BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 15 OCTOBER 1937.

FUNERAL OF MR. F. TAYLOR

County Cricketer and Groundsman

The funeral took place on Wednesday of Mr. Frederick Taylor, of 87 Stanley Street, Bedford, who died on Sunday, and who was groundsman to the County Cricket Club for fourteen years and one of the best-known sportsmen in the town. His performances as a County cricketer will be remembered by many. Mr. Taylor, who was educated at the Bedford Modern School, was a gardener to Mr. Richard Allen for twenty-three years.

Thirty-four years ago Mr. Taylor married Miss Sybil Foot, who survives him. There was one daughter, Miss Doris Sybil Taylor, but she died at the age of sixteen.

The following tribute has been paid to Mr. Taylor: "Groundsman by profession and gentleman by nature—another of the Modern School products—he was without a doubt one of the finest of the exponents of his craft. Fred Taylor was first conscientious, second polite, and third obliging. For these three qualities he gained the respect of the members of the County Cricket Club.

"An old County player, Fred had the reputation of being an extraordinarily fine fieldsman. He was also a sound batsman and a good bowler."

The funeral took place at Bedford Cemetery, the Rev. A. Edington conducting the service. The mourners were Mrs. Taylor (widow), Mrs. J. Taylor and Mrs. Spring (sisters-in-law), Mr. J. Taylor, Mr. R. Taylor, and Mr. F. Taylor (nephews), Mr. and Mrs. Locksley, Mrs. J. Taylor, and Mrs. R. Taylor.

Among those present were Mr. F. Crompton, Mr. J. C. Sleightholm, and Mr. R. F. Ferriman (representing the County Cricket Club), Mr. R. Reynolds (representing the Bedford Rugby Club), Mr. F. P. Dennison, Mr. P. A. Bird (representing the 1904 Queen's Works Cricket Club), Mr. A. C. Wildman (representing Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allen), Miss D. Dickens, Mrs. Wiggings, Mrs. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garratt, Mrs. John, Mrs. H. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. York, and Mr. E. H. Bull.

DEATHS

BOWERS.—On 13th October, at a London Hospital, Edward James Bowers, Electricity Club, 18 Cauldwell Street, Bedford, aged 51 years. Funeral service on Monday, 3.40 p.m., at St. Mary's Church, Bedford.

CONQUEST.—On 8th October, William Conquest, 24 Kelvin Avenue, Bedford, aged 68.

EMERY.—On 9th October, Elizabeth Peel Emery, 54 Oak Road, Bedford, aged 53 years.

HYDE.—On 13th October, at 10 Foster Street, Bedford, George Hyde, aged 64 years.

MORGAN.—On 10th October, at 10 Woburn Road, Bedford, after a short illness, Arthur Williams Morgan

SPENCER.—On 13th October, at Olney, Ethel, the loving wife of Albert Spencer, and dearly loved only daughter of Edward and Rosina Pratt, of Rosedene, Bromham, aged 39, after long suffering bravely borne. At rest.

SWAFFIELD.—On 1st October, at Catesby, Northamptonshire, Richard Nash, the sixth son of the late H. R. J. Swaffield, of Bedford and Beckerings Park, Ampthill, aged 57.

TAYLOR.—On 10th October, Frederick Taylor, 87 Stanley Street, Bedford, aged 59 years.

TYSOE.—On 10th October, Louisa Mary Tysoe, at Thistley Green, Bromham, aged 78 years. "At rest."

T.D. THEVENARD

First names in full: THEODORE Diggins
Date of birth: 1914. (Approx)
Place of birth: S. America
School: Bedford Grammer.
University or college: —

Left or right-handed batsman: Right handed Batesman
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: —
Year of first class debut: —
Teams played for:
First class - Bedford Regby class

Second class -

Others - Winner four hundred yards for Bedford School

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

Occupation: clerk - Bedford Brick works
Date of death: N/K.
Place of death: Flying accident in America
R.A.F. Trainee. Pilot. officer.

Thank you for your help.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 4 JULY 1941

A popular Bedford Rugby player and an Old Bedfordian, Mr. Theodore Digging Thevenard, youngest son of Mrs. Thevenard and the late Mr. E. F. Thevenard of 12 St. Augustine's Road, Bedford, was married on Saturday at Holy Trinity Church to Miss Beryl Eileen Glass, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Glass of 29 Beverley Crescent, Bedford. The bridegroom won both his Rugby and cricket colours at Bedford School. He has been a regular first-team choice for the Bedford Rugby Club, and his clever play at right-wing threequarter won for him a place in an English Trial. He has also played many times for the East Midlands Counties Union.

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Norwich.
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4 April 1977.

Dear Mr Wells.

Thank you for your letter received today. I am writing on behalf of my husband Frank Fleetwood, who I'm afraid is now 75 yrs of age and has just recently had a stroke. However Fleetwood was his younger brother, I am afraid I didn't know any of the family, (only Peggy his sister who now lives in America) Frank didn't marry me till 1966.

However I have filled in the form as you requested answers given to me by Frank whose memory is not good.

I hope this will help

you in your research, perhaps the Bedford School could help with the exact dates of birth etc.

Yours sincerely
Velma J Hovenard
Mrs

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 9 AUGUST 1940-3

FLYING-OFFICER G. H. THEVENARD KILLED

BROTHER OF POPULAR RUGBY FOOTBALLER

Many Bedfordians will learn with regret of the death, in a flying accident on 1st August, of Flying-Officer George Holland Thevenard of 12 St. Augustine's Road, Bedford. He was the second son of Mrs. Thevenard and of the late Mr. Ernest Frank Thevenard, who died in May of this year. His brother is Mr. Theo Thevenard, the popular Bedford Rugby Club's wing-threequarter, who is hoping to enter the Royal Air Force in the near future.

Flying-Officer Thevenard, who was thirty-three years old, was born in the Argentine. The family returned to England during the last war, Mr. Thevenard, senr., serving with the Royal Flying Corps. Flying-Officer Thevenard was at Bedford School from 1920-24 and left to take up the engineering profession. He had worked for many years at Peterborough and was a member of the Peterborough Rugby Club. He took a keen interest in the activities of the Bedford Rugby Club. He was called up on the outbreak of hostilities as a pilot of the Volunteer Reserve, and promoted shortly afterwards. He was married in September 1939 to Miss Jeanne Wight of Hull.

A military funeral service was held in Oxfordshire, attended by Mrs. Thevenard (widow), his two brothers (Mr. Theo Thevenard and Mr. F. C. W. Thevenard), Mr. and Mrs. Wight of Hull (father-in-law and mother-in-law), Mrs. Stockdale of Little Rownham, near Ely (sister), and many of his former Service comrades. His mother and another sister, Mrs. J. Bealey of New York, were unable to attend.

FREDERICK THOMAS PRIOR.
Born, 13th December, 1866.
Entered the School, April, 1875.
Left, July, 1885.
Died at Shrewsbury on 1st April, 1942.

MORLEY ROBERTS,
Novelist.
Born, 29th December, 1857.
Entered the School in 1871.
Left in 1874.
Died in London on 8th June, 1942.

GILBERT CONOLLY SARGENT.
Born, 28th December, 1892.
Entered the School, September, 1908.
Left, July, 1912.
Died in South Africa on 6th June, 1941.

ALEXANDER SHARMAN.
Born, 11th August, 1865.
Entered the School, September, 1874.
Left, December, 1877.
Died at Wellington, New Zealand, on
11th April, 1942.

LYNDON BOLTON,
for many years the donor of the
"Lyndon Bolton" Mathematical Prize.
A member of the School Chapel Committee
from 1923 to 1931.
Died at Bedford on 8th May, 1942.

HUMPHREY ALBERT HIME.
Born in Bermuda on 11th July, 1868.
Died at Bedford on 21st May, 1942.

Many Bedfordians will regret to learn of the death on 21st May at his home, 62 Castle Road, Bedford, of Mr. Humphrey Albert Hime. Aged seventy-three, Mr. Hime had been ill for some time.

Mr. Hime was born in Bermuda on 11th July, 1868, the second son of the late Rt. Hon. Lt.-Colonel Sir Albert Hime, R.E., K.C.M.G., and former Prime Minister of Natal. He was educated at Hilton College, Natal, and became Clerk to the Executive Council, Pietermaritzburg, Natal. He came to Bedford on his retirement thirty years ago.

He was a great friend of Bedford School, and followed School activities with the closest interest. He was affectionately known as "Uncle" by several generations of boys of the School. Year after year he was a regular attendant at the sports matches, and he was scorer for many cricket matches, including those during the Old Bedfordians' Weeks and the games against touring sides. To many Old Boys, when days of peace return, the School cricket pavilion will seem strange without the familiar sturdy figure and genial personality of "Uncle," who was always so glad to renew friendships and so happy to entertain with reminiscences.

He scored for the School games, and also for many years for the County Cricket Club, with characteristic thoroughness. He was punctilious to a high degree, and his score-books were models for neatness and accuracy. Mr. Hime was a Vice-President of the County Cricket Club, and he also served on the General Committee of the County Cricket Club for many years.—*Bedford Record.*

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Old Bedfordians and the War.

Killed.

THOMAS OXENHAM GORDON BARRATT,
Pupil Pilot, South African Air Force.
Born, 22nd November, 1921.
Entered the School, September, 1935.
Left, July, 1939.
Killed on active service at Boksburg, S. Africa,
on 11th April, 1942.

JAMES WILMOT CORFIELD,
Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
Born, 13th August, 1916.
Entered the School, May, 1924.
Left, July, 1934.
Killed in action.

JOHN STUART GOLDSWORTHY,
King's African Rifles.
Born, 17th January, 1921.
Entered the School, September, 1934.
Left, July, 1938.
Died on active service.

JOHN WEMYSS HALLAM,
Sergeant, R.A.F.
Born, 4th June, 1910.
Entered the School, January, 1925.
Left, April, 1929.
Killed in action.

JOHN RALPH HUBBARD,
Pilot-Officer, R.A.F.
Born, 18th March, 1915.
Entered the School, January, 1925.
Left, July, 1932.
Killed in action, March, 1942.

ALFRED FRANK JOLLY,
Captain, M.C.
late The East Yorkshire Regt.
Born, 21st July, 1894.
Entered the School, September, 1907.
Left, July, 1914.
Died on 3rd April, 1942, of injuries received
while on duty.

JACK MCGREGOR-CHEERS,
Pilot-Officer, R.A.F.
Born, 15th September, 1916.
Entered the School, May, 1929.
Left, December, 1934.
Killed in action.

PETER GEORGE PAGE,
Major, M.C., Royal Tank Regt.
Born, 15th June, 1915.
Entered the School, May, 1923.
Left, December, 1933.
Killed in action at Sidi Rezegh,
November, 1941.

CRICHTON MACKNIGHT STICKNEY,
Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
Born, 9th April, 1921.
Entered the School, September, 1934.
Left, July, 1938.
Killed in action, July, 1941.

THEODORE DIGGINS THEVENARD,
Fleet Air Arm.
Born, 5th January, 1913.
Entered the School, September, 1925.
Left, December, 1930
Killed on active service in the United States
of America.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 3 APRIL 1942.

ANOTHER RUGBY LOSS

T. D. Thevenard Killed in the United States

A FATAL ACCIDENT

Sportsmen, and particularly Bedford Rugby Club followers, will regret to learn of the death as the result of an accident in the United States of America of T. D. Thevenard, who for many seasons was a popular and outstanding threequarter for the Bedford Rugby Club and the East Midlands. He was attached to the Fleet Air Arm, and had gone to America in connexion with the overseas training scheme.

An Old Bedfordian, Theodore D. Thevenard was at Bedford School from 1925 to 1930. He distinguished himself at Rugby, and was a good cricketer and gymnast. His play for the Bedford Rugby Club was of a consistently high standard. A very strong runner and a sturdy tackler, he was first choice for the right-wing threequarter position for many seasons. Occasionally he played at fly-half, and showed the resource demanded of a player in this position. In the 1936-37 season he played in an English Trial. Of a quiet though friendly disposition, Thevenard will be remembered with affection by players, officials, and supporters of the Club.

Much sympathy will be felt for his widow, formerly Miss Beryl Eileen Glass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs H. S. Glass of Beverley Crescent, whom he married in July last year.

"T. D.'s" elder brother, Flying-Officer George Thevenard, O.B., was killed earlier in the war.

The war has now claimed four well-known Rugby Club players in Thevenard, "Jimmy" Power, "Micky" Staples, and "Bunny" Warren; and Sam Powell. Ellis Walshe, and "Teddy" Greave are prisoners of war. J. G. Rogers, who was seriously hurt in an air crash many months ago, is still in hospital, but is progressing well. Both Jack's brothers are now in the Royal Air Force.

A.R. THOMPSON

First names in full: ALFRED ROSS THOMPSON.

Date of birth: 31 Oct 1886

Place of birth: Norwich

School: HORSHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL (his father my grandfather became Secretary Education West Sussex)

University or college: ST. JOHNS COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE

Left or right-handed batsman Rt handed

~~Type of bowler and arm~~/wicket keeper: Wicket keeper.

Year of first class debut: —

Teams played for:

~~First class~~ - BEDFORDSHIRE.
DUNSTABLE

Second class -

Others - Asst Master Berkhampstead Sch 1917-21
Headmaster Dunstable Grammar Sch 1921-1927
Headmaster Solihull Sch, Warwickshire 1927-1948

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

Other Sports Lawn Tennis, Rugby Fives, Golf, Bowls.
Best game probably Lawn Tennis.
Married Kathleen Oliver Ling 1917.
4 Sons, 1 daughter.
Eldest Son J.R. Thompson Cricket Cambridge Univ 1938, 39
Warwickshire '38-55.
Amateur Rackets Champion 1954, 55, 57, 58 59
Finalist Amateur Squash Championship 1948

Date of death: 26 November 1972
Place of death: Lindfield, Sussex.

J.R. Thompson.

Thank you for your help.

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28.4.77

Dear Mr Webb,

I return this information about my late father with much pleasure. He was a very keen games player, but his duties as Headmaster precluded his playing very much.

A useful opening batsman / wkt keeper. I believe he played once or twice for Bedfordshire while H.M. of Dunstable G.S.

He was somewhere near County Standard at Lawn Tennis probably his best game.

Kind regards and good wishes for your research.

Yours Sincerely
John R. Thompson

G. D. SLAUGHTER, M.A.
HEADMASTER
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SOLIHULL SCHOOL,
WARWICKSHIRE, B91 3DJ.

19th April, 1977.

A.J. Webb, Esq.,
28, Thorn Tree Court,
30, Park View Road,
LONDON, W. 5.

Thanked 25 April 1977 AW.

Dear Mr. Webb,

Thank you for your letter asking for information about Mr. A.R. Thompson. I am afraid our records seem very incomplete and I think that you are most likely to find out what you want to know from Mr. Thompson's son, Mr. J.R. Thompson, Box Wood, Cardigan Road, Marlborough, Wiltshire. However, information which I can give you is as follows:

Wrote 25 April 1977.

First names	Alfred Ross
Date of birth	31.10.1886.
University	St. John's College, Cambridge
Date of death	26.11.1972.
Place of death	Lindfield, Sussex.

I am sorry not to be more helpful. As far as his career as a schoolmaster is concerned, I enclose a photocopy of the address at the Memorial Service which took place at Lindfield on the 15th December 1972.

Yours sincerely,

GDSlaughter

ALFRED ~~ARTHUR~~ ROSS THOMPSON: 1886-1972
Memorial Service, Friday, 15th December, 1972 at Lindfield

His family, his friends, his colleagues, his pupils, we are here to recall the memory of him who was best known to many of us as Tommie. We have good reason to do so: we have been given the chance of being better men and women for having known him. I remember his saying once that the influence that good men had during their lifetime always lives on and that that was another form of eternal life. How true that is of him. Many good things are now happening in the world which have come from his inspiration and influence on others.

I want to speak for a few minutes of him as I knew him: the great Headmaster of my school for the difficult years from 1927 to 1947. He was uniquely qualified to be a Headmaster, to be a guide for a youthful society: he had an infectious, romantic idealism tempered with a sane realism: he fired those around him with the very best kind of discontent, with a wish and will to leave society a better place than they found it. He was completely lacking in cynicism and disillusion: two great wars, wreaking havoc with the young whom he had taught, did not destroy the faith he had that man, mindful of God and the life hereafter, could yet make things better for his fellow man on earth.

He was a splendid classroom teacher; some of us had the privilege of being taught mathematics in successive years by him and Raymond Ansell with whom he shared many interests and whose death we have recently deeply regretted. But, although mathematics was his subject, the subject did not matter: he could teach any subject: I can recall a most effective course of lessons on biology he gave to a lower Sixth Form as a broadening, non-examination experience. Before coming to Solihull School he had read mathematics at St. John's College at Cambridge, had been a housemaster and the senior mathematical master at Berkhamsted School under that great Headmaster, Greene, father of Graham and Hugh, and then himself Headmaster for five years of Dunstable Grammar School. He came to Solihull at the age of 42 at the height of his powers; he deployed them to the full in its interest. In more than one sense he was at its very midst for those 20 years.

He was a fine games player and it must have been a disappointment that, although his work for the academic side of the School gave it a higher standing than it had reached in the preceding four centuries, his own remarkable ability at reading the maker's name on the ball and in co-ordinating eye and ball was never sufficiently equalled among the boys to raise Solihull's sports record similarly. Cricket, tennis, golf and, later, bowls, he had a remarkable facility at them all long after others abandoned them and few are aware that he won the Freshman's Quarter Mile at Cambridge in 1904.

Mathematical studies had not made it easier for him to reconcile a young man's doubts with Christian faith, but he was fortunate to have at his side a talented and devoted wife who was also a devout Christian. Secure in his home life, with a growing family of his own, he was able to devote himself to the mental, emotional, physical, spiritual health of the boys of the school. We well remember the care with which we were prepared for confirmation and with which we were encouraged to join in corporate communion. His ideals, humanity and faith never failed us: his sympathy and understanding helped us through all the emotional, intellectual and spiritual problems of adolescence; his humour and frankness forbade the priggish and the smug.

He was a first rate mobiliser of resources. His predecessor had given the school a magnificent site and playing fields; he gave us new buildings. A newly founded Parents' Association raised money in a series of mammoth fetes and provided a swimming bath, scholarship funds, and other facilities. He had inherited a devoted group of able assistant staff, and strengthened it, year by year, with new appointments: the Sixth Form started to secure a respectable number of University Open Scholarships and Exhibitions: School and Higher School Certificate Examinations results reached unprecedented heights. Relationships were established which have been interrupted only by death. I remember him and his wife taking groups of us masters

and boys walking in the Lake District and Hardy's Wessex long before such activities became as widespread as they now are; there was no generation gap as we helped to push his blue Morris motorcar up Abbotsbury Hill. And at this same time he was starting to devote his precious leisure to marriage guidance work and similar activities directed towards the greater happiness of those outside the School.

Then came the Second World War and its apparently endless strain for those educating and training the young. And then the peace—with its major educational reorganisations: Solihull School had to decide its future status: should it become a maintained school within the State system? Should it press for Direct Grant status? Should it become Independent? In this he behaved so characteristically. The School should be Independent. And, to profit from the new Independence, it should have a new Headmaster from the outset. And so at the height of his powers, he decided he should go: as ever he acted only on his deepest convictions and the interests of the school prevailed.

Sadly the School said goodbye to him, the Moses who had led them for 20 difficult years and welcomed the Joshua who was to lead them into the Promised Land of outstanding performance and public recognition. But his was the achievement: he had hated publicity; he had created a regime based on the dignity of his own sincerity and naturalness, on the quality of his own standards, on his own Christian faith. And with these qualities he and his wife came to live among you in Lindfield. And Solihull realised that they had lost a great Headmaster, and a great man, and a great Christian.

J. E. C. THORNTON.

F.C. THODY

First names in full: FRANK CECIL
Date of birth: 25. 6. 1901
Place of birth: BEDFORD
School: BEDFORD
University or college: /

~~Left or~~ right-handed batsman
~~Type of bowler and arm~~/wicket keeper:
Year of first class debut:
Teams played for:
First class - /

Second class - BEDFORDSHIRE

Others - Various local and Bank Elevens (chiefly Thursday cricket) and lastly Skegness C.C in company with Ex Lincolnshire Players and a former captain of Nottinghamshire

Other possible points of interest: (~~for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth~~) NONE.
I played for Bedfordshire while still at School. When I left School and joined Lloyds Bank my cricket was restricted to Thursday afternoons and by the fact that I was regularly moved to different parts of the country. I had a very enjoyable cricket spell from 1936 to 1943 at Norwich and even more so at Skegness 1943/6. Until my right knee gave out in 1946 I felt as active & confident as ever behind the stumps. (In those days we stood up to fast bowlers !!) Since my transfer in 1946 to manage our Chelmsford Branch, my 1 acre garden has kept me busy and very fit.
Occupation: BANK MANAGER (Retired)

Thank you for your help.

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25th February,1997

Dear Mr Webb,

Thank you for your letter of 22nd.February,1997.

