

BEDFORDSHIRE 1962 - 10 MATCHES CAPTAIN: J. SMITH

				BT	BR	LN	ST.
M, T	11, 12	JUNE	LINCS LONG-SUTTON	FSPB ✓ FA ✓	-	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-
W, T	20, 21		CAMBS WISBECH	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-	FSPB ✓ A ✓	FSPB ✓ SA ✓
W, T	4, 5	JULY	HERIS LETCHWORTH	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-	-	FSPB ✓ SA ✓
W, T	18, 19		STAFFS LUTON (WP)	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-	-	FSPB ✓ A ✓
W, T	25, 26		CAMBS LUTON (WP)	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-	-	FSPB ✓ FA ✓
M, T	6, 7	AUGUST	SHROPS BEDFORD (BS)	FSPB ✓ FA ✓	FSPB ✓ FA ✓	-	-
W, T	8, 9		LINCS BEDFORD (BS)	FSPB ✓ FA ✓	-	-	FSPB ✓ A ✓
F, S	10, 11		HERIS BEDFORD (BS)	-	FSPB ✓ FA ✓	FSPB A	-
M, T	20, 21		SHROPS SHREWSBURY	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-	FSPB SA FA	-
W, T	22, 23		STAFFS WALSALL	FSPB ✓ A ✓	-	FSPB SA FA	FSPB A
			AVERAGES	14 SEM ✓	-	-	-
			REVIEW	-	-	-	-
			AGM	28 DEC ✓	-	-	-

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NAME	A	A	A	H	H	H	H	A	A	MC TOTAL
R.D. LOWINGS	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
D.J.F. HOARE	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	
A.W. DURLEY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
D.E. PRATT	✓	✓	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	
M.S. MEESON	✓	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	-	
B.D. ROBINSON	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	
J. SMITH	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
T.G.A. MORLEY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
A. INGLEDEW	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
W.J. BUSHBY	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	
M.W. CROUCH	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	
W. CHAMBERLAIN	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
K.R. G. WILLIAMS	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
N.S. COOLEY	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	
D. MEAKIN	-	-	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	
B.N. JOHNSON	-	-	-	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	
T.J. BROWN	-	-	-	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓	
R.L. STEVENSON	-	-	-	-	-	✓	-	✓	-	

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COUNTY INCLUDE BUSHBY



Tom Clark . . . at the Bury tomorrow.

THERE will be a few regular faces missing from the Bedfordshire XI to open the Minor Counties programme against Lincolnshire at Long Sutton on Monday and Tuesday. Chief among these, of course, is John Oliver, who retired still at the top after 26 years county service—heading both batting and bowling averages. Norman Gunn, too, has finished, and Graham Jarrett is unavailable.

Still, the County come up with a team, and the selectors at least feel they can afford to admit two regular members, Bill Chamberlain, of Bedford Town, and opening bowler Brian Johnson, of Luton. One will not be surprised if both come into the scheme of things before the season is out.

Luton's loss (Johnson) is Bedford's gain, however, Bill Bushby being given the new ball to share with Trevor Morley, who looks set for a long stint as all-rounder along with Derek Pratt. Back from abroad is Martin Meeson, and the rest of the team virtually picked themselves:—

J. Smith (capt.), D. F. Hoare, R. D. Lowings, D. E. Pratt, A. W. Durley, M. Meeson, B. D. Robinson, M. Crouch (wicketkeeper), W. Bushby, A. Ingledew, T. G. A. Morley.

Several of the county side will be on view at The Bury tomorrow when Bedford meet Luton, but greatest interest may focus on the former Surrey and Bedfordshire bat, Tom Clark, who is now playing occasionally for Luton.

The Town, desperate for a change in fortunes, bring in for the first time this season J. D. Heaton and former Modern School captain Andrew Curtis. Team: —

F. K. Breeze, D. J. F. Hoare, J. D. Heaton, W. Chamberlain, N. Cooley, A. Ingledew, P. J. Oakley, R. White, W. Peet, A. Greene, A. D. Curtis, Ebbs and Bushby are unavailable.

COUNTY'S WEAK BATTING BROUGHT DEFEAT

AFTER finishing the first day of their Minor Counties match at Long Sutton in quite a good position despite the fact that their bowling had been flogged in a 150 partnership by Price and Buckthorpe, Bedfordshire's batting failed badly twice the following day.

Overnight, they were 159 runs behind with eight wickets standing and both Tony Durley and Derek Pratt in the twenties.

However, although Pratt duly reached his 50, there was an alarming collapse against some accurate, sustained pace bowling by Gerry Drakes.

In all, eight wickets fell during the morning for only 66 runs, leaving Bedfordshire 93 behind on the first innings and Drakes had the splendid analysis of 8 for 39.

In the short spell of batting left to them before lunch, Lincolnshire lost Pougher, bowled by Morley at nine, but there Bedfordshire's success ended for a time because Taylor and Price figured in a half-century partnership.

Then the scoring rate was stepped up when Buckthorpe came in to hammer 31 in only 17 minutes, including two sixes, and shortly afterwards Lincolnshire declared, leaving Bedfordshire in with a real chance, with the target of 213 in 155 minutes.

On the face of things, it was a sporting challenge, but Drakes again bowled brilliantly to capture six more wickets, making his match analysis 14 for 90, and few of the Bedfordshire batsmen were happy against him.

Surprisingly, Smith sent in Morley first with Lowings, obviously in the hope that he could force the pace, but two wickets were down for 33 and although Durley and Pratt made a show of defiance again and Meeson became the top-scorer, Drakes remained much in command.

When Pratt and Meeson were together, it looked as if Bedfordshire might get the runs because they put on 50 in only 17 minutes, with Meeson hitting two sixes, but the rot set in again and the innings closed for only 137.

LINCOLNSHIRE—1st Innings

J H Taylor c Crouch b Bushby	12
H Pougher b Bushby	9
H Price c Meeson b Morley	104
M Maslin run out	7
T J Buckthorpe c Crouch b Morley	80
M J Keyworth c Durley b Bushby	2
J R C Todd c Bushby b Morley	6
M Sharman b Bushby	0
G R I Drakes b Bushby	2
R N Beeson b Bushby	0
B Enderby not out	0
Extras	6

Total 228
Bowling: Bushby 20-2-1-40-6, Morley 25-5-74-3, Pratt 12-2-44-0, Smith 12-5-27-0, Ingledeu 6-0-37-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE—1st Innings

R D Lowings b Drakes	5
D J F Hoare c Beeson b Drake	17
A W Durley c and b Drakes	29
D F Pratt lbw Drakes	50
M Meeson c Beeson b Sharman	11
B D Robinson c Beeson b Sharman	0
J Smith c Buckthorpe b Drakes	0
T G A Morley c Maslin b Drakes	5
A Ingledeu c Beeson b Drakes	3
W Bushby b Drakes	3
M Crouch not out	6
Extras	6

Total 135
Bowling: Drakes 24-5-5-39-8, Sharman 24-8-70-2, Enderby 7-1-17-0, Price 7-4-3-0.

LINCOLNSHIRE—2nd Innings

J H Taylor b Smith	43
H Pougher b Morley	9
H Price c Bushby b Smith	30
M Maslin not out	1
T J Buckthorpe not out	31
Extras	5

Total (for 3 wkts dec) 119
M J Keyworth, J R C Todd, M Sharman, G R I Drakes, R Beeson and B Enderby did not bat.
Bowling: Morley 13-1-33-1, Bushby 11-1-31-0, Pratt 8-1-28-0, Smith 6-1-22-2.

BEDFORDSHIRE—2nd Innings

T G A Morley b Drakes	15
R D Lowings c Price b Sharman	2
A W Durley c Taylor b Enderby	18
D J F Hoare lbw b Drakes	9
D Pratt c Taylor b Drakes	22
M Meeson c Beeson b Drakes	32
B D Robinson st Beeson b Enderby	5
A Ingledeu c Price b Enderby	6
J Smith not out	0
W Bushby c Maslin b Drakes	0
M Crouch c Beeson b Drakes	0
Extras	8

Total 137
Bowling: Drakes 19-1-51-6, Sharman 7-1-27-1, Enderby 10-3-47-0, Price 2-0-4-0.

County beaten after a sporting declaration

FOLLOWING up their first innings points against Cambridgeshire and great win last week against Shropshire, Lincolnshire chalked up another success in an exciting finish against Bedfordshire at Long Sutton on Monday and Tuesday.

Lincolnshire made a sporting and challenging declaration on Tuesday afternoon setting Bedfordshire to get 213 runs to win in 155 minutes, including the extra half hour.

Bedfordshire made a fight of it—as they did last year and won! Durley, Pratt and Meeson all attacked the bowling with good purpose and scored at an even faster rate than Lincolnshire had done. But they were all out for 137 with 15 minutes of extra time left.

Lincolnshire, batting first, were 53 for three. Then the next pair put on 150 in 104 minutes and Lincolnshire were all out just before tea for 228. Bushby taking six for 40 in 20 overs and Morley three for 72 in 25 overs.

SLOW SCORING

Bedfordshire, in 125 minutes' batting before close of play scored only 69 for two. The wicket, which had been covered overnight, was not affected by early morning rain and Durley and Pratt took their overnight partnership of 46 to 65 before Durley was

whipped out the remaining four batsmen and Bedfordshire were all out for 135.

Drakes had bowled for 55 minutes unchanged to take six for 23 runs in this spell, finishing with eight for 39. Wicketkeeper Beeson claimed four victims.

QUICK RUNS NEEDED

It was evident that to reach a result, Lincolnshire needed quick runs and Taylor (43) and Price (30) set a good example. At 3.25, with the total 119 for three Lincolnshire declared.

Bedfordshire made a fight of it. But with Beeson again on top form and the formidable Drakes bowling unchanged again, Lincolnshire won by 75 runs.

LINCOLNSHIRE

First innings

J. H. Taylor c Crouch b Bushby	12
H. Pougher b Bushby	9
H. Price c Meeson b Morley	104
M. Maslin run out	7
T. J. Buckthorpe c Crouch b Morley	80
M. J. Keyworth c Durley b Bushby	2
J. R. C. Todd c Bushby b Morley	6
M. Sharman b Bushby	0
G. R. L. Drakes b Bushby	2
R. N. Beeson b Bushby	0
B. Enderby not out	0
Extras	6
Total	228

Bowling: Bushby 20o. 1m. 40r. 6w.; Morley 25-5-74-3.

Second innings

J. H. Taylor b Smith	43
H. Pougher b Morley	9
H. Price c Bushby b Smith	30
M. Maslin not out	1
T. J. Buckthorpe not out	31
Extras	5
Total (for 3 wkts. dec)	119

Smith 6-1-23-0; Bushby 11-1-31-0; Morley 13-1-33-1.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

D. Hoare c Beeson b Drakes	17
R. D. Lowings b Drakes	5
A. W. Durley c and b Drakes	29
D. E. Pratt lbw b Drakes	50
M. Meeson c Beeson b Sharman	11
B. D. Robinson c Beeson b Sharman	0
J. Smith c Buckthorpe b Drakes	0
T. G. A. Morley c Maslin b Drakes	5
A. Ingledew c Beeson b Drakes	3
W. Bushby b Drakes	3
M. Crouch not out	6
Extras	6
Total	135

Drakes 24-5-39-8; Sharman 24-8-70-2

Second innings

D. Hoare c Beeson b Drakes	9
R. D. Lowings c Price b Sharman	2
A. W. Durley c Taylor b Enderby	14
D. E. Pratt c Taylor b Drakes	22
M. Meeson c Beeson b Drakes	32
B. D. Robinson at Beeson b Enderby	5
J. Smith not out	14
T. G. A. Morley b Drakes	15
A. Ingledew c Price b Enderby	6
W. Bushby c Maslin b Drakes	0
M. Crouch c Beeson b Drakes	8
Extras	8
Total	147

Drakes 12-1-1-51-6; Enderby 10-3-47-3; Sharman 7-1-27-1.

IN v. CAMBS

BILL Chamberlain (Bedford) and Kevin Williams (Harpur) are brought into the County side against Cambridgeshire at Wisbech next Wednesday and Thursday. Team: Jack Smith (captain), D. Hoare, R. D. Lowings, A. W. Durley, D. E. Pratt, W. Chamberlain, Kevin Williams, T. G. A. Morley, A. Ingledew, W. Bushby, M. Crouch.

caught and bowled by Drakes at 88.

W. K. Beeson, in fine form behind the stumps, snapped up his second and third victims to give Sharman two quick wickets dismissing Meeson for 11 and Robinson for a duck at 99. The sixth wicket fell when Smith was out one run later to give Drakes his fourth wicket.

Lincolnshire were now right on top and despite a fine fighting innings of 50 by Pratt, Drakes, with his tail up, supported by good fielding,

GAME IS TIED—THEN SCORER FINDS ANOTHER RUN

The game of cricket produces its full share of shocks, but rarely when the game is over! At Wisbech last night Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire came off the field convinced their game had ended in a tie. A few minutes later the scorer re-checked his figures and found Bedfordshire had in fact won—by one run.

The vital single missing from his total and the scoreboard was a no-ball, and after consultation the captains and umpires agreed that Bedfordshire were the victors in this extraordinary Minor Counties match.

It meant that the mad scramble for the winning run in the last over of extra time had been unnecessary. In fact it had been scored off the third ball but unknown to everyone on the ground. Off the fourth ball Bushby was bowled and off the last two Morley hit only thin air.

Playing in only his second Minor Counties match, Wisbech left hander Roy Marshall dominated Wednesday's play with an unbeaten century. It was a beautiful innings, occupying only 115 minutes, and included 16 fours and a six.

It was hard luck on Bedfordshire's pacemen Morley and Bushby that Marshall was

in such irresistible form, for they bowled well and accurately, sharing the six wickets which fell.

The wicket was obviously full of runs, and it was surprising therefore that after Cambridgeshire had declared at 281 for 6, Bedfordshire lost openers Lowings and Durley cheaply. Hoare and Pratt struck back with some fine shots, but before close an indiscreet stroke proved the downfall of each, and Bedfordshire finished at 103 for 4.

Yesterday morning saw a magnificent fight-back from Bedfordshire, spearheaded by Kevin Williams and the new county skipper, Jack Smith. In an hour they put on 105 runs, and this despite a leg injury to Smith which necessitated his having a runner.

When Smith was out 58 runs were still required for the lead, but these soon came thanks to a bright knock from Morley. When Bedfordshire declared Williams was still there with 100 to his credit, and in the 120 minutes batting of the morning 182 runs had been scored.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

First innings

R. F. Hawes	b Bushby	28
D. H. Fairey	b Morley	54
R. A. Gautrey	c Ingledew b Bushby	33
S. W. Shippey	c Crouch b Morley	0
T. S. Hale	c Hoare b Morley	81
R. Marshall	not out	100
J. Hoyles	c Durley b Bushby	2
M. A. Crouch	not out	8
Extras		5

Total (for 6 wks. dec.) 281

C. B. Gadsby, A. Wilson, and R. Nunn did not bat.

Bowling: Morley 28-6-92-4; Bushby 27-6-91-3; Pratt 10-2-28-0; Ingledew 10-2-52-0; Smith 5-2-13-0.

Second innings

R. F. Hawes	c Smith b Williams	15
D. H. Fairey	c Morley b Williams	42
R. A. Gautrey	c Pratt b Chamberlain	72
T. S. Hale	not out	70
R. Marshall	not out	10
Extras		4

Total (for 3 wks. dec.) 213

Bushby 1-1-0-0; Morley 1-1-2-0; Ingledew 7-1-22-0; Williams 19-0-110-3; Pratt 4-2-24-0; Durley 2-0-18-0; Chamberlain 6-0-33-1.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

R. D. Lowings	b Wilson	8
A. W. Durley	c Wilson b Hoyles	10
D. J. F. Hoare	c Hale b Gadsby	19
D. E. Pratt	b Fairey	27
W. Chamberlain	c Nunn b Fairey	24
K. R. G. Williams	not out	100
J. Smith	c Fairey b Hoyles	54
A. Ingledew	c Gadsby b Wilson	3
T. G. A. Morley	c Gautrey b Wilson	28
W. Bushby	not out	7
Extras		6

Total (for 8 wks. dec.) 285

Hoyles 15-1-61-2; Wilson 20-5-90-3; Gadsby 21-0-74-1; Fairey 15-2-54-2.

Second innings

R. D. Lowings	c Gautrey b Wilson	38
A. W. Durley	b Wilson	3
D. J. F. Hoare	c and b Gadsby	7
D. E. Pratt	c Crouch b Wilson	20
K. R. G. Williams	c Crouch b Gadsby	8
J. Smith	st Nunn b Gadsby	46
W. Chamberlain	b Gadsby	39
A. Ingledew	not out	20
W. Bushby	not out	14
Extras		13

Total (for 7 wks.) 210

Hoyles 7-0-74-0; Wilson 13-2-50-3; Gadsby 15-0-71-4; Shippey 2-0-14-0; Fairey 6-3-0-38-0.

LAST PAIR DEFY BEDFORDSHIRE

HERTFORDSHIRE'S last pair defied Bedfordshire's bowlers for twenty minutes—without scoring—and salvaged a draw from the Minor Counties game which ended at Letchworth last evening. It was a particularly tense moment when Hertfordshire's No. 10, T. Stocks, put up a catch which was accepted, but it was a "bump" ball.

Bedfordshire, having gained first innings points, set the home county 193 to win in 127 minutes, but Hertfordshire were never in the hunt. The end came with the whole Bedfordshire team clustered round the last batsman, but unable to force victory.

Bedfordshire had the best of the wicket on Wednesday. After an hour's delay because of rain, they took first knock on a plumb pitch, Durley and Hoare figuring in a hundred partnership.

Though a minor collapse followed with Williams, Meeson, and Chamberlain going cheaply, "new boy" Cooley got his head down along with skipper Smith, and with the 200 going up and the wicket drying out Bedfordshire declared. Scoring rate had been an enterprising 70 an hour.

Apart from opener O'Neill, Hertfordshire had no answer to the pace of Meakin, Morley, and Bushby, especially as the

pitch was now playing a bit spitefully. By close, six wickets had been captured for 96, with only O'Neill holding out stubbornly on 46.

Thursday morning saw O'Neill continuing to defy the wiles of the Bedfordshire bowlers, and though it was a patient century when it came—after four hours—it was a vital one for Hertfordshire, who were able to recover to 180 all out, after being 37 for four, and later 76 for six. Bedfordshire thus led by only 37 runs.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

A. W. Durley c Marques b Wright	88
D. Hoare c Simons b Hinton	57
N. Cooley not out	27
K. Williams c Marques b Wright	9
M. Meeson c Morley b Hinton	4
W. Chamberlain c Wright b Hinton	0
J. Smith not out	32

Total (for 5 wks., dec.) 217

Bowling: T. Stocks 6-1-24-0, B. Spokes 9-1-37-0, C. Marques 10-1-28-0, J. Appleyard 12-4-41-0, L. Hinton 16-3-53-3; L. Wright 10-4-36-2.

Second innings

A. Durley lbw b Stocks	9
D. Hoare c Marques b Stocks	39
M. Meeson c Wright b Marques	15
K. Williams c Simons b Appleyard	15
W. Chamberlain st Simons b Hinton	31
J. Smith c Garling b Appleyard	5
N. Cooley b Hinton	0
T. Morley c Appleyard b Spokes	34
D. Meakin b Spokes	12
W. Bushby c Wright b Hinton	3
Extras	2

Total 155

Bowling: Spokes 3-0-7-2; Hinton 11-0-46-3; Stocks 10-0-41-2; Seamarks 12-0-25-1; Appleyard 7-0-34-2.

HERTFORDSHIRE

First innings

A. O'Neill c Smith b Morley	100
L. Wright b Morley	7
R. Simons c Durley b Meakin	1
T. Clough c Crouch b Meakin	9
V. Garling b Bushby	9
N. Money c Williams b Bushby	9
C. Marques c Crouch b Williams	5
L. Hinton c Crouch b Morley	27
B. Spokes c Morley b Bushby	2
T. Stocks c Cooley b Bushby	6
J. Appleyard not out	2
Extras	3

Total 180

Bowling: Meakin 18-6-37-2; T. Morley 22-7-38-3; J. Smith 11-4-22-0; W. Bushby 21-6-66-4; Williams 9-2-22-1.

Second innings

L. Wright c Crouch b Bushby	19
R. Simons c Morley b Smith	25
T. Clough b Smith	15
V. Garling c Smith b Williams	32
N. Money b Smith	2
J. Seamarks st Crouch b Williams	21
A. O'Neill lbw b Smith	1
L. Hinton b Smith	7
B. Spokes lbw b Williams	0
T. Stocks not out	0
J. Appleyard not out	0
Extras	6

Total (for 9 wks.) 128

RAIN CHEATED BEDS OF WIN OVER HERTS

HERTS' last pair held out for 20 minutes to rob Beds of victory at Letchworth on Thursday, and the match was drawn with Beds left to reflect bitterly on the hour's play lost through rain on the first morning.

From home supporters there was some criticism of Herts skipper Robin Marques's decision to put Beds in. His own bowlers had to use a wet ball and they toiled without reward until Durley and Hoare had put on 133.

Beds Captain, Jack Smith, playing on his own club ground, declared at 217 for 5, and in reply, Herts had to thank the patient 100 by Letchworth opener O'Neill, for the fact that they finished only 37 behind on the first innings. Bedfordshire's second knock saw half the side out for 90, but opening bowler Trevor Morley smacked six 4's in making 34 to improve the outlook.

Herts were left just about 150 minutes to make 193, but Jack Smith, one of seven Letchworth players on view, looked very much at home when bowling his spinners, and Herts enjoyed a



good deal of luck in their short-lived bid for quick runs.

When they decided to put up the shutters, tension really mounted, and in the closing minutes it was almost unbearable as Herts last-ditch pair prodded and edged.

BEDFORDSHIRE—1st Innings

A W Durley c Marques b Wright	88
D J F Hoare c Simons b Hinton	57
N Cooley not out	27
K R G Williams c Marques b Wright	9
M Meeson c Money b Hinton	4
W Chamberlain c Wright b Hinton	0
J Smith not out	32
Extras	0

Total (for 5 wks dec) 217
 Bowling: Hinton 16-3-53-3;
 Spokes 9-1-32-0; Appleyard 12-3-41-0; Wright 10-4-36-2.

HERTFORDSHIRE—1st Innings

A O'Neill c Smith b Morley	100
L Wright b Morley	7
R G Simons c Durley b Meakin	1
T L Clough c Crouch b Meakin	9
V R H Garling b Bushby	9
N Money c Williams b Bushby	9
C V L Marques c Crouch b Williams	5
T Hinton c Crouch b Morley	27
B Spokes c Morley b Bushby	2
T Stocks c Cooley b Bushby	6
J Appleyard not out	2
Extras	3

Total180

Bowling: Meakin 18-6-37-2;
 Morley 22-7-38-3; Bushby 21-6-56-4; Smith 11-4-22-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE—2nd Innings

A Durley lbw b Stocks	9
D J F Hoare c Marques b Stocks	39
M Meeson c Wright b Marques	5
K Williams c Simon b Appleyard	15
W Chamberlain st Simons b Hinton	31
J Smith c Garling b Appleyard	5
N Cooley b Hinton	0
T Morley c Appleyard b Spokes	34
D Meakin b Spokes	12
W Bushby c Wright b Hinton	3
M Crouch not out	0
Extras	2

Total155
 Bowling: Marques 12-2-25-1;
 Stocks 10-0-41-2; Hinton 11-2-2-46-3; Appleyard 7-0-34-2;
 Spokes 3-0-7-2.

HERTFORDSHIRE—2nd Innings

L W Wright c Crouch b Bushby	19
R G Simons c Morley b Smith	29
T L Clough b Smith	15
V R H Garling c Smith b Williams	32
N Money b Smith	2
C Marques st Crouch b Williams	21
A O'Neill lbw b Smith	1
L Hinton b Smith	7
B Spokes lbw b Williams	0
T Stocks not out	0
J Appleyard not out	0
Extras	6

Total (for 9 wks) ...128
 Bowling: Bushby 8-2-22-1;
 Meakin 5-1-19-0; Morley 6-2-16-0;
 Smith 16-9-30-5; Williams 13-7-35-3; Durley 2-2-0-0.

County save draw

A target of 192 runs in 115 minutes, which was the task Ikin set Bedfordshire at Luton last night, was altogether too much for the home county after they had lost openers Hoare and Chamberlain for three runs.

Robinson, Williams, Durley, and Smith also made but brief appearances, and it was mainly due to the determined batting of Cooley, who held firm during the last hour, that a draw was saved. Staffordshire having earlier collected first innings points.

Given first use of an easy

paced wicket when Jack Smith won the toss. Staffordshire cashed in to the tune of 107 without loss by lunch, and 238 for 4 by tea. That they lost four more wickets was entirely due to the fact that they flung bat to ball after tea in the cause of quick runs, and succeeded with 42 in 20 minutes.

Feature of their innings was a century in 140 minutes by left hander Hancock, who scored at twice the rate of opening partner Frost.

Bedford were left 115 minutes batting at the end of the day and made heavy weather of the task. Durley was there for all but ten minutes of the time for a laborious 20. Hoare having left early. Cooley, after showing some confident strokes, was brilliantly caught close in on the leg side, and Bedfordshire finished with 67 for 3.

V. CAMBS

Bedfordshire will again be at Wardown Park, Luton, next Wednesday and Thursday, meeting Cambridgeshire.

Team: J. Smith (capt.), A. W. Durley, M. E. Meeson, W. Chamberlain, B. D. Robinson, K. R. G. Williams, M. Crouch, T. Morley, D. Meakin, T. Brown, B. N. Johnson.

With Bedfordshire losing four wickets for the addition of 68 runs before rain caused a hold-up of nearly an hour yesterday the crux of the game became whether or not Bedfordshire could save the follow-on.

Williams batted well early on. Smith showed more belligerent intent, but the sheet anchor was Chamberlain, who went on to complete a painstaking half-century.

When rain stopped play Bedfordshire had three wickets to fall and they still needed 34 to avoid the follow-on, but

Meakin batted sensibly and Chamberlain began to open up.

At 174 Meakin was bowled, but Crouch stayed with Chamberlain until the follow-on was avoided, at which point Smith declared.

STAFFORDSHIRE

First innings	
I. Frost c Smith b Johnson	35
D. A. Hancock lbw b Smith	107
D. Steele b Smith	43
T. Whittaker c Chamberlain b Morley	14
J. T. Ikin b Smith	29
P. Gibbs c Johnson b Smith	8
H. Boon not out	23
P. Griffiths c Cooley b Smith	7
F. Colclough lbw b Smith	5
Extras	
2	
Total (for 8 wks. dec.) 280	
P. Pugh and D. Wilson did not bat.	
Bowling: Meakin 19-4-58-0; Morley 25-6-88-1; Johnson 12-3-38-1; Smith 24-5-4-60-6; Williams 5-0-29-0.	

Second innings

D. A. Hancock b Johnson	24
I. Frost c Crouch b Johnson	1
D. Steele c Cooley b Johnson	15
T. Whittaker not out	24
J. T. Ikin c Hoare b Morley	1
H. Boon c Chamberlain b Morley	19
P. Griffiths not out	8
Extras	
2	
Total (for 5 wks. dec.) 93	
Johnson 11-1-27-5; Morley 10-2-37-2; Smith 5-0-27-0.	

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings	
A. W. Durley c Colclough b Ikin	20
D. Hoare c Hancock b Pugh	4
N. Cooley c Boon b Griffiths	17
K. R. G. Williams b Pugh	34
W. Chamberlain not out	60
B. D. Robinson lbw b Pugh	4
J. Smith c Steele b Griffiths	23
T. G. Morley c Whittaker b Ikin	5
D. G. Meakin b Griffiths	10
M. Crouch not out	1
Extras	
6	
Total (for 8 wks. dec.) 182	
Bowling: Wilson 20-5-42-0; Pugh 17-6-43-3; Griffiths 16-3-42-3; Ikin 14-1-5-33-2; Steele 4-1-10-0; Gibbs 1-0-6-0.	

Second innings

D. Hoare b Pugh	2
W. Chamberlain c Boon b Wilson	1
K. R. G. Williams c Colclough b Griffiths	16
B. D. Robinson c Steele b Pugh	17
J. Smith c Frost b Pugh	11
A. W. Durley c Steele b Wilson	24
N. Cooley not out	12
T. G. Morley b Ikin	5
D. G. Meakin c Whittaker b Ikin	4
M. Crouch not out	6
Extras	
6	
Total (for 8 wks.) 98	
Wilson 9-0-32-2; Pugh 7-0-45-3; Griffiths 5-2-10-1; Steele 7-5-3-0; Ikin 8-3-12-2; Whittaker 2-2-0-0.	

