.

Last term an appeal was made to Parents to co-operate in the matter of school uniform and, of course, many have responded. Still we see a great many boys clad in a wide variety of dresses, some undistinctive and some only too distinctive. We do think that being at Price's should be a source of pride to a boy and that he should be prepared to acknowledge his membership, and hope that next year this matter will be put quite right.

As the Valete list shows, many are leaving us this term, including some who have taken a big part in the life of the School. We wish them one and all good luck and we hope to see them many times again as members of the Old Priceans' Association.

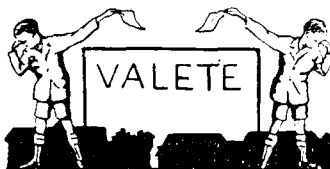
There is another name to be mentioned. Mr. Marsh, who came to us during the war, has done the School great service. Despite a physical disability, which he has borne with the greatest courage, he has taken an active interest in every kind of school activity. He will be remembered with affection, gratitude and respect and we wish him a long and happy retirement.



BLACKBROOK—M. L. Brown.

CAMS—H. G. Hazelgrove, A. E. Gullick, R. A. Leigh.

WESTBURY—R. A. Short, J. M. Payne.



BLACKBROOK—B. A. Cozens (Prefect, House Captain, Captain of Football, Vice-Captain of Hockey, School Cricket), G. R. Stubbington (Prefect, School Football and Cricket, Sgt. in Cadet Corps), E. B. Moulson (School Football, C.Q.M.S. in Cadet Corps), F. Farrell, B. Forder, R. Ingle, B. Marshall, J. Gordon.

CAMS --G. D. Wadey (Prefect, House Captain, School Cricket and Hockey), C. J. Shaddock, (Prefect, County Major Scholarship), F. Verdon (C.Q.M.S. in Cadet Corps), J. Parfitt, M. T. Watts, A. H. Hayter, B. Scott.

SCHOOL HOUSE—C. P. Nobes (Head of the School, Prefect, House Captain, County Major Scholarship, Vice-Captain of Cricket, School Hockey, Sgt. in Cadet Corps, Dramatic Society, Table Tennis), R. J. Willis.

WESTBURY—L. D. Williams I (Prefect, House Captain), J. P. Cooper I, R. M. Beautyman, C. R. Johnson I, P. E. Smith II, E. M. Biddle, B. James, T. Trueman.

Cadet Corps

There are activities for two terms to report upon. The main function of the battery—that of training—has been progressing well under as good a group of senior N.C.O's as the battery has ever possessed. You junior N.C.O's have a long way to go before you become as efficient as your superiors!

We are now the proud possessors of a very nice sand-table which will be extremely useful in the winter for section leading and map reading, and I want it to be used on every parade day.

In the field of sport this battery has done very well. We won both the Junior and Senior Football cups by huge scores in the final round and although we surrendered the Junior Athletic Cup, we put up very fine performances in both Senior Sections. Unfortunately, we have had to surrender the Swimming Cup as we are not entering a team this year. In passing, I must mention that Bdr. Byng., Bdr. Baker, Cdt. White and Cadet Ridett were part of the Hampshire Cadet Team in the National Championships in London. The whole battery congratulates them.

At the time of writing there are three important events yet to take place. The visit of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth to Portsmouth on Friday, July 20th, an event of great importance, to which we are invited.

The Annual Inspection is on Monday, 16th July, on which day I hope that the battery will give its usual splendid display.

The Certificate "A" examination on Wednesday, July 25th, when approximately 60 cadets will take part. I expect good results.

In conclusion, I wish you all a good holiday and to those who are leaving, the very best of good fortune; I hope it will never be necessary for you to put into practice the lessons you have learnt whilst in the corps.

CADET FOOTBALL

Results of the Hants A.C.F. Football Cup

SENIOR :

First Round—Portsmouth v. Price's.	Price's won 9-1
Quarter Finals—Price's v. Gosport.	Price's won 2-1
Semi Finals—Aldershot v. Price's.	Price's won 3-1
Final—Price's v. Alton.	Price's won 11-0

JUNIOR

Quarter Finals—Portsmouth v. Price's.	Price's won 1-0
Semi Finals—Eastleigh v. Price's	Price's won 5-0
Final—Price's v. Basingstoke	Price's won 5-0

SENIOR MATCHES

PRICE'S v. PORTSMOUTH.—Portsmouth offered very little opposition and the School were soon able to open the scoring through Stubbington. In the first half further goals were scored by Baker, Dimmock, Rudling and Gregory.

During the second half, the School kept up a constant attack and further goals were added by Rudling, Dimmock, Nobes and Purkis.

PRICE'S v. GOSPORT.—In this match we were unable to field a full team because of injury to Weyman and Williams II, but were fortunate to have capable deputies in Dore and Devlin.

This was a hard fought match between two well balanced sides. Price's, playing up the slope in the first half, managed to keep Gosport in their own half. Half way through this period Dimmock scored with a well placed low cross shot. During the second half the School found the lower half rather cut up and ball control was difficult. However, Dimmock managed to force a long drive through the goal-keeper's hand to make the score 2-0. After this, Gosport made a great rally and the School just managed to keep the score to 2-1.

PRICE'S v. ALDERSHOT.—We were very fortunate in this match to be able to call upon the services of Cozens, White and Williams I, who had joined the Corps since the Gosport match, but we were without Dimmock and Rudling.

The Aldershot side included one International A.C.F. player and several County A.C.F. players.

The School suffered an early set back when soon after the start of the game the Aldershot inside-right gained possession of the ball inside the penalty area and was able to beat Moulson from close in. Before long the School equalized through Gregory, who netted one of Stubbington's crosses.

During the second half the School kept up a constant shower of attacks upon the Aldershot goal. Midway through the half Wadey put the School ahead with a very good lob shot which beat the keeper in the air. In the closing minutes Gregory scored from a corner.

Special praise goes to the defence for a grand game throughout and especially to Byng, who by his close marking completely subdued Hastie, the clever Aldershot inside-left.

PRICE'S v. ALTON.—In the first half we started off well with a quick goal from Stubbington, who chested a Rudling cross into the goal. The next goal was scored by White, who lobbed the ball into the net from outside the penalty area. Following this, Rudling centred twice for Byng and Stubbington to score. Rudling then scored himself from a pass by Gregory. Soon after this we were awarded a free kick just outside the penalty area, from which Dimmock scored his first goal. The last goal in the first half was scored by Williams I, who headed one of Rudling's centres into the goal.

The football in the second half was even worse than that in the first. The only bright spots occurred when Dimmock scored three more goals. A goal by Gregory brought the scoring to a close at eleven.

Team:—

MOULSON

COZENS

WILLIAMS

BYNG

PURKIS

WHITE

RUDLING GREGORY (Capt.) DIMMOCK WILLIAMS I STUBBINGTON

JUNIOR MATCHES

PRICE'S v. 17TH PORTSMOUTH BATTALION.—Collins' score early on proved to be the deciding goal of the game. Defences on both sides stood firm against some severe attacks. Pressure exerted on the 17th defence in the second half failed to add to the scoring.

PRICE'S v. EASTLEIGH (Semi-Final).—Great gaps were opened down the middle of the opposing defence, and Barr with his superior speed took full advantage

of them. This was virtually the difference between the two teams. Barr (3), Hansford and Spencer were the scorers.

PRICE'S v. BASINGSTOKE (Final).—This game seemed rather too easy for a cup final and for the greater part the ball was in the Basingstoke half. Wassell distributed the ball extremely well and with Barr, once more the spearhead of the attack, well supported by Hansford, Basingstoke had a hard time of it. Barr (2), Wassell, Porter and Clarke scored the goals.

Team :—

		BYNG		
	ADAMS		JUDD	
	CLARK	PERCIVAL (Capt.)		WASELL
PORTER	HANSFORD	BARR	COLLINS	SPENCER

The Scout Troop

The Admiralty have taken over the farm where we have camped at Whitsun in recent years, so we had to search for a new site, not too far from home, as our Whitsun holiday this year was all too short. We found one near the river Wallington, which some thought better than our old site.