I remember Frank Thoroughgood very well, he played for Henlow as I did but from 1933 and like myself played for Bedford, he as you say twice and myself once.

We both played for Bedford Club end ground.

He was farm manager of a farm which was owned by the Bedford Borough. He was a very solid right handed bat and on occasion could keep wicket although I was the regular wicket keeper for Henlow and Bedford at the time.

I don't know where he was at school but I think he was a West Countryman.

I can see Frank now, medium height, brown as a berry, always cheerful, and once set took a lot of shifting.

I remember most of the players at that time, the Rawlins, the Pooles' boys whose father always umpired and also an old chap called Stillman-Gibbard who was Chairman of the Sharnbrook Magistrates Court (now defunkt) he was given out, was most reluctant to walk, I remember given out LBW when he said he wasn't out and wasn't going - we all looked at each other and Stillman Gibbard continued ! To the best of my recollection was clean bowled next over !!!

Also Wilfred King who was one of the best spin bowlers we had and captained Bedfordshire.

Yours sincerely,

J.R.Clover

BEDS AND HERTS PICTORIAL: TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 1934.

MR. L. C. R. THRING PASSES

FIRST HEAD OF DUNSTABLE SCHOOL

A Former County Cricket Captain

We regret to announce the death, which took place on Saturday, at his home at The Grange, Ash, Martock, Somerset, of Mr. Lionel Charles Reginald Thring, M.A., J.P., at the age of 72.

Mr. Thring, who was the first headmaster of Dunstable School, and held the position for thirty-three years, retiring in 1921, was taken ill while shooting on the Dumfriesshire moors. He underwent a serious operation which involved the amputation of his left leg, just above the knee, and remained in a critical condition for a lengthy period.

After his return to Somerset his condition showed some slight improvement, but in spite of devoted nursing and care, his condition later became worse, as his heart did not stand the shock and strain.

A member of an old Somerset family, Mr. Thring went first to Uppingham, where his uncle, the late Mr. Edward Thring, was headmaster. Later, he went to Marlborough College, and at the age of eighteen proceeded to Cambridge, where he took his degree in theology.

Upon leaving the university he became a master at Wellingborough School, remaining there until he was appointed headmaster of Dunstable School in 1888.

At that time the school possessed only small buildings, and there were few facilities for physics or chemistry. There was no gymnasium and no playing fields, and the forty-nine scholars—of whom three were boarders—were under the care of Mr. Thring and one assistant master.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Thring immediately set about improvements. He introduced chemistry into the curriculum, and, for the time being, transformed the basement into a laboratory.

As the years went by more class rooms were built, a hall erected, and gymnasium, swimming baths, playing fields and, eventually, a laboratory were provided, while Ashton Lodge was acquired for the accommodation of boarders.

So far as educational work was concerned, Mr. Thring believed that character was of more importance than learning, and that it was better for a man to prove himself a reliable and worthy citizen than to become a great scholar lacking other attributes. This was the maxim upon which he based his work, and the success of it has been amply demonstrated by the records of old boys.

When he attended the annual dinner of the Old Dunstablians' Club, early this year, Mr. Thring declared, in response to a toast to him, that character was everything, and the task of every headmaster was the formation of character.

"You learn something at school, I suppose," he said, "but what you want to learn is to learn how to learn, and it is when you get out into the world that you begin to learn."

Mr. Thring retained his keen interest in the school throughout the years of his retirement, and was always a warm friend of the Old Dunstablians' Club.

A MAGISTRATE

He found time for other activities apart from those connected with his school. For many years he was a Justice of the Peace for Dunstable, and though he never sought municipal honours, he could always be relied upon to give the strongest support to any movement in the interest of the town.

For some years he was President of the Dunstable Scouts' Association, and when he relinquished that position upon his retirement from the headship of the school, he was presented with the "Thanks" badge, in appreciation of his services.

For several years he was Chairman of the Dunstable Literary and Scientific Society, and during the war was Chairman of the Dunstable Military Tribunal.

CRICKET AND GOLF

A thorough sportsman, Mr. Thring was a keen cricketer and golfer, and it was not long after he came to Dunstable that he made his mark in Bedfordshire county cricket. He became captain of the county side at a critical period, and under his enterprising leadership the county club took on a new lease of life.

His keenness in the game was reflected, also, in the personal interest he took in the organisation of the school team and their success upon the playing fields.

Glowing tribute to the skill and value of his leadership of the county team was paid at the recent annual dinner of Luton Town Cricket Club.

GOLFING ON THE DOWNS

Mr. Thring was one of the first members of Dunstable Golf Club, but he took up the game some years before the birth of the club, playing with a number of other local enthusiasts upon an improvised course on the Downs.

Mr. Thring will be remembered with affection and gratitude by Old Dunstablians in all parts of the country, and, in fact, in all parts of the world. Many tributes have been paid to his ability and worth and to the sterling qualities which won him general esteem and respect.

When he left the school presentations were made to him on behalf of all associated with it at that time and in the past, and the visits which he has since paid have given valued opportunities to renew acquaintance with him.

FAMILY'S GRATITUDE

"Both my daughters and I would like to send a message of deep gratitude," writes his widow, "to all those dear Old Boys and friends who have helped us so much by their affectionate sympathy in our time of anxiety."

Mr. Thring lost his only son during the war while serving as a Second Lieutenant in the North Midland R.F.A.

The funeral will take place at Dunstable Cemetery at two o'clock on Thursday.

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THRING, LIONEL CHARLES REGINALD

He made his first appearance at Lord's on July 28, 1880 for Marlborough v Rugby. He was an excellent free-hitting batsman and a good field, though taking no particular place. He was in the Marlborough XI only one season, but subsequently he played for Wiltshire commencing in 1882, and for Bedfordshire

When the latter was resuscitated as a cricketing county in 1891, he became the first honorary secretary and captain; and in fact he was the prime mover in the County XI being re-formed. He was, however, obliged at the end of that season to resign the post of Captain, owing to his profession, but he continued his secretarial activities for a few more years.

He made many excellent scores for Bedfordshire, the highest of them being 143 not out v MCC at Dunstable in 1894, when he went in first and carried out his bat. He assisted the County from 1891 until 1908 inclusive

At Wellingborough Grammar School ~~v Rannds~~ on 21 July 1888, he made 231 for W.G.S v Rannds, and at Dunstable on 30 June 1894, he scored 212 for Dunstable GS, of which he had been Headmaster since 1888, against Charing Cross Hospital.

He was born at Uppingham, in Rutland, on 5 September 1862. Height 5', 8 and weight 11 st, 5 lb.

He was a member of a well-known cricketing brotherhood.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 21 MARCH 1941.

DEATH OF OLD BEDFORDIAN BROTHERS

The death is announced of two Old Bedfordian brothers, Squadron-Leader R. A. E. Traill and Second-Lieutenant R. C. S. Traill, whose mother's address is in Lansdowne Road, Bedford. Squadron-Leader Robert Alfred Edmund Traill, who was twenty-eight, died as the result of a Service flying accident. He was born in Pelligrene, Argentina, and was at Bedford School from 1924 to 1931 and was a noted sportsman. For two years he was a member of the School first eleven and second fifteen, and was a keen boxer, having represented the School on many occasions. In the Officers' Training Corps he attained the rank of company-sergeant-major.

From Bedford School Squadron-Leader Traill graduated to St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, where he gained his half-blue as a member of the Cambridge boxing team. On leaving College Squadron-Leader Traill entered the Royal Air Force, and it is great tribute to his flying ability that he was promoted to the rank of Squadron-Leader at so early an age. He saw active service in France and was mentioned in dispatches.

Squadron-Leader Traill was married on 28th August 1939 at Northcotes to Miss Elizabeth Vanda Hare of Fernhurst, Surrey. His bride had been a student at the Bedford Physical Training College for some years, and later took up duties at Guy's Hospital.

The funeral, at which Squadron-Leader Traill was accorded full military honours, took place this week.

Second-Lieut. Traill, who was twenty-four, was in the Middle East. He was at Bedford School from 1926 to 1934.

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Dr C J R Thorne
The Senior Tutor

Thanked 27.4.97

01 April 1997

A J Webb
59c Mount Avenue
Ealing
LONDON W5 1PN

Dear Mr Webb

Thank you for your letter of 15 March. I apologise for this late reply, but I have been away.

We have only a little information on Messrs Browning and Traill. This is as follows:

1. Norman Edgar Browning
   Born 17.6.1908 Gloucester
   Father Edward Charles Browning, a "custodian"
   Matriculated 2.11.1927
   Read Mathematics, then Geography
   BA 24.6.1930
   MA 28.4.1934
   Last known address: 43 Greensome Crescent, Doxey, Stafford, ST16 1EX
   (He was recommended for cricket by Col. D C Robinson, Capt, Gloucestershire County XI)

2. Robert Alfred Edmond Traill
   Born 21.3.1912 Rafaela, Argentina
   Father Robert William Traill, a "rancher"
   Matriculated 3.11.1931
   Read Law, History and Economics
   BA 16.6.1934
   No address held

I hope this is of use.

Yours sincerely,

C J R Thorne

CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF DEATH

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Application Number 6009515

REGISTRATION DISTRICT Warminster

1941 DEATH in the Sub-district of Warminster in the County of Wilts

Columns:– 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
No. When and where died	Name and surname	Sex	Age	Occupation	Cause of death	Signature, description and residence of informant	When registered	Signature of registrar
390 12th March 1941 In a field Court Farm Imber RD	Robert Alfred Edmund Traill	Male	29 years	Of 27 Market Place Chippenham Wilts. Squadron Leader Royal Air Force	Multiple injuries and fractures sustained when aircraft in which he was flying crashed to the ground from causes unknown NOPM	Certificate received from Harold Dale Coroner for Wilts Inquest held 14th March 1941	Twenty first March 1941	J. E. Morgan Registrar

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of an entry in the certified copy of a Register of Deaths in the District above mentioned.

Given at the GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE, under the Seal of the said Office, the 13th day of April 1999

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the Chaplain to his Division, the Rev. C. F. Bowker, C.F., and the Rev. H. Perry, of Bedford School. The Lesson was read by the Head Master. At the Cemetery the Last Post was sounded by Sergt.-Major Collier, Bedford School J.T.C.

ALAN DAVID PETRIE HEWISON,
Pilot-Officer, R.A.F.
Born, 1st December, 1914.
Entered the School, September, 1925.
Left, July, 1933.
Killed on active service in February, 1941.

GEOFFREY GEORGE KELLIE,
2nd Lieutenant, King's Dragoon Guards.
Born, 3rd August, 1920.
Entered the School, September, 1928.
Passed into Sandhurst, December, 1938.
Died in the Middle East on 24th February, 1941, of wounds received the previous day.

PETER NEWTON LOFTS,
Midshipman, Fleet Air Arm.
Born, 28th August, 1921.
Entered the School, Deptember, 1935.
Left, July, 1939
Killed on active service in December, 1940.

ROBERT ALFRED EDMOND TRAILL,
Squadron-Leader, R.A.F.
Born, 21st March, 1912.
Entered the School, September, 1924.
Left, July, 1931.
Killed in a flying accident in March, 1941.

RICHMOND CAMPBELL SHAKESPEAR TRAILL,
2nd Lieutenant, Royal Artillery,
younger brother of Robert A. E. Traill.
Born, 14th July, 1915.
Entered the School, January, 1925.
Left, April, 1934.
Died in the Middle East in March, 1941.

Wounded.

Squadron-Leader C. A. Wood (28-33), R.A.F.

War Honour.

Flt.-Lieut. A. F. Johnson (21-32), No. 204 Squadron, R.A.F., has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, for distinguished service in convoy escort duties in the face of great hazards.

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Major G. P. Bulman.

The Minister of Aircraft Production (Lord Beaverbrook) paid a special tribute in his broadcast address on March 23rd to Major G. P. Bulman (01-09), O.B.E., F.R.A.E.S.

To quote from *The Times* :—

"There were at the moment two new aircraft passing from the development stage to production. Behind those two aircraft now in development were several other new types. They would be in production one day, and perhaps an early day. Five new engines during nine months had been brought from experiment to manufacture.

"Now who is responsible for this work of development on which so much depends?" said Lord Beaverbrook. "To whom must the praise be given? I will tell you. It is the boys in the back rooms. They do not sit in the limelight, but they are the men who do the work. Many of them are Civil servants. There is Bulman, and there is Farren. But a long list of names could be given, and one day must be given.

"It is in connexion with one of our new engines, the Sabre, that Bulman should have our praise. For this Civil servant fastened on to the Sabre. He took all the chances, certain of condemnation if he failed and with no great expectation of praise if he succeeded. Well, he has succeeded, so let us praise Bulman. I know that the designer is entitled to the highest credit; history will give it to him. The manufacturer must be taken into account also, but it is the courage and foresight of Bulman that I wish to record now."

THE SABRE ENGINE.

The Ministry of Aircraft Production has stated that the Sabre engine develops the highest power of any British type which has passed the official type trials. Owing to its construction it has a small frontal area and reduced drag, which make it suitable for high performance fighter aircraft. The Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry, referring to this engine in his speech in the House of Commons on March 11th, said it was "less than 6ft. in length," and "develops more power than the Royal Scot."

Fives.

The courts have been well used throughout the term, and Juniors have benefited by the able and conscientious coaching which members of the First and Second Fours have given. We would see even better results if the game was taken a little more seriously during the Winter Term.

Very keen competition amongst the houses in both Senior and Junior matches resulted in some very good games. Paulo-Pontine claimed the honours amongst the Seniors, with Ashburnham a close second, while St. Cuthbert's won the Junior Championship.

The Colts and Second Four had an enjoyable season.

The First Four was young and inexperienced, but very keen and energetic—the Masters' Four will be the first to admit that these are not trifling qualities. At Oundle the team fought hard against experienced, confident players and gave a good account of themselves in the doubles, losing by only a small margin. Our success against Merchant Taylors' was due largely to good doubles play and not a little to Thomas' consistency.

The team has been most ably and enthusiastically led by Abrahams. His singles play is a little erratic and his right hand not too strong, but his flashing left and good court sense far outweigh his other weaknesses. Thomas is a young member whose guile and resourcefulness should make him develop into a sound player. Both Pybus and MacBean have a useful pair of hands, but are liable to worry too much when their opponents are in the lead; as doubles players they have been at their best.

at the beginning of July. Only three hours play was possible, and that was on the second day. Townsend neither batted nor bowled.

He was a member of the famous Gloucestershire family, four generations of whom played cricket for that county. Perhaps the most famous member of the family was C.L. who played for England in 1899, but D.C.H., a nephew of Miles Townsend, played for England in 1934-35. His county cricket was for Durham, and he is the last cricketer to have played for England without having played in the County Championship.

Miles Townsend played nine matches for Gloucestershire between 1903 and 1906.

M	*Inns*	*NOs*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Avge*
1	-	-	-	-	

Lieutenant-Colonel Claude Jesse Helby TREGLOWN

Born: Herne Bay, Kent, 13 February 1893.
Died: Worthing, Sussex, 7 May 1980.

A Regular Army officer, Claude Treglown was educated at Norwich School and played for Norfolk between 1910 and 1913. He won the Military Cross in World War One.

He also appeared for Sussex 2nd XI, and his career for Essex was restricted to his availability between 1922 and 1928. A right-handed batsman, he opened the innings on occasions and was also used as a wicket-keeper in an emergency.

M	*Inns*	*NOs*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Avge*	*Ct*
34	55	3	792	77	15.23	11

Bert TREMLIN

Born: Bristol, Gloucestershire, 18 September 1877.
Died: 12 April 1936.

Bert Tremlin was unfortunate in that his career coincided with that of Walter Mead and that his opportunities for bowling his accurate, medium pace off-breaks were limited. He first played for Essex in 1900, but he made only casual appearances until 1905 when he took 99 wickets in all first-class matches. This was the season when, at Leyton, he took 9 for 126 against Derbyshire.

A late order batsman, he caused something of a sensation by hitting 160 for an Essex XI against Carmarthen at Llanelli in 1906, but, unable to agree terms, he left the county the following season and went into the Lancashire League. Returning in 1910, he played until the outbreak of World War One, and he enjoyed his best season in 1914 when he took 101 wickets.

He appeared in 1919, but he was then 42 years old, and his 20 wickets cost 36.55 runs each.

Tremlin proved to be a good coach, and he stood as a first-class umpire in 1923 and 1924. Pelham Warner paid tribute to him for the work he did as a practice bowler when Warner was living in Kent.

M	*Inns*	*NOs*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Avge*	*Ct*
132	193	63	1776	61	13.66	62

Overs	*Mds*	*Runs*	*Wkts*	*Avge*	*Best*	*10/m*	*5/inn*
3650.3	706	11734	452	25.96	9/126	4	23

Stanley Arthur TRICK

Born: Stoke Newington, London, 3 June 1884.
Died: Worcester Park, Surrey, 11 February 1958.

Educated at Merchant Taylor's School, Stanley Trick was the uncle of the Glamorgan all-rounder of the immediate post-war period. A right-handed middle order batsman, Stanley Trick played five games for Essex in 1905 as an amateur without much success.

M	*Inns*	*NOs*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Avge*	*Ct*
5	9	-	69	26	7.66	1

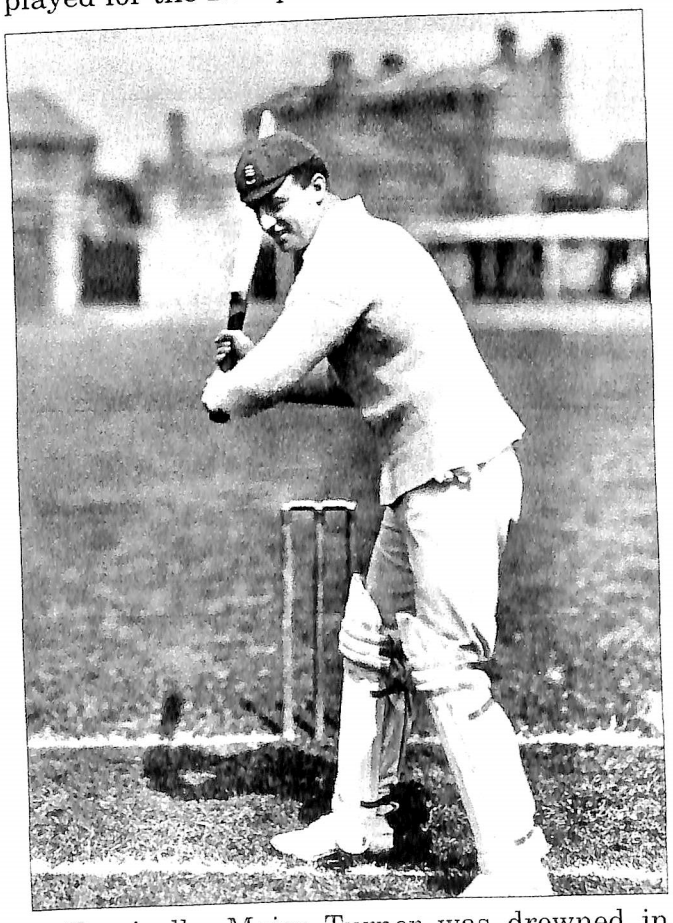
Brigadier Arthur Jervois TURNER

Born: Mussorie, India, 10 June 1878.
Died: Graffham, Sussex, 8 September 1952.

Had A.J.Turner devoted his life to cricket rather than to the Army, he would

unquestionably have been a player of the very highest quality. C.B.Fry was one of many who held that opinion. As it is, there are thousands of cricketers who would envy Turner his record in the first-class game.

A right-handed batsman, elegant and forceful, a right-arm medium-pace lob bowler, an accomplished wicket-keeper and an outstanding fielder, he was born in India where his father was serving as a Major. Major Turner encouraged his sons to play cricket, a game he loved passionately, and 'Johnny' and his brother Walter were both to play for Essex while a third brother, J.T., played for the Europeans in India.



Tragically, Major Turner was drowned in 1892 along with the other members of the Hong Kong cricket team when returning from a match against Shanghai. The *Bokhara,* the boat on which they were sailing, sank.

'Johnny' Turner was educated at Bedford Modern School where he was in the XI for four years from the age of 13, captaining the side in his last year and being eminently successful. He played for Bedfordshire, and, still a cadet at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, he made his debut for Essex against Hampshire, at Southampton, in 1897, and hit 33 in an innings victory. In the same week, he hit 61 and 26 not out as Derbyshire were beaten at Leyton, and, within a month, he had hit a maiden first-class century, 111 against the mighty Yorkshire, at Huddersfield, in a match which Essex won by one run. By the end of the season, he was top of the county batting averages and ninth in the first-class averages for the country. He was 19 years old.

He played for the Gentlemen against the Players at The Oval in 1898 and caught and bowled the great Arthur Shrewsbury for one of his three wickets in the match. He was invited to play in the Lord's fixture the following season, but he was unable to appear because of his military duties. He made the highest of his 11 centuries that season, 124 against Warwickshire, at Edgbaston, when he and his brother Walter saved Essex. He also shared big partnerships with Perrin and McGahey in 1899 and played an important part in the victory over the Australians. He finished the season with 751 runs, average 46.93, but for much of the time afterwards, his demands as an Army officer claimed him.