COUNTY CLOSE TO DEFEAT BY STAFFS

Always Struggling After Yielding Toss Advantage

By CHILTERN

FROM the time they won the toss and gave Staffordshire first use of an easy paced Wardown wicket, Bedfordshire were always struggling and their hopes of making a successful chase for runs in the fourth innings were shattered when John Ikin left them the tough task of making 192 to win in 115 minutes.

That Bedfordshire could sustain a rate of 100 an hour against accurate bowling and most lively fielding was never more than a remote possibility.

It became considerably less than that when the opening pair of Hoare and Chamberlain were out with only three runs on the board.

However, Bedfordshire did not give up the attempt, but lost wickets in seeking quick runs and became 74 for 6, at which stage, with just under an hour left, it was obvious that they would be hard pressed to avoid defeat.

Cooley, the least experienced of the recognised batsmen showed sensible defence in the crisis, received some valuable aid in terms of time from Morley and Meakin, with the result that the eighth wicket did not fall until 10 minutes from the end of the extra half an hour.

In came Crouch, who is used to situations of this sort, and he and Cooley safely saw Bedfordshire through to a not very inspiring draw.

Earlier in the day it had seemed possible that Staffordshire would really rub in their advantage of first use of the wicket in excellent conditions by forcing Bedfordshire to follow on, but this was averted mainly by a

patient innings by Chamberlain, who was unbeaten with 60.

Rain caused a stoppage before lunch with the score at 140 for 7 and 41 runs still needed to avert the follow-on disaster, but Chamberlain held fast and Meakin stayed with him while the target became nearer and nearer.

Eventually, Smith declared 98 runs behind, so putting himself completely in the hands of his opposite number. Staffordshire's second venture was not all that impressive, mainly because Johnson, who bowled very well, was able to extract some life and lift from the wicket.

However, they made 93 for 5 in even time before declaring at the tea interval.

What advantage Bedfordshire might have gained from batting last was really thrown away on the evening of the first day when in 115 minutes they managed to muster only 67 for 3, chiefly because Durley was so bogged down that he made only 20 in 105 minutes.

Possibly the early loss of Hoare had something to do with his crawl, but although the bowling was quite hostile, it scarcely justified the caution shown by both him and Cooley.

STAFFORDSHIRE

Second Innings	
D A Hancock b Johnson	23
I Frost c Crouch b Johnson	1
D Steele c Cooley b Johnson	15
T Whittaker not out	24
I T Ikin c Hoare b Morley	1
H Boon c Chamberlain b Morley	19
P Griffiths not out	8
Extras	2

Total (for 5 wks dec) 93
Bowling: Johnson 11-1-27-3, Morley 10-2-37-2, Smith 5-0-27-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE

Second Innings	
D Hoare b Pugh	2
W Chamberlain c Boon b Wilson	1
K Williams c Colclough b Griffiths	16
B D Robinson c Steele b Pugh	17
J Smith c Frost b Pugh	11
A W Durley c Steele b Wilson	24
N Cooley not out	12
T G Morley b Ikin	5
D G Meakin c Whittaker b Ikin	4
M Crouch not out	0
Extras	6

Total (for 8 wks) 98
Bowling: Wilson 9-0-32-2, Pugh 7-0-35-3, Griffiths 5-2-10-1, Steele 7-5-3-0, Ikin 8-3-12-2, Whittaker 2-2-0-0.

STAFFORDSHIRE

First Innings	
I Frost c Smith b Johnson	35
D A Hancock lbw b Smith	109
D Steele hit wkt b Smith	43
T Whittaker c Chamberlain b Morley	14
J T Ikin b Smith	29
P Gibbs c Johnson b Smith	8
H Boon not out	23
P Griffiths c Cooley b Smith	7
F Colclough lbw b Smith	5
Extras	7

Total (for 8 wks dec) 280
P Pugh and D Wilson did not bat.
Bowling: Meakin 19-4-58-0, Morley 25-6-88-1, Johnson 12-3-38-1, Smith 24.5-4-60-6, Williams 3-0-29-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings	
A W Durley c Colclough b Ikin	20
D Hoare c Hancock b Pugh	4
N Cooley c Boon b Griffiths	17
K Williams b Pugh	34
W Chamberlain not out	60
B D Robinson lbw b Pugh	4
J Smith c Steele b Griffiths	23
T G Morley c Whittaker b Ikin	3
D G Meakin b Griffiths	10
M Crouch not out	1
Extras	6

Total (for 8 wks dec) 182
B N Johnson did not bat.
Bowling: Wilson 20-5-42-0, Pugh 17-6-43-3, Griffiths 16-3-42-3, Ikin 14.1-5-33-2, Steele 4-1-10-0, Gibbs 1-0-6-0.

FOUR FIFTIES COUNT FOR NOUGHT

AN imposing Bedfordshire total of 287 for six declared, replete with four half centuries, counted for nothing when heavy overnight rain and a stormy morning ruled out further chance of play at Luton yesterday.

A limited Cambridgeshire attack was given some real "stick" when Bedfordshire were offered first use of an easy-paced wicket on Wednesday. Openers Durley and Chamberlain were still there at lunch with 113 runs and a

half century apiece. They extended their stand afterwards to 150 when Chamberlain was caught behind.

Durley left soon afterwards, but another prolific partnership of 108 followed between Meeson and Williams. Meeson, hitting really hard, reached his fifty in the last over before tea, and in all it had been a most impressive batting display by the County when Smith declared.

Cambridgeshire were left 115 minutes' batting, but two bouts of rain cut this to half an hour, in which 38 runs were scored without loss.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings

A. W. Durley	b Gadsby	60
W. Chamberlain	c Riddis b Wilson	68
K. R. G. Williams	c Davis b Wilson	51
M. E. Meeson	c Gautrey b Hoyle	64
B. D. Robinson	run out	10
J. Smith	c Gautrey b Hoyle	6
T. G. Morley	not out	4
Extras		4

Total (for 6 wkts dec.) 287

Bowling: Hoyle 10-2-2-40-2; Palfrey 12-5-32-0; Wilson 37-5-136-2; Gadsby 24-3-75-1.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

First Innings

M. A. Crouch	not out	13
D. H. R. Palfrey	not out	23
Extras		2

Total (for no wkts.) 38

Meakin 5-0-23-0; Johnson 4-1-6-0; Morley 1-3-0-7-0.

RAIN RUINED COUNTY MATCH AT LUTON

The Second Day Was A Complete Washout

By CHILTERN

DISAPPOINTINGLY, the Minor Counties match between Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire was washed out on Thursday without it being possible to bowl a ball on the second day.

So thoroughly saturated was the wicket that the captains had no option but to abandon hope of any play soon after the advertised time for the start.

Rain also cut short play on the first day by nearly 1½ hours, but the spectators did have the satisfaction of seeing some bright cricket while the weather was good.

Following the prevailing custom, the visiting skipper, Maurice Crouch sent in Bedfordshire to bat on winning the toss. Not that he could have had much hope of help from a perfect batting wicket. Rather were his tactics dictated by his limited bowling resources, as became more and more obvious.

Durley and Chamberlain, after a quiet start, settled down to a prolific opening partnership that reached 113 before lunch by which time each had passed the half-century.

Although Chamberlain's driving was impressive, Durley scored slightly the more quickly and the stand was not broken until it had reached 150.

Then, Chamberlain, who had given a chance behind the wicket two runs previously, repeated the stroke and was caught this time.

Two runs later, Durley played rather a loose shot at Gadsby and was bowled for an impressive 80, but there the visiting successes ended for a long time.

ANOTHER CENTURY STAND

On the look-out for runs from the start, the left-handed Meeson quickly pushed the score along, hitting the ball hard in front of the wicket and in company with another left-hander, Williams, added 108 before being caught in the last over before tea.

Williams went on to complete a confident half-century and became the fourth player to do so in the innings.

Quick runs were the need then and Robinson and Smith seemed to be the men for the job until there was a disastrous mix-up over a second run, with the result that both batsmen got to the same end and Robinson was run out.

When he was caught soon afterwards, Smith declared, leaving Cambridgeshire a maximum of 115 minutes batting before the close. In the event, this was cut down to a little over 40 minutes during which Crouch and Fairley were not in much trouble against the Bedfordshire seam attack.

Meakin, in particular, came in for some rough usage from Fairley, who hit him for six over the heads of the leg trap and the pair had reached 38 without

being separated before the premature close.

Had the Cambridgeshire innings been allowed to continue, they might well have made a brave bid for first innings points because the wicket was of no help to the bowlers, though Bedfordshire seemed the better equipped in attack.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First Innings	
A W Durley b Gadsby	80
W Chamberlain c Riddy b Wilson	68
K R G Williams c Davis b Wilson	51
M E Meeson c Gautrey b Hoyles	64
B D Robinson run out	10
J Smith c Gautrey b Hoyles	6
I G Morley not out	4
Extras	4

Total (for 6 wkts dec) 287
T Brown, D G Meakin, M W Crouch and B N Johnson did not bat.

Bowling: Hoyles 10.2-240-2, Fairley 12.5-32-0, Wilson 37.5-136-2, Gadsby 24.3-75-1.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

First Innings	
M A Crouch not out	13
D H R Fairley not out	23
Extras	2

Total (for no wkts)

Bowling: Meakin 3-0-23-0, Johnson 4-1-6-0, Morley 1.3-0-7-0.

County pick Stevenson

Former Bedford Town player Ron Stevenson, who has recently played for the Army and Combined Services is chosen by Bedfordshire for two of their three Minor Counties matches at Bedford School next week.

The programme is: Monday and Tuesday v. Shropshire; Wednesday and Thursday v. Lincolnshire; Friday and Saturday v. Hertfordshire.

Nine players appear in all three games: D. J. F. Hoare, W. Chamberlain, A. W. Durley, D. G. Pratt, K. R. G. Williams, J. Smith (captain), T. Morley, N. Cooley (wicketkeeper), and W. Bushby. Stevenson plays against Shropshire and Hert-

fordshire, B. D. Robinson against Shropshire and Lincolnshire, and M. E. Meeson against Lincolnshire and Hertfordshire.

Twelfth man for all three games is Graham Wynn.

Shropshire's team for the opening game is:

D. Jones, G. Othen, K. Arch, J. Everall, C. Pilkington, F. Apperley (captain), D. Lowe, B. Everall, P. Bromley, T. Bennett, G. Roderick (wicketkeeper).

COVERS STAY PUT

Not a single ball was bowled at Bedford School on Tuesday on what should have been the second day of Bedfordshire's match against Shropshire. Rain was so heavy during the morning that the covers stayed on all day.

In a full morning's play on Monday, Bedfordshire hit 142 off six bowlers before lunch for the loss of only one wicket and declared at 179 for two when rain made further play impossible after tea.

It was a bright start to Cricket Week, but a dismal end to the day. There were only two short periods of play in the afternoon.

Opening in fine style, David Hoare went for the runs, scoring at twice the rate of Durley, his partner. Shropshire captain, F. Apperley, tried six bowlers before T. Bennett claimed Hoare, caught Lowe, for 74, just before lunch.

Hoare and Durley, however, had taken the score to 134 for the first wicket, and Bedford-

After lunch, play resumed in a steady drizzle at 3.58, and Bedfordshire lost Pratt lbw to Arch for eight just before tea with 153 on the board.

Robinson joined Durley for another 15 minutes' play after tea, before further heavy rain ended the day. At that point, Bedfordshire captain J. Smith declared.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

D. Hoare c Lowe b Bennett	74
A. W. Durley not out	63
D. Pratt lbw b Arch	8
B. D. Robinson not out	7
Extras	21

Total (for two wkts. dec.) 179

Bowling: K. Arch, 90. 1m. 28r. 1w.; T. Bennett, 5-0-15-1.



David Hoare

shire's 100 (including 20 extras mostly donated by uncertain wicket-keeping) went up after only 89 minutes. Hoare's innings included 10 fours.

BEDFORDSHIRE COLLAPSE

v. LINCS.

Beaten by 83 runs

RAIN was falling heavily and there were only 17 minutes left to play when Bedfordshire's last wicket fell, giving Lincolnshire a win by 83 runs, at Bedford School last night.

But Lincolnshire fully deserved this success, having twice swept away the best of the Bedfordshire batsmen, except David Hoare.

Lincolnshire, at one stage 21 for two, made a bad enough start on Wednesday, but Bedfordshire fared even worse—losing two wickets in one over with only seven scored.

The visitors recovered, thanks to a third wicket stand of 59 by Swift and Maslin. Bedfordshire were not so fortunate. With Durlley and Chamberlain gone in a single devastating second over by Camplin, half the team fell before the day's close, and in reply to Lincolnshire's 196, Bedfordshire ended the day at 60 for six.

T. Morley claimed opener Price lbw for six runs in the eighth over of the day, with only 13 scored. Then, after a 14-minute mid-morning break for rain, Bedfordshire captured another quick wicket. Pougher was the victim, being run out on what appeared to be an easy single.

Swift (46) and Maslin (26) stopped the rot in the Lincolnshire batting with a stand of 59. They took the edge off the bowling of Morley and Bushby, increased the scoring rate, and dealt easily with captain Jack Smith's slow off-breaks.

Lincolnshire's first 50 took 76 minutes but they had 80 on the board before Durlley caught Maslin off Pratt for 26 with the last ball before lunch.

Swift continued hitting out and the score was 99 before he was caught by Cooley for 46—the best knock of the day. Again it was Pratt's wicket.

Lincolnshire finally reached 196, Morley taking three wickets for 32 and Pratt three for 46.

Cooley was the mainstay of Bedfordshire's first innings, following the overnight score of 60 for six. He enjoyed a partnership of 22 in 21 minutes with Bushby, and scored 33.

Bedfordshire's "tail" was wagging and they made 122. Jack Smith, batting last because of a damaged hand, made several one-handed strokes.

Lincolnshire opened their second innings with a lead of 74. Their captain, J. H. Taylor, putting himself in first and making 82, declared at 153 for seven.

Bedfordshire needed 228 runs to win in a possible 150 minutes, but again got off to a poor start. They lost two wickets for 21. Durlley going with six on the board, Pratt (2) followed when he was clean bowled by Camplin.

From 21 for two, Bedfordshire collapsed to 145.

LINCOLNSHIRE

First innings

H. Price lbw b Morley	6
H. Pougher run out	15
B. Swift c Cooley b Pratt	46
M. Maslin c Durlley b Pratt	26
J. H. Taylor lbw b Morley	21
J. Lawrence c and b Morley	11
J. R. C. Todd c Chamberlain b Pratt	9
M. J. Keyworth not out	34
G. R. L. Drakes b Bushby	11
R. M. Beeson c Robinson b Smith	10
G. B. Camplin c Hoare b Smith	6
Extras	1
Total	196

Bowling: W. Bushby 24-0-5m. 60r. 1w.; T. G. A. Morley 20-7-32-3; J. Smith 23-9-48-2; D. E. Pratt 16-2-46-3; K. R. G. Williams 2-0-9-0.

Second innings

J. H. Taylor not out	82
H. Price c and b Morley	10
B. Swift lbw b Morley	17
H. Pougher lbw b Smith	11
M. Maslin b Bushby	4
G. R. L. Drakes b Bushby	0
J. Lawrence b Smith	4
R. M. Beeson c Durlley b Smith	14
M. J. Keyworth not out	6
Extras	5
Total (for 7 wks. dec.)	153

Bowling: Morley 14-0-41-2; Bushby 15-0-51-2; Smith 14-2-56-3.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

D. Hoare st Beeson b Lawrence	25
A. W. Durlley lbw b Camplin	5
D. Pratt b Lawrence	8
W. Chamberlain b Camplin	0
K. R. G. Williams b Camplin	9
M. E. Meeson b Lawrence	7
B. D. Robinson lbw b Lawrence	8
N. Cooley c and b Lawrence	33
T. G. A. Morley c and b Lawrence	3
W. Bushby c Camplin b Lawrence	15
J. Smith not out	7
Extras	2
Total	122

Bowling: Drakes 18-8-22-0; Camplin 20-3-52-3; Lawrence 20-4-3-46-7.

Second innings

A. W. Durlley c and b Drakes	6
D. Hoare c and b Price	37
D. E. Pratt b Camplin	2
M. E. Meeson st Beeson b Lawrence	12
B. D. Robinson lbw b Lawrence	2
K. R. G. Williams st Beeson b Lawrence	5
W. Chamberlain b Lawrence	44
N. Cooley c Beeson b Lawrence	5
W. Bushby c Taylor b Lawrence	7
T. Morley b Lawrence	8
J. Smith not out	10
Extras	7
Total	145

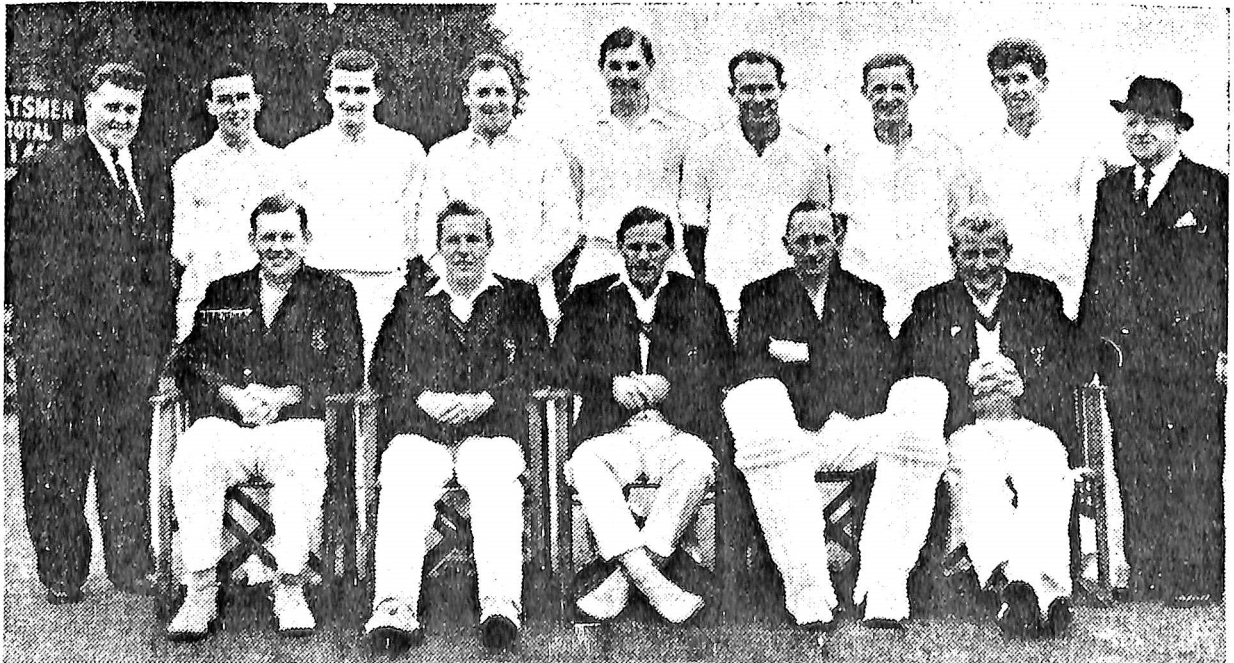
Bowling: Drakes 11-1-45-1; Camplin 3-0-10-1; Lawrence 20-4-1-50-7; Price 12-1-33-1.

WASHED OUT

Not a single ball was bowled on Tuesday on what should have been the second day of the match against Shropshire. Rain was so heavy during the morning that the covers stayed on all day.

On Monday, Bedfordshire declared at 179 for two. Rain then made further play impossible.

Our photograph was taken during the opening match with Shropshire: back row (left to right), Mr. Tony Pearce (scorer), G. Wynn (12th man), N. Cooley, K. R. G. Williams, A. W. Durlley, W. Bushby, T. G. Morley, and R. Stevenson; front row, D. J. Hoare, B. D. Robinson, J. Smith (captain), D. Pratt, W. Chamberlain, Mr. Frank Crompton (hon. secretary).



Lawrence, 14 For 96, Gave Lincs Victory

JOHN LAWRENCE, the former Somerset professional, was the scourge of the Bedfordshire batsmen at Bedford School on Wednesday and Thursday, when he took 14 wickets for 96 runs for Lincolnshire, and Bedfordshire went down to an 83 runs defeat.

Lawrence, who is 47 years old, and now plays for Leeds in Yorkshire Council cricket, took 7 for 46 in the first innings and 7 for 50 in the second innings. The last Bedfordshire wicket fell on Thursday with only 17 minutes left to play.

Bedfordshire were handicapped by an injury to their captain, Jack Smith, of Letchworth, who hurt a hand in the field on Wednesday, and batted last in both innings—often being forced to play one-handed shots.

In reply to Lincolnshire's first innings total of 196, Bedfordshire reached 122 after losing two wickets with only seven scored. Cooley hit 33, and enjoyed a 21-minute partnership with Bushby that produced 22 runs. Hoare scored 25.

Lincolnshire began their second innings 74 runs in the lead, and the Captain, J. H. Taylor, who put himself in first, went on to make an unbeaten 82, the highest score of the match. With a lead of 228, Lincolnshire declared at 153 for seven, leaving Bedfordshire 150 minutes in which to get the runs.

There was no chance of Bedfordshire accepting the challenge: the early batsmen, except Hoare, collapsed totally, as they had done in the first innings. Only Chamberlain resisted, with a brilliant 44 at No. 7.

Jack Smith's last-wicket stand with Chamberlain produced 33 and made the Bedfordshire score look respectable. Often, Smith played one-handed shots and somehow reached 10 not out.

Rain was falling heavily during the last 20 minutes of the match, but players and umpires ignored it—it would have been a serious injustice to deny Lincolnshire a well-deserved victory after Lawrence's brilliant bowling.

LINCOLNSHIRE (First innings).

H Price lbw b Morley	6
H Pougher run out	15
B Swift c Cooley b Pratt	46
M Maslin c Durlley b Pratt	26
J H Taylor lbw b Morley	21
J Lawrence c and b Morley	11
J R C Todd c Chamberlain b Pratt	9
M J Keyworth not out	34
G R L Drakes b Bushby	11
R M Beeson c Robinson b Smith	10
G B Camplin c Hoare b Smith	6
Extras	1

Total 196

Bowling: W Bushby 24-5-60-1, T G A Morley 20-7-32-3, J Smith 23-9-48-2, D E Pratt 16-2-46-3, K R G Williams 2-0-9-0.

BEDFORDSHIRE (First innings).

D Hoare st Beeson b Lawrence	25
A W Durlley lbw b Camplin	5
W Chamberlain b Camplin	0
D Pratt b Lawrence	8
K R G Williams b Camplin	9
M E Meeson b Lawrence	7
B D Robinson lbw b Lawrence	8
N Cooley c and b Lawrence	33
T G A Morley c and b Lawrence	3
W Bushby c Camplin b Lawrence	15
J Smith not out	7
Extras	2

Total 122
Bowling: Drakes 18-8-22-0, Camplin 20-3-52-3, Lawrence 20-4-3-46-7.

LINCOLNSHIRE (Second innings).

J H Taylor not out	82
H Price c and b Morley	10
B Swift lbw b Morley	17
H Pougher lbw b Smith	11
M Maslin b Bushby	4
G R L Drakes b Bushby	0
J Lawrence b Smith	4
R M Beeson c Durlley b Smith	14
M J Keyworth not out	6
Extras	5

Total (for 7 wkts dec) 153
Bowling: Morley 14-0-41-2, Bushby 15-0-51-2, Smith 14-2-56-3.

BEDFORDSHIRE (Second innings).

A W Durlley c and b Drakes	6
D Hoare c and b Price	37
D Pratt b Camplin	2
M E Meeson st Beeson b Lawrence	2
B D Robinson lbw b Lawrence	12
K R G Williams st Beeson b Lawrence	5
W Chamberlain b Lawrence	44
N Cooley c Beeson b Lawrence	5
W Bushby c Taylor b Lawrence	7
T G A Morley b Lawrence	8
J Smith not out	10
Extras	7

Total 145
Bowling: Drakes 11-1-45-1, Camplin 3-0-10-1, Lawrence 20-4-1-50-7, Price 12-1-33-1.

COUNTY RACE TO AN EXCITING VICTORY OVER HERTFORDSHIRE

HOW Bedfordshire hit 224 runs in a hurry—142 minutes to be precise—to beat Hertfordshire on Saturday by three wickets with only three minutes to play, is a feat that will be long remembered by those who saw the final match of Bedford's annual Cricket Week at Bedford School last week. It was a fitting end to a game that produced some superlative cricket.

Bedfordshire faced a formidable task and it looked black when David Hoare was lbw to Marques with the score at 33. Bedfordshire were reduced to 98 for six before David Pratt and Bill Chamberlain got together. From that moment, it was a different story.

Producing every shot in the style book, the batsmen made the visiting fielders work over-



N. Cooley

time. In an incredible 50 minutes, the partnership put on 100 runs. One dared to hope the County were in with a chance even though Hertfordshire had already claimed six wickets.

With half-an-hour left for play nearly 50 runs were still

needed, the Bedfordshire total having risen to 150 in 103 minutes.

Calmly, coolly, Pratt and Chamberlain punished anything loose but their partnership, which yielded 129, was broken when Pratt (62) stepped in front of a ball from Marques and was "leg before". Only seven runs were now needed for a Bedfordshire win.

Morley joined Chamberlain and an end to the agonising suspense came at 6.27 when Chamberlain lifted the ball away for a single.

Hertfordshire got the game away to an excellent start on Friday. In their first innings, J. Cundle and A. R. Day smashed Bedfordshire's bowlers. The first wicket, Cundle's, fell at 126, and though Smithson went for a duck, Clough joined Day in a stand of 60. Day was bowled on his 100 by Jack Smith, and Clough, in an immaculate innings, went on to make 62 not out.

Clough was responsible for spoiling Stevenson's bowling figures. In a single over, he hit him for 15 — a single, two four's, and a mighty six.

Hertfordshire declared at 241 for three.

Disastrous start

For the third time in as many days, Bedfordshire opened disastrously. Hoare was caught by Simons off Marques for four, and Chamberlain was clean bowled on the next ball. (Eight for two.)

Again Norman Cooley came to the rescue. He batted out the afternoon and overnight was 65 not out. Durley had contributed 37.

Bedfordshire's comeback was complete when Martin Mee-

son went on to make an unbeaten 63, (including a six off Marques), and captain Smith declared one run in front of Hertfordshire.

In Hertfordshire's second innings, Wright and Simons each made 57, with a stand of 80 in an hour. Stylist Clough, who had damaged a foot, stayed low in the batting order and this time made only one run. Hertfordshire declared at 224 for eight. In 2½ hours, no less than 187 runs had been scored.

HERTFORDSHIRE

First innings

J. W. Cundle b Bushby	57
A. R. Day b Smith	100
G. A. Smithson run out	0
T. L. Clough not out	62
R. G. Simons not out	16
Extras	6

Total (for 3 wkts. dec.) 241

L. W. Wright; R. H. Wacey, C. V. L. Marques, J. D. Appleyard, G. Meadowcroft, J. Ibersen did not bat.

Bowling: Bushby 15.20. 2m. 41r. 1w.; Morley 23-7-49-0; Stevenson 17-2-71-0; Pratt 3-0-25-0; Smith 16-2-49-1.

Second innings

L. W. Wright c Cooley b Pratt	57
R. G. Simons c Morley b Smith	57
G. A. Smithson c Stevenson b Pratt	0
A. R. Day b Smith	12
J. Cundle lbw b Smith	2
R. H. Wacey b Morley	43
R. G. Marques b Smith	22
T. L. Clough lbw b Morley	1
J. Appleyard not out	10
G. Meadowcroft not out	10
Extras	7

Total (for 8 wkts. dec.) 224

Bowling: Morley 9-3-12-2; Bushby 3-1-8-0; Williams 5-0-28-0; Stevenson 9-0-56-0; Smith 22-6-53-4; Pratt 14.5-1-60-2.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

D. Hoare c Simons b Marques	4
A. W. Durley b Ibersen	37
W. Chamberlain b Marques	0
N. Cooley c Wright b Marques	66
D. Pratt c Simons b Meadowcroft	32
M. E. Meeson not out	63
K. R. G. Williams b Marques	7
J. Smith not out	21
Extras	12

Total (for 6 wkts. dec.) 242

T. Morley, R. Stevenson, W. Bushby did not bat.

Bowling: Meadowcroft 16-2-49-1; Marques 16-2-65-4; Wacey 6.3-2-29-0; Ibersen 21-4-66-1; Appleyard 9-3-21-0.

