

BEDFORDSHIRE 1954

CAPTAIN: J.A.P. OLIVER

MATCHES 10(8)

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W,T	12,13	MAY	S.AUSTC XI	LUTON	-	-	-	F.S.P.B A
W,T	16,17	JUNE	LINCS	SLEAFORD	F.S.P.B C.F.A F.S.P.W F.A	-	-	F.S.P.B A F.S.P.B A
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W,T	28,29		LINCS	LUTON	F.S.P.W P.A	-	P.F.S P.F.A	F.S.P.B A
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COUNTY TO PLAY TOURISTS AT LUTON

Bedfordshire C.C.C. open their season with an attractive fixture at Wardown Park, Luton, on 12th and 13th May when they meet the South Australian Touring XI.

The County will be represented by J. A. R. Oliver (captain), G. L. B. August, J. G. Owen, R. Davies, D. G. Jenkins, V. J. Harris, R. L. Hills, R. D. Gardiner, R. K. Costin, V. Grimshaw, and B. Martin.

For a team composed almost entirely of Country players, as distinct from City players, from a single Australian State to make such a tour is a cricketing innovation. All will be amateurs paying their own expenses.

The tour opened with a match against Ilford at Valentine's Park last week-end.

TOWN MISS MORRIS

S. T. Morris and C. F. Sabey are not available for Bedford Town's game with Vauxhall at Newnham Avenue to-morrow. E. S. Smith and P. H. Humphreys complete the side, which otherwise is the one which defeated City of Ely in the opening game last week.

Team:—

G. L. B. August, V. J. Harris, E. C. Howard, E. S. Smith, B. E. Disbury, D. G. Jenkins, F. K. Breeze, P. H. Humphreys, W. Peet, B. J. Maries, C. G. Jones.

LIONS TWO GAMES

Gentlemen of the Lion visit Meltis on Saturday and Wharley End, Cranfield, on Sunday. Teams:

v. Meltis: I. Williamson (captain), J. Botsford, R. W. G. Dynes, M. Boyd, E. W. Wardley, G. Williamson, A. J. Fraser, B. Gazeley, R. Price, R. T. Donaldson, P. L. Manship.

v. Wharley End: J. Botsford (captain), R. W. G. Dynes, B. Gazeley, M. Boyd, P. A. Gibb, R. T. Donaldson, T. Allen, A. J. Fraser, R. Price, B. M. Rustomjee, P. J. Wooding.

SPORTS FIXTURES

CRICKET

Bedford Town v. Vauxhall Motors.
Luton Vauxhall II v. Bedford II.
Kimbolton v. Bedford Ramblers.
Harpur Sports v. Wolverton.
Meltis v. Gentlemen of the Lion.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Division III (See'lon I)

Little Staughton v. Keysoe.

BOWLS

President's Team v. Vice-President's Team (Russell Park B.C.).

Sunday

CRICKET

Bedford Town v. Harpur Sports.
Wharley End v. Gentlemen of the Lion.

COUNTY START NEXT WEEK

Bedfordshire have four preliminary games before opening their Minor Counties programme against Lincolnshire at Sleaford on 16th-17th June.

The first is against the South Australian Touring XI at War-down Park, Luton, next Wednesday and Thursday, details of which were given in last week's issue.

The following week, on Wednesday, 19th May, a one-day game with London University is arranged at War-down Park, commencing at 11.30 a.m. Team:—

G. L. B. August (capt.), J. Legate, R. K. Costin, A. Webster, B. Martin, R. D. Gardiner, K. Brazier, G. S. Gunn, H. F. Rowlinson, B. J. Maries, and A. Hayhurst.

COUNTY'S LAST-OVER DEFEAT BY TWO WICKETS

August Hits 102, Makes Sporting Declaration

Four byes when Hayhurst bowled one down the leg side with the first ball of what would have been the last over, gave London University an exciting victory by two wickets over a Bedfordshire XI at Luton on Wednesday. In declaring and leaving the University over 2½ hours to get 221 to win the captain, George August, was quite generous, for the wicket was always in favour of the batsmen.

This was emphasized when Bedfordshire went in first and found so little difficulty in getting runs that the opening pair, August and Martin of Dunstable Town put on 129 in the two hours before lunch without being separated.

Their partnership was broken at 131 and Kilby did not stay long but August found another useful partner in Gunn, a most promising young batsman from Leighton Buzzard, who impressed for the second week in succession.

Again he showed good footwork and forcing strokes in front of the wicket but it was August who stole most of the honours of the innings, for he went on to complete a century which included 12 boundaries.

Gunn, who was making a determined bid for a place in the County side, was unbeaten when the innings was closed with only three wickets down.

After a brisk start the University met with two set backs quickly but they went along steadily against some not-too-hostile bowling and although wickets fell regularly they were always abreast of the clock. Best bowling return was by Hayhurst of Vauxhall Motors, who captured four for 60, and Gardiner, rather the more ac-

curate, took three for 69. As a trial, the main value of the match was to emphasize that in Gunn and Martin, Bedfordshire possess some most promising material for the future and Martin looked as if sooner or later he will fill the gap as opening batsman left by Disbury's departure.

BEDFORDSHIRE XI

G. L. B. August c Rodgers b Patel	102
B. Martin c Wills b Kemp	64
M. L. Kilby c Wills b Kemp	32
N. S. Gunn not out	37
K. Brazier not out	11
Extras	4

Total (for three wkts., dec.) 220

LONDON UNIVERSITY

T. Dunn b Gardiner	38
J. W. Curtis b Hayhurst	9
G. Ellison run out	0
N. Kemp b Gardiner	59
T. Gough b Hayhurst	38
M. Samuel c Gardiner b Hayhurst	26
R. McCrae not out	22
G. A. Wills lbw b Hayhurst	4
S. E. Rodgers b Gardiner	10
V. Patel not out	3
Extras	15

Total (for eight wkts.) 224

TO VISIT LEICESTER

For their two-day friendly match with Leicestershire II at Wyggeston School, Leicester, next Wednesday and Thursday, Bedfordshire will field the following side:

J. A. R. Oliver, J. G. Owen, R. Davies, G. B. Sly, R. D. Gardiner, R. L. Hills, G. S. Gunn, M. L. Kilby, D. G. Jenkins, V. J. Harris, and R. K. Costin.

BEDFORDSHIRE FOLLOW-ON BUT FORCE DRAW

Strong Leicestershire Team Are Held

Bedfordshire achieved a creditable draw with a strong Leicestershire 2nd XI at the Wyggeston School ground, Leicester, in a two-day friendly match which ended yesterday. At the close, Bedfordshire having followed on, were 66 runs ahead with their last pair together.

Leicestershire, having no first eleven fixture, included four members of the team—Smithson, Hallam, Spence and Julian—who helped them to gain their first County Championship win the previous day against Kent at Gillingham.

In the circumstances, therefore, Bedfordshire accomplished a satisfactory morning's work on the first day by dismissing half their opponents for 114 in two hours.

For that total Leicestershire owed much to the left-handed Smithson, one of their exiles from Yorkshire, who toured West Indies in 1947-48 and appeared in two Tests. He made 66 out of 95 in an hour and a half.

Smithson went in when Spence was out leg-before at eight, and five runs later Hallam, who is the senior team's top batsman at present with an average of nearly 50, was similarly dismissed.

TWO WICKETS FOR SLY

Both these wickets were captured by Sly—a young pace bowler on trial from Lord's ground staff—for 15 runs in an opening spell of five overs. Davies, switched to the pavilion end upon Sly being taken off, followed up his colleague's success by uprooting skipper Diment's off stump with a good ball that swung from leg.

There was just enough moisture in the pitch to help the bowlers in the early stages, but afterwards they received little or no encouragement in this direction.

Smithson's rescue act was characterized by a pleasing array of strokes, powerful straight and off drives, bringing him most of his 11 boundaries.

R. Gardner soon fell a victim to R. Gardiner but two young professionals, Hickman and Parker, added 107 for the sixth wicket at just over a run a minute. Hickman, the more accomplished stroke player, hit nine 4's during a stay of 110 minutes for 65.

Parker, dropped at 35 and 42, completed his half-century in two hours, and Leicestershire declared at 274 for eight after batting four hours and 25 minutes.

Gardiner bowled with left-arm spinners skilfully to take five wickets at moderate cost. Jenkins was unlucky, two

catches being missed off his bowling.

On a wicket that showed signs of wear Bedfordshire made a valiant effort to avoid the follow-on yesterday. They needed eight runs to achieve that object when they were all out just before lunch.

GOODWIN BOWLS WELL

During 80 minutes' batting on Wednesday Bedfordshire lost half their side for 45. Goodwin, the fast left-arm bowler who took 86 wickets in first-class cricket last season, claimed three victims at a cost of 23 runs in 12 overs.

Owen, going in after Harris and Hills had gone for three, scored 23 before being fourth out at 37, while Costin stayed half an hour for a duck when, from Bedfordshire's point of view, it was more important to keep his wicket intact than to score runs.

Gunn batted admirably for an hour and a half. He was seventh to go at 86. Afterwards, Davies, the Luton Town footballer, cracked 37, including a six and four 4's, in the 51 he added with Sly for the eighth wicket.

Jenkins had a short life but a merry one—three boundaries in 13—but Sly, keeping the strike mostly in a tenth-wicket stand, was last out, scoring 30 of the 115 added while he was at the crease.

Batting a second time, Bedfordshire, at tea, had scored 106 for four in two hours, thus needing one more run to wipe off the arrears.

When he had made 18 Harris retired because of a hand injury. Costin punished the bowling severely, hitting three 6's, all off Spence who finally bowled him.

LEICESTERSHIRE

First Innings	
M. Hallam lbw b Sly	8
L. A. Spence lbw b Sly	3
G. A. Smithson b Gardiner	66
L. A. Diment b Davies	13
R. Gardner c Hills b Gardiner	19
M. Hickman c Harris b Gardiner	65
P. Parker c Davies b Gardiner	52
A. Rice at Hills b Gardiner	26
J. Savage not out	15
R. Julian not out	4
Extras (b. l. b. 2)	3

Total (for 8 wickets, dec.) 274

J. Goodwin did not bat.

Fall of wickets: 1-8, 2-13, 3-47, 4-103, 5-112, 6-219, 7-261, 8-262.

Bowling: Davies 27 o. 6 m. 68 r. 1 w.; Gardiner 24-4-66-5; Jenkins 17-3-61-0; Sly 11-3-28-2; Owen 11-1-48-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings	
V. J. Harris b Rice	1
M. L. Kilby c Julian b Goodwin	3
R. L. Hills c Julian b Rice	23
J. G. Owen c Julian b Goodwin	25
N. S. Gunn c Julian b Goodwin	25
R. K. Costin b Goodwin	0
T. Kelly lbw b Rice	3
G. B. Sly c Gardner b Savage	30
R. Davies c Savage b Spence	37
D. O. Jenkins b Rice	13
R. D. Gardiner not out	23
Extras (b 13, lb 4, nb 6)	23

Total 167

Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-3, 3-32, 4-37, 5-45, 6-52, 7-86, 8-137, 9-151, 10-167.

Bowling: Goodwin 24-6-40-4; Rice 21-6-34-4; Savage 13-5-1-46-1; Spence 7-1-24-1.

Second Innings

V. J. Harris not out	24
N. S. Gunn c Diment b Rice	5
M. L. Kilby b Goodwin	1
J. G. Owen b Spence	20
R. L. Hills b Spence	35
R. K. Costin b Spence	30
G. B. Sly b Savage	4
T. Kelly c Diment b Savage	0
R. Davies b Goodwin	17
R. D. Gardiner st Julian b Spence	20
D. O. Jenkins not out	8
Extras	11

Total (for 9 wickets) 173

Fall of wickets: 1-25, 2-26, 3-63, 4-97, 5-106, 6-112, 7-133, 8-154, 9-159.

Bowling: Goodwin 19-1-51-2; Rice 6-0-19-1; Spence 12-4-37-4; Savage 13-2-31-2.

Umpires: W. H. Ashdown and C. H. Poole.

TO PLAY NORTHANTS

For their one-day game with Northamptonshire II at Bell Close, Leighton Buzzard, next Thursday (11.30 a.m.), a Bedfordshire XI will comprise:

J. A. R. Oliver (capt.), G. S. Gunn, B. Martin, M. L. Kilby, R. K. Costin, J. Legate, K. Brazier, A. Webster, R. Davies, R. D. Gardiner, and H. Hayhurst.

County Defied By Northants Last Pair

There was a thrilling finish to Bedfordshire's one-day game with Northamptonshire II at Bell Close, Leighton Buzzard, yesterday evening, the Northamptonshire last pair surviving two overs to save a draw.

Northamptonshire never looked in danger of defeat until just after tea, when Roy Davies, the Luton Town footballer, claimed three wickets without cost in one over.

Despite a rather easy-paced wicket Bedfordshire, batting first, scored, but slowly, and in the third over of the match lost B. Martin with only five runs on the board. N. S. Gunn joined M. L. Kilby, and in less than an hour the partnership was worth 50, with Kilby always the more confident.

V. Broderick and R. Smith bowled accurately, but at lunch Kilby and Gunn were still together with the score 88 for one.

In the afternoon the pace of the scoring improved in company with the weather. Soon after catching his half-century, however, Kilby was stamped by P. Davis, and soon after Gunn was bowled. He had made 41.

Legate joined Rowlinson—the R.A.F. player from Leighton having his first game for the County—and the score mounted quickly. Legate reached 42 in just over half an hour, and with Rowlinson on 33 Bedfordshire declared at 200 for five.

With 21 hours' batting time Northamptonshire made a lively start, scoring 50 in 35 minutes without loss. After three quarters of an hour Broderick was bowled by Davies for 25, and Arnold was joined by Leadbatter.

These two put on 50 before Arnold was l.b.w. to Legate. Arnold had made 70.

Then came an amazing change with a vicious over from Davies, who took the three wickets of Wright, Hoxan, and Tate without cost.

Further hope of a Bedfordshire victory came when P. Davis was brilliantly caught by Legate off a high hit winging for the boundary, and then R. Smith was caught by Webster at the wicket of Hayhurst.

A close field gathered for the last two overs, but N. Odfield and M. White held firm to give Northamptonshire a draw.

BEDFORDSHIRE

M. L. Kilby	st P. Davis	b Wild	53
B. Martin	c P. Davis	b Hoxan	0
N. S. Gunn	b Hoxan		41
K. Brazier	b Wild		15
R. K. Costin	c P. Davis	b Hoxan	7
H. F. Rowlinson	not out		33
J. Legate	not out		42
Extras			11

Total (for five wkts. dec.) 200

J. A. R. Oliver, A. Webster, R. Davies, and A. Hayhurst did not bat.
Bowling: Hoxan three for 46; Wild two for 56.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE II

P. Arnold	lbw Legate		70
V. Broderick	b Davies		25
S. Leadbatter	c Gunn	b Davies	59
P. Wright	c Legate	b Davies	1
R. Hoxan	b Davies		0
M. Tate	lbw Davies		0
J. Wild	c Webster	b Hayhurst	19
N. Odfield	not out		19
R. Smith	c Webster	b Hayhurst	7
P. Davis	c Legate	b Hayhurst	0
M. White	not out		4
Extras			14

Total (for nine wkts.) 178

Bowling: Davies five for 45; Hayhurst three for 51; Legate one for 38.

COUNTY WIN BY 20 WITH 3 MINUTES TO GO

Lincs Set to Make 150 in Hour and a Half

With three minutes of extra time to go, George August, Bedfordshire's vice-captain, held a catch on the long off boundary to give his side victory by 20 runs in their opening Minor Counties match—against Lincolnshire at Sleaford yesterday.

After leading by 17 on the first innings, Bedfordshire declared at 132 for two and so set Lincolnshire to make 150 in 90 minutes.

At first Lincolnshire seemed likely to achieve their task, scoring 74 for four in 45 minutes, but afterwards wickets fell quickly. It was 90 for eight but 39 were added before they were all out.

On the first day 266 runs were scored in six and a quarter hours.

John Oliver, Bedfordshire's captain, winning the toss, gave them first use of a reasonably firm wicket on which batting was none too easy. The pitch showed signs of being two-paced and made timing difficult.

In the circumstances the opening pair, George August and Brian Martin, who was making his first appearance in championship cricket, did well to give the innings a heartening send-off.

Against accurate and cleverly handled bowling, runs came slowly, and during the two hours before lunch 68 were scored without loss.

The first-wicket stand yielded 86 before Martin was caught, having batted admirably for 51, which included three boundaries.

His form suggested that the County selectors will have to look no further than the Dunstable Town player for a regular opening batsman in Disbury's place.

OWEN, OLIVER SOON OUT

After Martin left, August continued imperturbably while three more wickets fell for the addition of only 38—those of Hills, Owen, who made 167 in the corresponding fixture last season, and Oliver.

Gunn and Brazier each just reached double figures before their dismissal, and then August found a useful partner in the left-handed Costin, who showed discretion in choosing the right ball to hit.

Seventh out at 178, August was at the crease for four and a half hours for his painstaking but valuable 81. Five 4's were his best hits. Costin remained until the end, being undefeated for 34 out of 69.



George August, who defied Lincolnshire's keen and accurate attack for more than four hours in making Bedfordshire's top score of 81.

Bedfordshire totalled 224 in 315 minutes in face of an attack that was always very steady. The home County's fielding, too, was praiseworthy, and good throwing largely accounted for three men being run out.

Yet another batsman was dismissed in this way when Lincolnshire went in. A quick return by Davies from the boundary resulted in Hills whipping off the balls with Parker out of his ground.

That was Bedfordshire's only success during the hour their

opponents batted for 42 on Wednesday, but more wickets should have fallen, for three catches in the slips were missed. Davies was the unlucky bowler in each instance. Jenkins, who shared the opening attack with Davies, was on Wednesday hit for only five runs in seven overs, three of them maidens.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

G. L. B. August c Tunstall b Merryweather	81
B. Martin c Parker b Marlow	51
R. L. Hills c Armitage b Marlow	3
J. G. Owen run out	8
J. A. R. Oliver b Stone	4
N. S. Gunn c Armitage b Marlow	10
K. Brazier lbw b Watson	12
R. K. Costin not out	34
R. Davies run out	13
D. G. Jenkins run out	0
R. D. Gardiner c Maddison b Watson	2
Extras	7
Total	224

Fall of wickets: 1-86, 2-93, 3-116, 4-124, 5-150, 6-165, 7-178, 8-198, 9-200, 10-224.

Bowling: Watson 25-20 o R. m. 57 r. 2 w.; Marlow 27-10-56-3; Merryweather 27-7-53-1; Stone 25-6-49-1.

Second Innings

G. L. B. August at Armitage b Todd	43
B. Martin b Marlow	12
R. L. Hills not out	33
R. K. Costin not out	39
Extras	5
Total for 2 wks dec. 132	

Bowling: Todd one for 41; Marlow one for 24.

LINCOLNSHIRE

First Innings

M. H. Parker run out	17
J. H. Taylor c Hills b Gardiner	35
J. R. C. Todd c Hills b Gardiner	32
N. A. Maddison c Davies b Owen	23
R. Tunstall c Hills b Owen	23
D. Merryweather b Gardiner	2
J. W. H. Travers c Hills b Owen	35
J. G. Watson c August b Owen	3
J. Stone b Gardiner	6
G. A. Marlow c August b Owen	21
W. B. Armitage not out	8
Extras	4
Total	207

Bowling: Owen five for 72; Gardiner four for 52.

Second Innings

J. H. Taylor c Brazier b Davies	12
R. Tunstall c August b Davies	11
G. A. Marlow c Hills b Jenkins	11
J. R. C. Todd b Davies	7
J. G. Watson b Gardiner	22
N. A. Maddison hit wkt b Davies	0
M. H. Parker c Owen b Gardiner	10
J. W. H. Travers c Oliver b Owen	14
D. Merryweather b Gardiner	0
W. B. Armitage c August b Owen	23
J. Stone not out	5
Extras	14
Total	129

Bowling: Davies four for 51; Jenkins one for 33; Gardiner three for 17; Owen two for 12.

COUNTY'S THREE NEWCOMERS

Brazier, Gunn, Martin in Team To Visit Lincs

Three players, all batsmen, will make their debut for Bedfordshire in the Minor Counties Competition when they open their championship programme against Lincolnshire at Sleaford next Wednesday and Thursday. They are K. Brazier (Luton Town), N. S. Gunn (Leighton Buzzard), and B. Martin (Dunstable Town).

Brazier has been one of Luton's most consistent batsmen for several seasons, and he is also a brilliant fieldsmen.

Appearing in all four of the County's friendly matches, Gunn has shown outstanding form. He has totalled 183 runs in six innings, twice not out, giving him an average of 45.75. His highest score was 61 not out against the South Australian Touring XI at Luton.

Gunn was originally a bowler. It was only after an injury that he turned his attention seriously to batting.

A club colleague of Gunn, that forcing left-hand batsman, R. K. Costin, is also in the team, and, besides Brazier, three other Luton Town players are included—J. A. R. Oliver, the captain, R. Davies, and R. D. Gardiner.

Fast bowler Davies has achieved some splendid performances this season and has taken 14 wickets at a cost of just over 14 runs each in the County's preliminary games.

It is hoped that J. G. Owen will maintain his excellent all-round form of last summer, when he scored 457 runs and claimed 37 wickets in championship matches.

HILLS AS WICKET-KEEPER

Another Vauxhall Motors player, R. L. Hills, regains his place as wicketkeeper—a position held regularly by A. Webster, Harpur Sports' captain, last year.

This will be Hills's first appearance for Bedfordshire in a Minor Counties game since 1949.

Bedford Town's two representatives in the team are G. L. B. August, vice-captain, and D. G. Jenkins, who will share the opening attack with Davies.

Team in probable batting order: August, Martin, Owen, Oliver, Gunn, Costin, Brazier, Hills, Davies, Jenkins, and Gardiner.

Lincolnshire, whose match with Cambridgeshire at Histon ended yesterday, are deferring the selection of their team until this week-end.

There have been six games between Bedfordshire and Lincolnshire since the counties resumed playing one another in 1951, and all have been drawn.

Bedfordshire have won on the first innings three times, their opponents twice, and there has been one no result.

EXTRA GAMES IN 1955

There is a probability that Bedfordshire, who since the war have fulfilled the minimum of eight fixtures in the Minor Counties Championship, will play two extra games next year. In that event the additional home fixture will be allotted to Luton.

The likely opposition is Suffolk, who met Bedfordshire until 1951, when Lincolnshire were re-introduced in their list.

COUNTY'S VALIANT EFFORT TO FORCE VICTORY FAILS

First Innings Lead of 83 Against Cambs

NINE WICKETS FOR DAVIES

Bedfordshire's captain, John Oliver, made a valiant effort to force their second successive victory in the Minor Counties Competition when he declared the second innings closed against Cambridgeshire at Ely on Wednesday, setting them to score 176 runs in 105 minutes to win.

Although Cambridgeshire accepted Oliver's challenge, the match ended in a draw, Bedfordshire securing points for a first innings lead of 83.

Cambridgeshire's opening pair, skipper Maurice Crouch and Harrison, led the chase for runs with 49 in 35 minutes. Then they lost three wickets for 18 in the next 20 minutes.

First Crouch, whose cutting was his forte, was well caught at square leg. Twelve runs later Gunn made another neat catch, this time at short extra cover, to send back Harrison, and Sterland, who never looked comfortable, quickly followed him.

Jamaican-born Alexander, the Cambridge Blue, who plays soccer for Pegasus, and Gautrey, hero of Cambridgeshire's first innings, rattled up another 40 in 27 minutes before Alexander was stumped.

When Gautrey was easily run out with 20 minutes of extra time still remaining, the futility of continuing was obvious and so Cambridgeshire's venture ended at that stage after they had scored 109 for five in 85 minutes.

DAVIES AWARDED CAP

On a batsman's wicket Roy Davies showed splendid form. He accomplished his best performance for Bedfordshire when he claimed seven Cambridgeshire first-innings wickets for 66. His match figures were nine for 108 in 45.4 overs, of which 11 were maidens, and this 29-year-old fast bowler, who was born at Port Elizabeth, South Africa, was awarded his County cap.

On Tuesday morning Bedfordshire lost their first wicket with only two runs on the board, when August, who figured so prominently in last week's win over Lincolnshire, snicked a ball from Thomas into the wicketkeeper's hand.

Naturally the batsmen took no risks for some time after this early disaster and a more than useful total was gradually built up.

Best stand of the innings was that between Brazier and Costin, who put on 70 in as many minutes for the eighth wicket before Costin was narrowly run out—a near thing, this! Previously Owen and Oliver added 55 for the fourth wicket. Owen was unlucky to miss his fifty after hitting six boundaries during a stay of 85 minutes.

TAIL-ENDERS HIT HARD

It is noteworthy that the last four wickets yielded 133 runs. The tail-enders took such toll of the bowling that there were ten 4's in the last 60 runs. Davies hit five of them in 23, Gardiner four in 20, and Jenkins one.

Bedfordshire totalled 288 in five hours, and in the last 80 minutes of the day Cambridgeshire reached 62 for the loss of Crouch, Alexander, and Sterland.

Davies, bowling with plenty of life, captured two of these wickets for 28 in 11 overs, three of them maidens.

The total had been increased by 20 on Wednesday morning when Gardiner was brought on, forming with Owen a left-arm spin attack, and his first ball dismissed Harrison (38 in 125 minutes) leg-before.

Once Hawes on-drove Owen to the boundary delightfully, but at 104 the former Surrey professional bowled the young batsman with his "chinaman."

HOYLES MISSED TWICE

Hoyles should have been caught at long-off by Oliver, and stumped a little later, but these misses were not expensive, for the wicketkeeper held a fine diving catch from Hoyles.

Gautrey took control. He punished Owen for two 4's off successive balls, and repeated this dose soon afterwards.

When eight men were out and four runs were required to avoid the possibility of following-on, Gautrey straight drove Owen for six. He was ninth out, scoring 79 out of 120 in 135 minutes. Besides the six he hit eight boundaries.

Cambridgeshire's 205 occupied four hours and a half, and Bedfordshire, going in a second time, scored 92 for four declared in 85 minutes, thereby increasing their lead to 175. The Oliver-Costin partnership for the fourth wicket yielded 54 in 25 minutes, Costin being caught on the long-on boundary after clouting a six and three 4's.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

G. L. B. August c Nunn b Thomas	0
B. Martin b Hoyles	23
R. L. Hills c Alexander b Hoyles	28
J. G. Owen b Thomas	46
J. A. R. Oliver c Nunn b Thomas	24
N. S. Gunn b Taylor	19
K. Brazier b Godfrey	41
R. K. Costin run out	31
H. Davies run out	23
D. G. Jenkins at Nunn b Thomas	10
R. D. Gardiner not out	21
Extras (b. 6, l.b. 10, n.b. 5)	21
Total	288

Fall of wickets: 1-2, 2-60, 3-65, 4-120, 5-147, 6-155, 7-225, 8-227, 9-259, 10-288.

Bowling: Godfrey 30 o. 6 m. 83 r. 1 w.; Thomas 31.1-10-67-4; Taylor 23.5-55-1; Hoyles 16.3-62-2.

Second Innings

G. L. B. August run out	9
B. Martin c Hoyles b Thomas	23
R. K. Costin c Harrison b Godfrey	32
J. G. Owen b Thomas	0
J. A. R. Oliver not out	24
N. S. Gunn not out	4
Extras (b. 3, l.b. 1)	4
Total (for 4 wks., dec.)	92

Fall of wickets: 1-34, 2-34, 3-34, 4-88.

Bowling: Godfrey 15.5-34-1; Thomas 13.4-34-2.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

First Innings

M. A. Crouch run out	10
C. J. Harrison lbw b Gardiner	34
J. Sterland b Davies	4
F. C. M. Alexander b Davies	5
R. Hawes b Owen	32
R. A. Gautrey b Davies	74
J. Hoyles c Hills b Davies	11
R. A. Taylor b Davies	0
J. Godfrey b Davies	7
R. Nunn b Davies	0
G. Thomas not out	6
Extras (b. 2, l.b. 7, n.b. 1)	10
Total	205

Fall of wickets: 1-31, 2-36, 3-42, 4-42, 5-104, 6-137, 7-139, 8-165, 9-202, 10-205.

Bowling: Davies 32.4-10-66-7; Jenkins 5.1-11-0; Oliver 2-0-4-0; Owen 32.5-96-1; Gardiner 17.8-14-1.

Second Innings

M. A. Crouch c Gunn b Davies	34
C. J. Harrison c Gunn b Gardiner	21
J. Sterland b Davies	5
F. C. M. Alexander at Hills b Gardiner	13
R. A. Gautrey run out	27
J. Hoyles not out	1
Extras (b. 1, l.b. 7)	4
Total (for 5 wks.)	109

Fall of wickets: 1-49, 2-61, 3-67, 4-107, 5-109.

Bowling: Davies 13.1-42-2; Jenkins 6.4-1-31-0; Gardiner 9.1-28-3. Umpires: C. H. Welch and L. W. K. Martin.

WANTED—YOUNG AMATEURS

Matches have again been arranged for Young Amateurs of Bedfordshire against Northamptonshire Young Amateurs (at Bedford) and Oxfordshire Colts (at Oxford), on Monday and Tuesday, 9th and 10th August respectively.

These matches are intended to give young Bedfordshire players an opportunity of showing their worth in representative cricket. Any Bedfordshire schoolboy (at school in the County or not) and any club player 18 years old or under, who would like to be considered for one or both of these matches should apply to Mr. D. C. Money, 113 Kimbolton Road, Bedford.

Recommendations from club secretaries or masters-in-charge of cricket are a great help in building up a side. All applications should state: Name, address, age (in August), school or club, usual batting position, type of bowler, wicketkeeper, and any special performances.

COUNTY MAKE ONE CHANGE

Bedfordshire, who as last year, have secured 13 points out of a possible 20 from their first two Minor Counties matches, hope to maintain this good progress when they visit Hertfordshire at Hertford next Wednesday and Thursday.

The only change in Bedfordshire's team is H. Hayhurst (Vauxhall Motors) for D. G. Jenkins (Bedford Town).
Team:—

J. A. R. Oliver (capt.), G. L. B. August, J. G. Owen, R. L. Hills, R. D. Gardiner, R. Davies, B. Martin, R. K. Costin, N. S. Gunn, K. Brazier, and H. Hayhurst.

Following the withdrawal of T. B. Woolliscroft, David Hoar, of Harpur Sports, appeared for the Gentlemen of Bedfordshire against Bedford School yesterday.

This is well-merited recognition, for the young left-hand batsman has been showing most promising form for Harpur.

Recently he hit 105 for their Sunday XI against Dunstable Town and followed this up with 89 off the R.A.F., Henlow, attack.

Hoar Scores 105

Batting against Bedford School yesterday, Hoar played a fine innings of 105, including 13 boundaries, out of the Gentlemen of Bedfordshire's total of 184 for six.

This was in reply to the School's score of 52, Hayhurst capturing seven for 24. Thus the Gentlemen won comfortably.

1 Hertfordshire 1954

Herts v Beds Hertford 7,8 July

Beds won by innings + 67 runs Points 0

Toss Umpires LWK Martin & DC Field

CoP

Beds 1st innings

GLB August	c Bateman	b Hughes	1	
ML Kilby		b Hughes	9	
+RL Hills	c Hacker	b Hughes	55	(5x4s)
JG Owen	not out		170	(19x4s, 6x3s, 14x2s)
*JAR Oliver	c & b	Morley	84	(10x4s)
R Davies	c Higby	b Fenn	6	
NS Gunn	not out		0	
K Brazier, RK Costin, RD Gardiner, H Hayhurst d n b				
Extras	Byes 4, leg byes 5		9	
Total	5 wickets dec	97 overs	334	

FoW 1-10 (2), 2-23 (1), 3-104 (3), 4-317 (5), 5-324 (6)

Bowling

Marques	17	2	68	0
Hughes	27	6	78	3
Fenn	21	4	66	1
Higby	8	0	45	0
Morley	24	5	68	1

Herts 1st innings

DB Parkin	c Oliver	b Owen	16	
KD Hacker	c Hills	b Davies	0	
LC Bateman	c Kilby	b Owen	44	
CG Dexter	c Owen	b Davies	2	
GF Webb	c Hills	b Owen	0	
RW Fenn	st Hills	b Owen	25	
+RG Simons		b Owen	10	
TG Morley		b Gardiner	2	
CVL Marques	not out		4	
RC Hughes	st Hills	b Owen	6	
CJ Higby	c Hills	b Owen	0	
Extras	leg byes 1		1	
Total	All out	61.4 overs	110	

FoW 1-1 (2), 2-41 (1), 3-48 (4), 4-49 (5), 5-78 (3), 6-94 (7), 7-99 (8), 8-100 (6),
9-110 (10), 10-110 (11)

7,8 July 1954 (cont)

Bowling

Davies	21	6	37	2
Hayhurst	7	2	20	0
Gardiner	9	4	13	1
Owen	21.4	6	34	7
Oliver	3	0	5	0

Herts 2nd innings

KD Hacker		b Davies	6	
DB Parkin	c Gunn	b Owen	53	(4x4s)
LC Bateman	c Gunn	b Owen	12	
CG Dexter	c Gunn	b Owen	28	
GF Webb	lbw	b Owen	9	
RW Fenn		b Owen	10	
+RG Simons	c Hills	b Owen	21	
TG Morley	c Hills	b Gardiner	3	
CVL Marques	c Gardiner	b Owen	10	
RC Hughes		b Gardiner	0	
CJ Higby	not out		2	
Extras	Byes 1, leg byes 2		3	
Total	All out	81.2 overs	157	

FoW 1-30 (1), 2-49 (3), 3-96 (2), 4-110 (4), 5-111 (5), 6-140 (?), 7-143 (?), 8-145(?), 9-145 (?), 10-157

Bowling

Davies	18	5	31	1	Gardiner	12	3	23	2
Hayhurst	13	4	27	0	Oliver	4	0	10	0
Owen	34.2	11	63	7					

Herts scorebook

OWEN 170 NOT OUT, 14 WICKETS FOR 97 RUNS

Feature of County's Win Over Hertfordshire

Glyn Owen, far from too old at 46, achieved his best all-round performance when he scored 170 not out and returned a match analysis of 14 wickets for 97 in Bedfordshire's victory by an innings and 67 runs over Hertfordshire at Hertford yesterday.

Although this was undoubtedly "Owen's match" Bedfordshire acquitted themselves well as a team, their fielding being excellent throughout.

Thus Bedfordshire have won two of their three Minor Counties matches and taken first-innings points from the other.

Wednesday was a magnificent day for Bedfordshire, for they put themselves in virtually an unbeatable position by scoring 334 for five declared and then took a definite step towards victory by claiming four Hertfordshire wickets for only 51 by the close.

Owen's tremendous innings was naturally the highlight, although Hills and Oliver provided an attractive framework. All the strokes flowed from these three—characteristic hooks and pulls from Owen and some classic drives from Oliver.

Owen contributed 20 fours during his three hours at the wicket, and Oliver ten. Owen's innings is his highest ever for the County, superseding his 167 last year against Lincolnshire and 129 against Buckinghamshire in 1952. It was the first century by a Bedfordshire batsman this season, August's 81 against Lincolnshire being the previous best.

MARTIN OUT OF TEAM

It was a heart-breaking day for Hertfordshire in the field after their hopes had been raised by dismissing August and Kilby for only 23. Kilby came in for Dunstable's Brian Martin, who has an injured back.

Even when Bedfordshire declared, leaving Hertfordshire a little over an hour's batting, Owen was not done. He claimed two of the wickets which fell at a cost of two runs in two overs.

Bedfordshire required quick wickets to hammer home their advantage when play began under grey skies yesterday, and for them there was a tantalizing delay of three-quarters of an hour in which 27 runs were added without loss. Then came a remarkable change, the remaining six wickets falling in an hour for 32.

Owen claimed five of these for a full analysis of seven for 34, being helped by wicket-keeper Hills in the dismissal of five batsmen—three caught, two stumped. Hills's wicket-keeping was, in fact, first-class throughout.

The collapse began when Bateman, who was nearing his 50, was snapped up at first slip. Then Owen's orthodox leg-break deceived Simons, who was captaining the side in the absence of Tyrwhitt-Drake.

LASTED ONLY TWO OVERS

Morley, a young professional from the Lord's ground staff, lasted only two overs, and when Fenn—who had been proving something of a stumbling block—was stumped off Owen the end was near.

Davies went on again, but it was Owen who finished off the innings with the help of Hills, and Hertfordshire found themselves following on 224 behind. The 20 minutes before lunch brought no success for Bedfordshire, only an ominous drizzle of rain. This did not prevent a prompt continuance after lunch and just as the Hertfordshire opening pair appeared to have mastered the pace attack of Davies and Hayhurst, Davies yoked Hacker.

Owen replaced Hayhurst and at 49 had Bateman caught at mid-on. The fight for an outright win was on but a stubborn stand by Parkin and Dexter showed Hertfordshire were not giving up easily.

Parkin, in particular, countered Owen's wiles with the middle of the bat, and, after surviving a vicious over from Davies in which he was hit on the pads three times, reached his 50 out of 92.

Bedfordshire's chance seemed to be slipping but at 96 Gunn took a fine catch from Parkin and 14 runs later held a sharper one from Dexter, both at mid-on.

Owen was again the bowler and one and a half hours (or two if the extra half-hour was claimed) remained to capture six wickets.

Refreshed by tea, Owen began his 25th over and immediately had Webb lbw. Simons took three fours off an Owen over, but the Vauxhall bowler quickly found an edge to his bat, only for Kilby to miss the catch at first slip.

Owen, however, clean bowled Fenn (140 for six) and three runs later Hills moved quickly to his right to take a wide deflection by Simons, again off Owen.

Gardiner dismissed Morley and Hughes with successive balls and one wicket remained. Marques and Higby added a spirited 12 runs before Owen fittingly ended the game, Gardiner taking the catch at the second attempt.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

G. L. B. August c Bateman b Hughes	1
M. L. Kilby b Hughes	9
R. L. Hills c Hacker b Hughes	55
J. G. Owen not out	170
J. A. R. Oliver c and b Morley	84
R. Davies c Higby b Fenn	6
N. Gunn not out	0
Extras	9

Total (for five wkts., dec.) 334

Fall of wickets: 1-10, 2-23, 3-104, 4-317, 5-324.

Bowling: Hughes, 27 o, 6 m, 78 r, 3 w; Fenn, 21-4-66-1; Morley, 24-5-68-1; Higby, 8-0-45-0; Marques, 17-2-68-0.

HERTFORDSHIRE

First Innings

D. B. Parkin c Oliver b Owen	16
K. D. Hacker c Hills b Davies	0
L. Bateman c Kilby b Owen	44
C. G. Dexter c Owen b Davies	2
G. F. Webb c Hills b Owen	25
R. W. Fenn at Hills b Owen	25
R. G. Simons b Owen	10
T. G. Morley b Gardiner	2
R. C. Hughes at Hills b Owen	6
R. C. Marques not out	4
C. J. Higby c Hills b Owen	0
Extras	1

Total 110

Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-41, 3-48, 4-49, 5-78, 6-94, 7-99, 8-100, 9-110, 10-110.

Bowling: Owen, 21-4-63-7; R. Davies, 21-6-37-2; Gardiner, 9-4-15-1; Hayhurst, 7-2-20-0; Oliver, 3-0-5-0.

HERTFORDSHIRE

Second Innings

D. B. Parkin c Gunn b Owen	53
K. D. Hacker b Davies	0
L. Bateman c Gunn b Owen	12
C. G. Dexter c Gunn b Owen	28
G. F. Webb lbw b Owen	0
R. W. Fenn b Owen	10
R. G. Simons c Hills b Owen	21
T. G. Morley c Hills b Gardiner	3
R. C. Marques c Gardiner b Owen	10
R. C. Hughes b Gardiner	0
C. J. Higby not out	2
Extras	3

Total 157

Fall of wickets: 1-30, 2-49, 3-69, 4-110, 5-111, 6-140, 7-143, 8-145, 9-145, 10-157.

Bowling: Owen, 34-2-11-63-7; Gardiner, 12-3-25-2; Davies, 18-5-31-1; Hayhurst, 15-4-27-0; Oliver, 4-0-10-0.

YOUNG SPIN BOWLER IN COUNTY TEAM

Graham Jarrett, 17-year-old former Bedford Modern School spin bowler, will make his first appearance for Bedfordshire in the Minor Counties championship in their match with Lincolnshire at Wardown Park, Luton, next Wednesday and Thursday.

Jarrett now lives at Catford and has captured many wickets in London club cricket this season. He qualifies for Bedfordshire by birth, and takes the place of H. Hayhurst in the County team.

There is one other change from the side that defeated Hertfordshire earlier this month. Opening batsman B. Martin, after missing that game because of a back injury, will reappear in place of M. L. Kilby.

The team in probable batting order is: G. L. B. August, B. Martin, R. L. Hills, J. G. Owen, J. A. R. Oliver (capt.), K. Brazier, N. S. Gunn, R. K. Costin, R. Davies, R. D. Gardiner, G. Jarrett.

David Hoar, Harpur Sports' young left-hand batsman, is twelfth man. Umpires are L. D'Arcy and S. H. Moore.

THIS YEAR'S SUCCESS

Bedfordshire have already defeated Lincolnshire this season, by 20 runs in their opening match at Sleaford. Since then they have beaten Hertfordshire by an innings and 67 runs at Hertford and taken first innings points from Cambridgeshire at Ely in a drawn match.

For their first two games of the week at Bedford School ground, against Cambridgeshire on 2nd and 3rd August, and Buckinghamshire on 4th and 5th August, Bedfordshire will field an unchanged side apart from the re-introduction of Hayhurst in place of Jarrett.

Two Bedford Town players, V. J. Harris and D. G. Jenkins, will be brought in against Hertfordshire on 6th and 7th August. Brazier and Hayhurst dropping out.

Twelfth man for all three matches is D. C. Eldridge, of Bedford School.

rounders in the world, is well on the way to completing the double of 1,000 runs and 100 wickets for the third successive season. He will bring six Northamptonshire players with him and local favourites are to complete his side.

County players on view will include Frank Tyson and Keith Andrew, who are said to be on the short list for the coming M.C.C. tour to Australia. F. R. Brown has described Tyson as the fastest bowler since Harold Larwood.

George August, Bedfordshire's vice-captain, hopes to include in his side Tom Clark (Surrey), Brian Disbury (Kent), and R. A. Gale (Bedford Modern School, The Army and Middlesex).

A cricket bat autographed by the Pakistan touring team is the prize for a competition, and a collection will be taken for the Playing Field Fund.

MARTIN'S 80 HELPS COUNTY TO WIN POINTS

NEXT WEEK'S SIDES

A lively third-wicket partnership between Owen and Martin which yielded 81 in 75 minutes, helped Bedfordshire to take first innings points from Lincolnshire in their Minor Counties game at Luton that ended during extra time last night.

Loss of three and a half hours' play because of rain, and slow scoring by Lincolnshire, who batted first, allowed time for only a battle for first innings lead.

Although Martin's 80 was the sheet-anchor of Bedfordshire's innings, Owen's 53 was perhaps the more valuable because of its briskness. He was also among the wickets again, taking five for 57.

Lincolnshire's slow scoring on Wednesday was difficult to understand and tedious to watch. The initiative was always with them, for the wicket was lifeless and Bedfordshire possessed only one pace bowler in Davies.

Todd, Lincolnshire's captain, gave the lead for the funeral pace; he scored 12 in his first hour at the wicket and was three hours reaching 50. Shaw, who also made a half-century, took two hours. Certainly the home County's fielding was keen and their bowlers kept the batsmen playing, but they must have been as tired and frustrated as the onlookers at the eternal presentation of a straight bat.

Another irritating feature of the Lincolnshire batting was the excessive use made of the pads. Here again, their captain was the chief culprit.

Seventeen-year-old Graham Jarrett, former Bedford Modern School spin bowler, enjoyed the satisfaction of taking a wicket in this, his first Minor Counties game.

He tosses the ball well up, and although he generally employed off-breaks it was a leg spinner that clean bowled Lascelles. He also troubled Todd more than once, and with Gunn and Costin, was the most impressive in the field.

RESUMPTION DELAYED

Owing to the wet state of the wicket the resumption yesterday was delayed 30 minutes, but within an hour Lincolnshire had lost their remaining six wickets for the addition of only 32. Owen and Davies shared the wickets equally at a cost of two runs and 18 respectively.

In the absence of a second pace bowler Gardiner again opened Bedfordshire's attack with Davies, who quickly had Todd caught by Hills, who dived full length to his left for a brilliant catch.

There was a more lively approach to run-getting by Lincolnshire and Watson promoted from number 10, flashed vigorously at Gardiner. But it was Davies who struck again, dismissing Longmote leg before.

The 200 was reached, but immediately Owen replaced Gardiner and off his second ball Hills stumped Esberger.

Davies who had been obtaining appreciable lift from the wicket, caused Cook to play on, and with the same total (209) Owen took the last two wickets in five balls.

BEDFORDSHIRE'S REPLY

Four and a half hours remained. August and Martin began Bedfordshire's reply without undue trouble, scoring chiefly in singles, but the last two balls of a Watson over gave Martin an on drive for three and August a hook for four.

Another drive by Martin, this time for a four, all run, was quickly followed by another hook to the boundary by August, and the 50 went up after 75 minutes.

Fifteen runs later, however, August was brilliantly caught by Tunstall at backward square leg, a diving one-handed effort which August himself applauded.

Hills survived only one over before touching a catch to the wicketkeeper (66 for two), and it was reassuring to see Owen take a confident single off his first ball.

Owen continued to enliven proceedings with some tip-and-run shots, interspersed with his characteristic pulls to leg, and he had galloped to 34 when Martin reached his 50.

At tea Bedford required only 82 for first innings lead with two hours remaining.

Owen quickly reached his 50 after tea, but three runs later skied a ball to the bowler. Watson, Gunn, strangely uncomfortable for him, was clean bowled after making only five, but Brazier began with two cuts to the boundary.

Then came a surprise when Martin had his leg stump uprooted. His 80 included five fours. Thirty-three were still required and Brazier and Oliver each played two maiden overs, with some concern before the lead was taken with four minutes of extra time gone.

LINCOLNSHIRE

First Innings	
E. M. Shaw c Martin b Owen	52
D. Taylor b Davies	4
J. R. C. Todd c Hills b Davies	73
R. Tunstall c Hills b Owen	15
R. P. Lascelles b Jarrett	24
A. Longmote lbw b Davies	5
J. G. Watson c Gardiner b Owen	14
R. Esberger c Hills b Owen	6
K. M. Cook b Davies	2
D. Pearce not out	0
J. A. Harmen at Hills b Owen	0
Extras	7
Total	209

Fall of wickets: 1-35, 2-79, 3-101, 4-153, 5-186, 6-191, 7-206, 8-209, 9-209, 10-209.

Bowling: Owen, 27.5-0, 6 m., 57 r. 5 w.; Davies, 31.5-65-4; Jarrett, 10-2-32-1; Gardiner, 19-10-32-0; Oliver, 7-2-16-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings	
G. L. B. August c Tunstall b Esberger	31
B. Martin b Harmen	80
R. L. Hills c Taylor b Cook	0
J. G. Owen c and b Watson	53
N. B. Gunn b Harmen	5
K. Brazier not out	2
J. A. R. Oliver not out	16
Total (for 5 wks.)	210

Fall of wickets: 1-65, 2-66, 3-147, 4-166, 5-177.

