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MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP
BEDFORDSHIRE BATTING 1924

NAME	KENTH	CAMBS A	KENTA	OXONH	HERTSA	LEICSH	OXON A	CAMBSH	BUCKSH	HERTSH	LEICSA	BUCKSA
GRAHAM, S.V.	0 18							49 20	0 0			
BURME, P.	16 6	38 NB	1 45	54 54	12 15	16 NB	37 17	30 8	11 11			
SUTHERLAND, H.O.	9 1			15 0		61 ⁺ NB		0 23	7 8			
DYNES, E.D.	7 6		11 0	8 7 ⁺								
MAXEY, H.	4 6	2 NB										
PACEY, A.	14 3	64 NB	6 7	24 52 ⁺	64 3	3 NB	26 23	5 7	13 8			
KING, W.E.	14 11	19 NB	37 0	31 NB	18 7	25 ⁺ NB	15 NB	15 NB				
CHILDS, W.A.H.	3 0	23 NB	61 11 ⁺	17 NB				9 ⁺ NB				
FIELD, B.A.	4 ⁺ 0											
KEECH, S.P.	0 6 ⁺	6 ⁺ NB	3 0									
REDMAN, F.	1 0						17 ⁺ NB					
HOLDSTOCK, H.		122 NB	32 16	19 0	1 0	0 NB	14 39					
WILLETT, H.		4 NB					0 2 ⁺					
DRIVER, F.G.		14 NB										
BRUCE, S.		37 NB	0 2				17 NB					
DILLEY, C.J.		0 NB	4 ⁺ 0	7 NB	12 0	13 NB	3 NB	0 NB				
HERRINGSHAW, G.			28 10	51 ⁺ NB		44 NB	17 15 ⁺					
ROGERS, B.L.			39 35	12 7			1 NB	0 NB				
ROBINSON, L.C.D.				6 NB	54 ⁺ 7	15 NB						
DAVIDSON, H.					13 0	13 NB						
KING, J.D.					0 11							
MILLER, T.					6 25							
MARSHALL, F.					0 3 ⁺							
HUDSON, G.					0 4							
RATCLIFF, J.T.						27 NB						
COCKS, A.D.B.						13 NB						
PENSTONE, E.G.							4 NB					
KING, R.H.								20 13 ⁺				
RIPPON, C.W.								0 8 ⁺				
REED, C.N.								7 NB				
THOMPSON, A.R.									7 0			
RAWLINS,												

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP - 1924
BEDFORDSHIRE BATTING SHEET 2.

NAME	KENTH	CAMBS A	KENT A	OXON H	HERTS A	LEICS H	OXON A	CAMBSH	BUCKS H	HERTSH	LEICS A	BUCKS A
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BEDFORDSHIRE

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP - 1924
BEDFORDSHIRE BOWLING: SHEET ONE.

NAME	KENT 2ND H		CAMBS A		KENT 2ND A		OXON H		HERTS A	LEICS 2ND H	OXON A
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	FIRST	FIRST
CHILDS, W.A.H.	20 5 7 50 6	21 2 10 29 4	24 5 68 5	7 3 2 24 1	32 9 74 2	8 0 31 1	9 1 36 0	7 0 34 0			
REDMAN, F.	7 1 20 0	4 14 6 1									12 1 54 1
GRAHAM, S.V.	11 3 13 1										
DYNES, E.D.	13 1 26 2	13 3 28 3			19 2 59 3		3 1 7 1	15 0 82 1			
KING, W.E.	8 2 9 1	12 5 17 2		2 0 7 1	8 1 27 0	8 1 27 0		5 0 23 0	12 0 66 0	34 14 50 3	6 1 1 18 1
DILLEY, C.J.			19 4 3 49 4	17 3 58 3	10 2 29 0		14 3 31 2	21 2 77 2	31 1 176 3	3 1 6 0	22 5 74 4
PACEY, A.			5 1 16 1					2 0 18 0	7 0 47 1	2 0 3 0	
HOLDSTOCK, H.				22 7 34 5	20 9 32 2	9 4 19 1	10 2 21 2	13 0 55 0	31 2 120 4	47 5 14 91 4	10 0 31 0
ROGERS, B.L.					25 5 5 79 3		16 2 4 58 4	20 3 115 0			20 3 72 0
ROBINSON, L.C.D.								2 0 15 0			
HUDSON, G.									7 0 39 0		
MARSHALL, F.									7 2 12 0		
DAVIDSON, H.									5 0 44 0	2 1 11 0	
MILLER, T.									3 0 11 0		
COCKS, A.D.B.										20 4 44 0	
PENSTONE, E.G.											6 0 37 2
EXTRAS	- - 4 0	- - 4 0	- - 10 0	- - 12 0	- - 9 0	- - 1 0	- - 6 0	- - 13 0	- - 19 0	- - 6 3	- - 15 2
TOTAL	59 5 14 122 10	50 2 19 84 10	48 4 9 143 10	48 3 12 135 0	114 5 28 309 10	17 4 51 2	52 2 11 159 9	85 5 432 3	103 5 534 8	108 5 34 211 10	76 1 10 301 10

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP - 1924
BEDFORDSHIRE BOWLING: SHEET 2.

NAME	CAMBS H		BUCHS		HERTS H		LEICS 2ND A	BUCHS A	MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP				
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST		FIRST	FIRST	OVERS	M	RUNS	W	AVE 51 10M B.B.
CHILDS, W.A.H.	26 4 8 53 6	12 2 28 1	26 2 10 41 3	26 4 69 3	34 2 7 76 5		24 4 58 2	16 5 28 2	295	74	699	41	17.04 4 1 6-50
REDMAN, F.							19 2 63 1	7 2 17 2	49	7	160	5 ⁶	32.00 - - 2-17
GRAHAM, S.V.				10 4 26 1	17 7 25 2				38	14	64	4	16.00 - - 2-25
DYNES, E.D.					27 3 77 2			19 3 59 2	109	13	338	14	24.14 - - 3-28
KING, W.E.	7 0 18 1	21 0 9 2	5 0 11 1	10 1 33 1	7 0 21 0		73 0 34 1	11 4 2 36 3	137	3	26	379	17 22.29 - - 3-36
DILLEY, C.T.	3 0 10 0	17 5 36 4	16 3 38 4	15 2 42 0	18 2 85 1		20 5 57 3	2 0 8 0	228	4	37	776	30 25.86 - - 4-36
PACEY, A.							8 1 26 0		24	2	110	2	55.00 - - 1-16
HOLDSTOCK, H.							12 3 32 1		174	5	41	435	19 22.89 1 - 5-34
ROGERS, B.L.	17 6 31 3	10 1 23 3	6 1 15 2	8 0 35 2					123	1	23	428	17 25.17 - - 4-58
ROBINSON, L.C.D.									2	0	15	0	- - - -
HUDSON, G.									7	0	39	0	- - - -
MARSHALL, F.									7	2	12	0	- - - -
DAVIDSON, H.									7	1	55	0	- - - -
MILLER, T.									3	0	11	0	- - - -
COCKS, A.D.B.									20	4	44	0	- - - -
PENSTONE, E.G.									6	0	37	2	18.50 - - 2-37
KING, R.H.				4 0 18 0					4	0	18	0	- - - -
CLARK, L.							12 2 34 0		12	2	34	0	- - - -
EXTRAS	- - 12 0	- - 9 0	- - 10 0	- - 6 1	- - 13 0		- - 28 2	- - 2 1	- -	-	179	9	- - - -
TOTAL	53 4 14 124 10	41 1 8 105 10	53 2 14 115 10	73 11 229 8	103 2 19 297 10		102 3 17 332 10	55 4 12 150 10	1,247	1	246	3,833	160 23.95 5 1 6-50