Second innings

A. W. Durley c and b Ibersen	44
D. Hoare lbw b Marques	13
K. R. G. Williams b Ibersen	10
M. E. Meeson c Day b Ibersen	11
N. Cooley c Marques b Appleyard	15
J. Smith b Ibersen	3
D. Pratt lbw b Marques	62
W. Chamberlain not out	61
T. G. A. Morley not out	1
Extras	4

Total (for 7 wkts.) 224

Bowling: Marques 11-0-44-2; Meadowcroft 5-0-35-0; Ibersen 17.2-3-76-4; Appleyard 15-0-65-1.

Shropshire hold out

BEDFORDSHIRE were poised for victory at the end of the first day's play in their Minor Counties tussle with Shropshire, at Shrewsbury, on Monday and Tuesday, but a rain-slowed wicket helped the home batsmen to play out a draw.

The visitors won the toss and elected to bat, but were shocked when opener Durley was bowled without a run on the board.

Number four bat N. Cooley played some delightful cricket, however, and had reached 64 before he fell a victim to Shropshire's most accurate bowler, George Trinder, who returned five for 66.

Soon after the start of Shropshire's innings rain interrupted play for 20 minutes, but after the break, Bedfordshire skipper Jack Smith got among the wickets, and ended the day with figures of four for 19, Shropshire being 79 for 5. Smith continued his good work on the Tuesday, and when Shropshire were dismissed for 155, he had taken seven for 40.

With a lead of 69 Bedfordshire hit up a brisk 110 for six in their second innings and declared. Again Shropshire were soon in trouble, but the rain-affected wicket, and a dour 29 from middle-order batsman, J. Harvey, saw them play out time with two wickets in hand.

A peculiar feature of the

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

A. W. Durley b York	0
D. J. F. Hoare c Pitt b Bennett	29
W. Chamberlain c Trinder b Bennett	31
N. Cooley b Trinder	64
D. E. Pratt b Pitt	21
B. D. Robinson c Harvey b Trinder	7
K. R. G. Williams not out	45
J. Smith c Othen b Trinder	7
J. G. A. Morley b Bennett	1
W. Bushby b Trinder	2
T. J. Brown b Trinder	17
Extras	17
Total	224

Bowling: Trinder five for 66, Bennett three for 81, York one for 18, Pitt one for 41.

Second innings

A. W. Durley b Bennett	22
D. J. F. Hoare lbw b Othen	29
W. Chamberlain c Roderick b Othen	4
N. Cooley c Harvey b Bennett	27
B. D. Robinson c York b Bennett	11
D. E. Pratt not out	12
J. Smith run out	0
W. Bushby not out	1
Extras	4
Total (for 6 wkts. dec.)	110

Othen two for 64, Bennett three for 36.

SHROPSHIRE

First innings

D. Jones b Smith	23
G. V. Othen lbw b Smith	26
T. Bennett c Brown b Smith	14
M. Green b Smith	0
F. H. Apperley run out	11
J. Harvey c Durley b Smith	13
G. Trinder c Smith b Pratt	20
P. Bromley c Chamberlain b Smith	8
T. Pitt c Cooley b Brown	17
G. Roderick not out	14
D. York b Smith	1
Extras	8
Total	155

Smith seven for 40, Brown one for 59, Pratt one for 10.

Second innings

D. Jones c Brown b Morley	18
G. Othen run out	2
T. Pitt b Brown	2
G. Trinder c Robinson b Morley	8
F. H. Apperley b Brown	17
J. Harvey c Morley b Brown	29
M. Green b Brown	0
P. Bromley c Bushby b Pratt	2
T. Bennett not out	15
T. Roderick not out	0
Extras	8
Total (for 8 wickets)	106

Morley two for 34, Pratt one for 5, Brown four for 37.

County crash: all out 22

IN one of the most sensational collapses of a Minor Counties side, Bedfordshire were all out for 22 runs in their first innings at Walsall after Staffordshire had declared with 203 for seven. Following on yesterday the County fared better, totalling 122 for six at lunch, when the match was abandoned because of rain.

The extent of the Bedfordshire collapse on Wednesday may be judged from the fact that when they got their first boundary after 50 minutes' batting it made their total only 15. Neither opener scored, and there were five ducks in all.

Doing the damage on a cut-up wicket were pace bowlers Griffiths and Wilson, while also high among the "executioners" was wicketkeeper Walton, who caught four men.

Top scorer was Chamberlain with seven runs, and of the overnight total of 22 for 9, six were extras.

NOT THE WORST

Bedfordshire's total of 22 is believed to be their lowest ever: in 1922 they were put out for under 40 by Bucks at Bletchley Park. But the record low score for Minor Counties cricket is held by Cheshire who, in 1909, were put out by Staffordshire for 14.

For the record Bedfordshire were two for two, 17 for five, and with the score at 18 they lost three more wickets.

By contrast, Staffordshire's sixth wicket pair of Ikin and Boon put on 70, and Staffordshire reached 200 runs in 188 minutes.

Only seven balls were required yesterday to finish off the Bedfordshire innings, and not a run was added, Staffordshire enforced the follow on, and Bedfordshire tackled their second innings in more workmanlike fashion, openers Durley and Hoare putting on 75 before Hoare was dismissed.

Two wickets went at 83, and at lunch Bedfordshire were 122 for six.

STAFFORDSHIRE

First innings

D. A. Hancock	c Bushby b Morley	22
D. Steele	b Bushby	38
F. Colclough	c Robinson b Bushby	8
L. Robinson	c and b Bushby	2
J. T. Ikin	c Hoare b Morley	46
J. D. Moore	c Durley b Brown	14
H. Boon	c and b Smith	53
E. Walton	not out	9
P. Pugh	not out	3
Extras		7

Total (for 7 wks. dec.) 203
B. Griffiths and D. Wilson did not bat.

Bowling: W. Bushby 11-5-41-3, T. Morley 16-5-1-55-2, T. Brown 11-3-38-1, J. Smith 21-5-61-1.

BEDFORDSHIRE

First innings

A. W. Durley	c Steele b Wilson	0
D. J. F. Hoare	c Boon b Pugh	0
W. Chamberlain	c Walton b Griffiths	7
N. Cooley	c Walton b Griffiths	2
D. E. Pratt	c Robinson b Griffiths	5
B. D. Robinson	c Colclough b Griffiths	2
K. R. G. Williams	c Walton b Wilson	0
J. Smith	c Walton b Wilson	0
W. Bushby	not out	0
T. J. Brown	c and b Wilson	0
I. G. Morley	c Griffiths b Wilson	0
Extras		8

Total 22
D. Wilson 9-1-6-3-5, P. J. Pugh 7-4-11-1, B. Griffiths 5-4-2-4.

BEDFORDSHIRE

2nd innings

A. W. Durley	c Ikin b Wilson	50
D. J. F. Hoare	c Steele b Griffiths	32
W. Chamberlain	not out	21
N. Cooley	c Walton b Wilson	0
D. E. Pratt	c Moore b Ikin	15
B. D. Robinson	c Ikin b Boon	0
K. R. G. Williams	c Moore b Boon	0
J. Smith	not out	2
Extras		2

Total (for 6 wks.) 122

P. Pugh 10-1-30-0; D. Wilson 12-1-43-2; B. Griffiths 11-3-34-1; J. T. Ikin 7-2-10-1; H. Boon 3-0-4-2.

COUNTY AVERAGES

BATTING

	inns	n.o.	runs	hst.	av.
A. W. Durlley	18	1	516	88	30.35
W. Chamberlain	15	3	391	68	32.58
N. Cooley	12	2	288	66	26.80
K. Williams	14	2	309	100*	25.75
M. S. Meeson	9	1	199	64	24.87
D. E. Pratt	13	1	284	62	23.66
D. J. F. Hoare	17	0	376	74	23.29
J. Smith (capt.)	17	6	241	54	21.90
M. Crouch	5	4	13	6*	13.00
T. G. A. Morley	12	2	107	34	10.70
W. Bushby	10	4	52	15	8.66
B. D. Robinson	12	1	38	17	7.54

Also batted: R. D. Lowings, 4-0-53-38-13-25; A. Ingledew, 4-1-32-20*-10-10.66; D. Meakin, 3-0-26-12-8.66.

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING

	o.	m.	r.	w.	av.
J. Smith	213.7	66	487	31	15.70
T. J. Brown	59	28	114	6	19.00
W. Bushby	174.7	37	495	21	23.57
T. G. A. Morley	250.6	62	628	21	29.90
D. E. Pratt	82.5	15	268	7	38.28
K. Williams	50	9	235	6	39.16

Also bowled: R. Stevenson, 26-2-127-0; B. N. Johnson, 27-5-71-4; A. Ingledew, 23-3-111-0; D. Meakin, 45-11-137-2; W. Chamberlain, 6-0-33-1; A. W. Durlley, 4-2-18-0.

CATCHES

M. Crouch and A. W. Durlley, 8 each; T. G. A. Morley, 7; N. Cooley, 6; J. Smith and W. Bushby, 5 each; D. J. F. Hoare and W. Chamberlain, 4 each; B. D. Robinson, 3; T. J. Brown, 2; M. S. Meeson, A. Ingledew, D. E. Pratt, K. R. G. Williams, B. N. Johnson, and R. Stevenson, 1 each.

STUMPING

M. Crouch, 1.

County C.C. finances "Safe and sound"

THE finances of Bedfordshire County Cricket Club were "pretty safe and pretty sound", said Mr. G. F. Osborne, presenting the treasurer's report at the annual meeting of the club at the Shire Hall, Bedford.

During the year the club actually spent £1,594, as against £1,754 the previous year, but while the expenditure was down by £160, the club's income also decreased by £230. The disturbing thing, said Mr. Osborne, was that income was down despite the fact that donations and subscriptions were up £50 on the previous year.

The annual report showed that in view of the diminishing gate receipts at County matches, the club must press for increased membership if they are fully to maintain their present programme of matches.

Poor weather during the season greatly affected gate

honorary secretary, and congratulated W. Chamberlain on his selection as 12th man for the Minor Counties match against Pakistan at Torquay.

OFFICERS

Officials elected were: Patron, Major Simon Whitbread; president, Mr. H. R. Neate; vice-presidents, re-elected *en bloc*, with the additions of Mr. Arthur Skinnard, Mr. W. C. Wynn, Mr. S. H. Robertson, Mr. Graham Kendall, Mr. William Swallow, Mr. K. M. Eaton, Mr. G. J. Leaver, Sir Reginald Pearson Major Guy Dymond, and Mr. Walter Quenby; chairman, Mr. A. B. Poole; vice-chairman, Mr. Arthur Fryer; committee, re-elected *en bloc*; hon treasurer, Mr. G. F. Osborne; hon secretary, Mr. Frank Crompton; captain of County XI, Mr. Jack Smith; hon. scorer, Mr. Tony Pearce; deputy scorer, Mrs. R. A. Cox; hon. umpires, Mr. R. A. Cox, Mr. Leslie Blake, Mr. K. McCanlis; auditors, Mr. K. Malcolm, and the manager-elect of Lloyds Bank, Bedford.

Mr. Crompton, referring to the match against Staffordshire when Bedfordshire were all out for 22, said the County also managed to score only 22 against Suffolk in the year 1880.

Mr. T. H. K. Berry asked: "May these rather depressing matters be left to the obscurity to which they belong?"

receipts, and the poor patronage at the Test matches prevented the club receiving an interim share of the profits.

The club received £131 11s. 7d. for their share of television fees, and it was expected that from the Test matches they would profit by £188.

It was expected that as a result of the forthcoming visits of the West Indians, and then the Australians, they would be able to maintain their balances.

Mr. H. R. Neate, president, thanked Mr. Osborne, and Mr. Frank Crompton, who was beginning his 39th year as

HOSPITAL CUP SHOCK

Town are struck out of competition



Skipper Fred Breeze (above) will not be receiving the Hospital Cup this year. His comment: "The main idea of the competition is to raise money. Striking out our team will not help."

His hundred was in vain

Despite a century by newcomer J. McGregor—he hit 14 fours and three sixes—Bedford Sunday II XI still failed by three runs to reach Dunstable II's total of 166.

Dunstable: 166 (Winter two for 37, McGregor four for 29, Hammond four for 37).

Bedford Sunday II XI: D. L. Bennett 11, J. McGregor 102, E. Mayoh 34, E. S. Smith 0, J. Bray not out 1, A. D. Cooper 1, C. Roffe 1, M. I. Willson 1, P. F. Woolston 4, K. G. Winter 1, D. J. Hammond 0, extras 7, total 163.

BEDFORD TOWN, winners for the past two years and a record-breaking seven times in all, are out of the Bedford Hospital Cup. They have not been beaten by any club but have been struck out by the Executive Committee because they could not agree a date with second round opponents, Goldington Sports.

The decision was reached at the committee's meeting on Tuesday when the third round was also drawn. Controversy is bound to rage over the decision which is, however, not without precedent in the competition's thirty-year history: one remembers similar troubles concerning Biggleswade Town and Queens Works.

Nonetheless, this is a particularly unfortunate incident, especially as the Town must have been favourites again for the trophy and every club likes to try and topple them. When the Town play, money rolls in, and money after all for the Hospital is the main reason for the competition.

Briefly the position seems to have arisen as follows. In the first round the Town "A" were drawn against their own "B" team, and despite strenuous efforts this game was never played. On one occasion the players turned up only to be rained off. The upshot was that the match was awarded to the "A" who were then due to have played Goldington Sports by tomorrow. No agreement could be reached on a date, Goldington suggesting Tuesday of this week, the Town Wednesday or today. Next week—even if the committee allowed extra time—looked impossible as the Town have their Cricket Week.

League secretary, Mr. G. R. Bailey, was quite firm about the committee's action yesterday. While the occurrence was "unfortunate," he said:

"The rules are laid down and they must be enforced."

He added that the Town were invited to send a representative to the Tuesday meeting but did not do so whereas one from Goldington did attend.

Town comments varied from "This is scurvy treatment," to "Our chaps will be very fed up over this."

Those on the sidelines—a broad mass of players and spectators who love the excitement and spirit of Hospital Cup cricket—will be very sorry no compromise could have been reached. Above all one

hopes the Town club will not boycott the competition as was suggested by one prominent member.

Another surprise

HENLOW, doughty cup fighters, came unstuck on Wednesday when they were knocked out by Cople. A glorious six in the nineteenth over saw Henlow's total of 73, all out in 16 overs, beaten.

Henlow: 73 (M. Jordan 26, B. Minney six for 21, D. Shingler four for 50); Cople: 78 for six (B. Minney not out 21, B. Hillyard not out 22).

NINE FOR 39

D. BOYCE of Cryselco just missed the magical ten wickets—he took nine for 39—but his side comfortably accounted for Renhold on Wednesday. K. Jessop failed to get his fifty going for the winning run. Scores: Renhold 58, Cryselco 60 for 2. (K. Jessop 48).

Third round draw

Stagsden or Hobkirk's v. Sharnbrook or Harpur "A"
Tempsford or Sandy or Shire Hall v. St. Neots or Igranig
Potton or Blunham I v. Southoe or Oakley
Stewartby or RAE v. Kimbolton or Queen "A"
Kempston Ramblers or Bromham Nomads v. Pavenham or Dean
West Indians v. Perrierhall or N.E.C.
Cople v. Ickwell "A"
Goldington Sports or Argus v. Cryselco.

All matches to be played between June 11, and June 25. No further registrations allowed in this round.

Draw for the fourth round and semi-finals will take place at 2 Duke Street, Bedford, on June 19.

BATSMEN ENJOY FASTER WICKET IN BRIEF

WICKET
WITH the sun on their backs at last, batsmen enjoyed faster wickets on Saturday. In the Bedford and District League Division I game between Blunham and Stevington there were two bright partnerships.

For Stevington, A. Woods and D. Small put on 75 while Blunham's opening pair, R. Harding and P. Desborough, figured in a stand which yielded 95 runs. Yet, among this run-riot, Blunham's F. Tester sent down ten overs and had only five runs scored off him.

PREMIER DIVISION

Stagsden v. Clapham

Stagsden: K. Brooks 3, T. Brooks 0, W. Waterman 8, J. Willmott 0, A. Bodkin 27, P. Archer 23, G. Newman 5, R. French 5, J. Alder 0, R. Tite not out 1, R. Taylor 2, extras 11, total 85.—Kent four for 21, McCuiley three for 14.

Clapham: T. Buck 31, A. Ward 8, T. Jones 9, McCuiley not out 21, B. Stay 0, A. Newman 1, A. Cottingham 10, M. Pass 4, M. Kent 0, R. Nicholson not out 1, extras 14, total (for 8 wks.) 90.—K. Brooks three for 15, P. Archer two for 15

DIVISION I

Blunham v. Stevington

Stevington: J. Gibbons 22, S. Coleman 2, K. Turner 14, G. Curtis 7, A. Woods not out 52, D. Small 27, H. Pearson 4, P. Hodgkinson not out 3, extras 12, total (for 6 wks. dec.) 143.—Tester one for 5, Winters three for 54.

Blunham: R. Harding not out 47, P. Desborough 72, K. Beaney 0, D. Brooks 8, M. Winters 6, F. Tester 2, P. Chapman not out 0, extras 5, total (for 5 wks.) 140.—Turner four for 35.

Marston v. Great Barford

Great Barford: T. Robinson 11, J. Breeze 43, M. Lee 12, I. Gentle 1, B. Cope 12, M. Maskell 10, B. Mardin 1, D. Favell 0, T. Mardin 1, D. Probert not out 1, J. Browning 0, extras 12, total 104.

Marston: A. Knight 17, A. Bunker 16, A. Bunker 14, C. White 9, K. Lilley 25, E. Toft 13, P. Hall 6, D. Faulkner not out 14, extras 5, total (for 7 wks.) 119.

DIVISION II

Keysoe v. Oakley

Oakley: J. Briggs 1, B. Worker 13, J. Saunders 0, G. Linger 37, R. Saunders 13, C. Bird 10, D. Hulatt 4, P. Bird 11, A. Keech 8, B. Everest not out 1, extras 10, total (for nine wks. dec.) 108.—B. Merrill three for 44, D. Blair three for 35, A. Cook three for 14.

Keysoe: B. Franklin 0, K. Brown 0, A. Cook 3, A. McDougall 9, B. Merrill 12, D. Blair 5, F. Roddis 1, D. Haggerwood 0, J. Woolston 10, J. Hall not out 7, T. Huges 3, extras 3, total 53.—B. Everest three for 15, R. Saunders four for 18, R. Hulatt one for 12, A. Keech one for 4.

North Crawley v. Felmersham
 North Crawley: G. Clarke 8, 18; R. Ementon 8, 0; T. Hinton 0, 1; D. Savage 18, 7; M. Grimes 0, 0; T. Caves 1, 4; J. Brandon 0, 0; F. Stanton 7,

1; A. Goodman not out 2, 0; E. Speechley 0, not out 4; B. Stanley 0, 0; extras 1, 2; totals 45, 37.—T. Longstaff three for 21, and seven for 13; D. Barker six for 17, and three for 22.

Felmersham: T. Longstaff 3, 4; K. Cockings 15, 0; G. Constant 3, 4; B. Cockings 26, 1; D. Barker 4, 5; T. Albury 0, 0; P. Lawson 7, 6; T. Constant not out 2, 0; A. Hill 0, 0; P. Cobb 1, not out 3; J. Graham 0, 2; extras 2, 0; totals 63, 25.—E. Speechley five for 11, and three for 16; R. Ementon three for 7, and seven for 9.

DIVISION IV

Blunham II v. Tempsford

Tempsford: C. Hicks 5, R. Fuller 4, R. Bettles 0, E. Ingram 11, R. Jones 0, J. Wildman 1, P. Bambridge not out 2, D. Eaton 0, C. Jackson 3, J. White 5, J. Bambridge 0, extras 4, total 35.

Blunham: I. Jefferies 4, W. Page 10, E. Clarke 3, J. Baldwin 1, T. Baldwin 19, P. Fordham 1, T. Page 5, B. Partridge 0, W. Fordham 7, D. Joyce 10, R. Tokens not out 4, extras 4, total 66.

Great Barford II v. Caldecote II

Great Barford II: P. Usher 5, A. Shorley 1, G. Usher 7, K. Cooper 0, A. Lee 21, R. Bundy 2, J. Keightley 0, R. Breeze 1, J. Cooper 2, D. Thomas not out 4, D. Gentle 0, extras 2, total 45.—Clark five for 23, D. C. Bygraves three for 6, Huckle two for 14.

Caldecote II: B. Ellman 4, D. Bygraves 0, P. Darnell 0, M. Odell 4, M. Huckle 17, D. C. Bygraves 8, A. Clark 5, L. Adams 4, J. Webb not out 16, R. Hayward 4, B. Cooper 0, extras 3, total 65.—Keightley seven for 37, P. Usher two for 18, A. Lee one for 1.

Henlow 208 for four declared: (M. J. Houghton 85 not out, J. Legate 80 not out, R. Gray 39, B. Herbert four for 48); Southill Park 148 for seven: (B. A. Herbert 34, D. A. Noble 31 not out, K. J. Warwick 21, B. Beaumont six for 78).

Southill Park 172: (M. F. Senior 67, M. H. Green 25, J. Gambrell four for 39, D. Griffin three for 29); Huntingdon Town 138 for six: (M. J. Handscombe 32, A. J. Pashler 31, A. Massey four for 47).

Southill Park II 80: (R. Brown 20, J. Kirby three for 15, A. Miller three for 31); Luton Town II 81 for one: (B. Taylor 47 not out, S. Sparry 34 not out).

Huntingdon Town II, 137: (M. Greenfield 41 not out, A. Burnage four for 33, H. Dalton three for 40); Southill Park II 141 for eight: (K. J. Warwick 49, A. J. Brunt 42, J. Dodson six for 47).

Mander College 62 for five (Jackson 36); Cranfield College of Aeronautics 70 for eight (R. Knight five for 12).

RAF Henlow 137, S. F. Brown's XI 77.

Riseley: 63 for seven (P. J. Wootton 20, D. Elliott 19; Homan five for 25); Rushden Co-op: 36 for seven (D. Curtis three for 12, J. Gell three for 8).

Phoenix 73 (Houson 22, Butcher 28, D. Lain three for 12, P. Bichener three for 16, T. Farrington three for 19); Swifts 77 for 3 (Bichener 37 not out, R. Smith 24 not out).

Chalgrave 139 for six dec. (F. Wray two for 28, B. Giles two for 19); Mander College 82 (Wray 26 not out).

Rushden Mission 71 (C. Clayton four for 8); Riseley 76 for seven (P. J. Wootton 51).

Queens Juniors 59 (H. French 13); Goldington Road YC 65 for six (I. R. Lees five for 19).

Bedford II v. Letchworth II.

Letchworth 141 (Mills 45; Linger one for 29, Feakes five for 53, Nethaway three for 42).

Bedford: E. C. Howard 27, B. F. Hollis 38, R. Gordon 14, B. Cain 4, J. B. Brown not out 41, D. F. Bennett not out 12, extras 6, total (for four wks.) 142.

BEDFORDSHIRE MEN IN HONOURS LIST

Wing-Comdr. Roy Hartley Crompton, RAF, only surviving son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crompton, of 24 Richmond Road, Bedford, received the OBE in the Military Division of the Royal Air Force List.

Wing-Comdr. Crompton is an Old Bedfordian (1928-39). While at the School he was captain of house cricket and house fives, and later was captain of University College cricket XI and a member of the Rugby XV at London University, which he attended for three years. He was also a member of the University Union Committee.

An all-round sportsman, Wing-Comdr. Crompton shared his father's great love of cricket, and played for Derbyshire 2nd XI for the Derbyshire League and for Bedfordshire.

During the 1939-45 war, he saw service in Africa, Egypt and India, and flew with the XIth Squadron in the Burma campaign.

Now on the staff of the Chiefs of Staff, Ministry of Defence, Wing-Comdr. Crompton graduated at the Royal Air Force Staff College, the Central Flying School, and the



Wing-Comdr. R. H. Crompton.

Joint Services' Staff College. He was posted to the Ministry of Defence with effect from Monday.

Sports Chat by Chiltern

Notable Absentees From Town Team

NOTABLE absentees from the Luton Town team for their home match with Chesham on Saturday, are the captain, Barry Robinson, John Oliver and Tom Clark while, unusually, Ken Brazier goes down into the second team.

The promising Holloway stays in the side and there is a chance for Shearn in the hope that he can improve the pace attack.

Chesham, who can include one or two Buckinghamshire players, are never an easy team to overcome and it is a pity that the Town cannot meet them at full strength.

Team.—A. W. Durlley (capt.), J. A. Muse, D. P. Rolt, P. J. Webley, G. C. Wynn, R. D. Lowings, B. N. Johnson, R. J. Barker, J. H. Gray, C. J. Holloway, R. D. Shearn.

Vernon Colling In The Second Team

WITH a long, successful spell behind them, the second team which is to visit Chesham looks a powerful combination and will include Vernon Colling, former first team opener, who has not played regularly for the club this season.

Team.—T. D. Matthews (capt.), R. J. Jeffrey, A. Golding, K. Brazier, S. Spary, P. A. Denton, H. G. Hewison, J. C. Keys, M. K. Howkins, C. V. A. Colling, B. J. Taylor.

Visiting Barton, the Strollers who have been showing improved form, will be represented by—H. C. W. Thorpe (capt.), A. Clifton, M. F. Smith, M. D. Colling, T. Collinson, R. Cox, W. P. Evans, A. Speak, R. A. Fennemore, D. M. Fleet, J. Cornwell.

Sunday XI May Be Short Of Bowling

THERE is rather a thin look about the bowling in the Sunday XI which will be at home to Harpur Sports, from Bedford, and Robinson, who returns to lead the side, will probably find himself short of effective spinners.

Team.—B. D. Robinson (capt.), K. Brazier, R. D. Lowings, B. N. Johnson, D. P. Rolt, A. Miller, B. J. Taylor, R. J. Barker, A. Golding, B. G. Satterley, A. Allin.

Ray Jeffrey will lead a young side when the Sunday II visit AC-Delco. Team.—R. J. Jeffrey (capt.), A. Clifton, M. K. Howkins, M. Lee, B. Boucher, R. Golding, P. Burns, M. F. Smith, M. Alexander, R. H. Evans, W. P. Evans.

For the Town, it was a rather frustrating week-end because they failed to achieve a victory in their three matches and were on the wrong end of the draw in two of them.

On good batting wickets, they had not the bowling resources to break through, so that Bedford made 189 while losing only five wickets.

At Wardown on Monday, with a depleted attack to face, St. Giles, Cambridge, made merry, despite the fact that Cambridge-shire batsman, Rex Gautrey, who made a century on this ground for the M.C.C. last Thursday, was dismissed cheaply.

In both these matches, the Town held on to draw, thanks to a sound innings by Durlley at Bedford and to one by Tom Clark who pulled things around after three wickets had fallen for only seven runs on Monday.

Even so, the Town were so close to defeat by St. Giles (that their last pair was together when the end came.

At Dunstable on Sunday, the batting was better with the three who played for Bedfordshire at Long Sutton, Lowings, Durlley and Robinson, contributing 83 between them of the total of 165 for six which left them only five runs behind the Dunstable score.

Luton Town v St. Giles (Cambridge)

ST. GILES: R. Gautrey 5, A. Billinghurst 34, M. Neighbour 99, I. Hale 45, C. Powell not out 41, R. Yarrow not out 12; extras 1. Total (for 4 wks dec) 217.
(I. Guest, M. Knight, H. Shepherd, B. Frazer, G. Abbs did not bat.)
Bowling: Golding 2-55, Webley 1-55, Wynn 1-61.

LUTON TOWN: D. Rolt 2, P. Webley 0, K. Brazier 4, J. Muse 9, T. Clark 56, G. Wynn 19, B. Taylor 4, J. A. R. Oliver 26, A. Golding 6, R. Barker not out 0, P. Denton not out 0; extras 10. Total (for 9 wks) 136.
Bowling: Shepherd 5-30.