Bowling: J. Harmen, 28-9-66-2; Watson, 20-1-63-1; Esberger, 21-6-44-1; K. M. Cook, 9-0-33-1; D. G. Pearce, 2-1-4-0.

With Bedfordshire so well placed in the Minor Counties Championship—they were top at the beginning of this week—there should be good attendances for the County's three matches on the Bedford School ground next week, but much depends on the weather.

Opponents are Cambridgeshire on Monday and Tuesday, Buckinghamshire on Wednesday and Thursday, and Hertfordshire on Friday and Saturday.

For the first two games Bedfordshire have chosen the following side (in probable batting order): G. L. B. August, B. Martin, R. L. Hills (wicket-keeper), J. G. Owen, J. A. R. Oliver (capt.), K. Brazier, N. S. Gunn, R. K. Costin, R. Davies, R. D. Gardiner, and H. Hayhurst.

Two Bedford Town players, V. J. Harris and D. G. Jenkins, will be brought in against Hertfordshire in place of Brazier and Hayhurst.

F. K. Breeze, Bedford Town's pace bowler, was invited to play against Buckinghamshire, but he was not available.

Buckinghamshire will again be captained by B. A. Barnett, the Australian wicketkeeper, who appeared in four Test Matches against England in 1938. He played for Gentlemen against Players at Lord's recently, claiming five victims behind the wicket, four in the second innings.

Here are the visiting teams:

Cambridgeshire: M. A. Crouch (captain), R. Hawes, F. C. M. Alexander, R. Gaultrey, R. Jays, M. Kasapifal, R. A. Taylor, G. Thomas, R. Nunn (wicketkeeper), J. Godfrey, and J. Wilkerson.

Buckinghamshire: B. A. Barnett (capt. and wicketkeeper), K. Butler, D. F. Johns, J. A. Cockatt, G. Reynolds, R. Clements, B. J. Lucas, C. Pickett, D. Ball, C. Smith, and A. J. Hughes.

Hertfordshire: T. W. Tyrwhitt-Drake (capt.), L. C. Bateman, G. M. Ellis, G. Webb, D. J. Carnill, R. G. Simons (wicketkeeper), A. N. Bradsher, T. E. Morley, C. V. L. Marques, R. C. Hughes, and C. J. Higby.

Bedford Cricket Week

BEDFORD SCHOOL GROUND

By kind permission of the Head Master (C. M. E. Seaman, Esq., M.A.)

BEDFORDSHIRE v.

August Bank Holiday and Tuesday, 2nd and 3rd August

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Wed. & Thurs. 4th & 5th Aug.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

Friday & Sat. 6th & 7th Aug.

HERTFORDSHIRE

Price of admission to ground 1s. daily, od. after 4 p.m. Old-age pensioners and school-ova od. Pass-out tickets given. Refreshments and licensed bar will be available.

Hours of play: 1st day 11.30 to 7 p.m.; 2nd day 11 to 6 p.m.

FRANK CROMPTON Hon. Secretary

Match Number 76/4 Bedfordshire v Buckinghamshire

Played at Bedford School

on Wednesday 4, Thursday 5 August 1954

Result: **Bucks won by an innings and 23 runs**
 Points: Bucks 10
 Toss: Bucks
 Umpires: F Berry and WV Brown
 Bucks debutants: None
 First day score: Not known; Beds had two wickets down.

Buckinghamshire

G Reynolds	b Davies	6
* + BA Barnett	c Hayhurst b Owen	57
DFV Johns	b Davies	49
JA Cockett	c Costin b Gardiner	109
J Parton	b Davies	0
JMH Tilbury	b Gardiner	9
BJ Lucas	not out	100
CA Pickett	b Oliver	20
AJ Hughes	not out	0
D Ball		
C Smith		
Extras	b 4, lb 11	15
Total		for 7 dec 365

Fall of wickets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1st Innings	18	108	133	135	172	318	354			

Davies	22	1	69	3
Hayhurst	14	4	39	0
Gardiner	19	4	86	2
Owen	26	5	107	1
Oliver	9.1	0	49	1
Extras			15	
Total			365	

Bedfordshire

GLB August	c Reynolds b Hughes	57	1) c Barnett b Ball	48
B Martin	lbw b Johns	28	2) b Pickett	1
RL Hills	b Johns	3	7) not out	10
JG Owen	c Pickett b Hughes	58	4) lbw b Smith	2
* JAR Oliver	c Hughes b Pickett	28	5) b Ball	8
RK Costin	c Pickett b Johns	0	6) b Hughes	11
K Brazier	b Pickett	27	3) c Lucas b Ball	16
NS Gunn	b Pickett	0	8) c & b Hughes	1
R Davies	c Pickett b Smith	0	9) b Ball	3
H Hayhurst	b Pickett	3	10) lbw b Hughes	9
RD Gardiner	not out	4	11) c Parton b Hughes	2
Extras	b 5, lb 4, w 4	13	b 4, lb 2, nb 2	10
Total		221		121

Fall of wickets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1st Innings	53	59	145	150	153	203	209	210	216	221
2nd Innings	5	43	48	69	94	98	99	102	113	121

Ball	3	2	2	0		3)	12	0	52	4
Smith	18	5	45	1		2)	10	5	11	1
Pickett	20.3	8	36	4 4w		1)	11	2	31	1 2nb
Hughes	24	5	59	2		4)	6.4	1	17	4
Johns	27	8	62	3						
Reynolds	1	0	4	0						
Extras			13						10	
Total			221						121	

Notes: Cockett hit 8 x 4, Lucas 2 x 6 and 12 x 4, Barnett 4 x 4; August hit 2 x 4 and Owen 7 x 4
 Cockett and Lucas added 146 for the sixth wicket, believed to be a Bucks record.

Sources: Bucks score book; Bucks Year book

Latest revision: 24 April 2004 (DHM)

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE WERE TOO GOOD ALL ROUND

Their Brilliant Work in the Field

COUNTY'S HEAVY DEFEAT

Buckinghamshire, unbeaten this season in the Minor Counties Championship, added Bedfordshire, also previously unbeaten, to their list of victims, in the match at Bedford School—the second in the County Cricket Week—on Wednesday and Thursday.

After declaring with 365 runs for seven wickets, scored in 267 minutes on Wednesday, they twice dismissed Bedfordshire for 221 and 121, to win by an innings and 23 runs.

Buckinghamshire had the good fortune to obtain first use of an excellent wicket by winning the toss on Wednesday morning.

But pace bowler Roy Davies quickly administered a shock, clean bowling G. Reynolds with the fourth ball of his fifth over with only 18 runs scored.

D. F. Johns joined B. A. Barnett, the former Australian Test cricketer, and this pair quickly put a different complexion on the game. They took the score to 50 in as many minutes, but Barnett would have gone when he was 12 if Hayhurst had held a comparatively easy catch in the slips.

The lapse cost Bedfordshire dearly as the partnership went on to produce 90 runs. Barnett going on to score 57. Hayhurst, however, made amends by taking a brilliant catch on the boundary to send back the Buckinghamshire captain.

When lunch was taken Buckinghamshire were in the happy position of 126 for two, but within half an hour of the resumption they lost three more wickets for the addition of only 46 runs.

GLORIOUS HITTING

Davies captured two of them, clean bowling in the same over Johns when he was needing one for his half-century, and then J. Parton, who had failed to score. Gardiner claimed the other wicket, dismissing M. Tilbury (9) with a good length ball.

This brought Cockett and B. J. Lucas together in a prolific partnership. Both batsmen drove hard and they put on 135 runs in just over 90 minutes before ten. Lucas really opened his shoulders. He had eleven fiercely-driven fours and a six, while Cockett found the boundary seven times.

It was exhilarating batting in conditions, of course, beloved of batsmen. Davies (21 overs) and Owen (26 overs), who had borne the brunt of

the attack, got no help from the easy-paced pitch.

No one could stem the onslaught until Cockett fell to a catch by Costin off Gardiner, having scored 109. The partnership had yielded 146 runs in 87 minutes.

C. Pickett kept up the pressure, hitting 20 runs in quick time before he was bowled by the Bedfordshire skipper, Oliver.

With the score at 359 for seven, Lucas needed six more runs to reach his century. He delighted the crowd by doing so with one hit, the ball sailing high over the sight-screens. His 100 had taken only 106 minutes. Buckinghamshire then declared.

A GOOD START

Bedfordshire were left with 1hr. 50 min. batting time and G. L. B. August and B. Martin, in the first hour, scored pleasantly, if without hurry. August displaying some neat strokes.

They were separated, however, after 70 minutes with 53 runs scored. Martin (28) being out leg before. Six runs later Bedfordshire met with further disaster, R. L. Hills being well and truly beaten by Johns, who had also captured Martin's wicket.

Owen joined August and they added 41 runs in the remaining 25 minutes to make Bedfordshire's score 100 for two at the close, with August (40) and Owen (27) together.

Owen was soon off the mark when play was resumed yesterday finding the boundary with a crisp shot in the fourth over.

August who survived two lbw appeals, reached his 50 after half an hour with a neat drive through the covers, and Owen got his half-century after 35 minutes, thus adding 22 runs to his overnight total.

Disaster then struck. Hughes, with his slow off-breaks, captured two valuable wickets in successive overs. He had August snapped in the leg trap with the score at 145, and five runs later Owen was caught at silly mid-off by Pickett.

The partnership between August and Owen had realized 86 runs in 74 minutes.

IN SORE STRAITS

Costin was caught at forward short-leg, playing back to Johns, before he had scored. The wicket now appeared to be taking spin, and Oliver and Brazier exercised caution. Only 13 runs came in the next half an hour.

Pickett, Buckinghamshire's medium-fast bowler, took over from Hughes, and Brazier was six runs richer from his first over. Then he hit Johns for four.

When the 200 went up the new ball was taken, and with his first delivery Pickett had Oliver caught at backward shortleg.

Oliver's partnership with Brazier was worth exactly 50, Oliver having batted 75 minutes for his 28. Gunn had his stumps shattered by Pickett when 57 runs were still needed to save the follow-on. Another shock followed. R. Davies offered a difficult chance to Pickett at first slip, off Smith. It was accepted, and lunch was taken with the score at 210 for eight.

With only nine balls after the lunch interval Pickett finished off the Bedfordshire innings, bowling both Brazier and Hayhurst. The home County were 144 behind and the Buckinghamshire captain enforced the follow-on.

Pickett had bowled with a good deal of fire to take his four wickets at a cost of 38 runs.

THE LAST BLOWS

The second innings began. Pickett had Martin back in the pavilion with only five runs on the board, and then August and Brazier took the score along to 48. But then Brazier lobbed the ball to Lucas and Owen was "trapped in front" by Smith.

Buckinghamshire were now well on top, bowling and fielding with great spirit, and they met with further success when Ball sent Oliver's off stump flying.

With four wickets down, Bedfordshire were still 75 runs behind. George August had batted steadily on in the gathering gloom, but worse was to come. Bedfordshire suffered a triple blow when Costin, August, and then Gunn went in rapid succession. August, who had made 48, was brilliantly caught low down at the wicket by Barnett.

This left Hills and Davies together and Bedfordshire still needing 45 to escape an innings

defeat, but just on the tea interval Davies lost his wicket (102 for eight).

The remaining two wickets added only nineteen runs. Hughes ended with the splendid analysis of four for 17.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE First Innings

G. Reynolds	b Davies	6
B. A. Barnett	c Hayhurst b Owen	57
D. F. Johns	b Davies	49
J. A. Cockett	c Costin b Gardiner	109
J. Parton	b Davies	0
M. Tilbury	b Gardiner	0
B. J. Lucas	not out	100
C. Pickett	b Oliver	20
A. J. Hughes	not out	0
Extras		15
Total (for 7 wks., dec.)		365

Fall of wickets:	1-18, 2-108, 3-133, 4-135, 5-172, 6-318, 7-354.
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Bowling:	Davies, 22 o. 1 m. 69 r. 3 w.; Hayhurst, 14-4-39-0; Gardiner, 19-4-86-2; Owen, 26-5-107-1; Oliver, 9-0-49-1.
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BEDFORDSHIRE First Innings

G. L. B. August	c Reynolds b Hughes	57
B. Martin	lbw b Johns	24
R. L. Hills	b Johns	3
J. A. R. Owen	c Pickett b Hughes	58
R. K. Costin	c Pickett b Johns	28
K. Brazier	b Pickett	27
N. S. Gunn	b Pickett	0
R. Davies	c Pickett b Smith	0
H. Hayhurst	b Pickett	3
R. D. Gardiner	not out	3
Extras		15
Total		221

Fall of wickets:	1-53, 2-59, 3-145, 4-150, 5-153, 6-205, 7-209, 8-210, 9-216, 10-221.
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Bowling:	Pickett, 20-3-36-4; Smith, 18-5-45-1; Hughes, 24-5-39-2; Johns, 27-8-62-3; Reynolds, 1-0-4-0; Ball, 3-2-2-0.
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Second Innings

G. L. B. August	c Barnett b Ball	48
B. Martin	b Pickett	0
K. Brazier	c Lucas b Ball	1
J. G. Owen	lbw b Smith	16
J. A. R. Owen	b Ball	2
R. K. Costin	b Hughes	11
R. L. Hills	not out	11
N. S. Gunn	c and b Hughes	10
R. Davies	b Ball	1
H. Hayhurst	lbw b Hughes	3
R. D. Gardiner	c Parton b Hughes	2
Extras		10
Total		121

Fall of wickets:	1-53, 2-43, 3-142, 4-69, 5-94, 6-98, 7-99, 8-102, 9-115, 10-121.
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Bowling:	Pickett, 11-2-31-1; Smith, 10-3-11-1; Ball, 12-0-52-4; Hughes, 6-4-1-17-4.
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TO-DAY'S OPPONENTS

Bedfordshire's opponents today and to-morrow will be Hertfordshire, and two Bedford Town players, V. J. Harris and D. G. Jenkins, will be brought in in place of Brazier and Hayhurst.

Hertfordshire's probable team is: T. W. Tyrwhitt-Drake (capt.), L. C. Bateman, G. M. Ellis, G. F. Webb, D. J. Carnill, R. G. Simons (wicketkeeper), A. N. Bradbeer, T. E. Morley, C. V. L. Marques, R. C. Hughes, and C. J. Higby.

4 Hertfordshire 1954
 Herts v Beds Bedford School 6,7 August
 No Result Points 2
 Toss Umpires J Franklin & J Allen

CoP

Beds 1st innings

GLB August	run out		24	
B Martin	c Bradbeer	b Marques	20	
VG Harris	lbw	b Morley	37	
JG Owen	c Simons	b Morley	65	(6x4s)
+RL Hills	lbw	b Marques	8	
*JAR Oliver	not out		44	
RK Costin		b Morley	0	
NS Gunn	not out		46	
R Davies	d n b			
KG Jenkins	d n b			
RD Gardiner	d n b			
Extras	Leg byes 2, no balls 2		4	
Total	6 wickets dec	90 overs	248	

FoW 1-36 (2), 2-49 (1), 3-126 (3), 4-150 (5), 5-169 (4), 6-169 (7)

Bowling

Marques	22	6	73	2	Bradbeer	6	1	14	0
Hughes	21	4	58	0	Carnill	1	0	6	0
Higby	16	2	47	0	Tyrwhitt-Drake	1	0	5	0
Morley	23	9	41	3					

Herts 1st innings

*TW Tyrwhitt-Drake		b Jenkins	2
LC Bateman	not out		7
GM Ellis	not out		2
DJ Carnill, TL Clough ?, AN Bradbeer, +RG Simons	d n b		
TG Morley, CVL Marques, RC Hughes, CJ Higby	d n b		
Extras			0
Total	1 wicket	8 overs	11

FoW 1-6 (1)

Bowling

Davies	4	1	6	0
Jenkins	4	2	5	1

Herts scorebook

ENDED IN A DRAW

The Week opened with a game on Monday and Tuesday against Cambridgeshire, and it ended in a draw. Cambridgeshire taking first innings points.

Mistakes in the field on Monday made the task of Bedfordshire a good deal harder than it need have been. Scores:

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

First Innings

M. Crouch (capt.) c Costin b Davies	4
R. Hawes c Martin b Gardiner	37
F. C. M. Alexander b Hayhurst	9
M. Kasidillal c Martin b Hayhurst	41
R. A. Gautry c Owen b Gardiner	16
R. E. G. Jeeps b Gardiner	42
R. A. Taylor not out	55
G. Thomas c Owen b Oliver	11
J. Wilkerson st Hills b Gardiner	8
J. Godfrey not out	12
Extras	9

Total (for 8 wks., dec.) 244
R. Nunn did not bat.

Bowling: R. Davies, 21 overs, 4 maidens, 51 runs, 1 wicket; H. Hayhurst, 24-4-49-2; J. G. Owen, 18-3-49-0; J. A. R. Oliver, 11-1-36-1; R. D. Gardiner, 32-13-52-4.

Fall of wickets: 1-6, 2-23, 3-93, 4-93, 5-134, 6-162, 7-187, 8-200.

Second Innings

M. Crouch c Martin b Davies	2
R. Hawes b Davies	0
F. C. M. Alexander b Davies	0
M. Kasidillal b Davies	4
R. Gautry c and b Hayhurst	32
R. E. G. Jeeps b Davies	0
R. A. Taylor not out	7
G. Thomas b Hayhurst	0
R. Nunn b Oliver	1
Extras	4

Total (for 8 wks., dec.) 50

Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-0, 3-4, 4-7, 5-7, 6-47, 7-47, 8-50.

Bowling: Davies, 13-6-14-3; Hayhurst, 13-7-16-2; Owen, 4-0-12-0; Gardiner, 4-2-4-0; Oliver, 2-0-0-1.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

O. L. B. August b Wilkerson	30
B. Martin c Nunn b Godfrey	0
R. L. Hills c Godfrey, b Thomas	7
K. Brazier b Wilkerson	3
J. A. R. Oliver c and b Taylor	50
J. G. Owen c Alexander b Taylor	13
R. K. Costin c Alexander b Taylor	23
N. S. Gunn not out	0
R. Davies lbw b Godfrey	1
H. Hayhurst not out	7
Extras	8

Total (for 8 wks., dec.) 146

Fall of wickets: 1-4, 2-26, 3-36, 4-37, 5-41, 6-133, 7-138, 8-139.

Bowling: Wilkerson, 27-7-53-2; Godfrey, 37-12-52-2; Thomas, 10-4-14-1; Taylor, 8-2-0-19-3.

Second Innings

O. L. B. August lbw b Taylor	12
B. Martin not out	9
K. Brazier c Jeeps b Crouch	1
R. K. Costin c Gautry b Jeeps	3
Extras	1

Total (for 3 wks.) 26

Fall of wickets: 1-15, 2-16, 3-26.

Bowling: Taylor, 4-0-14-1; Crouch, 3-2-1-1; Jeeps, 1-1-0-2-1.

THRILLING BOWLING BY DAVIES

Sensational fast bowling by Roy Davies, Luton's South African, completely transformed Tuesday's play against Cambs. It ranked with the finest pace bowling seen on the ground for years, and Cambridgeshire were thunderstruck as the stumps flew in all directions. Let the figures tell the story. Two wickets for 0 runs, three for 4 runs, and four and five for 7. All in thirty deliveries, and all bowled neck and crop. Every over of Davies was applauded by a crowd which richly appreciated the turn of fortune brought by the fiery Lutonian, who bowled not for catches but every ounce of him at the stumps.

Hoar, Millman, Jarrett In County Team

David Hoar, the 20-year-old Harpur Sports left-hand batsman and George Millman, the 19-year-old Casuals and Bedford Thursday batsman-wicketkeeper, will make their debut for Bedfordshire in the Minor Counties Competition when they visit Buckinghamshire at Ascot Park, Wing, next Wednesday and Thursday

Seventeen-year-old Graham ground and pavilion at Goldington Bury.

Jarrett, former Bedford Modern School spin bowler, who lives at Calford and figures in London club cricket, is also in Bedfordshire's team, having played in one previous championship game—against Lincolnshire at Luton last month.

Both Jarrett and Millman were born at Bedford; Hoar, a native of Maldstone, has lived in the town for the last ten years.

Another change in the side is the inclusion of that accomplished batsman, Sid Morris, who will thus make his first appearance for the County this season. The team in probable batting order is:

G. L. B. August, R. W. Street, V. J. Harris, S. T. Morris, J. G. Owen, J. A. R. Oliver (capt.), D. Hoar, G. Millman, R. Davies, R. D. Gardiner, G. Jarrett.

BIG DROP IN TAKINGS

The big drop in takings at Bedfordshire's four home championship matches, caused chiefly by the weather, has prompted several supporters to give their practical help.

Receipts of £158 8s. 6d. at the three games at Bedford School last week are lower than last year's figure by £93 18s. 9d.

Match-by-match details of takings during the week were: v. Cambridgeshire, £40 9s. 6d. (compared with £102 9s. on the corresponding Bank Holiday in 1953), and £32 13s.; v. Buckinghamshire, £37 12s. 6d. and £27; v. Hertfordshire, £8 11s. and £13 2s. 3d.

Income from the game with Lincolnshire at Luton last month shows a reduction of £47 4s. on the 1953 amount.

Despite these setbacks, however, the County Club has given £25 to Bedford Town Cricket Club's fund to provide a new

Because of rain only five hours' play was possible in Bedfordshire's final game of the week at Bedford School, against Hertfordshire last Friday and Saturday, and there was no result.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

G. L. B. August run out	24
B. Martin c Bradbeer b Marques	20
V. J. Harris lbw b Morley	37
J. G. Owen c Simons b Morley	65
R. L. Hills lbw b Marques	8
J. A. R. Oliver not out	44
R. K. Coats b Morley	0
N. S. Gunn not out	46
Extras	4

Total (for six wks. dec.) 248

R. Davies, D. G. Jenkins, and R. D. Gardiner did not bat.

Fall of wickets: 1-36, 2-49, 3-126, 4-130, 5-169, 6-169.

Bowling: C. V. L. Marques 22-6-73-2; R. C. Hughes 21-4-58-0; C. J. Higby 16-2-47-0; T. Morley 23-9-41-3; A. N. Bradbeer 6-1-14-0; D. J. Carnill 1-0-6-0; T. W. Tyrwhitt-Drake 1-0-5-0.

HERTFORDSHIRE

First Innings

T. W. Tyrwhitt-Drake b Jenkins	2
L. C. Bateman not out	7
G. M. Ellis not out	2

Total (for one wkt.) 11

G. F. Webb, D. J. Carnill, R. G. Simons, A. N. Bradbeer, T. E. Morley, C. V. L. Marques, R. C. Hughes, and C. J. Higby did not bat.

Fall of wicket: 1-6.

Bowling: R. Davies 4-1-6-0; D. G. Jenkins 4-2-5-1.

Match Number 111/9 Buckinghamshire v Bedfordshire

Played at Ascott Park, Wing
on Wednesday 18, Thursday 19 August 1954

Result: **Match drawn: no result**
Points: Bucks 2, Beds 2
Toss: Bucks
Umpires: Not known
Bucks debutants: CW Hartley
First day score: As score. No play on second day

Buckinghamshire

H Taylor	c Oliver b Owen	26
* + BA Barnett	b Davies	9
JA Cockett	b Davies	18
CW Hartley	c Oliver b Owen	22
BJ Lucas	lbw b Gardiner	2
JMH Tilbury	b Gardiner	2
J Parton	b Owen	3
KWA Butler	b Gardiner	0
D Rickard	c Millman b Davies	11
AJ Hughes	b Davies	1
C Smith	not out	13
Extras	b 1, lb 1	2
Total		109

Fall of wickets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1st Innings	10	38	75	79	79	84	84	85	86	109

Davies	20.1	9	28	4
Oliver	6	1	24	0
Gardiner	21	7	46	3
Owen	7	4	9	3
Extras			2	
Total			109	

Bedfordshire

GLB August	c Cockett b Rickard	0
RW Street	not out	17
ST Morris	c Hughes b Rickard	0
JG Owen	not out	19
* JAR Oliver		
+ G Millman		
R Davies		
RD Gardiner		
AN Other		
AN Other		
AN Other		
Extras	lb 1, w 1, nb 4	6
Total		42

Fall of wickets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1st Innings	0	0								

Rickard	8	3	22	2 1w
Smith	7	3	5	0 4nb
Hughes	3	1	8	0
Butler	3	2	1	0
Extras			6	
Total			42	

Notes: The match did not start until 2.35 and there was no play on the second day.
Sources: Bucks score book, Bucks Year Book
Latest revision: 25 April 2004 (DHM)

8 players
DJF Hoare &
GM Jarrett also
definitely played
according to Beds end
of season averages.
11th player is P. Smith
as he played a match
to averages and that
is the only game
without 11 players.

COUNTY HALTED BY RAIN AFTER ROUTING BUCKS

After an interesting day's cricket on Wednesday which ended with Bedfordshire well placed to gain first innings points over Buckinghamshire, rain prevented any play at all yesterday at Ascott Park, Wing, and so the County's last Minor Counties game of the season was abandoned as a draw.

At close of play on Wednesday Bedfordshire needed 68 runs for first innings lead with eight wickets in hand.

The state of the pitch prevented a start until after lunch on Wednesday, and when Buckinghamshire batted Luton Town footballer, Roy Davies struck an early blow.

In his first over he claimed the wicket of Barnett, the Buckinghamshire captain, who, after hitting boundaries from the first two balls, chopped a swinging ball from Davies on to his stumps.

With the score at 38, Davies clean bowled Cockett, but at the tea interval Buckinghamshire had taken the score to 75 for the loss of one more wicket.

Then came a dramatic turn in the game. Spinners Owen and Gardiner both hit an immaculate length, and in a matter of minutes five more Buckinghamshire batsmen were back in the pavilion for only 10 runs.

They included opening batsman Taylor, who had taken an hour and threequarters over a painstaking 26.

Fast bowler Davies was a constant menace to the Buckinghamshire batsmen, getting real life from the rain-sodden pitch, and he claimed the last two wickets to put Buckinghamshire all out for 109.

The Bedfordshire innings opened as disastrously as the Buckinghamshire innings had closed, for after the very first over both August and Morris were out without score, victims of consecutive balls from Buckinghamshire pace-bowler Rickard. Street and Owen stayed together until the close, however, when Bedfordshire were 42 for two.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

First Innings

H. Taylor c Oliver b Owen	26
B. A. Barnett b Davies	9
J. A. Cockett b Davies	13
C. Hartley c Oliver b Owen	22
B. J. Lucas lbw Gardiner	2
M. Tilbury b Gardiner	2
J. Parton b Owen	3
K. W. Butler b Gardiner	0
D. Rickard c Millman b Davies ..	11
A. J. Hughes b Davies	1
C. Smith not out	15
Extras	2

Total 109

Bowling: R. Davies four for 28;
R. Gardiner three for 46; J. G.
Owen three for 9; J. A. R. Oliver
0 for 24.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

G. I. B. August c Cockett b	0
R. Rickard	0
R. W. Street not out	17
S. T. Morris c Hughes b Rickard	0
J. G. Owen not out	19
Extras	6

Total (for two wickets) 42

COUNTY'S GREATER SUCCESS THAN IN 1953

Bedfordshire are almost certain to finish 11th among a total of 26 teams in the Minor Counties Competition. This is the highest place attained since 1950 when the County were runners-up for the second time in three years.

The improvement on the position of 18th last season has been achieved despite the weather which, incidentally, is largely the reason why match receipts show a reduction of £200 on the total for 1953.

Rain seriously interfered with four of the eight games, particularly the last two—against Hertfordshire at Bedford and Buckinghamshire at Wing—which were both abandoned without a result on the first innings being obtained.

Bedfordshire made a promising start to the season, gaining 26 points out of 40 from their first four games. They beat Lincolnshire at Sleaford and Hertfordshire at Hertford, and won on the first innings in drawn matches with Cambridgeshire at Ely and Lincolnshire at Luton.

Consequently the County led the table at the start of the week at Bedford School.

Buckinghamshire's captain, B. A. Barnett, who was Australia's Test wicket keeper in 1938. Street played a most sensible innings after the first two wickets had fallen for no runs.

Here is a summary of the matches:

	1st inns.	2nd inns.
Bedfordshire	224	132-2*
Lincolnshire	207	129
At Sleaford.	Won by 20 runs.	
Bedfordshire	288	92-4*
Cambridgeshire	205	109-5
At Ely.	Won on 1st innings.	
Bedfordshire	154-5*	—
Hertfordshire	110	157
At Hertford.	Won by innings and 67 runs.	
Lincolnshire	209	—
Bedfordshire	210-5	—
At Luton.	Won on 1st innings.	
Rain.		
Cambridgeshire	244-8*	50-8
Bedfordshire	146-8*	26-3
At Bedford	Lost on 1st innings.	
Rain.		
Buckinghamshire	365-7	—
Bedfordshire	221	121
At Wing.	Lost by innings and 23 runs.	
Bedfordshire	248-6*	—
Hertfordshire	11-1	—
At Bedford.	Abandoned rain. No result.	
Buckinghamshire	109	—
Bedfordshire	42-2	—
At Wing	Abandoned rain. No result.	

(* Innings declared closed)

Record: Played 8, won 2, lost 1, won on first innings 2, lost on first innings 1, no result 2.

To Lose Services of Davies

Bedfordshire's fast bowler, Roy Davies, has signified his intention of returning to South Africa next year. Davies, a native of Port Elizabeth, has enjoyed a most successful season for the County and was awarded his cap in June. He is Luton Town F.C.'s outside right.

The three fixtures there, however, yielded a mere three points out of 30.

The only defeat was inflicted by Buckinghamshire at Bedford, and it is a noteworthy fact that in the nine seasons since the war Bedfordshire have lost only six of their 72 championship matches.

Partial revenge at least might have been gained in the return fixture with Buckinghamshire last week but for rain.

In this game, incidentally, D. Hoar and G. Millman made their debut for Bedfordshire in championship cricket, and two other young players, R. W. Street and G. Jarrett, re-appeared.

Millman's work behind the stumps earned praise from

RECORD FOR COUNTY

Eight Bedfordshire players, five batsmen and three bowlers, qualify for the Minor Counties averages, a record for the County.

J. G. Owen, at the age of 45, enjoyed another splendid season as an all-rounder, and the fast bowling of Roy Davies was another highlight. Here are the averages:

BATTING

	Inns	Not out	Runs	Hgst inn	Avg
J. G. Owen	10	2	434	170*	54.25
J. A. R. Oliver	9	3	282	84	47.00
G. L. B. August	12	0	336	81	28.00
B. Martin	10	1	249	80	27.66
R. K. Costin	9	2	175	39*	25.00
K. Brazier	7	1	127	41	21.16
R. L. Hills	9	2	147	55	21.00
N. S. Gunn	9	4	81	46*	16.20
R. D. Gardiner	4	2	28	20*	14.00
Roy Davies	6	0	45	23	7.50

Also batted: D. G. Jenkins 0, 10; M. L. Kilby 9; H. Hayhurst 7, 3; V. J. Harris 37; R. W. Street 17*; S. T. Morris 0.

D. Hoar, G. Millman and P. Smith did not bat.

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING

	O	M	R	W	Avg
Roy Davies	229	5	51	514	33 13.57
J. G. Owen	196	2	43	509	31 16.41
R. Gardiner	182	63	367	22	16.68

Also bowled: H. Hayhurst, 4 for 15; J. A. R. Oliver, 3 for 148; D. G. Jenkins, 2 for 107; G. Jarrett, 1 for 32.

STUMPINGS

R. L. Hills 6

CATCHES

R. L. Hills 13, N. S. Gunn 5, J. A. R. Oliver, G. L. B. August, B. Martin and J. G. Owen 4 each, R. K. Costin, R. D. Gardiner and H. Hayhurst 2 each, M. L. Kilby, Roy Davies, G. Millman and K. Brazier 1 each.

M.C.C. CONGRATULATE COUNTY CRICKETERS

100 Appearances of Oliver and August Recognized

Described by Mr. Frank Crompton as a "very rare distinction", a letter signed by Mr. Ronnie Aird, Secretary of M.C.C., was read at the annual meeting of Bedfordshire County Cricket Club at the Shire Hall, Bedford, last Friday.

The letter congratulated the County's Captain, John Oliver, and Vice-Captain, George August, on completing one hundred appearances in Minor Counties matches for Bedfordshire.

Mr. Aird wrote: "The M.C.C. are very conscious of the good done for the game by the Minor Counties and of the manner in which games in the Minor Counties championship are played. This fine record is one which the M.C.C. would not like to pass unrecognized. This is a great performance in Minor Counties Cricket and will I hope be an inspiration to others in the future."

It will be recalled that Oliver played his 100th game on 5th August and the Vice-Captain two days later. Oliver had then scored 4,078 runs and taken 137 wickets, and August had scored 4,629 runs

"A HAPPY SIDE"

Mr. August himself proposed Mr. Oliver as Captain for next year saying that under his leadership the County had risen seven or eight places last season in the Minor Counties table. More important, it had been a very happy side and the cricket thoroughly enjoyable. Mr. Oliver was unanimously re-elected as was Mr. August for the vice-captaincy.

Commenting on the statement of accounts in the absence of the Honorary Treasurer Mr. S. A. Swift, Mr. Crompton said that like all other counties, Bedfordshire had suffered financial loss through the bad weather. "We have come off very lightly, however," said Mr. Crompton, and instanced Staffordshire who had not taken £100 last season.

The County's loss had been only about £103, and since the end of the season they had been "fighting" to get new subscribers. They had also received their share from the Test Match pool's £171, which was not shown in the accounts.

The annual report expressed the hope that A. G. Coomo would be fit enough to return to the County XI next season for the bowling still required strengthening. The young players tried in 1954 encouraged the hope that future prospects were most promising.

YOUTH COACHING

In regard to youth cricket coaching Mr. Crompton said Mr. B. Howe, a master at Stratton School had secured an advanced certificate, and Mr. M. M. Henderson, of the County Education Department, a proficiency certificate at the

M.C.C. Cricket Coaching School.

The Education Committee in conjunction with the Central Council of Physical Recreation, would organize lectures and demonstrations for Bedford and District early in the new year with Mr. Tom Clark, the Surrey and former Bedfordshire player, and Mr. Howe in charge. It was also hoped to cover Biggleswade, Amptill, and Leighton Buzzard in the same way.

Major Simon Whitbread was re-elected Patron and other officers elected were: President, Sir Richard Allen; Chairman, Mr. H. R. Neate; Vice-Chairman, Mr. W. W. Corfield; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Crompton (for the 30th year); Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Swift; Hon. Auditors, Mr. R. Symonds and Mr. G. Oxland; Hon. Scorer, Mr. A. W. H. Poole.

Mr. F. Thorogood withdrew from the General Committee and was replaced by Mr. J. Nightingale, and Mr. C. H. Poole also gave up as Hon. Umpire. Mr. L. Blake, of Leighton Buzzard being appointed in his place. Among several new Vice-Presidents elected was Mrs. Frank Crompton, wife of the Hon. Secretary.

RUGBY CLUB HAD INCONSISTENT SEASON

Difficulty of Fielding Settled Combination

In a season necessarily fraught with team experiments, Bedford Rugby Club have acquitted themselves fairly well in finishing with a credit record of played 33, won 19, drawn 1, lost 13, for 362, against 311.

True, the figures are a little inferior to last season, and the margin between points for and against the least of any year since the war. But a record which includes a double over Coventry, and wins over the R.A.F., Army, and Leicester, cannot be written off as a poor one.

The story of 1953-54 must begin with a reference to those who did not play rather than those who did. The loss of one or two key players was expected, but not the wholesale disappearance of such notables as Fletcher, Haynes, Oakley, Furbank, Spence, Hoppé, and Huntley, among others.

Early games obviously had to be used in sorting out the best talent—in all 54 players have worn the Town colours—and it was not until late November that a serviceable combination was evolved. Even then it was not a settled team by reason of the fact that several positions were occupied by locally stationed airmen who could not by reason of their duties always be relied upon.

HALF-BACK PROBLEM

Filling the gaps at half-back was the most pressing problem and one which has not been fully solved all season. Miller was naturally expected to take on Haynes' role, but in early games New Zealander Jack Graham was played at fly-half and Miller employed as utility man at full-back or threequarter. Later Graham was troubled with fibrositis, so Miller reverted to fly-half, and the acquisition of Brookman from Northampton solved the full-back position.

Norwood, Thomas, J. B. Davies, and P. Smith followed one another at scrum-half, and while none has been lacking in endeavour or pluck, there is no doubting the smoothness of the Haynes-Fletcher partnership has not been attained, with obvious consequences. The halves, however, have not been wholly responsible for the side's disappointing displays. There has been a noticeable slowness in heeling, the ball sticking far too long in the middle and back rows.

This is no new fault with Bedford. One remembers the many knocks the experienced Fletcher took behind the scrum, and certainly this facet of the game demands immediate attention and constant practice.

Criticism has been levelled at Miller for too much kicking and at the centres for too few breaks. But both these must follow if heeling is slow.

"IN AND OUT"

The season, therefore, has been very much "in and out." Only four wins from the opening twelve games reflected the selectors' choppings and changings. Then came reward for their efforts with the magnificent run of nine successive victories, which translated a record of won 4, lost 8, for 116, against 181, into won 13, lost 8, for 240, against 211.

Here were some grand games, with team-work the spring-board of success and all 15 players geared to brisk and purposeful attack.

Then came the frost and the cancellation of the Oxford University, London Welsh, and Headingly fixtures. The enforced lay-off proved fatal. Moseley just wrested away the coveted winning run (19-17), and the remainder of the season saw only flashes of the Town's previous form.

The two wins over Coventry, and the 22-5 hammering of Leicester at Goldington Road on 23rd January will go down as the greatest achievements, while the two defeats by Northampton and the 33-3 trouncing by Cambridge—the biggest set-back since the war—as the chief disappointments.

LOOKING AHEAD

What of next season? Here one wanders into the realm of fancy because the comings and goings of Rugger players are not bound by the professional ties of other sports. Brookman is firmly established at full-back, and Towell (next season's captain), Micklewright (due for release from the R.A.F. but hopeful of settling locally), and Whiting form the nucleus of the three-quarter line. Powell has left the R.A.F. and returned to Wales, but Wynn Jones is still at Henlow. Can one hope that he—or Leicester's George Cullen, who joins the staff of Bedford Modern School next September—will occupy the other centre berth?

Miller no doubt will continue at fly-half, but his partner remains problematical. Davies is engaged with examinations and his future uncertain.

Of the forwards, Cambridge University trio MacKenzie, Massey, and Price will not be so readily available. MacKenzie goes on to St. Bartholomew's Hospital and Massey to St. Mary's. Price, also, is understood to be going down. All have been happy with the club, however, and there seems every likelihood they will not sever their playing connexion.

To the other forwards—Bance, Webb, Collingridge, T. Davies, McCarthy, Marshall, and Mee, who have given such excellent service—one can add the names of Barrow, Franklin, Pack, and Nicholson, who did well in their brief outings for the Town. Nicholson has recently been playing for the Athletic Extra 1st after his most unfortunate injury in Bedford's first game of the season.

Another forward who may throw in his lot with the Town is R. E. Hardham, the O.B.M. and former Sale player.

But other local talent must be found and encouraged. It should be nursed along in the

Wanderers, whose team-raising difficulties and poor playing record this season have been no good augury for the future.

One will look to club officials, and also to Towell, Fletcher, and Cullen—all of whom will have under their hands the youngsters of the County next season—to keep Bedford in the forefront of the Rugby world.

BANCE HONOURED

Whatever the record Bedford players have been very much in demand for representative games.

To John Bance came the crowning honour to an illustrious career with his selection for England against Scotland in March. Bance has hardened over the captaincy to Towell next season, but he can rest in the knowledge of three years' honest service.

Towell played in the first England Trial after nearly beating the All Blacks on his own at fly-half for Midland Counties, and he received further recognition of his talents

by his selection for Mr. R. I. Scorer's International XV this week.

Peter Collingridge was Bedford's other representative in the Midland Counties team against the All Blacks, and he also met the Tourists playing for Combined Services. He again made the R.A.F. team, as did Powell.

Bance and Towell played in four East Midland games, Collingridge in three, and Whiting, Powell, Miller, Brookman, and Marshall in one each.

Webb and Graham played regularly for Hertfordshire, and Micklewright for Kent. Webb and Graham also met the All Blacks playing for Southern Counties, and T. Davies represented Hertfordshire. Massey was in the front row for Cambridge against Oxford in the Varsity match.

Two other features of a busy season were the staging of the first County semi-final at Goldington Road—a great success apart from the game's result—and the distinguished gathering of Rugby footballers, past and present, at the Club's dinner, which was revived after a gap of several years.

WHITING TOP SCORER

Finally the statistics. A healthy feature this season has been that wingers Whiting and Micklewright are far and away the leading try-scorers. Whiting obtained 18—one more than his previous best in the 1931-52 season—and at one stage looked like setting up a post-war record. But though his 18 equalled Oakley's best (in the 1948-49 season), McLean, with 23 in 1951-52, still leads.

The full list of scorers is as follows (C = conversion, D = dropped goal, P = penalty goal, T = try):—

Whiting, 54 points (13 T); Brookman, 42 (9 C, 8 P); Micklewright, 39 (13 T); Graham, 39 (9 C, 5 P, 2 T); Miller, 30 (3 C, 6 D, 2 P); Webb 21 (7 T); Towell, 18 (1 D, 5 T); Collingridge, 18 (6 T); Wynn-Williams, 12 (3 C, 1 P, 1 T); Wilks, 11 (1 C, 2 P, 1 T); Powell, 9 (3 T); Wynn Jones, 9 (3 T); T. Davies, 9 (3 T); Haynes, 7 (2 C, 1 T); MacKenzie, 6 (2 T); Mee, 6 (2 T); Feazey, 6 (2 T); Marshall, 6 (2 T); McCarthy, 3 (1 T); Bance, 3 (1 T); Barrow, 3 (1 T); Ralphs, 3 (1 T); Kingsley, 3 (1 P); P. Smith, 3 (1 T); Coomb, 2 (1 C).

The make-up of Bedford's points and those of their opponents reveals an inferiority

in place-kicking. Of 76 tries scored, Bedford converted only 28. Their opponents obtained 67 tries, 34 of which were goaled.

Out of a total of 33 games, Webb, Miller, and McCarthy top the list of appearances with 31 each, followed by Hale (30), Whiting (28), Marshall (27), Bance (26), Towell (24), Micklewright (19), T. Davies (18), Brookman (17), Mee (16), Graham (15), Collingridge (12), J. B. Davies, Thomas, MacKenzie (11), Massey, Wynn-Williams, Norwood (9), Feazey, Wynn Jones, Ralphs, Price, and Powell (7).

Bedford Rugby Fixture List for 1954-55

Mr. E. M. King, Honorary Secretary of Bedford R.U.F.C., who has been arranging the Club's fixtures since 1927, has again obtained an attractive list for the 1954-55 season.

All the leading fixtures are retained, there being four changes from the season just concluded: Penarth, Birkenhead Park, and London and Durham Universities coming on for The Army, Edinburgh University, Bradford, and Rugby. The latter replaced Rosslyn Park who withdrew owing to a clash of fixtures, but the Park come on again next season.

Penarth and London University will be making their first visits to Bedford since the war. Of the 37 fixtures 26 are at home.

There is one vacant date (11th December) which Mr. King is endeavouring to fill. This is due to the East Midlands v. Notts., Lincs., and Derby game originally fixed for that date at Bedford having been switched to mid-week recently. East will also play Warwickshire in mid-week and possibly Leicestershire, but North Midlands still favour a Saturday game. Dates for these matches are not yet finalized.

The full list is:—

Sept.	4—Leicester	a
	11—Metropolitan Police	h
	18—Nottingham	h
	23—Richmond	h
Oct.	2—Oleicester	h
	9—London Hospital	a
	16—Guy's Hospital	h
	23—London Scottish	h
	27—Cambridge University	a
	30—London University	h
Nov.	6—Old Merchant Taylors	h
	13—Rosslyn Park	h
	20—Northampton	h
	27—Manchester	h
Dec.	4—Coventry	h
	11—	h
	18—St. Mary's Hospital	h
	27—Old Paulines	h
	28—Penarth	h
Jan.	1—U.S. (Portsmouth)	e
	8—Old Alleynians	h
	15—Sale	h
	22—Leicester	h
	29—Oxford University	a
Feb.	5—London Welsh	a
	12—Headingly	h
	19—Moseley	h
	26—Plymouth Albion	a
March	5—Royal Air Force	h
	12—Harlequins	h
	19—Northampton	a
	26—Blackheath	a
April	2—Bristol	a
	9—Durham University	h
	11—Old Blues	h
	16—Coventry	a
	23—Bath	h
	30—Birkenhead Park	h

Seventh Year as First-Class Umpire

Mr. Kenneth McCanlis, of Bedford, will start his seventh season as a first-class umpire to-morrow, when he "stands" for the match between Surrey and Warwickshire at The Oval. This game, incidentally, is to be televised, and it is interesting to note that in Surrey's team will be Tom Clark, who played with Mr. McCanlis for Bedfordshire in the Minor Counties Championship in 1946.

Altogether Mr. McCanlis has been allotted 26 fixtures this season, and the fourth one—



Leicestershire v. Worcestershire at Leicester, starting on 19th May—will be the 150th first-class match he has umpired.

Two of the Pakistan touring team's fixtures are on his list—one against Cambridge University at Fenner's on 12th, 13th and 14th May, and the other against Yorkshire at Sheffield on 26th, 28th and 29th June.

It was in 1948 that Mr. McCanlis was placed on the first-class list, filling a vacancy caused by the resignation of the late Mr. Fred Root. He umpired Gentlemen v. Players at Lord's in 1950, and the University Match in 1950 and 1952.

TOWN AT STRENGTH

Bedford Town make only one change from last week's side for to-morrow's home game with Tring Park (2.30 p.m.), C. F. Sabey replacing B. J. Maries. Team:—

G. L. B. August, S. T. Morris, E. C. Howard, B. E. Disbury, D. G. Jenkins, V. J. Harris, F. K. Breeze, C. G. Jones, C. F. Sabey, W. Peet, P. H. Humphreys.

LIONS FIELD TWO XIS

On Saturday, Gentlemen of the Lion field a 2nd XI for the first time, visiting Henlow. The 1st XI entertain A.C. Sphinx II in Bedford Park (2.45 p.m.). Team:—

I. Williamson, D. Reeder, R. W. G. Dynea, J. Boisford, J. R. Mee, A. J. Fraser, C. Ogilvie, P. L. Manship, J. Murray-Clarke, G. C. Leadley and R. Donaldson.

TOWN II DRAW AT VAUXHALL

Barcock and Hall in Good Stand

A good sixth-wicket partnership between E. F. Barcock and M. Hall enabled Bedford II to draw with Vauxhall II at Vauxhall on Saturday after four wickets had fallen for 65 runs.

Vauxhall batted first, amassing the useful total of 186 for four declared off 37 overs. Adams (44) and Baker (not out 49) were particularly severe, and 96 of the runs came from boundary strokes.

The Town II's began well enough, Suckley and Hollis putting on 43 in an opening stand. But the second wicket fell at 50, the third at 59, and the fourth at 65. Then Barcock and Hall took control, exactly doubling the score, and the game was safely drawn.

Vauxhall II: A. Adams 44, R. Tompkins 22, C. Short 24, S. Ruffell 5, J. Baker not out 49, C. Humphries not out 27, extras 13, total (for four wkts. dec.) 186.—Hollis two for 18, Andrews one for 28, Linger one for 37.