He served with the Royal Artillery in the South African War and was wounded at Ladysmith. He could play no first-class cricket in 1900, nor, indeed, in 1902, 03, 06 or 07, but he had the wonderful capacity for being able to return to county cricket after a long absence and bat immediately with skill and confidence against the strongest of opposition. The fact that he scored a century in each of his first-class seasons, limited as his appearances were, is testimony to this.

He last played for Essex in 1910, finishing with 34 and 4 not out against his old enemy Yorkshire. He was able to play in only five Championship matches in this season, but he still managed one of the two centuries hit by an Essex batsman during the campaign, 111 not out against Nottinghamshire, at Trent Bridge. He finished second in the batting averages.

A fine rugby player, he played for Blackheath and Kent, 'Johnny' Turner ended his first-class career with a game for the Free Foresters in 1914. He was on the staff of the GHQ in France in World War One and was four times mentioned in dispatches. He was made a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George, won the Distinguished Service Order and, significantly, the Croix de Guerre.

In every respect, this was a career of rich achievement.

M	Inns	NOs	Runs	HS	Avge	100s	Ct/st
68	116	12	3730	124	35.86	11	26/2

Overs	Mds	Runs	Wkts	Avge	Best
24	25	438	12	36.50	3/47

115.3 (five-ball)

Stuart TURNER

Born: Chester, Cheshire, 18 July 1943.

It has been said that Stuart Turner epitomised the spirit of Essex cricket which, after years of near misses, eventually brought glory. It could also be said that his career was almost a parallel of those years of endeavour which culminated in the period between 1979 and 1985 when three Championships, three Sunday League titles, and both knock-out competitions were won. Stuart Turner played a vital part in all of those triumphs, but before those years he had tasted the bad as well as the good.

It was his passion for the game that transformed Turner from a club cricketer into a first-class cricketer with an all-round record of which any player would be proud. His achievements for Buckhurst Hill brought him to the notice of Essex, and he made his debut, against Yorkshire at Bradford, July 1965. He was nearly knocked out by Freddie Trueman, was leg before to Hutton for one and did not take a wicket. In fact, it was not until his third match that he did take a wicket, that of Reynolds of Northamptonshire. In all, he appeared in nine Championship matches, and he was released at the end of the season. The horror was that, through an oversight, no-one had thought to tell him that his contract had not been renewed.

He found himself in the spring of 1966, newly-married, jobless and somewhat embittered. He found a job at Ford's, led his departmental cricket team to unparalleled heights, scored runs and took wickets for Buckhurst Hill and was re-engaged by Essex for the 1968 season. At the beginning of June, he and Hobbs put on 192 in two hours for the eighth wicket against Glamorgan at Ilford. Both men hit maiden first-class centuries. Two years later, he hit 121 against Somerset at Taunton and was awarded his county cap. A dream had been realised.

In 1971, he did the hat-trick against Surrey at The Oval, but it was not until 1974 that he reached his peak form. With 963 runs and 73 wickets, he was the outstanding all-rounder in

English cricket, and he became the second Essex player to win the Wetherall Award. He came very close to being selected for the England side to go to Australia under Denness, but the ultimate accolade just eluded him. The struggle for success had made him an abrasive character in his early years, one who did not suffer fools gladly, and an occasional clash with authority told against him. He mellowed, but he should have certainly played in one-day internationals for there was no better English limited-over cricketer. He bowled a brisk medium pace, naggingly just short of a length, and he hit belligerently and often. His fielding was dynamic, anywhere.

In 1978, he became the first player to take a total of 200 wickets in the Sunday League, and later the same season he became the first to the 'double' of 200 wickets and 2000 runs in that competition. Seven years later, in his penultimate season, he became the first and only player to score 3,000 runs and to take 300 wickets in the League. It was not just that he took wickets, he was miserly in giving away runs.

He played with a deep sense of loyalty to his county and to his colleagues, and his intense emotional involvement tended to make him suffer the disappointments of the late 1970s more than most. It was all the more gratifying that he should share in the team triumphs of

A.J Turner.

years, and so was obliged to wait until he got to captain's rank before the recommendation could take effect. Major A. J. Turner, R.A., is one of a large family of fine cricketers. His father was a member of a cricket team returning from a tour that went down in the ill-fated Bokhara, which was wrecked in the China seas in the early Nineties. An elder brother in the Sappers has been amongst the best cricketers in India for several years. In one of his best years in English first-class cricket, Major A. J. Turner was selected to play for the Gentlemen at Lord's but was unfortunately, to his great chagrin, unable to accept. His last score for Essex was a perfectly compiled century at Leicester last August. Still on the right side of 30, the youngest major in the service has many years cricket in him, and though perhaps the highest honours do not wait him in the cricket field, as the cricket International of to-day must be able to bat, bowl, and field above a bit, if he is not the wicket keeper, Major Turner should certainly get a place in the Gentlemen's Eleven at Lord's in the near future. One of his younger brothers, W. M. Turner, R.A., has played for Essex; an elder brother, W. C. D. Turner, who was home last year, is a shining light in cricket in the Far East; another younger brother, J. R. Turner, was in the running for his Blue when at Cambridge; while last year the youngest of this cricketing brotherhood, G. Turner scored more runs in Scottish school cricket for Fettes College, reaching a four-figure aggregate, than had ever before been scored. Major A. J. Turner, R.A., has been posted to the Weedon depot, Northants, which, however, does not mean he is lost to either first-class or to Essex cricket, of which his batting in recent rather dull times, has been one of the brightest jewels, as he will be able to play fairly regularly."

We may add that Major Turner was chosen as the first reserve forward for England for the Rugby Union Football Match with Wales.

In the recent Inter-Hospital Cross Country 10-Mile Race, the three O.B.M. representatives of the London Hospital, R. McC. Linnell, J. W. Linnell, and E. H. Rainey, all finished in the first twelve. Rainey, with 18 minutes allowance, won the sealed handicap for the flat part of the course, one of the Linnells being second.

S. Abrahams (O.B.M.) in the annual contest between Emmanuel College, Cambridge, and B.N.C., Oxford, won two events, the Long Jump, with the fine leap of 21ft. 9ins., and the Hundred Yards Race, in 10 4-5ths. seconds. A. Abrahams was second in the half-mile. At the Cambridge University Sports, S. Abrahams was second in his heat of the 100 yards, but could not finish nearer than third in the final. A. A. S. Williams (O.B.M., Trinity Hall) also competed in this heat but had not recovered

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 15 JANUARY 1937-1.

SPORT OF THE WEEK

A VETERAN TEST PLAYER

Born at Marston

In view of the clashes at cricket between England and Australia in Australia at the present time it is interesting to know that the oldest-living Test player is Bedfordshire born. This veteran with high performances to his credit is Mr. E. F. S. Tylecote, who is eighty-seven. He was born at Marston. From Clifton College he went to Oxford and played for his University for four years. He was captain in his last two years in the side. In 1875, and again from 1881 to 1883, he played for Kent, and from 1876 to 1880 he played for Bedfordshire. He made several appearances for the Gentlemen against the Players.

In 1882 Mr. Tylecote went with the seventh English side to tour Australia. This team was captained by the Hon. Ivor Bligh. There were three Test matches, and Mr. Tylecote recalls that the captain confidently predicted before sailing that they would win two out of the three matches, which they did.

One of Mr. Tylecote's last appearances on the field was for Kent against the Australians at Canterbury, when he made a century. An injury compelled his retirement from the game, and he exchanged hunting the leather for chasing butterflies and moths over Europe. He gave his collection to the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford.

Many Bedfordians will remember Mr. Tylecote. He was Mathematical Tutor, Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, from 1875 to 1895. He is now living at Hunstanton, Norfolk.

A brother, "H. G.", born four years later, was in the Oxford eleven three years. He, too, played for the Gentlemen, and for Bedfordshire from 1876 to 1883. He was captain of the County for two years.

Thus did the village green of Marston give two famous cricketers their initiation into the game.

K. VANE-PERCY

First names in full: KENNETH VANE-PERCY
Date of birth: 10/3/1917
Place of birth: SECUNDRABAD INDIA.
School: BEDFORD.
University or college: —

Left or right-handed batsman RIGHT HANDED.
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: RIGHT ARM
Year of first class debut: —
Teams played for:
First class -

Second class - BEDFORDSHIRE

Others - MCC INCOGNITI XL CLUB. BUCANEERS.
BEDFORD TOWN.

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)
BEDFORD RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB.
BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY GOLF UNION

Occupation: RETIRED MEMBER OF THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Thank you for your help.

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1947 18A Bushmead Avenue, Bedford

KENNETH VANE-PERCY 1917-1988

10 March 1917
28-34
22 December 1998

We all have our individual memories of Kenneth Vane-Percy and when I began to prepare for this morning I decided to talk to as many of his friends as possible. Everyone had a story to tell; everyone painted his own picture of some incident - social, sporting or business and the City - when Kenneth had left his permanent mark or lasting memory.

To each of us he was a man who when you met him you never forgot him.
I soon decided, as I'm sure Kenneth would have, that this occasion is a time not for grieving but a time for a thank-you for so many happy memories; a time when a man who enjoyed his life so much showed us all the wonderful things that living life to the full brings.

Kenneth was the son of a banker and was born in India, where his father was manager with the Imperial Bank of India.
Often he regaled us with stories of the days of the Raj and family life there, and his god father ~~Pandit Nehru~~ NIZAM OF HYDERABAD. He never forgot his ~~Punjabi~~ Hindi phrases which often he used to colour his stories.
The clarity of Kenneth's memories of those

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was remarkable for he left India at 6 years old to return to England to begin his schooling and to live with his grandfather in Dulwich, until his days at Bedford School began.

In School he was most interested in the classics, literature and languages — an interest he retained throughout his life often quoting from Greek and Latin verse, experimenting with his French and learning Spanish.

In School, however, it was on the Sports-field he excelled. He played for and captained the School's 1st Cricket XI and his school's Rugby XV. He played golf and successfully joined in the field athletics.

Ken was an all-rounder at cricket carrying his bat with his characteristic flamboyance and bowling good medium pace.

When he left school in 1934 he went on to play cricket for Bedford Town and was to captain the team after the war. His cricketing talent ~~by this~~ was recognised by his inclusion in the Minor Counties XI in 1936 and 1939

He loved his Rugby too! He joined the Bedford Club playing regularly

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Wanderers and the Bedford first team in the 1937 - 38 season. He was a dashing Centre, I'm told, quick and with good hands. He was renowned for his after match practical jokes in the hostelries around Bedford and was one of the best exponents of "the Muffin - Man" that any self-respecting rugby player loved wish to meet.

As I mentioned Kenneth had left Bedford School in 1934. His family had returned from India and lived in Bedford and his father was in the bity. It was natural for Kenneth to follow in father's footsteps and he was introduced into the firm of Hoblin and King, bity Brokers.

His new career in the bity in no way interfered with his sporting life - somehow he balanced play and work to become a much loved and respected senior partner in the firm

But I jumped ahead. In 1939 at the outbreak of war Kenneth joined the Army via the Bedford Yeomanry and on to to join the Royal Artillery

Posted to France in 1939 his Unit was part of our retreating forces. Kenneth found himself at Dunkirk and was fortunate

/fortunate enough

enough to be evacuated with so many others. After the traumas of Dunkirk he joined the elite A.O.P – The Army's Air Observer Pilots, did his flying training in Austers at Middle Wallop and eventually became a flying instructor.

It was typical of Kenneth, then Captain Vane-Percy that when any opportunity occurred he flew his Auster back to Bedford landing outside Rose Church windows on Rawlins farm to make up for lost time with his friends at the Cricketers Arms or at Dudeney's dancing the night away..

When the War ended it was, of course, back to Bedford and the City and resumption of a hectic work schedule and very, very social life.

He continued playing both cricket and Rugby but decided at the end of the 1947 season to concentrate on Golf – and what a golfing career he had. He got his handicap down to 2, played for the County and the Club, was President of the Bedfordshire Union from 1965 to 1967, Captain of our Club for three consecutive years from 1960–63 and was President of our Club for five years.

Kenneth was notorious for his parties and the dances he organised with a 'joi de vivre' that infected everyone.

Kenneth the disc-jockey providing spontaneously the music for us all to dance to; Kenneth in 'drag' dressed as Carmen Miranda on a New Year's night; Kenneth entertaining us with his stories; Kenneth encouraging the young golfers (and leading astray the older ones) – these are, I'm sure just a few of the images we have of this friend of ours. He loved company and the 'company' loved his often mischievous but always warm-hearted fun.

Somehow in this sporting and social whirl Kenneth found time to marry and father two children – Christopher and Allison. He often told me how proud he was of them and their achievements. Christopher has also told me of the time Kenneth gave to help him when he was setting up in business – when Kenneth encouraged him brought his expertise in finance, tax matters and business acumen to bear.

Kenneth was an ardent believer in encouraging youngsters by giving them freedom to express themselves and helping them to achieve as much as they were capable of. He practiced this in his sport and within his own family.

I have only known Kenneth for 25 years. Many of you will have known him much longer

particularly during the last 1 or 2 years.
We have talked ~~for~~ many occasions on
our Thursday outings – his family, as its
history, his own children and his wife, Joyce,
who had cared for him so patiently during
the very happy days and looked after him
so diligently during the more difficult
times, in the last few years were the recipients
of his great love and gratitude.
We often talked as we drove round the Bedfordshire
lanes about his love of the countryside. You
have all heard stories of the adopted cats
and the ducks visiting the pond at the
bottom of the garden – all of them waiting
at the back-door of the house to be fed.
I remember how when we had a plague
of crows attacking the greens on the golf
course he was adamant that the committee
should not grant permission to shoot them.
He won the day.

Together he and Joyce with their great
love of animals have been major
supporters of RATS and Kenneth would
be delighted that your donations will
go to this charity.

Whether you remember KVP as

The Sportsman
The Soldier + Pilot
The Raconteur
The Entertainer
The Party man
The Friend

him with a large [illegible]
hand, or the "Muffin-Man with a pint-pot
on his head or playing "Mack-The Knife"
on his record player for the last dance
of the evening or being the perfect host
Today is a day to give thanks to KVP
the man's-man, the family man for the
wonderful memories and pleasure he has
given us.
He is a legend. We will all remember
him in our own way.

ALVAN DAVIES.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 16 JANUARY 1959.

ENTHUSIASTIC SPORTSMAN

Death of Mr. B. W. Vane-Percy

The death occurred at his home in Putnoe Lane, Bedford, on Wednesday, of Mr. Bertram Wilfred Vane-Percy.

An Old Bedfordian, Mr. Vane-Percy was 76, and was, throughout his life, an enthusiastic supporter of many sporting activities. He was a vice-president of Bedford Town Rugby Club, Bedford Town Cricket Club, and Bedfordshire County Cricket Club.

In his younger days Mr. Vane-Percy was a well-known lawn tennis player and was captain of the All-India Davis Cup team in 1925. In 1929 he retired from India and became a member of the London Stock Exchange.

He leaves a widow and three children, Mr. Kenneth Vane-Percy, Mr. David Vane-Percy, and Mrs. Pauline Plummer.

The funeral service today (Friday) will be private.

H.B. VAUGHAN-ARBUCKLE

First names in full: HECTOR BARNARD VAUGHAN-ARBUCKLE
Date of birth: July 27th 1904
Place of birth: Sandgate Kent.
School: BEDFORD MODERN
University or college: Royal Military College – Sandhurst.

Left or right-handed batsman Right-hand bat
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: NA.
Year of first class debut: 1929/30 – Home County.
Teams played for:
First class –

Second class – Bedfordshire 1931-1932

Others – Egypt, Unoccupied. Army in Egypt.
Regiment – The Kings Own Royal Regt.
The Royal Army Service Corps

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)
Blues at Sandhurst both seasons (2)

Occupation: Retired

Thank you for your help. Sorry but years may be slightly inaccurate by A.R. Alston was captain.

100 years — the Captains

A. Parrott
H. S. Morris
H. E. Vipan
W. Rees
W. K. Roberts
F. W. Potter
R. D. G. Glascott
F. S. P. Saunders
H. B. Beddall
C. R. Hoskyn
A. L. Rogers
R. Maclear
C. Franklin
A. W. B. Gompertz
H. Willett
R. C. Stafford
A. V. Manton
A. Hall
A. Wesley
L. H. Nicholson
E. L. W. Cumming
S. D. Kitchener
F. G. Hore
L. A. R. Fensome
A. R. Alston
R. C. Brumwell
A. Marshall
W. A. Sime
J. G. Cook
R. Willsher
R. G. Furbank
G. Jenkins
J. F. Bance
A. C. Towell
T. R. Marshall
St L. H. Webb
P. Voyce
P. H. Avery
B. K. Williams
D. G. Perry
D. P. Rogers
R. J. Slaughter
P. D. Briggs
V. J. Lewis
J. M. Howard
R. M. Wilkinson
D. Jackson
N. O. Martin
G. N. Phillips
J. E. Mawle
I. G. Peck
A. M. Key

THERE were 52 elected captains of the Blues in their first 100 years. More than half of the total were former pupils of either Bedford School or Bedford Modern, or masters at one or other of them. An Old Bedfordian, W. A. Sime was elected a record five seasons in succession, another, D. P. Rogers was captain, with intervals, for five seasons. Two others, R. C. Brumwell and I. G. Peck were elected for four seasons in succession.

A. Parrott 1886-89

Alf Parrott was the club's first captain and he held office for three years, later to become secretary. An OBM, he was a master at the Modern School between 1878-1923 and coach in 1900. Prior to the formation of the new club he had been captain of the Swifts. He played half-back for Bedford at least 60 times in an era when seasons were fairly short.

H. S. Morris 1889-91

H. S. Morris was a master at Bedford Grammar School when Mr Phillpotts was the headmaster. He was a forward who first played in 1887, was captain for two seasons, and was still playing in 1893. When he retired, he continued as a vice-president for many years.

H. E. Vipan 1891-93

H. E. Vipan was the club's third captain. He was an OBM and subsequently became their first secretary. He was a member of the Swifts before the formation of Bedford. He taught at the Modern School and was a keen committee man and administrator, and one of Bedford's delegates at the formation of the East Midlands parent body.

W. Rees 1893-96

The man who had the distinction of captaining Bedford in its all-conquering season of 1893-94 was Billy Rees, an Old Bedfordian of Welsh extraction who practised as a solicitor in the town before returning to Wales. He was a small, fiery forward who made 134 appearances, seven of them between 1899-1902 while living in Wales. He stood down in his second term before returning for a third.

W. K. Roberts 1894-95

Bedford's fifth captain was W. K. Roberts, who took over when his predecessor resigned. One of the half-backs in the great team that beat the Barbarians, he was an OBM who made his debut in 1891 while still at school. The son of Sir Thomas Lee Roberts, he became a clergyman and was vicar of St Mark's, Mitcham. He played at least 64 times for Bedford and in 1914 he brought a first class side to the town to play in a charity match. They were all clergyman and contained internationals, calling themselves the London Clergy. W. K. Roberts also refereed a Bedford match in 1927.

F. W. Potter 1896-98

F. W. Potter was the club's sixth captain. An OBM, he made his debut while still at school and completed 128 appearances at full-back or centre, scoring 252 points. An excellent place kicker, he was the reserve England full-back in 1896 to J. F. Byrne of Moseley. He was a regular until 1898 when he went to Shanghai and became chief of the Shanghai Gas works. He returned to the town after 32 years and took a keen interest in the affairs of the club. The cap he was awarded in 1895 is still in the club's possession.

R. D. G. Glascott 1898-1900

When the Bedford Wanderers got into financial difficulty and joined the Bedford club, their captain, Dick Glascott, was immediately named Blues captain. He was a forward who took place kicks and was in the Wanderers' team that beat Northampton, then known as St James, at Franklins Gardens on the same day that Bedford beat Leicester at Goldington Road. An OBM, he made 94 appearances and became general manager of the Burma Railways.

F. S. P. Saunders 1900-02

The treasurer responsible for paying off the Wanderers' debts became the club's eighth captain. F. S. P. Saunders was a forward who captained the club for two seasons, standing down after getting married. He made 78 appearances in four seasons. His well prepared balance sheets for the period are still in the club's possession.

H. B. Beddall 1902-03

While H. B. Beddall was captain there is the first mention in the minutes of a selection committee. An OB, he was in the school team captained by Basil Maclear. He was a forward who made 39 appearances.

C. R. Hoskyn 1903-04

The club's tenth captain was C. R. Hoskyn, a forward who made 49 appearances. He took a keen interest in the 'A' team and is minuted as calling for all players to wear the correct team shirts. An OB, he became a surgeon and was decorated during the first world war for amputating a soldier's leg with 'improvised equipment' — a penknife.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER 1958.

POPULAR ART MASTER

Death of Mr. E. S. Volz a Loss to Bedford Modern School

One of Bedford Modern School's best known and well loved masters, Mr. Eric Stanley Volz, died in a Cambridge hospital on Monday after an operation.