Luton Town II v Bedford Town II

LUTON TOWN II: S. Spary 1, K. Brazier 8, H. Hewison 15, B. J. Taylor 39, M. Howkins 6, R. Jeffery 20, A. Golding 6, A. Clifton 11, P. Denton 16, J. Kirby not out 15, T. D. Matthews not out 17. Total (for 9 wks dec) 155.
Bowling: Netherway 3-28.

BEDFORD TOWN II: Howard 27, Hollis 30, Matthews 2, Brown 12, Bennett 6, Wooliscroft 22, Andrews 0, Dean 0, Netherway not out 9. Total (for 7 wks) 133.
Bowling: Kirby 4-35, Denton 1-16, Matthews 1-23, Golding 1-26.

Bedford Town v Luton Town

BEDFORD TOWN: A. D. Curtis 48, D. J. F. Hoare 74, N. T. Cooley 10, J. D. Heaton 24, W. Chamberlain not out 15, W. Peet 8, A. Greene not out 4; extras 6. Total (for 5 dec) 189.

P. J. Oakley, A. Ingledew, F. Breeze, R. White did not bat.
Bowling: Webley 2-59, Johnson 1-41.

LUTON TOWN: T. H. Clark 26, D. P. Rolt 11, A. W. Durlley 65, B. D. Robinson 26, J. A. Muse 2, G. C. Wynn 3, R. Shearn 1, C. Holloway not out 5, B. N. Johnson 1, P. J. Webley not out 5; extras 2. Total (for 8 wks) 147.

R. J. Barker did not bat.
Bowling: Ingledew 3-44, Breeze 2-30.

Dunstable Town Sunday v Luton Town Sunday

DUNSTABLE SUNDAY XI: M. Wyatt 14, D. Cutler 21, I. J. Brown 0, P. Feakes 6, A. Clarke 36, G. Mountjoy 16, C. Roberts 43, B. Ginniver 28, D. Smith 1, J. H. Marks 2, G. Bayliss not out 0; extras 3. Total (for 10 wks) 170.

Bowling: Webley 6-95, Oliver 4-59.
LUTON TOWN SUNDAY XI: R. D. Lowings 40, D. P. Rolt 32, A. W. Durlley 24, B. D. Robinson 19, K. Brazier 10, B. J. Taylor 29, P. J. Webley not out 4, A. Golding not out 0; extras 7. Total (for 6 wks) 165.

J. A. R. Oliver, R. J. Barker, B. N. Johnson did not bat.
Bowling: Bayliss 2-15, Brown 2-51, Smith 1-27, Roberts 1-27.

Meltis v

Luton Town Strollers

MELTIS: 80 (Smith 5-19, Fleet 4-38).

LUTON TOWN STROLLERS: C. V. A. Colling 31, M. D. Colling 13, J. J. M. Gillespie 11, J. Cornwell 7, R. A. Fennemore not out 6, M. Blackshaw not out 12; extras 1. Total (for 4 wks) 81.

D. T. Matthews, D. M. Fleet, J. Dickenson, H. C. W. Thorpe, M. F. Smith did not bat.
Bowling: O'Dell 1 for 13.

Hunting v Ickwell

ICKWELL: 176 for 8 wks dec. (Claridge 3-42, P. Thurlow 3-70).

HUNTING: T. Twadden 31, A. Large 4, I. Brocklehurst 11, F. Nelson 7, R. Norris 5, P. Thurlow 2, A. Waller 5, S. Stevens 28, H. Claridge not out 17, G. Chambers not out 19; extras 15. Total (for 8 wks) 142.

Harvey's (Blackheath) v Kent's

HARVEY'S: 67. (Shearn 5-30, S. Thurlow 5-36).

KENT'S: A. Thurlow 10, C. Holloway 0, D. Myhill 4, G. Cook 0, R. Cook 38, D. Roberts not out 13, E. Thurlow not out 4. Total (for 5 wks) 69.

R. Shearn, W. Larke, S. Thurlow, E. Roberts did not bat.

Mentmore v Nalگو

NALGO: S. J. Harvey 18, N. Worthington 18, F. Neale 34, R. Churchill 1, J. Hickman 3, J. Sharp 0, D. Head 11, B. Jenkins 14, E. Thomas not out 1, H. Scone 5, B. J. Waller 6; extras 5. Total 116.

Bowling: Conquest 6-26, Luff 4-43.
MENTMORE: F. Moore 9, B. Black 18, M. Conquest 6, M. Luff 9, R. Rickard 4, F. Conquest 1, P. Hodges 17, J. Jones 0, A. Sandy 0, B. Waller not out 0, V. Conquest 6; extras 0. Total 70.
Bowling: Waller 5-30, Neale 4-39.

Northampton Brewery v Flitwick

NORTHAMPTON BREWERY: 81. (Sinfield 8-35).

FLITWICK: R. Cook 4, E. Cooper 17, A. Summerfield 20, T. Andrews 0, P. White 17, T. Steele 10, A. Cook not out 8, A. Jones not out 1; extras 6. Total (for 6 wks) 83.

M. Hardy, M. Sinfield, B. Waller did not bat.

IN BRIEF

WOODSIDE: 50 (A. Chadwick 6-30, M. Ings 4-20). HIGHFIELD HARPENDE: 54-9 (R. Glennon 3-16, A. Watson 2-0, P. Smith 2-12, W. Champken 2-16).

Nalگو v Portland

PORTLAND: R. Smith 0, T. Clark 26, R. Baxter 6, P. Hartup 22, M. Clark 62, D. Austin 3, F. Clark 7, D. Warren 9, F. Osborne 7, I. Hartup not out 7, M. Clark not out 1; extras 8. Total (for 9 wks dec) 161.

Bowling: Neale 4-46, Harvey 4-47.
NALGO: F. Neale 8, C. Worby 34, J. K. Hughes 31, J. Hickman 1, P. Cobb 44, S. J. Harvey 14, K. J. Sharp 9, E. Thomas 0, H. Swallow not out 3, N. Worthington not out 2; extras 12. Total (for 8 wks) 158.
T. Smith did not bat.
Bowling: Warren 4-25.

Luton Town Sunday II v Dunstable Town Sunday II

LUTON TOWN II: R J Jeffery 86, R Cox 31, H Hewison 9, M Howkins 1, A Clifton 21, B Satterley not out 13, R Evans not out 3; extras 9. Total (for 5 wks dec) 172.
B Boucher, R Mumford, M Smith, I Matthews did not bat.
Bowling: Carrington 3-51, Stripp 2-48.
DUNSTABLE TOWN II: G Mills 13, J King 12, C Johnson 4, W Hammond 22, R Parrott 37, G Wilkes 17, R Smith not out 8, K Stripp not out 9; extras 8. Total (for 6 wks) 130.
A Wood, C Bird, J Carrington did not bat.
Bowling: Clifton 2-15, Smith 1-27, Boucher 1-33, Matthews 1-34.

Luton Tech. College v Luton Town Strollers

LUTON TOWN STROLLERS: R J Jeffery 22, R Cox 0, M Howkins 54, A Clifton 12, R Evans 7, J Cornwall 26, J Kirby 11, M Alexander 9, D Matthews not out 0; extras 16. Total (for 8 wks dec) 156.
M Smith, T Matthews did not bat.
LUTON TECHNICAL COLLEGE: D Fairclough 0, M D'sa 0, B Patel 0, J Taylor 1, B Taylor 2, T D'sa 0, J Leader not out 30, D Patel not out 13; extras 21. Total (for 6 wks) 67.
F Leigh, K Willis, J Mehta did not bat.
Bowling: Smith 2-4, Kirby 1-8, D Matthews 1-14.

Old Lutonians v Hexton

OLD LUTONIANS: G Taylor 18, C Willson 12, R Hill 2, C Fox 5, J Murphy 8, Hedges 14, M Bracey 3, T Hall 1, F Peters 0, W Maloy not out 19, J Adams 6; extras 5. Total 93.
Bowling: Price 6-34, Simpson 3-45.
HEXTON: R Price 22, P Parrish 10, A Craig 10, R Cale 1, D Simpkins 4, B Simpson 4, J Price 13, I Godfrey 0, G Price not out 0, J Parrish 0, R Parrish 1; extras 10. Total 75.
Bowling: Adams 7-17, Maloy 2-21.

St. Christopher School v Luton G.S.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL: G C Day 2, R Cox 46, R I. Root not out 27, J R Wittle 7, R D Mumford not out 11; extras 6. Total (for 3 wks dec) 99.
S J Coeshall, R W Spall, R A Poulter, M J Clark, J E Brown and P J Field did not bat.
ST. CHRISTOPHER'S: 76 for 8 (Clark 4-9, Field 3-19).

Dover Town v Vauxhall Mtrs.

DOVER TOWN: 285 for 6 dec (loyd 2-48, T Brown 2-72, Coles 1-64).
VAUXHALL MOTORS: J Williams 20, W Weston 10, B Weedon 41, R Claridge 0, C Saunders 34, R Lloyd 20, P Rhodes 2, H Brown 7, J Brown not out 7, R Coles 2, G Wilkin 9; extras 22. Total 171.

Ashford v Vauxhall Motors

ASHFORD: 255 for 4 dec (A Eatham 141 not out; Wilkin 3-67, Lloyd 1-50).
VAUXHALL MOTORS: J Williams 5, P Rhodes 8, B Weedon 4, R Claridge 6, C Saunders 15, W Weston 1, R Lloyd 15, H Brown 7, T Brown 0, R Coles 20, G Wilkin not out 0; extras 14. Total 95.

H. F. Scriven v Alcocks

H. F. SCRIVEN: D Munday 11, Oliver 4, Sydce 14, Shaw not out 48, Carrington 15, Day 1, R Munday 3, Sutcliffe 0, Blake 0, Tompkins not out 24; extras 12. Total (for 8 wks dec) 133.
Bowling: Howard 3-26, Bailey 2-50.
ALCOCKS: Bailey 13, Howard 26, Dellar 5, Broadhead 0, Caves 12, Delaney 19, Bridgeman 0, Beare 1, Dukens not out 0, Tompkins 0; extras 11. Total 87.
Bowling: Sutcliffe 4-21, Day 2-24, Sydce 2-24.

Flowers Breweries v Paladin

PALADIN: B Bowron 22, B Humphrey 0, B Rogers 20, B Smith 0, K Buckingham 1, D Rustrick 1, F Woodhouse 12, K Waller 9, J Hazell 5, D Paul not out 1, M Warner 1; extras 6. Total 78.
Bowling: Edwards 7-19, Ebanks 3-20.
FLOWERS: J Acott 14, A Husband 3, F Bartlett 2, R Sheppard 1, A Mayles 11, R Edwards 0, B Langon 0, B Taylor 18, R Smith 0, J Bywaters not out 0; extras 9. Total 58.
Bowling: Hazell 6-11, Rogers 3-23.

Laporte v Broadwater

LAPORTE'S: J Harris 4, R Darby 43, I Davison 3, J McKenzie 25, B Lamb 1, A Young 4, A Priestly 9, R Squires 4, K Gunn 7, H Thorneloe 8, R Mills not out 2; extras 2. Total 112.
Bowling: Buckingham 4-22.
BROADWATER: R (Davison 3-15, Lamb 3-29, Gunn 2-22).

HONOURS LIST

- BATTING**
- M Neighbour (Cambridge St. Giles) 99
 - *A Thurlow (Kent's) 91
 - R Jeffrey (Luton Town Sunday II) 86
 - G Smith (Luton St. Mary's) 81
 - R Harris (Hunting) 79
 - D Hoare (Bedford Town) ... 78
 - J Balaam (Skefko) 74
 - A Dury (Luton Town) ... 65
 - D Mooney (Rootes) 64
 - M Clark (Portland) 62
 - *E I'ons (Luton Saracens) 62
 - J Harris (Laporte) 59
 - *Pierson (Silsoe) 59
 - T H Clark (Luton Town) . 56
 - M Howkins (Luton Town Strollers) 54
 - H Thorneloe (Laporte) 52
 - *C Grant (Electrolux) 51
 - D E Pratt (Bedfordshire) ... 50
 - K Cook (Hunting) 50
- * denotes not out

- BOWLING**
- K Willis (Luton Tech Col) 9-36
 - M Sinfield (Flitwick) 8-35
 - J Adams (Old Lutonians) 7-17
 - R Edwards (Flowers Brew) 7-19
 - H Claridge (Hunting) 7-29
 - J Sharp (Kent's) 7-34
 - C Rose (Chalgrave) 7-43
 - J Hazell (Paladin) 6-11
 - T Bowen (King's Walden) 6-19
 - M J Everitt (Luton S'cens) 6-19
 - B Waller (Flitwick) 6-21
 - C Hall (Laporte) 6-24
 - F Conquest (Mentmore) ... 6-26
 - J Price (Hexton) 6-34
 - M Smith (Amphill) 6-37
 - W Bushby (Bedfordshire) 6-40
 - P J Webley (Luton T Sun) 6-95
 - G Smith (Luton St. Mary's) 5-16
 - M Hardy (Flitwick) 5-16
 - M F Smith (Luton Tn Str) 5-19
 - C Barnes (Electrolux) 5-19
 - R Shearn (Kent's) 5-30
 - B Waller (NALGO) 5-30
 - C Barnes (Electrolux) 5-33
 - S Thurlow (Kent's) 5-36
 - F Neale (NALGO) 5-39

Skefko v Luton St. Mary's

ST. MARY'S: K Moores 45, G Smith 81, D Clitheroe 36, G Thurlow not out 0; extras 7. Total (for 3 wks dec) 169.
B Groom, R Oliver, A Bland, N Hewer, G Willmott, R Phillips, B Curt did not bat.
Bowling: Hurrup 1-14, Alexander 1-34.
SKEFKO: J Champion 17, J Alexander 11, M Spavins 4, D Powell 0, R Chaney 0, J Hurrup 1, P Sweet 5, M Busby 4, F Sutherland not out 9, J McCormack 4, M Sweeting 0; extras 4. Total 59.
Bowling: Smith 5-16, Oliver 2-25.

Stopsley v Electrolux

STOPSLEY: P Beaumont 6, A Cunningham 41, T Mabbitt 9, I Kelly 8, N Bignore 9, A Teasdale 20, B Dean 40, J McKendrick 1, P Clorley 3, R Camp 0, L Clarke not out 0; extras 4. Total 141.
Bowling: Gray 4-45, Barnes 4-52, Basill 2-27.
ELECTROLUX: J Pawson 5, C Barnes not out 33, D Jeeves 11, K Palmer 21, C Grant 0, A Dosskey not out 5; extras 1. Total (for 4 wks) 76.
L Shaw, B Gray, R Holt and L Basill did not bat.
Bowling: Bismore 2-10, Dean 2-19.

Hunting II v Hazell's II

HUNTING II: Lennon 12, Bell 3, Norris 17, Osborne 11, Owen 46, Ginn 18, Large 1, Champkin 16, Jenkins 0, Bowen not out 2, Cain 6; extras 6. Total 138.
HAZELL'S II: 124 (Large 2-2, Osborne 2-27).

Chalgrave v Markyate

MARKYATE: M Mathers 11, J Hemley 8, E Fisher 4, P Brown 10, M Teag 21, F Fenn 1, J Mead 21, D Taylor 2, D Merritt 0, J Caterer not out 1, R Shury 8; extras 14. Total 101.
Bowling: C Rose 7-43, T Rose 3-25.
CHALGRAVE: M Kingham 8, R Horne 3, D Woolisroft 3, C Rose 5, C Maughan 10, T Rose 31, T Wood 9, R Moorina not out 8, G Chalmers 7, M Brinklow 0, S Wing 1; extras 5. Total 90.
Bowling: Fenn 3-11, Mead 3-20, Brown 3-26.

Kent's v Skefko

SKEFKO: J Balaam 68, G Pinches 12, G Fensom 2, J Wiley 13, B Walker 43, B Ricknauth 0, J Reavley 0, J Green not out 9, D Sutherland 6, C Edwards 0, R Irving 12; extras 6. Total 171.
Bowling: Roberts 4-9, Sharp 3-57, S Thurlow 3-64.
KENT'S: A Thurlow not out 91, D Myhill 32, F Thurlow 2, J Sharp 27, S Thurlow not out 9; extras 11. Total (for 3 wks) 172.
G Cook, W Larc, D Peck, R Cook, M Rooms, D Roberts did not bat.
Bowling: Sutherland 1-7, Walker 1-38, Ricknauth 1-39.

King's Walden v Shillington

KING'S WALDEN: G Shaw 12, J Buttoms 14, P Lee 2, J Bowen 6, C Desborough 1, H Arnold 13, B Illing 27, H Shaw 1, M Watts 3, D Swann not out 4, J Puddifoot 6; extras 3. Total 92.
Bowling: Carter 4-43, Butterworth 3-9, Clarkson 3-37.
SHILLINGTON: G Dear 33, D Waller 22, M Fiore 11, R Knight 3, G Clarkson 3, J Oliver 0, T Jeppe 0, M Butterworth 4, D Cole 1, B Jeppe not out 1; extras 10. Total 88.
Bowling: Bowen 6-19, Illing 2-9, Puddifoot 2-15.

Laporte v Dental Estimates Board

LAPORTE: J Harris 62, R Darby 2, C Hall 3, I Davison 8, A Young 0, R Squires 3, G Garwood 2, R Mills 0, H Thorneloe 52, A Cullum 0, G Goddard not out 0; extras 2. Total 134.
Bowling: Hill 6-45, Crofts 2-16.
DENTAL ESTIMATES BOARD: K Joyce 11, D Harmer 3, J Crofts 1, B Scott 1, D Godby 10, G Bristol 2, B Hill 6, D Knott 8, D Beitesworth 7, R Watts not out 0, N Martin 0; extras 1. Total 52.
Bowling: Hall 6-24, Mills 3-8, Davison 1-19.

AC-Delco v Rootes

ROOTES: D Mooney 64, B Cains 31, P Mardle 19, G Coleman 8, J Earley 0, R Weedon 2, M Peck 0, H Barnes not out 29, A Coyne 15, B Frost not out 4; extras 7. Total (for 8 wks dec) 179.
C Frost did not bat.
Bowling: Dimmock 3-44, Pitkin 2-32.
AC-DELCO: R Pitkin 2, C Sonneckstein 29, T Dimmock 42, R Cole 8, A Evans 14, F Lawton 9, D Matthews not out 7, R Welch not out 1; extras 6. Total (for 6 wks) 118.
R Higgs, H Butler, R Barratt did not bat.
Bowling: Cains 2-25, Mardle 2-31.

Mander College v Luton Tech. College

LUTON COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY: A McCall 0, T Hussey 10, Monty D'sa 8, N Wildman 14, B Patel 3, F Leigh 8, C Shobolt 0, Melvin D'sa 34, B Taylor 8, D Patel not out 1, K Willis 3; extras 10. Total 99.
MANDER COLLEGE (BEDFORD): 99 (Willis 9-36).

Hotpoint v Electrolux

HOTPOINT: 117 for 7 dec (Barnes 5-33).
ELECTROLUX: C Barnes 7, D Jeeves 21, K Palmer 18, C Grant not out 51, J Parker not out 15; extras 6. Total (for 3 wks) 118.
A Dosskey, D Cheshire, R Holt, R Clements, J Shand, L Basill did not bat.

Hunting v E.E. (Stevenage)

HUNTING: T Twigden 29, R Harris 79, K Cook 50, F Melson 5, A Large 17, P Thurlow 14, S Croft not out 8, A Claridge not out 8; extras 12. Total (6 wks dec) 216.
A Waller, D Mills, N Owen did not bat.
ENGLISH ELECTRIC: 73 (Claridge 7-29, Mills 2-27).

Stewartby v Hunting

HUNTING: T Twigden 21, R Harris 10, E Brocklehurst 19, A Large 4, R Norris 6, J Norris 23, P Thurlow 36, S Croft 11, D Franklin 2, N Owens not out 23, R Jenkins 0; extras 4. Total 159.
STEWARTBY: 120 for 8 (Jenkins 4-37).

Luton Saracens v Belenco (Northampton)

LUTON SARACENS: E Patrick 13, M Field 17, E I'ons not out 62, D Horster 1, P Flynn 10, R A Everett 10, H Jeffery 5, M J Everett 8, A Mann 0, J Pemberton not out 0; extras 10. Total (for 8 wks dec) 146.
BELENCO: 118 (M Everett 6-19, R Everett 3-67).

Flowers Breweries v Weetabix

FLOWERS: J Acott 6, B Thompson 34, D Laisy 14, D Smith 2, R Sheppard 4, R Edwards 4, J Bywaters 0, J Ebanks not out 0, A Husband 0, K Patel 4, H Smith 0; extras 5. Total 73.
BOWLING: A Penfold 6-22, McLoughlin 2-4, K Penfold 2-33.
WEETABIX: 79 for 5 (Ebanks 2-24, Edwards 2-24).

Pye Radio v Skefko

PYE RADIO: 78 (Balaam 4-15, Taylor 2-1, Irving 2-20, Walker 2-25).
SKEFKO: Balaam 29, Pinches 0, Taylor 0, Robson 1, Walker 11, Ricknauth 5, Fensome 0, Adams not out 7, Green 2, Sutherland 16, Irving not out 5; extras 6. Total (for 9 wks) 82.

Brookhirst Igranit v Rootes

IGRANIT: 182 for 7 wks dec (Cains 3-75, Mardle 2-33, Alexander 2-57).
ROOTES: D Mooney 15, P Roberts 20, P Mardle 35, M Peck 2, B Frost 18, B Cains 7, H Childerley 3, G Jones 0, M Alexander not out 15, J Earley 0, G Frost not out 0; extras 12. Total (for 9 wks) 127.

Letchworth Town II v Kent's

KENT'S: A Thurlow 20, C Holloway 9, D Myhill 3, R Shearn 21, J Sharp 4, T Goodman 2, W Larc 0, A Thomas 8, D Roberts not out 43, E Thurlay 44, S Thurlow 14; extras 15. Total 183.
LETCHWORTH II: 135 (Sharp 7-34, S Thurlow 2-30).

Skefko Sunday v Silsoe

SKEFKO SUNDAY XI: R Wilkin 34, B Ricknauth 14, P Reavley 0, M Spavins 26, M Nott 2, M Fennell 0, D Sutherland 20, R Chaney not out 5, F Sutherland 1; extras 9. Total 111.
Bowling: Pierson 4-31.
SILSOE: Basset 0, Kent 8, Mackey 22, Pierson not out 59, Reid 27, Burns not out 0; extras 1. Total (for 4 wks) 117.
Olney, Colyer, Ambridge, Pepper, Newman did not bat.
Bowling: Sutherland 2-36.

Stopsley Over 21 v Stopsley Under 21

STOPSLEY (OVER 21): R Archell 40, D Gooker 5, D Scrimshire 1, T Kelly 23, D Lawson 21, A Teasdale 26, A Gunner 17, D Burgess 2, D Smith 8, B Griffiths 0, R Camp 1; extras 5. Total (for 9 wks dec) 132.
L Clarke did not bat.
Bowling: Dean 4-40, Godden 2-35.
STOPSLEY (UNDER 21): P Beaumont 24, A Cunningham 37, T Mabbitt 23, D Brooks 17, T Bignore 2, B Dean not out 6, N Bignore not out 22; extras 2. Total (for 5 wks) 133.
F Plancherelli, J Crombie, G Godden, A Teasdale, L Clarke did not bat.
Bowling: Gunner 2-25, Camp 2-31.

Nalgo v Mentmore

MENTMORE: M Conquest 12, F Moore 0, B Crossley 7, M Luff 50, F Conquest 2, R Rickard 3, P Hodges 14, V Conquest 3, A Rickard not out 24, B Smith 12, F Kent 1; extras 8. Total 136.
Bowling: Neale 5-39, Harvey 2-19, Cains 2-47.
NALGO: P Mardle 0, C Worby 8, F Neale 22, B Cains 5, J Hickman 26, B Frost 1, S Harvey 0, S Teasdale 1, A Thomas 0, N Worthington not out 0, M Shardlow 4; extras 7. Total 76.
Bowling: Moore 3-31, Conquest 2-1, Crossley 2-29.

Electrolux v Tickford Sports

ELECTROLUX: V Blight 11, K Isaacs 14, D Jeeves 2, K Palmer 11, C Barnes 23, R Hinton 14, B Gray 4, R Holt 0, N De Souza not out 1, J Shand 0, L Basill 1; extras 3. Total 84.
TICKFORD: 60 (Barnes 5-19, Gray 2-5).

Flitwick v Amphill

AMPHILL: K Cooper 17, M Lawe 12, W Loomes 0, S Holder 8, T Carney 10, B Copperhead 0, I Owen 14, P James 46, R Tatum 0, P Smith 0, B Feazoy not out 1; extras 10. Total 118.
Bowling B Waller 6-21, G Waller 2-25.
Second Innings: 107 for 9 wks dec.
FLITWICK: E Cooper 12, G Waller 33, A Summerfield 18, P White 1, E Giggie 1, A Cook 32, M Hardy 0, B Waller 12, M Sinfield not out 0, D Harris 0, B Miller not out 0; extras 6. Total (for 9 wks dec) 116.
Bowling: Smith 6-37, Holder 3-26.
Second Innings: 110 for 8 wks.

COOLEY HITS OUT

BEDFORD Town's cricket week at The Bury has been producing some bright play. On Tuesday, Norman Cooley hit 132—his highest-ever score—finding the boundary seventeen times.

A fifteen run victory was scored by the Town on Monday against a Bedford and District League XI.

Bedford Town: A. P. Curtis 52, B. Ebbs 10, W. Chamberlain 51, N. Cooley 4, T. B. Woolliscroft 10, J. B. Brown 16, J. Dean 24, G. J. S. Tucker 4, K. Carroll 6, P. G. Woolston 1, D. J. Hammond 0, extras 13, total 191.

T. Buck 24-4-61-5, M. McCulley 13-2-2-37-5.

League XI: D. Brooks 12, D. Berrill 4, A. Bodkin 0, R. Devereux 44, M. McCulley 41, T. Buck 29, R. Thompson 0, M. Eerrill 0, K. Ashpole 14, R. Pressland not out 8, C. Berrill 10, extras 14, total 176.

K. Carroll 24-10-66-6, J. Brown 3-0-20-1, W. Chamberlain 13-2-1-35-3.

Bedford v. Northampton Saints
Northampton Saints: 259 for six dec.—T. Sills five for 76.

Bedford Town: P. J. Oakley 3, E. S. Smith 6, N. S. Cooley 132, J. B. Brown 56, T. H. K. Berry 5, J. Dean 4, M. I. Wilson 0, T. Sills 11, J. E. Nethaway not out 16, P. G. Woolston 0, R. D. Linger 0, extras 1, total 234.

Preston 126 (Raffel 34, K. Sisson five for 24), Hinxworth 133 for three (D. Schofield 40, D. Spicer not out 53).

Club record beaten

DIEMER'S openers, Fensome and De Broise, scored 174 to beat the club's opening partnership record against Unilever on Saturday.

Diemer's 182 for two dec. (De Broise 91, Fensome not out 81, Shaw two for 45), Unilever 145 for three (Alcock not out 52, Brown not out 49).

Diemer's 91 (Sallsbury 37, A. Goodman seven for 20), Marston 52 (Loft 16, Joshi five for 19, McMullen three for 19, Fensome two for 6).

Turvey 82 (R. Frost not out 44), Northampton Gulliver 85 for two (N. Burdett not out 34).

Turvey 254 for four dec. (K. Turner 110), LCC 188 (T. Liff 84).

Meltis 80 (A. Hawksworth not out 50, W. F. Smith five for 19), Luton Strollers 81 for four (C. W. A. Colling 31, T. Dawkins three for 41).

Concord 202 for seven dec. (L. Cherry 57), Meltis 189 for nine (G. Ferguson 59, A. Hawksworth 36).

Bedford Casuals 205 for nine dec. (P. Eldridge not out 79), Wheatthampstead 127 for three (D. Wright 44, C. Ryman three for 41).

Bedford Casuals 42 (D. Cousins six for 17), Granta (Cambridge) 44 for three (T. Wills three for 19).

LOST BY ONE RUN

IN spite of a last-wicket stand by F. Tester and R. Ashwell which produced 46, Blunham lost by one run to Cople in a Bedford and District League Division I match.