The Local Association competition camp, for the best patrol in this district, was won by our Owl patrol. Some years ago our troop always won the local competition, and once we won the Emlyn Trophy for the whole of Hampshire. We look forward to the Owls doing well in the County Competition this year. By the time this is published we shall know whether they have brought home the Trophy.

Summer camp this year is in the New Forest, a few miles from Ringwood, almost on the banks of the river Avon. The site looked wild and desolate when I saw it in February. It should be wild and beautiful in summer. When I looked in the Troop's box recently, I found a box full of second class badges ordered because we had expected we should need them. They have not been issued yet. I hope that by the end of Summer camp every scout will be wearing one, unless he has got his first class badge.

E. M. R. J.

The Library

This term the Library has been extended by gifts and purchase ; in particular Read and Barker are to be thanked. Business, however—perhaps because of competition from the new public library—has been somewhat less brisk than usual.

The Junior section has now more than five hundred volumes and we must here mention gratefully how much the Library and the whole lower school has owed to the devoted work of Mr. Marsh ; he is bound to be very greatly missed.

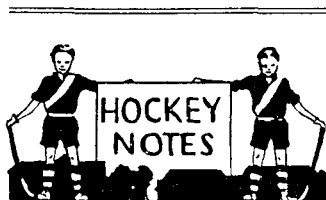
Thanks are due too to Nobes and Shaddock for a very useful piece of work connected with the catalogue of the Senior section.

There is no doubt that what is wanted to increase the effectiveness of the Library is the removal of VI Arts to other quarters ; and for that we still have to wait.

Chess Club

During the Christmas Term a meeting was held to try to increase our numbers, which had become very small. This meeting proved very successful, so successful in fact that several new sets of chessmen and boards had to be purchased. A tournament was held between the senior members of the club, but had to be abandoned owing to attendance difficulties. It is very pleasing to notice that many young boys, especially first formers, are joining to learn how to play the game and in a few cases, to improve their game. We were very sorry to lose Cooper, our Secretary, at the end of the Easter Term and his successor has not yet been appointed, as the Club suspends activities during the Summer Term. We shall be very pleased to welcome new members next term who can play or would like to learn to play.

L. D. W.



		Played	Scratched	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Against
1st XI	...	6	4	5	0	1	14	6
2nd XI	...	1	6	0	1	0	0	6
Colts	...	2	4	0	1	1	5	6

RETROSPECT.

In spite of the exceptionally bad weather and the lamentable fact that we have not been able to play on our field all the term—this has never happened before—it has been a remarkably successful season for the first eleven. The team was well balanced, the defence looked after its two primary jobs—defending and feeding its forwards—who in turn got on with it, and shot quite well, though they had no opportunity of practising that most difficult art.

The Second Eleven, who have played only one match out of seven fixtures, have not even had match practice to improve their play. The Colts team have indeed played two out of six matches arranged, drawing with Taunton's 2-2 and just losing to Seaford College, a most enjoyable outing, which should have been 2-2 instead of 3-4.

Turner, Cozens, White and Byng I are to be congratulated on being chosen so represent Hampshire at the Boys' County Tournament in Sussex, and Cozens on the captaincy. It is unfortunate that Dimmock and Nobes, owing to examinations, were unable to play in the trial.

CHARACTERS OF FIRST ELEVEN.

***E. de C. Turner** (Centre-Half—Captain). Good stick work : distributes his passes well : works indefatigably : a good captain.

***B. A. Cozens** (Left-Back). A tower of strength : sticks to his man and covers the whole defence , clears hard : will be terribly missed next year.

***A. J. White**. A clever dribbler and good shot. A most effective player, who should go a long way.

***R. C. Dimmock.** A good trier, who gets through a lot of work. An effective shot, who has scored quite a few goals.

***A. Byng** (Left-Half). Tackles well and is quite quick on his feet : will be very useful another season;

***C. P. Nobes** (Outside-Left). Quite fast and gets across his centre in good time. Must keep the ball further away from his feet and body.

***P. C. D. Gregory** (Inside-Right). Good stick work, but inclined to hang on to the ball and try to dribble too much : must acquire more pace.

K. M. Devlin (Right-Back). Works hard and has much improved since the beginning of the season.

E. Byng (Goalkeeper). Has improved a great deal as the season advanced : should be very useful next year.

D. Rudling (Outside-Right). Does not waste any time, and gets in a good centre.

A. C. Purkis (Right-Half). Must quicken recovery after missing a tackle.

*Colours.

HOCKEY MATCHES

FIRST ELEVEN

January 20th. Fareham II. Home. Drew 1-1.

It was thought that Fareham might be a little too strong for our unpractised team, but this did not prove the case, for we played with equal skill and vigour. The game was very fast, with both sides sharing in attack. Fareham scored during one of these attacks, through their inside-left, after a fine save by Byng. Our forwards pressed continually and gave the Fareham defence many anxious moments. The equalising goal was a masterly piece of play ; the ball was cleared by Cozens from our circle up to Gregory on the half-way line, who placed a perfect pass across field, splitting the Fareham defence open to Nobes, who ran down the wing and centred to Dimmock. Dimmock gathered the ball and placed a perfect flick into the top corner of the goal, leaving the goalkeeper no chance of saving. We kept up the attacks and were very unfortunate not to score several more goals. White and Dimmock were outstanding in the forward line, with Cozens, Byng and Byng II playing well in defence.

January 31st. Peter Symond's. Home. Won 4-1.

After a frost the previous night and sun in the morning the ground had thawed out and the surface became very sticky.

The game was good, with our forwards and wing halves doing most of the attacking ; they did well in scoring four goals against a reasonable defence. The first goal came from Rudling after a pass by Gregory. The second was an individual effort by Byng, who beat two men, cut into the circle and scored from an oblique angle. The second half of the game was more active, with our forwards giving the opponents' defence a great deal of trouble, but they had little success in scoring. However, during one of their attacks, Dimmock scored the third goal : after a clearance from the goalkeeper, he managed to connect with the ball and return a hard shot into the net. Peter Symond's scored a good goal through their inside-right, after a short corner. The game continued and our forwards scored again, this time with a

hard shot from Gregory. The forwards combined well and managed to keep the opposing defence on their toes, but the defence had little to do against attacks that were not pressed home.

February 14th. Churcher's College. Away. Won 3-2.

Despite the fact the ground was sticky the game was very fast, with the ball swinging from end to end.

Churcher's did most of the attacking for the first fifteen minutes, but we settled down gradually and the game evened out. All three of our goals were scored by Dimmock. The first goal was a magnificent flick past the goalkeeper's legs after a free hit just outside the opponents' circle. The second goal was similar to the first, and quite as spectacular. Churcher's made a great effort and scored two goals within a very short time of each other. However, this did not downhearten us, for within five minutes we had again scored through Dimmock after a pass from Gregory.

The game was very fast with our defence having a great deal of work to get through on a heavy ground. Cozens and Byng I were outstanding in defence, with Dimmock and Gregory playing well among the forwards. Byng II in goal brought off many fine saves.

February 24th. Ryde School. Away. Won 2-1.

The weather was not very good, but the sea trip was calm. The pitch was very wet after a night of rain, but the game was fast for the conditions, with both sides sharing in the attack. Our forwards combined well, but the finishing was rather weak. Our defence was always on top and the Ryde attack gave us very little anxiety. The scoring was opened by a magnificent shot by Dimmock: after a through pass by Gregory Dimmock worked the ball into the circle and a terrific shot from an oblique angle gave the goalkeeper no chance to save. Byng II in goal made several spectacular saves during both halves. We scored again, after Ryde had equalized in the second half, through White after a short corner. Byng I, Byng II and Wadey (deputising for Cozens) were outstanding; also Dimmock, White and Nobes did well, and gave the Ryde defence many anxious moments.

March 10th. King Edward VI. Away. Won 4-1.