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Sat 19 May 1922	v	MCC	39'1" 39	34	41	33	48	23	33	12	32	24	18
Sat 4 Aug 1923	v	Wingfield	4'2" 8	48	28	16	34	32	8	10	30	11	60
Fri, Sat 10, 11 Aug 1923	v	G. J. Safford	2'3" 6	18	33	3	30	18	3	64	50	12	12
			14'4" 56		88	48	24	36	68	5	44	24	28
			1-7						6	6	18	156	48
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													<u>151</u>

17	6	31	3	22	7	34	5	13	1	26	2
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<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>2</u>	10	2	21	2	3	1	7	1
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20	3	115	0	47.5	14	91	4	19	3	59	2
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19.4	3	49	4	8	2	9	1	20.5	7	50	6
17	3	58	3	12	5	17	2	21.2	10	29	4
10	2	29	0	2	0	7	1	24	5	68	5
14	3	31	2	8	1	27	0	7.3	2	24	1
21	2	77	2	5	0	23	0	32	9	74	2
31	1	176	3	12	0	66	0	8	0	31	1
3	1	6	0	34	14	50	3	9	1	36	0
22	5	74	4	6.1	1	18	1	7	0	34	0
3	0	10	0	7	0	18	1	26.4	8	53	6
17	5	36	4	2.1	0	9	2	12	2	28	1
16	3	38	4	5	0	11	1	26.2	10	41	3
15	2	42	0	10	1	33	1	26	4	69	3
18	2	85	1	7	0	21	0	34.2	7	76	5
20	5	57	3	7.3	0	34	1	24	4	58	2
2	0	8	0	11.4	2	36	3	16	5	28	2
								<u>295</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>699</u>	<u>41</u>

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CRICKET.

COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.

BEDS. v. KENT II.

Home County Beaten.

The first day's cricket at Goldington-road, on Monday, was made eventful by the presentation, during the luncheon interval, of a gold watch and gold and platinum chain, together with an album, containing the names of 155 members of the Bedfordshire County Cricket Club, to Mr. W. W. Marks, in recognition of 25 years' devotion to the development of good cricket in Bedfordshire. An account of the proceedings appears on another page of this issue.

Taylor, the Beds. groundsmen, had overcome all the difficulties of the weather in remarkable fashion for the first County match of the Beds. season, and had prepared a beautiful wicket. Naturally, after the heavy rains, it was on the soft side, but at the commencement of the game with the Kent II. team, there was nothing in it to assist the bowlers, and the winning of the toss by the visitors was likely to turn out an advantage. There was quite a nice attendance of spectators when the game commenced. The pace of the pitch was not considered likely to suit Dilley, and Redman was chosen in preference, this being the only change from the advertised XI.

A. L. Hilder and J. A. Deed opened the Kent innings to the bowling of Childs and Redman. Runs came slowly at first, until Hilder got both bowlers away to the boundary. He repeated the performance a little later. Deed batted quietly, and the score gradually mounted to 40 before Wilfred King decided on a double change, S. V. Graham and E. D. Dynes taking up the bowling. This was immediately effective, for Graham "yorked" Deed, and Dynes easily caught and bowled Hilder. The last-named had played free and attractive cricket for his 31 runs, Fawcus, who followed, gathered eight before he fell to a marvellous catch by Dynes, off his own bowling. The ball was travelling fast and low away from the bowler when he suddenly shot out his right hand and held the ball a foot or so from the ground. Hearn started shakily, and was twice nearly caught off Dynes, but when Childs took the ball from Graham Hearn twice hit him to the square-leg boundary. His partner, Fenner, was batting steadily, but, with the score at 87, Childs completely beat and bowled him, whilst Evans, who followed, was neatly taken in the same over by Pacey. Wilfred King went on to bowl just before the luncheon interval, but no further wickets fell, and the adjournment came with Kent having lost half their wickets for 100 runs. The ball was by this time popping about awkwardly, and the batsmen had several narrow escapes. It was evident the wicket was getting more difficult and that runs would be hard to get later in the day.

Hearn and Hever opened very cautiously after luncheon, to the bowling of King and Childs. At 117 Hearn was clean bowled for a hard-hit 33. Weigall, the captain, followed in, but soon lost his partner, caught at the wicket off Childs. Todd was quickly sent back, falling to a fine catch by Maxey, off Childs, who caused a sensation by bowling Cole with his next ball, and getting Cope well caught by Maxey off the second ball he received, thus closing the Kent innings for 123, five wickets having fallen for 20 runs since the resumption.

Bedfordshire soon found that runs would be difficult to get, for Graham fell to a low catch in the slips off Hearn's first over, and Sutherland, who joined Burke at the wickets, opened very shakily. He survived to hit Hever over the ropes for six before he was caught at mid-off. Burke was playing sound cricket until he was snapped at the wicket for a capital 16. This left Maxey and Dynes together, but the former returned a ball to the bowler before he could get going, and Dynes was clean bowled at 39 by Hearn. W. E. King and Pacey improved matters, the captain making a glorious hit which sailed over the pavilion, but he was bowled with his score at 14. The others failed to do much against some steady bowling and magnificent fielding, and the innings closed for 76.

Deed and Todd commenced the second venture of Kent, and ran up 23 before Redman beat and bowled the first-named, and the first day's play finished with Kent having scored 33 for one wicket.

Wickets fell quickly on Tuesday morning, the bowlers being able to make the ball turn appreciably on the fast drying wicket. Dynes bowled Hearn, caught and bowled Hilder, and got Deed taken at the wicket for a well-played 18, so that four wickets were down for 42. Then Childs came on at the Avenue end, and got Fawcus and Fenner caught, and with King bowling at the other end, the Kent men were very much subdued, Childs bowling six maiden overs and King five out of 17 overs. Eventually King bowled Weigall with a ball which kept very low, and in the next over completely beat and bowled Hever, who had played very steadily for 15. A pretty catch by Dynes disposed of Evans, and nine wickets were down for 78. Cope was stumped by Burke, and the innings closed for 84, leaving Beds. 131 to get to win.

The Bedfordshire bowling in both the Kent innings had been very good, and Childs especially compelled respect from all the batsmen. His analysis of 10 wickets for 79 speaks eloquently of his work. King and Dynes also bowled exceedingly well.

Burke and Pacey commenced Bedfordshire's final venture at 1.15 p.m., and Burke pulled the second ball he received to the boundary. He had, however, only scored two more when in reaching forward he missed the ball, stepped out of his ground, and was somewhat unluckily stumped, the ball bounding on to the wicket off the wicket-keeper's pads. After luncheon Hearn and Hever kept Graham and Pacey strictly on the defensive, and of the first 10 overs bowled nine were maidens. Eventually Pacey jumped in to drive Hearn, missed it, and was stumped, whilst Sutherland, who followed, was clean bowled by Hever for a single. Dynes opened his account with a lovely late cut for four, and Graham lifted Hearn clean out of the ground for six, bringing up 30. Hever, however, got Dynes in the next over with a splendid ball, and the game at this point was decidedly in Kent's favour. The outlook was still less hopeful from a home point of view when Graham, who had scored 19 in excellent style, was stumped in trying to drive, and half the home wickets were down for 42. This brought Maxey and King together, Maxey having gathered seven. King lifted a ball from Hearn over the screen, but lost Maxey, easily taken at point from a mis-hit, and when the captain had carried his score to 11 he was

bowled by Hever. Childs next got his leg in front of a straight one, and Field was badly run out. Keech made one or two good strokes, but Redman failed to open his account, and the match ended at 3 o'clock in a victory for Kent II. by 71 runs. The Kent left-handers, Hearn and Hever, were very difficult to play, and never gave the home batsmen a chance to settle down. Todd, a boy of 16, also bowled remarkably well.

Full scores and analyses:—

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.