Bedford II: M. Suckley 25, B. Hollis 17, J. Woodliff 14, E. J. Draper 1, E. Nell 5, E. F. Barcock not out 25, M. Hall 20, G. S. Andrews not out 0, extras 20, total (for six wkts.) 154.—C. H. Dixon, R. D. Linger and C. D. H. Barnes did not bat.—E. Parkin three for 25, Short one for 26, B. Gilbert one for 28.

Old Warden's Captain Hits Half-Century

Old Warden and Ampthill played a draw at Old Warden on Saturday, Ampthill being 29 runs short of the home side's total of 123 with two wickets in hand at close.

The game was marked by a fine half century from Old Warden's captain, R. Bayliss, who also took three Ampthill wickets for 18 runs.

Old Warden: R. Bayliss 54, J. Cooper 7, G. Gilbert 1, E. Bennett 15, G. Berridge 15, E. Cooper 19, W. Childs 0, D. Berridge 5, E. Sanderson 0, J. Berridge not out 1, F. Dilley 3, extras 7, total 123.—R. Dillingham four for 17, J. Stokes four for 41.

Ampthill: I. Rogers 34, S. Pavling 3, T. Rogers 16, R. Dillingham not out 24, B. Cooper 10, H. Hoskins 1, C. Penwright 0, R. Tatam 0, J. Huckle 10, L. Robinson not out 1, extras 5, total (for eight wkts.) 94. J. Stokes did not bat.—G. Berridge three for 15, R. Bayliss three for 18.

Rain Halts Play at Henlow

Heavy rain just after tea put an end to what promised to be an interesting game between R.A.F. Henlow and Newlands C.C., Elstree.

Henlow won the toss and batted first, quickly scoring 31 before Terry was caught trying to hook a short ball from Ashman. Woodcock, who started slowly, quickened up, his hitting to leg being particularly strong. His 89 contained ten boundaries.

R.A.F. Henlow: Terry 15, Woodcock 84, Parrott 6, Oakley 19, Reeves 10, Payne not out 15, extras 5, total (for five wkts. dec.) 157.

Newlands: Mowatt 1, Carroll not out 2, Lewis not out 12, extras 1, total (for one wkt.) 16.

Owing to postings, R.A.F. Henlow have lost several players well known locally, including G. Longworth and D. Meakin, who have both represented Bedfordshire, and wicketkeeper T. MacIntyre.

Diemer's Lose By 16

Diemer and Reynolds lost their first match, at R.A.F. Brampton on Sunday, by 16 runs.

The R.A.F. were indebted to W/O. Marsh for a fine knock of 71 not out after they had lost their first four wickets for 12 runs. Despite 43 by Peter Pell, Diemer's were unable to reach the R.A.F. score, losing their last five wickets for 22 runs.

R.A.F. Brampton, 138, for six dec. (Marsh 71, not out, Birwistle three for 37, Williamson three for 33).

Diemer's, 122 (Pell 45, Lovatt 22, Howell 19, Plummer 15).

Southill Park v. St. Neots

St. Neots: D. Barnett 2, L. Shaw 1, R. Meeks 14, R. Scales 32, A. Upex 10, L. Bambridge 0, B. Richardson 0, E. Park 8, D. Lunaden 2, E. Hemming not out 8, J. Flint 1, extras 1, total 79.—A. Massey four for 12, A. Swain three for 20, S. Cooper two for 19, A. Burnage one for 27.

Southill Park: R. Oxell 18, A. G. Burnage 63, K. J. Roberts 41, G. Brown not out 7, K. Wilton 0, J. H. Pearce not out 7, extras 6, total (for four wkts.) 142.

Goldington, 108 (Line 47); Shire Hall, 149 for four wkts. (K. C. Evans 106 not out, including 13 fours. Scored in 50 minutes).

League Cricket

19 RUNS DECIDE

A start was made to Bedford and District League cricket on Saturday with one game, between Little Staughton and Keysoe at Little Staughton. The home side won by 19 runs.

Keysoe: D. George b Dalton 0, F. Roddis run out 0, R. Brown b Dalton 0, L. Hawkins b Smith 6, C. Claxton run out 6, S. Baines c Parker b Robins 2, B. Green b Jordan 24, R. Elliott b Jordan 4, L. Woodward c Hopperton b Jordan 3, D. Bluh b Dalton 1, G. Stapleton not out 3, extras 26, total 87.

Little Staughton: O. Jordan b George 1, A. Smith b Brown 4, R. Smith b George 5, E. Dalton b Brown 0, D. Huckle b George 5, E. Topham b Brown 15, M. Brown b George 4, C. Parker b Green 12, R. Robins b George 0, E. Camp not out 1, B. Hopperton 12, extras 14, total 68.

Special Match

BLETCHLEY TOWN CRICKET CLUB

versus

TED JAMES SUSSEX COUNTY

XI

SUNDAY 9 MAY

at 2 p.m.

on

MANOR FIELDS BLETCHLEY

LOCAL WILLS

ASHWELL, Mrs. Rose Alice, of 204, Hill Street, Bedford, formerly of The Fire Station, Mill Street, Bedford, wife of John T. Ashwell, retired resident engineer Fire Brigade (net £265) £92.

BANKS, Robert Hugh, of Red House Farm, Great Eversden, Cambs, farmer, son of the late Charles Banks of Manor Farms, Perfenhall (net £15,371) £21,394

BENNETT, Henry Thomas, Joseph of The Wheatheat, Dunton (net £470) £732

CLARE, Miss Margaret Alice, of Cutcliffe Gardens, Bedford (net £796) £882

COWBURN, Mrs. Margaret Sarah, of The Vicarage, West Mowden, formerly of The John Keble Courtyard, late Vicar of Clapham, Bedford, 1927-1948 (net £4,910) £4,984

CROSS, Mrs. Mildred Ellen, of The Flying Horse, Clapham, Bedford, formerly Mrs. Cross, (net £1,147) £1,489

DAY, Arthur Sam, of St. Neots Road, Eaton Socon, (net £1,595) £1,430

HULIATT, Alfred George, of 55 Beverley Crescent, Bedford (net £2,744) £2,792

HUCKLE, William Percy, of Chapel Fields, Biggleswade, market gardener (net £1,555) £1,395

MACKONCHIE, Rev. Charles Alexander, of Goldington Vicarage, Bedford, formerly Rector of Brampton Colerell, near Bristol, 1910-1943, licensed to officiate in the Diocese of St. Albans (net £5,305) £5,401

OAKLEY, Miss Minnie Irene, of 78 Hutchins Road, Stotfold (net £1,504) £1,354

ODRISCOLL, Mrs. Elie, of Putnoe Lane, Bedford (net £29,836) £29,941

POWER, Miss Beatrice, of 81 Ashburnham Road, Bedford, formerly for 25 years Secretary of the Bedford branch of the Melancthan Mission Society (net £2,190) £2,325

REED, Alfred, of Church Street, Tempsford (net £1,060) £1,102

RICKARD, Frederick Smedley, of 7 Linden Road, Bedford (net £2,976) £3,028

ROBINSON, Albert Edward, of 6 Silverdale Street, Kempston (net £1,439) £1,485

ROBINSON, Frederick Charles, of 73 Honey Hill Road, Bedford (net £1,240) £2,375

RUSH, Charles Dunlop, of The Green, St. Leonards-on-Sea, formerly of 44 St. Michael's Road, Bedford (net £9,361) £9,620

SEAL, Frederick, of The Laurels, Gillsitt Road, Wellingborough, formerly of 4 Normans Road, Sharnbrook, retired railway goods representative (net £980) £1,026

STAPLETON, George, of Top End, Little Bloughton, Secretary of Little Bloughton Cricket Club (net £607) £1,974

SWEET, Ernest George, of 119 Gladstone Street, Bedford, formerly for 30 years funeral director of E. P. Rose and Son Ltd., Bedford, formerly President, Chairman, and Trustee of the Bedford branch of the N.A.F.D. £904

THEOBALDS, Mrs. Sarah Rose, of Church End, Gamlingay (net £1,499) £1,528

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Mr. F. Addington and family, of Cause End Road, Wootton, wish to thank the staff of Bedford General Hospital (South Wing) and all friends and neighbours for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers and the vase from the neighbours. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

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BIRTHS

AMOS.—On 25 April, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Joan and Peter, a brother for Roger.

BURGOINE.—On 28 April 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Ethel (nee Webb), wife of Harry, the precious gift of a son, James Stewart (Cesarean). Grateful thanks to maternity staff.

CHAPMAN.—On 1 May at 11 Gold Lane, Biddenham, to Ralph and Hazel (nee Parling), a son (Clive Russell), a brother for Christopher.

HARRISON.—On 1 May 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Phyllis (nee Cotton) and Ronald, a son (Keith). Grateful thanks to maternity staff.

OWEN.—On 1 May 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Grace (nee Northon) and Robert a daughter (Susan Elizabeth).

PEARSON.—On 4 May, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing) to Sheila (nee Johnson) and Tony Pearson, 10 Post Tree View, Elstow, a son (Martin John). Sincere thanks to maternity staff.

SMITH.—On 27 April 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Margaret (nee Flynn) and Frederick, a son (Julian Charles).

VAN MORRIK.—On 27 April, at 10 Dartmouth Road, Olney, to Madeline (nee Devereux) and Jan, a daughter (Margaret Dorothy).

WALTERS.—On 28 April 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Alma (nee Assen) and Brian, the gift of a daughter (Valerie Ann). Grateful thanks to Hospital staff.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

The marriage arranged between Dennis John Benn and Elizabeth Ann Daykin will take place at the Presbyterian Church of England, Bedford, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, 15 May. All friends welcome at the church.

The marriage arranged between John Anstey, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Hedditch, Tyeohurst, Sussex, to Shirley Monica, only daughter of Mr and Mrs. H. F. Briggs, of Sadeira End, Preston, Hitchin, will take place at St. Martin's Church, Preston, on 29 May, at 2.30 p.m.

The engagement has been announced between T. Sgt. Roy Hutton, O.B.A.P., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Hutton, of Washington, U.S.A., and Barbara Wilson, youngest daughter of Mr. G. Wilson and the late Mrs. Wilson, of 1 Shefford Road, Cliphill, Bedfordshire.

The engagement has been announced between Peter George, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Keech, 365 Goldington Road, Bedford, and Rita Dorothy, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Williams, 5 Westbourne Road, Queen's Park, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Derek, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes, of Southend Crescent, Eatham, London, and Mary, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dimmock, 155 Wendover Drive, Bedford.

The engagement has been announced between John, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shortland, 43 Cedar Road, Bedford, and June, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Marsh, Milton Ernest, Bedfordshire.

The engagement is announced between Gordon Arthur, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Whittington, 27 Rockferry Road, Bedford, and Pauline Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. King, 94 Ribbrough Road, Bedford.

The marriage arranged between Andrew H. C. Young and Mary Elizabeth Hardy will take place at St. Andrew's Church Bedford, on Saturday, 8 May, at 2.30 p.m. All friends most welcome at church.

MARRIAGE

LUCKMAN-DAWES.—On 29 April, at the Roman Catholic Church, Bedford, Ronald Luckman, Royal Artillery, to Rosemary Dawes, of 49 Chaucer Road, Bedford.

SILVER WEDDING

LUCAS-LYONS.—On 7 May 1929, in London, Max Gershon Levy Lucas, to Rosalind Lyons, 25 Beverley Crescent, Bedford.

DEATHS

BAKER.—On 2 May 1954, Edward Joseph, elder son of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Baker, of Kempston.

BOWLER.—On 30 April 1954, Arthur Robert Bowler, the Post Office, Oakley, Bedfordshire, aged 92 years.

CHAMBERS.—On 24 April 1954, Thomas George Chambers, suddenly at his home at Rugby, aged 59 years.

CHEETHAM.—On 1 May 1954, suddenly, Robert Cheetham, 2 The Embankment, Bedford, aged 71 years.

CRUMP.—On 5 May 1954, Christina Miller Crump, 2 Goldington Avenue, Bedford, widow of Alfred Frank Crump, aged 65 years. Funeral service Saturday, 8 May, 12 noon, at Cardington Church, Bedfordshire.

DUIGAN.—On 3 May 1954, at 1 Cowper Road, Bedford, Sidney Mary Duigan, aged 94 years.

FARRER.—On 1 May 1954, at his home at Duloe, Josiah, beloved husband of Fanny, and dear father of Elsie, Joan, George, Leslie, Irene, Sylvia, Frances, and Dennis. Sadly mourned.

GRICE.—On 4 May, at his home, Kingscott St. Giles, Devon, Alice Grace Grice, aged 70.

MARPIN.—On 4 May 1954, Thomas George Marpin, 31 Gratton Road, Bedford, aged 67 years. Funeral service Friday, 7 May, at 2.30 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, Bedford.

ONLOW.—On 5 May 1954, suddenly, Fanny Kate Onlow, 5 Bedford Road, Willington, Bedfordshire, aged 82 years.

ROPE.—On 25 April 1954 in Aldenham, Fluence, wife of G. C. Rope, aged 76.

SABEY.—On 3 May Georgina Sabej, Duncombe's Farm, Great Bedford, died peacefully away on her 80th birthday.

SHRIVES.—At Bedford General Hospital (South Wing), on 30 April, Edith Ethel Shrives, of 19 Dunstable Road, Pottwick, aged 64.

SPENCER.—On April 1 1954, in Victoria, B.C., after a long and painful illness most wonderfully borne, Jennie wife of late G. A. Spencer, died at her home.

VOUGHT.—On 5 May 1954, after a short illness, John William Vought, father of Mr. Cliff, Dick, Lillian, Cecie, and Sid, of 49 King Street, Kempston, aged 77 years. Funeral service to-morrow (Saturday), 11 a.m., at Kempston Parish Church.

WATFORD.—On 3 May 1954, Alice Watford, daughter of the late James Watford, 11 St. Peter's Street, Bedford.

WELCH.—On 4 May 1954, Herbert George, the beloved husband of Annie Welch, Spring Lane, Slagsden, Bedfordshire, aged 79 years. Funeral service to-day (Friday), 3 p.m., at Slagsden Church.

WILLIAMS.—On 29 April, at The Gardens, Great Bedford, Annie Laura Williams, aged 85 years, mother of Len and Bob.

IN MEMORIAM

ALDERTON.—In loving memory of our dear Laurie, who passed away on 7 May 1938.—Always remembered by us all. Paignton and Bedford.

ARCHER.—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Thomas Archer, who died 10 May 1951.—From wife and family. Bedford, Coventry, and Kent.

AKKWE.—Treasured memories of a dear husband, Will, who died so suddenly 7 May 1952. His cheery smile and loving ways. Are golden memories of bygone days.—Alice.

BRIGHT.—In ever-loving memory of a devoted husband and father John Henry Bright, who has set peacefully away on 12 May 1942. Just a token of love and remembrance of one we will never forget.—From his loving and family. 30 Westbourne Road, Bedford.

BROWN.—In loving memory of a dear mum and granny who passed away on 9 May 1954.—From sons, daughter-in-law, and granddaughters. Sadly missed.

BUCK.—Treasured memories of our little Anne, Gillian Elizabeth, who was called home on 9 May 1944, aged 15 months. From daddy, gummy, Joe, Terry, Helen, and Dorothy.

COLGRAVE.—Treasured memories of a dear husband and father, Alfred Colgrave, who passed away on 8 May 1941.—Loving wife and children.

COUBIN.—Affectionate remembrance of Elizabeth, a loving wife and mother, who passed away 5 May 1953. In our thoughts.—From her loving husband and family.

DAVIES.—Treasured memories of dear Nori, who passed away so suddenly on 10 May 1945. Never forgotten.—From his loving mother and dad.

DENTON.—Minnie Selina 9 May 1953. In memory of my mother.—G.M.D.

DE QUINCEY.—In loving memory of dear Bob, died on 1 May 1946. Sleeping in God's beautiful garden. Disturbed from all sorrow and pain. Some day we'll meet again.—From mum and dad, brothers and sisters. 31 Stanley Street, Bedford.

DUNHAM.—In loving memory of a dear dad and granddad, Joseph Dunham, who passed away on 10 May 1949.—From, Haynes Oatway, Derby and Canada.

FRANKLIN.—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Wilfred Franklin, who passed away 8 May 1952.—From his loving wife and children.

FULLER.—In ever-loving memory of a dear father who passed away suddenly on 9 May 1947. Always remembered.—From her loving husband Len. Interred at Greaseborough, Yorkshire.

HENMAN.—Treasured memories of a dear husband and father, Herbert Henman, who passed away on 11 May 1946. Asleep in God's beautiful garden. Sheltered from all sorrow and pain. Some day when life's journey is ended. We shall see our loved one again.—From his loving wife Edith and daughter Doris and son-in-law George.

HENMAN.—Treasured memories of our dear brother, Herbert Henman, who passed to the Homeland on 11 May 1946. Some day when life's journey is ended we shall meet again.—From Alice and Harry.

MIGGS.—In loving memory of Emma Miggs, who passed away on 8 May 1951.—From Maude and Sylvia.

JONES.—Treasured memories and sweet thoughts every day of our dear Vera May, who passed away 1 May 1947.—From her mother and brothers.

JONES.—Treasured memories of a very dear sister, Vera May, who passed away 1 May 1947.—From her sister Dorothy and Frank.

LACK.—In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, Deborah, who passed away 8 May 1942.—From her loving husband, and all at 25 King Street, Kempston.

MODERMOTT.—Treasured memories of a dear mother, who passed away 7 May 1948.—From her loving sons and daughters.

PAYNE.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Eben, who was so suddenly called home to rest on 4 May 1952. Sweet the sleep you so much needed. Free from suffering, pain, and care. When I see your face so peaceful, Could I wish you back again?—From Lillian.

ROBINSON.—Not just to-day, but every day, in silence we remember a dear husband and daddy, Dick, who was taken from us suddenly on 5 May 1952.—Sadly missed by his loving wife Amy and daughter Pat.

STANTON.—Cherished memories of my dearest husband, Percy Stanton, who died on 11 May 1953. In silence we remember.

STEVENS.—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Joseph Stevens, who passed away 8 May 1950.—From his loving wife and family, Houghton Conquest.

STOCK.—Time passes, but memories remain always of a dear husband and father, Walter Cecil Stock, who passed away 10 May 1944.—From his loving wife and daughters Dorothy and Jean, Seattle, U.S.A.

Bedford School Beaten by Seven Wickets

Although Bedford School were beaten by seven wickets by Cambridge University Crusaders on Tuesday there were good performances by several of the School players.

The School fielding was excellent, and the bowling accurate if not penetrative. J. Smith, who took two wickets, did well to concede only 24 runs in 24 overs—impressive figures on a lifeless pitch.

The Crusaders put the School in, and an early stand by R. W. Street and P. Smith added 41 for the second wicket. Then a spell of accurate spin bowling by J. Dare and R. H. M. Arkell, the University left-hander, pegged down the batsmen, and the School lost three quick wickets.

The home batsmen, however, played some sound cricket, and Garrett proved himself to be a fine stroke player in making 56 valuable runs. Gordon and Wass shared in stands of 30 and 44, and the innings finally realized 147.

The School took the field at 3.20 p.m., and so far were the Crusaders from dominating the bowling that it was not until 6.15 p.m. that the steady batting by Buckingham, Cohen, and Chaffer took them past the School total.

Bedford School: R. W. Street b Khan 26, R. R. Wyatt b Khan 5, P. Smith b Dare 29, J. D. S. Hay 10, J. Arkell 2, J. Smith c Clements b Arkell 1, Garrett c Dare b Clements 56, Gordon b Khan 15, Wass c and b Arkell 8, Johnson c Clements b Arkell 6, Meadows not out 2, Ferro c Arkell b Clements 5, extras 6, total 147. R. H. M. Arkell four for 18, S. M. Khan three for 38.
Crusaders: K. Adams c Hay b Street 18, A. Metaxa b J. Smith 16, A. D. Buckingham c J. Smith 26, P. Cohen c Wyatt b Ferro 42, J. M. Chaffer not out 24, B. Clements not out 35, extras 10, total for four wks 144. J. M. Khan, J. Innes, R. H. M. Arkell, P. G. Harris and J. C. Dair did not bat.

Eighth-Wicket Pair Foil Casuals

Old Northamptonians, put in to bat by the Casuals on Sunday, collapsed, and at one stage were 48 for seven, but York and Davis saved them with a stand of 60.

The Old Boys, however, were at the crease for such a long time that the Casuals, try as they did, could not pass their opponents' score, defensive field placing checking the rate of run-getting. So the game petered out into a draw.

Old Northamptonians: D. Walker 2, O. Willett 17, P. Berridge 7, R. Dolby 1, J. Head 2, W. Donnett 7, D. Barber 0, D. York not out 36, P. Davis 42, B. Payne 0, extras 9, total for nine wks (dec.) 111. Falconer three for 23, Smith two for 31, Everest two for 9, Baving one for 1.
Casuals: G. Millman 20, P. Green 6, G. Payne 31, R. Atkins 6, C. Bavington 0, S. Smith not out 0, R. Townley not out 12, extras 10, total for five wks 94.

Southill Park Sunday XI v. S. T. Hawkins XI

S. T. Hawkins XI: R. Venables 11, G. A. Robinson 22, M. Stevens 1, E. Coles 4, G. Stevenson 5, A. Pease 14, D. Shepherd 1, C. Poulter 0, K. Robbins not out 1, A. G. Cawdell 5, R. Day 0, total 52. A. G. Burnage four for 29, J. Legate three for 1, S. Cooper one for 5, A. Swan one for 10.
Southill Park: A. G. Burnage 24, V. Given 1, D. Marchant 25, G. S. S. Gilbert 70, M. H. Green 8, H. C. Brown not out 10, G. Reeks 34, extras 11, total for six wks 189. C. Poulter two for 19, M. Stevens two for 34.

Kempston West End v. Astwood

Astwood: J. Herbert 2, D. Mackernose 7, A. Colver 1, A. Williams 0, V. Seamarks 43, R. Hobbs 7, A. Millard 0, S. Cullen 0, A. Percival 0, T. Hazel 0, R. Dawson not out 0, extras 6, total 65. M. Darwood five for 8.
Kempston West End: R. Darlow 7, C. Parker 5, A. Hyde 0, J. Jessop 12, Norman 1, M. Darwood 0, M. McCulley not out 20, R. Stone 0, Du Noirega 0, K. Turley 10, D. Jones 0, extras 4, total 53.

MARIES TAKES DISBURY'S PLACE

B. J. Maries, who on Saturday, playing for Bedford II, took nine wickets for nine runs, takes B. E. Disbury's place in the Bedford Town side to visit Three Counties Hospital at Arlesey. Team:—

G. L. B. August (capt.), S. T. Morris, E. C. Howard, V. J. Harris, D. G. Jenkins, F. K. Breeze, C. G. Jones, W. Peet, C. F. Sabey, P. H. Humphreys, and B. J. Maries.

County cricketer A. G. Coomb plays in his first game of the season to-morrow when he turns out for Bedford Ramblers against De Havilland Aircraft at Newnham Avenue.

This is the only game of the season that the Ramblers will play at home. Usually the Newnham Avenue pitch is occupied by either the 1st or 2nd eleven.

FRIENDLY CRICKET

Bedford North End v. Old Warden

Bedford North End: W. Beardman 27, D. Pickering 44, E. Arnold 20, T. Maggs 34, C. Saunders 28, D. Swannell not out 5, extras 5, total for five wickets declared 161.—F. Dilley three for 36.
Old Warden: R. Bayliss 3, J. Cooper 7, G. Berridge 4, W. Parks 5, E. Cooper 0, D. Berridge 6, E. Saunderson 6, F. Dilley 0, J. Berridge 14, W. Foster 2, G. West not out 1, extras 6, total 54.—K. Simmons three for 9, K. Swales four for 22, J. Cooke two for 8.

Cryselco v. Old Warden

Cryselco: E. Middleton 44, James 32, Park 7, A. Webb not out 18, D. Boyce 7, Ashbourne 5, Jessop 0, Wildman not out 5, extras 5, total for six wickets declared 165.—W. Childs two for 7, R. Bayliss two for 16, J. Cooper two for 35.
Old Warden: R. Bayliss 10, E. Bennett 24, J. Cooper 21, G. Berridge 25, K. Crossland 0, E. Cooper 0, W. Childs 6, D. Berridge 4, A. Pearce not out 4, J. Berridge not out 0, extras 3, total for eight wickets 95.—D. Boyce four for 21, Lillie two for 17.

Bouldrop: 73 for eight (J. Adams 25, J. Edwards 20, Corfield six for 28), Dickens (Harrod) 64 for four (S. Coleman 32, E. Peach 11 not out, M. Adams three for 12).
Bedfordshire Times 61 for two (A. F. Martin 29 not out, Sabey 25), Kempston East Methodists 59 for five (White 30, Kemp 21 not out, Young four for 13).

Podington, 97; Walkerne, 101.

HOSPITAL CUP

Biggleswade "B" dismissed United Counties Bus Company (Bedford) for 14 runs at Fairfield on Tuesday in the Bedford Hospital Cup competition. United Counties lost nine wickets for only six runs, but their last batsman, Parrish, hit seven quickly. Their opening batsman, Meadows, was undefeated for five.

R. Huckle took five wickets for 6 runs, including three in four balls, and P. Howles captured four for 8.
Biggleswade replied with 30 for three and then declared.

Elstow: 54 (I. Brown 19, V. Wilson 17, O. George 12, P. Cannon five for 14, A. Stevens four for 35); Goldington "A": 58 for 7 wks, F. Line 15, not out, Simpson 12, Auker five for 25.

Bromham Hospital v. Burtonian

Bromham Hospital: Kendall 3, Jones 0, Faulkner 1, Blumire 1, Riley 4, Lincoln 5, Harris 0, Finch not out 1, Underwood 0, Fowler 0, Ansell 8, extras 2, total 25.—J. Luff six for 12, Odell two for 2, Matthews one for 5.
Burtonian: Matthews 17, V. Luff 9, A. Abbott 0, Everett 1, Cant 3, R. Abbott 0, Williams not out 12, Odell 0, Parry 6, J. Luff 0, extras 0, total 50.—Harris five for 17, Riley three for 9, Fowler two for 6.
Burtonian: 64 (Maggs 16, Matthews not out 22, Luff 7), Diemer and Reynolds, 52 (Pell 16, Green 8, Myggs four for 13).

Hinxworth, 111; Preston, 50.
Hinxworth, 124; Sandy, 37 (D. King eight for 23).

THURLEIGH WIN FIRST GAME IN TOP DIVISION

For their first game in the Premier Division of the Bedford and District Cricket League, Thurleigh—last season's Division I champions—did well to beat Pertenhall by 21 runs. They owed much of their success to the Berrill brothers.

In a steady bowling spell C. Berrill took five wickets for 24 runs in 15 overs. D. Berrill's contribution to Thurleigh's win was a fine 34 not out. For Pertenhall W. Presland took six for 20.

There was some slow scoring in the game between Southend Ramblers and Sharnbrook. The Ramblers took nearly two hours for their 63 runs. Clayson and Roome scoring half between them. Sharnbrook were no faster, and only 37 runs were on the board when their seventh wicket fell. C. Watkinson scored 33, however, and eventually they won by 38 runs.

J. Brunt was in excellent form as wicket-keeper for Caldecote, stumping one Lynton Works batsman and taking three brilliant catches. Odell and Clark bowled unchanged to dismiss the Works for 42 runs. Odell then went out to bat with C. Raybould, and together they passed the Works' total. Caldecote batted on to score 119 for five wickets.

W. Bridge, Great Barford's opening batsman, carried his bat in his side's second innings against Staploe. When the innings closed he was still at the wicket with a personal total of 4 not out!

In a low-scoring game Staploe scored 40 and 35, and Great Barford 21 and 30. Maskell took six Staploe second-innings wickets for only 4 runs.

Sharnbrook 2nd XI were all out for 18 in their match with Thurleigh 2nd XI. The two Thurleigh bowlers both returned excellent figures, J. Thorne taking five for 10 and C. Maddison five for 7. Thurleigh scored 142 for eight, declared.

PREMIER DIVISION

Lynton Works v. Caldecote

Lynton Works: Beardmore 0, Gates 6, Boud 18, Ryecroft 4, Barle 5, Bennet 3, Baynston 4, Macintosh 0, Harris 0, Wallis 1, Bodsworth not out 0, extras 1, total 42.—C. Odell six for 14, A. Clark four for 22. Caldecote: C. Odell 18, C. Raybould 30, E. Stanton 20, J. Brunt 25, M. Boycott 2, B. Baxter not out 6, extras 20, total (for five wkts.) 119.

Pertenhall v. Thurleigh

Thurleigh: R. Maddison 18, A. Ellison 10, K. Wainman 15, C. Berrill 0, D. Berrill not out 34, B. Holley 5, J. Wainman 11, M. Papworth 0, R. Berrill 0, B. Ingle 2, W. Asplin 1, total 96. Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 20, K. Gentle 14, R. Jones 8, S. Nicholson 10, J. Roddis 2, V. Roddis 1, J. Elliot 0, W. Presland 0, C. Stapleton 12, J. Swires 3, B. Dawson not out 0, extras 1, total 75.

South End Ramblers v. Sharnbrook

South End Ramblers: G. Ferguson 2, D. Clayton 15, M. Wharton 6, H. Norman 0, J. Bosworth 5, R. Cooper 3, F. Roome 15, K. Green 5, H. Allen 1, S. Tompkins 2, W. Nicholas not out 5, extras 2, total 65.—L. Blundell three for 20, D. Benson two for 10, H. Martin two for 10. Sharnbrook: H. Gray 0, M. Chambers 5, L. Blundell 0, H. Berwick 29, O. Boyles 0, C. Watkinson 35, D. Benson 0, R. Wildman 1, H. Martin 4, J. Boyles not out 16, E. Blundell 11, extras 4, total 101.—S. Tompkins four for 22, R. Cooper two for 8.

Marston v. Clapham

Clapham: R. Craddock 2, C. Bottell 8, R. Nicholson 24, A. Hennan 1, R. Devereux 6, L. Wooding 3, W. Lee 9, R. Pickering 4, T. Buck 4, C. Turner 0, S. Wiles not out 1, extras 6, total 63.—K. Brightman five for 18, A. Goodman four for 24, D. Stapleton one for 6. Marston: C. Rowe 1, W. Swales 0, A. Bunker 4, D. Stapleton 4, D. N. Wesley 11, J. Blakemore 0, M. Higgs 4, G. Scoley 4, K. Turner not out 14, D. Higgs 0, A. Higgs 2, extras 3, total 67.—F. Brocklet four for 10, P. Carter two for 15. Renhold: D. Stapleton 6, P. Harlow junr. 0, W. Harlow 24, P. Swain 5, J. Norman 4, G. Harlow 0, A. Duncombe 7, P. Carter 5, F. Brocklet not out 5, P. Harlow 3, F. Joyce 1, extras 1, total 60. M. Higgs four for 5, G. Scoley four for 10, K. Turner two for 25.

DIVISION I

Pavenham v. Renhold

Pavenham: C. Bennett 0, C. Whitworth 15, S. Coleman 3, I. Higgs 1, N. Wesley 11, J. Blakemore 0, M. Higgs 4, G. Scoley 4, K. Turner not out 14, D. Higgs 0, A. Higgs 2, extras 3, total 67.—F. Brocklet four for 10, P. Carter two for 15. Renhold: D. Stapleton 6, P. Harlow junr. 0, W. Harlow 24, P. Swain 5, J. Norman 4, G. Harlow 0, A. Duncombe 7, P. Carter 5, F. Brocklet not out 5, P. Harlow 3, F. Joyce 1, extras 1, total 60. M. Higgs four for 5, G. Scoley four for 10, K. Turner two for 25.

Blunham v. Stagsden

Stagsden: G. Newman 1, A. Walston 7, B. Everest 2, H. Newman 2, S. Dutton 0, K. Towler 4, B. Sharp 0, K. Brooks 0, R. Hite not out 4, A. Cooper 1, J. Alder 8, extras 2, total 31.—Tester five for 5 (including hat-trick), Rawlins two for 5. Blunham: F. Abbott 4, G. Barker 2, D. Moore 24, G. Ashwell 0, G. Bred 4, M. Sims 1, R. Clarke 0, W. Page 4, M. Tester 4, W. Fordham not out 5, R. Rawlins 2, extras 5, total 58.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Wyboston v. Little Paxton

Little Paxton: T. Gould 15, C. Jagyard 19, F. Saunders 20, A. Lamb 2, G. Childerley 0, L. Whitley 0, D. Humphreys 2, D. Smith 1, D. George not out 19, G. Guince 3, J. Maries 0, extras 5, total 84.—Folbigg five for 11, Evans two for 9. Wyboston: J. Darrington 4, A. Usher 27, W. Peet 35, R. Kidman 14, E. Park 3, C. Folbigg not out 11, V. Pell 0, T. Bridg 9, A. Darrington 4, R. Ellis 0, A. Evans not out 8, extras 7, total (for nine wkts.) 122.—Gould three for 7.

Great Barford v. Staploe

Staploe: J. Roberts 11, O. J. Scotcher 0, F. Corn 4, W. Scutcher 2, O. F. Jax 4, R. Lambert not out 0, R. Smith 4, S. Rolins 7, not out 0, L. Farrer 2, O. G. Staughton 0, O. E. Smith 0, 5, extras 6 and 2, totals 40 and 33. Great Barford: W. Bridge 0 not out 4, P. Usher 5, M. Lee 2, O. J. H. Knocker 0, S. W. Skevington 3, G. J. Brown 7, S. Skevington 5, O. M. Maskell 0, O. R. West 0, O. G. Mardlin 12, J. Bourdon not out 0, 0, extras 2 and 1, totals 21 and 30.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Kempston Wood End v. West End

Wood End: R. Ashpole 0, R. Copperwheat 3, C. Caves 0, I. Jessop 2, W. Hutchings 1, B. Keens 0, J. Burraway 8, S. Saunders 1, N. Saunders 0, T. Ashpole 0, C. Fuller not out 2, extras 9, total 32. West End: L. Hill 7, R. White 5, R. Darlow 1, C. Parker 0, C. Anthony 30, H. Henman 3, S. Smart 1, M. McCulliv 0, M. Darwood 0, D. W. Nabrega 4, J. Hyde not out 2, extras 1, total 59.

Stevington v. Marston Sports

Stevington: G. Curtis 5, A. Wildman 7, A. Cox 0, A. Woods 1, J. Swain 4, S. Aller 6, L. Cook 3, H. Dart 4, J. Ingram 1, R. Cox not out 1, W. Tucker 4, extras 3, total 39.—Thornhill five for 16, E. Barnes four for 16. Marston Sports: R. Gilbert 0, D. Slade 2, Thornhill 12, R. Stapleton 0, E. Barnes 7, Potte 0, Lamson 2, Clack 1, Maynard 0, Gamble 0, Speechley not out 0, extras 9, total 27. W. Tucker six for 9, G. Curtis four for 16.

Turvey v. Marston II

Turvey: Skevington 7, R. Frost 7, Sargent 2, Keuthofer 27, Whitat 0, Sugas 0, Letta 2, West 1, Hilsen 1, W. Frost not out 8, Ballard 2, extras 8, total 65.—Rouse two for 20, Knight one for 12, Smith six for 10, Denton one for 8. Marston: Nicholls 0, Claridge 8, Ellis 0, Smith 0, Denton 0, Berry 19, Ellis 12, Rove 0, Rouse 2, Edwards not out 1, Knight 0, extras 3, W. Tucker seven for 19, Sargent three for 25.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Sharnbrook II v. Thurleigh II

Thurleigh: F. Bull 15, L. Franklin 31, L. Wildman 1, K. Berrill 0, J. Thorne 25, J. Warner 6, P. Holley not out 29, P. Hooker 10, H. Nelson 18, C. Maddison not out 3, extras 6, total (for 8 wkts., dec.) 142. Sharnbrook: T. Canty 0, R. Marsh 2, F. Brazg 1, L. Pacey 2, C. Jeffries 0, J. Knight 1, S. Bates 0, H. Hildon 2, A. Blood 0, R. Pacey 0, B. Makeham not out 2, extras 1, total 12.

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

Tempsford v. Blunham II

Tempsford: B. Lowe 2, E. Ingram 20, P. Bravurok 1, P. Fuller 0, C. Jackson 0, R. Bettles 16, P. Bates not out 50, D. Wilson 0, M. Brown 2, J. Jackson 8, J. Bettles 5, extras 8, total 102.—Sims five for 16, Rankin two for 7. Blunham: J. Wakefield 6, A. Sims 10, N. Price 3, A. Winters 1, E. Jeffries 1, P. Dennis 0, L. Day 7, C. Price 0, M. Reason not out 5, T. Jeffries 0, A. Burns 0, extras 1, total 39.—Daves four for 19, Bettles three for 15, Jackson three for 4.

SANDY'S SURPRISE SHIELD WIN

In a Digswell Memorial Shield game at Henlow on Tuesday Sandy gained a surprise win over the R.A.F. Batting first, Sandy lost a wicket with the second ball, but Clarke, Marles, and Houle pulled the game round and Sandy totalled 192 for eight in 20 overs. Henlow were soon in trouble, Marles and Tester being unplayable. Marles took six for 14 in 7 overs and Henlow were all out for 40 in the 15th over. Sandy: Joyce 5, Nunn 0, Barnett not out 18, C. Carke 16, Marles 28, Houle 12, Reid 0, Tester 0, Roberts 2, Hall not out 0, extras 11, total (for 8 wkts.) 192. R.A.F.: Parrott 0, S. Church 0, Oakley 2, Fake 2, Payne 12, Fuze 2, Holman 0, Broughton 3, Dunn 3, Malhonne not out 2, Platt 0, extras 14, total 40.

Gentlemen of the Lion, away to Sandy tomorrow, will field the following side: I. Williamson, D. Reeder, J. Botoford, R. W. G. Dines, R. T. Donaldson, M. S. Meeson, M. Boyde, E. Drage, R. Miller, C. Ollivie, and J. Murray-Clarke.

Harpur Sports Bowl Out Horton for 90

Good bowling by P. Gilbert (four for 21), backed by excellent fielding, shot out Horton for 90 and gave Harpur Sports an easy win by 42 runs at Newnham Avenue on Saturday.

Harpur hit 132 for seven dec. by tea, A. Norman scoring a chanceless 44, and T. Minns a valuable 26 before being brilliantly stumped.

B. Clarke carried his bat for 46 of Horton's total of 90—a good solid innings, though with a certain element of luck.

Harpur Sports: A. Greene 8, R. Lowings 14, A. Norman 44, M. Allen 0, T. Minns 26, M. Allen 0, T. Martin 7, A. Ingledeu not out 11, extras 21, total (for seven wks., dec.) 132. P. Gilbert, B. Cornell and G. Webster did not bat.—D. Franklin five for 38, Horton, 90 (P. Clarke 46).

Harpur Sunday XI v. Eaton Becon
Eaton Becon: F. Bass 3, D. Asbury 2, R. Bennett 2, D. Young 0, P. Harvey 11, R. Bygrave 5, B. Nicholls 7, J. Haines 0, M. Harvey 7, J. Darbyshire 7, R. Mash 8, extras 10, total 62.—A. Ingledeu five for 15, B. Cornell four for 9, Harpur: A. Webster 7, R. Lowings 18, A. Norman 25, G. Gill 0, J. Litchfield 7, K. Richardson not out 0, extras 6, total (for four wickets) 63.

St. Neots v. Harpur Sports II
Harpur II: F. Sharp 0, F. Housden 3, R. King 0, M. Goswell 0, R. Smith 0, L. Sharp 5, J. Payne 0, N. Wilson 0, R. Goswell 0, B. Bonson not out 21, R. Enderby 1, extras 6, total 33.—Bateman seven for 21, St. Neots 48.—Richardson 11, Craik 10, Wilson five for 16.

I.C.I. (Welwyn) v. R.A.F. Henlow
R.A.F. Henlow gained an exciting one-wicket win over I.C.I. at Welwyn on Sunday, the last man going in with 12 runs required, which were obtained in three overs.

I.C.I. collapsed dramatically from 99 for two to 106 all out, Reeves (five for 18) and Wort (three for 6) doing the damage.

I.C.I.: 106 (Harrington 55, Travis 30). R.A.F. Henlow: R. Terry 47, N. Woodcock 6, Parrott 10, G. Oakley 7, O. Harding 0, L. Payne 3, J. Langford 0, L. Reeves 13, F. Wort 0, J. Holman not out 6, R. Sollars not out 11, extras 8, total (for nine wks.) 111.

Selwyn College, Cambridge, v. R.A.F. Henlow
Selwyn College: 140 for eight, dec. (K. Winterbottom 35, T. Brooks 24, J. Butler 24 not out), Fike three wickets, Reeves and Cooke two each).

R.A.F. Henlow: R. Terry 10, N. Woodcock 4, B. Wilson 2, E. Parrott 7, A. Cooke 15, L. Payne 4, M. Fike 20, A. L. Reeves not out 9, extras 11, total (for seven wks.) 75. F. Wort, J. Holman, and A. Dunn did not bat.

Old Hertfordians v. Casuals
Bedford Casuals proved far too strong for Old Hertfordians at Ware last Sunday, scoring 119 for three (G. Millman 35, P. Green 33, C. Bavington 17, G. Payne not out 29), and then dismissing Old Hertfordians for only 36, the wickets being shared by S. Smith, R. Townley, B. Everest, and M. Falconer.

Old Warden v. Shuttleworth College
Old Warden: R. Bayliss 4, G. Berridge 0, W. Park 28, W. Childs 60, R. Pearce 2, E. Cooper 18, W. Foster 2, F. Dillel 12, J. Berridge 1, R. Lenton 1, J. West not out 0, extras 7, total 135.—Skilling's four for 51, Cooper four for 34, Mason two for 17, Shuttleworth College: E. Bennett 0, Davis 12, Mason 2, Cooper 2, Lowthorpe 3, Knight 0, Spencer 1, Maxfield not out 0, total 27.—G. Berridge three for 7, F. Dillel three for 19, W. Park two for 31.

Old Warden v. Wareley
Wareley: F. 68 (K. Darlow 23, J. Winn 12, Dillel four for 15, J. Cooper four for 20). Old Warden: R. Bayliss 11, E. Bennett 4, G. Gilbert 14, J. Cooper 14, G. Berridge 0, E. Cooper 2, Vinter 4, J. Berridge 4, E. Saunderson 6, F. Dillel 0, B. Foster not out 0, extras 4, total 63.—K. Darlow six for 28, J. Winn four for 31.

Wharley End v. Aston Rowant
Wharley End: R. Anderson 9, P. Orchart 42, J. Sleaf 0, R. Lowe 10, J. A. Stapleton 10, C. Lett 0, extras 6, total (for seven wks., dec.) 153.—E. Lambourne three for 35, F. Lambourne two for 46, N. Munday two for 25, Aston Rowant 60.—F. Cover six for 21, A. Stapleton two for 10, P. Orchart one for 12.

NO CHANGE IN TOWN XI

Bedford Town field the same side which gained them their fourth successive win last Saturday for to-morrow's visit to St. Albans: G. L. B. August, S. T. Morris, E. C. Howard, D. G. Jenkins, V. J. Harris, F. K. Breeze, C. G. Jones, C. F. Sabey, W. Peet, P. Humphreys, and B. Maries.

F. R. BROWN MAY LEAD TIMKEN
At Bromham Hospital on Sunday Bedford Casuals entertain British Timken, who are bringing their full Northants County League side. It is expected players from Northamptonshire C.C.C. will be included, and it is hoped former England captain F. R. Brown will lead the side.

HOSPITAL CUP

Kempston West End v. Gale's
Gale's: G. R. Barnett 1, J. Pass 0, O. H. Dolling 1, N. Rennie 2, Wells 0, Hargreaves 2, Woodcock 1, Coleman 1, Ellis 3, Wilkinson not out 1, Simma 1, extras 1, total 15.—Smart six for 0, Henman three for 5, West End: F. Wells 3, M. Barker 4, S. Smart 0, R. Darlow 3, M. Darwood 5, J. Jessop not out 7, C. Parker 0, Henman 0, D. Da Nobres 1, G. Norman 0, A. Hyde 2, extras 1, total 30.—Hargreaves nine for 11, Pass one for 8.

Clapham "B" v. Wyboston
Wyboston: J. Darrington 0, A. Usher 3, W. Peet 13, R. Kipman 11, E. Park 0, C. Fobling 19, V. Fell 7, T. Bridge 0, A. Darrington 1, R. Ellis not out 0, A. Evans 2, extras 5, total 64.—A. Jones three for 10, Brown two for 8, D. Jones one for 8, Powell one for 7, Pridmore one for 28, Clapham: A. D. Jones 1, W. Burton 3, A. Cope 1, O. Pridmore 0, J. Litchfield 5, G. Pettifer 1, R. Brown 0, D. Jones 11, S. Powell 4, F. Baker 0, J. Pickering not out 0, extras 2, total 28.—Fell five for 15, Park four for 11.

SCHOOL'S FIVE WICKETS WIN

Hay Eight for 40

Bedford School won their first school match on Saturday, beating Aldenham by five wickets. J. D. S. Hay, maintaining a good length, troubled the opposition with his late in-swing and took eight Aldenham wickets for 40.

Aldenham were no mean batting side as is shown by two recoveries from desperate positions, 15 for three and 78 for seven. Richardson and Hull both played good innings, but Hay was in first-rate form. Wyatt and Garrett batted soundly for the School.

Aldenham: A. R. Day lbw b Hay 4, R. A. G. Edwards lbw b Hay 0, A. McNeil b Hay 9, R. S. O. Heslop b Hay 11, P. A. Baital-Gill c Ferro b Street 16, W. J. M. Richardson b Hay 20, D. J. Mundy b Hay 0, R. K. Montgomery b Hay 0, P. Hull not out 28, J. Placett c Meadows b Hay 18, J. P. Shaw lbw b Street 2, extras 13, total 124.

Bedford: R. W. Street c Heslop b Richardson 15, D. S. Hay b Day 33, P. Smith at Shaw b Placett 17, J. Smith lbw b Richardson 5, Garrett not out 23, J. D. S. Hay c Placett b Richardson 15, Gordon not out 13, extras 4, total (for five wks.) 125. Wassa, Johnson, Meadows, and Ferro did not bat.

B.M.S. Draw After Bad Start

Against a strong Trinity College side at Cambridge on Saturday, Bedford Modern School obtained a creditable draw, Wilson, Smart, and Cooper batting well.

The College batted first on an easy-paced wicket, and in the cold conditions the B.M.S. bowlers made little impression on the opening pair, who put up 50 without loss. Watts then claimed two wickets with his leg-breaks before the hundred was reached, and four more fell in the half-hour before lunch, when the score was 125 for six.

After the interval runs came steadily but slowly and as soon as the batsmen tried to force the pace Stevenson claimed three wickets before the declaration (216 for nine).

The School started badly, when Pattison, bowling to four slips and a gully, had the opening pair back in the pavilion four 4 runs, but a balanced innings by Wilson (40), ably supported by Smart (22) and Cooper (28), saw the School out of danger.