The ground and weather was ideal for hockey. The game was very fast, with our team doing all the attacking; the scoring was soon opened by White who scored an excellent goal on his reverse stick. The second goal was scored a few minutes after the first; Cozens crossed a pass to Nobes on the left wing. He beat two men and centered the ball to Dimmock, who placed a hard shot into the corner of the net. White scored again in the second half with an easy shot. King Edward's scored a consolation goal through their left-half. The fourth and final goal was scored by Gregory, who did not hesitate to shoot a terrific first-time shot into the top of the goal, leaving the goalkeeper no chance. Nobes and White were outstanding; they completely beat the King Edward's defence and gave them many anxious moments. Cozens and Byng I were outstanding in defence, with Devlin and Purkis playing at their best.

The Steeplechase

The Steeplechase, owing to the extremely bad weather in the Spring Term, had to be run off at the beginning of the Summer Term, an event without precedent. However, when it was run conditions were very pleasant, though the course had to be slightly altered for the Seniors. The system of running was also changed; instead of teams from each house, everyone was encouraged to run and a fixed proportion of the runners counted in the House Competition. As a result it became more than ever impossible for a few good runners to dominate the race. The winners were those who had a large number of moderately good runners.

This was strikingly demonstrated in the Junior race. Although Blackbrook supplied the first four runners home they could only take third place to Westbury, whose first runner came in seventh. At the same time much credit must be given to Adams, who won the race at his first attempt and is clearly going to have a prominent place in school running for several years to come. In the Seniors, Ridett confirmed general expectation by winning with reasonable comfort. In general it may be said that most of the runners reached a fair standard, but the lower placed runners can, for the most part, have made very little effort.

STEEPLECHASE RESULT

	Blackbrook	Cams	School	Westbury
Juniors :	810	645	852	853
Seniors :	449	516	531	274

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS

Seniors	Juniors
1 Ridett (S)	1 Adams IV (B)
2 Dimmock (C)	2 Menzies (B)
3 White (C)	3 Shotter (B)
4 Coombes (S)	4 Babb (B)
5 Devlin (S)	5 McMinn (S)
6 Nobes (S)	6 Spence (S)
7 Stubbington (B)	7 Rutter I (W)
8 Baker (C)	8 Dalton (S)
9 Bird I (W)	9 R. Fox II (C)
10 Porter (B)	10 Farmer (C)

The Sports

The weather, if somewhat less pleasant than it has been in other years, at least permitted us to carry through the programme without interruption.

Westbury have had a very lean time in recent years, so it was very pleasing to note their victory in the the Minors' division, and a very decisive win it was. This, coupled with their Steeplechase victory, gives great hope for the future. Field was their outstanding performer and he broke a record, but he was well supported. In a close struggle for the Junior Cup, School House just beat Blackbrook. Here Adams ran with great determination to win the 100 and 440, while Byng II was prominent in a number of events. Blackbrook's relay team broke the record and Adams again had much to do with that.

In the Seniors, Cams were as dominating as Westbury had been in the Minors; only in the Mile could School House check their success. Byng, with four first places, and White with two, were in a class of their own, and it was no surprise that their relay team equalled the record. In particular one must mention Byng's hurdles (a record) and White's 440 (a time beaten only in 1919): in each case the winner was unpressed. As both these runners will be at School next year we should have some very good results to come.

One should also mention that a relay team of Byng, White, Turner and Stubbington (4 at 220 yards) competing in the Invitation Relay at King Edward's School, Southampton, Sports, won decisively against a strong field and beat the record in 1 min. 37½ secs: and that in Cadet Competitions Byng improved on his School Hurdles result, while White ran the 440 in 53.3 secs, as compared with the School record, made in 1919, of 54.2 secs.

SPORTS RESULTS

MINORS

80 yds.	... 1—Field (W) 2—Herbert (B) 3—Bellamy (C) 10½ secs.
220 yds.	... 1—Bellamy (C) 2—Field (W) 3—Gillard (S) 31 secs.
½ Mile	... 1—Rutter I (W) 2—Jacobs (C) 3—Newman (W) 2 mins. 49 secs.
Hurdles	... 1—Shreeve (W) 2—Rutter I (W) 3—Adams III (C) 17¾ secs.
High Jump	... 1—Shreeve (W) 2—Field (W) 3—Kilford (S) 4 ft. 1½ ins. (record)
Long Jump	... 1—Field (W) 2—Gillard (S) 3—Rutter (W), Dugan (B) 13 ft. 7 ins.
Relay	... 1—Westbury 2—Blackbrook 2—School 51½ secs.

(Field, Shreeve, Rutter, Newman)

JUNIORS

100 yds.	... 1—Adams IV (B) 2—Byng II (C) 3—Barr (S) 11¾ secs.
440 yds.	... 1—Adams IV (B) 2—Barr (S) 3—Dowse (W) 62 secs.
½ Mile	... 1—Bird I (W) 2—Byng II (C) 3—Hansford (S) 2 mins. 34½ secs.
Hurdles	... 1—Rudling (S) 2—Willis (S) 3—Shotter (B) 17½ secs.
High Jump	... 1—Fletcher (B) 2—Bird (W) 3—Tutton (C) 4 ft. 2½ ins.
Long Jump	... 1—Willis (S) 2—Dowse (W) 3—Adams (B) 14 ft. 4 ins.
T.C.B.	... 1—Byng II (C) 2—Wassell (S) 3—Percival (B) 76 yds.
Relay	... 1—Blackbrook 2—School 3—Westbury 1 min. 21 secs. (record)

(Adams, Percival, Shotter, Cardy)

Tug-of-War ... 1—Blackbrook

SENIORS

100 yds.	... 1—Byng I (C) 2—White (C) 3—Turner (B) 10¼ secs.
440 yds.	... 1—White (C) 2—Stubbington 3—Nobes 56½ secs.
1 Mile	... 1—Ridett (S) 2—Coombers 3—Dimmock (C) 5 mins. 10 secs.
Hurdles	... 1—Byng I (C) 2—Baker (C) 3—Priestley (B) 16 secs. (record)
High Jump	... 1—Byng I (C) 2—Judd (S) 3—White (C) 4 ft. 9¼ ins.
Long Jump	... 1—Byng I (C) 2—Stubbington (B) 3—Turner (B) 18 ft. 5½ ins.
T.C.B.	... 1—White (C) 2—Turner (B) 3—Ridett (S) 87 yds.
Relay	... 1—Cams 2—Blackbrook 3—School 1 min. 13¾ secs. (equal record)

(Byng, White, Baker, Wadey)

Tug-of-War ... 1—Blackbrook

MINORS

1—Westbury 77½
2—School House 30
3—Cams 29
4—Blackbrook 25½

JUNIORS

1—School House 64
2—Blackbrook
3—Cams 31
4—Westbury 30

SENIORS

1—Cams 85
2—Blackbrook 42
3—School House 45½
4—Westbury 7½

VICTOR LUDORUM

Minor : Field (W)

Junior : Adams (B) and Byng (C) (A tie)

Senior : A. B. Byng (C)



Records and descriptions of the 1st XI Matches appear elsewhere, and it can be seen that the season has so far been one of moderate success—moderate in that more games have been lost this season than during the two previous seasons, but there have also been notable wins. It was pleasing to beat Peter Symonds for the first time, and a strong looking Old Boys' XI was decisively beaten.

One reason for the comparative failure in the earlier games was undoubtedly the gap left in the bowling by the departure of Jarman and Ditchburn, who so long and so ably played their part in attack. White and Robertson-Fox have done all that could be reasonably expected as opening bowlers, but on the few occasions when they have not come off there was little other bowling to fall back on.

The second and most disappointing factor was the failure in most of the earlier games of the more experienced batsmen in the side. Skill and ability were there, but runs were not forthcoming and too much was left to the younger members. Dimmock and Rudling are worthy of considerable praise for the way in which they repeatedly carried their seniors. It should, however, be noted that in the later games Gregory, Stubbington and Cozens have shown a welcome return to form.