W. E. King (capt.), b Cope	14
P. Burke, c Povey, b Hearn	16
H. Maxey, c and b Hearn	4
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, c Deed, b Hever	9
E. D. Dynes, b Hever	7
A. Pacey, c Povey, b Hearn	14
W. A. H. Childs, c Deed, b Todd	3
B. A. Field, not out	4
S. V. Graham, c Hever, b Hearn	0
S. Keech, c and b Todd	0
F. Redman, c Hearn, b Todd	1
Extras	4

Total 76

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hever	23	14	50	2
Hearn	20	10	28	4
Cope	3	1	5	1
Todd	6	2	9	3

Kent II.—1st Innings.

G. J. V. Weigall (capt.), not out	1
A. L. Hilder, c and b Dynes	31
C. L. D. Fawcus, c and b Dynes	8
J. A. Deed, b Graham	12
R. E. Evans, c Pacey, b Childs	0
Povey, b Childs	0
Hearn, b King	33
Hever, c Burke, b Childs	15
Fenner, b Childs	18
Cope, c Maxey, b Childs	0
Todd, c Maxey, b Childs	0
Extras	4

Total 123

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. A. H. Childs	21	10	29	4
F. Redman	7	1	20	0
S. V. Graham	11	3	13	1
E. D. Dynes	13	1	26	2
W. E. King	8	2	9	1

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.

P. Burke, c Povey, b Hever	6
A. Pacey, c Povey, b Hearn	3
S. V. Graham, c Povey, b Hearn	18
Capt. Sutherland, b Hever	1
E. D. Dynes, b Hever	6
H. Maxey, c Deed, b Hever	6
W. E. King, b Cope	11
W. A. H. Childs, lbw., b Hearn	0
B. A. Field, run out	0
S. Keech, not out	6
F. Redman, c Hilder, b Hearn	0
Extras	4

Total 60

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearn	14	6	34	4
Hever	13	6	23	4
Cope	1	0	0	1

Kent II.—2nd Innings.

J. A. Deed, c Burke, b Dynes	18
Todd, b Redman	11
Hearn, b Dynes	7
A. L. Hilder, c and b Dynes	0
C. L. D. Fawcus, c Graham, b Childs	14
Fenner, c Dynes, b Childs	2
Hever, b King	15
R. E. Evans, c Dynes, b Childs	0
Povey, not out	5
Cope, c Burke, b Childs	1
Extras	4

Total 84

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. A. H. Childs	20.5	7	50	6
F. Redman	4	1	6	1
W. E. King	12	5	17	2
E. D. Dynes	13	3	28	3

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

* R.A.F. v. THE PYGHTLE.

Played at Henlow on Saturday, and won by The Pyghtle. Scores:—

R.A.F. (Henlow).	
Ohegwidde, c Harlow, b Pilgrim	6
Alan, b Pilgrim	0
Wood, b Harlow	8
Roachford, c Bradley, b Harlow	24
Baldwin, c Bradley, b Pilgrim	9
Lloyd, c Allan, b Pilgrim	1
Perry, c Bradley, b Miller	9
Jones, b Miller	1
Cooper, b Miller	3
Fox, not out	2
Prithard, c Pilgrim, b Miller	0
Extras	3

Total ... 68

* The Pyghtle.

F. C. Neale, c Chegwidden, b	
Roachford	26
G. Bradley, b Roachford	13
H. Harlow, c Baldwin, b Roachford	12
T. Miller, b Roachford	1
G. Pilgrim, b Jones	3
H. G. Hill, b Jones	10
K. Linger, c Lloyd, b Baldwin	8
H. Butterworth, not out	1
R. M. Page, b Roachford	0

R. Sprague, not out	0
Extras	3

Total (for 8 wks.) ... 77

F. Redman did not bat.

* RAILWAY ATHLETIC v. FORDER'S WORKS.

This match was started in Bedford Park on Saturday, but rain caused abandonment after the Railway Athletic had batted. Scores:—

* Railway Athletic.—V. Phillips, b Lowe, 0; L. Mott, c Vicarage, b Lowe, 5; G. Emmison, c Vicarage, b Tuffnell, 8; F. Bone, lbw., b Lowe, 8; J. Bonfield, b Tuffnell, 4; G. Brittain, c Lowe, b Vicarage, 8; F. Shortland, b Vicarage, 5; C. Sils, c Robinson, b Lowe, 9; E. Gilbert, b Mephram, 0; C. Allen, c Mephram, b Tuffnell, 7; R. Redsall, not out, 0; extras, 4; total, 58.

Division II. (Northern Section).

FELMERSHAM v. SHARNBROOK.

Played at Felmersham on Saturday, and won by the visitors by 36 runs. Scores:—

Felmersham.—W. Hulatt, b Howe, 2; R. Turner, b Howe, 3; A. Peacock, c Allen, b Hilton, 1; J. Hulatt, b Howe, 15; C. Ward, b Howe, 1; H. Hood, c Perkins, b Howe, 1; F. Purser, st. Allen, b Hilton, 2; F. Hulatt, b Howe, 8; C. Ward, b Hilton, 4; G. Emerton, b Hilton, 0; Cooper, not out, 7; extras, 3; total, 47.

Sharnbrook.—W. Howe, b J. Hulatt, 21; H. Boyles, lbw., b F. Hulatt, 18; H. Butcher, b Peacock, 7; F. Perkins, b Peacock, 7; R. Newell, c and b Peacock, 0; F. Allen, c and b Peacock, 0; C. Allen, c Purser, b J. Hulatt, 0; J. Pacey, c and b J. Hulatt, 2; G. Bell, st., b J. Hulatt, 5; E. Pacey, b Peacock, 5; F. Hilton, not out, 10; extras, 8; total, 83.

BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL MASTERS

v. BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL 1st XI.

Played on the Modern School ground on June 5th, won easily by the School. Scores:—

Bedford Modern School Masters.	
I. U. Bell, c Poole, b Riddehough	20
R. Rogers, b Quamy	3
E. Minney, c Thody, b Babb	8
T. Oates, c and b Cotton	2
G. Pilgrim, c Babb, b Cotton	1
F. L. Farratt, c Riddehough, b Babb	0
W. H. Peck, b Cotton	0
P. J. Ing, run out	2
Rev. J. W. Savies, c Bennett, b Babb	9
R. G. Rix, b Cotton	2
D. B. Belcher, not out	0
Extras	0

Total ... 47

Bedford Modern School.

A. R. Poole, lbw., b Pilgrim	3
C. H. Williams, b Minney	0
N. B. Larby, c Davies, b Pilgrim	0
B. A. Babb, lbw., b Minney	22
R.D. Cotton, run out	0
J. T. Thody, b Peck	24
J. E. Riddehough, c Bell, b Pilgrim	8
C. P. Bennett, c King, b Pilgrim	15
O. H. J. Ward, lbw., b Pilgrim	11
C. H. Quamy, c Rix, b Pilgrim	4
H. R. Wilcocks, not out	0
Extras	3

Total ... 90

BEDFORD BANKS v. NORTHAMPTON BANKS.

This was another very keen match with a good finish, played on the County Ground, Goldington-road, Bedford, on Thursday. Things were not going too well for the home side, as the visitors had 50 on the board for three wickets. Carter then went on to bowl at the Pavilion end, and took a couple of wickets very quickly. A fine catch by Clare on the boundary, off a big hit by Faulkner, proved the decisive factor, and the home side finished up on top with a margin of 15 runs. For the Bedford Banks Millman played a stylish and useful innings, and Clare a bright and merry one, during which he hit two 6's, while Bruce again bowled very well, taking seven wickets for 23 runs. Faulkner bowled well for the visitors, taking seven wickets for 40, and followed this up with a well-hit 41, including one six. Scores:—

Bedford Banks.—Lebbutt, c and b Knight, 1; R. Ireland, st. Whitlock, b Faulkner, 14; Bruce, c Harrison, b Faulkner, 8; R. Millman, b Faulkner, 28; H. G. Carter, c and b Knight, 1; Pearson, b Knight, 0; Clare, c Craig, b Faulkner, 26; Spencer, b Faulkner, 1; Thornton, c Craig, b Faulkner, 0; Lucas, not out, 1; Warren, b Faulkner, 0; extras, 4; total, 84.