Premier Division

Mogerhanger v Souths

Mogerhanger: K. Reid 12, R. Rawlins 3, T. Sanderson 0, K. Proudlove 5, E. Street 4, P. Reid 2, P. Rawlins 0, R. Reid not out 4, R. Anderson 4, J. Daniels 0, W. Wilsher 0, extras 12. Total 44.—C. Hagger six for 16, R. Speed three for 8, J. Miller one for 1.

Souths: H. Roberts 8, G. Hagger 12, C. Roberts 1, J. Ramplly 2, S. Hewitt 0, R. Speed 1, J. Miller 0, H. Egerton 0, K. Darnell 7, R. Hagger 0, C. Hagger not out 0, extras 7.—Total 38.—R. Anderson five for 16, R. Rawlins four for 10.

Thurleigh v Wyboston

Thurleigh: W. Ellison 8, D. Berrill 15, K. Wagataif 4, A. Fensome 0, A. Ellison 15, J. M. Thorne 15, D. Green 20, M. Berrill not out 52, C. Berrill 12, R. Berrill 9, J. Warner not out 6, extras 8. Total (for nine wickets) 132.—G. Shaw four for 47, V. Pell four for 18.

Wyboston: W. Feet 12, J. Dakin 1, B. Cox 22, C. Folbigg 10, V. Pell 0, D. Folbigg 5, A. Evans 11, J. Hughes not out 0, G. Shaw not out 1, extras 9. Total (for seven wickets) 71.—W. Ellison two for 13, A. Fensome two for 7.

Division I

Cople v Blunham

Cople: E. Fowler 13, G. Halliday 0, J. Chambers 8, A. Hart 4, B. Hilliard 16, B. Minney 0, P. Jennings 1, D. Shingler 0, M. Chambers 0, A. Jennings not out 13, P. Eagle 1, extras 11. Total 87.—M. Winters four for 18, W. Fordham three for 28.

Blunham: W. Moore 3, R. Harding 8, G. Breed 0, K. Beane 5, J. Jeffries 5, M. Winters 11, D. Gates 0, P. Chapman 0, W. Fordham 3, P. Tester not out 38, R. Ashwell 5, extras 8. Total 86.—Shingler five for 38, Minney four for 37.

Great Barford v Staploe

Staploe: F. Saunders 5, E. Cutts 2, J. Roberts 2, M. Watts 2, P. Brittain 6, W. Scotcher 16, T. Daniels 0, B. Mills 7, A. Daniels 4, R. Mills not out 1, T. Mills 8, extras 7. Total 58.

Great Barford: I. Robinson 1, B. Pope 0, J. Gentle 1, M. Lee 7, M. Maskell 11, B. Maudlin 4, B. Usher 6, G. Usher 5, J. Keightly 4, T. Maudlin 8, D. Favell not out 2, extras 7. Total 56.

DIVISION II

Pertenhall v Keysoe

Pertenhall: P. Savage 1, R. White 5, R. Thompson 1, R. Waller 2, M. Riddis 6, V. Riddis 10, W. Pressland 12, S. Nicholson 1, J. Shelton 2, C. Milne not out 1, C. Weller 3, extras 4, total 48.—K. Woolston four for 23, D. Blair one for 14, A. Cook four for 9.

Keysoe: B. Franklin 1, A. McDougall 5, A. Cook 4, K. Woolston 8, D. Blair 3, F. Riddis 10, J. Woolston 10, J. Hall not out 7, D. Haggerwood 0, T. Hughes not out 7, extras 4, total (for 8 wickets) 55.—W. Pressland two for 22, R. White three for 11, M. Riddis one for 4, R. Thompson two for 10.

DIVISION III

Wrestlingworth v Gt. Staughton

Gt. Staughton: R. Holmes 0, D. Fensome 0, W. Pell 5, A. Dawson 1, K. Dawson 0, D. Arnold 0, T. Male 23, D. Arnold 3, L. Newman 14, B. Fensome 8, W. Bass not out 0, extras 3, total 59.—E. Huckle five for 19, B. Williams four for 26, J. Hutchinson one for 5.

Wrestlingworth: R. Redmond 5, M. Dennis 5, M. Deeble 7, T. Hutchinson 0, J. Hutchinson 0, E. Huckle 17, B. Williams 2, M. Jevies 9, R. Wilsher 6, W. Daisley 2, J. Bonfield not out 0, extras 5, total 56.—L. Newman five for 16, W. Bass two for 7, W. Pell two for 4.

Little Paxton 111, Thurleigh II 59 for 8 wickets.

DIVISION IV

Cople II v Blunham II

Cople: P. Robinson 9, B. Chambers 2, J. Newbury 0, R. Bartram 1, E. Hull 2, A. Thacker 10, A. Corn 22, J. Norman 12, G. Minney 0, D. Werrall 0, R. Hull not out 4, extras 3, total 65.—W. Page six for 20, P. Mitchell three for 17.

Blunham: J. Wakefield 5, W. Page 1, P. Mitchell 1, J. Baldwin 4, T. Baldwin 7, T. Page 12, B. Partridge 15, P. Fordham 1, D. Joyce 21, R. Wakefield 2, R. Tokens not out 0, extras 8, total 75.—Robinson five for 21, Hull three for 24.

HOSPITAL CUP

Harpur 96 for four (B. Ebbs 28, R. King 24); Sharnbrook 79 for six.

Harpur now visit Stagsden. Goldington Sports 64 for eight (V. Stapleton 27, B. Peters four for 28); Argus 65 for eight (R. Frossell 21, Lanch three for 20, C. Clark four for 18).

SPORTS DIARY

Cricket

TODAY (FRIDAY)

Bedford Town v Bedfordshire Constabulary (2.15 p.m.).

TOMORROW (SATURDAY)

Aylesbury Town v Bedford Town.
Bedford Town II v Aylesbury II.
George Kent v Bedford Ramblers.
Harpur v Peterborough Road.
Haldock v Harpur II.
Kimbilton School v Bedford Modern School.
Queens Works v Ickleford.
Queens Works II v Sharnbrook.
Bedford North End v Crayke.
Brotherhoods v Diemer and Henshaws.
Sharnbrook II v Rushden Mission.
Goldington v Turvey Park.
Letchworth Tabulator v Henlow.
Henlow II v Blechley.
Buckleswade II v Hinxworth and Edworth.
Southill Park v Buckingham.
Godmanchester v Southill Park II.
Kempston v Kempston Ramblers.
Hobkirk's v Bedford Atlas.
Soulbury v Wourn.
Higham Pipers v Amptill Town.
Amptill "A" v Elstow.
Eaton Socon v Biggleswade.
Sandy v Ickwell.
Caldecote v Langford.
Langford II v Smart and Brown.
Hiselby v Luton Works.
Olney v Brookhirst Granite.
Brookhirst Granite II v Kempston Methodists.

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

Clapham v Thurleigh.
Stagsden v Mogerhanger.
Wyboston v Little Staughton.

Division I

Stevington v Dean.
Staploe v Blunham.
Marston v Cople.

Division II

Felmersham v Kempston Wood End.
Renhold v Oakley.

Division III

Little Staughton II v Little Paxton.
Great Staughton v Wilden.

Division IV

Tempsford v Caldecote.
Little Barford v Renhold II.
Cople II v Great Barford II.

SUNDAY

Hitchin v Bedford Town.
Bedford Town II v Hitchin II.
Luton Town v Harpur.
Queens Works v Raunds.
ICI (Welwyn) v Bedford North End.
Odhams v Diemer and Reynolds.
Wellingborough v Sharnbrook.
Turvey Park v Kempston Ramblers.
Letchworth v Henlow (11.30 a.m.).
Watton-at-Stone v Hinxworth and Edworth.
Crayke v Rodexon.
Southill Park v British Tinker.
Papworth v Southill Park II.
Bedford Phoenix v Hoapitals.
Wourn v BRS.
Roade v Eversholt.
Amptill Town v Olney.
Biggleswade v Letchworth Strollers.
Vauxhall Motors Extra XI v Shefford.
Brookhirst Granite v Luton Old Boys.

TUESDAY

Bedford School v MCC.
Past Office v Bedford School III.
Bedford Athletic v Sidney Press.

WEDNESDAY

Cambridgeshire v Bedfordshire (at Wisbech).
Bedford Argus v Amptill Town.
Riseley v Cyril Norris.

THURSDAY

Cambridgeshire v Bedfordshire (second round).
Bedford Thursday v NCI (Cambridge).

To break losing run v. Harpur?

What is wrong with Bedford Town Cricket Club this season? After half a dozen matches they still have not managed one victory.

Wins, of course, are not everything, but there does seem reason to believe that the club spirit could be improved along with the fielding which has not been so sharp as that of opponents.

On paper there seems no lack of talent: that talent must be drawn out, and no occasion could be more fitting than tomorrow when the club hold President's Day, playing Harpur.

Here are the teams:—

Town: F. K. Breeze (capt.), D. J. F. Hoare, W. Chamberlain, P. J. Oakley, N. S. Cooley, A. Ingledeu, J. D. Heaton, R. White, A. Greene, W. Peet, B. Ebbs.

Harpur: R. Webster (capt.), A. Webster, R. King, E. Middleton, J. Newman, B. Stapleton, K. Williams, B. Cornell, S. Smith, M. Ransome, P. Gilbert.

The new cricket scoreboard will be officially opened and used for the first time.

On Sunday, several former and current members of the Bedfordshire XI, will be included in the President of Kempston Ramblers side to play the Ramblers in Addison Howard Park, start 2.30 p.m.

Next Thursday, June 28, Bedford Town will oppose an East Beds. XI in a charity game on Ickwell Green (6.30 p.m.).

BRIEFLY

FEATURE of Diemer's 83-run victory at Watford on Sunday over Odhams was a seventh wicket partnership of 120 by Binstead and Malloes.

Diemer's 195 for seven (Binstead 65 not out, Malloes 54, Lovatt 34, Lodwick six for 50); Odhams 112 (Fensome three for 15, Binstead three for 28, Joshi three for 42).

Diemer's 124 for six (Brian Ebbs 58 not out, Buttrum three for 20, Conway two for 20); Sidney Press 100 for five (Conway 45 not out, Parker 23 not out, Farrington three for 16).

R.A.F. Henlow 179 for seven dec. (Bates 50, Young four for 33); Bedford West Indians 163 for six (Lee 42, Charles 34, Williams 32, Irwin five for 53).

J. Cornely had a hat trick in his six for 15 for Igranic against Olney.

Igranic 71 (A. Howe 23); Olney 99 (J. Riddy 24, P. Bebbington 20).

Riseley 129 for seven dec. (R. Gell 72 not out, G. Everest three for 24); Lynton Works 118 (R. Albery 40, E. Head 24, D. Curtis four for 36, A. Goodson three for 36).

Sound Engineering 57 (Fowler 12, Denton 13, C. Clayton four for 9); Riseley 67 for nine (R. Gell 17, D. Elliott 14, Fowler five for 15).

Potton 160 (Jakes 53, McGuigan eight for 37); R.A.F. Henlow 107 (Munns four for 8, Standen two for 11).

Ball flew alarmingly SHOTS WERE IMPOSSIBLE

VISITING Aylesbury, Bedford again lost the toss—a blessing perhaps in the circumstances. The ball flew alarmingly and shots were impossible except for an occasional hook.

The home batsmen showed an experienced technique against the flying missile no doubt accustomed to the pitch and its ways. Nevertheless, the Bedford quick bowlers failed completely to use the wicket, bowling far too short for the sheer delight of making the ball fly.

Aylesbury scored 179 for seven before declaring—a commendable achievement on this wicket!

Bedford, against a less powerful attack, were soon in trouble four wickets falling for only 15 runs due in part to two fine catches dismissing Hoare and Peet.

Bill Chamberlain, however, batting at number 5, showed fine application and with

bowlers Bushby and Oakley batting splendidly, Bedford played out for a draw.

AYLESBURY TOWN

C. Evered	b White	43
F. Routledge	c Cooley b Oakley	25
G. Saunders	not out	47
P. Hurst	c Oakley b Ingledeu	21
J. Breesby	b Oakley	17
J. Favager	st Cooley b Oakley	0
R. Smith	run out	2
G. Gilkes	c Hoare b Oakley	0
P. Swan	not out	17
Extras		7

Total (for 7 wks. dec.) 179
R. Warner and F. Blair did not bat.
Bowling: W. Bushby 8-2-20, F. Breeze 9-4-20, A. Ingledeu 17-1-55-15, R. White 6-0-20-1, P. Oakley 11-0-43-4.

BEDFORD TOWN

B. Ebbs	c Warner b Favager	3
D. Hoare	c Hurst b Favager	8
N. Cooley	b Blair	0
W. Peet	c and b Favager	4
W. Chamberlain	c Warner b Swan	35
A. Greene	c and b Saunders	13
W. Bushby	b Blair	29
P. Oakley	not out	27
A. Ingledeu	not out	2
Extras		2

Total (for 7 wks.) 126
F. Breeze and R. White did not bat.
Bowling: Blair 15-4-45-2, Favager 2-2-1-3, Swan 11-1-2-1, Saunders 6-0-20-1, Bushby 2-0-11-0, Routledge 2-0-10-0.

League scoreboard

Premier division

Stagsden v. Mogerhanger
Mogerhanger: J. Saunderson 13, K. Proudlove 1, T. Street 3, Wilsheer 0, S. Daniels 1, R. Anderson 14, F. Reid 0, P. Rawlins 4, K. Reid 1, R. Reid not out 2, R. Rawlins 3, extras 9, total 51.

Stagsden v. Brooks
K. Brooks 11, T. Brooks 9, W. Waterman 2, A. Hodkin 8, R. French 6, P. Archer not out 21, G. Newman 1, extras 11, total (for 6 wks.) 58.

Clapham v. Thurlishigh
Thurlishigh: D. Berrill 23, W. Ellison 1, K. Wagstaff 2, A. Fensome 4, B. Ellison 0, D. Green 5, J. Thorne 3, J. Warner not out 29, M. Berrill 7, R. Berrill 2, C. Berrill 10, extras 5, total 77.—T.

Buck five for 37, M. McCulley three for 15, H. Kent two for 13.

Clapham: H. Devereux 13, A. Ward 2, A. Cottingham 2, T. Buck 4, M. McCulley 13, B. Stay 3, A. Henman 0, R. Pickering 1, T. Jones not out 4, M. Pass 10, H. Kent 6, extras 4, total 62.
—C. Berrill seven for 52, M. Berrill two for 22.

Division I

Staploe v. Blunham

Staploe: F. Saunders 58, F. Cutts 0, J. Roberts 0, M. Watts 3, P. Brittain 10, W. Scotcher 18, T. Daniels 0, B. Mills 18, R. Daniels 12, R. Mills not out 6, T. Mills 0, extras 5, total 130.
—W. Fordham three for 17, F. Tester five for 47, D. Gates one for 16, P. Chapman one for 0.

Blunham:—R. Harding 19, P. Desborough 0, D. Moore 18, K. Beany 21, D. Brooks 1, M. Winters 30, L. Jeteries 0, F. Tester not out 41, D. Gates not out 3, extras 18, total (for seven wks.) 143.—Saunders three for 25, Brittain one for 14, Watts two for 5.

Division II

Renhold v. Oakley

Renhold: K. Rabbitt 10, H. Harlow 30, F. Brockett 0, A. Duncombe 9, H. Rawkins 16, J. Norman 1, W. Harlow 9, K. Edwards 0, G. Harlow not out 17, A. King 7, T. Constant 3, extras 6, total 109.—B. Everest three for 35, A. Keech three for 21, R. G. Hulatt three for 21.

Oakley: J. Briggs 26, B. Worker 6, J. Saunders 4, C. Bird 11, R. Saunders 6, A. Keech 0, K. Brown 0, P. Bird 15, R. Hulatt 1, B. Everest not out 14, Roy Hulatt 13, extras 4, total 98.—W. Harlow five for 22, A. King three for 37.

Division IV

Great Barford II v. Cople II

Gt. Barford: D. Usher 19, D. Probert 1, G. Usher 2, D. Thomas 0, S. Lee 6, D. Favell 1, L. Gentle 4, L. Williams 0, E. Payne not out 8, R. Bundy 2, A. Mavhew 1, extras 5, total 49.—R. Hull five for 19, P. Robinson five for 25.
—Cople: P. Robinson 15, B. Cambera 37, A. Corn 24, B. Yerrill 15, J. Newbury 9, R. Bartram 0, P. Eagle not out 2, A. Thacker not out 14, extras 18, total (for six wks.) 150.—A. Lee three for 16.

Cryselco in last eight

CRYSELCO reached the last eight in the Bedford Hospital Cup competition when they beat Bedford Argus on Tuesday.

Next opponents are Kimbolton, who they met at the same stage of last season's competition, Kimbolton winning by one run!

Scores: Argus 99 for 4; Cryselco 102 for 4 (J. Hutchings not out 31).

Draw for the remaining rounds has resulted as follows:

QUARTER FINALS

(Between June 25 and July 7)

- (A) Cryselco v. Kimbolton.
- (B) Ickwell "A" v. Sandy or Shire Hall or St. Neots or Igranic.
- (C) Stagsden or Harpur "A" v. West Indians or North End.
- (D) Potton or Southoe v. Kempston Ramblers or Pavenham.

SEMI-FINALS

- Winners of A v. Winners of C. (Bedford Park July 10)
- Winners of B v. Winners of D. (Bedford Park July 12)

FINAL

Bedford Park July 19

Could not force a decision

After declaring with 224 for four, the runs being scored in quick time, Bedford Modern School were unable to force a result against Queen Elizabeth's School, Barnet, whose run rate was kept in check by some accurate bowling. At the close, Queen Elizabeth's were 178 for five.

BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL

A. D. Curtis c Dickman b Tarry	50
G. Butt b White	34
I. R. Smith lbw b Tarry	8
R. B. H. Dyer-Smith c and b Plumb	47
E. M. Cooper not out	36
P. J. Bunyan not out	37
Extras	12
Total (for four wks. dec.)	224

Bowling: Aldons 17-2-57-0, White 12-0-42-1, Sherlock 14-0-41-0, Tarry 17-3-43-2, Plumb 4-0-29-1.

QUEEN ELIZABETH BARNET

R. W. Newton c Dyer-Smith b Edge	102
J. P. Keeley b Edge	0
C. D. N. Dickman lbw b Ildge	14
J. D. Holloway b Edge	30
R. T. Plumb not out	30
R. F. Aldons c Dyer-Smith b Edge	0
M. A. Wornald not out	0
Extras	2
Total (for five wks.)	178

Bowling: Edge 19-3-36-5, Dyer-Smith 15-3-52-0, Collinson 10-0-35-0, Mal-lows 8-0-28-0, Nevitte 4-0-14-0.

Bedford pair in fifth century partnership

IN their fifth consecutive century partnership, David Hoare and Bill Chamberlain, Bedford Town's openers, both obtained fifties in the Sunday game at the Bury against Cambridge Travellers.

Bedford declared with 214 for three, N. Cooley also completing a half century.

Cambridge made a valiant bid for victory being only ten runs short of their target at the close.

Bedford: D. Hoare 57, W. Chamberlain 52, N. Cooley 66 not out, D. Heaton 15, B. Peet 18 not out, extras 6, total (for three wks. dec.) 214.

Cambridge Travellers: 205 for six (D. Heaton two for 40, B. Peet two for 29).

EIGHT FOR 58

Stewartby's seventeen-year-old R. Holden claimed the last seven Prestwood wickets at a personal cost of only 31 runs. He finished with a match analysis of eight for 58.

Stewartby were set to score 161 to win and at 80 for four were behind the clock. J. Tayles (40) indulged in some big hitting and R. Lowe remained unbeaten with a chanceless 78 when the winning run was obtained.

Prestwood: 160.
Stewartby: A. Stevens 17, D. Pratt 0, R. Lowe not out 78, R. Massey 1, G. Marshall 4, J. Tayles 40, R. Nicholls 5, T. Brightman not out 4, extras 14, total (for six wks.) 163.

Bedford Town (home to Mill Hill): F. Breeze, D. Hoare, W. Chamberlain, W. Bushby, A. Ingledew, P. Oakley, J. D. Heaton, W. Peet, N. Cooley, B. Hollis, D. T. Matthews.

Dismissed seven

From 133 for three, Halleybury slumped to 199 against Bedford School, D. E. Lock clean bowled five to take seven for 66.

Bedford School got the runs with three wickets in hand, C. D. Gilmour hitting 83.

HAILEYBURY

M. R. Durden-Smith c Spray b Lock	55
J. A. P. Barker b Lock	9
H. F. A. Marriott c Caistor b Lee	4
M. A. Freedman b Lock	48
G. J. Widows b Lock	3
C. I. H. Lancaster b Lock	7
M. P. Norgate b Lock	4
C. H. A. Hawker c Mellor b Lock	20
R. F. Took b Pearson	8
D. Barua c Lock b Pearson	12
C. J. T. Pickford not out	8
Extras	19
Total	199

BEDFORD

P. Mellor c Took b Barua	1
P. H. Spray c Took b Barua	28
C. D. Gilmour c Hawker b Freedman	83
Tutt b Hawker	5
J. A. Pearson at Took b Norgate	36
R. A. Lee b Norgate	25
Postle not out	12
Caistor at Took b Norgate	9
Griffiths not out	9
Extras	7
Total (for seven wks.)	200

FIRST LEAGUE DEFEAT

MARSTON suffered their first Bedford League defeat last Saturday when they gave a poor batting display in their Division One game against Blunham.

They were all out for 44, only one batsman, P. Hale (13) reaching double figures. For Blunham, F. Tester took five wickets for 11 runs.

Blunham scored 87 in spite of some fine bowling by F. Loft (seven for 48).

Great Barford lost at home to Cople in a two-innings game in which M. Maskell captured eleven wickets at a cost of 48 runs.

In Division II, Pertenhall beat Felmersham in another two innings game after Felmersham had led on the first innings by five runs. Felmersham's last wicket fell in the final over.

PREMIER DIVISION

Thurleigh	P	W	d	l	pts
Woboston	5	3	1	1	7
Clepham	6	3	1	2	7
Little Staughton	5	3	0	2	6
Stageden	6	3	0	3	6
Mogerhanger	5	2	0	3	4
Southoe	5	1	0	4	3

Breeze 0, B. Cope 7, M. Maskell 0, J. Keightley 5, P. Usher 0, E. Payne 2, J. Brown-ing 1, T. Mardlin not out 0, extras 3, total 34.

Cople: B. Cambers 0, G. Hal-liday 1, D. Shingler 19, B. Hill-yard 0, A. Hart 0, J. Cambers 5, B. Minney 1, P. Jennings 1, M. Cambers 2, A. Jennings 3, P. Eagle not out 0, extras 2, total 34.

Second innings: Great Barford 51, Cople 57 for nine.

Marston v. Blunham

Blunham: R. Harding 25, D. Moore 23, K. Beane 0, E. Clarke 0, P. Desborough 0, W. Page 22, F. Tester 2, D. Gates 4, B. Partridge not out 1, I. Jeffries 0, W. Fordham 5, extras 5, total 87.—Loft seven for 48, White two for 2.

Marston: A. Knight 0, A. Bunker 3, Alan Bunker 9, C. White 0, K. Lilley 0, F. Loft 0, P. Hale 13, D. Faulkner 1, M. Ellis 4, G. Denton not out 2, F. Trussell 2, extras 10, total 44.—Tester five for 11, Fordham three for 17, Gates two for 6.

DIVISION II

Felmersham v. Pertenhall

Pertenhall: P. Savage 3, R. White 1, R. Waller 4, D. Bull 0, H. Short 0, R. Thompson 4, V. Roddis 4, R. Short 8, S. Nicholson 1, E. Williams 5, W. Presland not out 12, extras 1, total 43.—D. Barker seven for 18.

Felmersham: T. Longstaff 2, B. Cockings (sen.) 2, K. Cockings 4, D. Barker 0, B. Cockings (Jnr.) 10, P. Lawson 18, T. Constant 0, A. Hill 1, H. Lawson 3, P. Cobb not out 0, extras 3, total 48.—R. Short three for 16, W. Presland three for 17.

Second innings: Pertenhall 55 for seven dec., Felmersham: 39.

Renhold	P	W	d	l	pts
Oakley	6	6	0	0	12
Kempston Wood End	5	2	0	2	6
Felmersham	5	2	0	3	4
Keysoe	5	2	0	3	4
Pertenhall	5	0	0	3	4
North Crawley	5	0	1	3	1

DIVISION III

Great Staughton	P	W	d	l	pts
Wilden	6	5	0	1	10
Roxton	5	3	0	2	6
Little Staughton	5	1	2	2	4
Renhold II	5	2	0	3	4
Thurleigh II	4	1	1	2	3
Wrestlingworth	6	1	1	2	3

DIVISION IV

Cople II v. Tempsford

Tempsford: C. Hicks 14, R. Fuller 5, T. Ingram 12, G. Taylor 8, M. Bettes 3, J. Wildman 0, R. Jones 3, D. Eaton 2, J. White 4, C. Beaumont 0, R. Burnage not out 0, extras 8, total 59.—R. Hull four for 18, P. Robinson three for 23, A. Thacker one for 10.

Cople: P. Robinson 14, J. Newbury 5, A. Corn 1, G. Minney 2, E. Hull 26, A. Thacker 0, B. Yerrill 0, I. Norman 0, C. Thacker 6, R. Hull 7, A. Worrall not out 2, extras 6, total 69.—C. Hicks five for 25, R. Burnage three for 23, C. Beaumont two for 14.

Blunham II	P	W	d	l	pts
Tempsford	6	4	0	2	8
Caldecote	6	3	1	2	7
Cople II	5	3	0	2	6
Renhold II	5	3	0	2	6
Sharnbrook	4	1	1	2	3
Great Barford II	6	0	1	3	0

HAD THEIR REVENGE IN HOSPITAL CUP GAME

ICKWELL, considered by many East Bedfordshire enthusiasts to be warm favourites to lift the Hospital Cup this year, were beaten in a quarter-final tie by St. Neots on Wednesday.

Forty-eight hours previously, Ickwell had beaten St. Neots in the quarter-final of the St. Neots Carnival cricket tournament, Ickwell scoring 103, St. Neots 69.

On Wednesday, Ickwell put on 120 for the loss of nine wickets, K. Ballard hitting 39, R. Humphries 32. St. Neots replied with 124 for three, D. Fordham (57) and C. Drew (46 not out) scoring freely all round the wicket.

The same evening, Potton disposed of Kempston Ramblers. Potton scored 76 for five; the Ramblers 75 for eight.

In the semi-finals Crayseco will meet, on Tuesday, North End or Harpur (they were playing off their tie last night), and Potton will oppose St. Neots on Thursday. Both games will be in Bedford Park.

The final will be played the following Thursday, July 19.

DROPPED TOO MANY CATCHES

On a dull day at Watford on Wednesday, Luton Sartoris opened the batting on a sporting wicket against Watford Unity. The first wicket fell when Dossy was bowled by Boyce for 0, and Weekes was quick to follow, making Sartoris 3 for 2.

Booth then went in, and was in great form, hitting five fours in his score of 21 before being trapped l.b.w. When Hall was then run out, Sartoris were in trouble. Boyce was the man responsible for the calamity, and he continued bowling extremely well to finish up with 6 for 18 in 13 overs, plus six maidens. Sartoris were all out for a meagre score of 70.

The Luton side managed to get two Watford wickets down before tea, but after the interval Buttle, the mainstay of the side, was dropped twice, and this gave the game to Watford.

Sartoris dropped three catches in all, and this is something which they could hardly afford to do in view of their own low score. If these catches had been held, it would have been a close finish. As it was, Watford won with four wickets in hand.

LUTON SARTORIS: B Henley 11, A Dossy 0, B Weekes 1, N Booth 21, J Hall 11, P Burgess 4, P Caswell 9, A Tripp 2, P Garrett 4, W Roe 4, B Anstee not out 0; extras 5. Total 70.

Bowling: Boyce 6-18, Green 3-21.

WATFORD UNITY: Smith 1, Davies 5, Buttle not out 40, Case 4, Green 18, Johnson 0, Scott 0, Nott not out 1; extras 2. Total (for 6 wks) 71.

Southeron, Brock, Boyce did not bat. Bowling: W Roe 2-44, A Dossy 4-25.

VAUXHALL EXTRA III v SCRIVENS

VAUXHALL EXTRA III: G Oliver 8, D Munday 4, R Allum 6, I Shaw not out 67, P Carrigan 1, D Sydee 24, M Everitt not out 20; extras 6. Total (for 5 wks dec) 136.