The fielding has never reached a high standard all through the side. Nobes and Turner have probably performed best, but there have been too many lapses, particularly in the slips, one game at least being lost for this reason. Improvement here could have been made with more practice. I think it would be fair to say that the side fielded better than most of our opponents, but considerably worse than the best of them.

Perhaps one year we may find a really first class wicket keeper. This year we have tried four and there was little to choose between them. There is an opportunity here for some young cricketer to earn a place in the 1st XI's of the next two or three seasons.

Generally it has been an enjoyable season not interfered with too badly by the weather, and if there have been things to criticise adversely there has been much to praise. Here, I think one should mention Dimmock's consistent batting early on, two very fine innings from Rudling and some devastating bowling by White, who has had to carry too much responsibility in attack, and could never give himself a rest. It says much that he has seldom been found wanting.

Apart from the 1st XI there has been plenty of cricket played this term. The 2nd XI have had several games and have been fairly successful. They have at least enjoyed their cricket and have made fair scores. A report of the activities of the Colts XI's appears elsewhere.

School games and House matches have also produced some good games and as usual some extraordinary results, but there has generally been plenty of keenness from a certain number of boys. There are, however, too many boys who are not keen on cricket, and in far too many cases not keen on anything else as far as can be seen.

I would like to thank all those boys who have assisted in the preparation of pitches, and the sorting of gear and the other jobs in connection with the games.

1st XI NOTES

A. D. J. White (Captain). Has captained the side well. Has borne the brunt of the bowling, and his best ball is very good indeed. Much of the success of the side has been due to him.

C. P. Nobes (Vice-Captain). Has had a disappointing season with the bat. Does not get over the ball and is inclined to have a go too early. Gathers the ball well at cover-point and has fielded well all the season.

B. A. Cozens. A solid defensive bat who has not had the best of luck. Should put more power into his shots, and could use his feet more in getting to the pitch of the ball.

P. D. E. Gregory. Has latterly run more into form. Can hit very hard and should do so more often. Has not bowled his best this year in School games.

G. R. Stubbington. Has had a disappointing season, and seems to have lost confidence. Has some powerful shots, but does not get over the ball. A little slow and ponderous in the field.

E. de C. Turner. Bowls left-arm and is deceptively quick off the pitch. Keeps a good length, but should learn to do more with the ball. A very good fielder and hits the ball very hard—sometimes!

G. D. Wadey. Has kept wicket at least adequately and, if without polish, has not let the side down. Can hit the ball very hard and has made a few valuable, quick runs.

R. C. Dimmock. Has performed the task of opening batsman very well. Watches the ball carefully and can drive well. Must avoid the temptation to flick on the leg. Has had little work in the field, which is a pity as he has safe hands.

D. Rudling. A very promising batsman. Uses his feet well to drive the over-pitched ball and has some good shots to the off side. Must learn to hit to leg, and not play balls he cannot reach on the off. A safe field.

I. Robertson-Fox. Has very ably done the important and not easy job of bowling up the hill. Has kept a good length generally, has life from the pitch and keeps on trying. A good first season in the XI, but his fielding leaves much room for improvement. Has not had much chance with the bat.

The remaining place in the team has been occupied variously by L. D. Williams, A. C. Purkis, E. B. Moulson, D. Williams and A. B. Byng, none of whom has managed to make the place really his own. A composite player possessing the virtues of each would have been very useful.

1st XI CRICKET

16th May. Home.

v. B. R. Shaw's XI.

Lost by 27 runs.

Batting first our opponents produced a moderate score, the highlights of which were some beautiful cover drives from Mr. Hoare, ably backed by Mr. Hilton (15) and Browning (20). Our batting was sadly lacking in initiative: the only innings of note was 10 by Stubbington.

19th May. Home. v. St. Mary's College Lost by 17 runs.

After winning the toss our opponents batted first on a good wicket, but despite some tight and accurate bowling they reached a total of 44, 25 of which were obtained by their captain in a fine innings. Again our batting let us down, resulting in only 28 runs, despite a prolonged knock by Dimmock, 28 runs which took us $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours to obtain.

23rd May. Away. Peter Symonds Won by 3 wickets.

Batting first, Peter Symonds, on a plumb easy wicket, scored slowly against appreciably good bowling, and produced 63 runs.

Bowling : White 8-22.

Again it looked as if our batting would fail us, but another fine knock of 27 by Dimmock enabled us to pass their total for the loss of 7 wickets. Byes contributed to 17 of our total.

30th May. Away. Knowle M.H. Lost by 45 runs.

Some good attacking batting by Knowle's batsmen soon produced a steady flow of runs. Our bowling was inaccurate and below standard, Turner being the only one to produce anything like true form.

Dimmock, for the third successive match, produced the highest score, not without support from Mr. Hilton, Nobes and Turner. Dismissal of their last man quickly would have given us a faint chance of forcing the game in our favour.

2nd June. Home. H.M.S. Collingwood Won by 76 runs.

After winning the toss we batted on a good wicket ; runs came at a steady rate and we saw in this match the capabilities of Rudling, who scored an excellent 53 not out. He was ably supported by Dimmock (35).

Their batting presented little difficulty and we won comfortably.

9th June. Home. Gosport County G.S. Won by 5 wickets.

Batting first, Gosport, after a mediocre display of initiative, produced 57 runs. Bowling - Turner 4-10, White 3-20.

Our early batsmen failed against average bowling and again Rudling came to our aid with a grand 27, followed later by lightning innings from Gregory and White of 31 and 29 respectively, which enabled us to pass their total for the loss of 5 wickets.

23rd June. Portsmouth Northern G.S. Lost by 2 wickets.

After being put into bat we produced a mediocre display of batting which resulted in only 55 runs, of which Cozens obtained 14 not out, and we saw a return of his old form.

Their early batsmen failed miserably against bowling which was assisted by the pitch. They mustered only 5 runs for the loss of 5 wickets. However, here the situation of the game changed; we lost our grip, and masterful innings by two of their batsmen enabled them to pass our total with 8 wickets down.

30th June. Home. Portsmouth Southern G.S. Won by 79 runs.

Batting first, we saw in Cozens much of his old self producing a fine knock of 31. He was again ably supported by Dimmock (26) and a forceful innings of 38 by Stubbington.

Bowling extremely well Fox took 7-6, considerably helped, however, by their very poor batting.

7th July. Home.

Old Boys

Won by 54 runs.

After losing the toss we were put in to bat on a good wicket. Good batting by Cozens (14) and an enterprising 48 by Gregory resulted in 111 runs at tea-time.

On a crumbling wicket the Old Boys batting could do little against good School bowling. Although capable on paper the Old Boys never came up to standard.

This was a good win for the School and we now look forward to a good finish to the season.

Price's School v. B. R. Shaw's XI. Home.

B. R. Shaw's XI.		Price's School.			
Moore, b. White	...	0	Cozens, b. Browning	...	3
T. Hilton, c. Turner, b. R.-Fox	15		Nobes, lbw. Browning	...	7
Alderton, b. White	...	9	Gregory, b. Nicholas	...	5
Rev. D. Hoare, c. Wadey, b. R.-Fox	12		Stubbington, lbw. Browning	...	10
Packer, run out	...	1	White, c. Hilton, b. Nicholas	...	2
R. Garton, b. White	...	0	Rudling, b. Browning	...	4
Browning, b. Gregory	...	20	Dimmock, st. Packer, b. Hilton	...	4
T. Foster, b. White	...	1	Byng, c. Foster, b. Hilton	...	3
J. Howe, b. White	...	0	Wadey, c. Packer, b. Hilton	...	0
Moulson, b. White	...	0	Robertson-Fox, b. Browning	...	1
Nicholas, not out	...	3	Turner' not out	...	0
	Extras	10		Extras	3
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	Total	71		Total	44
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Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.		
White	...	13	6	15	6	Browning	...	17.3	6	19	5
Robertson-Fox	9	2	33	2	Nicholas	...	10	2	17	2	
Stubbington	4	2	8	0	Hilton	...	7	5	4	3	
Gregory	...	0.4	0	6	1						

Price's School v. St Mary's College Home.