Northampton Banks.—Craig, c Pearson, b Bruce, 10; Harrison, b Bruce, 3; Groom, b Bruce, 0; Faulkner, c Clare, b Bruce, 41; Dain, b Carter, 7; Avis, b Carter, 0; Knight, c and b Bruce, 2; Evans, b Bruce, 0; Whitlock, lbw., b Bruce, 0; Allen, not out, 1; Jones, lbw., b Carter, 0; extras, 7; total, 71.

BEDFORD SCHOOL v. THE LEYS SCHOOL, CAMBRIDGE.

Played on Bedford School ground on Saturday, and won easily by the home side. Scores:—

Bedford School.	
R. W. B. Fuller, b Sherwin	46
O. W. Rippon, c Birch, b Sherwin	29
O. A. B. McVittie, c Birch, b Sherwin	1
R. Kellett, b Smith	6
B. C. Yarde, b Smith	16
O. N. Reed, c Brash, b Smith	13
B. W. Lane, b Sherwin	5
C. G. Simpson, c Carnegie-Brown, b Sherwin	0
O. G. Crossman, c and b Field	0
J. L. Proudlock, b Smith	9
C. N. Pryce, not out	2
Extras	2

Total ... 129

The Leys School.

R. G. Field, b Proudlock	2
T. Lindsay, c and b Reed	9
G. Carnegie-Brown, b Reed	3
T. D. Page, b Proudlock	2
E. R. Hargreaves, c and b Reed	1
W. R. B. Brash, c Lane, b Reed	21
I. R. Smith, c Lane, b Reed	1
G. N. Carroll, c Simpson, b Reed	4
R. W. Sherwin, c and b Reed	6
P. O. M. Foster, not out	4
L. H. Birch, b Proudlock	4
Extras	11

Total ... 64

OAKHAM SCHOOL v. BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL.

Played at Oakham on Saturday, and ended in a draw. Scores:—

Oakham School.	
G. O. Brooke, c Ward, b Cotton	98
P. N. C. Sinker, run out	0
C. H. Schwind, b Quamy	0
H. C. Bristowe, c Ward, b Quamy	3
I. C. Hill, b Riddehough	1
J. C. B. Thompson, b Quamy	3
J. M. I. Ennion, b Cotton	7
R. E. Jackson, run out	17
J. Marson, c Wilcocks, b Babb	9
N. H. Jones, b Quamy	2
J. H. Fisher, not out	3
Extras	6

Total ... 149

Bedford Modern School.

A. B. Poole, c Thompson, b Jones	14
C. H. Williams, b Schwind	1
R. D. Cotton, c Ennion, b Jones	37
B. A. Babb, c Fisher, b Schwind	16
J. T. Thody, not out	27
N. B. Larby, b Schwind	0
O. P. Bennett, c Sinker, b Bristowe	14
J. E. Riddehough, b Jones	1
C. H. J. Ward, not out	1
Extras	7

Total (for 7 wks.) ... 118

O. H. Quamy and H. R. Wilcocks did not bat.

COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.

Cambridgeshire v. Beds.

Visitors' Decisive Victory.

On Monday Bedfordshire revived their pre-war fixtures with Cambridgeshire, at Cambridge. The wicket was fast and the ground in perfect condition. Cambs. won the toss and decided to bat first, H. B. Hart and Manning opening. Runs came steadily, but at 34 Childs caught Manning in the slips off Dilley. Faulkner did not stay long, returning a ball to Dilley. Childs and Dilley were both keeping an excellent length, and the Cambs. batsmen treated them with much respect. Leek and Smith both hit hard, without style, and the Cambs. innings closed for 143. Childs, who bowled throughout, took five wickets for 68, and Dilley four for 49. Bedfordshire had replied with 83 for no wicket when the tea interval was taken.

On resuming after the tea interval Burke was bowled by a slow ball, with the addition of six runs. After this Willett and Maxey were quickly disposed of, and Pacey filling the gap, stopped what looked perilously like a collapse. Both Holdstock and Pacey batted confidently, and with the wicket getting faster every hour, they soon became complete masters of the bowling. The score was taken to 201, and then Holdstock, through sheer exhaustion, gave an easy chance to Faulkner at cover, after a magnificent innings of 122, in which, though he hit only two fours, he gave only one chance of stumping, when in the forties. The day's play closed with Beds' score at 209 for four. On Tuesday morning, Driver, though he stayed in some time, never appeared quite comfortable, but Bruce got busy from the start and set about the bowling in really good style, and during his partnership with Pacey the score mounted much faster than at any time during the match. At 256 Pacey was out in trying to pull Lilley, the medium bowler. Wilfred King took his place, and had a short but merry life, which soon brought him 19 runs before he was clean bowled by Leek, the fast bowler. Childs continued the brisk rate of scoring, quickly rattling up 23. The innings closed for 352, giving Beds. a lead of 209. Cambs. had ten minutes' batting before lunch, scoring 12 without loss. The wind had increased, and Childs found it difficult to bowl from the end at which he had done so much damage the previous day, and therefore King substituted Holdstock directly after lunch. This change proved a very wise move, for with the help of the wind Holdstock made some of his balls describe quite a good curve, and had the batsmen often guessing. With such deadly effect did he bowl that he soon secured four of the first five wickets that fell, and with Dilley operating at a great pace from the other end, Cambs. found themselves in a very tight corner. They never recovered and with the exception of two hard-hit innings by Leek and Smith, no one stayed long. The innings closed for 135, leaving Beds. victorious by an innings and 72. Scores:—

Cambridgeshire.—1st Innings.				
H. B. Hart, c Maxey, b Childs	...	...	...	33
W. Manning, c Childs, b Dilley	...	...	...	14
D. Faulkner, c and b Childs	...	...	...	1
E. B. Lilley, lbw., b Dilley	...	...	...	16
F. Lilley, b Childs	...	...	...	7
E. Marchant, c Driver, b Pacey	...	...	...	3
E. Leek, b Dilley	...	...	...	29
Smith, b Childs	...	...	...	21
Rev. Taylor, c Bruce, b Dilley	...	...	...	11
M. Collis-Brown, b Childs	...	...	...	8
A. Harris, not out	...	...	...	2
Extras	...	...	...	10
Total	...	...	...	143
Bowling Analysis.				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Dilley	20	3	49	4
Childs	21	5	68	5
Pacey	5	1	16	1

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.				
P. Burke, b Smith	...	...	...	38
Holdstock, c Faulkner, b Taylor	...	...	...	122
H. Willett, b Smith	...	...	...	4
H. Maxey, b Marchant	...	...	...	2
A. Pacey, c Taylor, b Lilley	...	...	...	64
F. G. Driver, b Marchant	...	...	...	14
S. Bruce, b Harris	...	...	...	37
W. E. King, b Leek	...	...	...	19
W. A. H. Childs, b Smith	...	...	...	23
S. Keech, not out	...	...	...	6
Dilley, c Collis-Brown, b Harris	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	23
Total	...	...	...	352
Cambridge.—2nd Innings.				
H. B. Hart, b Dilley	...	...	...	17
W. Manning, lbw., b Dilley	...	...	...	13
D. K. Faulkner, c Dilley, b Holdstock	...	...	...	1
E. B. Lilley, b Holdstock	...	...	...	3
F. G. Lilley, b Holdstock	...	...	...	0
E. O. Marchant, b Holdstock	...	...	...	28
E. H. Leek, c Bruce, b King	...	...	...	31
Smith, not out	...	...	...	25
Rev. A. Taylor, c Burke, b Dilley	...	...	...	4
M. Collis-Brown, b Holdstock	...	...	...	0
A. Harris, lbw., b Childs	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	12
Total	...	...	...	135

Bowling Analysis.				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Dilley	17	3	58	3
Childs	7	3	24	1
Holdstock	23	7	34	5
King	2	0	7	1

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

CLARENCE v. RAILWAY ATHLETIC.