Trinity College: C. N. Lezard at Stretton b Watts 28, A. P. M. Lockwood b Watts 49, R. A. Nicholson lbw b Watts 17, S. Gilchrist c Watts b Wilson 18, M. L. Berger b Watts 0, G. S. O. Colthurst c Stevenson b Watts 1, D. B. Ross c Wilson b Stevenson 41, M. Pattison b Stevenson 30, S. M. Hawkins not out 5, J. C. A. Turner c Stretton b Stevenson 15, extras 12, total (for nine wks., dec.) 216.—Watts five for 66, Stevenson three for 32.

B.M.S.: Watts b Pattison 1, Chamberlain 0, Lockwood b Pattison 2, Wilson b Ross 40, Smart c Pattison b Berger 22, Cooper and b Ross 38, Brannan c Ross b Pattison 0, Blakemore at Hawkins b Berger 11, Daniels not out 8, Richardson lbw b Berger 0, Stevenson not out 1, extras 21, total (for eight wks.) 134. Stretton did not bat.

SMART AGAIN IN FORM

The Modern School played another drawn game on Wednesday, this time away to Trinity College, Oxford.

The School batted first on an easy-paced wicket, and Watts and Chamberlain gave them a good, though rather slow, start, putting on 44 in 70 minutes. Smart and Cooper went much more quickly, adding 80 for the third wicket in 45 minutes. Smart, who frequently hit over the bowler's head, scored 38, and the School declared at 172 for four.

The College openers put on 70, after which three wickets fell quickly. The scoring rate was checked considerably, and at the close the College were 150 for four. B.M.S.: Watts b Drury 91, Chamberlain b Wood 39, Wilson at Oldfield b Evans 20, Smart at Oldfield b Sears 58, Cooper not out 29, Brannan not out 0, extras 5, total (for four wks., dec.) 172. Trinity College 150 for four (Lawrence not out 45, Moore 45, Watts three for 54).

Wilson Bros. and Humphreys v. Bedfordshire Times

Wilson Bros. and Humphreys, 35 (Bates 18, May three for 1, Sabey three for 15, Young three for 9) Bedfordshire Times, 75 for four (Coleman 33, Arnold 22, Worsley two for 8)

Lillingstone Dayrell v. Wharley End
Lillingstone: 96 (P. Bloxham 53, P. Orchart four for 15, G. Hanna three for 15, D. Lain two for 15) Wharley End: W. Marshall 7, R. Anderson not out 52, J. Slee 23, R. Lowe not out 2, extras 6, total (for two wks.) 100

Little Barford v. Roston
Little Barford: Thompson 6, Mills 3, Skinner 0, Beal 12, Chasman 3, Moyser 0, Barninger 12, Thacker 1, Smith 0, Browning 3, Townsend not out 2, extras 1, total 32.—Keightley took four wickets and Clarke three. Roston: R. Minney 0, G. Jefferies 5, M. Jones 0, B. Livett 4, E. A. Faulkner 0, P. Keightley 2, E. Nic-kills 0, W. Clarke 0, R. Clarke 14, K. G. Jefferies not out 7, M. Cooper 6, extras 2, total 40.—Thacker took six wickets and Barninger three.

Bacchus v. Diemer and Reynolds
Bacchus: Green 18, Swannel 10, Brice 0, Litchfield 0, Marriott 7, Skinner 7, Hall 0, King not out 18, Smith not out 10, extras 6, total (for seven wks.) 76.—Green three for 25, Dobson three for 38. Diemer's: Lovatt 2, Roffe 0, Stapleton 15, Birvillie 5, Leadbeater 11, Plummer 0, Dobson 11, Mayhew 0, Green 3, Simpson 0, Hull 0, extras 10, total 57.—Bonson seven for 16, Green two for 31

Netow v. Percival Aircraft
Netow: C. Saunders 0, P. Huckle 17, D. George 6, M. Cirket 4, V. Wilson 0, A. Rowkins 0, A. Cirket 2, J. Auber 20, R. Bartram 6, L. Lach 5, O. Cave 0, extras 6, total 66.—W. Johnson seven for 30. Percival: 74 for eight (P. Roberts 32, A. Rowkins seven for 20)

Oakley v. Diakon (Harrold)
Oakley: 87 for five wks (J. Saunders 32, B. Saunders 25, A. Lyman three for 35). Diakon (Harrold): 44 for eight wks. (J. Chambers 10, H. Larkins not out 10, O. Rainbow four for 9).

RISELEY DISMISS WEST END FOR 13 RUNS

Riseley put out Kempston West End for 13 runs in a Division II (Section II) game on Saturday, the lowest score this season in the Bedford and District League. West End's first six batsmen all failed to score. Riseley bowlers, Ashpole and Allen each claiming five wickets for four and eight runs respectively.

South End Ramblers collected their first points at the expense of Thurleigh, who, apart from a great effort by C. Berrill (36, including one 6 and two 4's) collapsed against the bowling of Spice, Simpson, and Green. Ramblers won by four wickets.

After losing half their side of 26, Pertenhall's S. Stapleton and S. Nicholson added 45 to equal Sharnbrook's total of 71, and Pertenhall went on to reach 90. W. Presland, following his six for 20 the previous week against Thurleigh, took six for 12.

Marston were put out for one of their lowest-ever totals, 18, at Caldecote. On a lively wicket highest scorer was D. Stapleton with five, and C. Odell returned the remarkable figures of seven for 7. Caldecote replied with 66

Potton II opened their season with a narrow two-runs win over Great Barford. L. Sims was chiefly responsible for Great Barford's low total of 59, taking six for 13. Five of his wickets came in the last three overs after Great Barford had scored 54 for four.

Losing three wickets for three runs, Kempston Wood End were always struggling against Marston II, and only C. Caves (18) put up real resistance. Marston won by 15 runs.

Caldecote II's opener, Elliman, carried his bat for only five runs out of his side's total of 38 against Langford.

Langford won by 83 runs though their score of 119 for nine owed much to dropped catches. At least five possible chances were thrown away. Burton was in excellent form with the ball, taking seven Caldecote wickets for eight runs.

PREMIER DIVISION

Caldecote v. Marston.

Marston: W. Swales 1, W. Wilson 1, A. Bunker 1, D. Stapleton 5, D. Faulkner 4, A. Harrison 0, P. O'Dell 0, A. Knight 1, C. Copperwheat 2, K. Brightman 2, A. Goodman not out 0 extras 1, total 18.—C. Odell seven for 7, A. Clarke three for 10.
Caldecote: C. Odell 5, C. Raybould 20, R. Boycott 8, G. Watts 3, J. Brunt 4, S. Baxter 1, A. Clark 4, H. Newell 1, T. Baxter 0, J. Heath 0, J. Woods not out 1 extras 19, total 66.—C. Copperwheat five for 8, D. Stapleton four for 8.

Thurleigh v. South End Ramblers

Thurleigh: A. Ellison 1, R. Maddison 0, K. Wagstaff 0, C. Berrill 36, D. Berrill 10, B. Holley 0, J. Wagstaff 4, M. Bagworth 1, J. Palmer 1, R. Berrill 0, W. Asplin not out 1, extras 7, total 61.—A. Spice three for 11, A. Simpson two for 12, K. Green two for 20.

Ramblers: G. Ferguson 5, D. Clayton 18, R. Cooper 2, H. Norman not out 24, J. Bosworth 0, A. Spice 7, J. Wharton 4, F. Rooms not out 6, extras 4, total (for six wks) 70.—C. Berrill two for 14.

Sharnbrook v. Pertenhall

Sharnbrook: H. Gray 3, M. Chambers 3, U. Blundell 31, H. Berwick 5, C. Watkinson 10, D. Boyles 2, H. Martin 13, R. Wildman 11, J. Boyles not out 3, D. Benson 2, E. Blundell 0, extras 8, total 71.—W. Presland six for 12, K. Gentle two for 15, R. Jones two for 17.

Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 4, K. Gentle 1, R. Jones 8, R. Kiteley 6, S. Stapleton 14, J. Swires 2, S. Nicholson 34, C. Stapleton 0, W. Presland 1, R. Roddis 11, J. Roddis not out 0, total 90.—H. Blundell four for 20, H. Martin three for 16, H. Berwick one for 13, C. Watkinson one for 29.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Great Barford v. Potton II

Great Barford: P. Usher 9, W. Bridge 0, J. H. Knocker 19, W. Skevington 1, J. Breeze 22, M. Lee 0, C. Martin 0, B. Skevington 11, M. Maskell 0, D. Maskell not out 1, J. Sims six for 13, C. Blott two for 4.

Potton II: C. Blott 5, R. Hutchinson 6, P. Hutchinson 15, C. Munns 2, L. Sims 0, J. Gray 2, E. Tiles 17, D. Hutchinson 0, A. Aldred 6, F. Brookham not out 0, extras 8, total 61.—W. Skevington four for 11, J. Breeze two for 13.

Great Staughton v. Wrestlingworth

Wrestlingworth: H. Robinson 0, J. Rabone 2, C. Cottee 30, L. Eridge 3, L. Compton 8, D. Coupe 21, J. Humberstone 4, K. Lee 0, W. Daisley 0, M. Daisley not out 0, C. Bates 0, extras 2, total 52.

Great Staughton: 46 (K. Lee four for 25, Daisley four for 10).

Second Innings: Wrestlingworth 30, Great Staughton 40 for two wks.

Staploe v. Wyboston

Staploe: J. Roberts 9, F. Corn 9, F. Jex 1, R. Lambert 9, R. Smith 0, S. Robins 27, E. Hayden 2, E. Smith 3, L. Farrer 0, M. Hart not out 0, F. Hackett 1, extras 8, total 71.—Folbigg seven for 24, Pell two for 14, Parak one for 20.

Wyboston: J. Darrington 31, A. Usher 3, W. Peet 13, R. Kidman 3, E. Parak 0, C. Folbigg 0, R. Yates not out 21, T. Bridge 2, V. Pell not out 3, extras 8, total (for seven wks) 84.—R. Smith three for 18, Farrer two for 14, Jex two for 14.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Marston Sports v. Turvey

Marston Sports: Thoburn 12, Slade 11, Barnes 24, Odell retired hurt 8, King 15, Moore 9, Stapleton 8, Pottle 1, Rouse not out 3, Clack 0, Maynard 5, extras 9, total 106.—Burgars two for 31, Sargent three for 40, Paynton three for 18.
Turvey: Skevington 10, Frost 5, Sargent 25, Kruth 1, Wright 5, Sugars 8, Letts 3, Pavnton 0, Ballard not out 0, Frost 5, Hillson 4, extras 4, total 70.—Pottle five for 5, Barnes two for 20, Thoburn two for 28.

Marston II v. Wood End

Marston II: J. Nicholls 10, C. Rowe 1, R. Berry 4, R. Burrige 10, V. Hale 13, T. Glaridge 4, K. Edwards 5, T. Ellis 0, F. Rouse not out 10, S. V. Knight 0, extras 3, total 63.—R. Copperwheat four for 29, D. Jessop three for 19.
Wood End: R. Ashpole 1, L. Jessop 4, R. Copperwheat 1, J. Litchfield 0, C. Caves 14, W. Hutchings 2, D. Jessop 0, S. Sanders 2, T. Burrigeway 0, N. Sanders 3, B. Keens not out 9, extras 4, total 48.—S. V. Knight four for 13, F. Rouse four for 9.

Kempston West End v. Riseley

West End: R. Darlow 0, C. Henneman 0, C. Parker 0, L. Hill 0, J. Jessop 0, S. Smart 0, A. McCullley 0, M. Darwood 0, A. Hyde 1, D. Da Nobrega not out 6, J. Darwood 2, extras 1, total 13.—Ashpole five for 4, Allen five for 8.
Riseley: L. Williams 7, H. Stringer 1, W. Norman not out 29, W. Partridge 3, P. Woolston 3, J. Ashpole 9, G. Hopkins 1, J. Barnes 8, E. Pell 0, C. Holmes 4, W. Allen 1, extras 4, total 67.—Darlow two for 11, Hennan two for 12, Smart two for 18, Da Nobrega two for 23.

Cople v. Stevington

Stevington: G. Curtis 9, A. Cox 7, S. Albery 0, A. Woods 2, J. Swain 0, T. Ingram 0, H. Dart 1, L. Cook 1, J. Crowe 0, R. Cox 0, E. Cooke not out 0, extras 2, total 22.—Shingler six for 9, Worrall two for 0, Hart two for 11.

Cople: A. Worrall 2, D. Shingler 13, E. Hull 24, J. Newbury 8, G. Morton 0, E. Yerrill 0, D. Thicker 0, F. Jennings 11, C. Graves 7, A. Hart not out 3, B. James 1, extras 1, total 70.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Oakley v. Thurleigh II

Thurleigh: L. Franklin 21, F. Bull 72, J. Warno 13, K. Berrill 6, J. Thorne 0, B. Franklin 1, F. Holley 2, H. Melson 0, L. Wildman 0, C. Maddison 5, P. Hooker not out 1, extras 7, total 128.—G. Rainbow six for 46, C. Bird two for 23.
Oakley: J. Briggs 2, C. Bird 10, F. Rainbow 6, J. Gibbons 4, B. Saunders 38, J. Bryson 0, J. Saunders not out 5, O. Rainbow 7, J. Jeffries not out 2, extras 3, total (for seven wks) 77.—J. Thorne five for 28, R. Berrill one for 21.

Keysoe v. Clapham II

Keysoe: S. George 27, F. Roddis 10, B. Harton 8, B. Green 1, K. Brown 2, A. Cook 0, C. Clayton 13, R. Elliott not out 10, L. Hawkins 1, S. Balzra 4, J. Hall 3, extras 4, total 93.—Ibbett took four wickets.

Clapham II: Burton 12, Litchfield 35, Hunt 0, Jones 2, Brian 1, Pettefer not out 16, Ibbett 3, Cope 4, Powell 9, Readman 1, Taylor 0, extras 4, total 87.—Cook took five wks.

Riseley II v. Sharnbrook II

Riseley II, 87; Sharnbrook II, 58.

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

Langford II v. Caldecote II

Langford II: Dilley 0, Houghton 5, Payne 6, Smith R. 31, Dunn 18, Potton 23, Piper 4, Rutt 6, Armstrong not out 9, Burton 1, Smith J. not out 7, extras 8, total (for nine declared) 119.

Caldecote II: Woodward 2, Elliman not out 5, Price 0, Summerfield 2, Bygraves 0, Edwards 0, Maudlin 3, Darneil 0, Brinkler 6, Adams 8, Woods 0, extras 8, total 36.—Burton seven for 8, Dilley two for 1.

RECORD STAND IN SHIELD MATCH

Despite a club record stand of 49 for the last wicket, Diemer and Reynolds could not win their match at Ickleford in the Bedfordshire Shield Competition, first round.
Diemer's: 96 for nine (McMullen not out 37, Pell 19, Rowkins 16, Denden not out 13); Ickleford: 0 for nine (A. Daniels 50, Dodson four for 27 including hat-trick, McMullen two for 20, Williamson one for 20).

Bedford School Romp to Eight Wickets Win

Bedford School romped to an easy eight wickets win over the Buccaneers on Saturday. J. D. S. Hay again bewildering the opposition with his late in-swing bowling, taking five for 23.

Only Wynn-Williams and Gray scored with any freedom, and even they were beaten several times in the air and off the wicket.

Wyatt and P. Smith made excellent catches at full stretch, and the Buccaneers innings closed for 92.

For the School, R. W. Street and R. R. Wyatt batted confidently, adding 47 for the first wicket. Street drove extremely well, but was lbw to a low ball shortly before the Club total was passed. Scores:—

Buccaneers: A. Nathan b Hay 0, D. Wynn-Williams c Hay b J. Smith 26, J. S. Gray b Hay 7, G. W. Moore b Hay 0, H. W. Curwen c Wyatt b Ferro 0, B. Kirkup b Hay 5, C. A. Gray not out 30, J. D. Wilson c P. Smith b Hay 10, J. O. Murray-Clarke lbw b Street 2, J. Sualta b J. Smith 6, J. G. W. Davies absent 0, extras 6, total 92.

Bedford School: R. W. Street lbw b Nathan 45, R. R. Wyatt lbw b Curwen 21, P. Smith not out 20, Howlett not out 6, extras 6, total (for two wickets) 98. Garrett 4, Smith 1, J. D. S. Hay, Meadows, Gordon, Wass, Ferro, did not bat.

Ten Wanted Off Last Over, Eight Got

On 20th May an exciting game with the Leys School ended after a day of fluctuating fortunes with Bedford School one run behind and their last pair together.

Bedford were left to make 43 in 20 minutes, with three wickets standing. Meadows dominated the proceedings and hit eight fours in a courageous innings. Two wickets fell at the other end but Ferro survived several balls to leave Meadows with ten runs to make in the last over.

The first five balls brought eight; with two to make Meadows square-cut the last ball but it was finely fielded.

The Leys: P. H. B. Schofield c Lay b Street 47, A. B. W. Thomas c Gordon b Ferro 4, M. K. Payne c Gordon b Hay 42, N. H. Payne c Hay b Street 37, R. A. W. Walker c Gordon b Hay 0, G. W. Lewis c Wyatt b Street 17, J. S. Holmes not out 20, B. J. Wilkins c Meadows b J. Smith 4, P. W. Barker b J. Smith 1, A. H. B. Turner b J. Smith 2, A. G. Baker c Meadows b J. Smith 2, total 176.—J. Smith four for 46, R. W. Street three for 52.

Bedford School: R. W. Street 5, Walker b Wilkins 8, R. R. Wyatt 5, Lewis 36, P. Smith b Wilkins 10, Garrett lbw b Wilkins 7, J. D. S. Hay lbw b Turner 26, J. Smith c Baker 5, Lewis 5, Gordon c Baker b Wilkins 8, Meadows not out 46, Johnson c Thomas b Wilkins 0, Wass st Baker b Wilkins 0, Ferro not out 0, extras 29, total (for nine wickets) 175.

Mells v Wharley End

Wharley End: P. Orchard 10, W. Marshall 0, J. Slee 18, G. Hanna 3, D. Clarke 7, J. Holton 18, D. Linn 11, G. King 18, G. Left 16, L. Garner not out 10, H. Gover not out 2, extras 6, total (for nine wkts. dec.) 119.—R. Lewis three for 29, A. Wilson four for 47.

Mells: G. Ferguson 6, N. Evans 2, A. Wilson 2, C. Fuller 5, R. Left 17, P. Cooke 0, R. Wilson 0, R. Boardley 0, G. Rolleston 17, A. Craig 0, R. Lewis not out 0, extras 1, total 50.—D. Linn five for 17, L. Garner four for 25.

Shefford v Smart & Brown

Smart & Brown: Perkins 1, Wells 2, Richardson 3, Wilcock 3, Caldrow 25, Layton 2, Cooper 8, Burton 3, Mayhew 0, Murphy 3, Odell 0, extras 2, total 57.—P. Smyth eight for 24, L. Church one for 0.

Shefford: Guthrie 1, J. Church 6, Splea 3, Millard 8, P. Smyth 11, Coutts 1, F. Smyth 0, Edgley 1, Blatcher 4, Endersby 4, L. Church 5, extras 3, total 47.—Wilcock one for 8, Richardson seven for 14, Burton two for 4.

Newport Pagnell v Diemer & Reynolds: Diemer & Reynolds, 41 (W. Webb 18, D. Dodson not out 11, Lancaster five for 19).

Newport Pagnell: 57 for three (Rock not out 31, Simpson two for 15, Stapleton one for 9).

Bedford Women Draw with High School

Bedford: V. Magge b S. Penfold 0, M. Graves c B. Little b S. Penfold 22, A. Philpot b P. Irwin 0, A. Ison b S. Penfold 22, B. Freame b P. Robertson 5, D. Wickson played on b S. Penfold 0, B. Lynam b P. Irwin 7, B. Two b P. Irwin 2, J. Mobla b P. Irwin 0, J. Preston b P. Irwin 0, E. Ross not out 1, extras 6, total 65.

High School: M. Craig b M. Graves 15, P. Irwin c and b V. Magge 1, A. Evans lbw b A. Ison 12, D. Hubbard c B. Lynam b A. Ison 5, S. Penfold b M. Graves 0, B. Little not out 4, K. Webb b M. Graves 0, J. Robertson not out 6, extras 9, total for six wickets 52.—P. Robertson, Y. Sheather, B. White did not bat.

Burtonians v Izzanite II

Burtonians: Mathews 27, V. Luff 0, T. Abbott 1, Rabbit 17, Facey 14, R. Abbott 0, Cox 7, Everett 9, Williams 0, Jones 18, J. Luff not out 0, extras 18, total 110.

Izzanite II: Smith 0, Couwdes 9, Kedee 0, Burnage 20, Willett 0, Spouten 1, Franklin 4, Marchall 14, Rodsworth 5, Simpson 4, Wickson not out 9, extras 7, total 70.—Mathews six for 15, Rabbit two for 13.

B.M.S. Bowler Takes Nine for 24

Bedford Modern School achieved a fine victory by three wickets over Emanuel School on Wednesday in a game dominated by the bowlers.

Emanuel batted first on what appeared to be a fast and true wicket, but they were soon in trouble. In an hour and forty minutes Wilson ran through the side, taking the first nine wickets for 24 runs in 16 overs.

The School were also in difficulties. Forty-two for four seemed a safe position, but at 51 for seven the situation was tense. Brannan and Daniels, however, after several narrow escapes, pushed the score to 70.

Emanuel: D. O. Farr c Cooper b Wilson 11, G. B. Seward c Watts b Wilson 15, R. G. Tarrant c and b Wilson 5, J. G. Greatorex b Wilson 7, S. B. Mahmudjuns b Wilson 1, D. W. Harnot b Wilson 1, K. R. Wood lbw b Wilson 14, K. Broughton c Richardson b Wilson 1, G. C. North b Wilson 5, R. N. Robinson not out 1, S. Snelling b Stevenson 0, extras 4, total 65.—Wilson nine for 24.

B.M.S.: P. Watts c Broughton b Wood 9, W. Chamberlain c North b Wood 5, D. J. Wilson b Wood 4, J. Smart b Wood 9, J. I. Cooper b Robinson 6, A. Brannen not out 17, J. Blakenore c Snelling b Robinson 2, D. P. Maynard b Robinson 0, M. D. Daniels not out 7, extras 11, total for seven wickets 70.—R. Stevenson K. H. Richardson did not bat.

BEDFORD MISS MORRIS

Sid Morris, who has scored 333 runs for the Town this season in five innings for only twice out, will not be available to-morrow in Bedford's home game with Letchworth. Team:

G. L. B. August, E. C. Howard, D. G. Jenkins, V. J. Harris, F. K. Breeze, C. G. Jones, W. Peet, C. F. Sabey, P. H. Humphreys, B. J. Marries, E. S. Smith.

A. G. Coomb has returned to the Town and will have a try out with Bedford II who are as yet unbeaten this season. They are away to Letchworth II. Team:

D. T. Matthews, T. B. Woollicroft, E. F. Barcock, G. S. Andrews, M. Hall, A. J. Draper, A. G. Coomb, R. D. Linger, C. D. Barnes, P. W. Scrivener, C. Dixon.

LIONS WIN BY 8 WICKETS

Although the Gentlemen of the Lion are now out of the Bedford Hospital Cup, they showed on Wednesday that they are a force to be reckoned with in the Shefford Coronation Shield competition, beating Shefford by eight wickets in the first round.

Shefford: P. Smythe 0, B. Garnish 6, R. Guthrie 1, J. Wilson 20, Coutts 0, J. Beaumont 0, P. Whitaker 0, J. Endersby 0, C. Goldborough 9, D. Endersby 0, R. Davies not out 1, extras 4, total 41.

Lion: Marshall 7, Ruston/see not out 24, Wynn-Williams 4, Lowe not out 8, extras 2, total for two wickets 45.—Smythe two for 18.

CALDECOTE'S FIRST DEFEAT- BY TWO RUNS

By the narrow margin of two runs Caldecote suffered their first defeat of the season in the Premier Division of the Bedford and District League on Saturday.

Their victors, Pertenhall, lost half their side for 12 runs, but recovered to total 47, O Stapleton carrying his bat for 11. Caldecote made 25 before losing a wicket, after which they collapsed to R. Jones (seven) for 19. Jones also took three catches. Clapham scored a dramatic five-wicket victory over South End Ramblers. Their first three batsmen were skilted out by Tompkins, but, Millard, Devereux, and Buck took command, adding 90 for the loss of one wicket.

Thurleigh returned to winning form, defeating Lynton Works by 99 run. Opener A. Ellison laid the foundation of their total of 137 for seven declared with a hard-hit 41. The Works could not make much of Thurleigh's varied attack. B. Holley bowling particularly well for five for 11.

Stagsden's B. Everest returned some of the best bowling figures of the day when he took seven Little Staughton wickets for 7 runs. At one stage he had taken four for none in four overs. Little Staughton were all out for 16. Stagsden winning by eight wickets.

After scoring 64 for two in reply to Marston II's 103. Stevington collapsed, losing their last six wickets for 22 and were beaten by 14. W Swales (six for 22) was chiefly responsible.

No doubt smarting from the previous week's defeat—they were dismissed for 13—Kempston West End raced to a nine wickets win at Turvey. The home side were all out in 48 minutes. Da Nobrega hitting 26 of their total of 51, and West End replied with 54 for one in 34 minutes.

Riseley bowler W. Allen had a great start against Marston Sports, taking four wickets in his first over for two runs. Marston were out for only 50, a score Riseley passed for the loss of only three wickets.

PREMIER DIVISION

Clapham v. South End Ramblers
Ramblers: G. Ferguson 4, D. Clavson 21, R. Cooper 0, H. Norman 13, J. Bosworth 6, A. Spice 6, L. Jones 12, P. Roome not out 0, K. Green 0, A. Simpson 5, R. Tompkins 2, extras 14, total 92.—R. Pickering five for 20.
Clapham: R. Craddock 0, C. Bottell 0, R. Nicholson 0, R. Millard 24, R. Devereux not out 25, T. Buck 28, extras 14, total (for five wkts.) 97.—B. Tompkins four for 26.

Lynton Works v. Thurleigh
Thurleigh: R. Maddison 14, A. Ellison 41, K. Wagstaff 11, C. Berrill 26, D. Berrill 15, J. Wagstaff not out 12, J. Palmer 4, B. Holley 4, M. Papworth not out 4, extras 6, total (for seven wkts. dec.) 137.
Lynton Works: Allen 2, Caves 12, Bavington 1, Boud 3, Milton 8, Gill 5, Bennett 0, Watts 3, Harris 0, Bailey 0, Macintosh not out 4, total 38.—B. Holley five for 11, J. Palmer three for 8.

Pertenhall v. Caldecote
Pertenhall: O. Stapleton not out 11, H. Gentle 7, R. Jones 0, R. Kiteley 0, S. Stapleton 1, J. Roddis 1, S. Nicholson 0, W. Prestland 0, V. Roddis 15, C. Stapleton 2, J. Swires 0, extras 1, total 47.—A. Clarke four for 20, C. Odell three for 23, F. Tanner two for 3.
Caldecote: C. Odell 10, C. Raybould 21, G. Stanton 1, F. Tanner 0, J. Heath 0, A. Brunt 3, A. Clarke 2, E. Edwards 5, J. Brunt 2, G. Watts not out 0, D. Bygraves 1, total 45.—R. Jones seven for 14, W. Prestland three for 11.

Stagsden v. Little Staughton
Little Staughton: J. Robins 3, E. Roulins 2, B. Turner 1, G. Gower 0, D. Huckle 2, M. Brown not out 3, R. Robins 0, G. Peck 0, G. Robins 1, O. Jordan 2, V. Banks 0, extras 2, total 16.—Everest seven for 7.
Stagsden: G. Newman 2, A. Woolston 0, K. Brooks not out 16, H. Newman not out 16, extras 5, total (for two wkts.) 39.

Blunham v. Pavenham
Pavenham: C. Whitworth 8, T. Bennett 1, A. Wesley 0, T. Higgs 0, H. Wesley 0, R. Houbrough 11, K. Turner 0, M. Higgs 0, G. Scoley not out 4, A. Higgs 1, D. Higgs 0, extras 0, total 31.—F. Tester three for 9, W. Fordham three for 7.
Blunham: L. Wakfield 8, F. Abbott 3, D. Moore 1, G. Barker 10, O. Brooks 0, G. Breed 5, P. Dennis 1, F. Tester 6, W. Page 5, R. Rawlins 1, W. Fordham 5, extras 6, total 51. T. Higgs seven for 25.

Division II (Section II)
Little Paxton v. Potton II
Little Paxton: I. Gould 30, C. Jagard 10, P. Saunders 30, G. Quince 3, D. Moore 1, G. Barker 10, O. Brooks 0, G. Breed 5, P. Dennis 1, F. Tester 6, W. Page 5, R. Rawlins 1, W. Fordham 5, extras 6, total 51. T. Higgs seven for 25.

Wrestlingworth v. Great Barford
Wrestlingworth: K. Robinson 9, L. Rabone 3, D. Daisley 0, L. Erridge 0, D. Compton 9, K. Lee 4, W. Drisley 2, R. Walker 3, J. Humberstone 1, V. Bentley not out 1, extras 4, total 54.—Breeze and Skevington each took four wickets.
Great Barford: P. Usher 19, G. Mardlin 0, J. H. Knecker 5, W. Skevington 10, J. Breeze 5, M. Lee not out 1, S. Skevington 7, R. West not out 2, extras 2, total (for six wkts.) 51.

Wyoboston v. Great Staughton
Great Staughton: H. Davison 5, F. Heading 1, A. Dawkes 0, J. Oliver 35, C. Heading 4, R. Coleman 10, P. Davison 4, V. Dawkes 0, H. Stuart 1, J. Davison 3, D. Peacock not out 3, extras 9, total 75.—E. Parak five for 35, R. Ellis three for 7, V. Pell two for 16.
Wyoboston: J. Darrington 3, A. Usher not out 43, W. Peet 29, R. Kidman not out 6, extras 3, total (for two wkts.) 84.—P. Davison two for 30.

Division II (Section II)
Stevington v. Marston II
Marston II: W. Swales 5, A. Bunker 28, V. Hale 14, J. Nicholson 14, R. Berry 10, R. Burridge 2, R. Storey 0, T. Claridge 2, F. Rouse 6, A. Goodiman 3, S. Knight not out 0, extras 5, total 103.—A. Cox six for 22, O. Curtis three for 51, W. Tucker one for 23.
Stevington: A. Wildman 26, G. Curtis 8, A. Cox 26, A. Woods 12, T. Ingram 0, J. Swain 0, S. Albery 2, L. Cook 4, E. Cooke 5, J. Crowe 0, W. Tucker 0, extras 6, total 80.—W. Swales six for 22, A. Goodiman two for 25, T. Claridge one for 13.

Turvey v. Kempston West End
Turvey: Skevington 1, R. Frost 0, Sargent 0, Kruth 2, Wright 19, Paynton 0, Sugars 0, Letta 0, W. Frost not out 1, Bullard 3, Wadsworth 1, total 51.—H. Henman seven for 19, S. Smart two for 27, Da Nobrega one for 3.
West End: C. Parker not out 25, S. Smart 11, R. White not out 17, extras 1, total (for one wkt.) 54.—Sugars one for 20.

Riseley v. Marston Sports
Marston Sports: D. Slade 1, T. Tholman 12, T. Jordan 0, E. Baines 0, R. King 0, H. Stapleton 19, C. Pottle 0, T. Maynard 3, D. Clark 2, K. Hay 6, W. Meakin 0, extras 7, total 50.—Allen four for 15, Holmes three for 1, Ashpole two for 20, Stone one for 4.
Riseley: W. Norman 9, H. Stringer 12, C. Holmes 1, R. Stone 43, W. Partridge 4, J. Baines 0, L. Williams 0, E. Pell 0, W. Allen not out 9, extras 18, total 153.—Pottle two for 10, Clark two for 16, Slade two for 21.

Division III (Section II)
Thurleigh II v. Capham II
Capham: J. Litchfield 17, D. Burton 14, B. Hunt 0, D. Jones 8, R. Brown 1, G. Pridmore 8, D. Devereux 1, S. Powell 3, A. Cope 0, A. Rednan 0, D. Jones not out 0, extras 3, total 55.—H. Melson four for 11, J. Thorne 14, J. Warner 20, P. Hooker 1, S. Asplin 7, F. Holley not out 0, extras 9, total (for five wkts.) 62.

Keysoe v. Riseley
Keysoe: S. George 3, F. Roddis 16, B. Hartop 1, A. Cook 2, K. Brown 13, C. Clayton 14, B. Green 20, L. Woodward 2, S. Baines 0, B. Wrigley 9, D. Blair not out 14, extras 4, total 96.—B. Clayton took four wickets.
Riseley: R. Short 4, Curtis 0, Bull 13, Clayton 4, Tarry 4, Gerrard 0, Gondson 3, Rootham 1, T. Price 1, J. Gill not out 1, extras 10, total 41. Hanrook (injured) did not bat.—K. Brown six for 19, S. George three for 12.
Sharnbrook 104, North Crawley 137 for five.

Division III (Section II)
Tempsford v. Haynes II
Haynes: J. Daniels 2, P. Baker 7, H. Roberts not out 36, F. Smith 1, K. Webb 18, A. Bennett 2, H. Herbert 5, M. Russell 4, O. Stevens 0, A. Dear 4, C. Newbury 13, extras 3, total 97.—Bettles seven for 43, Jackson two for 16, Ingram one for 11, Dawes one for 24.
Tempsford: B. Lowe 26, E. Ingram 21, R. Bettles 8, P. Dawes 3, P. Braybrooks 4, C. Jackson not out 15, D. Eaton 0, R. Fuller 0, M. Brown 0, J. Jackson 3, D. Wilson 1, extras 11, total 92.—Roberts four for 16, Webb four for 34, Daniels one for 18.

Roxton v. Blunham II
Blunham: A. Sims 0, M. Ransoms 5, N. Price 3, G. Ashwell 1, H. Sims 2, M. Winters 15, L. Dav 25, D. Jones 15, D. Price 1, C. Price not out 2, extras 2, total (for nine wkts.) 75.—Clarke took four wickets.
Roxton: B. Livett 6, G. Jefferies 0, E. Darlow 2, E. Faulkner 0, W. Clarke 7, S. Gadsden 2, K. O. Jefferies 2, R. Clarke 1, P. Keightley 1, R. Minney 1, M. Cooper not out 3, extras 5, total 30.—A. Sims took five wickets, Ransoms three, and D. Price two.

CRICKET FIXTURES

TO-DAY (FRIDAY)
BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP
First Round
Pertenhall v. Bedford Telephones (6.30 p.m.).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)
Bedford Town v. Letchworth
Horton v. Harpur Sports
Letchworth Tabulators v. Queen & Wks
Bedford School v. Slows School
Letchworth II v. Bedford II
A.C. Delco v. Bedford Ramblers
Tom-Lita v. Gentlemen of the Lion
Harpur II v. Britannia Works
Queen's II v. Letchworth Tabs II
Old Warden v. Bedford Argus
Bedford North End v. Kempston
Craveco v. Welingtonborough II
Metta v. Igranio
Fittwick v. Bondar Sports
R.A.F. Cardington v. Diemer and Reynolds
Estow v. Shire Hall II
Edlesborough v. Eversholt
Goldington v. Bedford Electricity
Willington v. Goldington "B"
Biggleswade v. St Giles
Balock v. Biggleswade II
Southill Park v. Luton II
Ickwell v. Clifton
Bromham v. Sandy "A"
Sandy "B" v. Little Barford
Campton v. Hitchin United
R.A.F. Henlow v. R.A.F. Oakington
Henlow v. St. Neots
Apple Gulse v. Great Brickhill
Milton Keynes v. Moulsoe
Pulloxhill v. Chalkrave
Milton Bryan v. Steppingley
Steppingley "B" v. Pulloxhill "B"

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE
Premier Division
Sharnbrook v. Caldecote
Pertenhall v. Marston
Thurleigh v. Clapham.

Division I
Pavenham v. Langford
Renhold v. Blunham
Feimershams v. St. Asplen

Division II (Section I)
Great Barford v. Winton
Staple v. Wrestlingworth
Santon II v. Colnworth
Great Staughton v. Little Paxton

Division II (Section II)
Marston II v. Copie
Turvey v. Riseley
Marston Sports v. Kempston Wood End
Kempston West End v. Stevington

Division III (Section I)
Keysoe v. Sharnbrook II
Clapham II v. Oakley
North Crawley v. Thurleigh II
Little Staughton II v. Riseley II

Division III (Section II)
Blunham II v. Ickwell II
Langford II v. Tempsford
Caldecote II v. Haynes II

SUNDAY

Leighton Buzzard v. Bedford Town
Teddington v. Harpur Sports
Welingtonborough v. Queen's Works
R. B. Sanders v. Potton
Metta v. R.A.F. Brampton
A.C. Spink II v. Gentlemen of Lion
Slows v. Craveco
Diemer and Reynolds v. Sandy
Bromham Hospital v. Kempston W.E.
Wharley End v. Naplers
Southill Park v. Lords Colts
Shefford v. Campton
R.A.F. Henlow v. I.C.I. Welwyn.

MONDAY
BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP
First Round
Diemer & Reynolds v. Renhold (Bedford Park)

TUESDAY
BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP
First Round
Bedford Thursday v. Harpur Sports "A" (Bedford Park)

THURSDAY
Bedfordshire XI v. Northamptonshire II (Bell Close, Leighton Buzzard)
R.A.F. Cardington v. Bedford Thursday
Phipps (Northampton) v. Fittwick

Bedford Cricket Club's Future Home



GOLDINGTON BURY PROVIDES IDEAL SETTING

Nothing delights the heart of the true Englishman more than watching good cricket, and given a fine day and pleasant surroundings as well his pleasure is complete.

Good cricket abounds in Bedford, and while the weather cannot be wooed from its fickle way something can be done to gild the setting of our summer game.

Bedfordians have a great chance now to help in this way by supporting the appeal recently launched by Bedford Town Cricket Club to provide a new ground and pavilion at Goldington Bury.

Few people will remember the original Town Cricket Club before it was taken over by Bedfordshire Club and Ground. On the disbandment of the Club and Ground, however, in 1938, the Town C.C. as it is known to-day was re-formed at a meeting presided over by the then Mayor of Bedford, the late Ald. W. E. Sowter, M.B.E.

Ald. Sowter, together with Mr. J. C. Steigholm (Hon. Secretary), Mr. E. Love (Hon. Treasurer), and Mr. R. F. Ferriman (captain) were among those who did much in those early days to ensure the present well being and high standing of the Club.

SEASONAL TENANCY

Since their reformation the Club have had only a seasonal tenancy of Newnham Avenue, and the desire to possess a ground of their own has long been nurtured. It was obvious that such an aim would entail a good deal of money, and during recent years the Club have wisely organized special efforts with this in view.

Eventually sufficient money was raised to give the Club confidence to go ahead with obtaining their own ground, and a site on Kimbolton Road was inspected. Drainage costs proved prohibitive, however, and the idea had to be shelved.

Then, one Sunday morning, two years ago, several members combed the district for a possible site. It was a day of pouring rain. The last part of

call was Goldington Bury, and immediately it was realized that here was the place, not the least because it seemed bone dry when elsewhere was ankle deep in mud.

Recently Goldington Bury was purchased by Bedford Town Council, and mindful of the Club's difficulties and ambitions the Council have generously allowed them a long lease. The Club's dream was taking shape.

NATURAL SETTING

A deal of work lay ahead. Though a natural setting, with a pitch bounded by a ring of trees, the whole presented a derelict wilderness, overgrown with twitch and weed. It was difficult to visualize these five acres ever becoming a peaceful cricket ground, immaculate with close-cropped outfield and perfect table.

But the experienced eye of Mr. W. Swannell, the Club's groundsman, detected the good soil and turf that lay beneath the overgrowth.

The first task was to harrow down the whole ground, a winter task that had a beneficial effect for it laid the ground open to the weather. Several large trees in the centre of the pitch were cut down and the roots dug out before Mr. Swannell could commence the important job of laying the table. For it has to be dug by hand and every root and stump removed—a laborious job that will pay dividends in the future.

Long ridges across the

ground have to be "ironed" out and this will be done by lowering the top of the ridge and filling the gullies with the surplus material and then laying the turf back again.

VOLUNTARY LABOUR

Much of this work is being done by voluntary labour and once or twice a week members of the Club and their friends are busy with axes, spades, and forks getting out the roots and clearing the weed which will be treated by chemicals to kill the growth. On the western boundary of the ground a clump of trees and bushes has been removed.

There is still a great deal to be done and the more labour that can be recruited the quicker can the preliminary work be finished. In this respect the absence of the younger cricketers is noticeable, and their help is needed to provide them with a pitch that will be worthy of the best traditions of the Club.

A large playing area of 60 yards by 30 is contemplated. Experience has shown that a square of the size at Newnham Avenue is not sufficient for the present number of fixtures, and it is expected that even more games will be played at Goldington Bury.

A score box recently acquired for Newnham Avenue will be transferred to the Bury, and one of the Club's members has purchased a score board designed by Mr. Edward Meeson, of Bedford, a description and photograph of which recently appeared in this newspaper.

So much for the ground; there remains the question of the pavilion. Here, chiefly, the public's help is needed; in fact, what form the pavilion will take is wholly dependant on the response to the appeal.

The Club envisage a brick-built pavilion, on the north side of the ground, including dressing rooms, shower baths, and a ladies' kitchen. Various firms have already promised help in kind, and the Club intend to cut costs to a minimum by providing their own labour. They are fortunate

Members of the Club are voluntarily helping with the work of laying out the newly-acquired ground, removing roots and weeds from the pitch, and cutting down trees and bushes on the boundary.

in possessing among their members professional builders, carpenters, etc.

Subscriptions are not only required but required quickly so that the Club can gain an idea of the type of pavilion they can afford and get on with the framework while the lighter evenings hold.

Here lies the chance, then, for the general public and organizations in the town to secure a permanent and attractive home for cricket which will also serve as a lasting memory of the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

The Town provide a site for four elevens and maintenance of a high standard. They regularly produce many players for the County side, Given Goldington Bury they will have a ground unsurpassed in the County.

A bound leather volume recording the names of all subscribers to the Fund will be kept in the pavilion. Among donations so far promised is one of £25 from Luton Town C.C. Bedford Town F.C. are to help in some way, and the Bedford and District Cricket League are to field a representative team against the Town in Bedford Park next month, proceeds to be for the Fund.

Subscriptions should be sent to: The Manager, Westminster Bank Ltd., High Street, Bedford, for the account of the Bedford Town Cricket Club New Ground Fund.

SPORTS FIXTURES

Cricket
TO-DAY (FRIDAY)
BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP
First Round
Goldington Queen's Works A
Potton B Bedford North End

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)
Bedford Town Luton Town
Three Counties Hospital Harpur Sports
Buckingham Queen's Works
Luton Town II Bedford Town II
Cambridge Railway Bedford R.A.C.
Harpur Sports II Wolverton
Queen's Works II Kempston
Clapham Bedford Argus
Gentlemen of the Lion v. Elites
Stoke Stratford v. Crayke
Bedford North End v. Blizelwark
Melia v. Shire Hall
Goldington v. Evesholt
Bedford Electricity v. Aylesbury R.C.
Eaton v. Ridgmont
Diener and Reynolds v. Wellington
Fitzwick B v. Steppingle
Carlton School v. Wilson Bros
Amphill v. Pulloxhill
Clapton v. Clifton
Aspley Guise v. F. T. Hawkins XI
Biggleswade II v. Cambridge YMCA
Southill Park v. Henlow C.C.
H. Neale II v. Southill Park II
Potton v. Smart and Brown's
Gaulingna v. Buckden
Old Warden v. Shefford
Clifton II v. Shefford
Britannia Works v. Ickwell
Henlow II v. Resilia C.C.
Steeple Morden v. Sandringham
Sandringham v. Sandringham II
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(Convent School grounds)
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College (London Road Bedford).

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Cople v. Marston Sports

Division III (Section I)
Sharnbrook v. Oakley
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SUNDAY
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Hemington Park v. Gentlemen of Lion.
Britannia C. v. Sandringham.
Ipswich v. B. Sanders.
Kempston West End v. Wolverton
Technical College
Wharley End v. Lillingstone Davrell.
Southill Park v. Cambridge R.S.C.
Houghton Regis v. Campton

MONDAY
Harpur Sports v. Bedford Town (Bedford Park 11.30 a.m.)
Bedford II v. Old Ignatians (11.30)
Amphill v. Bedford Argus.
Hinxworth v. Gentlemen of the Lion.
Eversholt v. Ridgmont.
Wharley End v. Wicken.
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Gaulingna v. Potton
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Clifton II v. Tudor C.C.
Henlow II v. Ickwell.
Old Warden v. St. Neots
Sandy "A" v. Stoke Newington
Moulton v. Stoke Newington
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WEDNESDAY
Bedford Modern School v. Gentlemen of Bedfordshire (Clarendon Street, Bedford, 11.30 a.m.)

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HARPUR DEFEATED BY ONE RUN IN LAST OVER

Harpur Sports lost an exciting game at Horton on Saturday by one run

Harpur, batting first, declared at 129 for nine, leaving Horton 2 hours and 10 minutes. Horton lost four wickets for 52 but B. Clarke and D. Franklin carried the score to 105 before A. Webster brilliantly stumped Clarke for 48.

Wickets began to tumble—there was a brilliant leg-side catch by A. Webster—and Horton were 117 for nine. But J. Whiting hit two huge hits to level the scores, and in the last over G. Mills stole the winning run. Immediately Whiting was stumped.

Harpur: R. Webster 10, R. Lovings 25, D. Host 7, J. Newman 9, A. Green 10, A. Webster 15, G. Robertson 9, R. Smith 18, P. Gillett 12, R. Connell not out 4, extras 24 (total for nine wickets, dec.) 129—K. Bullman four for 19.
Horton: 130 (B. Clarke 48, D. Franklin 35, J. Whiting 19, B. Corneil four for 28, R. Smith three for 15).

B.M.S. Save Game

Bedford Modern School just contrived to save their away game with Oakham School, the last pair being together when stumps were drawn. School captain J. I. Cooper played a large part with his 41.

Oakham lost two wickets for 26 runs, but then the batsmen got out. Stubbs dominated the innings with 87 not out, and Oakham declared at 109 for eight. Wilson again bowled with great accuracy, finishing with 31 o. 7 m. 61 r. n.w.

With three wickets falling for seven runs, B.M.S. had to concentrate on averting defeat. Cooper stayed with Chamberlain for 14 hours to put out 30. Cooper's 41 being probably his most useful innings. On his departure there were more wickets, 121 for five runs, but the last pair played out the remaining 15 minutes.

Oakham: 159 for eight, dec. (G. N. L. Stubbs not out 87, A. P. Marrion 25, Wilson six for 61).
B.M.S.: P. D. Watts 2, W. Chamberlain 11, A. M. Brannan 2, J. D. Smart 0, J. I. Cooper 41, D. J. Wilson 1, M. Lawrence 4, H. J. Blake, more 0, M. D. Daniels not out 1, D. P. Maynard 0, R. L. Stevenson not out 0, extras 7, total (for nine wickets) 69—Stubbs six for 16, R. J. Peberdy three for 11.

Bowled Throughout, Then Hit 100

Hitchin United owed their four-wickets win over Campton to R. Spicer, who bowled right through the home innings taking four for 63, and then batted for all but eight balls of his own team's innings, making 100 not out.

Campton: R. Doggett 2, P. Wright 14, M. Pettifer 33, T. Allen 7, Warwick 22, K. Harris 0, C. Kingsley 15, J. Bunker 12, R. Charman not out 15, P. Inskip 4, J. Pettifer not out 3, extras 4, total (for nine wickets, dec.) 72—Spicer four for 63.
Hitchin United: 159 for seven (R. Spicer not out 100, G. Houghton 25)—Warwick four for 37.