St. Mary's College.		Price's School.			
Williams, c. White, b. Fox	...	2	Cozens, c. McAleer, b. Hamilton	...	0
Palmer, c. Dimmock, b. Fox	...	6	Dimmock, c. Hamilton, b. Robson	...	10
Robson, run out	...	0	Stubbington, lbw., b. Williams	...	8
Harman, not out	...	25	Gregory, c. Harman, b. Williams	...	0
Jackson, run out	...	2	White, c. McAleer, b. Williams	...	1
McAleer, c. Williams I, b. Gregory	4		Nobes, b. Hamilton	...	1
Bright, c. Williams I, b. White	0		Williams I, b. Williams	...	1
Hamilton, b. Gregory	...	1	Byng, c. Harman, b. Robson	...	3
Radford, b. White	...	3	Williams II, not out	...	1
Morgan, b. White	...	0	Fox, b. Williams	...	1
Garrod, b. White	...	1	Turner, b. Williams	...	0
	Extras	0		Extras	2
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	Total	44		Total	28
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Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	
White	...	12.1	3	17	4	Hamilton	9	1	15	2
Fox	...	11	8	5	2	Williams	10.4	6	8	6
Gregory	...	8	1	18	2	Robson	3	1	3	2
Stubbington	2	0	4	0						

Price's School v. Peter Symond's. At Winchester.

Peter Symond's				Price's School.			
Johnson, lbw., b. White	...	2		Dimmock, not out	...	27	
Goss, run out	...	23		Byng, b. Harrison	...	3	
Gifford, b. White	...	0		Rudling, b. Harrison	...	0	
Harrison, hit wkt., b. White	...	10		Stubbington, b. Hockey	...	4	
Warr, c. Williams II, b. White	...	4		White, b. Harrison	...	8	
Watt, b. White	...	14		Gregory, c. Gifford, b. Hockey	...	2	
Walder, b. White	...	1		Nobes, b. Harrison	...	1	
Winsey, b. White	...	4		Williams I, c. Johnson, b. Harrison	...	0	
Brown, b. White	...	2		Williams II, not out	...	2	
Hockey, c. Nobes, b. Fox	...	0		Robertson-Fox	} did not		
Peckham, not out	...	0		Turner	} bat		
		Extras	3			Extras	18
		Total	63			Total (for 7 wks.)	65

Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.		
White	...	17.1	7	22	8	Harrison	...	13	7	8	5
Fox	...	15	6	15	1	Johnson	...	7	2	14	0
Stubbington	...	2	0	12	0	Hockey	...	4	0	23	2
Gregory	...	3	0	10	0	Goss	...	2	0	2	0

Price's School v. Knowle Mental Hospital. Away.

Price's School.				Knowle M.H.			
Dimmock, c. and b. Goodyear	...	14		Ball, c. Nobes, b. Turner	...	24	
Byng, b. Fillingham	...	2		Newland, b. R.-Fox	...	6	
Cozens, lbw., b. Fillingham	...	1		Cuncliffe, b. R.-Fox	...	12	
T. Hilton, b. Goodyear	...	10		Langridge, c. Williams II, b. R. Fox	...	1	
White, b. Goodyear	...	0		Tawler, c. Hilton, b. Purkis	...	18	
Rudling, c. Fillingham, b. Goodyear	...	2		Hall, c. White, b. Turner	...	12	
Nobes, c. Langridge, b. Goodyear	...	13		R. Fillingham, not out	...	22	
Purkis, b. Fillingham	...	7		J. Fillingham, lbw., b. Turner	...	3	
Williams, b. Goodyear	...	0		Moulson, b. Purkis	...	0	
Fox, not out	...	6		Whitear, b. Turner	...	1	
Turner, b. Fillingham	...	12		Goodyear, b. White	...	11	
		Extras	5			Extras	17
		Total	72			Total	127

Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.		
Fillingham	...	17.2	7	23	4	White	...	9	1	36	1
Goodyear	...	15	3	39	6	Fox	...	12	1	38	3
Whitear	...	2	0	5	0	Turner	...	11	4	17	4
						Purkis	...	6	1	19	2

Price's School v. H.M.S. Collingwood. Home.

Price's School.					H.M.S. Collingwood.				
Dimmock, c. Channon, b. Davies		35			Wells, b. R.-Fox	...			2
Cozens, c. Channon, b. Morgan		2			Davies, c. Rudling, b. White	...			0
Stubbington, c. Miles, b. Morgan		2			Coull, lbw., b. R.-Fox	...			4
Rudling, not out	...	53			Gale, lbw., b. White	...			1
White, lbw., b. Miles	...	8			Walling, b. R.-Fox	...			4
Purkis, run out	...	7			Giles, b. White	...			0
Nobes, b. Miles	...	2			Morgan, b. White	...			11
Williams II, not out	...	3			Mills, b. Cozens	...			1
		Extras		5	Miles, b. White	...			5
					Moules, c. Purkis, b. Cozens	...			1
					Channon, not out	...			1
									Extras 11
									Total 41
Total for 6 wkts. (dec.)					117				

Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.		
Morgan	...	8	1	15	2	White	...	9.1	5	9	5
Davies	...	9	0	39	1	R.-Fox	...	7	1	13	3
Mills	...	9	1	21	0	Cozens	...	2	0	8	2
Miles	...	8	2	19	2						
Moules	...	3	0	19	0						

Price's School v. Gosport County Grammar School. Home.

Gosport C.G.S.					Price's School.				
Thorpe, lbw., b. Turner	...	12			Dimmock, b. Cribb	...			8
Knight, R., lbw., b. White	...	7			Byng, lbw., b. Cribb	...			4
Norris, c. Turner b. Stubbington	...	1			Cozens, lbw., b. Davey	...			0
Cribb, lbw., b. White	...	2			Rudling, lbw., b. Cribb	...			27
Tosdevin, b. White	...	5			Stubbington, b. Cribb	...			1
Davey, run out	...	11			Gregory, not out	...			31
Read, lbw., b. Turner	...	0			White, not out	...			29
Cox, run out	...	1							Extras 1
Knight A., c. Wadey, b. Turner	...	10							
Hocking, not out	...	1							
Aldworth, lbw., b. Turner	...	0							
		Extras		7					
					Total	57			
									Total for 5 wkts.
						101			

Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.		
White	...	11	2	20	3	Davey	...	11	1	23	1
R.-Fox	...	10	4	12	3	Cribb	...	13	4	37	4
Turner	...	5	2	10	4	Tosdevin	...	3	1	3	0
Stubbington	...	4	0	8	1	Knight, R.	...	2	0	13	0
						Aldworth	...	2	0	12	0
						Read	...	1	0	12	0

Price's School v. Portsmouth Northern Grammar School.

Price's School.		Portsmouth Northern G.S.	
Dimmock, c. Adams, b. Jones	12	Ancsell, b. White	0
White, c. Ancsell, b. Lucas	7	Bonnor, run out	0
Stubbington, b. Lucas	0	Jones, lbw., b. R.-Fox	1
Rudling, b. Adams	9	Adams, c. Turner, b. White	0
Gregory, b. Jones	3	Hill, J. run out	1
Cozens, not out	14	Hodges, c. Stubbington, b. R.-Fox	14
Nobes, c. Bull, b. Jones	5	Bull, not out	25
Wadey, run out	0	Shiells, c. Wadey, b. White	1
Purkis, c. Lucas, b. Adams	1	Cocks, P., b. Gregory	7
Fox, c. Jones, b. Adams	0	Gibbs, not out	4
Turner, run out	0	Lucas, not out	0
	Extras 4		Extras 6
	<hr/> Total 55		<hr/> Total for 8 wks. 59

Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lucas	10	5	12	2	White	14	5	16	3
Cocks	9	2	14	0	R.-Fox	12	4	18	2
Adams	5	0	11	3	Turner	3	1	7	0
Jones	9	2	14	3	Stubbington	2	0	5	0
					Gregory	3	0	7	1

Price's School v. Portsmouth Southern Grammar School. Home.