Mr. Volz, who lived at Great Barford, was born in 1905 and had been senior art master at the School since September 1928. Before that he had been at the Hornsey School of Art and London University.

"Sammy", as he was affectionately known by hundreds of pupils, former pupils, and his colleagues, had a friendly and cheerful disposition. His death has come as a great shock to all who knew him.

Apart from art, Mr. Volz's great interest was in cricket and he had coached some very successful teams at the School, in particular, the Colts. For one year he took charge of cricket at the school. He had played for Bedford Town Cricket Club and, until two to three years ago, was a regular member of the Bedford Martlets' team which tours Kent annually. He was also a member of the MCC and of Surrey County Cricket Club.

During the war, Mr. Volz was adjutant of the BMS unit of the Air Training Corps, of which Mr. P. J. King was commanding officer.

A married man, he had no children.

Cremation is to take place at Bedford today (Friday), preceded by a service in St. Paul's Church at 3.30 p.m.

UNQUALIFIED LOYALTY

A colleague writes,—

It seems strange to his older colleagues that we shall no more see Eric Volz in our midst, but the happiness of having known him will live on in the memories he leaves behind with us.

His chief interest, outside his work, was cricket. No-one had made a closer study of the game and his shrewd and acute observation enabled all his colleagues to benefit from his advice and technical guidance. He was the "Martlet" extraordinary. He took part in 17 Kent tours—all but the last one when he lay ill in hospital. His batting reached its zenith regularly in the company and surroundings that he loved and on one tour he scored centuries on two successive days. He coached School representative sides regularly since he came to the School in 1928 and always he demanded the best from his charges in method, in attitude, and in behaviour.

He achieved a certain reputation for wittily expressing his apparently cynical views of life and its imperfections, and this cloak of cynicism hid from all but his closest friends one of the most kindly and generous natures that I have known. He had aroused true affection in a far wider circle of acquaintances than he ever realised. The boys at Bedford Modern School thought the world of him simply because, more than anyone I ever knew, he really understood them. "Sammy," as he was affectionately known to them all, will be sadly missed.

I have no space to dwell on his interest in music, his work with the School Choral Society, and with the ATC, nor on his very considerable ability in his chosen profession. The pages of the *Eagle* bear constant testimony of all this throughout the last 30 years.

He was a little suspicious of human relationships, but once he considered a man his friend his loyalty was supreme and unqualified. Bedford Modern School has lost a tried and trusted servant and I have lost a friend.

The sympathy of the whole School goes out to his wife.

E.S. Volz

22 Avenue Grey
Camberley
GU15 3EB.
2.6.77.

Dear Mr. Welch,

with ref. to your letter, I must first apologize, for not writing sooner. I have been away for some time and forgot all about it.

Unfortunately I cannot be of any help to you; like my son, I was not aware that there exist any VOLZ outside Germany, where it is by no means a common name. I only knew, that one branch of the family went to America sometime during the last century, but I do not know exactly when, and where to.

I can go back in the Family-Tree up to 8. November 1799 where one Sebastian Volz was born to one Christoph Volz in Sindelfingen, Germany.

Perhaps that might be of help to you.

Yours sincerely

Margarete Harrington

BEDS AND HERTS SATURDAY TELEGRAPH: SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 1934.

TOWN CRICKETER'S BRIDE

BOWLER BEST MAN FOR WICKET KEEPER

Choral Wedding at High Town

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Club, and also secretary and a playing member of the Old Dunstablians' Hockey Club, was married at High Town Methodist Church to Miss Irene May Parsons, daughter of Mr. Stanley G. Parsons, the well-known wholesale fruiterer, and Mrs. Parsons, 11, Oxford-road, Luton, and his best man was Mr. Arnold J. Worboys, another Town cricketer, who has played for Bedfordshire on several occasions.

The bride, who was given way by her father, was in ivory charmeuse, with a lace veil held by a headdress of orange blossom. She carried a sheaf of lilies.

One of her sisters, Mrs. Arnold Worboys, attended her as matron of honour. She was in blue charmeuse, with hat to match, and her bouquet was of pink roses.

Another sister, Miss Hilda Parsons, and a friend, Miss Phyllis Taylor, were bridesmaids. They wore rust and green charmeuse respectively, with hats to match, Miss Parsons's bouquet being of red and cream roses, and Miss Taylor's of cream roses. Pearls were the gift of the bridegroom to each of the three attendants.

The mother of the bride was in wine charmeuse, with hat to match, and had a bouquet of pink carnations.

The church was decorated with white chrysanthemums, and the Rev. R. K. Spedding conducted a choral service, Mr. Montague Matthews being at the organ. A reception was held at the Red Lion Hotel, and the honeymoon is being spent at Bexhill, the bride going away in a grey coat over a grey and red floral dress, with hat to match.

Numerous presents included cutlery from the Luton Town Cricket Club; a silver entrée dish from the bridegroom's employers, Messrs. Barnes and Mattingley, Ltd., and an electric fire from friends of the bride at the Electrolux works.

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A former member of Luton Town Cricket Club—Mr. Fredk. Alfred Watkins, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watkins, 149, North-street, Luton, was married at St. Matthew's Church to-day. His bride was Miss Dorothy Alice Leake, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Leake, 8, Ridgway-road, Luton, who are closely associated with St. Matthew's Church, Mr. Leake having been a sidesman for a number of years.

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E.E. WARD

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Date of birth: 4.4.1914.
Place of birth: BEDFORD
School: BEDFORD MODERN.
University or college: —

Left or right-handed batsman: RIGHT.
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: RIGHT ARM MEDIUM PACE OFF BREAK & LATER SWING.
Year of first class debut:
Teams played for:
First class - —
Second class - BEDFORDSHIRE & NORFOLK.
Others - BEDFORD TOWN CC. 6 YRS. & NORWICH WANDERERS CC. 35 YRS.

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

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21 April 1999

Dear Mr Warman

Thank you very much indeed for your letter responding to my enquiry about your appearance as a Bedfordshire cricketer in 1939. I am amazed that you should recall so much so clearly. You have had a most interesting life and I am most grateful to you for filling in the details so fully.

You are not the only Bedfordshire player between the Wars to have learnt your trade at St Paul's, Cheltenham. Len Wheeler, the Cranfield School headmaster, also went there and indeed was born in that town.

You have prompted me to type up the details I have of the match between Sir Julien Cahn's XI and Bedfordshire - which was 12 a side - and a copy is enclosed. In order to get it on one page, I have reduced the size of the type but I hope you can read it alright. If not I would be happy to send you a version with larger print if you would find this helpful.

Sir Julien Cahn's team was an array of talent with three Test players - Vivian and Blunt of New Zealand and Morkel of South Africa. Newman had played for Surrey, Jackson and Walsh for Leicestershire, Hall for Nottinghamshire, and Maxwell for Nottinghamshire, Middlesex and Worcestershire. Mudge and Lush played for New South Wales, as did Jackson and Walsh also.

I do not have an account of the match but it looks as if it was an exciting last hour as Bedfordshire held out for a draw.

Turning to the Bedfordshire team, Owen had played for Surrey and Joe Payne was the famous Luton footballer. Alec Cook died in the Second World War but everyone else came through it. I have some information about most of the players, but I hope you would not mind me writing to you again in due course to see if you can fill in some gaps, particularly for the Luton Town team players.

Kind regards and thank you again for writing so informatively.

Your sincerely

A J Webb

SIR JULIEN CAHN'S XI V BEDFORDSHIRE - FRIENDLY (12 ASIDE)
Played at Loughborough Road,West Bridgford,Nottingham on Wednesday,Thursday 31 May,1 June 1939

Sir Julien Cahn's XI

Sir J Cahn	c Capstick b Rawlins	15
F C W Newman	c and b Rawlins	16
H Mudge	lbw b Oliver	8
V E Jackson	lbw b Rawlins	30
H G Vivian	lbw b Haywood	66
G F Summers	b Payne	20
J B Hall	lbw b Cook	24
C R N Maxwell	b Owen	79
D P B Morkel	c Capstick b Rawlins	39
R C Blunt	b Haywood	24
J G Lush	not out	30
J E Walsh	c Capstick b Cook	9
Extras		15
Total		375

Fall of wickets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
First innings											375
Second innings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Rawlins			72	4
Payne			73	1
Oliver			58	1
Haywood			70	2
Owen			44	1
Cook			43	2
Extras	-	-	15	0
Total			375	11

Bedfordshire

J A R Oliver	c Walsh b Lush	27	( )	c Jackson b Hall		20
G A Bircumshaw	b Lush	3	( )	b Lush		3
J G Owen	b Lush	15	( )	c and b Walsh		40
E C Howard	b Lush	5	( )	c Lush b Vivian		32
R G Wise	b Vivian	17	( )	c Maxwell b Vivian		23
A B Poole	c Vivian b Walsh	20	( )	b Vivian		9
A E Cook	b Vivian	2	( )	b Vivian		8
C H Warman	st Maxwell b Walsh	7	( )	c and b Walsh		9
A Capstick	b Walsh	0	( )	c Mudge b Cahn		10
J Payne	b Vivian	14	( )	not out		22
C W Rawlins	c and b Walsh	3	( )	c Maxwell b Mudge		0
A Haywood	not out	0	( )	not out		8
Extras		7				8
Total		120		(10 wickets)		192

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First innings											120
Second innings											-

Hall			33	0		( )			24	1	
Morkel			5	0							
Lush			24	4		( )			21	1	
Vivian			37	3		( )			25	4	
Walsh			14	4		( )			89	2	
Jackson						( )			9	0	
Cahn						( )			14	1	
Mudge						( )			2	1	
Extras	-	-	7	0			-	-	8	0	
Total			120	11					192	10	

Toss:	Sir Julien Cahn's XI
Captains:	Sir Julien Cahn(Cahn's XI) and A B Poole(Bedfordshire)
Wicket-keepers:	C R N Maxwell(Cahn's XI) and A Capstick(Bedfordshire)
Umpires:	
First day score:	Sir Julien Cahn's XI 375; Bedfordshire 16-0
Result:	Match drawn
Sources:	Bedfordshire Standard 2 June; Nottingham Journal 1,2 June.

BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY CRICKETERS : INFORMATION FORM

Surname: WARMAN

First names in full: CHARLES HENRY

Date of birth 25 DECEMBER, 1912

Place of birth: SWINDON, WILTS.

Schools attended: GORSE HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SWINDON.
THE COLLEGE (GRAMMAR SCHOOL) SWINDON

College/~~university~~: ST. PAUL'S TRAINING COLLEGE (TEACHERS, CHELTENHAM

Left or right handed batsman: RIGHT HANDED.

Type of bowler and arm: RIGHT-ARM MEDIUM PACE.

Year of debut for Bedfordshire: 1938 I THINK. ONE MATCH AGAINST JULIAN CA

Bedfordshire clubs played for: LUTON TOWN.

Other clubs: ST. BARNABUS CHURCH, SWINDON IN LATE 1920S
SWINDON GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1930, 1931 (SCHOOL CAPTAIN
ST. PAULS COLLEGE 1932 AND 1933
SWINDON TOWN IN THE 1920S
WILTSHIRE UNDER 19S 1930-32
LUTON TOWN, BRISTOL CIVIL SERVICE AND
951 SQUADRON, R.A.F.
GRIMSBY TOWN, CLEETHORPES AND LINCS GENTS
ONE MATCH FOR THE M.C.C. AFTER MY RETIREMENT

Other sports played: SOCCER, TABLE TENNIS.

Occupation: SCHOOLMASTER

Other information of interest
eg well-known relatives, awards, etc:

Thank you for your help

34, Aldrich Road,
Cleethorpes,
N.E. Lincs
DN35 0DP.

Dear Mr. Webb,

Thank you for your letter.

I have squeezed as much as possible on your Form, but I thought you might like to know a bit more of my involvement with cricket since the days when I first started with a tree-trunk as wicket in my boyhood days in Swindon, Wiltshire.

I was born in Gorse Hill, Swindon on December 25th, 1912, the 5th of 8 children born in the bedroom over my father's little shop.

In these days boys spent many hours playing all sorts of games on the local rec., and in the alley-ways behind our terrace houses. Cricket with a home-made bat and a tennis ball in a 4 ft alley was quite possible. At least we learnt to play a straight bat. The odd ball went into a neighbour's garden, but we were always tolerant and vandalism was very rare.

I had the good fortune to live two doors away from a professional footballer who played in goal for Swindon Town and was wicket-keeper for Wiltshire - Ted Nash. His father had a sweet-shop and made many of the sweets which were sold in the shop. He also enjoyed making and flying kites and taught us lads to do the same thing.

Because I enjoyed playing cricket Ted showed great interest in me. I remember, in particular, his taking me in his new Ford tin-lizzy car to Salisbury where he was playing for Wiltshire against Surrey 2nds. Big Jim Smith was playing for Wiltshire and Alf Gover was playing for Surrey. When I was about 16 I had the Great pleasure of playing for Swindon Wednesday XI against Swindon Football Club on the County Ground at Swindon. The Footballers won the toss and batted; Ted Nash was one of the openers. In the first over Ted received a

a long-hop down the legside and he smashed the ball in the vicinity of square-leg where I was fielding. I took a diving catch and Ted was out for a duck. At the end of the day our skipper took from his bag a brand-new flannel shirt and gave it to me. I treasured that for years.

At the age of 12 I went to Swindon Grammar School, where there was no cricket for the younger boys, but I got all I wanted by playing for St. Barnabas Church Cricket team, and a Swindon Town boys team which played some evening matches. I've got a photograph of the Church team of 1928 when I was 15

At the Grammar School I was Captain of the School Team in 1930 and 1931, and I represented Wiltshire County U19s in both years. I have photographs of the school teams and the county team to prove it. One interesting feature of the County Team of 1930 is the fact that 9 of the 11 are wearing blazers, and two are wearing white sweaters - myself and Tony Wheeler who, I think had trials with Surrey. A list of the averages shows that in 6 innings I was "not out" 3 times and scored a total of 33 runs; average 11, and bowled 40.2 overs for 96 runs and 8 wickets; average 12 (top of the averages)

I embarked on a 2-years Teachers Training Course at St. Paul's College, Cheltenham, in 1931 and got my Cricket Colours in 1932 and 1933. At Soccer I played in the 2nd XI both years. During the holidays of 1932 and 1933 I played for Swindon Town 1st XI as an all-rounder.

When I left Training College in 1933 few teaching jobs were available because of the world-wide economic crisis. I had hoped to get a job in Swindon, but none was available. I did, however get a job in Luton at Old Bedford Road Senior Boys School housed in a building erected in the 1880s and lacking facilities. The building was in the centre of the town and consisted of 10 inter-communicating classrooms. The only specialist room was a Woodwork Room, and the playground which

ned directly on to a main road, was not large or flat enough for a basket-ball course. We did manage to play cricket and soccer on a nearby recreation ground.

In 1934 I joined Luton Town Cricket Club where we had two pretty good teams. My baptism was in the 2nd XI, but it was not long before I made it to the 1st XI. The strongest team was, I believe, the one of 1938. There is a photograph of that team in the pavilion at Wardown, and I think I am the only one of that team still alive. While at Luton I played under 2 Captains, Bill Holliday and John Oliver.

My own appearance for Bedfordshire was, I believe, in 1938 against Julian Cahn's Team at Nottingham. Perhaps you have the score-sheet for that match. For a long time I had one which I cut from the local paper, but somehow it has gone astray.

The Second World War obviously seriously affected the Cricket progress of my age group, and consequently I was away from Luton from 1941 until 1946 - I joined the R.A.F in January 1941 and was demobbed in 1945, so it was not until 1946 that I found myself once again at Wardown Park.

On 2nd January, 1941, I arrived at Blackpool as an R.A.F recruit. There we did 6 weeks' "square-bashing" before going on to a P.E Course at Loughborough. After that I was posted to 951 Balloon Squadron, Bristol, with the rank of Corporal.

Our H.Qs were in Caledonia Place, Bristol, near Clifton Suspension Bridge. In and around Bristol there were a number of Balloon Sites each manned by about a dozen fellows, and my job was to visit those sites regularly to keep up the morale of these chaps; this, of course, involved recreative activities

I had n't been there more than two or three days when I received a visit from a Flight Lieutenant. In our discussion he asked me if I was interested in Cricket. If so, would I pick a team from the Squadron to play

matches, which he would arrange with local teams. What a baptism! I soon got a good team and matches were played. A member of my team was Horace Hazell of Somerset. We played a number of Saturday afternoon matches and had good fun in between air-raids. Cricket in War-torn Britain.!

After I had been with the Squadron for about 12 months the C.O. called me to his Office. What had I done? Was I to appear before a Court Martial? No! He had called me in to ask of me a favour. An R.A.F Officer had arrived at Bristol University to open up a University Air Squadron to train Undergraduates for Aircrew Training, and he was looking for somebody to help him on Saturday and Sunday mornings. Would I be willing to do this in addition to my work with the Ballon Squadron? I agreed and found myself doing Square Bashing with about 40 Undergraduates on those mornings. ~~I agreed~~. The work I did was evidently satisfactory, because after about 6 months I was posted to the University Air Squadron, and I was there until the War ended in 1945.

The course for each Undergraduate extended over 12 months, and each week they worked with us on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday and Sunday mornings. During the last two weeks of the course they were with us full-time and did their I.T.W examinations. In 1943 our C.O. organised a cricket match between the Staff and Cadets on the University Ground. We had only seven fellows on our Staff and so the C.O had to do some recruiting, and here we were very fortunate. Arthur Gilligan was in the R.A.F and working in Bristol. The C.O recruited him, and he captained our side. He won the toss, decided to bat, and persuaded me to be one of the openers. I made a century, and I wonder whether I am the only cricketer still living who can say he did that.

I have a scorecard of a match between a West of England XI and Bristol Aeroplane Company.

reads as follows:-

West of England XI

1. H. Gimblett (Somerset)
2. R.A. Sinfield (Glos.)
3. F.R. Santall (Warwick)
4. R.J.O. Meyer (Somerset)
5. B.H. Lyon - Capt. (Glos)
6. A. Wilson (Glos)
7. D. Howarth (Worc.)
8. W. Luckes (Somerset)
9. G.O. Elliott (Glos.)
10. T. Goddard (Glos.)
11. A. Perry (Bristol)

Bristol Aeroplane Co.

1. H. Roll
2. S.J. Weeks
3. C. Northover
4. A.J. Taylor
5. C. Gallaway
6. L. Hardin
7. J.R. Phillipson
8. Sgt. Warman (R.A.F.
9. B.C. Knight
10. G. Houlden
11. A.E. Houlden (Capt.)
12. H. Durston.

The proceeds were in aid of Gloucestershire Army Cadet Force Sports Fund.

Unfortunately I did not take a copy of the scores, but I know I made a few runs.

I also played in a few evening matches for Bristol Civil Service. In one of those matches, played on the County Ground, against Bristol Police I had my note-case and wrist watch stolen from the pocket of my tunic.

During the last twelve months or so in the R.A.F. I did not play any cricket because I spent most of my time in Cheltenham where we had formed a Flight of the University Air Squadron at St. Paul's College, where I had been a student. I was, however, able to keep up my Table Tennis. In Bristol I had played at a club called The Forty Club and I also represented Bristol in one or two matches. Consequent upon my move to Cheltenham I played with another Club, and also for Cheltenham. At that Club I met up with Dora Einden who played for St Albans and England in the 1930s when I was playing for Luton. She and I reached the Final of the West of England Mixed-Doubles Championship in March, 1945, and

Shortly after that, in April 1945, I beat her in the Cheltenham Singles Championship Final.

Shortly after that the World War came to an end and in September, 1945 I was demobbed, and my wife and I, with our daughter who had been born in November 1942, returned to our home in Luton, and I went back to my old school in Old Bedford Road.

In 1946 I was once more playing at Wardown Park. By that time I was 33 yrs of age.

In 1948 I was appointed Headmaster of the school.

In 1953 the M.C.C embarked on its Youth Coaching Campaign and held a Youth Coaching Course at Lilleshall ~~to~~ which was attended by nominated cricketers from First Class and Minor Counties. John Muse and I were nominated by Bedfordshire, and Tom Clarke represented Surrey. Together we went in my car; we all qualified and were invited to attend a Course for the Advanced Coaching ~~Course~~ in November, 1953. ~~On this~~ Again we all passed, and this qualified us to run Courses to train Youth Coaches. Harry Altham and Harry Crabtree were the leading lights of the organisation. Those were happy days, and Cricket came alive. Those who had attended those courses worked voluntarily throughout the country doing exactly what we had been trained for.

By 1954 I was tired of trying to make bricks without straw in the clapped-out building in which my school was housed, and I looked for pastures new. The result was that I was offered, and accepted the job of Head of a Secondary Modern Boys School in Grimsby's dockland.

At the Lilleshall Courses I had met Jack Todd, who was Captain of Lincolnshire. It was in December 1954 that I attended for interview in Grimsby, and in April 1955 that I took up my new Post.