R.A.F. Henlow Draw

R.A.F. Henlow's drawn game with I.C.I. Welwyn, at Henlow on Sunday was ruined by the rain-affected wicket, all bowling being of the straight up and down type. Any wicket that fell was solely due to a lapse on the batsman's part. Welwyn's Harrington and Spencer benefited by several bad fielding lapses.

I.C.I. Welwyn: 148 for six, dec. (Spencer 57).
R.A.F. Henlow: Terry 5, Woodcock not out 60, Oakley 0, Walker 2, Payne 1, Thornley 0, Denyer not out 0, extras 0, total (for five wickets) 61.

Wharley End v. Napier
Wharley End: P. Orchard 45, W. Marshall 50, J. Stee 0, R. Lowe not out 51, D. Cawke 15, B. Mills 30, extras 2, total (for five wickets, dec.) 160—A. Farnes two for 28.
Napier: A. Brown 1, M. Longley 0, J. Barton 0, B. Kempick 0, H. Doughty 0, J. Bly 24, R. Kile 7, G. Marley not out 5, A. Parson not out 0, extras 2, total (for seven wickets) 95—H. Gover four for 51, L. Garner two for 51.

Willington v. Goldington "B"
Willington: Mingle 4, Tucker 3, Stapleton 1, Pullinger not out 8, Evin 10, W. Eaton 0, Rawlins 3, Clarke not out 3, extras 5, total (for nine wickets, dec.) 61.
Goldington: Ayres 8, Jones 2, Morton not out 22, J. L. Cooper 0, T. Umney 3, Stanbridge 3, D. Cooper 0, P. Umney 2, Churchman 0, Leonard 0, H. Cooper 0, extras 1, total 46—Clarke seven for 3.

Roxton v. Old Players
Roxton: M. Cooper 1, K. Darlow 5, H. Minney 1, R. Clarke 1, W. Clarke 2, B. Livett 2, M. Jones not out 7, G. Jervis 2, R. Paulkney 0, P. Kitchley 1, extras 7, total 23—T. Gilbert five for 14.
Old Players: L. Livett 1, K. Nicholls 0, T. Keightley 0, T. Gilbert 18, T. Jarvis 0, C. Fox 0, W. Stapleton 0, R. Bambridge 4, H. Harman 0, W. Jeffries 1, extras 3, total 32.—P. Kitchley five for 22, W. Clarke four for 7.

Bacchus v. Randalis
Bacchus: R. Sherriff 39, R. Hitchcock 2, R. Birch 12, D. Marriott 9, R. King 27, D. Skinner not out 4, D. Swannell not out 0, extras 2, total (for five wickets) 86—A. Wilson two for 14.
Randalis: K. Green 15, P. Pease 14, J. Ager 10, A. Wilson not out 32, D. Pugh 0, R. Caye 4, R. Norman 2, K. Armby 0, P. Rinaldo 2, extras 0, total (for eight wickets) 83.—R. King five for 25, D. Swannell two for 50.

Castle Press, 109 for three (M. Moxey retired 31, I. Crisp retired 5, W. Crisp not out 39); Town Park 79 for six.
Wilson Bros. and Humphreys, 79 for eight (H. Field not out 24, Eaton 0, J. Howard and Denyer 31 for nine (Bennett 12, Scott three for 27, Bird two for 6).

Shefford v. Gameton
Shefford: J. Guthrie 8, J. Emery 0, G. Spies 2, P. Millard 0, P. Smyth 4, P. Slatcher 19, D. Millard 14, D. Whittaker 11, O. Goldsborough 4, L. Church 7, D. Turner not out 1, extras 5, total 79.—Warwick four for 14, Charman four for 25.
Campton: H. Draper 10, K. Doggett 3, C. Kempton 19, P. Wright 0, K. Warwick 2, J. Bunker 10, J. Prouse 5, C. Kingsley 1, R. Charman 5, R. Redman 0, W. Tinge not out 0, extras 3, total 36—Church seven for 21, Guthrie two for 1.

MORRIS LEADS GENTLEMEN
S. T. Morris will lead the Gentlemen of Bedfordshire against Bedford Modern School in a one-day match at Clarendon Street, Bedford, next Wednesday, beginning at 11.30 a.m.

G. Millman, the Bedford Casuals and Bedford Thursday wicketkeeper, who recently had a trial for Northamptonshire, is included, and other newcomers are W. Peet, of Bedford Town, A. Duckett (Shire Hall), and A. Nelsey (Vauxhall). Team:

S. T. Morris, captain, E. C. Howard, W. Peet, and B. Maries (Bedford Town), B. Cornell (Harpur Sports), A. Duckett (Shire Hall), G. Millman (Bedford Casuals and Bedford Thursday), D. J. Asbury (Eaton Socon), A. Nelsey (Vauxhall), T. Kelly (Luton), and L. Brantom (Leighton Buzzard).

BEDFORD WOMEN DRAW WITH P.T.C.
Bedford Women's C.C. met Bedford P.T.C. 2nd in a drawn game on Wednesday.
Bedford: Norman 6, Graves 18, Feltwell 2, Noyce not out 28, Crauner 0, Frame 10, Hall 4, Lynam 0, extras 4, total (for 7 wickets, dec.) 72. Coombes took 4 wickets.
College: Cooper 12, Coombes 4, Napier 4, Bisset 5, Parker 8, Hurst 0, Darlow 1, Oldilnow 6, Nicholls not out 0, Sinclair not out 1, extras 9, total (for 8 wickets) 50. Feltwell took 4 wickets.

Sir—I have read the letter of Mr. R. Pratt which appeared in the recent issue of *The Bedford Record*, and am sure that we are all most grateful to him for showing such a keen interest in the welfare of potential county cricketers.

He is, of course, in error in stating that G. Millman has been overlooked by the County Selection Committee for Bedfordshire. Some time before the publication of Mr. Pratt's letter, Millman was in fact selected to play in two matches which are in the nature of trial games, and he accepted.

With regard to Millman's recent trial for Northamptonshire, I should point out that we have always held the view that the game is greater than the County, and that if anyone wishes to make first-class cricket a career, no obstacle should be placed in his path. Indeed, every facility is afforded to such players. The recent transfer of Disbury to Kent and of R. A. Gale to Middlesex, which can only be done by the consent of Bedfordshire, confirms this view. It is not necessary to graduate through a Minor County XI, for Dodds, of Essex, who was born in Bedfordshire avoided such a course.

The County Selection Committee do not have preferences. They are anxious to produce the best Eleven they can, and will always welcome suggestions about potential county players.

FRANK CROMPTON,
Honorary Secretary
Bedfordshire County Cricket Club

Women Cricketers Play To-morrow

Bedfordshire Women's County Cricket Club meet Derbyshire in their first home match of the season at Bedford Convent School ground to-morrow (Saturday), at 2.30 p.m. The County are almost at full strength, and include 18-year-old Convent School girl Hazel Peltwell, who has played for the Midlands. Team: V. Noyce, captain, A. Isou, R. Norman, M. Tyson, V. Mages, M. Hall, or B. Lynam (all Bedford W.C.C.), S. Reynolds, J. Grey, I. Parker (Bedford P.T.C.), J. Gee (Chiltern W.C.C., Bucks), H. Feltwell (Bedford Convent School).

Wyobston beat Tempford by 55 runs in a St. Neots Carnival Competition game.



"Watch out for that new fast bowler, old chap."

PERTENHALL'S LAST PAIR IN WINNING STAND

W. Presland and J Elliott gained a thrilling four-runs win for Pertenhall over Marston in the Bedford and District League (Premier Division) on Saturday, putting on 20 in a last-wicket stand. Pertenhall had looked in a hopeless position when 34 for nine in reply to Marston's total of 50.

A most valuable 21 by S. Wiles largely contributed to Clapham's four runs win over Thurleigh. C. Bottell (5-13) and T. Buck (4-11) shot out Thurleigh for 39, but Clapham—Wiles excepted—fared little better with the bat, totalling 43.

Two good stands by Martin and Berwick (39 for the third wicket), and Berwick and G. Boyles (46 for the fifth), helped Sharnbrook to a total of 123 for eight declared. Opponents Caldecote were put out for 72.

Staploe bowler R. Smith claimed eight Wrestlingworth wickets for eight runs. Wrestlingworth were all out for 38, and Staploe replied with 45 for five.

Some fine batting by G Peck (28) and E Giles (23) and steady bowling by L Sims who, in nine overs, took six wickets for 19 runs, were chiefly responsible for Pottan II's comfortable win over Colmworth. Pottan passed Colmworth's total of 46 for the loss of seven wickets.

Marston Sports won an exciting game with Kempston Wood End by three runs. Litchfield threatened to win the game for Wood End with his excellent batting and at the close had made 22 not out of his side's total of 41.

Marston II recorded their third consecutive win when they beat Cople by four wickets. Cople scored 42, their first five wickets adding only eight runs in 20 overs.

Careful bowling by Riseley had Turvey all out for 45, five of their players registering "ducks". Only Paynton and Kruthoffer—the two left-handers—managed to get double figures. Riseley won with two wickets in hand.

PREMIER DIVISION

Marston v. Pertenhall

Marston: R. Copperwheat 2, W. Swales 1, D. Stapleton 12, Faulkner 2, J. Dunker 0, Wilson 5, P. Odell 20, A. Knight 0, C. Copperwheat 1, K. Brickman 1, K. Edwards 10 extras 1, total 50.—W. Presland seven for 14, R. Jones three for 28.

TOWN v. LUTON TO-MORROW

The natural interest in the meeting of Bedford Town and Luton Town at Newnham Avenue to-morrow (2.30 p.m.) will be intensified this year as both teams are as yet unbeaten.

Bedford, of course, have won all their five games this season—last Saturday's match with Letchworth was abandoned after only 20 minutes because of rain—while Luton have won three and drawn three, being favourably placed in all the drawn matches.

Their victims include Brentham, one of the strongest London club sides, and Wembley.

MORRIS MISSING

To-morrow's teams will be at full strength except in one particular. Bedford miss their prolific scorer S. T. Morris, and Luton their left arm spin bowler, R. D. Gardiner.

Pertenhall: K. Gentle 2, B. Kiteley 6, R. Jones 19, S. Nicholson 0, S. Stapleton 5, O. Stapleton 0, J. Roddis 1, V. Roddis 0, C. Stapleton 1, J. Elliott 8, W. Presland 10 extras 2, total 51.—W. Swales five for 15, F. Faulkner two for 7, C. Copperwheat one for 4.

Sharnbrook v. Caldecote

Sharnbrook: H. Gray 6, H. Martin 30, L. Bundell 5, H. Berwick 36, G. Watkinson 0, G. Boyles 20, D. Boyles 1, J. Edwards 3, R. Wildman not out 6, M. Chambers not out 3, extras 3, total (for eight wickets) 123.—Edwards two for 9, Davidson two for 12.

Caldecote: C. Raybould 17, C. Odell 14, D. Davidson 16, E. Edwards 3, P. Tanner 0, A. Bruin 2, J. Bruin 3, A. Clarke 7, J. Hinch 3, S. R. Wooding not out 6, B. Holley 0, R. Berrill not out 0, W. Asplin 1 extra 1, total 72.—Benson four for 22, Watkinson three for 4, Martin two for 14.

Thurleigh v. Clapham

Thurleigh: R. Maddison 15, A. Ellison 9, W. Waustaff 3, C. Berrill 2, D. Berrill 1, J. Wagstaff 4, M. Parnworth 6, J. Palmer 4, B. Holley 0, R. Berrill not out 0, W. Asplin 1 extra 1, total 39.—C. Bottell five for 13, T. Buck four for 11, R. Pickering one for 4.

Clapham: S. Wiles 21, R. Craddock 0, R. Nicholson 1, R. Millard 0, R. Devereux 4, C. Bottell 2, T. Buck 4, W. Lee 4, C. Turner 3, L. Woodling not out 3, R. Pickering 1, total 43.—B. Holley four for 13, C. Berrill two for 1, W. Asplin two for 16, J. Palmer one for 6.

DIVISION I

Pavenham v. Langford

Pavenham: C. Whitworth 6, N. Wesley 6, R. Horsbrough 0, T. Higgs 4, C. Bennett not out 21, D. Wesley 0, G. Jones 3, M. Higgs 3, A. Higgs 0, D. Higgs 0, R. Abbotson 0, extras 1, total 45.

Langford: N. Peterson 3, J. Caldon 0, L. Kelly 2, P. Roberts 1, N. Rogers 0, L. King 0, D. King 4, G. Azzetti 0, E. Gentle 0, D. Hutchinson not out 5, E. Whitehouse 2 extras 8, total 32.

Renhold v. Blunham

Renhold: D. Stapleton 0, P. Harlow 20, W. Harlow 11, S. Swan 0, Constant 2, G. Harlow 7, P. Carter 0, F. Brockett 3, K. Edwards 3, F. Joyce 1, J. Norman not out 2, extras 2, total 60.—R. Rawlins five for 21, F. Tester three for 20, P. Dennis one for 4.

Blunham: P. Abbott 2, O. Barker 0, G. Breed 4, D. Moore 16, J. Wakefield 0, D. Brookes 1, W. Pate 2, F. Tester 0, R. Rawlins 7, P. Dennis 0, W. Fordham 0, extras 3, total 44.—J. Norman six for 15, P. Carter three for 19.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Colmworth v. Pottan II

Colmworth: J. Swales 1, J. Hughes 0, J. Abraham 2, J. Chamberlain 7, R. Matthews 3, R. Hart 4, H. Swales 0, M. Henderson not out 9, B. Swales 0, C. Springer 19, B. Watts 0 extra 1, total 46.—L. Sims six for 19, G. Peck three for 20, C. Blott one for 6.

Pottan II: C. Blott 3, K. Hutchinson 2, P. Hutchinson 1, P. Pate 2, L. Sims 8, R. G. Peck 28, A. Aldred 1, E. Giles 23, F. Dickinson not out 3, extras 3, total 60.—M. Henderson four for 24, C. Springer one for 18, J. Chamberlain four for 17.

Even without these two, there are 15 County players in the sides. Coomb will be having his first game for the Town this season, having been away from Bedford. Interesting newcomer to the Luton side this season is D. F. Bull who formerly opened for Ealing. He is deputy Town Clerk at Luton.

The teams, in probable order of batting, are:

Bedford: G. L. B. August, V. J. Harris, E. S. Smith, E. C. Howard, W. Peet, T. B. Woolfscroft, A. G. Coomb, C. F. Sabey, C. G. Jones, F. K. Breeze, D. G. Jenkins.

Luton: D. F. Bull, M. L. Kilby, K. Brazier, J. A. R. Oliver (captain), T. Kelly, C. V. A. Colling, J. A. Muse, D. S. Randall, A. F. Waller, R. Davies, T. D. Matthews.

WHIT-MONDAY GAME

For the traditional Whit-Monday game in Bedford Park, starting at 11.30 a.m., between Bedford Town and Harpur Sports, Bedford make only two changes from to-morrow's

Great Barford v. Wyboston

Great Barford: P. Usher 0, G. Mardlin 3, M. Lewis 0, Skelington 1, J. Breeze 17, W. Bridge 3, S. Skevington 1, R. West 3, J. Bourdon not out 2, J. Browning 0, M. Maskell 0, extras 3, total 36.—R. Ellis four for 6, V. Peil three for 12, E. Park three for 13.

Wyboston: J. Darrington 5, M. Usher 3, W. Peet 1, R. Kidman 1, E. Park 0, T. Bridge 0, C. Fubling not out 6, R. Yates 0, V. Peil 3, A. Darrington 1, R. Ellis 0, extras 4, total 24.—W. Skevington four for 7, J. Breeze three for 4, M. Maskell two for 5.

Wrestlingworth v. Staploe

Wrestlingworth: K. Robinson 1, M. Daisey 6, M. Rabone 3, L. Compton 18, T. Etridge 0, D. Coombe 1, K. Lee 7, W. Daisey 9, R. Walker 0, J. Humberstone not out 0, P. Franklin 1, total 38.

Staploe: J. Scotcher 28, J. Roberts 1, F. Corn 0, M. Hart 2, L. Lamb not out 0, R. Smith 1 extra 2, total (for five wickets) 45.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Kempston West End v. Stapleton

Stapleton: L. Cook 0, A. Cox 0, H. Der 1, H. Wildman 0, G. Courtis 16, A. Woods 2, S. Alberty 0, V. Bowdler 0, T. Ingram 0, R. Cox 0, W. Tucker not out 0, extras 2, total 21.—S. Smart four for 9, H. Henman six for 10.

West End: C. Parker 2, S. Smart 2, R. Davlo 2, R. Davlo 5, L. Hill 0, M. Barker 2, C. Anthony 4, H. Henman 7, M. McCulley 1, D. Da Nobrega not out 0, M. Darwood 5, extra 2, total 32.—Tucker two for 8, Bowdler three for 17, Curtis one for five, A. Cox one for 0.

Marston Sports v. Wood End

Marston Sports: Thoburn 9, Slade 8, Moore 8, King 2, Barnes 2, Stapleton 0, P. Clark 1, House not out 8, Maxwold 2, total 42.—D. Jessop six for 9, Loft two for 13, Copperwheat two for 14.

Wood End: Ashpole 8, L. Jessop 0, Caves 3, Litchfield not out 22, Copperwheat 0, Loft 0, Hutchings 2, D. Jessop 0, Burrough 1, S. Sanders 0, N. Sanders 5, extras 2, total 41. Thoburn five for 5, Slade four for 34.

Cople v. Marston II

Cople: A. Worrall 1, D. Shingler 6, E. Hill 1, J. Newbury 1, C. Graves 1, A. Hart 11, M. Gamble 0, D. Thicker 0, B. Minney 1, G. Halliday 1, R. Fowler 0, extras 1, total 42.—A. Goodman four for 17, T. Claridge two for 2, F. House two for 10.

Marston II: A. Dunker 8, J. Nicholls 5, J. Hale 0, M. Smith 4, R. Berry not out 23, A. Goodman 1, T. Claridge 6, C. Ellis not out 0, total (for six wickets) 47.—B. Minney three for 16, A. Worrall two for 13, E. Hart one for 5.

Turvey v. Riseley

Turvey: Skevington 8, R. Frost 0, Sargent 7, Kruthoffer 16, Wright 0, Paynton 10, Sugars 0, Lettis not out 3, W. Frost 1, Bullard 0, Hilson 0, total 45.—Holmes three for 13, Woolston two for 2, Allen two for 5, Hopkins two for 14.

Riseley: Williams retired 20, Springer 0, Baines 2, Norman 6, Partridge 14, Woolston 1, Ashpole 11, Holmes 3, Allen 1, Peil not out 6, extras 5, total (for eight wickets) 71.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Keysoe v. Sharnbrook II

Sharnbrook II: T. Canty 23, T. Ward 2, R. Marsh 2, E. Blundell 1, A. Hislop 1, L. Pacey 1, C. Jefferies 1, J. Knight 28, S. Bates not out 14, B. Moreman 0, T. Clark 1 extra 4, total 43.

Keysoe: S. George 18, F. Roddis 10, D. Hartop 1, L. Hawkins 0, K. Brown 6, A. Cook 3, C. Clavton 1, T. Freeman 0, B. Green not out 11, L. Woodward 1, D. Blair 14, extras 8, total 73.

Hospital Cup

HARPUR DISMISS THURSDAY FOR EIGHTEEN

Harpur Sports made short shift of Bedford Thursday in a first round Hospital Cup game in Bedford Park on Tuesday. Batting first, Harpur scored 114 for two in 18 overs. They then shot out their opponents for 18.

Harpur Sports: R. Webster 0, A. Greene not out 0, J. Newman 37, G. Robertson not out 11, extras 10, total (for two wickets) 114.

Bedford Thursday: A. Chappell 0, T. Rose 0, J. Ashton 12, S. Bate 2, R. Wilson 9, W. Poole 0, R. Caves 0, S. Lilliman 2, E. Rainbird 0, W. Luff not out 0, B. Whitmore 0, total 18.—P. Gilbert five for 7, B. Cornell two for 11.

Roston v. Eversholt

Roston: E. Barlow 1, M. Cooper 0, W. Clark 1, Od. Jefferies 0, S. Gadsden 7, A. Clarke 2, P. Knight 3, not out 8, B. Livett 3, K. C. Jefferies 3, W. Stapleton 2, R. Minney not out 0, extras 9, total (for nine wickets) 36.—K. Cousins five for 17, E. Jays three for 10.

Eversholt: B. Oakley 1, M. Carr 2, E. Jays 9, D. Carr 0, C. Pearce 6, K. Cousins 13, W. Lumber 3, W. Holmes 1, P. Barr 5, A. Payne not out 1, M. Anate 3, extras 5, total 49.—W. Clarke six for 20, Jefferies four for 26.

Pertenhall v. Bedford Telephones

Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 18, K. Gentle 1, R. Jones 13, R. Kiteley 6, S. Stapleton 7, S. Nicholson 12, T. Roddis 0, V. Roddis 0, C. Stapleton not out 4, W. Presland 1, S. Dawson not out 3, extras 3, total (for nine wickets) 72.—P. Ashton three for 12, O. Davies two for 25, J. Rees two for 43.

Bedford Telephones: J. Judge 3, W. Harlow 0, K. Humberstone 14, M. Reynolds 0, Gibbons 0, Rees 1, J. Berry 15, W. Gladwell 0, P. Ashton 7, R. West not out 9, G. Davies 1, extras 1, total 42.—R. Jones four for 21, W. Presland three for 14, S. Dawson one for 9.

Collection 42.

Renhold, 59 (W. Harlow 16, D. Stapleton 21), Diemer and Reynolds, 47 (Cox 15, Birwistle 16, D. Stapleton seven for 12).

Eaton Socon, 80 for nine; Bedford Town "B", 0.

2nd Round Draw

The draw for the second round took place on Friday, and resulted as follows—

Colmworth v. Caldecote.
R.A.F. Cardington v. Eaton Socon.
Bedford Postels v. Aspley Guise v. Marston Sports or Blunham "A".
Langford or Kempston West End v. Pottan "A" or Eversholt.
Turvey v. Renhold.
Stewartby or Ickwell "B" v. Riseley "A" or Ickwell "A".
North Crayley or Little Staughton "B" v. Harpur Sports.
Stapleton or Shire Hall v. Felmersham or Biggleswade "A".
Sandy "A" or Bedford Arxus v. Pottan "B" or North End Club.
Electricity or South End Ramblers v. Thurleigh "A" or Riseley "B".
Wyboston or Dean v. Great Barford or Goldington "B".
Wrestlingworth or Town Hall v. Bedford Town "A" or Hall Weston.
Biggleswade "B" v. Marston or Silsoe.
Great Staughton or Clapham "A" v. Bedford Hospital or Irganic.
Goldington "A" or Queen's Works "A" v. Staploe or Sandy "B" or Little Staughton "A".
Pertenhall v. Cople or Casuals.

The games must be completed by 16th June.

**Hospital Cup
BEDFORD PLAY
TO-NIGHT**

Bedford Town 'A' hope to field the following XI against Hail Weston in the first round of the Bedford Hospital Cup to-night (Friday) at Newham Avenue.

O. L. B. August, S. T. Morris, E. C. Howard, V. J. Harris, W. Peet, A. G. Coomb, F. K. Breeze, D. G. Jenkins, C. G. Jones, J. Taylor, E. S. Smith.

The same side, with the exception that C. F. Babey replaces Taylor, visits Aylesbury to-morrow.

Wyboston v. Dean

Dean: P. Crane 12, V. Horsford 1, K. Hart 1, F. Hart 4, W. Cade 0, L. Hewitt 4, J. Hewitt 5, H. Lilley not out 20, P. Hart not out 5, extras 11, total (for seven wkts.) 65.—Parak four for 22, Pell two for 22.

Wyboston: J. Darrington 4, A. Usher 0, W. Peet not out 16, R. Kidman 0, E. Parak 0, R. Ellis 3, T. Bridge 7, C. Polking 2, R. Yates 0, S. Moorhey 0, V. Pell not out 3, extras 7, total (for nine wkts.) 42.—K. Hart took seven wickets.

Goldington, 70 for nine (D. Day 25, J. Whaley 0, H. J. Dean five for 24, E. G. Walker two for 5), Queen's Works 'A', 100 for three (E. C. Wooding 50 not out, H. F. Boyse 28, K. P. Wilson 10 not out).

Clapham, 70 for seven (T. Buck 43 not out, R. Devereux 14 not out, H. Davison four for 20, H. Stewart three for 30), Great Staughton, 14 (W. Lee six for 4, C. Bottell three for 5).

Bedford North End, 92 for seven (W. Beardmore 52, D. Pickering 26, R. Shirriff 11 not out, T. King 11, B. Moore four for 32, E. Blott two for 14), Potton 'B', 79 (E. Giles 27, P. Brown 15, Swales Ave for 26, D. Pickering four for 30).

Friendly Cricket

AUCTIONEERS' ANNUAL GAME

Stafford, Rogers and Merry Ltd. v W. and H. Peacock

W. and H. Peacock: S. Tysoe 15, G. Millman 40, E. D. M. Peacock 3, A. R. H. Wilkins 1, A. H. K. Damon 15, J. H. Church 8, F. A. Jeffrey 0, J. Slater 1, R. H. Craig not out, H. F. O. M. Peacock 6, C. T. Blesoe 1, extras 13, total 114.—Juffs three for 29, Woodard two for 15, Dixon one for 14, Scott one for 1.

Stafford, Rogers and Merry Ltd.: R. T. Shepherd 29, C. Dixon 24, H. Jeffs 14, A. C. Woodard 6, K. J. Evans 3, H. R. Whitmore 1, A. Wheeler 0, J. M. Stevens 2, W. J. Paul 0, J. B. I. Scott 0, J. I. Merry 0, extras 2, total 25.—Church six for 11, Tysoe three for 41.

Last-Over Victory

In an all-day match at Wantage on Monday, Diemer and Reynolds lost by four wickets, Wantage scoring the winning run off the second ball of the last over.

Diemer and Reynolds: Spring 9, 7, Birtwistle 14, 4; Pell 5, 0; Stapleton 20, 16; Brannan 0, 0; Rowkins 0, 16; Williamson 3, 18; McMullen 5, not out 0; Dodson 0, 1; Webb 9, 11; Ellis not out 0, 7; extras 2, 5; totals 63 and 27.

Wantage: 114 for nine dec (Harris 50, Hartway 20, McMullen four for 13, Dodson two for 10) and 37 for six (Rolls 21, Dodson three for 13, McMullen two for 24).

Old Warden v. Ickwell

Old Warden: J. Cooper 1, W. Park 27, G. Gilbert 15, K. Crossland 32, E. Cooper 5, J. Herridge 0, E. Spinderson 15, P. Vintner 38, G. Berridge 0, A. Pearce 7, W. Foster not out 2, extras 6, total 146.—E. Hilliard four for 41, D. Bygraves three for 25.

Ickwell: D. Lew 3, G. Bygraves 0, D. Bygraves 1, G. Reeks 5, A. Wright 17, R. Milton 0, J. Ibbett 5, D. Bygraves 5, H. Thompson 11, E. Hilliard 0, R. Marsden not out 0, total 45.—P. Vintner seven for 34, W. Crossland two for 11, J. Cooper one for 0.

Gaynes Hall B.I. v. Wyboston

Wyboston: J. Darrington 11, A. Usher 1, W. Peet 1, C. Polking 22, V. Pell 1, R. Yates 1, S. Moorhey 4, D. Wilson 3, L. Beckford 0, R. Ellis 9, W. Mooney not out 0, extras 9, total 61.—Will six for 10, Cross three for 21, Cassidy one for 0.

Gaynes Hall B.I.: Cross 9, Booroff not out 19, Will 7, extras 1, total (for two wkts.) 29.—Pell two for 6.—Rain stopped play.

Dean 60 (L. Hewitt 17, R. Hart 17, Holmes six for 22, P. Woolson three for 17), Risley 72 (R. Whitmore 15, W. Allen not out 12, R. Hart six for 25, J. Hart two for 10).

Grosvenor Club, 55 (Tanner 16, Leonard 15, Spies Ave for 10, Beaumont 10 for 7), Shefford, 37 for five (Spies 24, Baker 12, Beaumont 10, Green three for 18, Davies two for 21).

**RAIN IS AGAIN
THE ENEMY
B.M.S. Draw With
Gentlemen**

Bedford Modern School's drawn game with Gentlemen of Bedfordshire on Wednesday was almost completely ruined by rain. No play was possible in the morning, and then when a good finish looked likely, rain again interfered and ended the match.

Morris put the School in to bat on a very slow pitch at 2.30. Chamberlain was soon out, but Watts played carefully at the other end. Wilson and Smart each scored 14 against accurate bowling, and at 61 for three Cooper joined the patient Watts. They put on 50 in an hour, Watts eventually being out for 36 and Cooper for 39. The innings was declared closed at 126 for six.

With 11 hours remaining an interesting finish seemed likely, but when the Gentlemen had reached 50 for four rain ended play. Wilson had bowled well with a wet ball to claim the wickets of Kelly, Howard, and Peet for 26 runs.

B.M.S.: P. D. Watts c and 0 Howard 20, W. Chamberlain b Maries 1, D. J. Wilson lbw b Asbury 1, D. Smart c Cornell b Peet 14, J. I. Cooper b Howard 39, A. M. Brannan not out 15, M. D. Daniels b Asbury 0, H. J. Blakemore not out 5, extras 12, total (for six wkts. dec.) 126. M. Lawrence, R. L. Stevenson, and D. P. Maynard did not bat.

Gentlemen: S. T. Morris not out 29, T. Kelly b Wilson 3, A. Nelson b Maynard 6, E. C. Howard b Wilson 2, W. Peet lbw b Wilson 11, L. Branton not out 12, total (for four wkts.) 52. R. J. M. Sills, B. Cornell, R. A. M. Harvey, D. J. Asbury, and B. Maries did not bat.

**School on Top
at Tonbridge**

Bedford School had much the better of a draw with Tonbridge School in a two-day game on Friday and Saturday, and were distinctly unlucky to lose half an hour of vital time on the last afternoon due to a sharp shower.

Bedford scored the faster on the first day, and after Wyatt and Street had made 41 for the first wicket, Hay, J. Smith and Gordon all played well. Tonbridge made a good start with a partnership of 63, but accurate bowling pinned down the batsmen to 110 runs in 160 minutes.

On the second day Bedford were well on top, and due chiefly to good spin bowling by Street (four for 49) and P. Smith (three for 20), the last seven Tonbridge wickets fell for 69 runs.

After lunch, Street and Wyatt again batted well, making 68 before Wyatt was out to a fine catch at short-leg. At 89 Street was out to another great effort by the same fielder, Crang. P. Smith and Johnson then flayed the bowling, and in 25 minutes the score reached 140. The next few batsmen played do-or-die innings to enable Street to declare at 174 for six.

HAY AND FERRO BOWL WELL

Tonbridge thus had to make 164 in 100 minutes, but Hay and Ferro bowled so well that after the first few overs the batsmen settled down to desperate defence. Hay took three for 17 in 15 overs and Ferro two for 8 in 8 overs.

Excitement mounted when J. Smith took two catches off Ferro late in the game, but C. M. Smith played a sound defensive innings for Tonbridge.

The fielding of both sides was absolutely first-class and a delight to watch.

Bedford: R. W. Street c Fuller b Crang 24—C. Crang b Foster 45, R. R. Wyatt lbw b Fuller 15—C. Crang b Foster 29, P. Smith lbw b Gracey 4.—J. Smith b Gracey 45; J. D. S. Hay b Gracey 29—not out 6; Garrett b Hubbard 0; Battem 27—b Gracey 2; Meadows c Smith b Nichols 13—C. Godfrey b Nichols 10, Gordon not out 23, Johnson c Smith b Nichols 0—St. Smith b Nichols 27; Was c Fuller b Nichols 15; Ferro run out 2, extras 11—R. totals 172 and 174 for six wkts., declared.—Nichols three for 16, Gracey three for 42.

Tonbridge: G. E. Godfrey b P. Smith 24—C. J. Smith b Ferro 0; C. M. Smith c Hay b Street 27—not out 21; R. P. Crang b Meadows b Ferro 18—0 Street 26; P. O'Dell c Hay b Street 35—lbw b Hay 3; R. M. Gracey lbw b Hay 11—C. P. Smith b Hay 1; R. D. Hubbard b Ferro 0—C. J. Smith b Ferro 17; A. R. Nichols c J. Smith b Street 20—C. Ferro b Hay 0; R. P. Fuller at Meadows b Street 0—not out 0; N. R. Prowse c Street b P. Smith 3; D. O. Battem c Street b P. Smith 1; M. P. Foster not out 4; extras 16—7, totals 179 and 77 for six wkts.—Street four for 49, P. Smith three for 20, Ferro two for 24 and two for 8; Hay three for 17.

ONLY TWO LEAGUE GAMES DECIDED

Rain so affected cricket in the Bedford and District League last Saturday that only two games produced a result. In one of these Turvey—after three successive defeats—surprisingly beat Stevington by ten wickets.

Stevington batted first, and scoring was slow against a mixed Turvey attack. Sugars, Wright, and Sargent shared the bowling honours, Sugars taking five for 23. Opening for Turvey, R. Frost (captain) and B. Skevington were on top form, passing Stevington's total in less than an hour.

After scoring 35 for three, Kempston Wood End collapsed to the bowling of Riseley's J. Ashpole (seven for 8) and were all out for 48. Riseley lost two wickets in Litchfield's first over before rain stopped play.

PREMIER DIVISION

Clapham v. Sharnbrook

Clapham: C. Bottell 4, S. Wiles 3, R. Nicholson 0, A. Henman 2, R. Devereux 3, R. Millard 10, T. Buck 13, C. Turner 2, W. Lee not out 2, R. Pickering 12 extras 6, total (for nine wickets) 57—Barnick five for 3, Martin two for 14, Blundell one for 11, Benson one for 21. Rain stopped play.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Sharnbrook	5	3	1	1	7
Clapham	5	3	1	1	7
Perenhall	4	3	1	0	6
Thurleigh	4	2	2	0	4
Caldecote	3	1	2	0	3
Lynton Works	3	1	2	0	3
South End Ramblers	3	1	2	0	3
Marston	4	0	4	0	0

DIVISION I

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Mogerhanger	3	3	0	0	6
Langford	3	3	0	0	6
Stagsden	4	2	2	0	4
Pavenham	3	2	1	0	4
Blunham	4	2	2	0	4
Little Staughton	3	1	2	0	2
Renhold	4	1	3	0	2
Felmersham	4	0	4	0	0

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Potton II	4	3	0	1	7
Weboston	4	3	1	0	6
Great Staughton	5	2	1	2	6
Great Barford	4	1	1	2	4
Little Paxton	3	2	1	0	4
Staple	4	0	4	0	0
Colmworth	4	0	4	0	0
Wrestlingworth	3	0	3	0	0

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Riseley v. Kempston Wood End

Wood End: R. Ashpole 5, C. Caves 1, J. Litchfield 24, L. Jason 2, W. Hutchman not out 3, B. Sanders 0, J. Buraway 2, N. Sanders 3, B. Kerna 0, T. Ashpole 1, C. Fuller 1, extras 5, total 44—J. Ashpole seven for 8, Holmes three for 15. Riseley: W. Partridge not out 0, W. Norman 0, P. Woolston 4, R. Stone not out 0, total (for two wickets) 4—Rain stopped play.

Stevington v. Turvey

Stevington: G. Curtis 7, B. Albery 2, H. Dart 11, A. Cox 0, J. Swain 2, A. Woods 0, H. Bowdler 4, L. Cook 12, T. Ingram not out 3, J. Crouse 3, R. Cox 0, extras 9, total 34—Sugars five for 23, Sargent three for 5, Wright two for 2. Turvey: D. Skevington not out 34, R. Frost not out 22, extras 2, total (for no wicket) 58.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Riseley	4	4	0	0	8
Kempston Wood End	4	3	1	0	6
Marston II	4	3	1	0	6
Marston Sports	4	2	2	0	4
Stevington	4	1	3	0	2
Turvey	4	1	3	0	2
Cople	4	1	3	0	2
Kempston Wood End	4	1	3	0	2

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Sharnbrook II v. Oakley

Sharnbrook: E. Canty 10, B. Lovell 3, E. Blundell 5, A. Hishop 7, E. Ward 6, L. Pacev 2, R. Knight 0, C. Jofferies 0, B. Bates 4, R. Blood not out 2, J. Clarke 0, extras 5, total 44.—C. Bird five for 17, G. Rainbow four for 12.

Oakley: C. Bird 1, J. Briggs 0, F. Rainbow not out 2, total (for two wks.) 3.—R. Knight one for 1, C. Jofferies one for 2.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Keysoe	4	3	1	0	6
Thurleigh II	4	2	0	2	5
North Crawley	4	2	1	1	3
Little Staughton II	4	2	0	0	4
Sharnbrook II	3	1	3	1	3
Oakley	2	0	0	0	0
Riseley II	3	1	2	0	2
Clapham II	3	0	3	0	0

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Ickwell	4	4	0	0	8
Kempston	4	3	1	0	6
Langford II	4	1	3	0	2
Roxton	3	1	2	0	2
Blunham II	4	1	3	0	2
Haynes	3	1	2	0	1
Caldecote II	3	0	3	0	0

This Week's Sports Diary

Cricket

TO-DAY (FRIDAY)

BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP

First Round

Bedford Town "A" v. Hall Weston (Newnham Avenue 6.15 p.m.).

Second Round

Queen's Works "A" v. Little Staughton (Allen Park 6.50).
Pertenhall v. Casuals (6.50).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Aylesbury v. Bedford Town
Harpur Sports v. Searby
Bedfordshire Women v. Buckinghamshire (Allen Park)
Bedford Modern School v. Bedford Puritans
Kempston v. Ickwell
Barnby v. Bedford Argus
Harpur II v. Gentlemen of the Lion
Barnby II v. Aylesbury II
Ickwell v. Bedford Ramblers
Biggleswade v. Bedford North End
Silson v. Melton
Wharley End v. Cruseston
Queen's Works II v. Rushden II
Ickwell II v. Elstow
Old Warden v. Diemer & Reynolds
Fittwick v. Morphy Richards
Eversholt v. Leagrave
Leitchworth Tabulators v. Fittwick "B"
Wilson Bros. v. Carlton School
Kettering Electricity v. Bedford Elec
Aspley Guise v. Chiltern C.C.
Fulsham "B" v. Queen's Foundry
Milton Keynes v. Fitcham
Campton v. Biggleswade II
Sandy v. Leitchworth Strikers
Little Barford v. Sandy "B"
Wareley v. Ickwell
Ickwell II v. Roxton
Baldoke II v. Clifton II
R.A.F. Henlow v. Luton
Vauxhall Motors v. Henlow
Henlow II v. King's Walden
I.C.I. Welwyn v. Southill Park
Southill Park II v. Smart and Brown's
Amphill v. Luton Davis
Westoning v. Stockwood
Great Brickhill v. Toddington

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

Sharnbrook v. Thurleigh
Pertenhall v. Clapham
Lynton Works v. Southend Ramblers.

Division I

Langford v. Blunham
Little Staughton v. Pavenham
Felmersham v. Renhold
Mogerhanger v. Stagsden.

Division II (Section I)

Weboston v. Colmworth
Potton II v. Great Staughton
Little Paxton v. Great Barford.

Division II (Section II)

Riseley v. Marston II
Kempston Wood End v. Stevington
Marston Sports v. Kempston West End
Cople v. Turvey.

Division III (Section I)

Clapham II v. Sharnbrook II
Thurleigh II v. Little Staughton II
Keysoe v. North Crawley
Oakley v. Riseley II.

Division III (Section II)

Ickwell II v. Roxton
Haynes II v. Caldecote II.

SUNDAY

Bedford v. Cambridge University and College Servants
Cruseston v. Harpur Sports
R. B. Sanders v. Casuals
Melton v. Odhams

Leitch Buzzard v. Gentlemen of Lion
Queen's Works v. Bedford North End
Percival v. Wharley End
Kempston W.F. v. South End Ramblers
Diemer & Reynolds v. Works XI
Searby v. Potton
Luton Town v. Southill Park
R.A.F. Henlow v. Hitchin II
Claydon v. Sandy
Ehfford v. Smart and Brown's

MONDAY

SHEFFORD CORONATION SHIELD
R.A.F. Henlow "B" v. Sandy.

TUESDAY

HOSPITAL CUP
Shire Hall v. Biggleswade (Bedford Park)

WEDNESDAY

MINOR COUNTIES COMPETITION
Lincolnshire v. Bedfordshire, at Stevington (and Thursday).
Sandy v. Old Warden.

THURSDAY

Bedford School v. M.C.C.
Bedford Postels v. Bedford Thursday

CLAPHAM 22 FOR 3, ALL OUT 24

Having scored 22 for three in reply to Pertenhall's all out total of 29 Clapham looked certain of victory in their Bedford and District League (Premier Division) game. But then came a dramatic collapse, the remaining wickets falling for only two runs.

Two batsmen were run out, and R. Jones (three for 1) and W. Presland (one for 1) were the chief wreckers of Clapham's victory hopes. Previously Pertenhall had also experienced a collapse from 23 for three to 29 all out. Of this total R. Jones hit 14 (including two sixes), the only player to reach double figures.

Langford's home game with Blunham was played between the showers on a "sticky dog," and when Blunham needed six runs to win with three wickets to fall, Langford sportingly played two overs in a downpour to give Blunham a chance to win—which they took.

An opening stand of 33 by Smith and Thoburn for Marston Sports proved more than the total (30) obtained by opponents, Kempston West End. Thoburn was also among the wickets, taking five for 12.

Another sudden reversal of fortune came in Cople's game with Turvey, the latter reaching 32 for three, then being all out 37. In almost continuous rain Cople's batsmen took risks to knock up the runs quickly, and passed Turvey's score for the loss of only four wickets. Ron Wright put an end to it all by lobbing up a full toss which Graves obligingly hit for a six.

PREMIER DIVISION

Pertenhall v. Clapham

Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 0, J. Roddis 1, S. Stapleton 5, R. Jones 14, S. Nicholson 2, C. Stapleton 0, W. Presland 4, R. Kiteley 0, V. Roddis 2, J. Swires not out 0, S. Dawson 0, extras 1, total 29.—C. Bottell six for 15, R. Pickering three for 3, T. Buck one for 10.

Clapham: T. Buck 6, J. Litchfield 2, A. Henman 8, R. Nicholson 1, C. Bottell 4, R. Devereux 0, R. Pickering 0, R. Millard 0, L. Wooding 0, C. Turner not out 2, W. Lee absent, extras 1, total 24.—R. Jones four for 13, W. Presland three for 11.

DIVISION I

Langford v. Blunham

Langford: T. Chessum 2, N. Patterson 2, B. Kilby 3, F. Roberts 1, F. King 5, N. Rogers 12, D. King 10, L. Gentle 0, J. Smith 0, R. Smith 2, E. Whitman 5, extras 5, total 47.—F. Tester four for 11, W. Fordham three for 23.

Blunham: F. Abbott 12, D. Moore 3, D. Brooks 15, O. Barker 0, R. Harding 0, W. Fordham 0, F. Tester 3, N. Sawford 8, P. Dennis not out 5, extras 2, total (for seven wickets) 48.—J. Smith three for 19, D. King two for 15.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Colmworth v. Wyboston

Wyboston: J. Darrington 0, A. Usher 1, W. Peer 16, C. Folbigg 10, R. Yates 8, R. Ridman 0, D. Wilson 4, V. Fell 1, A. Darrington not out 6, R. Ellis not out 4, extras 1, total (for eight wkts.) 51. Rain stopped play.

Great Barford 49 (H. Kroecker 27); Little Paxton 3 for no wicket. Rain stopped play.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Marston Sports v. Kempston West End

Marston Sports: Smith 20, Thoburn 13, Slade 0, King 2, Moore 8, Barnes 5, Stapleton 18, Peacock 0, Pottle not out 6, Clark 0, Hay 0, extras 7, total 60.—Henman four for 38, Smart three for 33.

West End Club: Parker 0, Smart 0, McCalley 0, Darwood 0, Hill 3, Anthony 6, Henman 9, Hackson 0, Hyde 0, Da Nobrega not out 6, Turner 1, extras 5, total 30.—Thoburn five for 12, Slade four for 14.

Cople v. Turvey

Turvey: Skevington 11, Frost 15, Sargent 1, Rev. Browning 6, Kruthoffer 3, Letta 0, Wright 0, Frost 0, Paynton 0, Hilsen 0, Sugars not out 0, total 37.—Hart took six wickets and Hull four.

Cople: Shingall 8, Warrell 2, Hull 0, Newbury 9, Hart not out 6, Graves not out 6, extras 7, total (for four wkts.) 38.—Sugars took two wickets, and Sargent and Frost one each.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Clapham II, 50 for eight v. Sharnbrook II. Rain stopped play.

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

Haynes II v. Caldecote II

Haynes: Daniels 18, Roberts 31, Stevens 6, Baker 0, Webb 0, Jefford 0, Grummitt 18, Herbert 14, Newbury 17, Bennett not out 0, Dear 0, extras 5, total 109.—Tanner six for 40.

Caldecote: Davison 5, Williams 1, Adams 2, Boycott 6, Tanner 7, Woodward 0, Summerfield 0, Bygraves 4, Clarke 0, Maudlin 2, Edwards 1, total 28.—R. Daniels five for 11.

Disbury Hits 66 For Kent

Brian Disbury, the former Bedfordshire opener, played for Kent against the Royal Air Force at Folkestone on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, and obtained top score of 66 out of a second innings total of 187. He hit one 6 and five 4's, being finally caught and bowled by Shireff.

Disbury also had the distinction of taking a wicket with his very first ball, getting Horton caught by O'Linn. His full analysis was 50, 2m, 6r, 1w. Capt. Percy Burke, who watched the game, had a talk with Mr. N. Christopherson, the Kent Secretary, who said Disbury was the most discussed cricketer throughout the County by spectators, officials, and players.

Marston Player's 82 in Hospital Cup Match

Marston won through to the last 16 in the Bedford and District Hospital Cup competition when they beat Biggleswade "B" by 39 runs. Highlight of the match was an innings of 82 by Marston opener, D. Stapleton.

Marston hit 114 for seven in the 20 overs, Stapleton dominating the innings. His 82 included three 6's and seven 4's. Biggleswade met a tight attack from Swales and Faulkner, and their batsmen obtained only two boundaries.

Marston: R. Copperheat 9, D. Stapleton 82, S. P. Faulkner 8, A. W. Bunker 2, R. Odell 0, D. W. Faulkner 14, W. Swales 0, F. W. Wilson not out 1, A. Knight not out 0, extras 4, total (for seven wickets) 114.—F. Bowles five for 66, M. Course two for 19.
Biggleswade "B": E. Revels 5, M. Course 28, R. James 1, R. Jones 2, L. Webster 2, T. Humphreys 21, R. White 0, A. Baldwin not out 5, R. Huckle 2, E. Bowles 4, P. Bowles 0, extras 7, total 75.—W. Swales three for 15, A. Goodman two for 7, K. Brightman two for 7, F. Faulkner two for 39.

Not One Boundary

"Get them in singles" was the order at North Crawley on Wednesday, when Harpur Sports won by 29 runs. Grass on the outfield was very long and the most productive stroke was three runs.