Played in Bedford Park on Saturday, and won easily by the Clarence. Scores:—

Railway Athletic.—V. Phillips, b Ives, 9; L. Mott, b Ives, 0; J. Bonfield, lbw., b Ives, 14; H. Mann, b Alcock, 21; H. Harlow, c Alcock, b Bailey, 4; F. Shortland, c Sub., b Ives, 2; C. Silla, b Alcock, 0; C. Allen, c and b Ives, 1; R. Redsell, b Ives, 1; E. Mann, not out, 10; Cox, b Ives, 2; extras, 1, total, 65.

Bedford Clarence.—C. Dickens, c Harlow, b Phillips, 29; A. Bailey, b Harlow, 17; J. Folkes, b Phillips, 13; H. Alcock, not out, 27; F. Chapman, c Redsell, b Shortland, 8; E. Barker, not out, 5; extras, 6; total (for 4 wickets), 105. E. Fisher, M. Wells, O. Maynard and R. Ives did not bat.

League Notes by "Eagle."

In a First Division game at Everton on Saturday, Igranic Works compiled the respectable score of 72 runs, and looked to have a reasonable chance of success. The Champions, however, fought gamely, but it was only just before the fall of the seventh wicket that they could claim the victory, and were all out for 86. Hersee and Langford batted very nicely for their runs, the former especially doing well, while on the Everton side, Tott, Wisson and Smith carried off the batting honours. In the bowling department, Bean (6 for 32) did brilliantly for the Bedford team, while for the villagers R. Gurney (4 for 17) and Odell (3 for 26) did best.

Those who have watched the play of The Pygittle this season would scarcely recognise the change which came over them last Saturday, when they entertained Howard's Works in Bedford Park. Their batsmen seemed unable to cope with the bowling of Cocking, who broke both ways and took 7 wickets for 15 runs, and Whitbread took 3 for 5. They were little better in their bowling, for some of Howard's men, notably Marshall, Chambers, Harvey and Tyne, hit about them to some tune, with the result that they led by a century when the last man was out. Howard's were masters all through, and it is difficult to account for the collapse of The Pygittle.

R.A.F. (Henlow) met with their second defeat on Saturday, their opponents being Forder's Works, who batted first, at Wootton. Runs came very slowly owing to a sticky wicket, until the partnership of C. Lowe and L. Vicarage, when 60 of the best were added before Lowe was bowled by Woods. Vicarage carried his bat for 50—a very good performance considering the state of the wicket. C. Stewart looked as if he was in for a good score, when he was brilliantly caught by Cooper for a total of 10. R.A.F. did not seem at home to Forder's bowling, only Allen and Woods being able to get into double figures, scoring 12 and 16 respectively. There was good fielding on both sides, no extras being registered. C. Lowe broke his own record, as this, he stated, was the first match he had ever played in without hitting the stumps—yet he took 4 wickets for 9 runs. F. Tuffnell captured 5 for 26. For the Airmen, Woods (4 for 14) and Jones (4 for 39) did best with the ball.

OTHER MATCHES.

QUEEN'S WORKS v. RUSHDEN.

The return game between the above teams was played at Bedford on Saturday, when the visitors again won. Scores:—

Queen's Works.—J. Ratcliff, st. A. D. Denton, b J. S. Denton, 3; A. Pacey, st. A. D. Denton, b J. S. Denton, 12; Faulkner, c Donald, b J. S. Denton, 2; S. Harris, c Wright, b J. S. Denton, 21; W. A. H. Childs, c J. S. Denton, b Donald, 11; S. P. Keech, st. A. D. Denton, b J. S. Denton, 2; Golding, b Donald, 0; J. Lazenby, b J. S. Denton, 5; A. Pearce, c A. D. Denton, b J. S. Denton, 1; J. Smith, c A. D. Denton, b J. S. Denton, 12; G. Freame, not out, 5; extras, 7; total, 81.

Rushden.—J. S. Denton, c and b Childs, 24; F. Parsons, lbw., b Childs, 0; J. Capell, b Childs, 2; E. F. Tompkins, c Faulkner, b Childs, 72; J. J. Wright, lbw., b Faulkner, 0; A. D. Denton, c Faulkner, b Childs, 4; R. Donald, st. Smith, b Childs, 0; J. W.

Reynolds, c Smith, b Childs, 31; F. T. Brown, not out, 6; extras, 7; total (for 8 wickets), 146. T. Lovell and D. Bughy did not bat.

CRICKET.

MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCES

BATTING.

Holdstock, Bedfordshire v. Cambridge-shire	...	...	122
A. Pacey, Bedfordshire v. Cambridge-shire	...	...	64
B. Brown, Bunyan C.C. v. Moravian C.C.	...	...	55
T. Miller, Beds. Club and Ground Extra XI. v. Silsoe	...	...	*51
L. Vicarage, Forder's v. R.A.F.	...	...	*50
N. Chambers, Howard's v. The Pygittle	...	...	48
H. Barnes, Tempsford v. Gamlingay 2nd	...	...	44
C. N. Reed, Bedford School v. M.C.C.	...	...	*42
P. Burke, Bedfordshire v. Cambridge-shire	...	...	38
S. Bruce, Bedfordshire v. Cambridge-shire	...	...	37

* Not out.

BOWLING.

G. Turff, Kempston v. Haynes	...	13 for 16
C. Hinde, North End Club v. Bolnhurst	...	9 for 17
G. F. Sanders, Stotfold Ath. v. Ickwell	...	8 for 8
W. Hirdle, Ridgmont 2nd v. Marston 2nd	...	8 for 11
F. Green, Haynes v. Kempston	...	8 for 12
A. Brinsley, Ridgmont 2nd v. F. Hull, Tempsford v. Gamlingay	...	8 for 19
Ridgmont 2nd	...	8 for 25
H. Pote, Foundry United v. Midland Railway Athletic	...	7 for 2
V. Tuck, Ickwell v. Stotfold Ath.	...	7 for 10
A. A. Brim, Wrestlingworth v. Biggleswade "A"	...	7 for 14
H. P. Cocking, Howard's Works v. The Pygittle	...	7 for 15

COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.

Kent II. v. Bedfordshire.

Bedfordshire commenced their return match with Kent II. on the picturesque Bromley ground on Monday morning. There was a heavy dew on the wicket when Beds., winning the toss, elected to bat. Burke and Holdstock commenced, and in the second over Cope, the fast bowler, got Burke caught at the wicket. Cope followed up this success by clean bowling Pacey. Dynes and Holdstock took the score to 26 before the former was caught at the wicket. Holdstock continued to bat steadily and well, and when at last he was caught in the slips he had made 32. Rogers and Herringshaw stayed in until lunch, when the score was 99 for 4 wickets. After lunch, Herringshaw was soon out, and Pacey was bowled first ball. After a valuable innings Rogers was run out, and Childs joined King. The skipper continued to hit the fast bowler very hard, but at 37 he misjudged one in attempting to lift it out of the ground, and his stumps suffered. Ketch joined Childs, and the latter made runs very fast. All the bowling came alike to him, and although he lost Ketch when he was 49, he manipulated the bowling to such useful purpose that the last wicket realised 25. Childs latted with fine vigour, and in his 61 were 2 sixes and 7 fours. Only on four occasions did he score singles. The Beds. innings realised 228, and Kent were left with two hours' batting. Boucher and Hearn commenced, but soon the latter got in front of a ball from Childs. Boucher and Hubble took the score along very steadily, but Boucher was very badly dropped by King off Childs. A little later Pacey missed the same batsman at mid off. At 70, however, Dynes got Hubble caught in the slips, and Fenner joined Boucher, and these two added a further 59, again only by the kindness of the Beds. fieldsmen, for King, at mid-on, dropped one from Fenner. At 122 Herringshaw secured Boucher's wicket for a very lucky 60. Todd did not stay long, but on Tuesday morning Foster batted in really excellent style. This young man, who has the right temperament for a first-class cricketer, appeared in the Harrow XI. last year at Lords, and it is quite likely that he will go straight into the Kent 1st team, in spite of this being his first appearance for the 2nd XI. His 87 not out included 8 fours, and he did not give the semblance of a chance.