It was not long before I received a letter

from the Secretary of Grimsby Town Cricket Club inviting me to join the Club. At that time Grimsby Town had 2 teams playing on Saturdays, one playing in the Grimsby and District League which included teams in Lincoln, Scunthorpe and Grimsby, and the standard I found to be pretty high. The other team played friendly matches. Initially I played in the team which was playing friendly matches, and in the first match in which I played on the ground at Littlefield Lane I made 87.

It was not long before Jack Todd came to see me to ask if I would be willing to manage the County Under 19 team. This I agreed to do, with pleasure and I took on the job in 1958. That started a great involvement for me in the affairs of the County Cricket Club, and over the years I was Manager of the County Team playing in the Minor Counties Competition, President, and General Secretary. In co-operation with Jack Todd and the County Club, coaching courses were held throughout the County. Grimsby County Borough Council helped us in our work and we were given the use of facilities free of charge. Those were halcyon days. I could go on writing about them for hours.

In 1960 I was appointed Head of a brand-new Secondary Modern Boys School which consisted of 500-600 boys drawn largely from 3 Council Estates. By 1963 we had a large playing field on which we played Soccer, Rugby and Cricket, with teams catering for all those in the 11-16 age range. Each year 20-30 boys opted to stay with us until the age of 16 to take C.S.E examinations. 6 of my boys figured in the County Team (Minor Counties) after they left school.

When the National Cricket Association was formed during Harold Wilson's period as Prime Minister I was invited to represent Lincolnshire on the Youth

Committee at Lords. As a consequence of this, when the First International Colts Cricket Tournament was held in The Hague in 1975 I was invited to be Manager of the North of England Team, and Bob Carter, one of the National Coaches managed the South of England side. Our squads were as follows:-

North	SOUTH
S.N. Hartley - Capt.	D Gower
B. French W.K.	T. Robinson
P. Bainbridge	D. Marsden
D. Parry	R.P. Moulding
N. Precious	J. G Tutty
G. Hall	N. Cook
L.St. Taylor	K Mackintosh
M.G. Duncan	P.C.G. Donald
P. Dykes	A. Wallace
R Hodgkiss	M. Donald
A. Parkinson	D. A. Buggé
C.J. Hewitt	A.N. Older

Other teams playing were:- Denmark (Mortensen played for them; Canada, Ireland and Netherlands

In 1980 the Cricket Council carried out a ~~National~~ an Enquiry into Junior and Youth Cricket, nationally, and I was asked to take on the job of Hon. Secretary. The Chairman was George Mann. Did you see the report of our voluntary work? Unfortunately, because of finance not everywhere were our suggestions carried out.

I ~~was~~ Hon Secretary of Lincolnshire County Cricket Club from 1980 until 1985. By that time of I was disillusioned by what was beginning to happen, and gave up, and am not now on the Committee.

I retired from my Headship in December 1972, as soon as I was 60.

I played my last game of real cricket after

retirement, in the mid 1970s, when I was persuaded by Lord Hatch, who then lived near Skegness, to play for the M.C.C team which he captained, and we played against ~~The~~ Lincolnshire Schools Senior Team. In this match I shared with Reg Simpson a partnership of 60 or so runs for the 5th wicket after we had suffered early losses. I made about 24 - I was then a member of the M.C.C. but when I had given up all of my voluntary jobs, and was not making regular trips to Lord's, I resigned. Not long after the match in which I had played, I had a letter from Lord's asking if I would like to play in other matches!

I apologise for having written at such length, but at the age of 86, I am pretty fit - I had a knee replacement when I was 80 - and I love reading and writing about the past

Every good wish to you! Should you ever come to this part of the world, please contact me.

Yours sincerely
Charles Warman.

J.G. WATLING

First names in full: JOHN GILBERT.
Date of birth: 14th DEC. 1908
Place of birth: LEIGHTON BUZZARD
School: CEDARS SCHOOL (Leighton Buzzard)
University or college: /

~~Left or~~ right-handed batsman ✓
~~Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper~~:
Year of first class debut: ? 1931 (could be a year out but County records would confirm!)
Teams played for:
First class - LEIGHTON TOWN

Second class -

Others - (Several army teams during War in M.E.)

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)
Have owned several racehorses, including PRECIOUS VALE, which won 6 times over hurdles for me but this became too expensive, when I retired.
Now have two greyhounds running for me at WEMBLEY STADIUM & successfully breeding from my brook bitch - PIPERS JENNY, which won 26 races for me at Wembley & represented the Stadium in inter-track competition

Occupation: Retired (Local Government Officer)

Thank you for your help.

With the Compliments of J. G. Watling

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WITH THE HELP OF A FRIEND
THESE ARE THE BEST
DETAILS WE CAN FIND
Peter Webley

1 March 2019

Dear Peter

BEDFORDSHIRE 'LUTON' CRICKETERS

Many thanks for responding to my telephone call. As I mentioned I've been commissioned by Bedfordshire CCC to produce a book about the Club and a large proportion of the book will consist of small biographies of players who have represented Bedfordshire. I have details of many of the players who have played but there are a number of former Luton cricketers I've been unable to get full details.

This is where I hope you'll be able to help. I've listed the players with the missing information and wonder if you could complete? If you don't have the details, which could easily be the case, please let me have their address and/or phone number if you have that information. I CANNOT HELP YOU THERE

1. THOMAS W H or W M BECK. Middle names, date and place of birth. Style of batting [i.e. right or left handed]. Occupation. 1 A LIST APPEARANCE 1970

X 2. BRIAN L BICKNELL. Middle name, date and place of birth. Style of batting. Occupation.
EMIGRATED TO AUSTRALIAN
LH SPIN BOWLER

X 3. D COLEMAN. Played for the County in 1969 but nothing known about him and don't know who he played for. If known, full names, place and date of birth, style of batting and bowling and occupation.
FLITWICK CRICKET CLUB

RIGHT HANDED BAT 4. ROGER COX. Occupation. BORN LUTON 27/4/47, DEBUT V STAFFS 1967
47 BEDS APPEARANCES, PLAYED FOR MINOR COUNTIES V INDIA 1971.

X 5. KENNETH AUGUSTUS DAVIS. Occupation.

6. SIMON DAVIS LINGHORN DAVIS. Occupation. BORN 23/4/65 KEMPSTON,
PLAYED 1988 - 1996, RIGHT HANDED BAT

RIGHT HANDED BAT → 7. ROBERT OLIVER DEMMING. Occupation. BORN VI INDIES 5/5/1947
RIGHT ARM FAST MEDIUM DEBUT V SALOP 1972, 38 APPEARANCES BEDFORD C.C.

8. ANTHONT WILLIAM DURLEY. Occupation. BORN ESSEX 30/9/1933 DIED 1993
R.H BAT & WICKET KEEPER
BEDS DEBUT 1960, 96 APPEARANCES

X 9. VICTOR EDWARD GALYER. Date and place of birth. Style of batting and bowling. Occupation.

X 10. ALEC GREENE. Full name, date and place of birth. Occupation.

X 11. HAROLD HAYHURST. Style of batting. Occupation.

X 12. BRIAN N JOHNSON. Middle name, date and place of birth. Style of batting. Occupation.

X 13. RICHARD D LOWINGS. Middle name, date and place of birth. Occupation.

X 14. JOHN ALBERT MUSE. Style of batting and bowling. Occupation.

15. JEREMY RUSSELL PAGE. Occupation. BORN 6/9/59 LUTON
PLAYED 1995 - 2003 LEFT HANDED BAT

X 16. DONALD PHILIP ROLT. Occupation.

X 17. GEOFFREY THOMAS SLANEY. Style of batting and bowling. Occupation.

18. KEITH STANDRING. Occupation. BORN 11/5/65 LUTON
LEFT HANDED BAT, LEFT ARM MEDIUM FAST, PLAYED 1994 - 1995 19 APPEARANCES

BORN CRAWLEY 11/12/42, LEFT HANDED BAT → 19. PETER MICHAEL TAYLOR. Style of bowling. Occupation.
LH OPENING BAT EMIGRATED TO AUSTRALIA

20. PETER DYLAN THOMAS. Occupation.
BORN 22/8/64 WELLESDEN RIGHT HANDED BAT, RIGHT ARM OFFBREAK, DEBUT 1990, 15 APPEARANCES

BORN 19/7/42 LUTON → 21. PETER JOHN WEBLEY. Occupation. PRINTER
LH BAT & R ARM LEG SPINNER 36 GAMES LIST A

X 22. MICHAEL J WHITMORE. Middle name, date and place of birth. Style of batting and bowling. Occupation.
EMIGRATED TO AUSTRALIA
R. H. BAT DECEASED

X 23. JOHN WILLS. Full names, date and place of birth. Occupation.

X 24. GRAHAM CHARLES WYNN. Style of batting and bowling. Occupation.

X 25. J MALOY. Full names, date and place of birth. Style of batting and bowling. Occupation.

I really appreciate your anticipated help and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Kevin

KEVIN CLEMENT

SAE

Guards. For the greater part of his Civil Service career he was engaged on overseas finance matters, and between 1953 and 1956 served in Paris at the OEEC.

He was closely concerned with the development of financial and economic relations with Europe from the late 1950s, and made a significant contribution to negotiations with the EFTA and EEC. His qualities of speed of work, deep understanding of the issues involved and a gift for clarity in expressing what the real issues were proved invaluable on a number of occasions.

A measure of ill health may have prevented his rising as far in the Service as his talents would otherwise have taken him. Indeed it was ill health which forced him into premature retirement in 1973, although – unwilling to leave a scene which he enjoyed – he gave further useful service in his retirement until as recently as last September in carrying out research tasks for the Treasury. He was appointed CB in 1971.

An urbane man, of considerable charm and much kindliness, he served his country well. He will be missed by many, both inside and outside the Service.

He leaves a widow.

— *The Times*

John Richard Pryer
Born 18 June 1921
At the School from 1931 to 1938
Died 7 February 1977

Derek Ransome-Jones
Born 26 July 1920
At the School from 1934 to 1938
Died 1 April 1977

Maurice Young Simpson, MC
Born 14 January 1896
At the School from 1909 to 1914
Died at Alsager, Stoke-on-Trent
on 21 April 1977

Maurice Simpson was the eldest of five brothers at the School together. In the first War he served in the Yorkshire Regiment, winning the MC in Gallipoli, and later with the KAR in East Africa. Between the wars he was engaged in coal-mining in Durham and for a time was DVP of the OB Club in the North-East. In the early part of the second War he commanded a battalion of the Home Guard and afterwards worked with the Ruhr Coal Control in Germany and with the NCB in Newcastle.

Lieut.-Colonel John Godfrey Duncan Weir, RA
Born 12 April 1895
At the School from 1902 to 1913
Died 6 March 1972, at Croes Phillip, St David's,
Pembrokeshire

Paul Trevor Williams
Born 18 November 1958
At the School from 1971 to 1976

Died in Intensive Care Unit in Hospital at Johannesburg on 23 February 1977, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident 11 days earlier.

This news of Paul's tragic death will come as a deep shock to all his many friends from Bedford School and elsewhere. He had such an adventurous and indeed daring spirit that it was inevitable that he would have an interesting and worthwhile life, and this only emphasises the sadness of his death. Paul was a young man of determination too, and his academic ability and potential were surely to lead him far. He was killed only a few days before he was due to go to the University of Cape Town to study mechanical engineering. He had planned a career in the mining industry and had a vocational scholarship from the Anglo-American Corporation.

At Bedford, Paul had friends amongst boys in every department of the School's life and activities, because he was always prepared to "have a go" at anything and everything; but he was equally happy and assured in the company of adults, and his conversation and knowledge of the world made him easy and confident in all company. There cannot have been many members of the Staff who did not know him and who do not feel a sense of real and indeed cruel loss at his death.

J.H.D.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER 1951.

Local Obituary

DEATH OF GEORGE WHARMBY

Old County Cricket Professional

The sudden death took place at Brighton last week of Mr. George Wharmby, who was a professional cricketer for Bedfordshire before the first world war.

An all-rounder, Mr. Wharmby played regularly for the County from 1906 until 1914. After the war he coached at Bedford School, and later at Cranwell R.A.F. College. In 1923 he was recalled to the County side to play against Norfolk in home and away matches, taking ten wickets at a cost of 17.4 runs each.

One of Mr. Wharmby's best seasons was in 1911, when he headed the County's bowling averages with 31 wickets which cost 14.09 runs each, and he was second in the batting, making an aggregate of 387 runs (highest score 105) and having an average of 35.8. He was a right-arm slow bowler, who could turn the ball a great deal, and his all-round ability made him a highly valued member of the County side.

Mr. Wharmby was a member of the 1906 side that finished third in the Minor Counties Cricket Competition. He, Tom Brown, and G. Pollitt, three of the finest professionals who ever served the County, were in the team together, and other stalwarts were R. W. Rice (formerly of the Gloucestershire XI), H. R. Orr, and A. F. Morcom.

Mr. Wharmby enjoyed great popularity with all players and followers of cricket, for he was a sportsman and gentleman in the truest sense.

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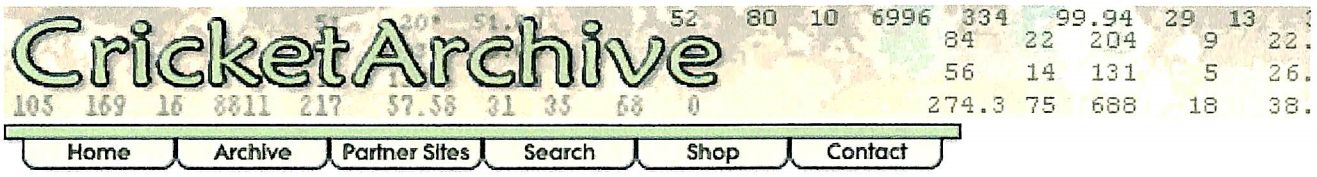

George Wharmby

Full name:	George Edward Wharmby
Born:	7th December 1870, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, England
Died:	15th November 1951, Rustington, Sussex, England
Batting:	Right-hand batsman
Bowling:	Right-arm medium pace
Teams:	**Nottinghamshire** (Main FC: 1891-1893); **Lancashire** (Main FC: 1894)

Lists of matches and more detailed statistics

First-Class Career Batting and Fielding (1891-1894)

	M	I	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	100	50	Ct
Overall	11	15	2	36	11	2.76	0	0	4

First-Class Career Bowling (1891-1894)

	Balls	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM	SRate	Econ
Overall	648	31	298	9	3-35	33.11	0	0	72.00	2.75

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First-class Bowling in Each Season by George Wharmby

Season		Balls	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM
1891	(England)	65	1	33	0				
1893	(England)	65	0	56	1	1-39	56.00	0	0
1894	(England)	468	30	209	8	3-35	26.12	0	0

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First-Class Matches played by George Wharmby (11)

1st June 1891	Other First-Class matches 1891	Marylebone Cricket Club v Nottinghamshire	Lord's, London	f3364
30th July 1891	County Championship 1891	Nottinghamshire v Gloucestershire	Trent Bridge, Nottingham	f3411
1st June 1893	County Championship 1893	Nottinghamshire v Somerset	Trent Bridge, Nottingham	f3631
8th June 1893	County Championship 1893	Sussex v Nottinghamshire	County Ground, Hove	f3642
10th May 1894	Other First-Class matches 1894	Marylebone Cricket Club v Lancashire	Lord's, London	f3769
31st May 1894	County Championship 1894	Lancashire v Sussex	Old Trafford, Manchester	f3796
4th June 1894	University Match 1894	Oxford University v Lancashire	The University Parks, Oxford	f3799
7th June 1894	County Championship 1894	Lancashire v Middlesex	Aigburth, Liverpool	f3802
21st June 1894	University Match 1894	Lancashire v Oxford University	Old Trafford, Manchester	f3817
25th June 1894	County Championship 1894	Nottinghamshire v Lancashire	Trent Bridge, Nottingham	f3825
28th June 1894	County Championship 1894	Kent v Lancashire	Angel Ground, Tonbridge	f3829

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CRICKET TOPICS.

SOME REFLECTIONS ON THE BEDFORDSHIRE MATCH.

If A. F. Morcom, the Cambridge Blue, had been playing at Bedford last week, he would have seen no reason for revising the opinion he expressed a twelvemonth ago concerning the wickets prepared by Cherry at the Bedford Grammar School Ground. Cherry's wickets, he said, are much too good for a two days' match, and while the weather holds good it is a case of the batsmen helping themselves. Cherry, we may add, has been connected with the ground for upwards of 20 years, and he has, therefore, little to learn about the soil and the art of wicket making. Some wickets are good only for a day, but those prepared by Cherry are not of that description. His pitches last until the shadows fall on the second day, and then look good for many more runs. No one wants to be a bowler on such occasions. It is wearisome and heart-breaking work, especially if batsmen are not made to pay the full penalty of their mistakes. Bowlers thrive upon success, and if the encouragement be lacking the effect is reflected on the score sheet.

It would be idle to pretend that the Norfolk bowling this season has been quite up to the standard of the last few years. The hard, plumb wicket has been met with before, but it is a long while since their opponent's total has exceeded 460, and the fact that two such scores has been made in successive matches is rather disquieting. However kindly one may look at things, it is difficult to explain away the fact that the fifteen wickets taken so far by the Norfolk bowlers have cost 55 runs apiece. The acceptance of two or three catches would have made an appreciable reduction in the average cost of the wickets, but the dropped catch is all in the game, and it is an admitted fact that without luck of this kind there would be few individual centuries in a season. There will, too, always be a difference of opinion concerning the precise degree of difficulty the catch presents to the fieldsman, and only those who have had experience of the miss-hit to cover-point, which looks so easy from the stand, can appreciate the difficulties of the catch.

The Norfolk bowlers knew all about tall George Wharmby before he took the liberty of making his 150 against them on Thursday. He has given them trouble on previous occasions, and they would gain a good deal by an arrangement to give Wharmby 50 runs and spare him the trouble of putting on his pads. Everyone has a good word to say of Wharmby, who has given up teaching the Bedford boys the tricks of the game and has started business on his own account in Coventry, a fact of which the Warwickshire League clubs are now fully cognisant. Nor are the spectators at Bedford unapreciative, the smart fieldsman getting applause as well as the skilful batsman, and at the conclusion of Wharmby's innings the onlookers contributed to a "cap" of nearly £3. Something more than a passing thought was due from Wharmby to Smith, for the latter should have bagged the Bedford pro. when he had made 64. Holdstock, the other Bedford professor, who has added some strokes to his repertoire since he scored 36 in 108 minutes at Norwich last August, was also among the lucky ones. The turn of the Norfolk batsmen came later, and, as usual, the incidents furnished food for reflection.

Winning the toss is very helpful to success in these hard wicket days, and Norfolk have so far not found a toss-winning captain this season. We hope the luck will change at St. Albans next week. There were other circumstances which militated against success at Bedford, and the feelings of the captain of a side who learns that his wicket keeper is hors de combat, and that a substitute cannot reach the ground before teatime can be easily imagined. It is quite possible that the two catches which Geoffrey Stevens made when standing back to the bowling might have been missed by a wicket keeper standing closer to the stumps, but several snicks, which passed between the wicketkeeper and slip would have been possible chances to a man nearer the batsman. The latter also enjoys less freedom when the man with the gloves is close up. On the other hand Norfolk were not unfortunate in having the loan of the services of a safe fieldsman, blessed with the keenness and activity of youth. Pointer, of the Bedford School, was untiring in his efforts, and brought off two very smart catches in the deep field. A particularly fine catch was that which Leman took one-handed at slip, for the Bedford captain cut the ball hard, and again when Wharmby was caught at cover the sun would have given the fieldsman a sufficient excuse for failure.

No fewer than five Norfolk wickets were captured through the skill of the Bedford wicketkeeper, and though Rice, the Bedford schoolmaster and old Gloucestershire player, did not secure everything within his reach at slip, he made some brilliant catches. The Norfolk captain was one of his victims, and as it happened to be off the very first ball that Barratt received, the latter was entitled to some commiseration. Later in the day the spectators were provided with a better opportunity of judging of the merits of the Norfolk captain as a batsman. When he went in a second time Bedfordshire were buoyed up with the hope of an innings victory. They were on top, and had something like three hours and a half in which to get right home. For quite a long time Barratt seemed ill at ease, and the ball passed him so frequently that his dismissal seemed probable at any moment. His subsequent display, therefore, came as a great surprise to most of the onlookers. As his eye became accustomed to following the flight of the ball he brought off many daring and brilliant strokes, and the possibility of a Bedford victory rapidly disappeared. At one time Barratt's scoring strokes were all boundaries, and five were made in one over.

In a match full of good things the display of the Norfolk captain was particularly fine, and his effort gained in appreciative merit from the fact that it was made on behalf of a side which was not out of danger of defeat. In the point of mere figures it was also his highest for the county. He had two valuable partners in Dunell and Cozens-Hardy, and as the Garboldisham player was also associated with Stevens in the best stand of the first innings, the match will have pleasant recollections for him. Last season Dunell scored his first 50 for Norfolk against Suffolk at Lakenham, and it is good to find him going so strongly in his first important match this season. With the exception of Barrett no one hit more boundaries than Dunell, and the latter made the pace hot right from the start, scoring his 75 out of 126 in an hour.