Harpur: R. Webster 6, A. Green 6, D. Hoar 13, J. Newman 0, G. Robertson 8, A. Webster not out 13, A. Martin 2, C. Newman 0, E. Barcock not out 2, extras 4, total (for seven wickets) 56.—B. Howe four for 24, L. Crawley 2, Wooding not out 10, J. Bennards 2, G. Clark 8, Savage 0, B. Howe 1, G. Patten 0, T. Caves 0, D. Savage 2, F. Brandon 0, F. Stanton 0, F. Ellis not out 0, extras 5, total (for nine wickets) 27.—B. Cornell five for 8.

Shire Hall Out

Biggleswade "A" accounted for Shire Hall with six overs to spare at Bedford Park on Tuesday.

Shire Hall: A. Jessop 0, P. Dixon 18, K. Evans 4, H. Hill 4, T. Hunt 13, R. White 0, A. Duckett 4, R. Churchill 4, A. Woodgate 4, R. Harter not out 0, total (for 9 wickets) 51.—P. Allen four for 29, E. Smith three for 11.
Biggleswade: M. Williams 11, R. Humphreys 21, M. King not out 11, P. Miller 1, R. Garrod 5, D. Carr 0, extras 5, total (for five wickets) 54.—Duckett three for 26, Churchill two for 7.

Unlucky Injury

Kempston West End lost to Langford by 10 runs, being unlucky to lose their No. 3 batsman, R. White, with a cut above his left eye which required seven stitches.

Langford: Kilby 2, Rogers 6, D. King 11, Asgett 1, L. King 6, Houghton 14, Smith 6, Hutchinson 3, Dunn

FRIENDLY CRICKET

Wyboston v. Goldington
Wyboston: J. Darrington 2, A. Usher 16, W. Peet 24, C. Folling 8, V. Pell 6, P. Saunders 25, R. Bates 3, D. Wilson 6, L. Heckford not out 2, R. Ellis 0, S. Moorbey 0, extras 4, total 96.—Rawlins six for 34, Dimmick two for 17, West one for 18.
Goldington: West 5, A. Single 8, J. Whaley 2, J. Parsons 0, L. Dimmick 0, W. Eaton 1, A. Rawlins 0, J. Pig 1, A. Stevens 0, M. Lynch 2, A. Bembridge not out 0, total 19.—Saunders five for 5, Pell four for 8, J. Darrington one for 0.

Bedfordshire Times v. Eistow
Times: C. F. Sabey 21, E. G. Coleman not out 24, E. Arnold 40, M. Suckley not out 0, extras 5, total (for two wickets) 90.
Eistow: M. Cirket 16, C. Saunders 8, G. Foskett 0, D. George 5, G. Caven 0, A. Saunders 0, V. Wilson not out 12, A. Cirket 0, D. Prole 0, Bartram not out 1, extras 2, total (for eight wickets) 44.—D. F. W. Young four for 17 (including hat-trick), C. F. Sabey three for 35.

Bacchus v. Kempston East Methodists
Bacchus: Green 7, Swannell 0, Litchfield 0, Auton 3, Marriott 21, King 0, R. Smith 0, Varny 3, Benson 6, Ashwell not out 9, Smith not out 8, extras 4, total (for nine wickets) 61.—Curtis four for 3, Haynes three for 12.
Methodists: Kemp not out 9, Midcal 4, Turner 1, Curtis 0, Bellamy 0, White 35, Simpson 0, Donnison 0, extras 8, total (for seven wickets) 57.—Benson four for 17, R. Smith three for 32.

SPORTS FIXTURES

Cricket

TO-DAY (FRIDAY)

HOSPITAL CUP

Second Round

Wreatlingworth v. Bedford Town "A", Pertenhall v. Bedford Casuals (at Pertenhall, 6.30 p.m.).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Bedford Town v. Watford Town, Harpur Sports v. R.A.F. Henlow, Bedford School v. Cryptics, Peterbrotherhood v. Queen's Works, Bedford Argus v. Cliphill, Britannia Works v. Kempston, Bedford Argus v. Cliphill, Melita v. Shire Hall, Craykeo v. Chipping XI, Gentlemen of Lion v. R.A.F. Henlow II, Watford II v. Bedford II, Olney v. Bedford Ramblers, Kettering v. Harpur II, Wellingsborough II v. Queen's II, London Brick Co. v. North End, Leighton Rovers v. Eversholt, Wharley End v. G. of A. Students XI, Cross C.C. v. Flitwick, Flitwick "B" v. Woodside, Moulsoe v. Diemer and Reynolds, Biggleswade v. Tabulators, Tabulators II v. Biggleswade II, Three Counties Hospital v. Dagenham Gables, Potton v. Henlow II, Huntingdon v. Southill Park, Southill Park II v. St. Neola II, Campton v. Smart and Brown, Sandy "A" v. Eltisley, Goldington v. Sandy "B", Kempston West End v. T. Turney's XI, Henlow v. Eaton Socon, Old Warden v. Shuttleworth College, Gamlingay v. Clifton, Clifton II v. Shefford II, Aspley Guise v. Horton, Leighton Rovers v. Eversholt, Flitwick "B" v. Woodside.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

Caldecote v. Clapham, Lynton Works v. Marston, Pertenhall v. Sharnbrook.

Division I

Mogerhanger v. Langford, Lunham v. Felmersham, Renhold v. Little Staughton.

Division II (Section I)

Wreatlingworth v. Wyboston, Staploe v. Potton II.

Division II (Section II)

Stevington v. Riseley, Turvey v. Kempston Wood End, Marston Sports v. Cople.

Division III (Section I)

Little Staughton II v. Sharnbrook II, Riseley II v. Thurlingham II, Oakley v. North Crawley.

Division III (Section II)

Tempsford v. Ickwell II, Lynnes I v. Blunham II, Roxton v. Langford II.

SUNDAY

Bedford v. Wolverton, R. B. Sanders v. Harpur Sports, Queen's Works v. Kettering Men's Own, Bedford Women's C.C. v. B.T.H. Rugby, Melita v. Walsworth, Hitchin, Craykeo v. Bedford North End, Southill Park v. Gentlemen of Lion, Kempston West End v. Bedford Electricity, Holwell v. Diemer & Reynolds, Eaton Socon v. M. King's XI, Three Counties Hospital v. Casuals, Casuals "B" v. Potton, R.A.F. Henlow v. Letchworth II.

TUESDAY

Cambridgeshire v. Bedfordshire, at Ely (and Wednesday), Old Warden v. Bedfordshire Times.

WEDNESDAY

Bedford Modern Sch. v. Northants, Am Luton Wednesday v. Three Counties Hospital, Sandy v. Potton.

THURSDAY

Bedford School v. Incongniti, Leighton Buzzard v. Bedford Thursday, Flitwick v. Bowes Manor.

Diemer and Reynolds v. Wells of Bedford

Diemer's: Lovatt not out 34, Spring 24, extras 14, total (for one wkt.) 72.
Wells: R. Bonson 4, R. Millard 5, N. Wilson 1, K. Power 3, E. Foley 0, R. Siddie 0, R. Smith 0, J. Wilson not out 4, D. Wengreen 0, J. Jones 4, extras 13, total (for nine wickets) 34.—McMullen six for 7, Conway three for 12.
Dickens (Harrold) C.C. 73 for eight (R. Rogers 25, E. Peach not out 20, Reid three for 28, Orrell two for 8), Carlton School, 56 for seven (G. Robinson six for 25).
Aspley Guise, 69 for seven (R. Thompson not out 32, Freeman six for 23), Steppingley, 55 (Riddell 19, T. Commerford six for 13).

5. Calden not out 10, Whitman not out 5, extras 9, total (for nine wickets) 75.—8. Smart four for 30, H. Henman four for 40.
West End: Parker 18, Smart 2, white retired hurt 2, Anthony 3, McCulley 0, Henman 1, Darwood 11, Hyde 3, Jackson 12, Wells 0, Da Nobrega 4, extras 5, total 65.—White-man five for XI, D. King three for 31.

Shock for Queen's

Biggest shock in the competition so far came last Friday, when Queen's Works, winners two years ago, were beaten on their own ground by Staploe, who had previously accounted for the Works "B" side.

Staploe: 68 (F. Jex 19, R. Smith not out 23, Walker four for 34, Dean four for 32), Queen's: 43 (M. M. J. McDonald 13, R. Smith five for 14, J. Scotcher three for 28).
Clapham: 48 (T. Buck 12, Morris five for 17), Ickwell: 52 for four (Studman 28).
Bedford Postels: 50, Blunham "A": 61 for seven.

Third Round Draw

The draw for the third round, which must be completed by the 24th of this month, is as follows:—

Staploe v. Harpur Sports, Ickwell v. Colmworth or Caldecote, South End Ramblers or Thurlingham "A" v. Pertenhall or Bedford Casuals, Biggleswade "A" v. Marston, Blunham "A" v. Turvey or Renhold, Bedford North End v. Stewartry or Ickwell "A", Wreatlingworth or Bedford Town v. Dean or Great Barford, R.A.F. Cardington or Eaton Socon v. Langford or Eversholt.

TOWN PLAY TO-NIGHT

Bedford v. Sharnbrook, Wreatlingworth to-night (to-day) in a second round game. Team: G. L. B. August, E. C. Howard, F. S. Smith, V. J. Harris, D. G. Jenkins, F. K. Breeze, C. G. Jones, W. Peet, A. G. Coombe, J. Taylor, B. Maries.

SHIELD DEFEAT FOR HOLDERS

Sandy, holders of the Sheffield Coronation Shield, were no match for R.A.F. Henlow "B" at Henlow on Monday. Sandy included Basil Maries, the County bowler. He took the only R.A.F. wicket to fall.

Sandy: J. Cooper 37, E. Joyce 9, S. Reid 4, E. Clark 9, B. Maries 9, N. Hoole 1, A. Saunders 1, J. Nunn not out 6, R. Wagstaff not out 1, extras 3, total (for 7 wickets) 73.—Reeve three for 33, Solara three for 38.
R.A.F. Henlow: Woodcock not out 37, Terry 4, Wilson not out 27, extras 6, total (for one wkt.) 74.

EAST BEDS. SHIELD

Caldecote v. Wyboston
Wyboston: J. Darrington 5, A. Usher 0, W. Peet 0, R. Kidman 0, V. Pell 1, R. Ellis 0, D. Wilson 4, C. Folling not out 10, A. Darrington not out 11, extras 4, total (for seven wickets) 33.—Odell four for 10, Tanner three for 21.
Caldecote: R. Boycott 3, R. Woodward 5, F. Summerfield not out 11, Odell 0, F. Tanner not out 25, extras 3, total (for three wickets) 37.—Pell one for 15, Ellis one for 19.

JUNIOR SECTION

Potton II v. Goldington
Potton II: 42 (C. Blott 23, Lynch five for 16, Cannon two for 24), Goldington: 39 for eight (Munns five for 15, Peck two for 19).

Bedford School's Three Notable Victories

Bedford School have achieved a notable trio of victories recently by beating in succession the Buccaneers by eight wickets, M.C.C by 104 runs, and the Cryptics by 110 runs.

The School on 17th June were put in to bat by the M.C.C., and although the three professionals, Hall (five for 48), Morton, and Nicholls bowled well, fine innings by J. D. S. Hay and R. W. Street led to a very satisfactory total.

After Street had batted very soundly in a third-wicket partnership of 104, Hay took complete charge and well deserved his first century for the School. The wicketkeeping of H. G. Bynoe for the club was quite outstanding.

Once again the School bowling and fielding were admirably accurate. Ferro moved the ball in the air and frequently beat the bat, and Eldridge, another Colt, made an excellent promising debut—especially valuable as Hay needed rest after his fine innings. P. Smith and Street spun the ball considerably, and with judicious changes of bowling seven wickets fell for 45 runs.

It looked, however, as if Wilkinson and Hall might play out time, but after Wilkinson had stayed an hour for 12 runs, J. Smith was brought on, and in three balls beat first Hall and then Morton to give the School a win by 110 runs.

The past few seasons have seen some notable successes, but this is probably the strongest eleven fielded by the School for a considerable number of years.

Bedford School: R. W. Street c Bynoe b Morton 39, R. W. Wyatt c Ollitt b Hall 6, J. D. S. Hay c Bynoe b Hall 0, J. D. S. Hay c Bynoe b Morton 109, J. Smith c Bynoe b Hall 0, Garrett b Hall 0, Eldridge b Bynoe b Hall 2, Gordon b Nicholls 5, Johnson 6, Meadows at Bynoe b Nicholls 10, Ferro not out 0, extras 20, total 197.

M.C.C.: O. P. Ashwell b Ferro 0, Dr. M. Stratford b Street 11, P. West b Ferro 0, P. Nicholls run out 15, Major H. J. D. Ollitt b P. Smith 8, A. Craxton b Hay 0, R. Aiston b Hay 3, H. G. Bynoe b Eldridge 19, P. Smith not out 12, B. C. Hall b J. Smith 7, G. D. Morton low b J. Smith 0, extras 7, total 87.

Opening Pair's 78

Street and Wyatt gave the School a fine start against the Cryptics on Saturday, putting on 78 for the first wicket, which gave P. Smith, J. D. S. Hay, and J. Smith opportunity to play forceful innings. Wyatt gave no chance in making 72, and J. Smith hit well to make 51 in 42 minutes, enabling Street to declare at 223 for six wickets.

The Cryptics had a strong batting side, but soon J. Curtis, who had an excellent catch by P. Smith off Ferro, Skinner and Bower began to score rapidly, but at 42 Hay bowled Bower with an in-swinging. In the next three balls Wright and Singlehurst were completely eaten and bowled by Hay, and after P. Smith had taken another fine one-handed catch, five wickets were down for 59.

Eldridge, a Colt who has had a successful season, took a valuable wicket by bowling Skinner. Then followed the best stand of the innings, between D. C. Money and P. R. Scott, taking the score to 104. After Scott and Goulding had fallen to P. Smith, Hay came on again and finished the innings with two wickets in three balls. His figures were five for 29 in 10 overs, one over having cost him 19 runs!

Bedford School: R. W. Street c Money b Scott 42, R. W. Wyatt c Money b Scott 72, P. Smith low b Harper 18, J. D. S. Hay b Dudley 25, J. Smith c Dudley b Skinner 51, Meadows run out 10, extras 5, total (for six wickets) 223. Garrett, Gordon, Eldridge, Johnson, and Ferro did not bat.

Cryptics: A. F. Skinner b Eldridge 39, L. W. Curtis b P. Smith b Ferro 0, H. P. Bower b Hay 14, H. W. Wright b Hay 0, J. Singlehurst b Hay 0, J. B. M. Britten c and P. Smith 0, D. C. Money c Gordon b Hay 36, P. R. Scott b P. Smith 25, Rev. G. B. Goulding b Smith 0, J. K. Dudley not out 0, J. T. Harper b Hay 0, extras 5, total 119.

Batsmen On Top

Against accurate bowling by Watts and Wilson, City of London lost four wickets for 59 in their game at Bedford Modern School on Saturday. Gradually, however, the batsmen got on top and the 100 was reached for five wickets. After lunch Stevenson proved

rather expensive and runs came quickly. With the score at 161 for nine, City of London declared.

Watts and Chamberlain started well for the school putting on 28, but after their departure wickets fell quickly. Wilson, Smart, Cooper, and Brannan were soon dismissed, and the score was 42 for six. At this point Daniels and Blakemore came together and played with determination for an hour but they saw the School safely to time when the score was 100 for seven.

City of London School: N. J. Whittier low Watts 15, R. A. Leeder b Watts 9, D. Blundell low Watts 4, L. F. G. Brown low Watts 40, B. Waters b Watts 0, D. Ryder b Wilson 3, A. J. L. Reeder c Watts b Wilson 18, A. Duckworth run out 29, J. E. M. Barnes not out 10, J. Jacob c Stevenson b Watts 4, C. Smyth c and Blakemore extras 19, total (for nine wickets) 161. Wilson four for 50, Watts four for 40.

Bedford Modern School: P. D. Watts low Waters 17, W. Chamberlain b Waters 8, D. J. Wilson low Waters 5, J. D. Smart low Waters 1, J. L. Cooper b Brannan 4, M. Brannan b Waters 4, M. D. Daniels not out 10, H. S. Blakemore c Bismell b Barnes 18, R. L. Stevenson not out 0, extras 7, total (for seven wickets) 70.

New Bowler's Success

B.M.S.'s bowling against Northants Amateurs on Wednesday was opened by Blakemore and a newcomer, Salter. Blakemore claimed a wicket in his second over, but Cox and Belson scored steadily. The 100 was reached for the loss of five wickets, then Salter dismissed four men for 5 runs in three overs and the innings closed at 117.

The School had 135 minutes to score the runs on a true wicket, but fast bowling by Scott soon had the School in trouble. The first wicket fell at 15 and Scott, taking wickets in four consecutive overs, had Daniels, Wilson, Smart, and Brannan out, and the score was 29 at 20 minutes.

Cooper and Blakemore came together with 11 hours to play and by careful batting put on 65. Had these two stayed together these might have been a close finish, but when Cooper was run out for 40 and Blakemore caught for 50 the School had to play out the remaining ten minutes. Their final score was 95 for seven.

Northants Am.: S. Cox b Wilson 20, G. R. Scott c Salter b Blakemore 1, J. Belson b Watts 39, B. D. Waters 4, J. H. Oughton c Street b Watts 22, P. B. R. Jordan b Watts 13, R. Harris b Salter 2, J. Heykate c Salter 3, J. Woodhead b Salter 1, M. Witham not out 3, A. C. Payne c Wilson b Salter 0, extras 4, total 117. Salter four for 23, Watts four for 25.

B.M.S.: P. D. Watts b Belson 15, M. D. Daniels b Scott 6, J. J. Wilson c Oughton b Scott 1, D. Smart b Scott 1, J. Cooper run out 4, D. A. M. Brannan c Oughton b Scott 0, H. J. Blakemore c Payne b Scott 20, R. A. M. Harvey not out 0, R. L. Stevenson not out 1, extras 12, total (for seven wickets) 95. Scott five for 24.

Old Warden v. Bedfordshire Times
This eighth annual match at Old Warden, limited to 20 overs each side, resulted in Old Warden gaining their 100th victory over the newspaper team, who have won the other three.

Times: E. O. Coleman 24, E. Willis 3, E. Arnold 21, C. Newman 0, R. West 3, J. P. Martin not out 0, Lawrence not out 1, extras 4, total (for five wickets) 62. C. Galley, R. Goodacre, B. J. May, and D. F. W. Young did not bat. Abbott three for 25, Vintner two for 12.

Old Warden: J. Cooper 8, D. C. Skillings 6, Sanderson 2, E. Cooper 3, G. S. S. Gilbert not out 40, Abbott not out 31, extras 4, total (for four wickets) 92. D. Berridge, P. Vintner, Bennett, Foster, and Pearce did not bat. Young two for 35, West one for 15, May one for 13.

Howard and Dennis Ltd. v. Willington
Willington: J. Cooper 20, Jones 4, Storton 0, Churchman 0, Ayres 0, H. Church 0, Stanbridge 0, Leonard 0, G. Cooper 1, Umney 0, Jardin not out 7, extras 4, total 44. Eaton four for 24, Bennett six for 12.

wickets for 8 runs and caught the last man. Whittington was also top scorer with 39 and Podington, totalling 151, won by 106.

Randalls v. Elstow
Randalls: K. Green 3, R. Norman 19, J. Ager 12, A. Wisson not out 35, R. Cave (J. H. Goff not out 1, extras 12, total (for four wickets) 82. Rowkins two for 25, Caves two for 45.

Elstow: C. Saunders 0, M. Cirket 7, R. Rowkins 0, B. Stapleton 0, G. Cave 4, D. Pross 0, Pickett 2, A. Saunders 1, R. Bartram 13, A. Cirket not out 1, total (for nine wickets) 32. Green eight for 16.

Kempston West End v. Electricity
Electricity Sports: A. Bull 4, R. Walker 1, J. Wady 0, P. Chambers 8, E. Hills 0, P. Farmer 2, J. Binks 0, K. Kir 0, R. Lowndes 2, A. Ivel 1, R. French not out 3, extras 4, total 25. S. Smart six for 12, D. Jessop four for 8.

West End: C. Parker 2, S. Smart 3, C. Anthony 3, M. McCulley 1, D. Jessop 5, J. Jessop 0, G. Whistleroff 18, M. Darwood 10, A. Hyde not out 6, K. Tunney 0, T. Ashpole 2, extras 3, total 36. F. Chambers four for 16.

Goldington v. Sandy
Sandy: Hall 0, Ransome 12, Crawley 0, Bend 15, Jeeves 0, Linton 0, Hallworth 0, Wilsher 0, Gurney 1, Hatfield 7, Book not out 0, extras 9, total 78. R. Evans four for 11, Dimmock four for 6.

Goldington: Tucker 2, Rawlins not out 20, Dimmock 5, Elvin not out 9, extras 6, total (for two wickets) 40.

Goldington v. Refrigeration
Refrigeration: Payne 0, Lichfield 2, Lemari 0, Turner 2, Britton 15, Hall 0, Davis 2, Gibbon 0, Beasley 2, Parrott 0, G. Evans not out 1, total 24. Cannon five for 7, Newman one for 0.

North End, 146 (King 80); London Brick Co., Bletchley, 130 (Chamberlain six for 50).
North End, 171 for one (Beardsmore 79 not out, King 88 not out); Cryselco, 125 (Wildman 53, Swales six for 45).

Moulton, 40 (McMullen five for 18, Donald five for 10, Diemer and Reynolds 14 for five (D. Conway 5), G. Birtwistle 24 not out, K. Hall 23, D. Spring 12).
Howell, 42 (Brannan three for 17, Fuller one for 0, Williamson two for 25); Diemer and Reynolds, 24.

Dickens (Harrold) C.C., 31 for nine (Dixon three for 9, Ranson two for 9); Bedford Young Conservatives, 57 for eight (Smith 18, Newman 13, Robinson two for 12, Reid two for 9, Lyman two for 13, Faulkner two for 16).

Pertenhall v. Sharnbrook
Sharnbrook: H. T. Buck 7, E. Wilce 8, A. Dennis 0, R. Devereux 5, C. Turner 10, C. Bottell not out 13, R. Nicholson 3, R. Pickering 0, L. Wooding 0, R. Millard 6, extras 4, total 59. P. Tanner three for 15, C. Odell three for 15.

Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 8, K. Gentle 7, V. Rodda 0, R. Jones 11, S. Stapleton 1, S. Nicholson 8, W. Prandall 5, R. Kiteley 3, C. Stapleton not out 6, V. Rodda 6, J. Elliott 0, extras 3, total 58. D. Benson three for 15, Watkinson two for 9, H. Berrwick two for 21, L. Bundell one for 11.

Sharnbrook: H. Gray 5, A. Alcock 2, L. Bennett 0, H. Mart 0, G. Boyles 10, C. Watkinson 2, H. Berrwick 0, M. Chambers 2, J. Boyles 2, A. Wildman not out 3, D. Benson 4, extras 3, total 42. R. Jones four for 18, W. Prandall three for 8, V. Rodda two for 13.

Lynton Works v. Marston
Lynton Works: C. Beardmore 0, C. Caves 6, C. Bavington 5, R. Boud 3, E. Milton 1, W. Bennett 0, B. Barley not out 16, D. Harris 0, I. McIntosh 4, Chambers 1, D. Boddeworth 1, total 35. K. Brightman four for 15, C. Copperwheat three for 15, P. Faulkner two for 3.

Marston: R. Copperwheat 33, D. Stapleton 33, P. Faulkner 19, W. Wilson 3, V. Hale not out 21, D. Faulkner 0, A. Harrison 41, C. Copperwheat not out 2, extras 14, total (for six wickets) 154. R. Boud three for 41, C. Bavington one for 16, J. Beardmore one for 7.

DIVISION I
Mezerhanser v. Langford
Mezerhanser: P. Reid 4, E. Wincher 0, E. Street 7, P. Rawlins 0, K. Reid 0, D. Jones 1, R. Reid not out 5, R. Phillips 4, D. Thomas 0, A. Reid 0, W. Wisler 0, extras 1, total 25. D. King four for 5, H. Huckle four for 16.

Langford: T. Chesam 11, N. Patterson 7, B. Kilby 2, P. Roberts 2, I. King 1, N. Rogers 0, D. King 10, G. Aggett 0, D. Hutchison 0, E. Whiteman not out 1, H. Huckle 1, extras 3, total 47.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)
Westlintonworth v. Wyboston
Wyboston: J. Darrington 22, A. Usher 9, W. Peat 7, C. Folbigg 1, R. Kidman 0, A. Evans 1, D. Wilson 4, F. Bridge 15, R. Yates 4, V. Pell 7, A. Darrington 4, extras 4, total 78.

Westlintonworth: M. Daisley 1, K. Robinson 1, L. Ratone 17, R. Cola 0, A. Tassell 0, G. Tassell 0, W. Daisley 0, L. Compton 2, K. Lee 3, R. Walker not out 0, L. Humberstone 1, total 25. A. Darrington six for 19, V. Pell four for 6.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)
Stevington v. Risley
Risley: R. Whittmore 1, L. Williamson 5, G. Baines 12, W. Norman not out 39, J. Ashpole 20, G. Hopkins 36, C. Holmes 0, E. Pell 2, W. Allen 0, extras 4, total 118. Bowdler five for 43, G. Curtis three for 34.

Stevington: A. Cox 20, G. Albery 1, G. Curtis 15, B. Deanev 1, H. Dart 1, J. Swan 9, V. Bowdler not out 11, L. Cook 1, A. Woods 1, J. Crowe 0, T. Inram 1, extras 1, total 69. Ashpole four for 24, P. Woolston three for 8.

Staples v. Pottion II
Staples: J. Roberts 0, P. Corn 1, E. Hayden 2, R. Lambert 5, R. Daniels 4, F. Jex 1, R. Smith 6, S. Robins 4, P. Scotcher 1, B. Smith not out 1, M. Ferrer 0, extras 5, total 27.

Pottion: C. Blott 4, P. Brown 23, P. Hutchinson 22, O. Peck 12, C. Munns 5, E. Cotes 2, L. Sims 0, E. Blott 0, B. Chinn 5, K. Hutchinson not out 2, F. Brookman 0, extras 4, total 85.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)
Risley II v. Thurlfield II
Thurlfield: L. Franklin 39, P. Hooker 20, R. Franklin 1, K. Berrill 18, J. Berrill 0, G. Green 8, S. Asplin 1, R. Ingle 0, H. Melson 24, J. Thorne not out 5, C. Maddison 3, extras 3, total 129. Clayton took five wickets, and Ellis and Tarry two each.

Risley: Williams 3, Tarry 2, Root-ham 0, Hancock 4, Short 4, Ball 0, Clayton 0, D. Curtis 4, Ellis 0, Goodson not out 0, Cerasale 1, extras 3, total 41. J. Thorne five for 9.

DIVISION III (SECTION II)
Roston v. Langford II
Langford: T. Dunn 10, E. Rutt 22, D. Burton 10, R. Payne 0, L. Houghton 0, W. Sims 4, D. R. 21, W. Pottion 0, R. Smith 5, S. Gentle 5, P. Piper 0, P. Piper 0, extras 10, total 101. Jefferies six for 33, Gaden three for 23.

Roston: Cooper 1, Livett 0, Faulkner 0, Gadsden 0, Clarke 35, W. Jefferies 1, Keightley 4, Darlow 22, Clarke 0, Minney 11, O. Jefferies not out 7, extras 7, total 85. Burton four for 12.

Haynes II v. Blunham II
Haynes: R. Daniels 19, 14; B. Jefford 0; O. Grummitt 4; R. Baker 1; S. K. Webb 1; O. F. Smith 17; Not out 3; C. Newbury 6; H. Herbert 5; O. Stevens 0; O. A. Bennett 5; O. A. Dear 0; O. not out; extras 3; 7; totals 50 and 41. R. Simms five for 2, Ranson three for 9.

Blunham: Simms 3, 0; Wakefield 0; 6; Ashwell 3; 2; Clarke 0; 1; Price 2; 0; Day 0; 0; R. Simms 4; 7; Winters 3; 2; Ranson 1; 0; Jeeves 5; 0; Jefferies 4; 2; extras 2; W. total 27 and 21. R. Daniels five for 10 and six for 14, K. Webb four for 10 and three for 11.

HOSPITAL CUP
The Bedford Hospital Cup 4th round draw has resulted as follows:—
North End or Stewarby v. Blunham ("A" or Renhold).
Biggleswade "A" or Biggleswade "B" v. Staploe or Harpur or Marston.
Thurlfield v. Pertenhall v. Bedford Town or Dean.
Ipswich or Caldecote v. Eaton Socon or Langford or Eversholt.
To be played by 2nd July.
Eversholt six for 80 for nine.
B. Norman 22, C. Berrill four for 27, Thurlfield 90 for nine (W. Asplin 27, A. Simpson three for 8).
Pertenhall 55, 19.
Centuria 58 (Bavington 15, W. Prandall four for 14, R. Jones five for 25).
Langford 75 for nine (L. Houghton 14), Kempston West End 65 (Parker 18).

RUN OFF LAST BALL BRINGS SCHOOL VICTORY

P. Smith Hits Hundred Against Forty Club

Bedford School achieved yet another fine victory—and in most exciting fashion—when they scored the winning run off the last ball of their match with the Forty Club on Saturday.

Features of the game were P. Smith's 105 for the School and the form of J. G. Owen, Bedfordshire's all-rounder, who scored 72 and took six wickets for 89 for the visitors.

The XL Club batted first, and in a bright pre-lunch period hit 144 for three wickets. Bedfordshire players J. G. Owen and D. C. Money (Master-in-charge of Cricket at Bedford School) figured in a lively third-wicket stand of 102 scored in only 40 minutes.

After lunch, however, the School bowled accurately to take the remaining seven wickets for 85 runs.

R. W. Street and R. R. Wyatt gave the School yet another sound start of 56 for the first wicket, and then followed a stand of 50 by P. Smith and Garrett.

When Garrett and J. Smith both fell to Owen's "chinaman", P. Smith took complete control. He reached a fine century, moving his feet well to the spin bowlers, and brought the School in sight of a comfortable victory. Then, tempted by Owen (who took six for 89), he was stumped with the score at 212 for four.

August tightened up the field, and the 18 runs needed in 12 minutes proved difficult to get. Desperation strokes caused four wickets to fall quickly, but Gordon remained firm. One run was needed from the last ball, and a fast-run leg-bye gave the School a thrilling victory.

XL Club: T. E. Busby b Wyatt 0. D. C. Money lbw b P. Smith 43. R. G. Clarke b Ferro 16. J. G. Owen c and b Ferro 72. C. M. Cooper b Wyatt 18. G. Wooltencroft b Wyatt 4. M. Hall b J. Smith 25. J. K. Cook at Meadows b Street 15. K. Vane-Percy b J. Smith 10. G. L. B. August not out 2. N. Greer b J. Smith 0. extras 24. total 229.

Bedford School: R. W. Street hit wkt b Greer 34. R. R. Wyatt c Money b Owen 37. P. Smith at Money b Owen 105. Garrett b Owen 17. J. Smith lbw b Owen 0. Gordon not out 37. Meadows c Hall b Owen 1. Johnson c August b Owen 5. Waas c August b Vane-Percy 0. Howlett not out 1. extras 13. total (for eight wickets) 250. Ferro did not bat.

66 Out of 81 in Boundaries

After R.A.F. Henlow Officers had lost 3 for 28, Douy retrieved the situation against Gentlemen of the Lion with a fine 81 not out, including a six and 15 fours. His shots through the covers off the back foot were the feature of a sound attacking innings. The Officers won by six wickets.

G.O.L. Daven 42. Reader 37. Rustonlee 3. Williamson 48. Cartwright 5. Wardley 0. Gibb 5. Bincock 5. Price 3. J. Oaken not out 5. Watling 4. total 150—Wilson five for 30. Sollam two for 49.

Officers: D. Worthington 15. S. Barker 0. R. Harbord 9. P. Douy not out 81. F. W. Wort 25. B. J. Wilson not out 60. extras 5. total (for four wickets) 155.

A Quick Fifty

After Leitchworth II opens Taylor and Croft had put on

81, R.A.F. Henlow broke through to dismiss the side for 144 and win by 33 runs.

Henlow's Terry batted attractively in making 50 in under the hour, and Harding and Thornley put on 52 in an eighth-wicket stand.

R.A.F. Henlow: Terry 50. Lamadell 2. Oakley 13. Barnett 7. Reeves 12. Payne 26. Holman 1. Thornley not out 26. Harding 25. Denyer not out 3. extras 12. total (for eight wickets, dec.) 177.

Leitchworth II: Taylor 54. Croft 29. Hemmings 5. Graham 0. Nightingale 16. Fountain 17. Nott 5. Hill 1. Lockhurst 0. Bond 2. Alha not out 0. extras 15. total 144.—Reeves took four wickets and Barnett three.

An opening partnership of 139 by Grimshaw and E. J. Smart, of Three Counties Hospital, equalled the all out total of R.A.F. Henlow. Smart was then dismissed, but Grimshaw hit the winning run for a nine wickets' victory.

R.A.F. Henlow: E. Parrott 13. J. Purse 56. J. Oakley 2. L. Payne 7. J. Chapman 4. J. Borton 31. G. Harding 3. J. Holman 2. J. Aldrich 0. J. Denyer 1. J. Platman not out 6. extras 14. total 139.—Page four for 43. Callingham two for 34.

Three Counties Hospital: V. Orimshaw not out 71. E. J. Smart 57. J. Smart not out 0. extras 15. total (for one wkt.) 143.

Old Warden v. Silsoe
Silsoe: C. Mathews R. C. Culpin 9. K. Burns 3. P. Mouse 1. E. Roberts 25. Harris 0. T. Allen 0. B. Abbingdon 0. P. Fossey 9. A. Mann 0. J. Olney 0. B. Jones not out 12. extras 14. total 82.—G. Berridge seven for 14.
Old Warden: J. Cooper 2. G. Gilbert 2. K. Crossland 0. W. Park 9. E. Saunderson 6. B. Berridge 0. P. Vintner 0. Cooper 1. D. Berridge 0. J. Mouse not out 1. extras 4. total 34.—R. Fossey seven for 14.

Simplex v. Wilson Bros.
Simplex: Ross 4. Jones 3. Simpson 15. Buchner 0. Geary 5. Hutchings 1. Nicholas 6. Wye not out 17. Roach 4. Cooper 0. Wharton 0. extras 6. total 60.—B. Scott four for 10. W. Neale two for 5.

Wilson Bros: Neale retired 52. Worsley 12. Tomes 0. Dutton 8. Preamie 0. Woolston 3. Pullinger 1. Dean 3. Scott 13. Ellender 0. Smith not out 3. extras 3. total 98.—Jones four for 21.

Goldington v. Blunham
Goldington: J. Parsons 10. A. Single 13. J. Whaley 10. L. Dimmick 0. C. Fraser 22. M. Lynch 3. F. Line 13. G. Harrison 20. S. Evans 8. P. Cannon not out 5. B. Stapleton not out 1. extras 26. total (for nine wickets, dec.) 142.—Barker three for 33. Tester three for 34.

Blunham: P. Abbott 22. G. Barker 8. G. Breed 2. R. Harding 0. O. Moore 3. D. Brooks 4. P. Tester 7. S. Bawford 10. E. Dennis not out 3. E. Brooks 5. A. Burns 1. extras 13. total 88.—Cannon five for 33. Lynch three for 23. Dimmick two for 2.

Kempston East Methodist v. Bedfordshire Times

Methodist: A. Parker 11. D. Simpson 35. B. Stock 14. H. Boyce 48. R. Turner 3. D. Bellamy not out 15. B. Cook not out 4. extras 1. total (for nine wickets) 129.—Martin two for 7. Arnold two for 29.

Times: E. Arnold 17. R. Norton 0. R. West 13. E. G. Coleman 9. C. Galley 0. G. Snovins 13. A. P. Martin not out 35. R. Goodacre 7. P. Cook 6. A. Payne 0. S. J. May 0. extras 2. total 102.—Boye four for 38. Bellamy two for 21. Simpson two for 26.

Campton v. Wharley End
Campton: H. Draper 5. K. Doggett 0. C. Kempson 2. J. Bunter 0. K. Warwick 41. M. Fittler 0. J. Rouge 2. H. Odell 16. C. Kingsley 25. R. Charman 4. R. Redman not out 3. extras 3. total 99.—Garner four for

38. Gover three for 21. Orchard three for 37.

Wharley End: W. Marshall not out 40. L. Garner 1. P. Orchard 16. G. Lett not out 40. extras 3. total (for two wickets) 100.

Stony Stratford v. Wharley End

Stony Stratford: 86 (R. Llewellyn not out 51. Orchard eight for 18. Garner two for 45).

Wharley End: W. Marshall 1. L. Garner 18. B. Mills 13. R. Love 1. D. Clarke 0. P. Orchard 0. J. Holton not out 18. C. Lett 6. O. King 0. N. Moss 0. M. Taylor 1. extras 6. total 54.—T. Brown six for 37. E. Brocklehurst four for 11.

Clapham v. R.A.F. Cardington

R.A.F. Cardington: Aikens 0. Hutchinson 11. Peterson 4. Graith 2. Vukler 1. Roberts 31. Middle 0. Johns 0. Andrews 2. Kenil 1. Stuart not out 7. extras 9. total 71.—C. Bottell four for 15. R. Pickering three for 15. T. Huck two for 18. A. Henman one for 13.

Clapham: T. Buck 51. S. Wiles 1. C. Bottell 3. R. Deveaux 3. L. Millard 2. A. Henman not out 11. extras 15. total (for five wickets) 84.—Andrews four for 30. Hutchinson one for 26.

Wyboston v. Blunham

Blunham: I. Wakefield 2. R. Harding 3. M. Winters 5. D. Moore 16. L. Day 7. P. Dennis 3. D. Jeeves 1. O. Breed 12. D. Brooks 3. F. Jefferies 0. P. Tester not out 11. G. Ashwell not out 2. extras 12. total 77.—A. Darrington eight for 31.

Wyboston: C. Foblegg not out 27. A. Gisher 1. W. Peet 1. T. Bridge 0. V. Fell 11. D. Wilson 4. A. Darrington 1. L. Heckford 0. S. Moorhey 0. A. Evans 0. W. Moorhey 2. Noble 0. extras 9. total 44.—Tester five for 6. Brooks two for 5.

Diemer and Reynolds: 43 for eight (Pell 30. Lovatt 19. Woolston three for 14. Wilson Bros and Humphreys, 23. McMullen six for 13. Conway three for 11).

Hospital Cup

NORTH END IN SEMI-FINAL

North End Club who have won the Bedford Hospital Cup once in 1946, reached the semi-final on Wednesday by defeating Blunham "A" after a close finish.

The Bedford side's next opponents on Tuesday will be either Biggleswade or Harpur Sports who will probably play their fourth round game at Biggleswade on Monday.

The other semi-final, also to be played in Bedford Park, is fixed for next Thursday. It will be between Pertenhall or Bedford Town, who are to meet at Pertenhall on Monday (8.30 p.m.) and Igranie or Eaton Socon, whose fourth round tie is to be decided in Bedford Park to-day (Friday) starting at 8.30 p.m.

THIRD ROUND RESULTS

Pertenhall Again

Pertenhall reached the last eight for the second season in succession by gaining a convincing victory at Thurlough. After Pertenhall had totalled 74 for eight, it required only 8.4 overs to dismiss Thurlough for 22 runs. W. Presland (four for 6) and R. Jones (four for 12) did the damage. Collection £4 11s. 6d.

Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 4. R. Kiteley 0. C. Gentle 7. R. Jones 10. V. Roddis 16. W. Presland 2. S. Nicholson 0. J. Elliott 12. S. Stapleton not out 7. C. Stapleton not out 3. extras 3. total (for eight wickets) 74.—J. Palmer three for 21. C. Berrill three for 26. B. Holly one for 17.

Thurlough: A. Ellison 0. W. Asplin 1. K. Wiggstaff 1. D. Berrill 1. C. Berrill 0. Wagnaff 2. M. Papworth 1. B. Berrill 4. M. Berrill 5. B. Holly 2. J. Palmer 0. extras 4. total 22.

Bedford Town v. Dean

Bedford: F. S. Smith 1. V. J. Harris 14. E. G. Howard 33. W. Peet 1. A. G. Coomb 7. R. Boulter 9. R. Jarvis 4. F. K. Breeze not out 3. extra 1. total (for six wickets) 93.—Hewitt three for 39. Hart one for 34.

Dean: W. Horsford 10. K. Hart 9. P. Crane 8. W. Cade 10. L. Hewitt 3. H. Litley 14. F. Hart 10. J. Hewitt not out 7. P. Hart 0. C. Horsford 1. M. Denton not out 1. extras 5. total 69.—B. Marles five for 23. F. K. Breeze three for 31. D. G. Jenkins one for 11.

Marston 58 for seven (E. Smith six for 21); Biggleswade 67 for no wicket (I. Humphries 45 not out. M. Williams 21 not out).

In the previous round Marston, away knocked out Biggleswade "B" 60 for seven, in 18 overs (B. York 25. B. Studman 20). Caldecote 55 for eight (Morris five for 18).

FOURTH ROUND RESULT

North End 134 for five (T. King 52. T. Muggs 25); Blunham 120 for nine).

SPORTS FIXTURES

Cricket

TO-DAY (FRIDAY)

BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP

Fourth Round

Igranie v. Eaton Socon (Bedford Park, 6.30 p.m.).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Mill Hill v. Bedford Town.
Harpur Sports v. March Town.
Queen's Works v. Buckingham.
Dulwich v. Bedford School.
B.M.S. v. Queen Elizabeth's School.
Kempston v. Bedford North End.
Burtonians v. Klatow.
N.B.C. C.O. v. Gentlemen of the Lion.
Crusoe v. Stony Stratford.
Mottis v. Ickwell.
N.A.E. Clapham v. Diemer & Reynolds.
Bondor Sports v. Filtwick "A".
Bedford Electricity v. Pinner & Northwood Electricity.
Bedford Town II v. Mill Hill II.
Rodelexian v. Harpur Sports II.
Hinworth v. Queen's Works II.
Cross and Co. v. Bedford Ramblers.
Goldington v. Kimbolton.
Axtella v. Goldington "B".
Biggleswade v. Henlow.
Henlow II v. Biggleswade II.
Southill Park v. George Kent's.
Potton v. Sandy.
Sander "B" v. Linton Works.
Amphill v. Old Warden.
Campton v. Holwell.
Aspley Guise v. St. Hawkins XI.
Bickerton Motor Hall (Bedford).

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

South End Ramblers v. Caldecote.
Linton Works v. Clapham.
Thurlough v. Pertenhall.

Division I

Little Staughton v. Langford.
Silsden v. Blunham.
Renhold v. Pavenham.
Mogerhanger v. Felmersham.

Division II (Section I)

Little Paxton v. Wyboston.
Staple v. Great Barford.
Colnworth v. Potton II.
Wreatlingworth v. Great Staughton.

Division II (Section II)

Marston II v. Turvey.
Copple v. Riseley.
Kempston West End v. Wood End.
Marston Sports v. Stevington.

Division III (Section I)

Clapham II v. Keysoe.
North Crawley v. Oakley.
Sharnbrook II v. Riseley.

Division III (Section II)

Ickwell v. Caldecote II.
Lankford II v. Haynes II.

SUNDAY

Southill Park v. Bedford Town.
Harpur Sports v. Crusoe.
Queen's Works v. Raunds Town.
Bromham Hospital v. Kempston W.
Wharley End, Cranfield, v. Percival's.
Gentlemen of the Lion v. Amphill.
Odhams, Watford, v. Mellis.
Beds. & Herts Regt v. R. B. Sanders.

MONDAY

BEDFORD HOSPITAL CUP

Fourth Round

Pertenhall v. Bedford Town (6.30).

WEDNESDAY

Hertfordshire v. Bedfordshire at Hertford (and Thursday)

THURSDAY

Bedford Thursday v. Rushden.
Filtwick v. Leighton Town.

NEWCOMER WISSEN SHINES FOR RAMBLERS

Newcomer R. Wissen quickly made his mark for South End Ramblers against Caldecote in the Premier Division of the Bedford and District League, hitting top score of 24 and taking six for 28

Ramblers' tail-enders, Cooper and Greene, obtained some invaluable runs, and though Brunt and Heath put Caldecote in a fair position, their later batsmen could not stand up to Wissen, who bowled unchanged, and Ramblers won by 35 runs.

After losing their third, fourth and fifth wickets in the fifties, Pertenhall recovered through a sixth-wicket partnership of 40 between S. Stapleton and S. Nicholson and were able to declare at 113 for six. A. Ellison hit lustily in Thurleigh's reply—35 (including two 6's and three 4's) out of the first 39 runs—but the remaining batsmen fell cheaply to R. Jones (eight for 18) and Pertenhall won by 50 runs.

PREMIER DIVISION

South End Ramblers v. Caldecote

Ramblers: G. Ferguson 4, D. Clayton 11, H. Norman 19, R. Wissen 24, J. Snowth 3, L. Jones 4, A. Spile 12, R. Cooner 21, M. Wharron 1, K. Green not out 19, W. Nichols 4, extras 9, total 194.—G. Watts four for 41, F. Tanner three for 37, A. Clark two for 37.

Caldecote: C. Raybould 13, E. J. Woodward 8, B. Baxter 4, P. Tanner 2, A. Brunt 22, A. Clark 14, J. Heath 40, J. Brunt 1, H. Newell 11, P. Mastlin 0, G. Watts 0 total 64.—H. Wissen six for 28.

Pertenhall v. Thurleigh
Pertenhall: O. Stapleton 23, J. Rodda 0, R. Jones 21, S. Stapleton 27, R. Kiteley 1, S. Nicholson 22, V. Rodda 1, S. George 14, extras 4, total (for six wks. dec.) 113.—J. Palmer three for 21.

Thurleigh: R. Maddison 1, A. Ellison 35, M. Papworth 0, C. Berrill 1, J. Palmer 4, M. Berrill 0, J. Wagstaff 12, W. Asplin 0, R. Berrill 2, D. Berrill 6, E. Holley not out 0, extras 2, total 63.—R. Jones eight for 18, S. George two for 8.

DIVISION I

Stagsden v. Blunham

Blunham: T. Abbott 1, G. Baxter 13, G. Bredt 5, D. Moore 0, A. Sims 7, W. Page 0, F. Tealer 1, R. Hardina 6, D. Brooks 0, I. Wakefield 9, P. Dennis 3, extras 1, total 40.—G. Newman four for 9.

Stagsden: O. Newman 11, R. Townley 6, K. Brooks 1, M. Newman 0, B. Sharp 18, E. Dutton 6, E. Everest 0, R. Tito 16, F. Prossell 2, A. Woolston 2, J. Ibbott 11, extras 3, total 76.—F. Tealer seven for 24.

Little Staughton v. Langford

Little Staughton: L. Roberts 11, C. Brown 14, J. Roberts 1, B. Turner 0, G. Robins 0, R. Thorne 3, V. Banks 2, S. Marshall 1, G. Peck 0, R. Robins 1, S. Brock 1, extras 7, total 46.

Langford: N. Patterson 0, E. Ruff 2, P. Roberts 4, D. King 2, L. King 4, B. Kirby 0, J. Caldon 6, G. Aggett not out 13, L. Houghton 8, W. Swales 9, E. Whitman not out 5, extras 12, total (for nine wks.) 65.