C Sutcliffe, P Blake, B Goodman, E Tomkins did not bat. Bowling: P Hopwood 2-47, A Tomkins 2-36, R Green 1-28.

SCRIVENS: G Smith 18, B Garnham 0, B Essam 20, A Tomkins 21, R Hare 4, J Geddes 18, R Browning 1, P Hopwood not out 16, G Reilly not out 0; extras 7. Total (for 7 wks) 116.

R Green, B Lord did not bat. Bowling: D Sydee 5-36, M Everitt 1-39, C Sutcliffe 1-36.

BARTON v SARACENS

SARACENS: E Fons 1, J Anderson 6, D Horsler 12, P Flynn 0, M Field 0, H Jeffery 4, J Davis 2, P Rogan 3, R Everitt 4, A Mann not out 6, J Pemberton 3; extras 0. Total 41. Bowling: G West 5-17, I Short 3-18, Nicholls 2-2.

BARTON: C Stapleton 3, M Horsler 0, M Harris 19, R Howe 0, T West 1, W Horsler 0, F Godfrey not out 7, J Chance not out 3; extras 9. Total (for 6 wks) 42.

B Nicholls, I Short, G West did not bat. Bowling: P Rogan 6-10.

Youth Cricket Association

UNDER 17 DIVISION

Dynamos, 84 all out, beat A.T.C., 11 all out, by 73 runs; Limbury, 102 all out, beat Sundon Y.C. 48 all out, by 54 runs; Pioneer, 116 for 3, beat 10th Luton B.B., 60 all out, by 56 runs; Vauxhall, 58 for 7, beat Pioneer, 37 all out, by 21 runs; Limbury 98 for 7, beat A.T.C., 45 all out, by 53 runs.

Reminder to club secretaries to forward result sheets to Mr. M. Bailey, 29, Thirlstone-road, Luton.

Outstanding performances—Batting: King (10th B.B.) 54; Waite (Pioneer) 49; Stevens (Limbury) 36 (v Sundon); Birch (Pioneer) 32 n.o.; Stevens (Limbury) 25 n.o. (v A.T.C.). Bowling: Roberts (Limbury) 5-17; Tomkins (Vauxhall) 5-20; Fowler (Pioneer) 5-39; Winch (A.T.C.) 5-40.

UNDER 17 DIVISION

	P	W	L	T	P
Stockwood Park	7	7	0	0	14
Limbury	7	6	1	0	12
Pioneer	8	5	3	0	10
Vauxhall	7	5	2	0	10
Biscot B.C.	6	3	3	0	6
Dynamos B.C.	6	3	3	0	6
Sundon Y.C.	7	2	4	1	5
21st Luton B.B.	6	1	4	1	3
A.T.C.	6	0	6	0	0
10th Luton B.B.	6	0	6	0	0

Fixtures for week commencing July 9.—Tuesday: A.T.C. v 10th Luton B.B. at Stockwood Park.

Wednesday, Cup Semi-finals: Biscot B.C. v 21st B.B. or Dynamo B.C., at Stockwood Park.

Friday: Stockwood v Limbury or 10th B.B., at Chaul End-lane.

LUTON CO-OP v WESTMINSTER BANK

WESTMINSTER BANK: J Gray 3, R Holloway 0, A Philpot 8, C Dean 36, G Musk 8, D Watson 0, M Young 0, T Turrell not out 4, G Wheatley 0, J Syme not out 0; extras 17. Total (for 8 wks dec) 76.

B Boniface did not bat. Bowling: J Kempson 3-19, R Darby 3-19, C Chapman 1-4.

LUTON CO-OP: W Munday 7, B Henley 22, J Kempson 12, P Burgess 6, I Gregory 0, D Smith 11, C Chapman 10, R Sherlock not out 5, P Bliss 0, R Darby not out 0; extras 6. Total (for 8 wks) 79.

J Ellis did not bat. Bowling: B Boniface 1-26, D Watson 1-15, T Turrell 2-23, J Gray 4-9.

HARPUR AGAIN FOR SIXTH TIME

Friendlies

LAST-BALL VICTORY

Northants Strollers had little answer to the impeccable fielding and bowling of Stewartby, and required 51 overs to score 82 runs. This left Stewartby with 69 minutes to score 83 to win.

Stewartby started cautiously and were well behind the clock until Arthur Webb (44) and Terry Brightman came together at 49 for five.

Together, they gradually drove Stewartby nearer their target until they were two short with one over to come.

With one ball to go, Stewartby still needed one run to win. Brightman duly obliged with a comfortable two.

Northants Strollers: 82.—Brightman three for 19, Tayles one for 23, Stevens four for 26, Holden one for 8.

Stewartby: A. Stevens 2, D. Pratt 11, A. Webb not out 44, R. Nicholls 2, G. Marshall 0, J. Tayles 6, T. Brightman not out 19, total (for five wks.) 84.

Kempston Ramblers v. Shefford

Kempston Ramblers: C. Whitworth 3, M. White not out 15, A. Caves 5, A. Davis not out 4, extras 2, total (for two wks.) 29.

Shefford: J. Endersby 7, J. Guthrie 2, J. Medlock 0, C. Rockall 0, D. Endersby 4, A. Corbyn 0, M. Barrett 1, G. Johns 0, P. Taylor 0, D. Patterson 8, G. Patterson not out 1, extras 3, total 26.—T. Rich seven for 7, P. Haynes three for 14.

Smart and Brown v. Goldington Sports

Smart and Brown: 133 for five dec. (Newton five for 33).

Goldington Sports: A. Single 14, R. Gilliat 32, V. Stapleton 16, D. Newton not out 14, J. Parsons 3, R. Ford 1, C. Whiting 0, D. Mears not out 2, extras 8, total (for 6 wks.) 90.

Hospitals C.C.: 110 (Nicholson four for 25), Diemer's 70 (De Broise 28, Salisbury 23, Griffiths four for 6, Fisher three for 13).

LUTON v. TOWN

Bedford Town play the return match with Luton Town tomorrow: the game at the Bury was drawn. Teams:

Bedford: F. K. Breeze, D. Hoare, W. Chamberlain, N. Cooley, P. J. Oakley, A. Ingledeu, W. Bushby, B. Ebbs, B. F. Hollis, S. T. Morris, D. T. Matthews.

Luton: B. D. Robinson, A. W. Durley, J. A. R. Oliver, T. H. Clark, K. Brazier, J. A. Muse, B. N. Johnson, R. D. Lowings, R. J. Barker, P. J. Webley, A. Miller.

A BRIGHT half century partnership by B. Ebbs and B. Stapleton helped Harpur to victory over Potton in the Hospital Cup final, which attracted 2,000 people to Bedford Park last night. Harpur have thus lifted the trophy six times.

E. Middleton sent Harpur off to a crashing start by smashing Evans's second delivery to the boundary. But afterwards, runs came slowly—only 14 after five overs.

Cran struck in the ninth when he had Middleton leg before with Harpur's score at 32. In his next over, he sent back Webster (35 for two).

The batsmen continued to struggle for runs, the 50 going up in the fifteenth over when Cran clean bowled Williams, who had dashed from the County game at Luton.

This brought Stapleton and Ebbs together and they pushed the score along at a much quicker rate. They put on 50 before Ebbs (27) was caught by Munns in the 22nd over.

Needing five runs an over to win Potton were ahead of their target after four overs, having 26 on the board.

Jakes and Munns, who both

hit Ransom for four in the first over, indulged in some quick running between the wickets.

But Potton had two shocks in the fifth over. A well-taken catch by Williams off Ransom's first ball had Jakes (13) back in the pavilion, and off the fifth ball Page steered a catch to the bowler.

Standen was clean bowled by Gilbert in the next over, at the end of which Potton were 30 for three.

Then they lost Munns (14) off the very first ball of the following over, and Kitchener went in the eighth over (35 for five).

After 12 overs Potton had 52 on the board. Could Hutchinson and Chinn turn the tide?

Runs came at a more reasonable rate but the partnership—which had yielded 30—was broken in the 16th over when Hutchinson (23) was run out attempting a risky second run.

FLEW TO MATCH

Potton's captain, Jack Hutchinson, and Douglas Page flew home from Jersey, where they are holidaymaking.

HARPUR

E. Middleton	b	Cran	19
R. Webster	b	Cran	9
R. King	c	b. Cran	4
B. Stapleton	run out		36
K. Williams	b	Cran	8
B. J. Ebbs	c	Munns	27
A. Norcott	b	Standen	2
A. Webster	not out		1
Extras			15

Total (for 7 wks.) 119

A. Gilbert, M. Ransom, and B. Corbell did not bat.

Bowling: T. Cran 12-1-53-4, K. Standen 9-0-34-2, C. Munns 3-0-19-0.

POTTON

H. Jakes	c	Williams	b	Ransom	13
C. Munns	c	King	b	Ransom	14
D. Page	c	and	b	Ransom	0
K. Standen	b	Gilbert			1
T. B. Kitchener	b	Gilbert			2
P. Hutchinson	run out				23
B. Chinn	run out				18
T. Cran	c	Williams	b	Ransom	3
N. Westhorpe	c	Gilbert	b	Ransom	3
G. Gray	b	Gilbert			4
J. Hutchinson	not out				2
Extras					6

Total 89

Bowling: M. Ransom 11-1-34-5, P. Gilbert 10-2-0-49-3.

FOUR FOR 10 IN 11 OVERS

In the Bedford and District League, Premier Division game between Wyboston and Stagsden, R. French sent down 11 overs seven of which were maidens and captured four Wyboston wickets at a personal cost of only 10 runs.

PREMIER DIVISION

Wyboston v. Stagsden

Stagsden: J. Brooks 19, W. Waterman 13, J. Willmott 2, R. French 0, T. Brooks not out 41, A. Bodkin 18, P. Archer 8, J. Alder 3, J. Flute 1, extras 1, total (for eight wks.) 106.—Shaw four for 47.

Wyboston: C. Folbigg 6, W. Peet 21, B. Cox 12, D. Hughes 0, A. Usher 5, G. Shaw 4, A. Evans 0, D. Folbigg 0, C. Rayne 2, D. Mardlin 0, H. Barnes not out 1, extras 12, total 54.—R. French four for 10, A. Bodkin three for 19.

DIVISION I

Cople v. Stevington

Cople: R. Robinson 3, B. Cambers 7, G. Halliday 16, A. Hart 3, E. Fowler 2, B. Hill-yard 0, J. Cambers 2, B. Minney 0, D. Shingler not out 41, P. Jennings 3, M. Cambers 3, extras 8, total 88.

Stevington: K. Turner 12, J. Gibbons 1, A. Woods 0, P. Hodgkinson 0, G. Curtis 12, Wildman 5, H. Pearson 26, D. Small 2, Stapleton 0, Crowe not out 5, Harris 2, extras 2, total 67.

Staploe v. Marston

Marston: A. Knight 6, A. Bunker 20, A. L. Bunker 0, C. White 2, K. Lilley 0, F. Loft 14, P. Hale 7, S. Faulkner 0, M. Ellis 0, M. Smith not out 0, F. Trussell 0, extras 7, total 56.—Cutts four for 13, Saunders three for 9.

Staploe: F. Saunders 10, E. Quince 12, W. Scotcher 6, E. Cutts 9, F. Britten 1, B. Arnold not out 6, J. Scotcher 7, J. Arnold 0, B. Mills 3, R. Mills 0, B. Ratcliffe 0, extras 1, total 55.—Loft eight for 19.

DIVISION II

Pertenhall v. Wood End

Wood End: J. Saunders 17, D. Bosworth 0, D. Whitworth 0, L. Burraway 23, P. Burraway 8, R. Craddock 0, C. Parker 4, R. Blechener 0, T. Burraway 11, T. Gough not out 5, B. Harpur 0, extras 3, total 71.—W. Presland five for 28, K. Carroll four for 33.

Pertenhall: P. Savage 3, K. Carroll 2, H. Short 3, R. Thompson 40, W. Presland 15, V. Roddis 21, E. Williams 0, C. Milne 1, J. Shelton not out 3, S. Nicholson 6, C. Weller 0, extras 1, total 95.—L. Burraway three for 14, B. Harper two for 3, P. Blechener two for 6, T. Burraway one for 4.

Changing Pattern Of The Tactics In Cricket

By CHILTERN

Town Release Standen For More Cricket

ONCE again, the Town have come to the rescue of Worcestershire, whose brave bid to win the cricket championship is now being plagued by injuries.

Most important of these are the mishaps to their opening bowlers, Jack Flavell and Len Coldwell, while they have batsman, Ron Headley, out of action with a broken finger.

So, it was not unexpected when they asked the Town to release their goalkeeper, Jim Standen, to carry on playing for them.

Like the other Town footballers, Jim was due to report for training last Tuesday, but the Town have granted him his release until the end of this month.

Tough Programme Is Facing Them

REMEMBERING that, last season, they allowed him to play until well into August, it would not be surprising if a further Worcestershire application is regarded favourably.

A glance at the fixtures reveals the fact that, beginning on August 1, Worcestershire are at home to Surrey in a match that could be vital to the title hopes of both and after that, they meet Essex, Hampshire, Yorkshire and Derbyshire before the football season proper begins.

Standen has had a good season and although he has not been among the wickets much lately, he has been making some useful runs.

Win At All Costs Is New Fashion

NOT only in the first-class game has the trend of change in tactics occurred, but it has now percolated through to Minor Counties cricket, with the object now a win at all costs.

Thus, we find an increasing number of captains putting in the opposition on winning the toss and hoping for a chance to make a victory dash in the last two hours of the second day.

Danger of this is to make much of the previous play of little consequence, using it merely as a foundation for the climax that is to come.

County Found The Plan Misfiring

THAT is what happened at War-down this week, but the plan misfired on Bedfordshire who came very close to defeat.

Almost as close, in fact, as they came to victory at Letchworth recently when the Hertfordshire skipper, Robin Marques, employed similar tactics.

Trouble with this plan, of course, is that it cannot fail to be mis-read by the opposing captain on whom the onus is squarely placed for making a decisive result possible.

Naturally, no captain is going to throw the game into the lap of the opposition and John Ikin is too experienced a cricketer to do anything approaching this.

Points System Is Much To Blame

WHEN his second declaration came, it was so phased that Bedfordshire had to make an effort to get the runs, even though the rate was 100 an hour but, at the same time, Ikin left himself with a reasonable chance of forcing full points himself.

In the end, it turned out to be stalemate and I am not at all sure that this trend of packing most of the action into the closing stages is good for the game.

To blame, of course, is the points system which has made the acquisition of first innings lead of not very much value because only three points are awarded.

Infinitesimal Reward For First Innings

COMPARED with the 10 points available for an outright win, this is an infinitesimal reward and, in fact, merely gaining first innings lead can be damaging to a team's percentage and cause a drop in the table.

Of course, the points system as it stands at the moment is designed to bring more decisive results, but I am certain that those responsible did not have in mind some of the happenings we are seeing these days.

Years ago, when there were eight points available for a win, five went to the team leading on first innings; in a drawn game which meant that the struggle was then worth while.

When Unorthodoxy Is Stereotyped

THEN, the ambition of a first captain was to have first use of the wicket, make 300 or so runs by around 5 o'clock on the first day and capture three or four of the opposing wickets before close of play.

That was cricket at its most orthodox in which the unexpected often happened, but now, all too often, the pattern is only too plain.

Nothing is more boring than watching any game going on its pre-destined course and that is why, in trying to be unorthodox in the search for points, county captains are tending to become even more stereotyped than ever before and I for one would welcome a return to the old way of things.

Northants Had Their Talent Scout There

KEEPING careful watch on the first day's play was Percy Davis, former Northants batsman, who now combines his coaching duties at the County Ground with a constant hunt for new talent.

If he was looking for any in the Bedfordshire team he was unlucky, but he could scarcely complain because Northants have had good pickings from Bedfordshire in the past.

In the team at the moment, and doing very well, are the Watts brothers, Jim and Peter, and Mick Allen—all of whom are Bedfordshire born.

More recently, they took Martin Ashenden, now with Gloucestershire, and Geoff Dawson, who has now moved on to Leicestershire.

Target Was Probably David Hancock

FURTHER back, they had Gordon Brice, former Town and Fulham centre-half, so Bedfordshire can be said to have done them proud.

Of the Watts boys, Percy told me, "They are my pride and joy and both have developed into first-class cricketers."

Probably his eyes were focused on David Hancock, the left-handed Staffordshire opening batsman, who obliged with a century.

More than one first-class county has shown an interest in this player, who has been making runs for his county since he was 17.

WYNN TWO RUNS SHORT OF CENTURY

Chasing a formidable total of 204 at High Wycombe on Wednesday, Luton Town Wednesday came near to victory, thanks to a stand by Graham Wynn and Mike Colling, and needed only 19 runs at the close.

Luton Town Wednesday won the toss and put the home side in to bat on a perfect wicket. The attack was opened by G. Durrant and Ron Stott, who bowled steadily, and the High Wycombe batsmen, although solid, found runs hard to get.

Mason was bowled by Durrant with the total at only 16. However, J. Palmer joined Ryan, and they carried the total to 67 for the second wicket, although only 70 runs were scored in the first hour.

High Wycombe then lost the wickets of Aldridge, Dare and Grimsdell very quickly, but Ryan was well established, and when joined by Hughes, who supported him admirably, they carried the total to 204 for 6 wickets, when the declaration came with Ryan 102 not out.

The Town were faced with this formidable total with only two hours in which to get the runs. But it was not an impossible task on this fast scoring ground. However, they soon lost the wicket of R. Banks, who was stumped off Dare, and the same bowler took a brilliant leg-slip, one-handed, diving catch to dismiss Sid Wild with the total at 24.

This allowed Mike Colling to join Graham Wynn, and these two young batsmen took complete control of the game. They both scored brilliantly, and swiftly, all round the wicket in a stand of 141 in just over 90 minutes.

This was despite the fact that the High Wycombe attack included such bowlers as Dare, who has, of course, played for the Hampshire first eleven. The stand was broken when Graham Wynn was stumped off Grimsdell when only two short of his century, with the total at 165 for 3.

As so often happens in stands of this nature, Mike Colling was out immediately afterwards. Graham Wynn's brilliant knock included three sixes and nine fours.

There must be a great future for Luton Town cricket when young batsmen of this calibre can turn a game against the class of bowling which High Wycombe provided.

Left with 16 minutes to get the 40 runs required for victory, the Town's middle batsmen got themselves out "having a go," and were left with no alternative but to bat out time for the last five minutes when the total reached 186 for 8 wickets. This was 19 runs short of the victory which would most certainly have been achieved had these two young batsmen stayed together.

HIGH WYCOMBE: C Mason 4, D Ryan not out 102, J Palmer 35, C Aldridge 6, R Dare 3, A Grimsdell 8, S Page 4, A Hughes not out 32; extras 10. Total for 6 wickets dec) 204.

N Turner, M Gold, F Stubbs did not bat.

Bowling: G Durrant 1-36, G Wynn 2-62, J Kirby 3-57.

LUTON TOWN WEDNESDAY: S Wild 4, R Banks 8, G Wynn 98, M Colling 50, B Russell 2, G Durrant 4, J Kirby 9, D Tipton not out 2, R Stott 2, W Wynn not out 0; extras 7. Total for 8 wickets 186.

B Hindson did not bat.

Bowling: A Hughes 4-51, R Dare 1-32, A Grimsdell 3-10.

Youth Cricket Association

UNDER-17 DIVISION

21st B.B., 41 for 8, beat 10th B.B., 9 all out, by 32 runs; Sundon Y.C. 110 for 8, beat 10th B.B., 41 all out, by 69 runs; A.T.C., 60 for 3, beat 10th B.B., 55 for 5, by 7 wickets.

CUP SEMI-FINAL

Dynamos, 89 for 4, beat Biscot Mill, 88 for 2, by 6 wickets.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES

Batting: Moore (Biscot) 50 not out; Varley (Sundon) 36; Slough (Dynamo) 32 not out; Winch (A.T.C.) 31.

Bowling: Aseltine (21st B.B.) 6-2; Smith (10th B.B.) v. 21st B.B., 5-7.

UNDER-17 DIVISION

	P	W	L	T	P
Stockwood Park	8	8	0	0	16
Limbury	7	6	1	0	12
Pioneer B.C.	8	5	3	0	10
Vauxhall	7	5	2	0	10
Sundon Park	8	3	4	1	7
Biscot Mill	6	3	3	0	6
Dynamos B.C.	7	3	4	0	6
21st B.B.	6	1	4	1	3
A.T.C.	7	1	6	0	2
10th B.B.	8	0	8	0	0

LUTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL v CEDARS SCHOOL

CEDARS SCHOOL: Crouley 9, Varley 0, Potter 3, Moore 0, Harris 5, Suthons 1, Chappell 0, Pilgrim 1, Tingey 1, Ripley 2, Horwood not out 0; extras 8. Total 30.

Bowling: Clark 3-8, Wintle 1-10, Brown 3-2, Root 3-2.

LUTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL:

R W Spall 0, B J Wiseman 1, R I Root 0, R Cox 6, S J Coeshall 2, Mumford not out 7, J R Wintle not out 11; extras 5. Total (for 5 wickets) 32.

M J Clark, R A Poulter, P J Field, J E Brown did not bat.

Bowling: Varley 2-13, Moore 2-13.

NEW SKIPPER

FRED BREEZE is not available for Bedford Town's home game with St. Giles tomorrow and David Hoare will take over as skipper.

Bushby and Morris are also on holiday. R. White, E. J. Feakes, and J. E. Nethaway are promoted from the second team:

D. J. F. Hoare (capt.), W. Chamberlain, B. Ebbs, D. T. Matthews, N. S. Cooley, B. F. Hollis, P. J. Oakley, A. Ingledew, R. White, E. J. Feakes, J. E. Nethaway.

The second team are away to Bedford North End.

Team: J. B. Brown (capt.), E. C. Howard, R. D. Linger, G. S. Andrews, B. Cain, D. F. Bennett, K. Carroll, D. Price, J. Bray, T. Sillis, E. Mayoh.

Seventh success

Bedford School achieved their seventh win when they beat Incogniti by 53 runs. P. Mellor scored a century in 100 minutes.

Incogniti started well but a hat trick by R. A. Lee put paid to their hopes.

BEDFORD SCHOOL

P. H. Spray c Cook b Bevan	86
Wright c Hetherington b Prodger	5
C. D. Gilmour c b Prodger	4
P. Mellor c Appleyard b Smith	105
Griffiths c b Appleyard	2
R. A. Lee c Cook b Prodger	12
J. M. Pearson c Bevan b Prodger	4
Tutt c b Prodger	0
Deustie not out	18
Caistor not out	0
Extras	8

Total (for eight wkts. dec.) 213
D. E. Lock did not bat.

Bowling: Prodger 18-2-53-5, Smith 14-1-60-1, J. Cook 4-0-25-0, Appleyard 8-1-36-1, Bevan 3-0-18-1.

INCIGNITI C.C.

M. Hetherington c Griffiths b Caistor	6
J. Crawford c Lock b Lee	31
D. Peck c Griffiths b Lock	34
D. Gilkes st. Mellor b Lee	7
J. Norman c Tutt b Caistor	17
S. V. Bevan c Tutt b Lee	14
P. Appleyard b Lock	1
J. Cook b Lee	0
Prodger not out	36
I. Smith c Mellor b Lock	7
J. G. Cook lbw Pearson	2
Extras	2

Total 159
Bowling: Lock 14-1-56-3, Caistor 10-0-50-2, Lee 11-1-43-4, Pearson 5-1-8-1.

WYGGESTON v. BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL

P. Conley run out	24
G. F. Suits c R. Butt b Edge	69
T. G. Pratt c Dyer-Smith b Collinson	16
D. B. Tuckerman b Dyer-Smith	43
D. G. Essex st. Bunyan b Collinson	4
A. B. Carter b Collinson	13
M. F. Naan not out	14
T. W. F. Gooch c Bunyan b Dyer-Smith	0
D. R. Elliott b Dyer-Smith	1
M. V. Whatley not out	17
Extras	6

Total for 8 wkts. dec. 205
Bowling: Saunders 16-1-66-1, Dyer-Smith 12-3-28-3, Collinson 26-7-56-3, Neville 6-0-34-0, Mallons 2-0-15-0.

B.M.S.

A. D. Curtis c Carter b Saunders	58
G. H. Butt c Wheatley	17
I. R. Smith c Elliott b Wheatley	35
R. B. H. Dyer-Smith c Swift b Saunders	73
F. M. Cooper c Saunders b Gooch	6
P. J. Bunyan c Essex b Wheatley	2
R. H. Mallons not out	5
R. C. Butt lbw b Wheatley	0
D. T. J. Collinson not out	4
Extras	1

Total (for 7 wkts.) 161
Bowling: Saunders 8-3-26-2, Elliott 10-2-26-0, Wheatley 21-3-75-4, Gooch 7-1-20-1, Carter 3-0-31-0.

Declared but lost

WITH 118 on the board, Stevington made what looked to be a safe declaration against Marston, in a Bedford and District League, Division I, game on Saturday. But Marston surprised them by passing their total with five wickets in hand.

At Pertenhall, North Crawley were skittled out for 28, five of their batsmen failing to score. For Pertenhall, W. Presland took four for 9, and K. Carroll four for 10.

Going in at number 10, M. Larkins hit out for Roxton, contributing 42, and remaining undefeated, to their total of 150 for eight declared. They dismissed Little Staughton for 78.

DIVISION I

Marston v. Stevington

Stevington: A. Wildman 4, G. Curtis 37, S. Solomon 5, Pearson 7, P. Hodgkinson 11, D. Small 28, B. Stapleton 3, J. Crowe not out 6, J. Geerts 0, D. Mackness 4, extras 13, total (for 9 wkts. dec.) 118.—F. Faulkner two for 25, D. Faulkner five for 12.

Marston: A. Knight 0, A. Bunker 33, Al. Bunker 24, C. White 15, K. Lilley 8, D. Faulkner not out 22, P. Hale not out 14, extras 3, total (for 5 wkt. dec.) 119.—G. Curtis three for 44.

Cople v. Staploe

Cople: B. Cambers 2, P. Robinson 8, G. Halliday 6, A. Hart 7, E. Fowler 6, B. Hilliard 10, J. Cambers 0, B. Minney 0, D. Shingler 9, P. Jennings not out 8, P. Eagle 11, extras 18, total 85, Staploe: 62.

DIVISION II

Pertenhall v. North Crawley

Pertenhall: K. Carroll 7, R. White 9, H. Short 2, R. Thompson 19, P. Savage 2, V. Roddis 2, R. Short 4, W. Presland 3, E. Williams 3, D. Bull 1, C. Milne 0, extras 1, total 53.—E. Speechley two for 10, A. Grimes three for 7, E. Ementon four for 16, F. Stanton one for 19.

North Crawley: P. Hatton 6, M. Grimes 2, G. Adderson 1, C. Lee 0, G. Clarke 10, T. Caves 0, F. Stanton 3, R. Emenson 0, E. Speechley 0, B. Garner 0, A. Seamarks 4, extras 2, total 28.—W. Presland four for 9, K. Carroll four for 10, R. White two for 7.

Wrestlingworth v. Lt. Paxton

Lt. Paxton: R. Allen 37, D. Smith 2, S. Green 23, E. Day 0, P. Baker 0, J. Thrush 1, C. Draper 3, E. Haslop 2, D. George 23, D. Collier not out 5, B. Liberty 4, extras 3, total 103.—E. Huckle five for 30, B. Williams two for 35, M. Deeble two for 20.

Wrestlingworth: D. Coupe 0, G. Harp 3, B. Selwyn 0, M. Deeble 0, T. Hutchinson 11, E. Huckle 2, R. Redman 1, B. Williams not out 13, R. Wilsher 2, S. Chaffey 3, J. Williams 6, extras 2, total 43.—P. Baker four for 4, D. Gallier four for 22, C. Draper two for 5.

DIVISION III

Roxton v. Little Staughton

Roxton: R. Minney 21, B. Livett 1, A. Franklin 8, G. Jefferies 14, P. Keightley 31, M. Watson 2, P. Russell 4, H. Thomas not out 17, W. Stapleton 0, M. Larkins not out 42, extras 10, total (for 8 wkts.) 150.—R. Quenby two for 39, J. Barnett one for 29, M. Banks three for 34, E. Topham one for 11.