The report of the accident to Stephens led to some confusion in Bedfordshire circles, but the Norwich School captain cleared the matter up to the satisfaction of himself and the side by collecting a brilliant hundred before lunch on Friday. There is a versatility and power in the batting of Stevens which make him very attractive to watch, and this, together with the fact that he scored 134 in the corresponding match last season, has not unjustly won for him a great reputation at Bedford. The century on Friday was the seventh Stevens has scored this season, and he takes leave of the school this term with cricket honours thick upon him. He has set up several fresh records, and is pardonably proud of the fact that during the last two years of his captaincy the Norwich School won all its inter-school matches.

Neither Cozens-Hardy nor McCormick played for Norfolk last season, and in 1906 each had an average of over 40. The Liverpool clergyman was preaching in South Africa during part of the last cricket season. He was far from well when he reached Bedford last Thursday, but batted in something like his old form during the trying last three-quarters of an hour of the day. Dunning scored only 6 runs as the result of an hour and a-half's batting at Bedford, but he made better use of his time at the County Asylum on Saturday, scoring 140 out of 252 North Walsham obtained for three wickets.

Suffolk followed up their victory over Norfolk with a clever win at Watford, and are therefore at the head of the table for the Eastern group of the Championship, which is now as follows:—

	P.	W.	1st ins.	Won on Pts.	Poss. pts.	Per cent.
Suffolk	2	2	0	10	10	100
Bedfordshire	1	0	1	3	5	60
Hertfordshire	1	0	0	0	5	0
Norfolk	2	0	0	0	10	0

Cambridgeshire have not yet played a match.

The C.E.Y.M.S. have strengthened their position in the East Norfolk League table by a double success against Overstrand, both matches being won with a lot to spare. Rain, following upon a late start, prevented Carrow from getting full points at Lowestoft on Saturday, and the 19th Hussars, who won a notable triumph over Dereham in the Cup the previous week, turned the tables on the Y.M.C.A., the batting of Marsham and Osborne enabling the Hussars to avenge a previous League defeat. The manœuvres at Salisbury Plain will shortly interfere seriously with the soldiers' cricket. The League table to date is as under:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts
C.E.Y.M.S.	8	6	0	2	14
Dereham	7	4	2	1	9
Carrow	7	3	2	2	8
Overstrand	7	3	4	0	6
Lowestoft	6	2	3	1	5
Y.M.C.A.	6	2	4	0	4
19th Hussars	9	3	7	0	4

It is a long lane which has no turning, and after many previous disappointments Norwich Teachers have at last won the Norfolk Junior Cup. Their success in the final round on Saturday was achieved over Northrepps, who lifted the trophy in 1906. There were many at Lakenham on Saturday who thought that Northrepps had committed a tactical error when, after winning the toss, they decided to send the Teachers in to bat. Generally regarded as a hazardous policy, the risk is not reduced in a match limited to one afternoon, and in the case of Northrepps it panned out very badly. Sawford, Cork, and Utting gave the Northrepps bowlers a lot of trouble, and it was the batting of this trio which enabled the Teachers to declare when only half their wickets had fallen for over 200 runs. A little tired, perhaps, after their long outing, the Northrepps batsmen offered only a poor resistance to the bowling of Clarke and Woods, and the side were dismissed for 90 runs, of which 20 were extras. Now that the perseverance of the Teachers has been rewarded, we may hope that they will follow the example of the Y.M.C.A., last year's winners, and enter the Senior Cup and East Norfolk League competitions for 1909.

Though, for the 15 seasons spanning the years 1900 to 1914, Wass was the most feared of all the Nottinghamshire attack, he headed the Nottinghamshire bowling averages on only six of those seasons and in his greatest year, when he and Hallam played such a prominent part in winning the championship for Nottinghamshire, it was the latter who came out as the best Nottinghamshire bowler and also headed the national averages. Wass came second in the Nottinghamshire averages and third in the national ones. Tom Wass retired from first-class cricket at the advent of the Great War, but made a final appearance for Nottinghamshire in Joe Hardstaff's benefit match v. Yorkshire at Trent Bridge in 1920.

A right-hand batsman, Wass usually performed at No. 11. Only six times in first-class matches did his score reach 30 and curiously three of these scores were made in away fixtures v. Derbyshire, including his highest of 56 when he and J. W. Day added 98 for the 9th wicket at Chesterfield in 1906. His fielding was on a par with his batting and he normally stood at mid-on.

Wass's complete first-class record for Nottinghamshire is:

Batting	*M.*	*Ins.*	*NO*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Aver.*	*100s*	*50s*	*0s*	*ct.*	*st.*
	308	388	97	2,119	56	7·28	—	1	80	108	—

Bowling	*I.*	*Overs*	*Mdns.*	*Runs*	*Wkts.*	*Aver.*	*5i*	*10m*	*B/W*
5-ball over	44	944·4	286	33,623	1,653	20·34	158	45	42
6 ball over	485	10,958	2,318						

Outside county cricket Wass made only four first-class appearances, three for Players v. Gentlemen, namely one in 1904 and two in 1908, and in addition in 1904 he played for a weak England team v. South Africa at Lord's, but took only three wickets for 134 in the match. Wass was among the 13 chosen for the Lord's Test of 1907 but was omitted from the final team; in the same season he was among those chosen for the Players at both Lords and the Oval, but again omitted from the actual XI. His complete record in all first-class matches therefore is:

Batting	*M.*	*Ins.*	*NO*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Aver.*	*100s*	*50s*	*0s*	*ct.*	*st.*
	312	395	101	2,138	56	7·27	—	1	81	110	—

Bowling	*I.*	*Overs*	*Mdns.*	*Runs*	*Wkts.*	*Aver.*	*5i*	*10m*	*B/W*
5-ball over	44	944·4	286	34,097	1,666	20·47	159	45	42
6-ball over	492	11,098	2,337						

His height was 6 ft. 1½ in. and weight 14 st. 'Topsy' Wass as he was generally called, was a very plain spoken man who was not averse to expressing himself forcibly when anyone earned his disapproval and there can be little doubt that he would have appeared more frequently if he had been more amenable to the strictures of international cricket.

When not playing cricket, Wass was employed as a miner, being at various times at New Hucknall, Crown Farm and Sutton collieries. He also appeared, after leaving county cricket, as a professional for Bullcroft colliery in the Yorkshire Council and in the Bradford League. Up until 1938 he was groundsman at Brunts Grammar School in Mansfield.

He died at his residence, 9 Alfred Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield, of carcinoma of the stomach on October 27th (not 28th), 1953, and is buried in Sutton cemetery, where a stone to his memory still (1966) stands.

Sir Pelham Warner concluded an obituary of Wass, printed in *The Cricketer*, with these words: "It is said that the cricket today is somewhat lacking in characters. Wass was certainly one and if, as I have hinted, he was a 'tough guy' at the start, he mellowed under the influence of such good and true men as J. A. Dixon and others who realised his heart was in the right place. I do not believe that anyone who played cricket with him will forget him."

His brother, Arthur Luther Wass, who appeared in the Colts XXII in 1897, was born in Sutton-in-Ashfield in 1875 and died there on February 5th, 1959, at 7 Chatsworth Street. He was left-handed both in batting and bowling and fielded at first slip, being on the Nottinghamshire ground staff in 1898 and playing mainly for New Hucknall colliery, where he was employed as a deputy. He was engaged as a professional in Worcester in 1911 and 1912 and in Scotland in 1913.

Thomas Oswald Wass, the son of Tom, was a prominent cricketer in and around Sutton where he still resides (1968) and was groundsman at New Hucknall colliery, Sutton Metal Box and Mansfield & Sutton Co-op. His career as an active cricketer spanned 50 years.

Tom Wass's grandson, Donald Wood, appeared for Nottinghamshire 2nd XI in the Minor Counties Competition in 1949 and his great-grandsons, Stewart Featherley and David & Ian Greaves are also useful club players.

EDWARD COSSALL WEAVER

Born at 30 Hampden Street, Sherwood, on November 8th, 1874, Edward Cossall Weaver played for Forest Amateurs in some matches around 1895. He played once for Nottinghamshire v. XV of Northamptonshire at Northampton on May 6th and 7th, 1895 and scored 17 and 4 and caught 1. He had been selected for the Nottinghamshire Colts XXII in 1895 but did not play. He was at that time residing in The Park, Nottingham.

No details of his death could be obtained.

GEORGE EDWARD WHARMBY

Born in Sutton-in-Ashfield on December 7th, 1870, George Edward Wharmby played for Nottinghamshire Colts XXII in 1891 and was subsequently selected for Nottinghamshire 2nd XI v. Surrey 2nd XI at the Oval. There followed his first-class debut for Nottinghamshire v. M.C.C. at Lord's on June 1st, 1891, when he had the ill-fortune to register a 'pair'. His second match for the County was all but a repeat of the first, for he scored 0 and 1. Missing 1892, Wharmby returned to the County side in 1893 and played v. Warwickshire at Edgbaston, Somerset at Trent Bridge, Sussex at Brighton and Leicestershire at Leicester, but he failed to impress and the record of his four first-class matches for Nottinghamshire reads:

Batting	*M.*	*Ins.*	*NO*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Aver.*	*100s*	*50s*	*0s*	*ct.*	*st.*
	4	7	—	7	6	1·00	—	—	5	2	—

Bowling	*I.*	*Overs*	*Mdns.*	*Runs*	*Wkts.*	*Aver.*	*5i*	*10m*	*B/W*
	4	26	1	89	1	89·00	—	—	130

After being engaged with Lasswade C.C. in 1889 and Bedford School in 1890, Wharmby moved to Manchester C.C. and his performances for that club in 1893 when he took 95 wickets for 12 runs apiece, were promising enough to gain him a place in the Lancashire XI v. M.C.C. at Lord's on May 10th, 11th and 12th, 1894. However, after six matches with Lancashire, all in 1894, he was dropped from the side. His last first class match was Lancashire v. Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge on June 25th and 26th, 1894, and his complete record in first-class cricket reads:

	M.	*Ins.*	*NO*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Aver.*	*100s*	*50s*	*0s*	*ct.*	*st.*
Batting	10	15	2	36	11	2·78	—	—	8	4	—

	I.	*Overs*	*Mdns.*	*Runs*	*Wkts.*	*Aver.*	*5i*	*10m*	*B/W*
Bowling	11	119·3	31	298	9	33·11	—	—	66

A right-hand forcing bat and medium pace bowler, Wharmby made his debut for yet another county, namely Bedfordshire, in 1902, and proved to be a tower of strength for that county. His highest score in Minor County matches was 163* in 1903, and other notable innings of his for Bedfordshire include 150 v. Norfolk (Bedford) in 1908, 118 v. Suffolk (Woodbridge), 105 v. Cambridgeshire (Cambridge) in 1911. Wharmby hit almost 4,000 runs and took 500 wickets in Minor County Championship matches. In 1914 he changed from professional to amateur and did not finally leave Bedfordshire until 1923. In addition to his engagement with Bedfordshire, Wharmby was also professional for Coventry and North Warwick C.C. From 1925 to 1930 he was coach at Bedford School and afterwards at R.A.F. Cranwell. His height was 6 ft. 1 in. or 6 ft. 5 in. and weight 12 st. 8 lb. In his early years he was landlord of the Bull Inn in Sutton-in-Ashfield and later he resided in Leighton Buzzard. G. E. Wharmby died at the junction of Knightscroft Avenue and Sea Lane, Rustington, of heart failure on November 15th, 1951.

JOHN WHEATLEY

John Wheatley never played in a *bona fide* Nottinghamshire match, but as a member of Nottingham Amateurs played v. Leicester at Leicester on June 30th, July 1st in 1845, scoring 7* and 7* and taking one catch.

He appears in matches for Nottingham Amateurs from 1844 to 1856 and a few times for the Nottinghamshire County Club of Southwell, but never made any notable scores in any printed matches.

No particulars of this cricketer could be obtained.

In the Old Club side which opposed XIII of the New Forest Club on August 19th, 1834, there appears a cricketer called Wheatley, who scored 1 in his only innings. This is the only mention the author found of a cricketer of that name in any Nottinghamshire club match between 1825 and the first reference to John Wheatley—they are perhaps the same man.

JOHN WHEELER

Born in Sutton Bonington (not Leicester) on December 9th, 1844 (not 1846 or 1848), John Wheeler had no less than five trials for the Colts. He came out first in April, 1863, then in April, 1866, April, 1867, April, 1868 (when he began as wicket-keeper but was relieved of this post in mid-innings owing to his poor showing), finally in 1872 when he captained the Colts side, scoring

26 and 6 and taking 2 wickets for 11 runs. His debut for Nottinghamshire came v. XXII Colts in April, 1873 and his first-class Nottinghamshire debut v. Yorkshire on June 12th, 13th and 14th of the same year. He then played for the XI v. Next XV in August, 1873 and v. the XXII Colts in April, 1874. Two years elapsed before he again appeared—in September, 1876 v. M.C.C. Ground—and his third and final match for Nottinghamshire was v. Yorkshire at Trent Bridge on June 24th, 25th and 26th, 1877. In first-class matches for Nottinghamshire he had five innings, scoring 26 runs, no not outs, highest score 8 and caught 1; he did not bowl. In 1876, John Wheeler began to play for Leicestershire, appearing with immediate success v. M.C.C. at Lord's on June 29th and 30th, when he was the highest scorer in each innings (59 and 38*). His career with Leicestershire ran until 1892 and until the close of 1891 he played in nearly every County match. His two outstanding games were v. the Australians in 1878, when he hit 60 and 65, and v. Surrey in 1885, when he made 107.

Cricket described his innings:

"His defence was excellent while he lost no opportunity of hitting. His play was the more creditable considering the hopeless state of the game for his side. His innings included fourteen 4s, three 3s and eleven 2s."

For Leicestershire v. Warwickshire (Edgbaston), 1890, he took seven catches behind the wicket. So far as Wheeler's career in first-class cricket was concerned his only other matches were for M.C.C., his highest score of 66 being hit for the club v. Kent at Lord's in 1881 and his final first-class appearance being for the Club v. Lancashire at Lord's on July 18th and 19th, 1887. Wheeler's record in all first-class matches is as follows:

	M.	*Ins.*	*NO*	*Runs*	*HS*	*Aver.*	*100s*	*50s*	*0s*	*ct.*	*st.*
Batting	24	41	3	378	66	9·95	—	1	7	19	1

	I.	*Overs*	*Mdns.*	*Runs*	*Wkts.*	*Aver.*	*5i*	*10m*	*B/W*
Bowling	7	65·2	28	122	5	14·40	—	—	52

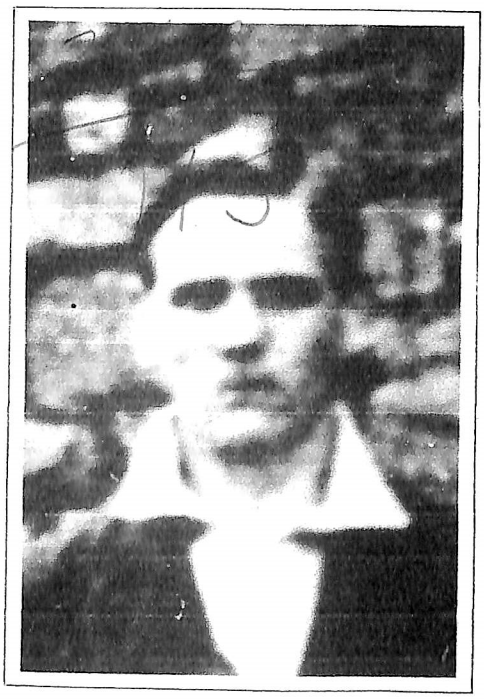
His professional engagements were: 1863-65, Birkenhead Park; 1866, Wigan; 1868-69, Radley College; 1870-75, Phoenix Club, Dublin; 1878-1908, M.C.C.

Three matches were played for his benefit, namely Gentlemen of Ireland v. Players of Ireland (Dublin), July 18th, 1873; Leicestershire v. Derbyshire (Lord's), June 20th, 1892 and M.C.C. v. Nottinghamshire (Lord's), May 3rd, 1894. Between 1893 and 1901 Wheeler umpired regularly in first-class cricket and indeed he stood in some matches in nearly every season from 1877-1908. On five occasions he officiated in the University match and on four in the Players v. Gentlemen matches.

It is believed that he resided in Loughborough about 1880, hence his qualification for Leicestershire, but generally he lived in his native village where he was a baker by occupation. His height was 5 ft. 10 in. and weight 11 st. He died in Sutton Bonington on September 22nd, 1908, and is buried in St. Mary's Churchyard, but the tombstone there was removed in 1965 and no stone now stands to his memory.

J. WHITE

A useful wicket-keeper and fair batsman, J. White appeared twice in first-class cricket, firstly for North v. South at Lord's on June 14th and 15th, 1886. The North lost nine wickets for 148, when White who batted No. 10 was joined by



BB: 3-34 v Gloucestershire, Bristol, 1927.

Fred Webster was a professional with Leyland Motors and Lowerhouse.

WHARMBY, George Edward

RHB; RM.
Born: Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, 7 December 1870.
Died: Rustington, Sussex, 15 November 1951, aged 80.
Debut for Lancashire: 1894 v MCC, Lord's.
6 matches for Lancashire 1894 (professional).
HS: 11 v Oxford University, Old Trafford, 1894.
BB: 3-35 v Sussex, Old Trafford, 1894.
First-class debut: 1891, Nottinghamshire v MCC, Lord's.
4 matches for Nottinghamshire 1891-93.

George Wharmby played most successfully for Bedfordshire in the Minor Counties Championship 1902-23. Other engagements are as follows:; Lasswade CC, Bedford School, Manchester CC, RAF Cranwell. He was also professional with Coventry and North Warwickshire, when he was 'mine host' of a neighbouring pub, the Bull's Head.

WHARTON, Alan

LHB; RMF.
Born: Heywood, Lancashire, 30 April 1923.
Education: Colne Grammar School.
First-class debut: 1946, Lancashire v [illegible] University, Cambridge.
392 matches for Lancashire 1946-[illegible] sional). Capped 1946. Benefit £4,352 [illegible]
HS: 199 v Sussex, Hove, 1959.

BB: 7-33 v Sussex, Old Trafford, 1951.
1,000 runs (9); 2,157 (40.60) 1959 best.
Shared unbroken 1st-wicket stands with [illegible] Dyson in both innings v Leicestershire, [illegible] Trafford, 1956, when Lancashire won by [illegible] wickets.
79 matches for Leicestershire 1961-63. Capped 1961.
1 Test for England 1949 v New Zealand, Headingley. HS: 13.

Alan Wharton was an attractive left-handed batsman who perhaps achieved his best work

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FUNERAL OF MR. L. F. WHEELER

Well-known Cranfield Personality

Head Master at Cranfield School for 29 years, Mr. Leonard Frank Wheeler, aged 64, died at his home, "Redroofs," Astwood Road, Cranfield, on Saturday. He leaves a widow, and two daughters, Mrs. L. M. Lilley and Mrs. M. V. O'Donnell.

Mr. Wheeler, who was born at Cheltenham, was educated at Cheltenham Grammar School and St. Paul's College, Cheltenham. He started his teaching career at Hitchin Road School, Luton, and began as Head Master at Cranfield in 1925. He retired in August 1954 and, in commemoration of Mr. Wheeler's outstanding service with the village, a fund was started under the chairmanship of Mr. R. H. Linnell. Three of the School Managers presented him with a cheque last year.

Since moving to the village, Mr. Wheeler had taken an active part in public life. He was Chairman of the Parish Council and of Cranfield branch of the British Legion. For many years he was People's Warden at the Church, and last year accepted the title of Churchwarden Emeritus, his position as People's Warden being taken by Mr. E. W. Gascoigne.

In 1944, he was appointed a Justice of the Peace, and served on Ampthill Bench of Magistrates.

CRICKETER AND PIANIST

In Mr. Wheeler's younger days he was noted for his prowess on the cricket field as batsman and slow bowler, and local teams he played for included Cranfield and Aspley Guise. Twice he played for Bedfordshire, but his proudest moment was when he took all ten wickets in his first match for Luton in 1912.

Music was a great interest of Mr. Wheeler's, and as a pianist he was noted locally as a sympathetic accompanist.

He was a Freemason, and for 17 years was teachers' representative on the County Education Committee and President of the local branch of the National Union of Teachers.

During the 1914-18 War he served as a captain in the 24th (London) Queen's Own Regiment and was a Home Guard commander in the 1939-45 conflict.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral took place on Tuesday at Cranfield Church.

Canon F. Cottam conducted the service with the Rector, the Rev. G. Watkins Grubb, and the coffin was taken to the chancel. The two churchwardens, Mr. E. W. Gascoigne and Mr. C. C. Garner, acted as mace-bearers.

Mourners were: Mrs. Lily Wheeler (widow); Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Lilley (son-in-law and daughter); Mr. and Mrs. C. Mc.D. O'Donnell (son-in-law and daughter); Mr. G. Wheeler (brother); Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Albon (brother-in-law and sister); Mrs. H. Banks (sister); Mr. J. Wheeler and Mr. W. Cutnell (nephews).