Mogerhanger v. Felmersham

Mogerhanger: F. Reid 3, E. Street 3, D. Jones 0, S. Reid 6, R. Phillips 1, R. Reid not out 13, K. Reid 7, P. Rawlins 8, E. Wisler 3, W. Wisler 0, D. Thomas 0, extras 2, total 48.—S. Lovell four for 17, J. Hulatt three for 25, D. Cockings two for 2.

Felmersham: J. Hulatt 9, A. Betts 3, B. Cockings 11, J. Turner 5, D. Lovell 0, P. Turner 10, R. Lawson 2, D. Parker 3, L. Goodman 1, P. Lawson 2, S. Lovell not out 0, extras 7, total 33.—R. Reid six for 23, K. Reid four for 9.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Staploe v. Great Barford

Great Barford: P. Usher 2, G. Mastlin 1, R. West 3, M. Lee 5, J. Knocker 9, J. Breere 4, J. Jeffs 18, D. Maskell 4, S. Skevington 4, D. Robinson not out 0, J. Browning 0, extras 6, total 56.—R. Smith took seven wickets.

Staploe: J. Roberts 10, J. Scotcher 0, E. Hayden 32, P. Corn 2, M. Hart 1, R. Lambert 3, R. Smith 21, S. Robins 0, W. Scotcher 0, T. Smith 0, F. Jex not out 0, extras 10, total 79.—J. Breere four for 15, P. Usher one for 3, J. Browning one for 6.

Calmworth v. Pottol II

Calmworth: V. Abraham 1, M. Hall 6, J. Hughes 0, A. Housstraton 0, S. Matthews 2, C. Stringer 0, H. Swales 1, J. Swales 1, S. Hart 8, E. Swales 26, E. Watts not out 0, extras 3, total 50.—L. Sims seven for 25, G. Peck three for 22.

Pottol: G. Blott 0, E. Blott 4, P. Hutchinson 3, G. Peck 11, C. Munna 18, L. Sims 6, B. Chinn 3, R. Duffin 0, A. Aldred 2, K. Hutchinson not out 12, P. Brookman 1, extras 5, total 62.—B. Hart five for 13, H. Swales three for 14, C. Stringer two for 21.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Marston II v. Turvey

Marston II: W. Swales 1, C. Rowe 21, J. Nicholls 35, A. Bunker 30, P. Bunker 20, M. Smith not out 3, K. Edwards 0, T. Claridge 0, extras 6, total (for seven wks. dec.) 118.—Wright four for 12, Sugars two for 12, King one for 11.

Turvey: R. Frost 15, Sargent 8, Letta 0, Ray 8, Browning 0, Kruthoffer 8, King 0, W. Frost 0, Wright 23, Paynton 0, Sugars 9, Bullard not out 0, extras 4, total 55.—A. Goodman five for 30, S. Knight two for 15, W. Swales one for 4, M. Smith one for 6.

Marston Sports v. Stevington

Marston Sports: Moore 5, Jordan 10, Rouse 13, Clark 10, H. Stapleton 5, Peacock 2, Pottle 5, Mavard not out 18, Causer 6, R. Hay 5, J. Hay 4, extras 3, total 84.—Dowdler six for 24, Cox three for 21.

Stevington: Curtis 45, Cox 0, Dowdler 14, Withman 19, Deeny 5, Swain 3, J. Ingram 0, Woods not out 2, extras 7, total (for seven wks.) 86.—Pottle four for 28, Peacock one for 0, Moore one for 33.

Cople v. Riseley

Riseley: L. Williams 1, W. Partidge 4, H. Stringer 15, K. Whittlemore 6, W. Norman not out 11, J. Balnes 33, P. Woolston 4, J. Ashpole 12, extras 2, total (for seven wks.) 154.—Shingler two for 22, Cambers two for 51, Minney two for 34, Halliday one for 12.

Cople: J. Newbury 0, D. Shingler 8, C. Graves 1, A. Hart 2, D. Thacker 0, R. Fowler 0, M. Cambers 2, B. Minney not out 9, G. Halliday 2, P. Exler 0, S. Jones 0, extras 4, total 50. J. Ashpole five for 9, W. Partidge four for 15.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Sharnbrook II v. Riseley II

Sharnbrook: B. Lovell 3, R. Marsh 15, T. Bragg 11, E. Blundell 13, L. Pacey 13, E. Canty 0, E. Ward 1, A. Hishop 2, S. Bates 0, D. Canty not out 0, A. Blood 0, extras 8, total 64.—C. Holmes five for 3, R. Short three for 14.

Riseley: C. Holmes 10, R. Short 0, J. Ball 0, D. Curtis 0, E. Tarry 7, C. Clayton 16, E. Hancock 2, C. Wallis 3, E. Rootham 0, A. Ceresale 0, J. Ellis not out 0, extras 4, total 44.—E. Blundell four for 21, R. Marsh three for 17, T. Buge two for 2.

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

Langford II v. Haynes

Langford: R. Daniels 5, H. Roberts 23, P. Smith 0, P. Baker 62, C. Burnham 15, Grummitt 8, K. Welch 13, H. Herbert 3, B. Jefford not out 6, extras 16, total (for eight wks.) 151.—Huckle four for 25.

Langford: Dunn 50, Smith 8, Payne 9, P. Piper 9, Burton not out 14, Pottol 0, J. Piper 0, Swain 3, Diley 2, Gentle not out 1, extras 12, total (for eight wks.) 88.—Roberts four for 23.

WATTS SCORES 79 NOT OUT

Modern School's Match Drawn

An innings of 79 not out by P. D. Watts, Bedford Modern School's opening batsman, was a feature of their drawn game with Queen Elizabeth's School, Burnet, at Bedford on Saturday.

Batting first, the Modern School scored 150 for the wicket declaring. Watts played throughout with ease and style. The fortunes of the other batsmen were extremely varied, for the first four wickets fell for 56.

Wilson and Blakemore, however, gave stout support to Watts and the score progressed steadily. A heavy shower deprived the wicket of much life, and when play was resumed progress was slow and a declaration was made.

Queen Elizabeth's opening pair played cautiously, one run coming in six overs against tight bowling. After tea it was plain that the wicket and outfield were much slower and the task of both sides more difficult.

The bowlers gained little help from the wicket and the batsmen could only score slowly. An early wicket from Watts did not prove a pointer for the rest of the innings, and at the close Queen Elizabeth's were 96 for four, having found it impossible to force the pace.

B.M.S.: P. D. Watts not out 79, W. Chamberlain c Smedley b Pratt 6, M. Daniels c Pratt b Whitting 1, J. D. Smart run out 1, J. D. Saunders b Whitting 4, D. J. Wilson c and b Newman 17, H. Blakemore b Newman 24, A. Brannan c Saunders b Pratt 5, K. Richardson not out 4, extras 7, total (for seven wkts., dec.) 150. R. Stevenson and B. Salter did not bat.

Queen Elizabeth's: D. Greig c Brannan b Watts 3, D. Harwood c Richardson b Stevenson 24, R. Newman c Watts b Blakemore 23, P. Meluhah c Smart b Watts 19, D. Hannant not out 5, J. Ions not out 8, extras 14, total (for four wkts.) 96. Pratt, B. Smedley, D. Saunders, N. Whitting and G. Lock did not bat.

B.M.S. Are Foiled

Rain stopped play 15 minutes from time in Bedford Modern School's match with Wyggeston Grammar School at Leicester, when Wyggeston needed 40 runs to win with five wickets in hand, and so the game ended in a draw.

B.M.S. batted first, and after a few uncomfortable overs were never in any trouble. A strong wind constantly removed the balls and there were frequent delays.

Mainly because of the batting of Wilson, Chamberlain, and Cooper, the score rose steadily, and the innings was ended at 163 for eight.

Wyggeston started badly, losing two wickets for 11 runs, but the batsmen fell to Watts, who also claimed a third at 43.

After this set-back the Wyggeston batsmen consolidated their position but had lost five wickets for 74 with less than an hour to go. Rawson, hitting with great power, soon had 30 to his credit and the score reached 120 for five.

Victory for either side then seemed unlikely, for only 20 minutes remained. A heavy shower sent the players in five minutes later.

B.M.S.: Watts 79, Daniels c Mann b Sallicks 19, Smart c Green b Oates 8, Cooper b Cross 27, Wilson run out 34, Blakemore run out 8, Brannan not out 10, Stevenson not out 4, extras 1, total 163. Stratton and Salter did not bat.—Oates three for 31.

Wyggeston O.S.: Adams c Stratton b Watts 30, Wade b Watts 0, Goodson run out 6, Watts 16, Holland b Stevenson 16, Mann not out 14, Rawson not out 36, extras 13, total 120. Oakes, Green, Oates and Cross did not bat.—Watts three for 49.

Rain Robs Bedford

As at Tonbridge last month, rain robbed Bedford School of an almost certain victory when they visited Dulwich College last Saturday.

Dulwich, thanks to a partnership of 90, between Shirley and Howland, set Bedford 195 to make in 150 minutes. R. W. Street and R. R. Wyatt gave the school another fine start with 76 for the first wicket.

Wyatt continued to bat well, and with 30 minutes to go the school needed 50 runs. Then the rain came and twelve valuable minutes were lost, and despite the efforts of Wyatt and Garrett the match ended with Bedford only 16 runs behind with five wickets in hand.

Shirley c Meadows b Wyatt 63, C. B. Howland b Wyatt 50, D. P. Osborne run out 23, P. L. Hulton b Wyatt 4, P. Singh run out 10, B. Bury c Wyatt b Ferro 5, E. W. Anderson not out 2, A. E. Payne not out 3, extras 5, total (for nine wkts., dec.) 194. Bedford: R. W. Street b Howland b Tinworth 43, R. R. Wyatt not out 77, P. Smith run out 7, J. D. S. Hay b Anderson 16, J. Smith c Anderson b Singh 7, R. H. Meadows b Anderson 10, E. Garrett not out 12, extras 5, total (for five wkts.) 178. R. E. Gordon, Eldridge, Wase, and J. R. N. Ferro did not bat.

School All Out 52

Bedford School, somewhat disorganized because of examinations and without their captain, R. W. Street, lost by eight wickets to Gentlemen of Bedfordshire last week.

The School found a combination of awkward wicket (rain overnight) and excellent left-arm medium-pace bowling by Hayhurst (seven for 41), too good for them. The wicket-keeping of O. Millman was first-class. Put in to bat, they lost wickets rapidly, and only the Smith twins and Meadows appeared at all confident.

The club obtained the runs for the loss of Millman and Morris, D. Hoar playing a very sound innings on a wicket which was considerably easier than in the morning. After passing the total, they continued batting and Hoar completed his hundred.

Bedford School: Conniff c Mathews b Hayhurst 2, R. R. Wyatt b Hayhurst 16, J. D. S. Hay b Hayhurst 2, J. Smith c Green b Oliver 11, D. Garrett b Hayhurst 8, Eldridge c Mathews b Hayhurst 0, R. E. Gordon c Millman b Hayhurst 3, Howlett b Hayhurst 0, Meadows b Oliver 8, Ferro not out 1, total 52. Gentlemen: O. Millman c Wyatt b Ferro 5, D. Hoar not out 34, J. T. Morris b Hay 8, K. C. Bonwick c 6, extras 1, total (for two wkts.) 53.

Three Short of Win

Bedford Town II just failed to force a win over Mill Hill II at Newnham Avenue on Saturday, being three runs short of victory at close with five wickets in hand.

Mill Hill II: Pollard 3, Lavton 16, L. Taylor 23, Smith not out 34, Evans 24, Baxter 7, Baker 3, Probst not out 4, extras 4, total (for six wkts., dec.) 153.—Barnes five for 39.

Bedford II: O. S. Andrews 14, B. Archer 5, M. Hall not out 51, T. Woollicroft 10, D. Matthews 40, T. Barcock 10, extras 3, total (for five wkts.) 133. P. Humphreys, B. Hollis, B. Maries, R. Linger and D. Barnes did not bat.

Amthill v. Old Warden Amthill: R. Dillingham 2, J. Rogers 0, W. Loomes 7, L. Rogers 0, H. Hoakins 8, B. Copperthwaite 4, C. Partridge 4, K. Bonwick 1, L. Robinson 0, L. Taylor 0, S. Pavling not out 3, extras 9, total 52.—K. Crossland five for 15, D. Berridge three for 26, P. Vintner two for 2.

Old Warden: G. B. Gilbert 4, W. Foster 0, P. Vintner 13, E. Saunders 0, K. Crossland 29, W. Childs 3, E. Cooper 0, D. Berridge 6, A. Elliman 6, P. Diley 3, G. Hall not out 4, extras 5, total 83.—L. Taylor six for 15, K. Bonwick three for 39.

Weaver's v. Howard & Dennis Weaver's: Bowler 9, Howarth 12, Johnson 9, Parr not out 24, Burraway 0, Denton 23, Pariah 7, Swinerton 0, W. Smith 2, Lumley not out 4, extras 7, total (for eight wkts.) 99.—Bennett five for 32, I. Holt two for 29.

Howard & Dennis: C. Holt 31, I. Holt 10, Skinn 6, Maxey 0, Bennett 4, Burr 0, E. Euden 0, Piles 0, Eaton not out 1, D. Smith 0, J. Euden 2, extras 8, total 71.—Howarth five for 21, Pariah three for 20, Bowler two for 9.

Howard & Dennis v. Castle Press Castle Press: North 7, Starmore 4, Steele 10, Redman 1, Dillie 2, Brookes 4, Reynolds not out 29, Wagstaff 10, Edwards not out 19, extras 5, total (for seven wkts.) 91.—Eaton four for 32, Bennett two for 24.

Howard & Dennis: C. Holt 31, I. Holt 10, Skinn 6, Maxey 0, Bennett 4, Burr 0, E. Euden 0, Piles 0, Eaton not out 1, D. Smith 0, J. Euden 2, extras 8, total 71.—Howarth five for 21, Pariah three for 20, Bowler two for 9.

Newnham v. R.A.P. Newnham: R. A. P. N. M. Woodcock 0, R. Terry 0, P. Parrott 14, J. Wheeler 4, J. Chapman not out 14, L. Payne not out 4, extras 1, total (for four wkts.) 41.—Treherne two for 17, Ashman two for 20.—Rain stopped play.

Oakley 37 for nine (R. Moore 12, G. Robinson seven for 17), Dickana (Harold) C. C. 72 for three (B. Coleman 35, J. Chambers 14, G. Robinson 14 not out).

Lynnton Works 89 (Marris 26, Rye-croft 18), Clapham 93 for four (W. Cook 26, T. Cook 28).

SPORTS FIXTURES

FRIENDLY CRICKET

Cricket TO-DAY (FRIDAY) HOSPITAL CUP—Semi-Final Harpur Sports v. Bedford North End (Bedford Park, 6.30 p.m.).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) Bedford Town v. Wisbech, Harpur Sports v. Peterborough, Queen's Works v. Northampton Temperance.

Oundle School v Bedford School, Bedford Modern School v King Edward's School, Gunnersbury v Bedford Women's C.C. Goldington v. Kempston, Eversholt v Bedford Argus, Peterhouse v Gentlemen of the Lion, Crayke v Bedford North End, Ickwell v Melita, Queen's II v Britannia Works, R.A.P. Goldington v Bedford Ramblers, Wisbech II v Bedford Town II, Luton Vauxhall v Harpur Sports II, Bromham v Elbow, Diemer and Reynolds v Moulsoe, Pitwick v Wheatthampstead, Old Warden v. Pitwick "B", Wilson Bro. v Goldington "B", Bedford Electricity v Castle Press, Ampthill v. Silsoe, Waterloosville v Biggleswade, Biggleswade II v Great Staughton, R.A.P. Newnham v Southill Park, Clifton v. Nichinonnads, Shefford v. Clifton II, Hilsay v Bedford, Henlow v. King's Walden, Ridgmont v. Woburn Town, Leagrave v. Clapham, Leagrave v. Pulloxhill.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE Premier Division Sharnbrook v. South End Ramblers, Marston v. Pertenhall.

Division I Langford v. Renhold, Blunham v. Mogerhanger, Peimersham v. Little Staughton, Pavemham v. Stagden.

Division II (Section I) Woburn v. Staploe, Potton v. Wrestlingworth, Colmworth v. Little Paxton, Great Bedford v. Great Staughton.

Division II (Section II) Kempston Wood End v. Marston II, Risley v. Kempston West End, Strevington v. Gople, Turvey v. Marston Sports.

Division III (Section D) Thurling II v. Sharnbrook II, Little Staughton II v. Clapham II, Kexsow v. Oakley.

Division III (Section II) Roxton v. Ickwell II, Langford II v. Haynes.

SUNDAY Bedford Town v Bedford Casuals, Harpur Sports v. March Town, Queen's Works v. Crayke, Southill Park v. J. Searles XI, R. B. Sanders v. Britannia Works, Melita v. South End Ramblers, Wharley End v. Gentlemen of the Lion, Kempston West End v. Stoke Goldington.

WEDNESDAY Electricity v. Goldington.

THURSDAY HOSPITAL CUP—Final Bedford Town v. Ickwell v. Harpur or North End (Bedford Park, 6 p.m.).

Bowls TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) Woburn Sands v. Russell Park, Happy Valley (Clacton) v. Melita.

MONDAY Melita v. Crayke.

THURSDAY Russell Park v. Great Bedford.

Lawn Tennis TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) Closed County Championship Semi-Finals (Bedford L.T.C., 2.30 p.m.). Exhibition matches, Queen's Works (opening of new hard courts).

SUNDAY Closed County Championship Finals (Bedford L.T.C., 2.30 p.m.). Riverside v. Queen's Works (mixed), Queen's Works v. Kingtonham (mixed).

TUESDAY Bedfordshire v. Cambridgeshire, ladies (Bedford L.T.C., 2.30 p.m.).

THURSDAY Bedford L.T.C. v. Northampton (mixed).

Hospital Cup Morris 53 Not Out

To reach the semi-final, Bedford easily won at Pertenhall. Bedford: V. J. Harris 36, E. S. Smith 1, S. I. Morris not out 53, E. C. Howard 3, W. Peet not out 20, extras 1, total (for three wkts.) 114.—R. Jones two for 48.

Pertenhall: K. Gentle 6, B. Kiteley 0, S. Nicholson 1, V. Roddis 0, R. Jones 8, S. Stapleton 7, W. Preshland 1, J. Roddis 4, J. Elliott 2, C. Stapleton not out 3, O. Stapleton not out 0, extras 4, total (for nine wkts.) 56.—D. G. Jenkins three for 13, V. J. Harris two for 2.

Barchus: Litchfield 4, T. King 20, D. Skinner 16, Varney 13, O. Skinner 2, Auton 3, Marriott not out 29, R. King not out 6, extras 13, total (for six wkts.) 106.—Wilson three for 46, Green two for 35.

Randalls: Ager 24, Teague 2, Pope 2, Wilson 25, Norman 8, Armbury 3, Harris 4, Cavea 3, Green 8, Brown not out 0, Pugh 0, extras 13, total 92.—Marriott five for 21, R. King four for 36, Swannell one for 22.

Goldington "A" v. Kirmeston: Kimbolton: 33 (P. Whitman 14, Dimmick seven for 16, Meadows two for 6).

Goldington "A": West 3, Single 0, Day 16, Dimmick 5, Hawson 0, Lide 2, Lynch not out 14, Elyin 0, Meadows 12, Rawlins 8, extras 7, total for nine wickets 67. (Parrott five for 24).

Goldington v. South End Ramblers: Goldington: Whaley 32, Bingle 13, Parsons 0, Dimmick 3, Fraser 3, Harrison 0, Newman 0, Thompson 0, Cannon not out 8, W. Eaton 4, Pigg 0, extras 8, total 73.—Wilson four for 24.

Ramblers: Norman 2, Sheridan 4, Binworth 0, Cooper 3, Rooms 1, Clayton 1, Wisson not out 34, Green 2, Simpson 3, W. Nicholls 13, B. Nicholls 0, extras 6, total 73.—Cannon seven for 28, Dimmick three for 39.

League Cricket

Twenty Wickets Fall for 36 Runs

In one of the lowest-scoring games in the Bedford and District League this season, 20 wickets fell for 36 runs when West End Club entertained Marston Sports at Kempston in Division II (Section II) on Saturday Marston Sports won by 20 runs to 16.

Clapham were right on top form against South End Ramblers, winning by five wickets. The Ramblers ran into some good bowling from C. Bottell and T. Buck, only R. Pallant reaching double figures. Bottell's analysis was 15.0. 7m. 18 r. 5w.

After losing four wickets for 32 runs, H. Martin and E. Blundell added 42 for the fifth wicket, and Sharnbrook declared at 136 for nine. Blundell hit 45 not out and Martin 29. Despite a gallant 33 by W. Wilson, Marston were never happy against H. Berwick (five for 27), and were all out for 70.

Set to score only 39 runs to win by Little Paxton, Potton II seemed certain to preserve their unbeaten record in Division II (Section I). They did, in fact, do so, but it was a close thing. They were all out for 40!

By taking seven for 22 and scoring 27 runs, K. Brightman greatly assisted in Marston II's win by nine runs over Stevington.

After their openers had put on 18, Stevington collapsed and were all out for 45. Marston lost two wickets for one run, but Brightman's first scoring stroke was a powerful drive that cleared the boundary and when he left only two runs were needed to win.

PREMIER DIVISION

South End Ramblers v. Clapham
 Ramblers: O. Ferguson 3, D. Clayton 6, H. Norman 9, T. Soerforth 6, R. Pallant 22, R. Cooper 5, F. Rooms not out 3, J. Sheridan 1, H. Allen 4, O. Davis 1, S. Tompkins 1, extras 14, total 75.—C. Bottell five for 18, T. Buck three for 29, R. Devereux one for 4, R. Pickering one for 12.
Clapham: S. Wilson 43, T. Buck 15, A. Blatter 28, R. Devereux 7, H. Nicholson not out 4, extras 9, (total for five wkts.) 84. C. Bottell, C. Turner, J. Litchfield, R. Pickering, L. Wooding, and W. Lee did not bat.
 O. Davis three for 6, R. Cooper one for 9, Tompkins one for 14.

Sharnbrook v. Marston
 Sharnbrook: B. Lovell 0, H. Martin 39, E. Alcock 4, G. Boyles 1, R. Marsh 3, E. Blundell not out 45, H. Berwick 10, L. Pacey 5, L. Blundell 14, total 144. (for nine wkts. dec.) extras 14. W. Swales three for 28, F. Faulkner three for 32, A. Harrison two for 24.
Marston: C. Rowe 6, W. Wilson 33, F. Faulkner 0, D. Faulkner 11, P. Odel 5, W. Swales 2, A. Harrison 0, A. Knight 1, C. Copperthwaite 4, K. Edwards 4, A. Bunker not out 0, extras 10, total 76.—H. Berwick five for 27, D. Benson two for 21, H. Martin one for 9, L. Blundell one for 10.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Potton II v. Little Paxton
 Little Paxton: T. Gould 2, G. Quince 4, F. Saunders 10, W. Skelton 0, G. Childerly not out 10, D. Harrowdine 1, D. Smith 2, D. George 0, T. Rob- 1, D. Humphrey 1, H. Marne 7, extras 5, total 35.—E. Huckle five for 9, L. Sims four for 23.
Potton: H. B. Brown 0, C. Blott 8, P. Hutchinson 0, B. Chinn 7, E. Huckle 3, C. Munns 0, J. Hutchinson 3, E. Giles 8, E. Elliott not out 2, L. Sims 1, F. Saunders six for 18, total 40.—F. Saunders six for 18.

Wyoboston v. Great Barford
 Great Barford: G. Mardlin 7, J. Jeffs 1, P. Usher 9, M. Lee 0, W. Stevington 1, G. Broese 11, H. Knocker 9, D. Maskell 2, M. Maskell 2, not out 3, J. Browning 1, extras 2, total 70.—Pell and Darrington each took three wickets, Ellis two, and Park one.
Wyoboston: A. Usher 0, W. Peet 2, W. Peet 3, A. Parrat 3, V. Pell 0, R. Yates 0, D. Wilson 4, A. Evans not out 1, D. Wilson 4, total 39.—W. Stevington four for 3, M. Lee three for 3 and J. Broese two for 10.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Marston II v. Stevington
 Stevington: O. Curtis 15, A. Cox 3, V. Bowdler 4, A. Wildman 2, G. Swales 10, S. Alberry 2, D. Dart 0, T. Ingram 1, L. Cook 8, B. Deany 1, J. Crowe not out 0, extras 2, total 45.—K. Brightman seven for 22, B. Knight two for 11, T. Claridge one for 0.
Marston II: A. Bunker 0, T. Claridge 0, V. Hale 7, K. Brightman 27, R. Burridge not out 6, C. Cave 2, G. Denton 0, A. Garner 0, J. Cradock 0, F. Touss 0, B. Knight 0, extras 9, total 54.—V. Bowdler six for 20, T. Ingram two for 0, J. Awin two for 3.

Kempston West End v. Marston Sports
Marston Sports: Barter 4, Besock 3, Slade 0, Thoburn 2, Moore 2, King 1, Potts 1, Maynard 2, Clark 1, Hay not out 1, Stapleton 0, extras 3, total 20.—Darlow five for 6, Page five for 9.
West End: Parker 6, Darlow 3, Hill 0, De Nobrega 0, Page 0, McCully 2, Anthony 1, Darwood 0, Jessop 1, Crosley 0, Taylor 0, extras 3, total 16.—Thoburn six for 6, Slade four for 8.

Cople v. Kempston Wood End
Cople: C. Graves 2, A. Worrall 0, E. Hull 2, J. Newbury 15, D. Shingler 6, P. Jennings 8, M. Cambers 2, D. Thacker 2, B. Minney 18, R. Fowler not out 4, E. Yerrill 1, extras 5, total 64.—F. Loft four for 29, J. Litchfield three for 19, N. Sanders two for 4.
Wood End: R. Ashpole 7, C. Caves 11, L. Jessop retired 18, J. Litchfield 3, F. Loft not out 31, B. Sanders 0, extras 3, total (for three wkts.) 75.—D. Shingler one for 9, A. Worrall one for 10, E. Hull one for 30.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Clapham II v. Thurlough II
Thurlough: F. Bull 11, L. Franklin 0, P. Hooker 12, J. Thorns 10, B. Ingle 11, D. Green 8, B. Apple 10, R. Lovell not out 7, C. Maddison 3, B. Franklin 0, J. Herrill 1, extras 8, total 71.—D. Devereux five for 19.
Clapham: D. Devereux 12, B. Hunt 6, C. Primrose 0, D. Jones 2, A. Cope 1, F. Baker 0, C. Brown 3, R. Brown 0, E. Powell 8, A. Jones not out 1, C. Cockings 0, extras 5, total 59.—D. Green six for 9.

Old Boys' Bid for Victory Fails

Finishing their week as usual with a two-day match against Bedford School, Old Bedfordians just failed in their bid for victory and the match was drawn.

Batting first the School were all out for 111 and the Old Boys led by 114 on the first innings. The School, however, fared better when they went in the second time and declared at 211 for seven. P. Smith making 65.

Old Bedfordians, needing 98 to win, made 89 for seven.

FORMER TEST MEN PLAY

The Old Bedfordians gained a creditable draw on 22nd July against the XI Club, who included two former England cricketers, G. H. Pope (Dorsetshire) and A. D. Matthews (Northamptonshire and Oldham). Pope, a fine all-rounder, hit 36 and took three for 45, two of the wickets in his first over.

K. A. Hewison and P. Gunner contributed a lively seventh-wicket partnership of 100 in 44 minutes for the XI Club, while D. R. Wynn-Williams hit a half century for the O.B.s, including a 6 and fifteen 4's.

XI Club: J. Manning 4, D. O. Monev 35, G. C. Tabbitt 5, R. H. M. Burton 2, H. H. Dupont 6, K. A. Hewison not out 84, G. H. Pope 30, P. Gunner 53, A. G. Tremblay not out 15, extras 10, total (for seven wkts. dec.) 254. W. M. W. Cooper and A. D. Matthews did not bat.—Percy two for 53, Duckett two for 59, Cartwright one for 53, Murray-Clarke one for 38.
 Old Bedfordians: K. V. Percy 0, J. G. Cook 18, R. V. Spark 0, D. R. Wynn-Williams 107, G. B. E. Gilbert 13, C. R. Randall not out 13, R. L. Cartwright not out 17, extras 7, total (for five wkts.) 175.—G. O. Murray-Clarke 6, I. H. Graves, A. Duckett and A. Spark did not bat.—Pope three for 45, Tabbitt one for 7, Dupont one for 8.

Diemer and Reynolds, 66 (R. Pilly 12, W. Webb not out 11, Simms two for 15, Huckle three for 12, Munns two for 9, Duffin two for 0); Potton, 67 for eight (C. Rawlin 29, P. Rawlin 14, Dorson five for 25, Convey three for 37).

SPORTS FIXTURES

Cricket

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Peterborough v. Bedford Town.
 Harpur Sports v. Watlington.
 Quilley Works v. Bedford North End.
 Bedford II v. Peterborough II.
 Kempston v. Clapham.
 Shire Hall v. Bedford Argus.
 Carlisle v. Bromham (Gentlemen of the Lion).
 Ironic v. Diemer and Reynolds.
 Gentlemen of the Lion II v. Eastow.
 Eversholt v. Mellis.
 Carlton School v. Harpur Sports II.
 De Havilland Aircraft v. Bedford Town Ramblers.
 Eaton Swan v. Biggleswade.
 Biggleswade II v. Eaton, Bacon II.
 Stewartby v. Southill Park.
 Southill II v. Campton.
 Three Counties Hospital v. St. Giles.
 Shefford v. Potton.
 Swadby v. Bromham Nomads.
 Old Warden v. Britannia Works.
 Clifton v. Ickleford.
 Resliss v. Henlow.
 Aston Rowant v. Wharley End.
 Wheathampstead v. Piltwick.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

Marston v. South End Ramblers.
 Caldecote v. Thurlough II.

Division I

Little Staughton v. Blunham.
 Renhold v. Biggleswade.
 Mokerhanger v. Pavenham.

Division II (Section I)

Staploe v. Little Paxton.
 Potton II v. Wyoboston.
 Great Staughton v. Colmworth.
 Great Barford v. Wrestlingworth.

Division II (Section II)

Marston Sports v. Marston II.
 Kempston Wood End v. Riseley.
 Stevington v. Kempston West End.
 Turley v. Cople.

Division III (Section I)

Thurlough II v. Oakley.
 North Crawley v. Keveo.
 Riseley II v. Little Staughton II.

Division III (Section II)

Blunham II v. Langford II.
 Roxton v. Caldecote II.
 Haynes v. Tempsford.

SUNDAY

Bedford v. Wellesborough.
 Harpur Sports v. Casuals.
 Southill Park v. Bedford North End.
 Kempston West End v. Potton.
 R. B. Sanders v. Bedford Electricity.
 Gentlemen of the Lion v. Stanbridge and Tiltworth.

MONDAY

Bedfordshire v. Cambridgeshire (Bedford School field).
 Northampton Polytechnic v. Bedford.
 March Harpur Sports.
 Stanbridge and Tiltworth v. Gentlemen of the Lion.
 Wharley End v. Wolverton O.B.
 Eversholt v. Watlington Invicta.
 Biggleswade v. Lathol (Essex), 11.30.
 Three Counties Hospital v. S. Brown's XI (11.30).
 Southill Park v. Nichin.

TUESDAY

Bedfordshire v. Cambridgeshire (second day).
 Letchworth v. Bedford Town.
 Piltwick v. Metropolitan Police.

WEDNESDAY

Bedfordshire v. Buckinghamshire (Bedford School field).
 Piltwick v. Luton Town.

THURSDAY

Bedfordshire v. Buckinghamshire (2nd day).
 Bedford Thursday v. Leighton Buzzard.
 Bedford Electricity v. Bedford Postels.
 Piltwick v. Paloge (Northampton).

FRIENDLY CRICKET

Bedford North End v. Cogenhoe
 North End, 152 for nine (D. Pickering 38, W. Beardmore 24, A. Shirree 24, W. Tomkins three for 32, H. Edge two for 12, T. Eady two for 32).
 Cogenhoe, 124 (P. Kirk 40 not out, R. Brown 25, L. Chamberlain three for 30, D. Pickering two for 28, K. Swales two for 32).

Bliss v. Old Warden
 Old Warden: R. Pearce 4, C. Vintner 8, N. Course 0, D. Berridge 0, E. Cooper 2, A. Emlin 1, G. Berridge 17, M. Turnhill not out 17, W. Foster 2, G. Hall 4, A. Lenton 0, extras 8, total 63.—E. Roberts four for 19, H. Etheridge three for 8.
 Bliss: H. Etheridge 20, C. Coppin 15, F. Yeomans 0, E. Clare 25, E. Roberts 2, R. Harris 4, R. Poysey 0, J. Olney 5, P. Jones not out 0, G. Olney 10, extras 9, total 94.—D. Berridge five for 32, N. Course two for 10.

BEDFORD AWAY TO PETERBOROUGH

For their away game with Peterborough to-morrow, Bedford Town have selected the following team:—

G. L. B. August (capt.), S. T. Morris, E. C. Howard, A. G. Coomb, V. J. Harris, M. Hall, C. P. Foster, W. Peet, E. S. Smith, B. J. Marles, and F. K. Breeze.
 The Town 2nd XI against Peterborough at home (2.30 p.m.) is: G. B. Andrews (capt.), P. W. Scrivener, D. G. Jenkins, C. Dixon, P. H. Humphreys, I. Brown, R. Poulter, M. Suckley, E. F. Barcock, A. J. Draper, and C. D. Barnes.

MILLMAN 122 FOR OLD MODERNIANS

Bedford Modern School just failed to beat the Old Modernians in their two-day match last week and the game was drawn.

In their first innings the Old Boys totalled 128 and the School declared as soon as they had passed that score for the loss of nine wickets. D. G. Jenkins took seven wickets for 50.

C. Millman made 122 of the Old Boys' 218 for one declared and the School, needing 213 to win, finished 13 short with seven wickets down.

League Cricket

Good Win for South End Ramblers

South End Ramblers gained a good win over Marston in the Premier Division of the Bedford and District League, their highest scorer being H. Norman, whose total was 49. For Marston, T. Claridge was the highest scorer with 23.

Neither individual scores nor team totals were particularly impressive in the other games.

PREMIER DIVISION

Marston v. South End Ramblers
 South End Ramblers: G. Ferguson 1, D. Claydon 19, H. Norman 49, R. Wilson 1, J. Paine 24, P. Roome 20, R. Cooper 8, K. Green 6, H. Allen not out 1, extras 7, total (for eight wks. 136.—C. Copperwheat three for 78.)
 Marston: N. Caves 0, D. Stapleton 21, R. Copperwheat 0, W. Wadton 1, V. Hale 8, C. Rowe 5, T. Claridge 25, D. Faulkner 14, A. Knight not out 0, C. Copperwheat 0, C. Edwards 1, extras 4, total 79.—S. Tompkins three for 23, K. Green two for 8, H. Allen two for 17.

Up to and including 31st July

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Clapham	10	7	2	1	15
Sharnbrook	10	7	3	1	15
Sharnbrook	10	5	2	3	13
Thurleigh	10	4	4	2	10
South End Ramblers	10	3	4	4	11
Caldecote	9	3	5	1	7
Marston	10	2	7	3	7
Lynton Works	9	1	7	1	3

DIVISION I

Little Staughton 57, Blunham 100 for six wks.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Lanford	11	8	3	0	16
Stagsden	11	6	4	1	13
Blunham	11	6	4	1	13
Renhold	10	4	4	2	10
Mogerhanger	10	4	4	2	10
Felmersham	10	4	6	1	7
Pavenham	10	2	7	1	5
Little Staughton	10	2	7	1	5

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Great Barford v. Wrestlingworth
 Great Barford: G. Hardin 5, J. Jens 1, P. Usher 0, R. West 10, W. Skevington not out 14, J. Knocker 1, D. Maskell 0, S. Skevington 0, D. Robinson 2, M. Maskell 1, J. Browning 1, extras 4, total 37.
 Wrestlingworth: K. Robinson 1, W. Daisley 2, W. Plant 2, P. Sella 5, V. Tassell 18, Rabone 0, G. Tassell 0, D. Coupe 1, K. Lee 1, M. Daisley 0, extras 5, total 35. L. Humberstone did not bat.—W. Skevington four for 9, M. Maskell five for 20.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Potton II	11	9	0	2	20
Great Staughton	10	7	1	3	15
Staploe	11	7	4	0	14
Little Paxton	12	4	5	3	11
Wyboston	11	5	5	1	11
Great Barford	12	4	6	2	10
Colmworth	11	1	8	2	4
Wrestlingworth	12	1	10	1	3

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Stevington v. Kempston West End
 Stevington: G. Curtis 3, A. Cox 0, 6, V. Bowdler 13, 21, H. Dart 2, not out 4, A. Wildman 0, 10, J. Swain 5, 11, S. Albers 2, 5, H. Pearson 0, T. Ingram not out 4, J. Ingram 6, L. Cook 0, 10, extras 5, 0, total 38 and 67 for six.—Page eight for 15.
 West End: Parker 3, 7, Darlow 6, 8, McCullay 0, 2, Page 7, Barker 0, 7, Anthony 10, Hill 9, Barkerwood 3, 4, Da Nobrega not out 4, 3, Jessop 1, J. Coleman 1, not out 0, extras 3, 2, totals 35 and 49.—First innings, Curtis seven for 15, second innings, Bowdler four for 25, Cox three for 2, Curtis three for 8.

Marston II v. Marston Sports

Marston II: J. Nicholls 2, W. Swales 16, R. Burridge 9, A. Bunker 7, R. Hine 20, C. Caves 35, F. Rouse 14, G. Denton 0, D. Johnson 4, A. Garner 4, S. Knight not out 0, extras 12, total 123.
 Marston Sports: C. Peacock 0, E. Barnes 13, D. Slade 1, T. Thoburn 2, O. Moore 6, B. King 5, H. Stapleton 0, T. Potts 10, C. Maynard 0, D. Clack not out 16, W. Causor 5, extras 1, total 49.—W. Swales seven for 19.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Riseley	12	8	1	3	19
Marston	10	7	1	2	16
Kempston Wood End	14	4	6	2	10
Turvey	11	4	6	1	9
Marston Sports	11	4	6	1	9
Cople	12	4	7	1	9
Kempston West End	10	4	5	1	9
Stevington	10	3	6	1	7

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
North Crawley	10	6	1	3	15
Thurleigh II	10	5	1	4	14
Keynes	10	5	3	2	12
Little Staughton II	10	4	5	1	9
Sharnbrook II	11	3	6	2	8
Clapham II	10	2	5	4	8
Riseley II	9	3	4	2	8
Oakley	10	1	5	4	6

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

Blunham II 41, Langford II 34.

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Ickwell	9	7	1	1	15
Haynes	8	5	2	1	11
Langford II	9	4	4	1	9
Blunham II	9	4	5	0	8
Tempford	8	3	5	0	6
Roxton	7	3	3	1	6
Caldecote II	8	1	5	2	4

All-out Effort To Get 202 Runs Failed

Set to score 201 by Letchworth Town on Tuesday, Bedford Town, with a weakened eleven, made a gallant all-out effort to get the runs. Their opening pair, R. Poulter (30) and D. Hoar (40), gave them a promising start, but the only other batsmen to achieve double figures were G. S. Andrews (27 not out) and D. Farr (16). The Town were finally dismissed for 149.

V. J. Harris captured three Letchworth wickets at a personal cost of 17 runs. D. Farr took three for 32, and R. Linger three for 59.

Letchworth: A. O'Neill lbw b Linger 1, R. Unstead c Brown b Linger 7, T. Burdett c Poulter b King 26, J. Goodwin b Linger 25, K. Taylor c Poulter b Farr 26, A. Hennings lbw b Harris 21, R. Nightingale lbw b Farr 8, R. Cairns b Harris 8, J. Robinson c Farr b Harris 30, R. Luckhurst c Linger b Farr 20, T. Fenton not out 9, extras 16, total 201.

Bedford: R. Poulter lbw b Burdett 36, D. Hoar run out 40, P. Scrivener b Goodwin 1, R. Wyatt c Rub b Luckhurst 35, V. J. Harris b Goodwin 8, D. Farr b Robinson 16, G. S. Andrews not out 27, I. Brown b Burdett 0, R. Stokes run out 9, E. King at Fenton b Unstead 0, R. Linger lbw b Goodwin 1, extras 8, total 149.

Clifton v. Ickleford

Clifton: J. Medlock 17, K. Flint 37, A. Kirby 0, E. Whittington 11, G. Dilley 0, P. Statcher 0, P. Kingsley 14, R. Stapleton 18, S. Taylor 13, O. Maves 5, J. Ashwell not out 0, extras 1, total 116.—D. Rowley six for 28.

Ickleford: C. Thurstance 40, S. Rowley 21, N. Clark 10, B. Thurstance 25, E. Thurstance 5, J. Gidney not out 7, D. Tree not out 0, extras 10, total (for five wks.) 119.—R. Stapleton two for 25.

AT HOME TO MARCH

Visitors to the Newnham Avenue, Bedford, ground tomorrow will be March Town. The Town will play the following eleven: E. C. Howard (capt.), E. S. Smith, A. G. Coomb, C. F. Sabev, M. Suckley, W. Peet, B. J. Marles, R. W. Street, D. Farr, M. Hall, and A. N. Other.

Young Amateurs of County Team Selected

R. W. Street, of Bedford School, will captain the Young Amateurs of Bedfordshire in their games on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

On Monday at Bedford School (11.30 a.m.) against Northants Young Amateurs, the team will be: R. W. Street (Bedford School), (Capt.), R. Lowings (Harpur Sports), P. Denton (Luton G.S. Old Boys), B. Scott (Wilson Bros. Sports), J. I. Cooper (B.M.S.), J. Gillespie (Luton Grammar School), P. J. Watts (Stratton School, Biggleswade), T. Andrews (Flitwick), G. L. Smart (Stotfold), R. G. Bass and D. J. Conniff (Bedford School).

At Oxford on Tuesday v. Oxfordshire Colts XI, the team will be: R. W. Street, R. Lowings, C. Garrett (Taddington), P. J. Watts (B.M.S.), J. Gurney (Luton G.S.), P. Smith, J. Smith (Bedford School), C. Kemp (Queen's Works), J. Hawkes (Luton G.S. O.B.), D. C. Eldridge (Bedford School), and N. Woodford (Cedars School, Leighton Buzzard).

SPORTS FIXTURES

Cricket

TO-DAY (FRIDAY)

Bedfordshire v. Hertfordshire, at Bedford School field (and Saturday).

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Bedford Town v. March
 Wisbech v. Harpur Sports
 Queen's Works v. Henlow
 Shire Hall v. Kempston
 Southill Park v. Bedford II
 Rushden v. Bedford Argus
 Gentlemen of the Lion v. Sandy
 Bedford North End v. London Brick Co.
 Melts v. Eversholt
 Aspley Guise v. Wharley End
 Bondor v. Bedford Ramblers
 Wolverton v. Harpur II
 Shire Hall v. Eastow
 Igranville v. Diemer and Reynolds
 Pinner Electricity v. Bedford Electricity
 Flitwick v. Blechley
 Steppingsley v. Flitwick II.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

Sharnbrook v. Clapham
 Thurleigh v. Marston
 South End Ramblers v. Lynton Works.

Division I

Blunham v. Langford
 Pavenham v. Little Staughton
 Renhold v. Felmersham
 Stagsden v. Mogerhanger.

Division II (Section I)

Colmworth v. Wyboston
 Staploe v. Great Staughton
 Great Barford v. Little Paxton.

Division II (Section II)

Marston II v. West End Club
 Kempston Wood End v. Marston Sports
 Turvey v. Stevington.

Division III (Section I)

Oakley v. Sharnbrook II
 Clapham II v. North Crawley
 Little Staughton II v. Thurleigh II.

Division III (Section II)

Ickwell II v. Haynes II
 Caldecote II v. Langford II
 Tempford v. Roxton.

SUNDAY

Bedford Town v. Electrolux
 Leighton Buzzard v. Harpur Sports
 Queen's Works v. Welingtonborough
 Britannia v. Gentlemen of the Lion
 Melts v. Roffec, London
 Wharley End v. Stony Stratford
 Aatwood v. Kempston Wood End
 R. B. Sanders v. Diemer and Reynolds.

MONDAY

Bedfordshire Young Amateurs v. Northamptonshire Young Amateurs Bedford School field.

TUESDAY

Oxfordshire Colts v. Bedfordshire Young Amateurs (at Oxford)

THURSDAY

Bedford Thursday v. Phipps, Northampton.

MARTLETS' KENT TOUR A SUCCESS

Again the Kent weather in their August week favoured Bedford Martlets. Six consecutive days of uninterrupted cricket, and in notably fine out-fielding conditions, reached a climax on the two days against strong opponents at Gore Court and Chatham when the two matches produced more than 1,000 runs.

Honours were even in a high-scoring game at Gore Court, played in superb sunshine, and the following day the Naval Barracks after losing six for 137 were hurried to victory by a hard-hitting century by Vernon.

Last Friday rain prevented any cricket in the South of England and no journey was made to East Grinstead, but on the last day, despite a continuous gale at Folkstone, the match was won in the last over after some vigorous scoring against the clock.

The village of East Farleigh was again the club's delightful headquarters, and the following were the touring party: E. J. Cooper (captain), W. Moore, B. C. Barnwell, E. S. Volk, P. D. Watts, A. Norman, A. Burness, L. Bambridge, G. M. Bullock, K. D. Ballard, J. I. Cooper, A. H. Hart, G. Dear, K. Tait, and

G. M. Jarrett, R. A. Cox was the umpire, and Alex Davis the scorer.

Excluding games which were abandoned without a ball being bowled, the Martlets have played 99 matches in Kent so that the first game of the 1955 tour will be followed by a special celebration. This, incidentally, will be their 15th Kent tour.

Tonbridge 177 (W. Moore 41, R. D. Bussefield 45, L. Bambridge three for 52, A. Burness three for 18, G. M. Jarrett two for 40). The Martlets: 178 for his wicket (P. D. Watts 85 not out, A. Norman 79 not out). Won by ten wickets.

The Martlets: 133 (P. D. Watts 31, W. Moore 29). Linden Park (Tinbridge Wells) 118 (J. H. Cooper 48, D. Watts four for 18, G. M. Jarrett two for 23). Won by 15 runs.

The Martlets: 226 for 7 declared (P. D. Watts 35, K. Tait 29, E. J. Cooper 28). Bowaters 150 (at Fittingbourne) 139 for eight (R. C. D. 52, L. Bambridge three for 24). Match drawn.

The Martlets: 110 (K. D. Ballard six for 3, H. Tait two for 22). The Martlets 114 for five (K. Tait 46, G. Dear 37). Won by five wickets.

Gore Court: 277 for seven declared (L. Bambridge 65, E. S. Volk 58, H. Tait five for 41, Tait two for 46). The Martlets: 258 for seven (B. C. Barnwell 40, P. D. Watts 50, A. Norman 37, K. D. Ballard 35, G. M. Jarrett 34 not out). Match drawn.

The Martlets: 256 for eight declared (A. Norman 47, K. Tait 39, J. I. Cooper 50 not out). Royal Naval Barracks Chatham: 250 for six (Lieut. Col. Vernon 100 not out, G. M. Jarrett three for 75). Lost by four wickets.