Price's School.		Portsmouth Southern G.S.	
Dimmock, c. Gibbons, b. Edwards	26	Gibbons, c. Turner, b. Purkis	8
Cozens, b. Edwards	31	Harrison, b. Fox	1
Stubbington, not out	38	Edwards, b. Fox	0
Rudling, c. Arnold, b. Douglas	2	French, b. Fox	0
Gregory, b. Edwards	7	Douglas, b. Fox	0
Nobes, st. Arnold, b. Edwards	0	Arnold, b. Fox	12
Wadey, c. French, b. Edwards	4	Philipps, st. Wadey, b. Nobes	13
Purkis, not out	13	Hayles, c. Stubbington, b. Purkis	0
	Extras 5	Lines, b. Fox	1
		Tout, b. Fox	1
		Lindsay, not out	6
	<hr/> Total for 6 wks. 127		<hr/> Total 48

Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lindsay	9	2	22	0	Fox	13	9	6	7
Lines	3	1	15	0	Turner	6	3	11	0
Edwards	19	2	44	5	Gregory	6	2	6	0
Douglas	14	1	41	1	Cozens	1	0	5	0
					Purkis	4	2	4	2
					Stubbington	2	0	8	0
					Nobes	1.2	0	2	1

Price's School v. Old Priceans.

Price's School.		Old Priceans	
Dimmock, c. Cole, b. Durant	1	Webb, b. White	2
Cozens, st. Cole, b. Durant ...	12	Ellis, b. Fox	10
Stubbington, c. Webb, b. Holt	14	Joint, b. Fox	5
Rudling, b. Holt	7	Powell, lbw., b. White	5
Gregory, b. Kervil	48	Durant, b. White	8
Nobes, c. Cole, b. Durant	2	Godwin, b. White	21
White, c. Holt, b. Kervil	12	Cole, b. White	0
Purkis, lbw., b. Holt	0	Holt, b. White	0
Wadey, b. Kervil	4	Sidwell, b. White	3
Turner, b. Holt	0	Kervil, b. Fox	6
R.-Fox, not out	1	Buckley, not out	4
	Extras 11		Extras 1
	—		—
	Total 111		Total 65
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Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.	Bowling :	O.	M.	R.	W.
Holt	13	3	20	4	White	12.6	2	25	7
Durant	13	4	24	3	Fox	10	1	21	3
Powell	5	1	12	0	Gregory	2	0	18	0
Sidwell	4	1	17	0					
Buckley	2	0	12	0					
Kervil	1.5	0	16	3					

COLTS CRICKET NOTES

This has been a fairly successful season for the Colts, the under 15 side having won four of its seven matches, with one abandoned, after getting their opponents out for only sixteen and then scoring one without loss before rain stopped play. A feature of the side has been the bowling of Gullick, who has been a great acquisition and will, I feel sure, be a good all-round cricketer. He has taken 38 wickets for 81 runs and at one time had 29 for 29 runs. As he is still under 14, he should prove a tower of strength next year. He has been well supported by Wassell, Brown and—in the last match—by Wooden, but all of them must attempt to keep the ball well up to the batsman. The short ball should never get a wicket, although it sometimes does in School cricket, and against good sides it can prove very expensive. And why bowl round the wicket? Not one is an off-spin bowler, so there is little sense in bowling round the wicket.

The fielding has been good but not brilliant, Bradford, Lucas and Percival holding their catches well. All fieldsmen should be on their toes all the time, keeping their eyes on the ball and expecting it to come their way every time it is bowled.

Batting has been the weakest department, although Cardy, Lucas, Percival and Barr (in his own adventurous way) have played some useful innings. But on the whole, the batting has been disappointing and will only improve when the batsmen use their feet to get to the pitch of the ball and swing their bats and not poke. The back lift and forward swing of the bat should be practised "at anywhen and anywhere, if not with bat then leg of chair." I am certain batsmen would get many more runs if they would only practise this at break, lunchtime and at any spare moments.

It is time the School had a good wicketkeeper who can stand up to the wicket. Both Watkins and Bishop have done their best, but neither stands up to the wicket nor takes the ball cleanly. Continual practice is again the best way to improve keeping.

There are some promising young cricketers among the under 14 Colts, but again the chief strength as yet lies in bowling and not batting. Field, Sheath and Terry are quite good and Kemp is an excellent fielder.

RESULTS (COLTS UNDER 15)

St. Mary's College 15 (Gullick 5 for 5, Brown 5 for 11)	School 33 (Lucas 12)
Peter Symonds' 23 (Gullick 7 for 8, Wassel 3 for 8)	School 10
St. John's College 16 (Gullick 5 for 6, Wassel 4 for 5)	School 1 for no wicket
Gosport High School 25 (Gullick 5 for 7, Wassel 4 for 15)	School 91 (Collins 21, Barr 19, Gullick 13)
Purbrook 27 (Gullick 7 for 4)	School 72 (Barr 20, Lucas 14)
Portsmouth Southern Grammar School 63 (Wassell 6 for 22)	School 116 (Cardy 29, Gullick 25 Barr 17, Wassell 16)
Portsmouth Grammar School 78 (Gullick 7 for 20)	School 39 (Percival 14)

COLTS (UNDER 14)

Gosport Grammar School 57 (Sheath 6 for 17)	School 71 (Kilford 13)
Portsmouth Southern Grammar School 23	School 17 (Leigh 10)

HOUSE MATCHES

FIRST ELEVEN

Westbury 28, Cams 29 for 2
 School House 91, Blackbrook 61
 School House 109, Westbury 27
 Blackbrook 66, Cams 53
 School House 62, Cams 63 for 5
 Blackbrook 123 for 4 dec., Westbury 28

COLTS ELEVEN

Cams 21, Westbury 10
 School House 74, Blackbrook 56 for 8
 Cams 33, Blackbrook 35 for 6
 School House 71, Westbury 40
 Blackbrook 41, Westbury 25
 Cams 57, School House 28



HOUSE NOTES

Blackbrook

Since the last edition of "The Lion" there have been the Steeplechase, the School Sports and the Cricket Competition, with the Swimming Gala to be held in near future.

Once again no Inter-House Hockey matches were played, but Turner, Stubbington and Percival must be congratulated on being the captains of the School 1st XI, 2nd XI and Colts Hockey teams respectively.

An attempt to run the Steeplechase was made, but it was decided to hold the event after the Easter holidays and over an altered course. Although no runner had had any official training for three weeks and the course was new, this seemed to have no effect on the race, and our team came in at regular intervals. First man home was Stubbington, who finished 7th, he was closely followed by Porter (10th) and Turner (12). The Juniors started off in fine form, the first four runners to finish being Adams IV, Menzies, Shotter and Babb, all from this house, but they received poor support from the remainder who tailed off considerably.

In the School Sports we finished in the same positions as last year Seniors and Juniors both second, and the Minors fourth. We had no runners of the Quinlan-Foster-Rowe calibre, but the performances of Stubbington (2nd in the 440 yards and Long Jump) and of Turner (2nd in Throwing the Cricket Ball, 3rd in the 100 yards and Long Jump and 4th in the 440 yards) are worthy of mention.

Of the Juniors Adams IV shared the Victor Ludorum having won the 100 yards, 440 yards and finishing 3rd in the Long Jump. The Relay team of Percival, Shotter, Cardy and Adams IV ran in superb style to win the event in record time and the Tug of War team, in common with the Senior team, overcame all opposition.

The Minors had little success; Herbert finished 2nd in the 80 yards, and the Relay team were also second. Birdsall hurt himself early on in the High Jump, but made a plucky effort and continued jumping to finish in 4th place. He was unable to take part in any other event; his presence in the Relay team might have made a *difference to its position*.