Also present were: Representatives of Ampthill and North Beds. N.U.T.; County N.U.T.; Dr. E. C. Walker, Deputy Director of Education, represented Sir Frederick Mander and the Director of Education; Cranfield V.P. School; Cranfield V.P. School Staff; School Managers; Cranfield Parish Council; Cranfield branch of the British Legion; Cranfield branch of the British Legion (Women's Section); Cranfield Church Council; Aspley Heath County Secondary School; Mr. Guy Owen, representing Ampthill Bench of Magistrates; Old colleagues; Canteen Staff, School; County Education Committee; Masonic Lodges of Luton and Bedford.

Schoolchildren lined the church path while the cortège passed.

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17 January 1997

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Dear Mr Wadsworth

I am compiling a 'Who's Who' of all those players who appeared for the Bedfordshire County Cricket Club between 1919 and 1939.

One such player about whom I have been able to trace very few details is L F Wheeler who is a former school teacher. His first name was, I believe, 'Len'. He played for the Luton Cricket Club in the middle 1920s and made just one appearance for the Bedfordshire County Cricket Club in 1929.

I have a note that in the late 1920s he was appointed Headmaster of the Cranfield village school.

My purpose in writing to you is to ask whether there is any chance that your records and files may contain some details about Mr Wheeler? Are all appointments of Headteachers gazetteered in a County Council publication or in the local and educational press? If he lived to pensionable age, would the pension scheme records contain some information?

The data I am seeking is:

- First names in full
- Date and place of birth
- Schools and colleges attended
- Schools taught at
- Date of retirement
- Date and place of death

I recognise that this is a rather unusual request but I do hope you can help. A stamped addressed envelope is enclosed to facilitate a reply.

I look forward to hearing from you or one of your colleagues.

Yours sincerely,

A J Webb

CRICKET MEMORIES

Mr. Summerford Recalls Early Playing Days

Few games commend themselves to the habit of looking into the past so much as cricket does. Old cricketers love to talk of matches in which they took part many years ago, and there may be many in Aspley Guise district who remember some of the men Mr. Frank Summerford, of Salford, writes about in the following interesting notes:—

I find that it is thirty-seven years since, as a lad of fifteen, I received an invitation to play for the Aspley Guise club. This was a great day for me for the club had several members well known in Bedfordshire cricket. The captain, S. G. Wilkinson, and Frank Barnwell, had already won their county caps, and Frank's brothers, George —who successfully led the team in later years—and Charles were both members.

Our team on this occasion, if I remember correctly, was as follows: S. G. Wilkinson (captain), Wallace Hobbs, Rev. J. C. Maltby, C. Timaeus, F. Barnwell, Harry Checkley, W. Brown, J. Sinfield, Sid Sinfield, F. Fleet, and F. H. Summerford.

It was a hard job to keep one's place in the team as other promising young players were coming along. Later two more brothers Sinfield joined the team. They were Walton, who was one of the best village batsmen I ever saw, and whose death in the early thirties came as a great shock to us all, and A. R., who became one of the club's opening batsmen for many years. S. G. Wilkinson was a splendid cricketer and a good captain, somewhat austere at times, but he knew his job and he would give us youngsters every encouragement.

I remember that after I had had several failures with the bat, he took me in with him to open the innings. This was against Leighton Town in Bill Close, and much to our mutual delight I stayed with him until over seventy runs were on the board.

A DISCIPLINARIAN

But like all good captains he expected to be obeyed, as the following incident will show. The venue was Kempston Barracks and the opposition were getting the better of us. One of their batsmen—Meiklejohn, I believe his name was—was hitting our bowling all over the field, showing a preference for the leg side. "S.G." sent me over as an extra square-leg, very, short, in fact, too short for my liking, but he insisted that I should stand my ground. He then sent down a ball well on the leg side. The batsman made a mighty swipe and over I went like a ninepin, but the ball was safely in my hands and the match was ours. On looking back one is shocked at the toll death has taken of these players: the three brothers Barnwell, Wallace Hobbs, Harry Checkley, Walton Sinfield, and the Rev. J. C. Maltby, and all, with the exception of the Vicar, taken away more or less in their prime.

County Win Again

Local cricketers will join in congratulating the County Eleven on another fine win, this time at Oxford, where yesterday they overcame Oxfordshire to the tune of ten wickets. Bedfordshire have now won three matches in the Minor Counties competition, and twice they have won on the first innings. One match remains to be played—against Cambridgeshire next week. There is good reason to believe that Bedfordshire will win and thus complete in fitting style their best season for many years.

Hospital Cup Final

The final of the County Hospital Cup competition between Charles Rawlins's eleven and Blunham takes place on the Modern School field to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock. Of course, Rawlins's men are expected to win, but if Blunham somehow confound the prophets it would not be the first instance of the "glorious uncertainty" of cricket. In any case, it should be an interesting match.

I understand that Rawlins's team will be the same as the one which defeated the Shire Hall in the semi-final: C. W. Rawlins (capt.), F. Rawlins, S. F. Morris, K. Peters, R. G. Wise, H. Smith, E. L. nn, F. Mayo, R. Russell, P. Rawlins, and A. E. Carlisle.

The Blunham side is to be: E. Clarke (capt.), G. Mayes, E. Brown, T. Jones, F. Kirkman, C. Saunders, L. Little, G. Chapman, H. Dennis, W. Daniels, and T. Norman. Reserves: L. Sims and E. Jones.

M. D. Milman

I am afraid that, contrary to hopes entertained when he began to recover from injuries sustained in a road accident about twelve months ago, M. D. Milman will not be seen in Bedford's ranks. Indeed, it is feared now that his playing days are finished altogether; if that is so, all lovers of the handling game will feel profound regret that Rugby should be robbed of a footballer who, young though he is, has already made his mark in first-class company and who appeared to be on the threshold of a big career.

Cambridge St. Giles v. Biggleswade Thursday

Biggleswade Thursday beat Cambridge St. Giles on 12th August at St. John's College ground, Cambridge, by 52 runs. Biggleswade's tail wagged to good purpose, the captain, Collings, making a splendid 35. Scores:

Biggleswade Thursday: W. Northwood run out 3, J. Wardell run out 9, R. Burles b Kelly 21, L. Surtees b Searle 28, A. Smith llow b Patman 0, K. Albon b Robinson 0, D. King b A. Silk 19, G. Randall b A. Silk 7, L. H. Collings run out 35, D. Carr b A. Silk 21, J. Dobson not out 21, extras 9, total 173.

Cambridge St. Giles: 121.

BEDFORD CRICKET LEAGUE TABLES

Up to and including 14th August

Premier Division

	p.	w.	l.	d.	pts.
Everton	11	9	2	0	18
Clapham	11	7	3	1	15
Kempston	10	7	2	1	15
Harpur Sports	11	6	3	2	14
Caldecote	11	5	4	2	12
Marston	11	5	4	0	10
Great Barford	12	2	10	0	4
Ickwell	12	0	12	0	0

Division I

	p.	w.	l.	d.	pts.
Lynton Works	9	8	1	0	16
Blunham	10	7	3	0	14
Southend Ramblers	10	6	4	0	12
Stagsden	11	5	6	0	10
Keysoe	11	4	7	0	8
Goldington	11	4	7	0	8
Wood End	10	2	8	0	4

Division II (Northern Section)

	p.	w.	l.	d.	pts.
Felmersham	13	10	2	1	21
Pavenham	12	9	3	0	18
Colesden	12	7	4	1	15
Harrold	11	6	5	0	12
Baptist	11	6	5	0	12
Sharrbrook	12	4	8	0	8
Mallowry	12	3	9	0	6
Clapham 2nd	11	1	10	0	2

Division II (Southern Section)

	p.	w.	l.	d.	pts.
Forder's Elstow	9	7	2	0	14
Britannia Works	9	7	2	0	14
Ridgmont	10	6	4	0	12
Oakley	10	6	4	0	12
Wootton	9	4	5	0	8
Marston 2nd	10	3	7	0	6
North Crawley	11	1	10	0	2

Division II (Eastern Section)

	p.	w.	l.	d.	pts.
Cople	11	7	3	1	15
Roxton	10	7	3	0	14
Tempsford	10	6	4	0	12
Goldington 2nd	12	4	7	1	9
Everton 2nd	9	4	5	0	8
Blunham 2nd	9	3	6	0	6
Little Staughton	10	3	7	0	6

Division III (Northern Section)

	p.	w.	l.	d.	pts.
Thurleigh	10	8	4	0	16
R.B.S.	9	7	2	0	14
Colmworth	11	6	5	0	12
Great Barford 2nd	10	4	6	0	8
Caldecote 2nd	10	4	6	0	8
Ickwell 2nd	9	3	6	0	6
Lynton Works 2nd	9	2	7	0	4

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES

BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division

Everton v. Kempston.
Harpur Sports v. Clapham.

First Division

Southend Ramblers v. Lynton Works.
Wood End v. Keysoe.

Second Division (Northern Section)

Clapham v. Felmersham.
Baptist v. Harrold.

Second Division (Eastern Section)

Renhold v. Cople.
Blunham v. Little Staughton.
Tempsford v. Everton.

Third Division

Caldecote v. Lynton Works.
Great Barford v. Little Staughton.
Ickwell v. Colmworth.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 18 JULY 1952

Local Obituary

DEATH OF MR. HUGH WILLETT

Mr. Hugh Willett, M.B.E., has died at his home in Harborough Road, Northampton. Until two years ago he was Deputy County Surveyor for Northamptonshire. Mr. Willett, who was 67, was born in Bedford, played cricket for Bedfordshire, and Rugby football for Bedford and the East Midlands. When he went to Northampton he continued his sporting activities, became Captain and Treasurer of Boughton Cricket Club, Chairman of the local branch of the British Legion, and a churchwarden for twenty years.

He commanded the 9th Northamptonshire Battalion of the Home Guard at the national parade in Hyde Park in 1944 when the King took the salute.

He leaves a widow, one son, Mr. Gerald Willett, and a daughter, Mrs. Betty Sparrow, who is in Nigeria.

The funeral service took place in Boughton Church in the presence of a large number of mourners.

THE EAGLE (BMS MAGAZINE) 1910

SPORT.

On Saturday, February 17th, H. Willett played his 250th game for Bedford, says "Franklyn Welford" in the *Sportsman*, and I am given to understand this constitutes a record for that club. He is a splendid all-round athlete, and one of the best of the many great sportsmen born and bred in that fine scholastic town. He was educated at the Modern School, following such splendid sportsmen as A. O. Jones and Major Turner, and contemporary with Edgar Mobbs. In 1903 he won the champion prize at the School Athletic Sports, and in 1902 and 1903 he was a member of the Cricket XI. At the School Regatta in the same year he won the senior sculls. The records disclose the fact that he was a forward in the School XV. in 1901-2, but the next year his pace brought him into the three-quarter line, and 1903-4 found him playing for Northampton, but from that year to date he has appeared for his native town as half and three-quarter. He did not confine his efforts to playing alone, for I find that from 1904 to 1908 he was a most efficient hon. secretary, and in 1908 he was honoured with the captaincy, which he held until last season, his professional duties then compelling him to hand over that responsible post to R. C. Stafford, the young International forward. In addition to all this Willett has appeared for the East Midlands nineteen times. His inclusion in the Bedfordshire County Cricket team in 1910 and 1911 shows him to be a cricketer above the ordinary, and all round he is a most versatile athlete. Of a quiet, retiring nature, he does not seek prominence, but we who know him well appreciate highly the splendid work he has done for Bedford, and, as he has yet youth on his side, much more will be expected of him.

A. L. Rogers 1904-05

A. L. Rogers was captain in 1904-05 and he was the force behind the drive to secure a fixture with the New Zealand touring team of 1905. A forward, he played in that great match in the following season. He was a keen administrator who always took the chair at meetings. He was eager to improve fixtures with first class clubs and was closely involved with the opening of the first stand in 1905.

R. Maclear 1905-06

Captain of the team that played the All Blacks at Goldington Road was Ronnie Maclear, an OB, who first played for the club while captain of the school in 1896. He was a forward and one of four brothers who all played for the club, the most famous being Basil, the Irish International. Ronnie was a soldier who became coach to Bedford Athletic club after their formation in 1908.

C. Franklin 1906-08

Charles Franklin was an OB who made 161 appearances between 1901-10. A forward, he had an England trial in 1909. He was the son of Chas. Franklin, a well-known coal merchant, and became a magistrate. He was one of the four who guaranteed the loan to build the scrum hall in 1910 and he remained a vice-president until his death in 1949.

A. W. B. Gompertz 1908-09

A. W. B. Gompertz was an OB who first played for the club while still at school. He became a regular when he left, and was a stand-off and excellent place kicker who made 65 appearances. He resigned the captaincy to concentrate on army entrance exams and returned to the club as an officer in 1911-12.

H. Willett 1909-11

Hugh Willett, OBM, was an all round athlete who also played cricket for the county. He lived in Bushmead Avenue and his 237 appearances was a club record, turning out on the wing, in the centre or at stand-off. He was club secretary for three years and his brother, also a player, later held this office as well. Although retired, he made a comeback during the 1914-18 war and was made a Barbarian in 1915 while serving under Edgar Mobbs in the 7th Northants Regiment.

R. C. Stafford 1911-13

Dick Stafford was a pupil at the Modern School when, aged 15 years and one month, he had a trial for Bedford. He made his debut later that season. He played for the East Midlands while still at school and became captain of the club at the age of 18. He played 67 times at wing-forward and was capped four times for England in 1912. He died of natural causes at 19 and the town went into mourning for the first player born and bred in Bedford to achieve international status.

A. V. Manton 1913-19

A. V. Manton took over as captain on the death of Dick Stafford and held the office as the club started to get on its feet after the first world war. He learned the game in junior clubs, had a spell with Northampton and was considered unlucky not to get an international cap. A brilliant forward, he played 203 times, scoring 73 tries.

A. Hall 1919-20

Alf Hall took over the captaincy from A. V. Manton as the club struggled after the war. He started playing for the Kempston club but was a regular choice for Bedford from 1908-23. His 272 appearances was a club record that would surely have been even greater had he not lost five years through war. A fine forward who later took over as captain of the 'A' side, he used to cycle home to Kempston wearing his cap if Bedford had won but bareheaded if they had lost. With A. J. Osbourn and F. Millward, he became the first life member of the club.

A. Wesley 1920-21

A. Wesley first played at Goldington Road when he made up the numbers for Rugby on December 27, 1913. But he played so well that he was selected for Bedford for the rest of the season. An OBM, he was a fly-half whose career was limited by the war. He made only 39 appearances, scoring nine tries, just five after being elected captain before a knee injury ended his career. His family owned the Bridge Hotel.

L. H. Nicholson 1921-22

The club's 20th captain was L. H. Nicholson, who learned his rugby in his native Bradford and later in the Welsh Guards. He came to Bedford with Messrs Peake Freane and Co., having played for Bristol and Redcliffe. He played as a forward for the East Midlands and made 122 appearances for Bedford, scoring 121 points. He was a loyal committee man with a keen interest in local politics and in 1968 as the oldest surviving captain he unveiled the honours board in the Scrum Hall.

E. L. W. Cumming 1922-23

E. L. W. "Jumbo" Cumming was captain in 1922-23. An OB who joined the club on leaving school, he was a forward who made 27 appearances. A talented oarsman, his rugby career was cut short by injury and his work took him to Brazil.

S. D. Kitchener 1923-24

Sam Kitchener was appointed captain at the age of 37. He was the first Bedford captain to have come from the Olney club, formed in 1877, and was said to be the club's first 'artisan' captain, being a 'boot' worker. He made his debut in 1905, returned to Olney, then to Bedford, before having a successful career at Northampton and then coming back to Bedford. He made 133 appearances as a forward and scored 23 tries. He was a keen Baptist preacher and a well-known boxer in local booths.

F. G. Hore 1924-25

Fred Hore joined Bedford from Bristol in 1923-24 and was made captain the next season. He was unable to complete his term of office and made a total of only 40 appearances. He later became secretary for two seasons before work took him away from the town. He was made a life member.

L. A. R. Fensome 1925-27

Aubrey Fensome was a local boy who went to Bates' School and first played for the club in 1921-22. He was a prolific try scoring winger who ran in 97 tries in 196 appearances. He broke his leg against Blackheath on December 18, 1926, and returned to play wing-forward before retiring in 1933. He was president of the club and of the East Midlands and was made a life member in 1968. His father was also a great club worker and he was made a life member in 1939. They are the only father and son to have achieved this distinction. In the club's 100th year, Aubrey was its oldest surviving captain.

C.H. WILLIAMS C.M.G., O.B.E.

First names in full: CYRIL HERBERT
Date of birth: 27/12/08
Place of birth: Indore
School: Bedford Modern
University or college: Jesus College Cambridge

Left or right-handed batsman: Right
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: Right arm medium
Year of first class debut: _____
Teams played for:
First class - _____
Second class - Beds
Others - Jesus College, Cambridge
Many clubs in Kenya. Three ex officials
v. Settlers Natal (Kenya)

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

Although I played for the County in 1927, while still at School, I only played about half a dozen times thereafter between 1927 and 1931 when I went to Kenya

Rugby Bedford Town, Leicester and East Midlands
Cambridge 'rugby blue' 1930

Occupation: Retired Provincial Commissioner Kenya Administration

Thank you for your help.

2 May 1997

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Cambridge, CB5 8BL

Mr A. J. Webb
59c Mount Avenue
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London W5 1PN

Dear Mr Webb,

I apologise for the delay in replying to your letter of 15 March. Dr Heath has been away, and has only recently passed the letter on to me to answer.

I enclose copies of such information as we have about Cyril Herbert ['Harold'] Williams. I think they provide answers to most of your questions.

Yours sincerely,

Frances Willmoth

Dr F. H. Willmoth
Assistant to the Archivist

LIAMS, Cyril Herbert, Pvr., b. 27 Dec. 1908, Mhow, Central Prov. India, s. of Tom Ethelbert, Bedford Modern Sch. 1918-27.
[illegible]old") 1st Rugger XV Cricket colours (1st season) Sec. Shade quoits 1930 Cock of Roost Chamb[illegible] Mich Term 1929.
Rugger Rugger Blue 1930. Wheatsheaf. Athletics-quarter-miler. 1931 C.M.G. O.B.E. 49 55
Sgt-Cl Geography Trip 1929, Hist Trip II 1930 Ord. B.A. M.A 66

WILLIAMS, Cyril Herbert, CMG 1956; OBE 1949; Master, Claremont School, 1969-73; *b* 27 Dec. 1908; *s* of T. E. Williams; *m* 1936, Patricia Joy Collyer; one *s* two *d*. *Educ*: Bedford Modern Sch.; Jesus Coll., Camb. (MA). Colonial Service, Kenya, 1931; Provincial Commissioner, Nyanza Province, Kenya, 1951-56, retd; farming in Kenya, 1956-65; Mem., Kenya Council of State, 1961-64; Chm., Nyanza CC, 1961-64; Mem., Nyandarua CC, 1963; Deputy Chairman Appeal Tribunal, 1962-63, apptd under the Public Security (Restriction) Regulations. Master, Westerleigh School, 1965-66; Great Sanders School, 1966-69. *Recreation*: golf. *Address*: Nortons Farm, New House, Sedlescombe, Sussex. *Club*: East India, Sports and Public Schools.

Died 27 November 1983.

and Superman, 1977; The Tempest, 1978. Other productions include: Our Man Crichton, 1964, and The Flying Dutchman, 1966, in London; The Gardener's Dog, 1965, and The Merry Wives of Windsor, 1967, for the Finnish National Theatre; Volpone at Yale Univ., 1967; Othello, for Bulgarian Nat. Theatre, 1968; Soldiers, New York and London, 1968; Dido and Aeneas, Windsor Festival, 1969; Famine, English Stage Soc., 1969; As You Like It, 1967, and Back to Methuselah, 1969, both for the Nat. Theatre of Gt Britain; The Winter's Tale, 1969, for Yugoslav Nat. Theatre; Sleuth, London, NY and Paris, 1970; Oh! Calcutta!, London and Paris, 1970; Emperor Henry IV, New York, 1973; As You Like It (revival), New York, 1974; What Every Woman Knows, London, 1974; Emperor Henry IV, London, 1974; Murderer, London, 1975; Mardi-Gras, London, 1976; Carte Blanche, London, 1976; Stevie, The Old Country, Rosmerholm, London, 1977; The Passion of Dracula, London, 1978; Richard III, Mexican Nat. Theatre, 1979; Threepenny Opera, 1979, and The Love-Girl and the Innocent, 1980, Aalborg; Born in the Gardens, London, 1980. Also directed plays for the Arena Theatre, Theatre Workshop, Guildford, Oxford, Coventry, Toronto, Los Angeles, Washington, Johannesburg, Edinburgh Festival; Malvern Festival. Mem. Welsh Arts Council, 1963-72; Chairman: Welsh Nat. Theatre Co., 1968-72; British Theatre Assoc.; Advisory Editor, Drama; Chm., British Children's Theatre Assoc., 1968-71. Associate Artist of Yugoslav Nat. Theatre, 1969; FTCL. *Publications: plays:* The Disguises of Arlecchino, 1951; The Sleeping Princess, 1953; The Goose Girl, 1954; The Secret Garden, 1955; (with Donald Jonson) Stephen Dedalus, 1956. *Recreations:* motor boating, water-ski-ing. *Address:* 43 Onslow Square, SW7 3HJ; The Vineyard, Domaine du Chateauneuf, 06560 Valbonne, France. *Club:* Garrick.