Beds. started their second innings 81 runs behind, with Burke and Pacey. Cope again made the ball jump about considerably, and Burke gave a hard chance in the slips when he had scored three. Pacey was soon bowled. Dynes was out second ball, and Herringshaw, Holdstock, Bruce, and King all fell to the fast bowler. Burke continued to bat very steadily, and with Rogers backing him up admirably, it looked as though Beds. might yet save the match. But an unfortunate misunderstanding caused the loss of Burke's wicket and broke up a valuable partnership. Burke had batted for 2½ hours, and Rogers, though more aggressive, put up a very strong defence. Nobody else stayed long, and the innings closed for 130, leaving Kent with 51 to get in exactly 48 minutes. This task they accomplished for the loss of two wickets and with eight minutes to spare, thanks largely again to mistakes by the Beds. fieldsmen. It was a very interesting and pleasant game, a feature being the wicket-keeping on both sides, for during the whole of the match only 10 byes were allowed. Scores:—

1st Inns.	Bedfordshire.	2nd Inns.
P. Burke, c Povey, b		
Cope	1 run out	45
Holdstock, c Hever, b		
Cope	32 b Cope	16
A. Pacey, b Cope	6 b Cope	7
E. D. Dynes, c Povey, b Cope	11 b Fenner	0
G. Herringshaw, b		
Hearn	28 b Cope	10
Rogers, run out	39 c Hever, b Cope	35
S. Bruce, b Hearn	0 b Cope	2
W. E. King, b Cope	31 b Cope	0

W. Childs, c Hearn,			
b Cope	61	not out	11
S. Ketch, c Hearn,		c Fenner, b	
b Cope	3	b Haver	0
Dilley, not out	4	c Hubble, b	
		Weigall	0
Extras	6	Extras	4
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Total	228	Total	130
1st. Inns.	Kent II.	2nd Inns.	
N. Boucher, c Herring-		c Childs, b	
shaw, b Rogers	60	Holdstock	4
Hearn, lbw, b Childs	6		
Hubble, c Rogers,			
b Dynes	21	not out	7
Fenner, c Burke, b			
Holdstock	47	not out	15
Todd, b Holdstock	7		
J. H. Foster, not out ...	87		
G. J. Weigall, b Dynes	14		
Haver, c Ketch, b			
Childs	10		
C. W. Howard, c		c Holdstock, b	
Rogers, b Dynes	25	Childs	24
Povey, b Rogers	11		
Cope, b Rogers	11		
Extras	9	Extras	1
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Total	302	Total (2 wks.) 51	

League Notes by "Eagle."

An exciting game was played in Bedford Park on Saturday between The Pyghtle and Forder's Works, two teams who have so far done well in the First Division this season. The "Brickmakers" went to the wickets first, but could not make much headway against The Pyghtle attack, and were eventually dismissed for 56. Redman (3 for 9), Harlow (3 for 16) and Pilgrim (4 for 23) bowled uncommonly well. The Pyghtle fielding was good, and several smart catches were taken. The home side also found runs difficult to get, and made a sorry show until the arrival of Page, who played a typical innings of 30, and was well backed up by Redman and Linger, so that The Pyghtle won a very interesting game by four runs and a wicket to spare. Lowe was again Forder's most successful bowler, and took five wickets cheaply. This was Forder's first defeat of the season.

Howard's proved altogether too strong for Igranice Works at Kempston on Saturday. On a splendid wicket, the home side ran up 185 for the loss of only 4 wickets. Cocking is no doubt in the height of his form this season both in batting and bowling, and he distinguished himself in this game by making half-a-century not out. Another fine innings was that by Whitbread, who scored a faultless 70, which included fifteen 4's. The Igranice did not do well with the bat, Marshall (7 for 23) and Cooper (2 for 2) bowling with such effect that they were dismissed for 49.

Civil Service registered their first victory of the season by a win over Railway Athletic in Bedford Park on Saturday. The bowlers had the best of the argument, for wickets went down rather cheaply. On the Service side, Craddock, Curtis and Baker batted nicely for their runs, and the bowling honours were divided between Major Kirton, Craddock and Keena. For the Railwaymen, Bone made a useful 18, but was unsupported, and Bonfield and Phillips bowled with much effect.

The "Fliers" of Henlow were beaten on their own ground on Saturday by Bedford Clarence by 12 runs the scores being 116 to 104. It was a close game, and the result was in doubt up to the finish. The Clarence, batting first, did quite well, especially Chapman (33) and Baker (25), while Dickens (21) was prominent. The R.A.F. started badly in the batting department; they did not seem able to cope with Alcock's bowling, for at one time he had 4 wickets for 7 runs to his credit, and eventually took 5 for 30. Although Roachford failed with the ball, he batted well for 26. Lloyd did well with both bat and ball, and Wood and Jones tried hard to save their pipe from defeat.

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

HOWARD'S WORKS v. IGRANICE WORKS.

Played at Kempston on Saturday, and won easily by Howard's. Scores:—

Howard's Works.

F. Marshall, c and b Bean	26
F. G. Cooper, run out	1
W. H. Whitbread, b Rose	70
H. P. Cocking, not out	52
H. S. Harrison, c Sharpe, b Howard	25
R. M. Chadler, not out	0
Extras	11
Total (for 4 wickets, dec.)	185

A. Harvey, E. Wilson, N. Chambers, A. Tysoe, and W. H. Rowland did not bat.

Igranice Works.

Hessee, b Marshall	0
Piper, b Marshall	5
Curtis, b Harvey	10
Langford, c Harrison, b Marshall	8
Bean, b Marshall	5
Rose, c Tysoe, b Marshall	8
Murdock, not out	1
Martin, b Marshall	0
Howard, c and b Marshall	0
Wolverton, b Cooper	1
Sharp, b Cooper	1
Extras	10
Total	49

HOWARD'S WORKS v. FORDER'S WORKS.

Played at Kempston on Monday evening. Howard's winning by 4 wickets and 22 runs. Scores:—

Forder's Works.

T. Burdaway, b Cooper	6
W. Tysoe, b Cooper	8
A. Beard, b Cooper	0
O. Lowe, run out	2
J. Hillson, lbw, b Marshall	0
W. Nepham, b Marshall	0
P. Milton, b Cooper	20
S. Odell, b Cooper	0
P. Tuffnell, c Harrison, b Cocking	2
J. Biggs, b Cooper	0
G. Faulkner, not out	0
Extras	4
Total	42

Howard's Works.

F. Marshall, not out	35
A. Tysoe, c Beard, b Tuffnell	0
W. Whitbread, lbw, b Tuffnell	2
H. Cocking, lbw, b Tuffnell	0
H. Harrison, lbw, b Beard	13
A. Harvey, b Beard	3
E. Wilson, b Lowe	3
N. Chambers, not out	4
Extras	4
Total (for 6 wickets)	64

F. G. Cooper, N. Saunders, and W. H. Rowland did not bat.

SANDY FARMERS' UNION v. ST. NEOT'S FARMERS' UNION.

Played at Blunham on Tuesday, the Sandy Branch winning by 35 runs. Scores:—

St. Neots.—Armstrong, b Logsdon, 1; W. Bowyer, b Rawlins, 4; Coville, senr., c Dennis, b Logsdon, 21; R. O. Sharpe, b L. Odell, 21; F. W. Western, b Rawlins, 1; J. Rampley, b Rawlins, 2; F. W. Sharpe, c Clarke, b Rawlins, 1; G. Spavins, b Rawlins, 4; Coville, junr., b Odell, 1; F. Gayton, c Davison, b Odell, 4; C. Rawlins, not out, 2; extras, 12; total, 74.