Match at East Grinstead abandoned. Kent Schoolmasters (at Folkstone): 128 (Pool 35, Goldsmid 28, R. C. D. Ballard three for 6, A. Burness three for 33, G. M. Jarrett two for 26). The Martlets 120 for nine (K. D. Ballard 46 not out). Won by one wicket.

Young Amateurs' Game Drawn

The weather, the bowling, and the fielding dominated the days play in the game between Young Amateurs of Bedfordshire and Oxfordshire Colts at Oxford on Tuesday. A drawn match resulted.

Eldridge and Garratt both attacked the stumps and captured the first three wickets in four overs for four runs. Pealish batted well, but Eldridge deserved another wicket when a skler was missed. Boston of Charterhouse looked the more comfortable, and slowly the score rose to 25.

Watts replaced Garratt and after two expensive overs had Royton caught at short-extra; he turned the ball sharply from the leg, but bowled too many loose balls and, oddly enough, looked more dangerous and accurate when he bowled his off-spinner. Hartley joined Pearson in a stand of 27, when Eldridge returned and removed Pealish's middle stump with a first off-break. Two maiden overs followed before Winstone was well caught by Lortkins of Eldridge, who at this point had taken four wickets for nine runs in 13 overs. Guilloffe then swung his bat at the last six balls before lunch and made 12. Shortly after lunch Watts bowled Guilloffe with an off-break, and Kemp opened the bowler, had the great satisfaction of taking the last three wickets in fourteen balls; two fell to inwardly strokes, but the wicket of Hartley, who had scored 31, was a valuable one.

Bedfordshire's start was even more disastrous. Connin was beautifully caught low in the gully off a hard cut ball which lifted a little, and Watts, a left-hander, was bowled round his legs. P. Smith began well but was bowled by a sharp off-break, and two balls later Street was also bowled by a ball he left alone.

LOWINGS DEFENDS STUBBORNLY Essex bowled very well at a fast medium pace, and later the spinners, Pickering and Guilloffe, kept a fine length. Lowings defended stubbornly; his ten runs took an hour and ten minutes, but by failing to move his feet to the spinners he allowed the bowlers to remain right on top.

C. Garratt impressed but played across a ball from Guilloffe. Finally with J. Smith and Eldridge looking extremely confident a heavy storm caused the game to be abandoned in Oxfordshire's favour.

Oxfordshire: P. H. b. Eldridge (4), P. Pealish (4), Eldridge 18, D. Lock (4), Garratt 3, T. Pickering (4), Eldridge 1, G. Royton (4), Garratt (4), Watts 15, J. Hartley (4), Kemp 21, R. Winstone (4), J. Guilloffe (4), Eldridge (4), J. Guilloffe (4), Watts 18, J. Clark (4), Kemp (4), R. Essex (4), Kemp (4), Sanoope (4) not out (4), extras 9 (4). Eldridge four for 21, C. Kemp three for 3.

Bedfordshire: P. D. Watts (4), Essex 21, D. G. Connin (4), Guilloffe (4), Sansone 2, P. Smith (4), B. Hoot (4), R. Lowings (4), Pearson (4), Pickering (4), R. W. Street (4), Essex (4), N. Woolford (4), Pearson (4), Guilloffe (4), C. Garratt (4), Guilloffe (4), Smith (4), J. Hawkes (4), Essex (4), Pickering (4), D. Eldridge (4) not out (4), extras 6, total (for 8 wickets) 47. R. Essex three for 8, C. Kemp did not bat.

Because of rain the fixture between the Young Amateurs of Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire at Bedford School on Monday, was abandoned.

FRIENDLY CRICKET

Wells of Bedford, Ltd. v. Bedfordshire Times. Times: G. F. Babey 33, P. Cook 5, A. F. Martin 5, M. Gaunt 3, R. Goodacre 0, B. J. May 0, B. Hoot not out 1, P. Billington not out 1, extras 1, total (for six wickets) 52. C. Ashwell three for 12, W. Aldridge 14, N. Wilson not out 15, R. Biddle 4, J. Wilson 4, C. Litchfield 0, C. Ashwell 2, J. Jones 0, E. Foley 0, extras 5, total 47. D. F. Young five for 24, O. F. Babey three for 18.

Garneton v. Casuals II. Campton: K. Dosselt 8, P. Wright 7, J. Prouse 9, Dunnet 17, K. Warwick 7, J. Bunker 0, R. Charman 12, H. Odell 0, R. Redman 2, P. Inskip 0, J. Pettifor not out 2, extras 5, total 53. K. Green and G. Davis each took three wickets and C. Hargreaves two. Casuals: K. Hargreaves 42, C. Hargreaves 24, P. Huckle 20, D. Sprigg 12, Rooms 10, Martin two for 25, Arnold two for 34; Bedfordshire Times 82; for three (Arnold 24, Martin 20, Cook 14, Bray not out 10).

South End Ramblers: 100 for five (Bosworth 39 not out, Ferguson 25, Clayton 12, Rooms 10, Martin two for 25, Arnold two for 34); Bedfordshire Times 82; for three (Arnold 24, Martin 20, Cook 14, Bray not out 10).

Brian Disbury, former Bedfordshire opening batsman, scored 61 of Kent II's total of 208 for two in reply to Wiltshire's 189 at Tonbridge on Wednesday.

Casuals Hit 204 in 90 Minutes at Southwick

The Casuals C.C. enjoyed their tour of Sussex, last week, and many fine games were the outcome.

In their first match the team were easily defeated by Bognor. This was due no doubt to the fact that the tourists travelled during the early hours of the day and were tired before the match ended.

The next day, however, there was a big transformation. In reply to Southwick's 154 for nine declared the Casuals scored 204 for five in 90 minutes.

No fewer than six times the ball was hit out of the ground, boys retrieving it from the main high street on their bicycles, and local opinion was that such hitting had never been seen there before.

At Chichester, where the home side, totalling 150, won by 45, S. Smith took four for 22 in 26 overs—an accurate and sustained effort. In the Casuals' reply of 107 Atkins and Bavinaton made a late stand of 50. The Casuals' second victory was at Heathfield, where they declared at 192 for five, Green and Payne each scored a splendid 50, and Rowkins's 40 included seven fours and a two. Heathfield were dismissed for 125.

MORAL VICTORY AT HORSHAM

Although the Casuals match with Horsham, at the County ground, was drawn the Bedford club gained a moral victory, for there was a mistake over the time of finishing. At the close the Casuals needed two runs to win with four wickets in hand.

On returning to Bedford the club were entertained by Southill Park on Sunday. Batting first, the Casuals made 136 thanks to fine opening by Millman and Green. When Southill batted, Burdett was soon caught, and A. Gale was clean bowled by Rowkins, but with their score at 10 for 2 wickets, rain caused the game to be abandoned.

(Smith five for 21, Bavinaton two for 23, Rowkins 2 for 37). Casuals 52 (D. Millman 19). Casuals lost by 63 runs. Southwick 154 for nine wickets declared (P. Green six for 59). Casuals 204 for five wickets (Bumstead 41, King 56, Payne 28, Course 3). Green not out 30. Casuals won by six wickets.

Chichester 150 (Bavinaton five for 48, Smith four for 22). Casuals 107 (Atkins 24, Bavinaton 28). Casuals lost by 43 runs. Casuals 192 for five wickets declared (Green 53, Payne 57, Rowkins 30). Heathfield 125 (Green three for 37, Smith three for 59, Bavinaton two for 13). Casuals won by 67 runs.

Horsham 163 for seven wickets declared (Green four for 73). Casuals 162 for six wickets (Millman 78 not out). Drawn.

During the week S. Smith bowled 111 overs, 39 of which were maidens, and took 15 wickets for 206 runs. Casuals 156 (Millman 58, Green 40, Rowkins 17, Payne 15). Southill 10 for two wickets (Rowkins two for 5). Abandoned.

TOWN AT WEMBLEY

Bedford Town, away to Wembley tomorrow, have chosen the following side: G. L. B. August (capt.), E. C. Howard, A. G. Coomb, C. G. Jones, V. J. Harris, D. G. Jenkins, B. J. Marles, F. K. Braese, C. F. Babey, W. Peet, E. S. Smith.

The 2nd XI, at home to Buckingham, is: G. B. Andrews (capt.), P. W. Schweber, S. T. Morris, R. W. Street, M. Hall, C. D. Barnes, E. Ring, B. F. Hollis, P. Moller, D. C. Eldridge, E. B. Jefferies.

SPORTS FIXTURES

Cricket

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Wembley v. Bedford Town, Queen's Works v. Stewarby, Peterborough Town v. Harpur Sports, Kempston Britannia Works, Gentlemen of the Lion v. Anley Gulse, Silsue v. Bedford Argus, The First B.T.H. Rugby v. Bedford Women.

Mellis v. Filtwick, Wharley End v. Horton, Eversholt v. Old Lutonians, Elstow v. Igranio, Bedford II v. Buckingham, Queen's Works v. Wellingborough II, Harpur II v. St. Neots, Diener and Reynolds v. Holwell, Filtwick B v. Letchworth Tabs, St. Ives v. Bedford Ramblers.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division. Berlenhall v. South End Ramblers, Thurleigh v. Blunham, Clapham v. Marston.

Division I. Langford v. Moechanger, Felmersham v. Blunham, Little Staughton v. Renhold.

Division II (Section I). Wyboston v. Wrestlingworth, Potten II v. Staploe, Colmworth v. Gt. Barford, Little Paxton v. Gt. Saughton.

Division II (Section II). Marston II v. Riseley, Stevington v. Wood End, West End Club v. Turvey.

Division III (Section I). Sharnbrook v. Clapham, Keysoe v. Thurleigh, Oakley v. Little Staughton, Riseley v. North Crawley.

Division III (Section II). Ickwell v. Tempsford, Blunham v. Haynes.

SUNDAY

Letchworth v. Bedford Town, Harpur Sports v. R. B. Sanders, Vauxhall v. Queen's Works, Potten v. Kempston West End, Wharley End v. South End Ramblers, St. Neots and District v. Bedford North End.

Gentlemen of the Lion v. Britannia Works, Cambridge Electricity v. Bedford Electricity, Chronicle and Echo, Northampton v. Bedfordshire Times.

TUESDAY

A.E.S. v. Wilson Bros. and Humphreys.

WEDNESDAY

MINOR COUNTIES COMPETITION. Buckinghamshire v. Bedfordshire, at Ascott Park Wing (and Thursday).

THURSDAY

Filtwick v. Bedford Thursday, Bedford Postels v. Bedford Electricity.

Bowls

TO-MORROW (Saturday). Queen's Works v. Biggleswade, Newport Pagnell v. Russell Park, Maulden v. Mellis.

THURSDAY

Russell Park v. Igranio.

Lawn Tennis

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY). Queen's Works v. St. Neots (mixed), Riverside v. Queen's Works (mens).

WEDNESDAY

Northamptonshire v. Bedfordshire, (Juniors).

Arthur Grimsdell, Tottenham Hotspur and England wing-half of the early 'twenties, and former Hertfordshire cricketer, watched the Minor Counties game between Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire at Bedford last week.

Last Over Victory Puts Pertenhall On Top

A last-over victory regained for Pertenhall the leadership of the Bedford and District League (Premier Division) on Saturday. The whole team surrounded South End Ramblers' number 11 S Tompkins when "last over" was called, and W. Presland snapped up a catch off the second ball, when standing almost at Tompkins's elbow.

Positions at the top of the Division now are:—

Pertenhall	12	8	3	1	17
Clapham	12	7	3	2	16
Sharnbrook	12	6	2	4	16
South End R.	12	3	4	5	11

To-morrow Pertenhall visit Clapham, a game which must have an important bearing on the championship.

Pertenhall batted first against the Ramblers and stands of 29 by J. Roddis and R. Jones for the second wicket, and 30 by S. Stapleton and R. Kiteley for the eighth, helped towards a total of 89.

Though Turvey totalled only 42 in their last game of the season at West End, it was a winning score, the home side being put out for 23. A sudden wicket was not conducive to run-getting, and only Henman of West End reached double figures. He also took five wickets for 17.

By beating Marston II Riseley took the lead in Division II (Section II) by one point and have one game to play at home.

Riseley, batting first, lost four wickets for 21, but Hopkins and Woolston hit out of trouble taking the score to 79. They hit three sixes.

Marston began very slowly in reply, scoring 17 for three in 65 minutes. Then Holmes came on, taking six wickets for 6 runs (analysis 70, 4m 6w, 6r), and the side were out for 36. J. Nicholls batted one hour 5 minutes for six runs.

Keysoe had the unhappy distinction of being dismissed for the lowest total of the season on Saturday, nine runs. And two of these were extras. Seven batsmen failed to score. Thurlough II bowlers C. Maddison and J. Thorne taking six for 2 and four for 5 respectively.

PREMIER DIVISION

Pertenhall v. South End Ramblers
Pertenhall: C. Stapleton 2, J. Roddis 16, R. Jones 18, S. George 10, S. Stapleton not out 19, C. Stapleton 2, V. Roddis 0, S. Nicholson 1, R. Kiteley 21, W. Presland 0, J. Elliott 2, extras 2, total 89.—R. Wilson four for 11, J. Davis three for 25, F. Roome one for 5, K. Green one for 24.
Ramblers: G. Ferguson 9, D. Clayton 1, H. Norman 2, R. Wilson 4, J. Bosworth 5, F. Roome 0, R. Pallant 6, K. Green 0, G. Davis 3, W. Nichols 11, S. Tompkins 2, extras 2, total 49.—S. George four for 9, V. Roddis four for 16, W. Presland one for 4, R. Jones one for 13.

Thurlough v. Sharnbrook

Thurlough: A. Ellison 0, B. Herrill 0, K. Wagstaff 0, J. Asplin 5, D. Herrill 2, K. Cox 1, J. Wagstaff 0, B. Holley 0, M. Herrill not out 12, W. Asplin 2, J. Herrill 0, extras 2, total 28.—R. Dunkley four for 15, H. Berwick four for 11, L. Blundell two for 10.
Sharnbrook: H. Martin 1, G. Watkinson 5, L. Blundell 11, R. Dunkley 21, H. Berwick 8, C. Boyles 4, J. Boyles 0, E. Blundell not out 4, R. Wilman 5, extras 1, total (for eight wks.) 71.—D. Benson and M. Clam did not bat.—B. Holley three for 12.

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

Potton II v. Staploe

Staploe: R. Lambert 14, F. Corn 1, E. Hayden 12, S. Rollins 5, F. Jex 4, R. Smith not out 5, M. Hart 0, R. Daniels 0, W. Scotcher 1, G. Staughton 1, P. Hackett 0, extras 6, total 77.—J. Hutchinson two for 21, G. Peck two for 17, C. Blott four for 27, C. Munns two for 6.

Potton II: P. Brown 2, G. Peck 14, P. Hutchinson 21, C. Blott 1, B. Chinn 7, C. Munns 20, J. Hutchinson 0, E. Giles 1, J. Gray 1, extras 5, total (for eight wks.) 50.—R. Smith two for 54, M. Hart three for 18, S. Robinson two for 8, R. Lambert one for 2.—D. Hutchinson and F. Brookman did not bat.

Great Barford v. Colmworth

Colmworth: V. Abraham 3, 1, J. Chamberlain 5, M. Hall 1, 1, J. Hughes 0, 9, R. Henderson 1, 2, W. Ellison 0, 11, S. Matthews 0, 5, M. Henderson 14, 0, B. Swales 6, 1, J. Swales 3, 0, C. Stringer 2, not out, 1, extras 0, 3, totals 35, 44, 105, nine.—J. Breeze six for 10, R. West three for 18.
Great Barford: J. Jeffs 15, 13, J. Bourdon 2, R. West 1, 2, not out, M. Lee not out 8, 1, J. Breeze 4, 0, A. Knocker 5, D. Robinson 5, S. Green 0, 5, S. Skevington 3, E. Payne 0, extra 1, totals 44, 21 for five.

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

Kempston West End v. Turvey

Turvey: R. Frost 4, Lettis 3, Sargent 5, Rev. Mr. Browning 3, Skevington 1, Kruthoffer 4, Wright 1, W. Frost 5, Sugars 1, Hilton not out 1, A. Frost 0, extras 8, total 42.—Henman five for 17, Darlow two for 4, Darwood three for 11.
West End: Darlow 2, McCully 1, Hill 3, Parker 0, Jessop 5, Henman 11, Darwood 5, Hyde not out 0, Norrega 0, Coleman 0, totals 25.—Wright five for 10, Sugars four for 13.

Marston II v. Riseley

Riseley: W. Norman 7, W. Partridge 5, J. Ashpole 5, H. Stringer 4, G. Hopkins 33, P. Woolston 23, L. Williams 4, R. Whitmore 0, C. Holmes 5, E. Pili 8, W. Allen not out 3, extras 2, total 97.—Goodman six for 50.
Marston II: J. Nicholls 6, M. Smith 0, A. Bunker 5, T. Claridge 5, Berry 1, T. Ellis 0, A. Goodman 12, F. Rouse not out 2, R. Burridge 5, Wooding 0, Denton 0, extras 2, total 50.—Holmes six for 6, Partridge two for 17, Allen one for 3, Hopkins one for 6.

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

Oakley v. Little Staughton

Little Staughton: S. Marshall 0, 2, E. Rollins 6, 2, C. Brown 0, 1, B. Hopperston 1, 6, E. Topham 4, 2, R. Smith 0, 5, S. Bruce 0, not out 1, C. Parker 0, 5, L. Saunders not out 3, 18, A. Smith 3, 1, B. Saunders 3, 0, extras 1, 1, totals 23, 34.—G. Rainbow four for 11, and four for 9; C. Bird three for 4, and two for 15; J. Saunders three for 6, and one for 6, R. Croft three for 2.
Oakley: C. Bird 11, 5, not out, J. Briggs 0, 5, not out, F. Rainbow 5, R. Saunders 0, J. Saunders 0, J. Bryson 2, J. Scullion 2, R. Croft 1, 2, J. Jeffries 1, C. Rainbow 13, A. Keech not out 2, extras 4, totals 45, 18 for one.—C. Brown four for 21; L. Saunders six for 9; B. Hopperston one for 8.

Keysoe v. Thurlough II

Keysoe: F. Roddis 4, L. Woodward 0, L. Hawkins 0, A. Cook 0, C. Clayton 1, D. Freeman 1, K. Brown 1, B. Witley 0, D. Blair 0, S. Baines not out 0, T. George 0, extras 2, total 9.—C. Maddison six for 2, J. Thorne four for 5.
Thurlough II: P. Bull 2, L. Franklin 2, J. Warner 0, P. Hooker 15, K. Perrill 0, O. Green 1, H. Meison 4, S. Asplin 15, F. Holley 5, C. Maddison 5, J. Thorne not out 0, extras 7, total 42.—K. Brown five for 18.

Riseley II: 27; North Crawley: 84.

Sharnbrook II v. Clapham II

Clapham: Devereux 6, Hunt 23, Cope 8, Bridmore 11, Jones 8, Brown 5, Powell 0, Stapleton 0, Baker 4, Smith 5, J. Thorne not out 0, extras 4, total 75.—S. Bates five for 11, R. Knight five for 25.
Sharnbrook: R. Marsh 0, T. Brazz 2, F. Ward 1, S. Bates 4, L. Pacey 2, J. Knight 12, J. Clarke 14, P. Bond 0, J. Shavler 0, R. Pacey 3, T. Kennedy not out 0, extras 1, total 43.—B. Hunt five for 17.

PILGRIMS' TOUR

Bedford Pilgrims Cricket Club's tour this month incorporates three new fixtures—against Stinchcombe Stragglers, Tetbury, and Monmouth.

Happy acquaintances will be renewed with Gloucestershire Gipsies, Tewkesbury, Pershore, and Cheltenham.

Members are drawn chiefly from Old Bedford Modernians. Mr. J. H. L. Davis, of 43 Bromham Road, Bedford, is hon. fixture secretary, and Mr. T. J. Pitt, of 29 Southwick Street, Paddington, W.2, hon. tour secretary.

Old Warden v. Clifton

Clifton: K. Flint 44, S. Taylor 5, A. Horwood 5, J. Noble 4, F. Slatcher 0, P. Kingsley 5, G. Dibley not out 10, A. Kilby 0, J. Ashwell 0, J. Anderson 12, C. Howood 0, extras 6, total 87.—O. Berridge five for 16, P. Vintner four for 30, J. Cooper one for 22.
Old Warden: J. Cooper 1, O. Berridge 60, E. Cooper 0, W. Foster 4, J. Berridge 0, D. Berridge 21, A. Eblman 24, P. Vintner 1, R. Pearce 5, G. Hall not out 5, J. Kilman 0, extras 7, total 151.—P. Kingsley three for 22, G. Dibley three for 45, A. Kilby two for 6.

Bedford Team II, at home to Leachworth II, is D. Matthews, T. B. Woodhouse, M. Hall, E. F. Barnes, P. W. King, E. King, P. McEay, R. E. Poulter, and D. C. Berridge.

FOR BRODERICK TESTIMONIAL

Tyson and Andrew to Play at Bedford

Frank Tyson, fastest bowler in the world to-day, and Keith Andrew, wicket-keeper, who will both tour Australia with the M.C.C. team during the winter, are in the Northamptonshire XI to play Bedford Town at Newnham Avenue on Sunday, starting at 2.30 p.m.

The match is in aid of the testimonial fund for Vince Broderick, the Northamptonshire all-rounder, who at present heads their bowling averages with 60 wickets.

Broderick will captain the team, and others included, in addition to Tyson and Andrew, are L. Livingston, D. Barrick, R. W. Clarke, F. Jakeman, E. Davis, P. Arnold, M. White, and M. H. J. Allen.

Allen, an Old Bedfordian, whose father plays for South End Ramblers, is a left-arm spin bowler on Northamptonshire's staff.

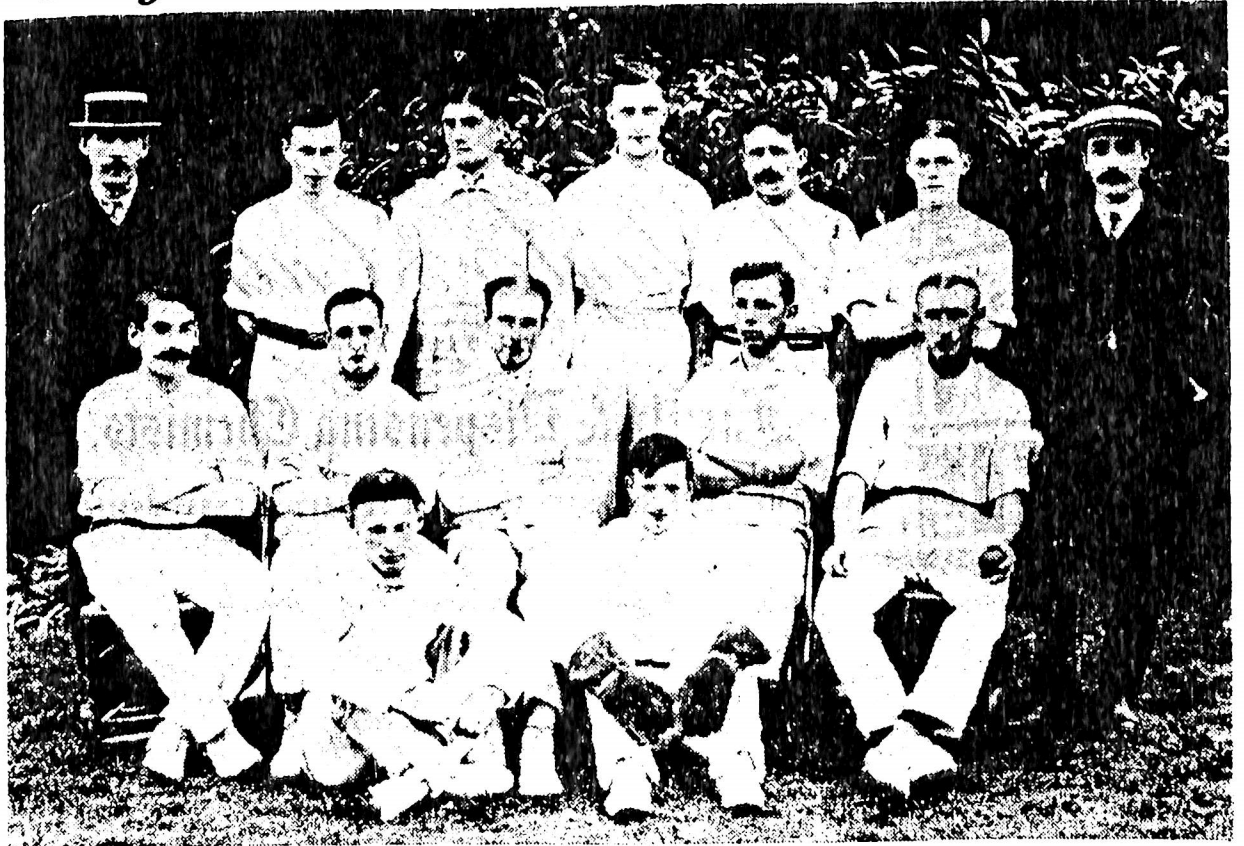
For the 2nd XI at Rothwell last week Allen, incidentally, caught eight Yorkshire II batsmen, six in their first innings. At Northampton on Tuesday he took five Wiltshire wickets for 34.

Bedford's team is: E. C. Howard (capt.), G. L. B. August, S. T. Morris, V. J. Harris, A. G. Coomb, D. G. Jenkins, E. S. Smith, W. Peet, M. Hall, R. G. Poulter, and A. N. Other.

TOWN AT SLOUGH

Bedford Town away to Slough to-morrow, have chosen the following:—G. L. B. August, E. C. Howard, E. S. Smith, V. J. Harris, D. G. Jenkins, A. G. Coomb, C. F. Sabeby, C. G. Jones, W. Peet, P. K. Breeze, and R. W. Street.

They Won Cricket Championship 44 Years Ago



Pyghle Works ran a flourishing cricket team in the Bedford and District League at one time. Gaining promotion from Division II (Section I) in 1908, they won the Division I championship for the High Sheriff of Bedfordshire's Challenge Cup three times in five years, there being no Premier Division in those days. After the competition had been held in abeyance for four years because of the war, Pyghle again secured the title in 1920. Our picture shows the team captained by Mr. Russell Sprague, of Sidney Road, Bedford, that finished top in 1910. The back row (left to right) W. Buckle (Park Keeper), H. Burton, E. E. Spencer, R. M. Page, F. Redman, C. Day, T. Northwood (Scorer); middle row, A. G. Fletcher (Vice-Capt.), H. Maxey, R. Sprague (Capt.), W. Enoch, F. W. Geary; front row, T. E. Willett, E. Wilson. Mr. F. Redman, who is in the group has lent us this photograph

Alma's Triumphs Are Recalled



Many older Bedfordians, no doubt, will remember Bedford Alma, a cricket team which before the First World War was to the forefront of local sides. Alma were champions of Division I of the Bedford and District Cricket League in 1896, 1897, and 1913. They won Division II, Section I, of the League in 1911.

Local cricket in the days that Alma flourished was a keen affair. There were several sides in Division I of about equal strength. Kempston, Pyghle, Printers, and Alma could all be expected to give any side a hard struggle for points.

In 1913 the championship of Division I was in doubt until the last match played by Alma. They needed to beat the Printers to clinch the championship—a draw would have meant a play-off with Kempston, who were close on their

This picture of Alma's 1911 team shows (left to right): Back row, Phillips, Bates, Booth, Davey, Limpus, and Harrison; middle row, Emmerton, Clare, Freir, Johns, Churchman, and Brinley; front row, Tuffnell and Catlin.

heels. And Kempston that season had already dismissed Alma for the miserable total of 11 runs.

Printers batted first and made 87. T. Johns took five wickets for 19 runs and A. Clare four for 31.

When Alma went in they suffered some early shocks when they lost three wickets with only six runs scored. But the middle batsmen settled down, and despite some nervous flutterings when two wickets were lost at 86, the total was eventually taken to 110.

No doubt there was great jubilation among Alma members and supporters at winning back the championship after 15 years. The Bedfordshire

Times of 12th September, 1913, soberly records: "On Saturday evening the members and friends of the Alma Club assembled in Ham's Restaurant, and a convivial evening was spent in song and speeches of congratulation".

In winning the championship 33 players turned out for Alma. There were some steady, dependable batsmen among them, but the strong point of the side was its bowling and fielding.

A Clare took 67 wickets for 499, and T. Johns 43 for 335.

Thus Alma ended the 1913 season on a triumphant note. The next summer there was little time for thoughts of cricket with the Kaiser's army on the move.

This Team Secured Cricket Cup for Riseley



A cricket cup went to Riseley for the first time on Saturday, when the village club, by defeating Stevington, finished at the top of the Bedford and District League, Division II (Section II). A report of the game appears in the League feature elsewhere on this page. The picture shows (left to right): Back row, Mr. J. Hutchings (umpire), J. Baines, C. Holmes, E. Pell, K. Whittemore, H. Stringer, L. Williams, and A. Ellis (scorer); front row, W. Partridge, P. Woolston, J. Ashpole, G. Hopkins (capt.), W. Norman, and W. Allen.

THE WEEK'S SPORTS DIARY

Cricket

BEDFORD LEAGUE FINAL TABLES

Stagsden and Potton Again Promoted

Chief features of the Bedford and District Cricket League final tables are the successes of Stagsden and Potton II. Stagsden gained promotion from Division II (Section II) and Potton II from Division III (Section II) last season, and both have finished top of their respective sections this year.

Stagsden beat Blunham in a play-off at Bedford Park on Saturday to decide the Div. I championship, winning easily by eight wickets. Scores:

Blunham 69 (Abbott 17, Brooks 14, B. Everest five for 21); Stagsden 71 for two (K. Brooks not out 15, B. Sharp not out 40).

HOW THEY FINISHED

PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Pertenhall	14	10	3	1	21
Clapham	14	9	4	2	20
Sharnbrook	14	8	2	4	20
South End Ramblers	14	4	5	5	13
Thurleigh	14	5	6	3	13
Marston	14	4	6	4	12
Caldecote	14	5	7	2	13
Lynton Works	14	1	12	1	3

DIVISION I

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Stagsden	15	9	3	3	21
Blunham	15	8	5	1	19
Langford	14	9	5	0	18
Pavenham	14	6	6	2	14
Mogerhanger	14	5	6	3	13
Renhold	14	4	6	4	12
Felmersham	14	4	8	2	10
Little Staughton	14	2	9	3	7

DIVISION II (SECTION I)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Potton II	14	11	1	2	24
Great Staughton	14	7	2	5	18
Staple	14	8	5	1	17
Wykeston	14	7	5	2	16
Little Paxton	14	5	5	4	14
Great Barford	14	5	6	3	10
Wrestlingworth	14	2	11	1	5
Colmworth	14	1	10	3	5

DIVISION II (SECTION II)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Riseley	14	10	1	5	23
Marston II	14	10	2	2	22
Kempston Wood End	14	5	6	3	13
Turvey	14	5	7	2	12
Stevington	14	4	6	4	12
Marston Sports	14	4	8	2	10
Kempston West End	14	4	9	1	9
Cople	14	4	9	1	9

DIVISION III (SECTION I)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
North Crawley	14	9	1	4	22
Thurleigh II	14	8	1	5	21
Little Staughton II	14	6	1	7	18
Oakley	14	5	5	4	12
Keysoe	14	5	7	2	12
Clapham II	14	4	6	4	12
Sharnbrook II	14	4	7	3	11
Riseley II	14	3	9	2	8

DIVISION III (SECTION II)

	P	W	L	D	PTS
Jackwell II	12	9	1	2	20
Haynes	12	8	2	2	19
Blunham II	12	6	6	0	12
Langford II	12	5	5	2	12
Tempsford	12	5	8	1	7
Roxton	12	2	7	3	7
Caldecote II	12	1	8	3	4

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TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)

Welwyn Garden City v. Bedford.
Bedford II v. Biggleswade.
Kempston v. Bedford Argus.
Everholt v. Gentlemen of the Lion.
Cambridgeshire Women v. Bedford Women.
Wolverton v. Wharley End.
Fittwick v. Laporte.

SUNDAY

Bedford Casuals v. Hargur Sports.
Wharley End v. Gentlemen of Lion.
Cruseico v. R. B. Sanders.

Town C.C. at Welwyn

Bedford Town, away to Welwyn tomorrow, select the following team:—
G. L. B. August, E. C. Howard, A. G. Coomb, V. J. Harris, D. G. Jenkins, C. F. Babey, C. G. Jones, E. S. Smith, B. J. Marles, F. K. Breeze, R. W. Street.

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The Berry relatives of the late Bertie Berry of Acree Field, Coton, wish to thank their friends and neighbours for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

The family of the late Mrs. Victoria Elizabeth Black, 32 Coventry Road, Bedford, wish to thank all friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers.

The family of the late Charles Bowyer of Stevenage, wish to thank all their friends and neighbours for their generous help during his illness. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

Mrs. E. W. Brightman, 1 Mill Lane, Houghton, Bedfordshire, wishes to thank all friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers.

The family of Mrs. M. E. Browning wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to friends and relations for their many messages and letters of sympathy and lovely floral tributes to their sad loss. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

Mr. R. W. Chamberlain and family wish to thank all relatives, friends, and neighbours, and the staff of the women's medical ward, Block A, of the Bedford General Hospital (North Wing) for their great kindness and sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. W. T. Chambers, 19 Trinity Road, Bedford, wishes to thank all friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers.

The son and daughter of Mr. W. Colburn, 14 Addington Close, Bedford, wish to thank all relatives and friends for their help and the expressions of sympathy received in their sudden bereavement, and also for the beautiful flowers.

Mr. H. Felwell and family wish to thank all friends and neighbours for their kindnesses and sympathy in their sudden bereavement.

The family of the late Mr. B. Harding wish to thank all friends and neighbours and the staff of Clapham Hospital for the kindness and sympathy shown to them in their sad bereavement. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

Mrs. A. Harding and family, 1 Pilcroft Street, Bedford, wish to thank all friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers.

The sons of the late Mrs. Lily Hinde, 18 Garfield Street, Bedford, wish to thank all relatives, friends, and neighbours for their kindness and sympathy in their sudden bereavement; also for the beautiful floral tributes and letters received. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

Mrs. R. Humphrey and family, 20 Nelson Street, Bedford, wish to thank all neighbours and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown in their recent bereavement; also for beautiful floral tributes. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

The family of the late Mrs. Jane Jones, late of 1 Granville Street, Bedford, wish to thank all friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Luddington of 67 Howbury Street, Bedford, wish to thank all friends and neighbours for their kindness and letters of sympathy in their sad bereavement, and also for the beautiful flowers. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mawson, 36 Prebend Street, Bedford, wish to thank all relatives, friends, and neighbours for their kindness and sympathy; also for the beautiful flowers.

Mr. L. G. Rose, 39 Chester Road, Bedford, wishes to thank all friends and neighbours for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy, and for the beautiful flowers, and marble vase from friends at Combs Close. Please accept this as the only acknowledgment.

Mrs. Stanton, of 14 Maitland Street, Bedford, wishes to thank all relations, kind friends, neighbours, and pairs of Directors, workmen, and pairs of Messrs. W. H. Allen, Sons, and Co., Ltd., for their kindness, help, and sympathy in her sudden loss; and for the beautiful flowers and vase.

Mrs. S. Wildman, 17 Carnegie Street, Rushden, wishes to thank all friends for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy; also for the beautiful flowers.

BIRTHS

BAYLE.—On 20 December, at the Jessop Hospital, Sheffield, to Mary (née Crouch), wife of F. C. Bayle, the gift of a son.

BRIGHT.—On 18 December 1954, at the Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Doreen (née Bryant), wife of Keith, a sister for Roger.

FREELAND.—On 18 December 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Margery (née Rowlett) and Ron, a daughter (Lesley Ann), a sister for Linda Jane.

GOODSHIP.—On 17 December, at New Haven Road, Willington, to Ruth (née Pestell) and Reg, the gift of a daughter (Janet Ruth).

GUNDRY.—On 17 December, at Bedford General Hospital, to Pamela (née Carey), a son (Paul Trevenen).

JARRETT.—To Betty Jarrett (née Simons), at Burton House, Materdun, Home Stafford, the precious gift of a son (Richard Adrian).

ROBINSON.—On 19 December, at 14 Grosvenor Street, Bedford, to Mary (née Sercombe) and Kenneth, a son (Keith John).

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

The marriage arranged between Kenneth Bunt, of 55 Gladstone Street, Bedford, and Betty Welch, of 65 Westbourne Road, Bedford, will take place at All Saints' Church, Bedford, on 27 December at 2.30 p.m. All friends welcome at the church.

The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Bushby, 4 Colles Road, Bedford, and Margaret, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kemp, 68 Barford Avenue, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Alexander (Sandy), elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, Chestnut, of 170 Bromham Road, Bedford, and Jill, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Western, of 59 De Parys Avenue, Bedford.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Kenneth Crouch and Miss Anne Bushby will take place at St. Mary's Church, Cardington, on Saturday, 1 January 1955, at 11 a.m. All friends welcome at the church.

The engagement is announced between Kenneth, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Derricke, of Hammesmith, London, and Frances Doreen, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fullick, 32 Barford Avenue, Bedford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pennycook, of 8 Moreyene Road, Marston, have pleasure in announcing the engagement of Malcolm, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Edwin, of 69 Thaworth Road, Stanbridge, near Leighton Buzzard, to their youngest daughter, Sybil Margaret.

The engagement is announced between Terence, youngest son of ex-W.O. and Mrs. G. O. Ford, 10 St. George's, Shortstown, Bedford, and Marian Eileen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Reynolds, 74 Marlborough Road, Queen's Park, Bedford.

The engagement was announced on her birthday between Derek, youngest son of Mr. W. J. Hills and the late Mrs. Hills, 45 Penlake Road, Bedford, and Anne May, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill, 10 Milton Street, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire. Congratulations, both families.

The engagement is announced between Douglas Klein, 49 Mowbray Road, Bedford, seventh son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Klein, of Kolar, Gold Fields, India, to Alice Byrne, 42 De Parys Avenue, Bedford, youngest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Byrne, Ashford, Co. Wick, Ireland.

The engagement is announced between Brian, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Murnitt, 25 Whitehall Estate, Liddington, Bedfordshire, and Olive, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. 25 Branson Road, Boven, Hampshire.

The engagement is announced between Leslie, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Odell, 19 Cranford Road, Woodton, and Kathleen, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hummer, of Mr. Windsor, Silver Street, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Alan Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Payne, 6 Millbrook Road, Bedford, and Doreen Ellen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wood, 6 Millbrook Road, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Geoffrey Thomas, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Stanton, 56 Barford Avenue, Bedford, and Ivy Margaret, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Penn, 153 Cardington Road, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Ronald, youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Stevenson, of 6 Gratton Road, Bedford, and Iris, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harper, 27 Muswell Road, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Raymond George, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Watson, 50 Moreyene Road, Marston Moreyene, and Angela Rosemary, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Odell, 48 Moreyene Road, Marston Moreyene, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Watt, 42 Highfield Crescent, Broom's Barn, Bletchley, and Sybil, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. E. Cox, 13 Marlborough Road, Bedford.

The engagement is announced between Michael Anthony, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. H. Widdell, of 14 Clapham Road, Bedford, and Patricia Ann, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Fielding, of 101 Elstow Road, Bedford.

MARRIAGE

ALLEN-PARKES.—On 18 December, at St. Stephen's Church, Kano, Nigeria, by the Bishop of Northern Nigeria, A. R. (Dick), elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Allen, of Hurst Grove, Bedford, to Joan, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Parkes, of Coventry.

HIGGINS-SMITH.—On 18 December, at Luton Register Office, Alfred Higgins to Bertha Smith (née Stafferton).

SILVER WEDDINGS

KITCHINER-DAWSON.—On 2 December 1929, at the Parish Church, Sutton-on-Sea, Jack Kitchiner, Bedford, to Violet Elizabeth Dawson. Present address: 46 Swallowtail Court, Great Easton to mum and dad, from John and Stuart.

BOWYER.—On 15 December, at 47 Silver Street, Stevenage, Charles (Chummy) Bowyer, aged 94 years.

BROWNING.—On 18 December, Margaret Elizabeth Browning, 17 Olde Road, Bedford, aged 80 years.

CHAMBERS.—On 18 December 1954, William Thomas, beloved husband of Nancy Chambers, 19 Trinity Road, Bedford, aged 79 years.

CHURCH.—At Clapham Hospital on 20 December, Mary Church, aged 79 years, late of 73 Greenshields Road, Bedford, passed peacefully away after a long illness.

COLBURN.—On 19 December 1954, William Colburn, 14 Addington Close, Bedford, aged 75 years.

COOPER.—On 16 December 1954, Thomas, beloved husband of Nellie Cooper, 4 West End, Elstow, Bedfordshire, aged 63 years.

COOPER.—On 22 December 1954, suddenly, Thomas Cooper, F.L.A., beloved husband of Catherine and dearly loved father of Catherine Margaret, Bridget, and Thomas, 28 Bromham Road, Biddenham, Bedfordshire, aged 53 years. On whose soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy.

CRISP.—On 21 December 1954, George Thomas Crisp, of 21 Hockliffe Road, Bedford, aged 61 years. Funeral service at St. Peter's Church, Bedford, to-day (Friday), at 12 o'clock noon.

FELTWELL.—On 17 December 1954, Edith, beloved wife of Harry and dearly loved mother of George, Norman, and Sylvia, of 1 London Road, Sandy, aged 72 years.

FLOWER.—On 22 December 1954, at Barton, Devon, Samuel Ernest, late of Reinhold and Woburn Sands.

HERALD.—On 20 December 1954, Penelope Margaret, darling baby daughter of Peter and Joan and sister of Caroline Herald, "Peveril", Houghton Conquest, Bedfordshire, aged 10 months.

HINDE.—On 19 December 1954, Ellen Hindle, Rose Dale, West End, Elstow, Bedfordshire, aged 70 years.

JONES.—On 20 December 1954, Jane, widow of William James Jones, late of 1 Granville Street, Bedford, aged 94 years.

JOYCE.—On 20 December, Mary Emily Joyce, 1 St. Augustine's Road, Bedford, aged 77 years. Interred at Reinhold on 23 December.

O'BRIEN.—On 21 December, John Joseph O'Brien, Keyaco, Bedfordshire, aged 70 years.

RING.—On 18 December 1954, William, beloved husband of Cecilia Willingham, 65 Goswick Road, Bedford, aged 53 years. Funeral service to-day (Friday), 11 a.m., at Elstow Church, Bedford.

SHAW.—On 19 December, Sarah Eleanor Shaw, 47 Commercial Road, Bedford, aged 74 years.

SOUTHAM.—On 16 December 1954, at Bedford General Hospital (South Wing), Walter Southam, of 24 Bunyan Road, Kempston, aged 77 years.

STORR.—On 19 December, suddenly, at Cambridge, Alec Edwin, husband of Edith, and son of Lilian and the late Edwin Storrs, 21 Victoria Road, Bedford.

WHEELER.—On 17 December 1954, as a result of a road accident, Frederick Hubert, beloved husband of Florence Wheeler, 65 Darwin Road, Bedford, aged 73 years.

IN MEMORIAM

BERWICK.—In loving memory of a dear mother and grandmother, Elizabeth Berwick, who passed away 22 December 1942. Loved and remembered always.—From her daughter and grandchildren, Houghton Conquest, also son and daughter-in-law, Kettering.

COLES.—Time passes, but loving memory will always remain of my dear dad, who passed away 23 December 1937.—Peggy, Millbrook.

CONSTANT.—Loving memories of a dear husband, father, and granddad, Cornelius, who was called home 27 December 1950.—From his loving wife and family.

CRAWLEY.—In loving memory of a dear dad and granddad, John William Crawley, who died on 18 December 1951. Thoughts drift back to bygone days. Life moves on, but memory stays.—From John, Gwen, and children, Pavennam.

DARLOW.—Loving memories of Bert, who died suddenly on Christmas Day 1951.—From his wife and son.

ELLIS.—In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, who passed away 21 December 1935. Always remembered.—From dad, Jean, and Len.

ELLIS.—In loving memory of a dear mother, who fell asleep 21 December 1953. Always in our thoughts.—Fred, Dorothy, Carolyn, and David.

FARR.—In loving memory of a dear brother, Arthur James Farr, who died 25 December 1953.—From sister Julia and family, Haynes.

FELTS.—In treasured memory of Miriam (Middy), who passed away on 20 December 1915.—Mr. and Mrs. James Felts and family, 158 Bedford Road, Kempston.

HALL.—Loving memories of mother, Florence Hilda Hall, who left us on 25 December 1953. Remembered to-day as always.—From her daughters Phyllis and Mary, 9 Gwyn Street and 85 Hurst Grove, Bedford.

HONEY.—Loving memories of my beloved husband, Bill, dearest daddy of Marian, Astid and Rose, who left us suddenly on 27 December 1942.—Sadly missed by his wife and all children.

MABBOTT.—In loving memory of my dearest daughter, Jeanette, who passed away on 21 December 1953.

Sweet the sleep you so much needed. Free from suffering and pain, looking on thy face so peaceful. How I wish you back again.—From your loving mummy.

MABBOTT.—In loving memories of our darling granddaughter, Jeanette, who left us suddenly on 21 December 1953. We gaze at your photo every day and wonder why you were taken from us. You seem to smile and say "Don't cry, I have not really said goodbye."—Loving nanna and granddad.

NEWMAN.—Treasured memories of our dear mother, who was called to rest on 27 December 1915.—From her daughter: Rene and sons Nuge, John, and Cecil.

PHILLIPS.—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Horace George, who died 28 December 1953. He would not wish for sadness. He would not wish for tears. But just to be remembered. Throughout the passing year.—From his loving wife and sons.

PHILLIPS.—In loving memory of our dear son, Horace, who passed away 28 December 1953. Always in our thoughts.—Mum, dad, and Reg.

PURSER.—Memories of a dear husband and father, Fred Purser, who fell asleep 25 December 1942.—From Betty and family.

SHELTON.—Treasured memories always of a dear husband and father, who passed away on 25 December 1953.—From his loving wife and family.

WALTON.—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Francis John, who passed away on 23 December 1944.—From his loving wife and family.

WILLIAMSON.—Loving memories of a dear mother and nanna, Hannah Jane, who fell asleep 28 December 1953. A happy smile a loving face. A broken link we cannot replace. We treasure her memory and always pray. Please God let us meet her again some day.—Edna, All, Judith, and Brian.

WILLIAMSON.—Treasured memories always of a dear mother and nanna, Hannah Jane, who fell asleep on 28 December 1953. Our loving mother and faithful friend. One of the best that God could send. She loved us all, she did her best. Until God called her home to rest. To meet her husband, who was so dear. Now at last they are so near.—Sadly missed by Hannah, Bill, Edna, May, and Derek.

WILLIAMSON.—Treasured memories of mother, who passed away on 23 December 1952; also of dad, who died 6 October 1951.—Dolly and Ted and family.

WOODING.—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Alfred John Wooding, passed away 23 December 1951. Your name is often spoken. Our thoughts in silence fly. To the days when you were with us. For memories never die.—From your loving wife, children, and grandchildren, Cranfield.

WOODS.—In ever-loving memory of a dear mother, who passed away on 22 December 1953. Always remembered.—From her loving son Bill and daughter-in-law Ethel.