This year we played all our Senior Cricket matches on the 1st XI pitch, thus breaking our record run on Colts' pitches. The whole Senior team this season has been useful and with the help of a good Junior side we have succeeded in winning the Cricket Cup.

Of the Seniors there have been no duds, while Stubbington and Turner have been outstanding. In the first match, against School House, we fielded first and had the first two wickets down without any trouble. Then came a stand which Turner finally broke and the remainder came out without adding anything very great, to make their total 91, Turner taking 6-16. Our batting was not strong, and but for a 27 not out from Stubbington we would not have reached our final score of 61 runs.

We started batting against a Whiteless Cams in a disastrous fashion, our first four wickets going down for only 8 runs. However, our middle and lower batsmen came to the rescue, Turner making 12, Priestley scoring a very good 15, and Moulson at number ten hitting 15 not out, and we ended up with a total of 66 runs.

In reply Cams batted and came out steadily, the game becoming very tense towards the end as time was getting short. Eventually their last wicket fell at 53 with three minutes to spare.

The game against Westbury proved to be a huge success for Stubbington ; going in when our score was 0 runs for 1 wicket he hit a far from chanceless 54 and then bowled and took 7 wickets for 8 runs. We declared after batting for 1½ hours when the score was 123 for 4 (Cardy 20, Percival 13) and removed the opposition for 28 runs.

The Junior team was captained by Watkins, he gave the rest of the side a fine example with his wicket-keeping, often having to cope with very wild throwing-in, his batting and particularly his running between wickets. The fielding of the side, apart from a few wild moments, was good and the bowling mainly, by Brown and Rochford, was on a good length and had plenty of life in it.

The Juniors drew with School House (Watkins 28 not out), beat Cams by 35 for 6 against 33, Watkins again batting well, and beat Westbury by 17 runs, Watkins getting 13 runs although suffering from a very bad thumb.

Both Senior and Junior sides this year have been far more keen than usual, and the Colts players is the Senior team have proved their worth.

Finally, I wish to thank all members of this House for the keenness they have shown and the support they have given me. I think the number of slackers in the House can be counted on one hand ; I hope you will continue and increase your support for my successor.

B.A.C.

Cozens has given such great service to the House for so long that it is difficult to imagine the House without him. He has been a fine captain, setting a splendid example and always being popular with his teams. We shall remember him for many things, not least for his running of the Mile this year. The best tribute to him is that so many in the House share his virtues and that he can expect his successors to be worthy of him.

Nor can Stubbington be allowed to go without a word from me. In every branch of sport he has been one of our mainstays. Unassuming and unselfish, he has been put everyone connected with Blackbrook heavily in his debt.

H.R.T.

Cams

This year the House has been extremely successful in School events, the nature of which have been greatly varied.

The Steeplechase proved to be rather a disappointment from our point of view. Our Juniors tried hard and had the race been decided on courage, Kirby and Bath would have been much nearer the leaders. Fox II and Farmer did well to finish in the first ten runners. Not all our Seniors pulled their weight in this event, but mention must be made of Dimmock and White, who finished second and third respectively.

The Sports were a far greater success. Bellamy is a strong lad and will probably prove a great asset in the future, whilst with a longer stride Jacobs would have contested the half-mile more closely. Nevertheless, the Minor team must be

congratulated on a good showing. The Juniors were completely dominated by Byng II ; he shared the Junior Victor Ludorum and obtained over half of the points gained by the House in this division. In a weak team his efforts were invaluable.

We faced little opposition in the Senior events. Byng I broke the Hurdles record and obtained maximum points. White won two events and was placed in two others ; it must be added that the House has owed a great deal to these two : Byng I, who has excelled in athletics, and White, who has been outstanding in all walks of School life.

As expected the Senior House team played an important part in the Inter-House competition. After quickly disposing of Westbury the team faced Blackbrook without White. Fox bowled well, but the rest of the side failed to follow his example. We went in needing 66 runs to win. Despite a middle-innings stand by Maidment and Eald, our last wicket fell at 53. This game clearly demonstrated the importance of keen fielding in this class of cricket. Whilst we dropped two easy catches, the Blackbrook fielders held some very good ones. The return of White and an improvement by the rest of the side made the match against School House something of an anti-climax. With 63 needed to win, our batsmen showed much more confidence than against Blackbrook and we won by 5 wickets.

Gullick proved his worth in the Junior team. A creditable performance was their defeat of Westbury, and they achieved another by beating School House. Trivett, Wooden and Fox II gave Gullick excellent support.

We are looking forward to the Swimming Gala, although our success is not assured.

It only remains for me to wish all those who are leaving, success in the future and happy holidays to all, whether leaving or returning.

G.D.W.

School House

Glancing back over the events of the Easter and Summer terms, we have every reason to be pleased with the results we have obtained. We have sprung a few surprises in cases where team work has snatched victory from Houses who have banked on the superiority of individual brilliance. An observation almost more pleasing than this is that after an unfortunate period our Seniors, mainly by hard work, have in the last two terms reminded the Juniors of their existence. This time they have shared the successes which have brought us so near to winning the Reed Cup and a combined effort in the Swimming Gala should bring back this coveted trophy to our shelves for the second time in three years.

The fact that the Steeplechase was run directly after the Easter holidays did nothing to impair the speed and stamina of the Senior team. Ridett, in spite of strong opposition, won the chase and was closely followed by three more of us in the fourth, fifth and sixth positions. Hansford and Lucas ran extremely well in their first senior race. The Juniors, although not in the leading positions, packed well and backed us up admirably by coming in second in their event. Our combined efforts gave us the Cup.

We did not do quite so well in the Sports although the Juniors, whose outstanding runners were Willis, Rudling and Barr, won their Cup even though the Junior Victor Ludorum was shared by other Houses. In the Seniors Judd, who made Byng fight hard for the Ian May Cup, and Ridett and Coombes who took all the honours in the Mile were the main points winners in a steady team which gave a good account of itself, as did our Minor runners.

We began the Cricket season optimistically. The Juniors drew their first game, versus Blackbrook, after a hard hit fifty by Barr had put them in a strong position, while the Seniors gained a valuable victory over that House. Aggressive hitting by Rudling and Gregory sent the score rocketing up and we finally reached the excellent total of 91. Our bowling, although not brilliant, was adequate against baasmen who lost their chance of victory by some slow batting to start with and their chance of a draw, after the first few wickets had fallen, by attempting to hit too energetically.

The second match, against Westbury, provided us with a double victory, for here, especially in the Senior game, the opposition was weak. Devlin and Lucas (a promising young left-hander) helped us put up a very good score and once again our bowling was good enough to get rid of the opposition.

The Juniors, facing hostile bowling, lost their third game which was against Cams; the result of the Competition therefore depended on our final game, against Cams Seniors.

Even although this game ended two whole hours ago I look back upon it with grief. The calling and running between wickets was excellent. The bravery and self-possession of our batsmen in the face of sympathetic fast bowlers was astounding, as were some of the shots we produced as a result of our courage. My comments end thus shortly as did our innings. Of our bowling and fielding I make no mention.

Our disappointment was greater as our optimism had tended to let us hope for a victory over a team much stronger than our own. Nevertheless, although we did not win the Cricket Cup, we did quite well enough in the competition to keep us still in a good position to win the Reed Cup.

Once again I must stress the importance of a great effort in the Swimming Gala.

These are the last House Notes I shall write in 'The Lion.' I have thoroughly enjoyed being Captain of a House whose keenness and wholehearted support, both in defeat and victory, have been a constant encouragement and source of pride to me during the past two years. I am sure my successor will experience the same happy state of affairs; may his term of captaincy be a successful one.

Regretfully I come to my final paragraph and end by saying goodbye to both the Masters and Boys of the House and by wishing them a pleasant holiday and a good football season with which to start next year's efforts.

P.N.

I am sure that all members of School House will join with me in wishing Nobes good luck in his future career. He has been an excellent captain of the House during the last two years, and has had the happy knack of encouraging his teams. Much of the success of the House has been due to his inspiring leadership. We shall miss him very much.