Sandy.—C. W. Rawlins, b Sharpe, 59; H. Dennis, lbw, b Armstrong, 9; L. Odell, b Armstrong, 4; V. Draper, c Sharpe, b Spavins, 0; S. Odell, run out, 2; G. Marica, c Sharpe, b Spavins, 0; S. Logsdon, c and b Coville, 12; G. Spiers, b Armstrong, 10; E. Clarke, c Gayton, b Coville, 0; C. Davison, b Sharpe, 0; F. Williamson, not out, 7; extras, 6; total, 109.

MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCES

BATTING.

W. H. Whitbread, Howard's v. Igranice	70
W. A. H. Childs, Bedfordshire v. Kent II.	61
C. W. Rawlins, Sandy Farmers' Union v. St. Neots Farmers' Union	59
J. Hinde, North End Cl. v. Everton 2nd	57
H. P. Cocking, Howard's v. Igranice	52

BOWLING.

COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.**Beds. v. Oxfordshire.****Big Scores in Drawn Game.**

Beds. commenced their match with Oxfordshire at Luton on Wednesday. The Oxfordshire team were half-an-hour late in arriving, and consequently play was extended to 7 p.m. Beds. lost the toss and fielded first. The wicket was very slightly affected by the usual heavy dew at Luton, and Holdstock and Dilley commenced bowling, the former swinging considerably. Walters, the Spurs footballer, gave a hard chance at the wicket off Holdstock's third ball. However, in Dilley's third over Burke accepted a difficult chance by Wyatt. He also hung on to another, off Rogers, and dismissed Axtell, and again in the next over well caught Capt. Burrows, the Beds. stumper having "three bags full." Walters and Reece made a stand, and King rang his bowling changes effectively, Childs displacing Dilley. Then Dynes had a try, and got Walters l.b.w. Wakelin, Oxfordshire's professional, showed the best form, and saw Reece out for obstruction. After Thomas hit, Holdstock was forced to retire with a damaged knee, but was able to resume later. Henry was lucky for his thirty, and Oxfordshire's eleventh man had not arrived when the ninth wicket fell, and therefore the innings closed for 159. Rogers took 4 wickets for 53 runs, Holdstock 2 for 21, Dilley 2 for 31, and Dynes 1 for 7. Burke and Pacey opened for Beds., and the left hander immediately became more aggressive than is his wont, especially when opposite Burrows, the fast bowler, whom he timed and drove continually into the long field. When he had made 52 out of the first 64 from the bat in 43 minutes he slightly strained his leg, and was out soon after, for what was probably one of his best innings. Pacey and Sutherland continued the good start, but the latter was out through playing off his glove. Dynes did not settle down. Robinson was out to an excellent catch on the leg side by the wicket-keeper, and Holdstock did not get going. Seven wickets were down for 140 odd, but Herringshaw and King saved the situation by really good batting, and took the score to 235 before the skipper was caught on the boundary. Dilley kept up his end, but was out in taking a third run. Herringshaw's 51 not out was a great display of batting, and came just at the right time.

On Thursday, the Oxfordshire batsmen in their second venture fairly coloured the Beds. bowling, and at 4 o'clock, when they declared, had amassed the huge total of 432 for 3 wickets. C. Walters made 220 (not out) and Capt. Burrows had scored 151 before he was caught by Childs. With only two-and-a-half hours to play and 337 runs to get to win, it was an obviously impossible task for Bedfordshire, and their 135 for 4 wickets was lacking in enthusiasm. P. Burke (54) and A. Pacey (52 not out) were the chief scorers. The match therefore ended in a

draw. Scores:—

Oxfordshire.—1st Innings.	
C. Walters, lbw., b Dynes	31
C. Wyatt, c Burke, b Dilley	6
D. Axtell, c Burke, b Rogers	14
Capt. M. B. Burrows, c Burke, b Rogers	0
J. Parton, b Rogers	1
C. W. Reece, lbw., b Holdstock	27
Wakelin, c and b Dilley	37
R. P. Thomas, c Robinson, b Holdstock	7
E. J. Henry, b Rogers	30
J. Piper, not out	0
L. King, absent	0
Extras	6
Total	159

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.	
P. Burke, c Axtell, b Wakelin	54
A. Pacey, c Burrows, b Wakelin	24
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, b Burrows	15
E. D. Dynes, b Burrows	8
Holdstock, b Reece	19
L. O. D. Robinson, c Piper, b Reece	6
Rogers, lbw., b Thomas	12
G. Herringshaw, not out	51
W. A. H. Childs, b Burrows	17
W. E. King, c Thomas, b Wakelin	31
Dilley, run out	7
Extras	11
Total	235

Oxfordshire.—2nd Innings.	
C. Walters, not out	220
C. Wyatt, c Sutherland, b Dynes	44
Capt. M. Burrows, c Childs, b Dilley	151
D. Axtell, b Dilley	0
Wakelin, not out	4
Extras	15
Total (for 3 wks., dec.)	432

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.	
P. Burke, b Thomas	54
Holdstock, c Piper, b Thomas	0
Rogers, b Thomas	7
A. Pacey, not out	52
H. O. Sutherland, b Burrows	0
E. D. Dynes, not out	7
Extras	15
Total (for 4 wks.)	135

FRIENDLY.**BEDFORD BANKS v. CIVIL SERVICE.**

Played in Bedford Park on July 7th and 8th, and won on the first innings by the Banks, for whom Carter took 6 wickets for 15 runs. Scores:—

Bedford Banks.—1st Innings.	
J. Jones, 51; Ireland, c Thomlinson, b Johns, 0; Pacey, c Neale, b Millman, 9; Millman, 1; J. Jones, 0; Carter, 51; Carter, 6; Johns, 2; Pearson, b Craddock, 0; Thomlinson, b Craddock, 3; not out, 19; total (for 8 wickets, declared), 126.	

Civil Service.—1st Innings.	
Bruce, 1—c Lucas, b Craig, 4; Pacey, c Millman, b Carter, 17—c Lansbury, b Thomlinson, 10; Parker, b Carter, 0—b Lucas, 0; Craddock, c Bruce, b Carter, 10—c Thornton, b Bruce, 1; Millman, lbw., b Lucas, 9—c Lucas, b Thornton, 7; Neale, c Millman, b Carter, 6—b Carter, 2; Thomlinson, b Carter, 4—b Carter, 7; Johns, b Carter, 4—not out, 32; Turtle, b Carter, 12—c Tebbutt, b Bruce, 0; Rogers, b Carter, 0—c Ireland, b Bruce, 8; Bowler, not out, 1—c Lucas, b Carter, 6; extras, 0—4; total, 64—31.	

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Brondesbury v. Luton Town.

Visiting Brondesbury on Saturday the Town had a thoroughly enjoyable game, but they were saved from defeat by time only, for the Londoners were only four runs behind and had four wickets in hand when time was called.

Luton had first knock, and the total reached 162 after 140 had been signalled for the loss of three wickets. Bert Holdstock was top scorer with 73, which included 6 fours. The home side scored 53 for the first wicket, but five wickets were down for 93. Then Gallagher hit up 25, which included a six and 3 fours, and Fraser and Davies were not out when stumps were drawn. Fraser, a polished batsman, hit 6 fours. Payton was again the most successful of the Town bowlers.

LUTON TOWN.

W. Brown c Woodward b Bates	17
H. Holdstock run out	73
G. Herringshaw b Woodward	11
T. Payton hit wicket	8
Rev. A. Raley b Eldred	10
R. G. Smart c & b Bates	13
A. J. Mander b Bates	0
E. Coles not out	9
A. Worboys c Gallagher b Bates	2
J. Gardon run out	0
W. Johnson b Bates	0
Extras	14
Total	162

BRONDESBUURY.