Little Staughton: E. Topham 17, A. Saunders 4, M. Banks 3, G. Topham 4, R. Quenby 13, M. Redmond 6, E. Saunders 4, P. Marshall 8, G. Barn 1, E. Colgrave not out 4, L. Saunders 11, extras 3, total 78.—P. Russell three for 22, W. Stapleton one for 13, M. Larkins one for 8, P. Keighley one for 10, M. Watson one for 10.

Diemer's 104 for seven (P. Smith 24 not out, Joshi 27, Ebbs 19, Buttrum 17, Berrill four for 5); Thurleigh 80 for six (Hooker 25, Joshi three for 28).

EASY FOR TOWN SUNDAY XI

Visiting Southill Park on Sunday, Bedford proved too strong for the home side.

Sent in to bat, Southill scored slowly, but only four wickets had fallen when the hundred went up. Spinners Ingledew and Oakley then caused a complete collapse, none of the later batsmen being able to master the turning ball.

Requiring 138 to win, Bedford's openers, Ebbs and Curtis, batted comfortably. After their opening stand, the Southill score was passed for the loss of four wickets.

Southill Park: M. F. Senior 15, R. K. Goodman 7, G. S. Gilbert 26, A. G. Swain 35, V. D. Green 18, M. H. Green 4, J. F. Pearce 5, K. J. Warwick 6, A. G. Burnage 1, P. Hallybone 7, A. C. Massey not out 2, extras 11, total 137.

Bedford Town: A. Curtis 47, B. Ebbs 28, J. Brown 0, D. T. Matthews 20, W. Chamberlain not out 23, D. Hoare not out 20, extras 2, total (for four wkts.) 140.

Record opening partnership

Although Kempston Ramblers had a record opening partnership of 108 (C. Whitworth 72 not out, and M. White 54), Studham came through to win a very good game in the last over, P. Jones scoring 82 not out.

Studham: 181 for five.—M. White two for 38.

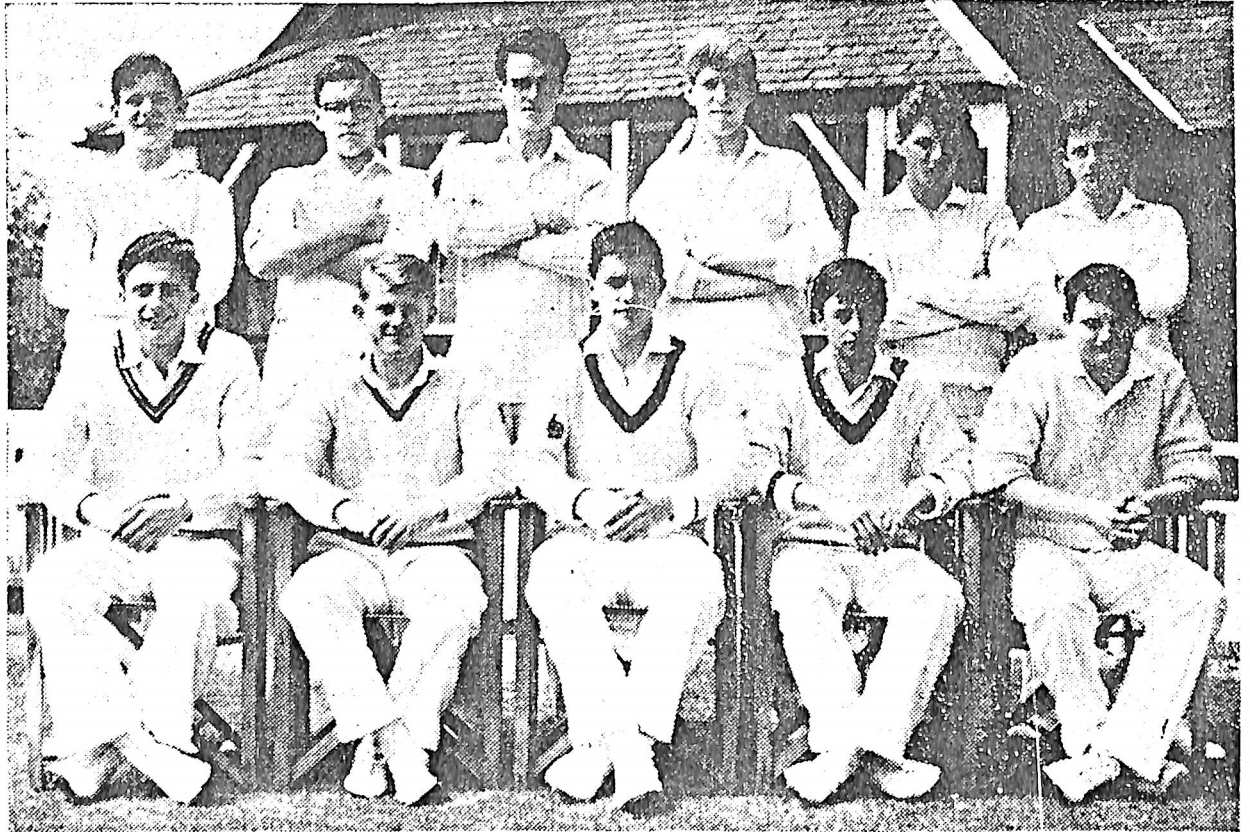
Kempston: C. Whitworth not out 72, M. White 54, A. Caves 12, A. Davis 0, T. Rich 17, P. Haynes 9, A. White 6, R. Adair not out 0, extras 10, total (for six wkts.) 180.—A. Foskett two for 28.

TOOK SIX WICKETS

Kempston Ramblers' T. Rich claimed six Sharnbrook wickets at a personal cost of 44 runs.

Kempston R.: M. White 17, I. Cole 12, A. Caves 1, C. Whitworth not out 36, A. Davis 32, T. Rich 2, A. White 6, F. White 19, P. Haynes 4, E. Worral not out 1, extras 4, total (for 8 wickets) 134.

Sharnbrook: G. Boyle 1, J. Hay 0, J. Boyle 18, J. Shaylor 43, J. Phelps 12, M. Hinkling 3, E. Blunde 32, M. Walsh 0, H. Martin 17, P. Bance 1, R. Chambers not out 0, extras 4, total 131.—T. Rich six for 44.



Bedford Modern School 1st XI continued their successful season last week by defeating Royal Belfast Academical Institution. B.M.S. scored 185 for eight dec. and bowled out Belfast for 140. Here is the School XI: Back row (left to right) G. H. Butt, I. R. Smithie, R. H. Mallows, A. Edge, G. L. Neville, and R. C. Butt. Front row, P. J. Bunyan, R. B. H. Dyer-Smith, A. D. Curtis (capt.), D. T. J. Collinson, and E. M. Cooper.

Fine Innings By Ginifer

A splendid innings of 79 made by Ginifer was the feature of a rain-ruined match on Wardown Sports Ground on Wednesday.

Mastering the Luton Sartoris bowling, Ginifer gave Luton Schoolmasters a brisk start and made his runs in just over an hour, hitting 12 fours.

After his departure, there was a collapse and from 114 for 2, the innings slumped to 148 all out, with Roe, Doxsey and Jenkins sharing the wickets.

Sartoris had 20 minutes batting before tea, an awkward period which Henley and Burgess survived, and then came a hold-up of three-quarters of an hour because of rain.

Thanks to Burgess and Hall, Sartoris made a spirited reply and were 63 behind with five wickets in hand when rain finally intervened.

LUTON SCHOOLMASTERS

Ginifer c Henley b A Doxsey	79
Hackett b A Doxsey	19
Greaves c and b A Doxsey	11
Faulkner c Tripp b G Jenkins	4
Bignell b W Roe	9
Burnham c Burgess b G Jenkins	14
Davies lbw b A Doxsey	4
Baegaley c Booth b W Roe	0
Blanks c Henley b W Roe	1
Williams c Booth b G Jenkins	2
Rydell not out	0
Extras	5
Total	148

Bowling: Doxsey 4-39, Jenkins 3-23, Roe 3-37.

LUTON SARTORIS

B Henley c Davies b Bignell	8
P Burgess c Burnham b Ginifer	26
B Weeks b Bignell	8
S Godden c Davies b Ginifer	4
J Hall not out	24
G Jenkins c Williams b Bignell	1
A Doxsey not out	5
Extras	9
Total (for 5 wks)	85

N Booth, A Tripp, W Roe and T Brown did not bat.
Bowling: Bignell 3-24, Ginifer 2-21.

Brunt Among The Runs For Wednesday

Before rain stopped play at Harrow on Wednesday, the Town Wednesday had made 105 for five wickets.

Of this total, Jim Brunt contributed 45 and he made 32 of the first 33 runs on the board, the other being an extra.

League leaders toppled

Forced to follow on

HOSTILE bowling enabled Great Barford to score a surprise Bedford League win over Marston, Division One leaders.

A stand of 81 by E. Harrison and J. Stapleton helped Renhold II to victory over Blunham II.

DIVISION I

Great Barford v. Marston

Great Barford: M. Lee 54, M. Maskeil 10, I. Robinson 0, J. Breeze 4, B. Mardlin 5, I. Gentle 1, T. Mardlin 2, J. Keightley 3, E. Payne 0, D. Pavell not out 2, extras 2, total (for nine wickets) 81.

Marston: A. Knight 2, A. Bunker 0, Al. Bunker 5, C. White 22, K. Tilley 3, D. Faulkner 3, P. Hale 2, F. Faulkner 15, M. Ellis 0, A. Goodman not out 2, P. Trussell 0, extras 1, total 55.

Stevington v. Blunham

Blunham: R. Harding 20, D. Moore 6, D. Brooks 7, P. Desborough 4, M. Winters 4, K. Beahy 0, F. Foster 0, P. Chapman 1, D. Gates not out 4, I. Jeffries 4, W. Fordham 0, extras 2, total 52.—Small seven for 26, Curtis three for 24.

Stevington: J. Gibbons 2, P. Hodgkinson 7, H. Pearson 0, G. Curtis 17, A. Wildman 14, S. Coleman 0, D. Small 0, J. Crowe 1, A. Stapleton not out 6, D. King 2, P. Jackson not out 8, extras 1, total (for nine wickets) 58.—Gates three for 22, Desborough two for 12, Fordham two for 22.

DIVISION II

Felmersham v. North Crawley

North Crawley: M. Grimes 20, G. Clarke 9, C. Lee 14, G. Adderson 5, J. Lancaster 0, A. Seaman 0, T. Caves 4, E. Speechley 0, R. Emmenton 1, B. Garner not out 3, B. Stanley 0, extras 2, total 58.—J. MacKenzie five for 22, D. Barker five for 22.

Felmersham: T. Longstaff 22, T. Albury 0, K. Cokings 5, J. MacKenzie 13, D. Barker 6, P. Lawson 7,

A. Hill 0, T. Constant 2, R. Coleman 0, J. Graham 0, H. Lawson not out 3, extras 2, total 80.—R. Emmenton six for 24, M. Grimes four for 24.

Renhold v. Kempston Wood End

Renhold, 174 for five (R. Harlow 44, W. Harlow 39 not out); Wood End, 42.

DIVISION III

Wrestlingworth v. Wilden

Wilden: J. Stone 2, M. Armigar 4, J. King 11, L. Stanton 1, E. Pask 6, K. Ashpole 0, R. Stone 0, J. Ashpole 2, G. Roberts 10, D. Stanton 2, D. Pensoone not out 0, total 58.—E. Huckle eight for 20, B. Williams two for 18.

Wrestlingworth: D. Coupe 4, G. Hoy 6, R. Redmond 9, B. Selwyn 10, T. Hutchinson 8, E. Huckle 0, J. Hutchinson 22, B. Williams 20, W. Daisley 12, R. Wisler not out 0, S. Chatley 0, extras 5, total 97.—K. Ashpole four for 24, G. Ashpole three for 20, R. Stone one for 5, M. Armigar one for 15.

Roxton v. Thurlough II

Roxton: W. Clarke 5, M. Watson 41, R. Minney 3, G. Jefferies 18, R. Clarke 9, P. Keightley 5, A. Franklin 0, M. Larkins 5, P. Russell 12, H. Thomas 0, W. Stapleton not out 1, extras 1, total 98.—R. Hollowell five for 38, S. George two for 30, T. Hollowell one for 27.

Thurlough II: R. Smith 0, M. Pannorth 1, A. Pensoone 9, J. Wagstaff 17, J. Berrill 9, R. Hollowell 1, T. Hollowell 2, W. Norman 4, S. Asplin 25, S. George 6, P. Hooker, not out 2, extras 2, total 78.—P. Russell three for 12, G. Jefferies two for 13, W. Stapleton two for 17, M. Larkins two for 22, P. Keightley one for 12.

DIVISION IV

Tempstaff v. Great Barford II

Great Barford II: D. Probert 3, G. Usher 0, A. Lee 1, P. Usher not out 29, A. Shorely 0, D. Gentle 0, D. Thomas 5, P. Mallett 4, A. Mayhew 3, G. Berridge 1, extras 10, total (for nine wickets) 51.—Bettles three for 8, Jackson two for 4, Bunnage two for 4.

Tempstaff: C. Hicks 36, R. Fuller 8, G. Taylor 0, T. Ingram 9, R. Bettles 10, J. Widdman 11, C. Jackson 6, J. White 0, D. Eaton 6, R. Bunnage 8, C. Beaumont not out 0, extras 2, total 95.—Lee three for 15, P. Usher three for 20.

Blunham II v. Renhold II

Renhold II: R. Jones 12, T. Bullerwell 2, F. Joyce 1, A. Pullinger 4, G. Norman 0, E. Harrison 55, J. Stapleton 36, C. King 0, D. Bevan 0, R. Brown not out 2, R. Norman 4, extras 5, total 121.—W. Page five for 36, T. Baldwin five for 47.

Blunham II: R. Partridge 10, R. Tokens 0, W. Page 15, I. Wakefield 0, T. Baldwin 8, J. Baldwin 37, T. Page 9, P. Fordham 1, R. Wakefield 1, P. Mitchell 1, D. Joyce not out 0, extras 4, total 85.—C. King three for 17.

PREMIER DIVISION

Thurleigh v. Little Staughton

Little Staughton: D. Thorne 1, D. Huckle 43, C. Brown 0, J. Robins 6, C. Stapleton 7, J. Chamberlain 2, C. Strimmer 4, S. Robins 3, M. Banks 0, A. Saunders 0, C. Maddison not out 1, extras 1, total 68.—C. Berrill four for 24, M. Berrill three for 22.

Thurleigh: D. Berrill 12, J. Thorne 5, K. Wagstaff 6, A. Ellison 3, D. Green 1, V. Ellison 2, J. Warner not out 18, C. Berrill 12, R. Berrill not out 5, extras 7, total (for seven wickets) 71.—C. Strimmer four for 31, J. Chamberlain three for 33.

Clapham v. Stagsden

Stagsden: K. J. Brooks 55, W. Waterman 5, J. Willmott 1, P. Archer 9, T. Brooks 0, J. Sharp 1, A. Bonnett 7, J. Alder 5, A. Judge 1, R. Tite 0, J. Flute not out 0, extras 5, total 67.—A. Ward four for 5.

Clapham: T. Buck 4, Litchfield 1, A. Henman 2, A. Ward 11, McCuley 8, T. Jones 0, R. Pickering 9, M. Pass 6, R. Nicholson 6, C. Cleary 0, H. Kent not out 0, extras 4, total 62.—T. Brooks six for 20.

FOUR FOR FIVE

Feature of West Indies' win over Rivets was a fine spell of bowling by L. Young. In six overs, he took four wickets at a cost of only five runs.

West Indies: D. Cephas not out 87, G. Brown 58, L. Young not out 85, extras 22, total (for 1 wkt. dec.) 252.

Rivets: 103, (E. James three for 33, W. Husbands one for 18, K. O. King two for 2, L. Young four for 5).

KEMPSTON RAMBLERS v. HUNTING SPORTS, LUTON

Kempston Ramblers: C. Skinner 2, M. White 24, A. Davis 1, R. Talbot 6, T. Rich 0, J. Ecott 2, C. Whitworth 3, P. Haynes 0, F. White 2, R. Worrall 2, R. Adair not out 0, total 42.—J. Ginn six for 23, S. Croft four for 19.

Hunting Sports: Total (for five wickets) 43.—T. Rich four for 20.

LIVERPOOL VICTORIA v. BEDFORD THURSDAY

Bedford Thursday: T. L. Rose 5, W. Fitzpatrick 18, L. Young 23, J. Litchfield 0, D. Page 8, J. Whaley 1, K. Turner not out 35, E. Rainbird 19, T. Woodruff not out 1, extras 1, total (for 7 wickets) 111.

Liverpool Victoria: Total (for five wickets) 113.—K. Turner four for 38.

Fred Breeze returns to skipper Bedford Town for their away game with Oxford City tomorrow. Team: F. K. Breeze, D. J. F. Hoare, W. Chamberlain, N. S. Cooley, A. Ingledew, B. Ebbs, W. Bushby, P. J. Oakley, B. F. Hollis, R. White, D. T. Matthews.

NO DECISION

After declaring with 198 for five to which W. Chamberlain contributed 83, Bedford Sunday XI left Wolverton two hours 25 minutes in which to get the runs. But Wolverton remained behind the clock throughout and were 164 for seven at the close.

Bedford Sunday XI: A. Curtis 6, W. Chamberlain 83, N. Cooley 41, D. Hoare 2, B. Ebbs 34 not out, D. Matthews 3, J. Brown 21, extras 8, total (for five wickets) 198.—J. Preston three for 61, Wolverton 164 for seven.—(T. Sills three for 44, P. Oakley two for 66, R. White one for 12, K. Carroll one for 17.)

OFF THE CUFF...

FREQUENT visitor lately to Shortlands, home of St. Neots F.C., is Joe Short, who rejected the terms offered by the Eagles last season.

LOCAL referee Peter Bye, retained on the English League Referees' List, is now training at the Eyrie in readiness for his first match at Brighton for the home club's game with Barnsley.

BILL CHAMBERLAIN, Bedford Town and Bedfordshire, has been chosen as 12th man for the Minor Counties team v. Pakistan at Torquay on August 29, 30.

OLD Bedfordians, who had won all their three games, received a shock when they were all out for 95 on a slow easy wicket and were forced to follow on by Bedford School.

In their first innings the School made 239 and the Old Bedfordians were soon in trouble against Lock (five for 30). They scored 270 in their second innings and the School needed 129 to win. They reached this total for the loss of five wickets.

This win rounded off an excellent season for the School.

BEDFORD SCHOOL

First Innings

P. H. Spray b Eldridge	5
Pouatie c Pettigrew b Eldridge	8
C. D. Gilmour	87
P. Mellor c Mitchell b Wood	24
J. M. Pearson b Mitchell	10
R. A. Lee run out	21
Tutt b Cook	24
Caislor c Coley b Cook	53
Griffiths b Spooner	51
M. R. Henderson not out	6
D. E. Lock c Eldridge b Cook	0
Extras	6
Total	239

Bowling: D. J. Wood two for 53, D. C. Eldridge two for 43, B. J. Mitchell one for 50, S. O. Cook three for 48.

Second Innings

P. H. Spray not out	67
P. Mellor b Eldridge	12
C. D. Gilmour b Eldridge	5
R. A. Lee b Eldridge	0
Caislor c Coley b Wood	30
J. M. Pearson c Eldridge b Wood	10
Tutt not out	4
Extras	1
Total (for 5 wickets)	129

Bowling: P. J. Wood two for 66, D. C. Eldridge three for 62.

OLD BEDFORDIANS

First Innings

D. Coley c Griffiths b Lock	27
D. R. Wynne-Williams b Lock	4
P. C. Eldridge b Lock	0
P. A. Pettigrew b Henderson	10
S. V. Bevan b Henderson	0
J. A. Spooner c Lock b Pearson	18
R. E. Gordon run out	15
D. C. Eldridge b Lock	2
S. G. Cook lbw b Lee	7
B. J. Mitchell c Griffiths b Lock	0
D. J. Wood not out	4
Extras	8
Total	95

Bowling: D. E. Lock five for 30, M. R. Henderson two for 35, R. A. Lee one for 21, J. M. Pearson one for 1.

Second Innings

D. J. Wood b Lock	8
S. G. Cook b Lock	3
D. Coley b Pearson	56
P. A. Pettigrew c and b Henderson	43
P. C. Eldridge c Mellor b Lee	60
J. A. Spooner c Henderson b Pearson	5
D. K. Wynne-Williams b Lee	30
P. C. Eldridge b Henderson	24
S. V. Bevan lbw b Lee	0
R. E. Gordon b Lock	15
B. J. Mitchell not out	7
Extras	11
Total	270

Bowling: D. E. Lock three for 43, M. R. Henderson two for 117, R. A. Lee three for 55, J. M. Pearson two for 45.

Town in no decision game

Batting first on an easy-paced wicket, Bedford opens Hoare and Chamberlain scored quickly against Oxford City at Oxford on Saturday. The Town declared at 192 for eight, and Oxford reached 99 for the same number of wickets in reply.

Bedford Town	
D. J. F. Hoare b Brooks	45
W. Chamberlain c Martin b Honour	20
B. Hollis b Longshaw	20
N. T. Cooley b Bowden	29
B. J. Ebbs c Houghton b Brooks	25
I. Fouryth not out	26
P. J. Oakley st Smith b Martin	0
W. Bushby c Brooks b Martin	15
A. Ingledeu c Smith b Brooks	0
Extras	12
Total (for 8 wks. dec.)	192

F. K. Breeze and R. White did not bat.

CONVINCING VICTORY

In their only holiday fixture Sandy had a convincing win over Pavenham by three wickets. Six of their batsmen reached double figures, Smith being the highest with 57 not out. Pavenham offered little resistance to the Sandy attack, Whitworth being the chief stumbling block.

Sandy: A. Richardson 9, R. Cope 8, T. Chapman 16, J. Wisson 17, M. Whittle 22, E. Smith not out 57, T. Lenton 0, R. Fage 11, M. Buck not out 21, extras 8, total (for 7 wks.) 169.—T. Higgs three for 44, K. Turner two for 35, G. Barker one for 43, K. Marsh one for 17.

Pavenham: 59.—R. Fage four for 14, P. Hallworth four for 23, E. Smith two for 7.

A game of fluctuating fortunes

In a game of fluctuating fortunes, Southill Park finally held the edge and scored a 67 runs victory over Bedford Town II on Saturday.

A splendid half century from Gerald Gilbert took Southill out of trouble and although the middle batting again failed largely to E. Netherway (six for 47), 139 runs resulted with a ninth wicket partnership by Ken Warwick (23) and Neville Chambers (13) adding valuable runs.

Bedford, 60 for three, lost their last seven batsmen for only 12 runs to Arthur Massey

Oxford City	
M. Nurton b Breeze	0
G. Smith c Cooley b Bushby	0
J. W. Carter c Ingledeu b Oakley	35
B. J. Britton b Bushby	1
D. E. Martin c Oakley b Bushby	13
B. Houghton b White	36
B. Bowden lbw b Ingledeu	0
C. Brooks not out	7
M. Smith c Ebbs b Bushby	2
R. Honour not out	0
Extras	5
Total (for 8 wks.)	99

Bowling: F. K. Breeze 6 o. 3 m. 14 r. 1 w.; W. Bushby 15-4-31-4; P. J. Oakley 11-4-23-1; A. Ingledeu 6-1-13-1; R. White 5-2-13-1.

GOT THE RUNS WITHOUT LOSING A WICKET

Putting up a fine performance at Allen Park, Southill Park II shot out Bedford North End for only 49 runs and went on to gain a ten-wicket success.

Danny Barford, the promising young bowler, returned his best figures for the club by claiming six for 15 in 10 overs and was well supported by C. Rossin (two for 33) in an unchanged spell.

Wicketkeeper Michael Redman held four smart catches.

Russell Brown (28 not out) and Alan Burnage (14 not out) with confident batting knocked off the runs in an unbeaten half-century partnership.

Bedford North End: D. Pickering 0, E. Arnold 2, W. Beardsmore 0, J. Payne 1, C. Redman 19, J. Whittaker 0, R. Smith 9, G. Birtwistle 17, J.

(seven for 24) and Arthur Swain (two for 10) and were all out for 72 in 30 overs.

D. Kane (38) and Eric Howard (23) put on 41 for the second wicket.

Southill Park: D. A. Noble 0, M. F. Senior 11, G. S. S. Gilbert 52, A. G. Swain 4, N. Chambers 13, J. H. Heaton 3, M. H. Green 0, K. D. Ballard 6, K. J. Warwick 23, P. Hallybone not out 6, A. C. Massey 5, extras 17, total 139.

Bedford Town II: D. T. Matthews 0, E. C. Howard 23, D. Kane 38, J. H. Brown 6, J. Bray 0, D. Price 0, D. J. Cooper 0, R. Banks 0, E. Netherway not out 3, D. Bennett 0, M. Feakes 0, extras 2, total 72.

BEDFORD LEAGUE

Mogerhanger v. Southoe
Mogerhanger: T. Sanderson 4, K. Reid 0, F. Reid 8, E. Street 22, S. Reid 17, P. Rawlins 5, R. Anderson 9, R. Rawlins 19, R. Reid 7, W. Wilsher 0, J. Daniels not out 1, extras 3, total 95—J. Miller five for 32, R. Speed two for 13, A. Dawkes one for 21.
Southoe: K. Darnell 14, J. Wright 0, G. Hagger 0, R. Speed 12, A. Dawkes 0, C. Hagger 0, J. Miller 1, P. Stevens 0, R. Hagger 0, R. Stockley 0, H. Egerton 1, extras 0, total 34.—R. Rawlins seven for 10, R. Anderson two for 2, P. Rawlins one for 0.

Scullion 0, D. Dodson not out 0, M. Summerfield 0, extras 1, total 49.
Southill Park II: A. G. Burnage not out 14, R. J. Brown not out 28, extras 9, total (for no wickets) 51.

Easy for North End

Tabulators (Letchworth) batted first on a good wicket and scored 163 for nine in 24 hours against North End, who went for the runs from the start.

Shepherd and Arnold added 104 for the first wicket. Arnold made a sound 44, Shepherd being undefeated with 91.

North End passed Tabulators' total in 100 minutes for the loss of four wickets.

Tabulators: 163 for 9 wks. dec.—J. Payne four for 54, D. Dodson two for 52.

North End: W. Beardsmore 11, E. Arnold 44, G. Shepherd not out 91, C. Sanders 0, J. Whittaker 3, R. Birtwistle not out 11, extras 2, total (for 4 wks.) 164.

Ragged display

Southill Park Sunday side paid the penalty for a ragged display in the field at Wellingborough by suffering their first reverse to the Town side on their Redwell Ground.

Wellingborough declared at 182 for the loss of eight wickets. The Southill bowling honours went to Ken Warwick (three for 42), Alan Burnage (two for 27), Peter Hallybone (two for 44), and Dennis Noble (one for 33).

Southill rarely struck a winning grip, but always kept the game open while Vic Green (46) was holding command.

But when their last wicket fell, they were 51 runs short.

Wellingborough Town 182 for eight, declared.

Southill Park Sunday XI: M. F. Senior 0, D. A. Noble 9, G. S. S. Gilbert 9, V. D. Green 46, R. J. Pearce 1, A. G. Swain 16, J. H. Heaton 14, A. G. Burnage 3, K. J. Warwick 4, M. J. Redman 11, P. Hallybone not out 1, extras 17, total 131.

Fine bowling performances

There were a number of fine bowling performances in Bedford League encounters on Saturday. For Stagsden, R. French, in 12 overs six of which were maidens, took seven wickets for 12 runs. Cople's B. Minney had a hat-trick in his eight for 21 and A. Evans (Wyboston) took six for 18.

PREMIER DIVISION

Stagsden v. Little Staughton

Stagsden: K. Brooks 7, W. Waterman 0, J. Willmott 1, A. Bodkin 25, P. Archer 0, T. Brooks 25, R. French 10, A. Bonnett 11, J. Alder 9, R. Tite 1, J. Flute not out 1, extras 9, total 99.—J. Chamberlain six for 31.

Little Staughton: D. Thorne 1, D. Huckle 1, B. Hopperton 9, J. Chamberlain 0, J. Brown 0, J. Robins not out 11, S. Robins 2, C. Stapleton 0, R. Quenby 0, R. Eaves 2, M. Banks 1, extras 19, total 46. — R. French seven for 12.

Wyboston v. Thurleigh

Wyboston: C. Folbigg 6, J. Hughes 3, J. Dakin 16, W. Peet 14, D. S. Folbigg 13, A. Evans 11, G. Shaw 0, A. Usher 6, D. Hughes 1, H. Barnes not out 8, V. Pell 0, extras 4, total 82.