B.R.S.

Westbury

The House Seniors have not been very successful during the past year, but the Juniors have done better and the Minors have shown that great things can be expected of them in the future.

In the Steeplechase which was held during the Easter Term the House won the Junior Cup, but were unable to finish higher than last place in the Senior event. Although Rutter I, who ran well to finish seventh, was the only Westbury Junior to finish in the first ten, the rest of the team came in at regular intervals and ran so well that they carried off the Cup which they really deserved. The Seniors however, although they ran pluckily, were just not good enough, most of them finishing lower than fortieth. Congratulations must go to Bird I who ran very well to finish ninth, but the next runner home was Reed at seventeenth.

The Sports, which were held early in May, ended in triumph for the Minors who won the Cup by a margin of over 40 points. Field added to this triumph by carrying off the Minor Victor Ludorum, his closest rivals being his team mates, Rutter I and Shreeve. The less said about the Juniors and Seniors the better; both finished last in spite of great efforts on the part of Bird I and Dowse, who did very for the Juniors, but received no support from the rest of the team.

In the Cricket House matches we fared even worse, Seniors and Juniors losing all their matches. The Seniors lost easily to far superior opponents and although Abraham, Williams II and Spencer bowled quite well and at times very well, they were not supported in the field. Morris behind the stumps kept wicket extremely well, considering he has had very little practice in that position. The batting never reached great heights, but outstanding were the innings of Terry against Cams, and Williams II against Blackbrook. The Juniors were ably led by Field who, with little experience as captain, set a fine example in bowling. Sheath and Deans supported their Captain and bowled extremely well, but they were not supported by the fielders. Kemp and Sheath were the only batsmen to reach double figures and Kemp especially set a fine example which the rest of the team refused to follow; they collapsed, scoring only a few runs between them.

I should like to thank Mr. Briscoe for the House Notice Board which he made and placed in the lobby; it looks very grand.

Finally, may I wish the House every success in the future and a very pleasant holiday.

L.D.W.





There is little of note to report. Meetings continue to be held on the last Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September and November at the à la Broche Restaurant, Jermyn Street, W.1., commencing at 6.30 p.m. A faithful band of regulars continue to attend but, as always, we should welcome new blood. Any prospective member who cares to write to me will be suitably greeted.

Forthcoming winter activities will include our Annual Dinner and, we hope, a "get together" with a Fareham contingent, somewhere between Fareham and London.

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Sidcup,
Kent.

B. G. BUCKLEY,
Hon. Secretary.

Old Priceans' Association

I must start by explaining that in writing these notes I am acting in the capacity of *locum tenens* without access to the records of the Association. This is the explanation for any failure to produce information on an adequate scale, since I am only in a position to report what occurred at the Summer Reunion held at School on 7th July, and at the A.G.M. which followed it.

Once again the weather was kind to us; in fact it was perfect. The School field was looking its usual immaculate self and, in short, the conditions were ideal for what many of us have come to regard as one of the highlights of the year. Mr. Shaw had gone to great trouble on our behalf in producing two O.P. teams and two excellent matches resulted; no doubt they are reported elsewhere. The number of spectators was perhaps disappointing, but besides the 'old faithfuls' there were also present several whom we have not seen for a long time and this is always a pleasing feature of a Reunion. The School generously provided tea for all those attending.

Coming to the subject of the A.G.M. I must just comment on the 'make-up' of the meeting. Besides Mr. Ashton in the Chair, there was only ONE member from Fareham. The other people came from as far afield as Nottingham, Chelmsford, London and Brighton and surely this should cause some conscience searching among Fareham O.P's. It certainly made it most difficult to deal with anything of a local character, or indeed to elect a Committee, having regard to the desirability of having a strong Fareham representation. Apart from this, however, the business of the meeting was dealt with satisfactorily and decisions of importance and value were taken. The following is a short synopsis of the proceedings:—

HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Mr. Ashton gave us an interesting account of the School's progress during the year, from which it was clear that all O.P's can take pride in the School's academic achievements. The position of the School had been resolved and it was welcome news that the Governors are to retain control.

OFFICERS

E. J. Dimmer, the reigning Hon. Secretary was unable to be present owing to his absence on holiday. The Chairman read his report, which included the announcement of his intention not to accept re-election. This decision the meeting had no option but to accept with regret. Dimmer has occupied the office during the difficult post-war period and must receive a large share of the credit for rebuilding the Association. A somewhat revolutionary decision that Maurice Gardner should occupy the offices of both Treasurer and Secretary was taken. It is difficult to assess fully Gardner's value to the Association. He has been an efficient and hard-working Treasurer for well over twenty years and his willingness to take on the extra burden of Secretary is deserving of our grateful thanks. We must all resolve to give him the maximum possible backing and, in this connexion, may I appeal to any O.P., whether or not he holds office in the Association, to do what he can. The formation of more local sections (the Netley and Meon Valley spring to mind) would be valuable contributions.

FINANCE

The Treasurer presented a very satisfactory account of the Association's finances. He asked that we should all assist him to the extent of persuading known O.P's who are not members of the Association to get in touch with him and either (a) send an Initial Annual Subscription of 7/6 or (b) ask for a Banker's Standing Order Form. The latter method is the means of saving considerable trouble and all members having a banking account are urged to adopt it. The accounts for the past financial year are reproduced at the end of these notes.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

An O.P. who desires to remain anonymous has generously offered to provide a wooden memorial plaque similar in style to the 1914-18 memorial; the offer was gratefully accepted. This left the present sum held to the credit of the Fund (approximately £43) available for disbursement. The offer was made, and the Headmaster accepted on behalf of the School, that oak seats should be provided for the field. The present funds were to be spent to this end, but it was resolved that this should not be regarded as closing the Fund, which should remain open until at least £100 had been raised. Further monies received should be spent with the object of providing a fitting memorial to our fallen, and at the same time giving the School something which it really wanted. A Committee was appointed to continue action accordingly.

FAREHAM SECTION

Although a Section was not yet fully in being, a Flannel Dance had been held and another Dance was to be arranged in November.

OTHER MATTERS

The Meeting reaffirmed that one of the prime objects of the Association should be to further the interests of the School in every possible way, and it was resolved that we should give greater priority to this aspect in future.

With a view to increasing the news interest of "The Lion" for the Old Boys, the Editor had generously offered to co-operate by giving space for news of Old Priceans, as had been the pre-war practice. The possibility of producing a Year Book with the names and addresses of all members is also to be explored.

It is to be hoped that the next Re-union on 17th November which will be the occasion of the Annual Dinner will be its usual success. We do want to see YOU there; please book the date now; do not disappoint us.

The address of our Hon. Secretary and Treasurer is: M. W. Gardner, 11, Meadway, Gidea Park, Essex.

OLD PRICEANS' ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28th, FEBRUARY, 1951

£1949/50	RECEIPTS		1949/50	PAYMENTS	
s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
	Balance at 1/3/50	153 4 3½	1 3 0	Stationery	4 11
18 15 6	Subscriptions paid	28 6 0	4 9 7	Secretarial Expenses	2 17 4
5 0	Paid in advance	3 11 6		Loss on Dinner	3 3 0
5 1 0	Arrears paid	12 19 6	18 9½	Cash in hand	3 6 6½
10 0	From Life Members re 'Lions'	10 0	45 4 6	Cash at bank Current a/c	81 18 6
15 6	Donations to W.M. Fund	11 12 0	26 8 0	" " " W.M. Fund	38 0 0
1 19 8	Bank Interest	2 0 7	80 13 0	" " " Deposit a/c	82 13 7
		£212 3 10½			£212 3 10½

I have examined the above Statement together with the books and vouchers relating thereto, and find it to be in accordance therewith.

I have verified the balances at the Bank.

22nd May, 1951.

J. C. HEATH,
Hon. Auditor.

MAURICE W. GARDNER,
Hon. Treasurer.