WILLIAMS, Colin; *see* Welland, C.

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WILLIAMS, David Arthur, CB 1965; DSC 1942; *b* 27 Jan. 1911; *s* of Thomas Pettit Williams and Vera Frederica Dudley Williams (*née* Apthorp); *m* 1951, Susan Eastlake, 3rd *d* of late Dr W. H. Lamplough and *widow* of Surg. Cdr H. de B. Kempthorne, RN; one *s* two step *d. Educ:* Cheltenham College; Royal Naval Engineering College, Keyham. Joined RN, 1929. Served War, Engineer Officer, HMS Hasty, 1939-42 (DSC, despatches four times), 2nd Destroyer Flotilla, Med. Fleet, S Atlantic Stn, Home Fleet, E Med. Fleet; Sen. Engineer, HMS Implacable, 1942-45, Home Fleet, and 1st Aircraft Carrier Sqdn, British Pacific Fleet, Comdr (E) 1945; Capt. 1955; Rear-Adm. 1963; Dir Gen. Aircraft, Admiralty, 1962-64; Dir Gen., Aircraft (Naval), Ministry of Defence, 1964-65; retired list, 1965. CEng, MIMechE. *Recreations:* various. *Address:* 3 Ellachie Gardens, Alverstoke, Hants PO12 2DS. *T:* Gosport 83375. *Club:* Army and Navy.

WILLIAMS, David Barry, TD 1964; QC 1975; **His Honour Judge David Williams;** a Circuit Judge, since 1979; *b* 20 Feb. 1931; *s* of Dr W. B. Williams and Mrs G. Williams, Garndiffaith, Mon; *m* 1961, Angela Joy Davies; three *s* one *d. Educ:* Cardiff High Sch. for Boys; Wellington Sch., Somerset; Exeter Coll., Oxford (MA). Served with South Wales Borderers, 1949-51, 2nd Bn Monmouthshire Regt (TA), 1951-67, retired (Major). Called to Bar, Gray's Inn, 1955; Wales and Chester Circuit, 1957. A Recorder of the Crown Court, 1972-79; Asst Comr, Local Govt Boundary Commn for Wales, 1976-79; Comr for trial of Local Govt election petitions, 1978-79. *Recreations:* mountain walking, Rugby football. *Address:* 52 Cyncoed Road, Cardiff. *T:* Cardiff 498189. *Clubs:* Army and Navy; Cardiff and County (Cardiff).

WILLIAMS, David Carlton, PhD; retired; President and Vice-Naval War Coll., Newport, RI. Served War of 1939-45 at sea in RN. Qual. in Gunnery, 1946; Comdr, 1952; Captain, 1960; Naval Asst to First Sea Lord, 1961-64; HMS Devonshire, 1964-66; Dir of Naval Plans, 1966-68; Captain, BRNC, Dartmouth, 1968-70; Rear-Adm. 1970; Flag Officer, Second in Command Far East Fleet, 1970-72; Vice-Adm. 1973; Dir-Gen. Naval Manpower and Training, 1972-74; Adm. 1974; Chief of Naval Personnel and Second Sea Lord, 1974-77; C-in-C Naval Home Comd, and ADC to the Queen, 1977-79, retired. Mem., Commonwealth War Graves Commn, 1980-. *Recreations:* sailing, tennis, gardening. *Address:* Brockholt, Strete, Dartmouth, Devon. *Clubs:* Army and Navy; Royal Dart Yacht; RN Sailing Association; Royal Yacht Squadron; Royal Western Yacht.

Cyril Herbert Williams (1927), always called Harold or Hal, was born 27 Dec. 1908 in India + educated at Bedford Modern School. He read Geography + then History + got an ordinary degree. MA 1966.
He was Captain of Rugger and a Rugger Blue, Cricket colours, an ~~A~~ Athletics quarter-miler, President of the Rhadegunds.
He was a master at Claremont School 1969-73 after retiring from the Colonial Service, first in Kenya 1931 then Provincial Commissioner Nyanza Province, Kenya 1951-6.
He then farmed in Kenya 1956-65 + was a member of Kenya Council of State (1961-4).

C.H. WILLIAMS

Eastbourne (0323) 22305.

"Satley,"
69 Summerdown Road,
Eastbourne,
Sussex, BN20 8DQ

December 31st 1976.

Dear Mr. Webb

I have been interested to receive your letter of the 29th, and I return your form duly completed. My own contribution to the annals of Bedford or any other cricket is almost less than minimal, as you will see! On my one appearance for the County, I think that I caught a very good catch at short leg, and made 0 in the first innings, and 1 in the second. On my one appearance for Lincolnshire at Boston against Bedfordshire in 1931 I made 3 in the first innings and the match was rained off. I moved from Lincolnshire down here in 1932, in which

year I was invited to play again for Lines, but was not able to do so, and since then until last after the war I only played club cricket. So there will be no offence taken if my memory is not perpetuated.

With all good wishes for 1977.

Yours Sincerely,

Ted Lemmon.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 1941

THE LATE MR. H. WILLIAMS

Funeral at Southill of a Well-known Sportsman

The funeral took place at All Saints' Church, Southill, on Monday of Mr. Harry Williams of the "White Horse" inn, Southill. The Rev. J. W. Adams officiated.

Born at Hitchin sixty-seven years ago, Mr. Williams was a County cricket player in his young days and played football for Luton Town. He was hon. secretary of the Southill Cricket Club and had been at the "White Horse" for twenty-five years. He was very well known and took a keen interest in local affairs. He leaves two daughters.

The mourners were: Miss Vera Williams (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. F. Marsh (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. A. Williams (brother), Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, Mr. H. Burgess, and Mr. Thake. Representatives from the Hitchin, Henlow, Biggleswade, and Southill Cricket Clubs, and other friends were also present.

Floral tributes were sent by: Vera, Clarice, and Fred; Brother Arch; Mr. and Mrs. E. Faulkner; Mr. and Mrs. W. Rook, Council House; Pte. Dick Hunt; Mr. and Mrs. F. Hatton; Mr. and Mrs. J. Whaley; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Cruse, "White Horse", Biggleswade; "White Horse" Slate Club; Mr. and Mrs. H. Baker; Rook Bros. and family, Yew Tree Farm; A dear brother and uncle; Lizzie, Florrie, Henry, Geoff; Evi and Mark and family; Mr. and Mrs. H. Sherman; Directors of Wells and Winch; Southill Park Cricket Club; Mr. and Mrs. A. Faulkner, "The Green Man", Stanford; Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Whitbread; Mr. and Mrs. J. Watford; Southill Fire Watchers and Police; Mr. and Mrs. F. K. White and family; Committee of the Southill Weekly Whist Club; No. 7 Stanford; Mrs. Hall and family; Mr. and Mrs. Cooper and Bryan; Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert, "Hare and Hounds", Old Warden.

ANTHONY WEBB

From: "Roll of Honour (NTL)" <rollofhonour@ntlworld.com>
To: "'ANTHONY WEBB'" <webb1pn@btinternet.com>
Sent: 16 August 2014 09:51
Subject: RE: Bedfordshire First World War Roll of Honour - Leslie Williams/Hugh Rennie

Anthony,

Thanks for the update. I will add that to the page in the next day or so.

Kind regards,

Martin Edwards
Webmaster - www.roll-of-honour.com
mailto:rollofhonour@ntlworld.com

From: ANTHONY WEBB [mailto:webb1pn@btinternet.com]
Sent: 13 August 2014 12:22
To: rollofhonour@ntlworld.com
Subject: Re: Bedfordshire First World War Roll of Honour - Leslie Williams/Hugh Rennie

Martin

Many thanks for the extra information about Leslie Williams. I will order a copy of his birth certificate next time I place an order - and let you know his details. He was in the School Cricket XI in 1906 as well as 1907.
Another County Cricket who is on the Roll of Honour was Hugh Rennie who played for the County XI in 1910. He died on 10 July 1918. He played in the Elstow School XI for the 4 years 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1910. His birth certificate states he was born at 20 Connaught Road, Hove on 25 July 1892. His father, Hugh Rennie, was a marine engineer. His wife Alice registered the birth on 29 August 1892 giving her address as Albert Villa, Gallow Head, Dunoon, Scotland. [I think Gallowhead should be one word.]
Another Elstow school cricketer with details incomplete on the Roll of Honour is Wilfred Southwell. I am collecting information about him and I will be in touch in due course.

I am surprised not to have found on the net similar Rolls for the three other major Bedfordshire schools of the time - Bedford Grammar, Bedford Modern and Dunstable Grammar. Can you kindly point the way?

Kind regards

Anthony Webb

> ----- Original Message -----
> **From:** Roll of Honour (NTL)
> **To:** 'ANTHONY WEBB'
> **Sent:** Saturday, August 09, 2014 12:37 PM
> **Subject:** RE: Bedfordshire First World War Roll of Honour - Leslie Williams
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> Anthony,
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> Thank you for the email. I can add the following potted history for him. Could not get the date of birth but managed a baptism date.
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> Second Lieutenant, 23rd (Tyneside Scottish) Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers. Killed in action 1 July 1916. Aged 25. Son of Walter Albert and Ada Mary Williams, of Copper Beeches, Tower Road, Orpington, Kent. Baptised 3 May 1891 in Sussex. Birth registered in the A[ril to June Quarter 1891 in the Battle Registration District. In the 1901 census he is aged 10, son of Walter A and Ada M Williams,

born Mountfield, Sussex, resident Chelsfield Road, Orpington, Kent. While at Elstow School he appeared for Bedfordshire County at cricket in 1907. Embarked in France 9 January 1916. Buried in SERRE ROAD CEMETERY No. 2, Somme, France. Plot XXXIII. Row E. Grave 10.

Kind regards,

Martin Edwards
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To: rollofhonour@ntlworld.com
Subject: Bedfordshire First World War Roll of Honour - Leslie Williams

I have been researching Bedfordshire cricketers who played for the County. One such cricketer was Leslie Williams who was at Elstow School and who appeared for the County in 1907. Your Bedfordshire list gives his name but no details. He was a Second Lieutenant in the Northumberland Fusiliers and died aged 25 on 1 July 1916 and was buried in the Serre No 2 Cemetry. His parents were W A and Ada M Williams who lived at Copper Beeches, Orpington, Kent.

Any further information that can be provided, particularly birth date and place, would be very welcome.

Anthony Webb

W A G Southwell

Wilfrid Alan Glanville	Born 27 November 1893 Filey, Yorkshire Father Mother Died 16 June 1915 Hooge, Belgium. No grave and commemorated on the Ypres Menin Gate Memorial
Type of Player	[Batsman]
Education	Bedford County School [1903-1912]; Cricket XI [1909-1912]
Main Cricket Team	Bedfordshire - 6 matches in 1912. [6, 12, 1 67, 249, 22.63, - 1 1 1 -. He did not bowl] [His eligibility to play for Bedfordshire was questioned.]
Other Cricket Teams	Not known
Other Sports	Hockey for Bedfordshire
Military Career	Enlisted as Private in the 1st Battalion of Honourable Artillery Company at Armoury House, London on [?]. [Service Number 2292] [Died/Killed in Action on 16 June 1915 at Hooge, Belgium and commemorated on the Ypres Menin Gate Memorial.

Walter Albert

L Williams

Leslie	Born [?] Father W A Williams Mother Ada M Williams Address – Copper Beeches, Tower Road, Orpington, Kent [~~Died~~/killed in action – age 25] 1 July 1916
Type of Player	[~~Batsman~~?]
Education	Bedford County School [1903-1907]; Cricket XI [1906-1907]
Main Cricket Teams	Bedfordshire
Other Cricket Teams	Not known
Other Sports	Hockey for Kent
Military Career	Gazetted on 12 May 1915 to be temporary Second Lieutenant Northumberland Fusiliers [23rd Tyneside Scottish Battalion]. ~~Died~~/killed in action 1 July 1916. Buried at Serre Road Cemetery No 2 Somme, France. [Service Number not known.]

January 29 ~~Jan~~ 1891 Johns Cross, Mountfield

Baptised 3 May 1891 in Sussex.

Mary

Architect and farmer

Formerly Lawrence

[Bowler]

on M, T 15, 16 July

One match in 1907 v Herts at C-G, Clarence Park, St Albans batting eleventh Scores 13 and 4, catching: G G DUMBLETON in Herts 1st inns and bowling 3 wkts in 1st inns - 7, 2, 35, 1 (A Butcher) and batting twelfth in 2nd inns - 10, 2, 36, 0.

Embarked to France 9 January 1916

AJW – 17 NOVEMBER 2016

A.W.E. Winlaw

First names in full: Ashley William Edgell

Date of birth: Feb 8. 1914

Place of birth: London. (Sydenham)

School: Winchester College. 1928-1933

University or college: St John's College, Cambridge 1933-1936

~~Left or~~ right-handed batsman Right-handed

~~Type of bowler and arm~~/wicket keeper: Wicket-Keeper.

Year of first class debut: NIL

Teams played for:

First class - NIL

Second class - Bedfordshire. 1933? - 1936?

Others - Minor Counties v All India 1936?
M.C.C. Out Matches,
Free Foresters. Cryptics - Tour of Channel Islands ?1950?
I. Zingari
Butterflies (Cambridge)

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

i Soccer Blue. ~~1933-1936~~ Two years. Cambridge

ii Rugby Fives Blue ~~1933-1936~~ Three years "

[Brother of R. de W.K. Winlaw (born in ~~London~~ Sydenham) Morden, Surrey]

iii Captained Winchester Cricket against Eton in 1933

iv " St John's College Cricket in 1936

Your question answered

Occupation: Teacher / Headmaster.

Thank you for your help.

A.W.E. Winlaw.

Sorry about the vagueness of some of the dates. All reference books etc in UK.

BEDFORDSHIRE TIMES: FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER 1942.

LOSS TO COUNTY CRICKET

Death of Squadron-Leader Roger Winlaw

The Bedfordshire County Cricket Club has suffered a big loss by the death, on active service, of Squadron-Leader Roger de Winton Kelsball Winlaw, the Bedfordshire County Cricket Club captain. Aged thirty, and the elder son of the Rev. G. P. K. Winlaw and Mrs. Winlaw, of Houghton Conquest, he was a man of sterling character, with marked gifts of leadership, and his quiet, genial personality endeared him to a wide circle of friends. He leaves a widow and two young children, Anthony and Juliet.

Squadron-Leader Winlaw was well known through the County and was extremely popular at Houghton Conquest, where his father has been Rector since 1931. When on visits to his parents he often read the lessons at the church and always took a keen interest in parish activities.

SCHOLAR AND ATHLETE

He was a Sixth-Former at Winchester, and a Sizar at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he took an honours degree in classics and history. It was as a sportsman, however, that he was most widely known. He was an accomplished athlete, and gave early indications of his ability at Winchester, where for two years he captained the cricket eleven. On going up to Cambridge—to St. John's College—he soon won distinction, having the honour of being a double Blue. He played for both elevens for three seasons, and was captain of football in 1933. His stylish batting and quickness in the field won for him a place in the Surrey County Cricket Club eleven, for whom he played many excellent innings. On taking up a scholastic appointment at Harrow, his time for first-class cricket was restricted. He captained the Surrey Seconds in the Minor County Championship for one year, and he also played for the Gentlemen and the Minor Counties XI.

He had played occasionally for the Bedfordshire County eleven while a freshman at Cambridge, and in 1936 he accepted an invitation to become captain. At this time the County team's playing record was only moderate, but by his quiet confidence, enthusiasm, and example, Roger Winlaw inspired his men to greater heights. The 1937 season was the best enjoyed by the team for many years, and Bedfordshire was a force in the Minor Counties Championship competition. His death has robbed the Club of a captain from whom a great deal was expected in the future.

On leaving the University he concentrated more on cricket than on football, but he played occasional Soccer games and signed amateur forms for Luton Town A.F.C. He was also outstanding at fives. In 1931 he won the singles in the Jester's Club championship and also the doubles, with Mr. J. H. Lamb.

GIFTS OF LEADERSHIP

On the outbreak of war he joined the R.A.F. His gifts of leadership were quickly recognized and he won promotion. He took part in many operational flights, and for some time past, as a volunteer, he had been a night-fighter. He had long been interested in aviation and was an instructor to the Air Training Corps at Harrow, which was one of the first schools to form a Corps.

It was a sad week-end for the Rev. G. P. K. Winlaw and Mrs. Winlaw, for on Saturday they had notification that their younger son, Lieut. Ashley W. E. Winlaw, of the Intelligence Corps, and also a Bedfordshire County cricketer, had been wounded in the Middle East in October.

A TRIBUTE

In a tribute to the late Squadron-Leader Winlaw, Mr. Frank Crompton, hon. secretary of the Bedfordshire County Cricket Club, writes: "The members of the County Cricket Club deeply deplore the loss on active service of the captain of the County XI, Squadron-Leader R. de W. K. Winlaw. Affectionately known to all in the Club as Roger, he first played for Bedfordshire when still a freshman at Cambridge, following a distinguished record at Winchester. After coming down from Cambridge, he captained Surrey 2nd XI for one year. He also appeared for the Gentlemen and the Minor Counties XI. He then accepted the captaincy of the Bedfordshire XI, which he held until the outbreak of hostilities.

"Roger very quickly demonstrated his ability as skipper and batsman and the County XI under his leadership became a really well-balanced team, combining team spirit with superb fielding, batting, and bowling. In 1937 the team enjoyed the best season since 1906, when they secured fourth place in the Minor Counties table.

"By his qualities of heart, no less than by those of mind, Roger greatly endeared himself to all. His natural love of life his intense interest in all that men said and thought and did was never cramped or narrowed. In our bitter loss we are proud of his career and grateful for a store of happy memories."

R. DE W.K. WINLAW

First names in full: ROGER, DE WINTON, KEELSALL,
Date of birth: 28.iii.12.
Place of birth: MORDEN, SURREY.
School: WINCHESTER
University or college: ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE.

Left or right-handed batsman RIGHT HAND
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: —
Year of first class debut: 1932
Teams played for:
First class - CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY - 1932, 1933, 1934
SURREY (County Cap. 1934)
Second class -
BEDFORDSHIRE
Others -
I Zingari, Free Foresters.

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

—: Captain of CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL - 1933
—: 2 years Captain of WINCHESTER XI - 1930 & 1931 - a distinction only held by P.G.T. KINGSLEY (Oxford & Herefordshire) and A.G. PAWSON (Oxford & Worcestershire) - apart from War years - in this Century.
—: His brother, A.W.E. WINLAW (Bedfordshire) -
—: 1934. CAMBRIDGE v. GLAMORGAN :- Century in Each Innings

Occupation: Schoolmaster at HARROW - 1934-39.
Date of death: OCTOBER 31st, 1942.
Place of death: Over Snowdonia. In a Beaufighter (night air collision) RAF. The Navigator was CLAUDE ASHTON (CAMBRIDGE & SURREY)

Thank you for your help.

Completed by A.S.R. Winlaw (Son)
April 1977.

Hermier,
Ascott,
Shipston-on-Stour,
Warwickshire.

13 April, 1977.

Dear Mr. Lobb,

My brother Roger has passed on your letter of 5th April to me. We are the sons of Roger Lewis.

I herewith enclose the form for my father.

I would be most interested to read the booklet when it is published, and I would very much like to order one.

I think that A.V.E. Lewis was born at SYDENHAM.

I occasionally meet JAR Oliver at Towcester Races, which is always interesting.

Yours sincerely,

Antony Gilbey.

Mr R. de W.K. Wingfield.
Mill Farm,
Little Silver,
Cadeleigh,
Tiverton,
Devon.

April 7th 1977.

Dear Mr Webb.

Thank you for your letter concerning my late father. I have passed it on to my brother A.S.R. de W. Winlaw who lives at Herries,
Arnott
Shipston-on-Stour,
Warwickshire,
as I feel he is more able to answer the question correctly.

Are you writing a book? If so, I would be interested perhaps in buying

one.

Yours Sincerely

Roger Winlaw.

A.J. WORBOYS

First names in full: ARNOLD JOHN
Date of birth: 4th OCTOBER 1906
Place of birth: LUTON. BEDS
School: LUTON MODERN 1917 – 1923
University or college:

Left or right-handed batsman RIGHT
Type of bowler and arm/wicket keeper: RIGHT ARM QUICKISH
Year of ~~first class~~ Beds debut: 1926
Teams played for:
First class -

Second class - BEDS..

Others - LUTON TOWN 1921 — 1959
(1924 – 1949, 1st XI)

Other possible points of interest: (for example comparable success at other sports, famous relatives and so forth)

Always interested in all other sports but only participated in a minor way — cricket always first.

Thank you for your help.