Thurleigh: D. Green 5, J. Thorne 1, K. Wagstaff 0, B. Ellison 4, D. Berrill 13, J. Warner 6, C. Berrill 0, C. Norman 0, M. Berrill 0, R. Berrill 2, W. Ellison not out 0, extras 5, total 36.—A. Evans six for 18, G. Shaw four for 13.

	b	w	r	d	pts
Thurleigh	8	6	1	1	13
Clapham	9	5	3	1	11
Stagsden	9	5	4	0	10
Wyboston	10	4	4	2	10
Little Staughton	9	4	4	1	9
Mogerhanger	9	2	5	2	6
Southill	8	1	6	1	3

DIVISION I

Blunham v. Cople

Blunham: R. Harding 3, D. Moore 1, K. Beany 3, P. Desborough 1, P. Chapman 8, F. Tester not out 24, F. Abbott 0, W. Fordham 0, D. Gates 3, P. Fordham 0, R. Ashwell 2, extras 3, total 48.—Minney eight for 21, Cambers two for 23.

Cople: B. Cambers 1, P. Robinson 2, G. Halliday 0, B. Hillyard 0, E. Fowler 0, P. Jennings 0, D. Shingler 27, E. Cambers 1, B. Minney 0, A. Jennings not out 2, R. Eagle 0, total 33.—Tester seven for 22, Fordham three for 11.

Marston v. Dean

Dean: F. Hart 4, J. Hewitt 5, R. Horn 13, K. Jones 33, C. Hartop 19, K. Hart 8, B. Stringer 0, W. Cade 5, P. Hart 2, M. Deighton 4, E. Braddick not out 6, extras 5, total 104.—Trussell two for 19, Loft three for 29, F. Faulkner one for 24, Goodman four for 23.

Marston: A. Bunker 3, A. Knight 3, C. White 0, V. Hale 11, D. Faulkner 1, P. Loft 6, F. Faulkner 17, G. Robinson 13, M. Ellis 3, A. Goodman 2, F. Trussell not out 22, extras 6, total 87.—Hart four for 21, Hartop four for 33, Cade two for 27.

	b	w	r	d	pts
Marston	10	7	2	1	15
Cople	9	6	3	0	12
Dean	10	5	4	1	11
Stevington	10	4	4	2	10
Blunham	9	5	5	1	7
Great Barford	9	3	5	1	7
Staple	8	2	7	0	4

DIVISION III

Roxton v. Wilden

Roxton: W. Clarke 0, R. Minney 0, G. Jefferies 14, P. Keightley 0, M. Watson 20, P. Russell 4, M. Larkins 8, R. Clarke 0, H. Thomas 10, A. Franklin 1, W. Stapleton not out 0, extras 5, total 62.—K. Ashpole three for 19, G. Roberts two for 22, J. Ashpole three for 6, M. Armiger two for 10.

Wilden: J. Stone 6, M. Armiger 0, C. Ashpole 2, J. King not out 11, B. Pask 4, K. Ashpole 7, G. Roberts 0, R. Stone 2, J. Ashpole 0, L. Stanton 0, D. Stanton 0, extras 9, total 41.—P. Russell three for 16, M. Larkins six for 16.

	b	w	r	d	pts
Great Staughton	10	9	1	0	18
Wilden	9	6	3	0	12
Roxton	8	5	3	0	10
Wrestlingworth	10	4	5	1	9
Little Staughton I	7	2	3	2	6
Little Staughton II	10	3	7	0	6
Thurleigh II	10	1	8	1	3

Final specialists

Harpur, this year's winner of the Bedford Hospital Cup Cricket Competition, have played in more finals since the competition started in 1933 than any other club—eleven in all! And they have won it six times.

Full list of finalists with the winners named first, is: 1933, Clapham, Conservative Club; 1934, Clapham, Great Barford; 1935, Harpur Sports, Clapham; 1936, Shire Hall CC, Harpur; 1937, C. W. Rawlins XI, Blunham; 1938, Harpur Sports, Marston; 1939, Marston, Shire Hall; 1940, Shire Hall, Goldington; 1941, Minters, Colesden; 1942, Baptist, Great Barford; 1943, Harpur Sports, Little Staughton; 1944, Harpur Sports, Thurleigh; 1945, RAF Cardington, RAF Little Staughton; 1946, North End WMC, Thurleigh; 1947, Marston, Shire Hall; 1948, Bedford Town, Eversholt; 1949, Harpur Sports, Eversholt; 1950, Bedford Town, Harpur Sports; 1951, Bedford Town, Bigglesware; 1952, Queens Works, Harpur Sports; 1953, Bedford Town, Potton; 1954, Bedford Town, Harpur; 1955, Biggleswade, Harpur Sports; 1956, North End, St. Neots; 1957, Ickwell, Thurleigh; 1958, Thurleigh, Henlow; 1959, Kimbolton, Eaton Socon; 1960, Bedford Town, Bedford North End; 1961, Bedford Town, Grasshoppers; 1962, Harpur, Potton.

BROWN TAKES COMMAND

Fred Breeze is not available for Bedford Town's home game with March Town on Saturday and with Hoare, Chamberlain, Bushby and Cooley on County duty, the captaincy goes to John Brown. Team:

J. B. Brown, P. J. Oakley, A. Ingledew, J. D. Heaton, B. Ebbs, T. B. Woolliscroft, B. F. Hollis, R. White, A. Greene, E. C. Howard, J. E. Nethaway.

Second team (away to Sawston II): D. F. Bennett (capt.); K. G. Winter, J. Bray, E. Mayoh, K. Carroll, T. Thomas, E. S. Smith, J. Dean, R. Banks, P. W. Scrivener, C. Roffe.

HAD THEIR REVENGE

Stewartby gained their revenge for an earlier defeat, by trouncing Potton by eight wickets.

Potton: G. Brunt 7, G. Meeks 29, D. Page 7, P. Hutchinson 34, J. Giles 13, K. Standen 2, N. Hoole 8, J. Hutchinson 2, J. Gordon 12, R. Redman not out 1, C. Leigh 1, extras 8, total 124.—R. Holden six for 18.

Stewartby: D. Pratt 30, T. Evans 24, A. Webb not out 27, G. Marshall not out 43, extras 3, total (for two wks.) 127.

Kempston Ramblers v. Pavenham

Kempston Ramblers: C. Whitworth not out 54, M. White 22, K. Jessop 2, A. Davis 5, A. Caves 9, C. Skinner 26, A. White 29, R. Worrall not out 2, extras 11, total (for six wks.) 160.—T. Higgs three for 26.

Pavenham: T. Higgs 41, D. Boyce 14, G. Barker 9, R. Saunders 6, K. Marsh 9, K. Turner not out 23, B. Walker 8, B. Chance 6, B. Keens 2, E. Hoare 0, R. Shimmans 0, extras 2, total 120.—A. White three for 24.

Kempston Ramblers v. Tiplers

Tiplers: L. Williams 10, R. White 5, D. Elliott 6, R. Gell 27, B. Facer 9, P. Wootton 15, R. Short 12, C. Green not out 78, L. Richards not out 0, extras 11, total (for seven wks.) 173.

Kempston Ramblers: K. Jessop not out 24, C. Skinner not out 15, extras 2, total (for no wks.) 41.

Peterborough Brotherhoods v. Kempston Ramblers

Kempston Ramblers: M. White 18, K. Jessop 70, A. Davis 53, J. Allen 14, A. White 9, T. Rich 11, A. Hunt 21, F. White 4, P. Haynes 10, J. Ecott not out 17, R. Worrall not out 10, extras 2, total (for 9 wks.) 239.

Peterborough Brotherhoods: 177.

Completed a double

Aspley Guise completed a double over Luton Brewery when they won by 40 runs.

Aspley Guise: R. Thompson 21, J. Walton 5, J. Sturges 11, G. Pearce 15, R. Spring 0, D. Chapman 14, T. Breedon 6, T. Hollis 3, G. Jackson 11, G. White not out 5, E. Chithey 0, extras 11, total 102.

Luton Brewery: 62 (Walton five for 21, Hollis three for 21, Chapman one for 8).

Bedford Thursday v. Kettering Thursday

Kettering: 96.—Lynch four for 20, Newman five for 30. Bedford: T. Rose 22, R. Devereux not out 32, D. Page not out 41, extras 2, total (for 1 wkt.) 97.

Riseley v. Croxton

Riseley completed a successful season with a win at Croxton.

Riseley: P. Wootton 5, J. Gell 2, D. Elliott 11, D. Short 2, R. Gell 16, A. Surridge 0, D. Curtis 29, C. Middleton 0, A. Cerasale 34, C. Clayton 0, R. Pentlow not out 0, extras 13, total 113.

Croxton: 88 (D. Curtis five for 27, P. Wootton three for 13).

Ramblers v. Casuals

Bedford Ramblers: L. Williams 24, P. Scrivener 27, D. Hammond 1, S. Morris not out 100, J. Dean 13, J. Thornton 16, H. Berry 3, H. Whitelock 5, K. Winter not out 0, extras 21, total (for seven wks.) 210.—Heaps one for 15, Ryman one for 42, Wills one for 25, Eldridge three for 42, Furnival one for 53.

Casuals: R. Tanner 37, R. Bennett 26, D. Eldridge not out 104, M. Green 1, G. Payne 6, I. Sharp 4, A. Furnival 3, T. Wills 7, C. Ryman 7, P. Heaps 4, R. Craven not out 1, extras 13, total (for nine wks.) 213.—Winter six for 49, Hammond one for 68, Roffe one for 30.

QUEENS COMPLETE A DOUBLE

Queens Works made their first visit to the Resilia Sports Ground at Letchworth and achieved a six-wicket victory thus completing a double over their opponents.

Resilia batted first on a green wicket and except for Church, none of the batsmen were very confident. Bailey bowled well without luck, and Cannon, bowling into a stiff breeze, claimed seven wickets for 40 runs. In one over he took three wickets in four deliveries. Resilia declared with the score at 162 for nine.

Queens lost two quick wickets when Wells and McDonald were out for 39 but Shortland and Bailey put on 101 runs in a partnership lasting 46 minutes.

Shortland was the more subdued and was content to let Bailey do the hitting. This he did and went on to reach his 50 in 39 minutes, including a six right out of the ground. The ball was not recovered!

Both Shortland and Bailey were out, "having a go", but Wildman and Turrell saw Queens to victory with time to spare.

Sandy v. Bedford North End

Sandy: J. Wisson c Beardsmore b Dodson 4, M. Buck run out 65, T. Chapman b Sanders 62, M. Whittle lbw Smith 71, M. Spring c Arnold b Smith 8, E. Smith not out 15, T. Lenton not out 5, R. Fayge b Dodson 6, extras 21, total 257.—D. Dodson two for 80, R. Smith two for 67.

Bedford North End: D. Pickering b Hallworth 20, E. Arnold c Fayge b Hallworth 5, W. Beardsmore c Chapman b Smith 18, C. Sanders c Hallworth b Smith 22, G. Birtwhistle b Gurney 47, R. Smith st Chapman b Smith 0, J. Scullion b Gurney 0, A. Price b Gurney 0, B. Worsley c Chapman Gurney 5, D. Dodson b Hallworth 12, J. Payne not out 3, total 132.—P. Hallworth three for 44, E. Smith three for 24, J. Gurney four for 29.

Resilia: A. S. Church 78, R. Page 12, C. Albon 1, G. Cooper 23, P. Quin 1, N. Taylor 12, B. Clark 6, D. Humphreys 0, B. Langham 0, D. Clark not out 5, W. Langham not out 4, extras 20, total 162 for nine wickets. dec.—Cannon seven for 40.

Queens works: D. Wells 0, M. M. J. McDonald 23, M. Shortland 54, R. R. Bailey 59, S. V. Wildman not out 19, D. C. Turrell not out 6, extras 4, total 165 for four.—Cooper three for 56.

121 IN SECOND WICKET STAND

M. Theobald scored a well-earned 75 not out in a second wicket stand of 121 with K. Williams for Harpur Sunday XI against Westwoods. Although Westwoods endeavoured to play fast cricket, they were never up with the clock, and at the close, were 45 runs short of Harpur's 184.

Harpur Sunday XI: M. Theobald not out 75, E. Howard 6, K. Williams 56, E. Middleton 12, J. Newman 17, R. Webster 4, A. Norcott 6, extras 8, total (for 6 wickets) 184.—J. Stocks two for 63, R. Mileham one for 7, J. Craythorne two for 34, D. Parker one for 47.

Westwoods: R. Browning 1, J. Craythorne 64, D. Rager 0, D. Woodhouse 27, R. Weston 3, K. Weldon not out 18, D. Parrott 4, J. Stocks not out 16, extras 6, total (for 6 wickets) 140.—M. Ransom one for 26, K. Williams three for 49.

TWO WICKETS IN FIRST OVER

Rodexian never recovered from the blow of losing A. Kelsall and D. Plumb in the opening over without a run on the board. Biggs was the only batsman who stood up to the Kempston bowlers. D. Sharp took five wickets for 21 runs.

Kempston had only made 53 runs for the loss of four wickets at tea, and finished 10 runs short.

Rodexian: A. Kelsall c Bullen b Brightman 0, D. Plumb run out 0, G. Biggs c Woods b D. Sharp 30, C. Bunyan run out 10, K. Smith b D. Sharp 10, J. Sheaf lbw b Brightman 6, G. Knight b Brightman 2, A. Lawrence c Turner b D. Sharp 7, M. Wright c Atkinson b D. Sharp 0, G. Devereux c Salter b D. Sharp 5, D. Smith not out 1, extras 2, total 73.

Kempston: D. Wright b Kelsall 20, K. Woods c Plumb b Wright 9, R. Atkinson lbw b Devereux 3, R. Turner b Kelsall 7, R. Claridge b Kelsall 7, D. Sharp c and b Devereux 2, D. Salter b Devereux 2, D. Bullen run out 1, T. Sharp b Devereux 5, M. Woods b Devereux 0, K. Brightman not out 1, extras 6, total 63.

Injury is a big handicap

Put in to bat on their first visit to the Ministry of Works ground at Wimbledon, Harpur's scoring rate was low against an accurate attack. Hutton's swing had batsmen playing and missing several times early on.

It was unfortunate for the home side when after three-quarters of an hour and the score at 69 for three, Hutton pulled a muscle and had to leave the field.

Theobald and Stapleton put on 145 runs for the next wicket. Theobald hit six fours and a six and Stapleton nine fours and one six. Harpur declared 214 for four.

Ribbons and Dean held up the Harpur attack after two wickets had fallen for 30. When these batsmen had gone—at 75 for four—little further resistance was offered. Gilbert finished an accurate spell of 17 overs with six for 38. King took three for 20.

Harpur: M. Theobald 75, R. King 11, E. Middleton 9, R. Webster 6, B. Stapleton not out 83, extras 30, total (for 4 wickets, dec.) 214.

Ministry of Works: 102.

UNBEATEN NO LONGER

Queens Works and Bedford North End met for the third time this season. In beating Queens Sunday XI, North End took away their unbeaten record. The season's encounters ended all square.

North End batted first and lost two quick wickets, both to Swales but Beardsmore and Pickering slowly got on top and put on 50 runs before Bailey had Beardsmore caught behind the wicket for 36.

Bailey and Swales were keeping the batsmen fairly quiet and consequently the rate of scoring was low. Gradually Pickering opened up and although he lost several partners before he finally ran himself out, his knock of 76 did much to win the game.

Left with two hours, Queen's made a disastrous start losing McDonald, Shortland and Bailey with only 33 runs on the board. Lovell stayed with Wooding to add 27 to the score but from then on it was quite a procession and six wickets fell for 28 runs.

Wooding had a steady innings and was 43 when he was

completely beaten by Arnold and bowled. When Wright "holed out" to Scullion off Arnold, the game was over and Arnold had taken two wickets without a run being scored off him.

North End: E. Arnold 4, W. Beardsmore 36, G. Birtwhistle 4, D. Pickering 76, C. Readman 7, C. Sanders 15, J. Scullion 0, B. Worsley 2, R. Smith 2, A. Price 0, D. Dodson not out 7, extras 3, total 156.—Wright two for 17, Swales two for 39, Bailey two for 49, Beard two for 48.

Queens Works: E. C. Wooding 43, M. M. J. McDonald 0, M. Shortland 17, R. R. Bailey 2, D. A. Lovell 9, D. Wells 0, P. Fundrey 2, D. C. Turrell 0, P. E. W. Wright 6, C. J. Beard 0, K. D. Swales not out 2, extras 7, total 88.—Arnold two for none, Dodson three for 22, Birtwhistle two for 12.

Amphill's bowlers show good form

Amphill, playing in Bedford Park, obtained a convincing win over Bedford Casuals by 111 runs. Amphill batted first and a fast rate of scoring was soon in progress, the first wicket falling at 37 when Gower (23) was bowled. Palmer soon followed.

Holder and Peat were then at the wicket and together took the score to 87 when Holder was bowled, trying to force the pace even faster after six 4s in a row.

Peat went on to score 45. Wickets then fell regularly until Amphill were all out, except for Frost, who retired hurt.

Casuals were soon in trouble losing their first wicket in the

opening over to Palmer, who opened the bowling with Freeman. They bowled unchanged and Casuals were dismissed in seventeen overs. Freeman took five for 10 and Palmer four for 17. Amphill's fielding was of a high standard.

Amphill: D. Palmer 14, P. Gower 23, S. Holder 31, B. Peat 45, M. Sheath 3, A. Rogers 0, B. Copperwheat 1, G. Frost retired hurt 2, T. Lynch 9, B. Feazey not out 4, D. Freeman 0, extras 6, total 138.

Bowling: P. Heaps 6.2-0-31-4, I. Sharp 7-0-30-3.

Bedford Casuals: R. Bennett 2, G. Grant 11, G. Ryman 1, G. Payne 4, I. Sharp 0, T. Wills 0, A. Sanders 1, P. Heaps 5, A. Green not out 0, R. Craven 3, total 27.

Bowling: D. Palmer 9-2-17-4, D. Freeman 8-3-5-10-5.

Dismal batting display

Beaten by Stony Stratford for the second week running, Harpur II put up a dismal batting display on Saturday. Stony Stratford struggled against good bowling and fielding to reach a total of 74. H. Minett batted very well, making 21.

A newcomer to Harpur, 15-year-old M. Ronayne, bowled brilliantly.

Harpur started badly, losing their first five wickets for 13 runs. Then a good stand of 44 by Ferguson and Martin put them in a winning position.

But after they had taken the score to 57 their partnership ended and the "tail" collapsed leaving Harpur 11 runs short.

A. Martin batted 48 minutes for his 21 and Ferguson 80 minutes for 23.

Stony Stratford: D. Church 4, G. Stevens 12, R. Llewellyn 0, R. Flint 19, J. Ditum 1, J. Grimsley 1, H. Minett not out 21, A. McMillan 1, J. Smith 5, J. Aylott 0, R. Lawrence 0, extras 10, total 74.

Bowling: K. Ferguson 90.0m, 23r. 2w., W. Davies 10-4-16-

3, R. Mallows 4-0-13-1, M. Ronayne 6-3-12-3.

Harpur II: G. Goswell 3, R. Williams 8, W. Davies 0, R. Mallows 0, K. Ferguson 23, C. Jones 0, A. Martin 21, M. Ronayne 4, G. Jones 0, A. Charnock not out 1, extras 3, total 63.

Bowling: R. Lawrence 15-6-26-6, R. Flint 15-10-7-3, J. Ditum 6-3-12-0, D. Church 5-2-15-0.

Argus just failed

Bedford Argus visited Stewartby on Saturday and a keen game resulted in a draw.

Stewartby batted first and reached a total of 135 thanks to a fine innings by Webb (61 not out).

Argus lost an early wicket but splendid knocks by R. Anstee (36), A. Thorpe (22) and B. Peters (19) passed the hundred mark for the loss of four wickets.

They were still batting with confidence when the Argus score at the close was 119 for seven.

B. Peters (five for 34) and R. Peters (three for 36) took the bowling honours for Argus.

Stewartby: Evans 4, Pratt 20, Massey 1, Webb not out 61, Marshall 20, Brightman 16, Nicholls 2, Sullivan 0, Holden 0, Church 0, Belcher 0, extras 11, total 135.

Argus: R. Frossell 5, R. Anstee 36, A. Thorpe 22, A. Dunstan 5, B. Peters 19, D. Linger 4, J. Darlow 0, M. Faulkes not out 5, R. Stevens not out 6, extras 17, total (for seven wkts.) 119.

Ickwell 167 (D. Bygraves 41, C. Odell 28, P. Chapman 20, Fensome three for 49, Joshi three for 40), Diemers 10 for one wicket. Rain stopped play.

Sidney Press 46 (Smith 20 not out, Farrington three for 1, Joshi two for 9, Crisp two for 10), Diemers 47 for one (Smith 27 not out, Ebbs 11 not out).

Easy for Thursday

Batting first, Wellingborough were soon in trouble against Bedford Thursday, Charter being caught with two runs on the board, Faulkner (40) and Pearce (20) were the only two batsmen to reach double figures and the innings closed at 92.

Bedford Thursday reached this total with six wickets in hand.

Wellingborough: 92. Bedford Thursday: T. Rose 10, R. Devereux 6, C. Newman 25, J. Litchfield not out 38, D. Page 5, K. Turner not out 0, extras 9, total (for four wkts.) 93.

LEAGUE SCOREBOARD

PREMIER DIVISION

Stagsden v. Southoe

Stagsden: K. Brooks 7, W. Waterman 13, J. Willmott 11, A. Bodkin 11. A. Bonnett not out 3, T. Brooks 3, R. French 0, P. Archer 2, J. Alder 2, A. Judge 0, R. Taylor 0, extras 10, total 62.—S. Hewitt five for 9.

Southoe: G. Hagger 10, K. Darnell 0, A. Dawkes 0, J. Ramily 0, S. Hewitt 14, J. Wright 10, H. Egerton 1, C.

Hagger 4, P. Stevens 1, R. Hagger not out 1, R. Stockley 1, extras 6, total 47.—T. Brooks six for 22.

DIVISION I

Great Barford v. Blunham

Great Barford: M. Lee 27, M. Maskell 1, J. Brezce 6, I. Robinson 0, B. Mardlin 13, B. Cope 0, P. Usher 2, T. Mardlin 6, J. Browning 0, E. Payne not out 0, J. Payne 1, extras 12, total 68.—Tester six for 13, Ranson three for 19, Gates one for 23.

Blunham: K. Beanev 0, R. Harding 14, P. Chapman 4, B. Partridge 2, M. Winters 1, F. Tester 13, P. Ranson 3, D. Gates 0, I. Jeffries 2, D. Sibley 0, R. Ashwell not out 2, extras 4, total 45.—Maskell five for 21, Brezce four for 19.

DIVISION III

Wrestlingworth v. Roxton

Roxton: W. Clarke 6, W. Stapleton 9, R. Minney 2, A. Franklin 1, G. Jefferies 10, P. Russell 27, P. Keightley 18, M. Larkins 0, H. Thomas 13, E. Darlow 0, M. Rowlands not out 5, extras 9, total 103.—E. Huckle five for 26, B. Williams four for 39.

Wrestlingworth: D. Coupe 4, G. Hoy 4, W. Daisley 0, R. Redmond 6, J. Hutchinson 1, T. Hutchinson 0, B. Williams 0, E. Huckle not out 9, S. Chaffey 0, J. Bonfield 0, J. Williams 1, extras 2, total 27.—P. Russell six for 13, M. Larkins four for 12.

DIVISION IV

Blunham II v. Tempsford

Blunham: I. Wakefield 5, R. Tokens 1, S. Brunt 3, J. Baldwin 24, T. Baldwin 0, R. Wakefield 4, W. Page 20, L. Baldwin 5, D. Joyce 0, T. Page 17, P. Mitchell not out 2, extras 1, total 82.—Bunnage five for 23, Hicks two for 10, Bettles two for 17.

Tempsford: C. Hicks 17, R. Fuller 14, G. Taylor 10, C. Beaumont 3, R. Bettles 0, D. Eaton 4, J. White 4, C. Jackson 3, J. Wildman 0, R. Bunnage 0, J. Beaumont not out 0, extras 2, total 57.—Brunt six for 9, T. Baldwin three for 7.

Second innings: Blunham 57, Tempsford 38 for four.

Cople II v. Caldecote II

Cople: P. Robinson 15, B. Cambers 3, A. Corn 11, E. Hull not out 31, A. Thacker 0, J. Newbury 1, B. Yerrill 9, R. Hull 0, C. Thacker 1, G. Minney 17, J. Norman 0, extras 15, total 103.—A. Clark five for 31.

Caldecote: D. Bygraves 6, A. Rutt 0, B. Hayward 0, M. Odell not out 12, D. C. Bygraves 0, M. Huckle 0, L. Adams 3, A. Clark 2, B. Elliman 0, J. Webb 0, C. Wheatley 0, extras 1, total 24.—P. Robinson six for 13, R. Hull three for 10.

Play-off will decide champions

To decide the championship of Division Four of the Bedford and District Cricket League, Cople II and Rehold II, will meet in a play-off at Bedford Park on Saturday week (September 22). The game will start at 2.30 p.m. Both teams obtained 17 points from their twelve league games. Final placings were:

60. G. S. Andrews 22, T. Thomas 0, J. B. Brown 34, M. I. Wilson 1, T. Woolliscroft 4, P. Kirk 7, G. J. S. Tucker 12, P. G. Woolston 1, T. Bennett not out 1, extras 6, total (for nine wks. dec.) 147.

Huntingdon II: 154 for four wks. (Humphries 55; Linger 14-0-68-2, Andrews 6-0-39-1, Thomas 2-0-10-1).

PREMIER DIVISION

	p	w	l	d	pts
Thurleigh I	12	8	2	2	18
Clapham	12	7	3	2	16
Stadsden	12	8	4	0	16
Wyboston	12	8	4	3	13
Little Staughton I	12	4	6	2	10
Mogerhanger	12	3	7	2	8
Southoe	12	1	10	1	3

DIVISION I

	p	w	l	d	pts
Marston	12	8	3	1	17
Dean	12	7	4	1	15
Cople I	12	7	5	0	14
Stevington	12	4	5	3	11
Blanham I	12	5	6	1	11
Great Barford I	12	5	6	1	11
Staploe	12	2	9	1	5

DIVISION II

	p	w	l	d	pts
Rehold I	12	11	1	0	22
Oakley	12	9	3	0	18
Kempston Wood End	12	7	4	1	15
Pertenhall	12	6	6	0	12
Felmersham	12	4	8	0	8
Keysoe	12	3	9	0	6
North Crawley	12	1	10	1	3

DIVISION III

	p	w	l	d	pts
Great Staughton	12	11	1	0	22
Roxton	12	8	4	0	16
Wilden	12	6	6	0	12
Little Paxton	12	5	5	2	12
Wrestlingworth	12	4	7	1	9
Thurleigh II	12	3	8	1	7
Little Staughton II	12	3	9	0	6

DIVISION IV

	p	w	l	d	pts
Cople II	12	8	3	1	17
Rehold II	12	8	3	1	17
Caldecote	12	6	3	3	15
Blunham II	12	6	4	2	14
Tempford	12	6	5	1	13
Sharbrook	12	2	7	3	7
Great Barford II	12	0	11	1	1

EASY WIN

Last Saturday Potton beat Wrestlingworth by 142 runs.

Potton: C. Rawlins 41, F. Paice 3, K. Woodman 8, G. Gray 51, K. Standen 43, R. Duffin 10, P. Hutchinson not out 19, D. Page 1, J. Welling not out 1, extras 6, total (for 8 wks.) 183.—B. Selwyn two for 24, E. Huckle two for 57, J. Hutchinson one for 32, M. Huckle one for 31.

Wrestlingworth: D. Coupe 4, B. Selwyn 3, J. Hutchinson 5, J. Bonfield 3, J. Williams 3, M. Huckle 4, E. Huckle 14, R. Coupe 0, R. Wilsher 0, J. Norman 1, T. Kitson not out 0, extras 2, total 41.—P. Hutchinson one for 5, D. Page two for 11, C. Rawlins two for 10, G. Gray three for 3.

SIX WICKETS VICTORY

Set by Bedford II to score 148 to win in two hours. Huntingdon II hit out to achieve a six wickets victory.

Bedford II: D. F. Bennett