C. L. Fraser not out	71
H. Loudoun c Coles b Payton	21
F. N. Maywood b Payton	4
L. A. Woodward c & b Payton	9
H. Bates c Smart b Holdstock	5
E. Eldred c Mander b Holdstock	0
T. Gallagher c Holdstock b Payton	25
R. S. Davies not out	13
Extras	10

Total (for 6 wickets) 158

A. S. Physick, F. E. Lanning and P. Murry did not bat.

Bowling: Holdstock 180, 3m. 62r. 2w.; Payton 120, 0m. 51r. 4w.

WATERLOW'S ATHLETIC (163) v. LUTON TOWN II. (88).

At Dunstable on Saturday the home team won by 75 runs. A. Webdale was the most successful of the Luton batsmen, and his 27 included 4 fours. A. Muckelstone and W. Gibbons scored quickly for the home team, the former hitting 5 fours and the latter 6 fours. The home team knocked off the runs for the loss of 6 wickets. Adams (4 for 20) bowled well for the "Printers," and Stillwell (5 for 43) for the Town.

LUTON TOWN II.

J. E. Kay c Creamer b Ryan	8
L. F. Wheeler b Muckelstone	12
W. Rumbles c Creamer b Ryan	1
H. Rayment b Ryan	0
F. Wingrave b Adams	18
E. Batten b Birdsell	0
A. Webdale c Bunker b Adams	27
J. Morris b Adams	1
W. J. Emer b Birdsell	2
E. Stillwell c Adams	0
F. Chapman not out	6
Extras	13

Total 88

Bowling: Muckelstone 100, 1m. 20r. 1w.; Ryan 130, 5m. 12r. 3w.; Adams 80, 3m. 20r. 4w.; Birdsell 40, 1m. 8r. 2w.

WATERLOW'S.

E. Gibbons c & b Stillwell	11
F. Pearce b Wheeler	12
W. Gibbons b Stillwell	30
G. Birdsell b Stillwell	9
C. Ryan c Batten b Stillwell	1
A. Creamer c & b Wheeler	0
A. Muckelstone b Wheeler	30
J. Conquest b Stillwell	19
J. Bunker not out	1
W. Adams c Chapman b Wheeler	11
F. Clarke b Batten	20
Extras	13

Total 163

Bowling: E. Stillwell 120, 2m. 43r. 5w.; Wheeler 120, 0m. 71r. 4w.; Batten 40, 0m. 14r. 1w.

SPORTS CHAT.

(By "CRUSADER")

COUNTY CRICKET.

Let none think that the county cricket match with Leicester II. at Luton to-morrow and Saturday is going to be a repetition of the Stevenage fiasco. From the team crushed at Stevenage there will be at least four changes, and possibly more. It is expected that George Herringshaw, Rogers, W. H. A. Childs and Capt. H. O. South will be available, and the others billed are Burke, Holdstock, W. E. King, Pacey, Robinson, Davidson and Dille. This will be more representative of the county, and if only Harry Knight, the Luton Amateurs' fast bowler, would say the word, I believe he would find a place in the team. It is his diffidence that has kept him out of the county team so long, but if he would only realise that Luton people would be not only very pleased, but are anxious to see him take his place, and that the honour of the county is a responsibility of the individual, I am sure he would get the better of his innate modesty for once in a way. Many times, and especially of late, Luton people have urged his claims, some being under the impression that he has been overlooked, and I would like to see him come in and add the much-needed bowling strength.

But responsibility lies not only with the players; lovers of the game in Luton and district should also come along, and I hope to see something of a record gate on Friday and Saturday. The County Cricket Club's promise to give Luton two games has been fulfilled, and it is now up to Luton sportsmen to see that the confidence is justified. Play begins at 11.30 a.m. on Friday, and continues to 6.30, and on Saturday morning at 11 and continues to 7 p.m. Do let us do our best to make the other end of the county feel that we in Luton are interested in the game and in the success of the county.

Mr. Percy Burke tells me that they have decided not to hold dancing after play has ceased on either day, but that should not affect the attendance at the match.

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DUNSTABLE MASTERS v. HARPENDEN.

At Dunstable on Saturday, the visitors won a pleasant game by 24 runs. Walthew played a fine innings, and Bentley hit smartly in the closing stages.

HARPENDEN.

F. S. Walthew b Good	55
F. N. Trinder b Walker	1
G. S. Hampton c Thompson b Walker	3
C. H. Titchmarsh c Butt b Good	10
W. H. Marsh b Walker	8
E. L. A. Talbot b Good	0
W. E. Kimber b Walker	9
S. L. Ferguson b Hill	15
A. E. Bandy c Harris b Good	7
H. Bentley not out	32
C. F. Putterill b Hill	2
Extras	17

Total 164

Bowling: L. M. Walker took 4 wickets for 63 runs; H. F. Good, 4 for 42; J. S. Hill, 4 for 5.

DUNSTABLE MASTERS.

E. G. Blow run out	0
H. J. Butters c Walthew b Marsh	23
A. L. Butt lbw b Marsh	4
E. E. Athorp b Marsh	26
A. R. Thompson lbw b Bentley	28
L. M. Walker st Hampton b Walthew	2
C. L. Harris c Walthew b Marsh	5
C. R. Dixon b Marsh	7
J. S. Hill run out	5
E. B. Waller not out	2
H. F. Good c Hampton b Marsh	1
Extras	4

Total 140

Bowling: F. S. Walthew, 1 for 66; W. H. Marsh, 6 for 48.

COUNTY CRICKET

(Minor Counties Championship).

BEDS v. LEICESTERSHIRE II.
To-Morrow (Friday) & Saturday,
July 18th & 19th,
At Wardown Park.

Admission 6d. After 4 p.m. 3d. Enclosure 1/- extra.

Members free to Ground and Enclosure.

Special Cheap Railway Tickets by L.M.S. and L.N.E.

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COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.

Beds. v. Hertfordshire.

Bedfordshire took an exceedingly weak team to Stevenage to play Hertfordshire on Monday and Tuesday, and were badly beaten by an innings and 241 runs. The redeeming features of their display were the fine innings of A. Pacey and L. C. D. Robinson, but a score of 215 was poor considering the perfect state of the wicket. When Herts. started batting it could be seen they intended running up a big score. Titchmarsh scored at a tremendous pace, and over 120 runs were put on in the hour. Dilley and Holdstock were the only two Beds. bowlers who in any way could keep the runs down, and there was a limit even to their endurance. After thoroughly tiring out the Beds. team, Herts. declared on Tuesday, and ran through the visitors for a paltry score of 88. Scores:—

1st Inns.	Bedfordshire.	2nd Inns.	
P. Burke, c & b Burton	12	c Meyer, b Burton	15
Holdstock, b Burton	1	b Meyer	0
A. Pacey, c Warfield		c Cowley, b Meyer	3
b Meyer	54	Meyer	3
W. E. King, b Burton	18	c Reid, b Meyer	7
H. Davidson, c Burton		b Burton	0
b Warfield	13	b Burton	7
L. C. Robinson, not out	54	b Burton	7
J. D. King, lbw, b Burton	0	b Reid	11
T. Miller, b Burton	0	st. Crossman, b Reid	25
F. Marshall, lbw, b Burton	6	not out	3
G. Hudson, b Burton	0	c Burton, b Reid	4
Dilley, c Titchmarsh, b Meyer	12	st. Crossman, b Reid	0
Extras	35	Extras	13
Total	295	Total	88

Hertfordshire.	
L. Watson, b Holdstock	96
P. Clarkson, lbw, b Holdstock	13
F. S. Walthew, c Davidson, b Holdstock	5
O. H. Titchmarsh, c Burke, b Dilley	143
R. B. Cowley, c Burke, b Dilley	24
L. J. Reid, c Hudson, b Holdstock	29
G. M. Crossman, c Marshall, b Dilley	75
R. J. O. Meyer, b Pacey	109
J. J. Thorley, not out	14
G. H. Vasey, not out	19
Extras	19
Total (8 wkts., dec.)	534
Burton did not bat.	

League Notes by "Eagle."

The game between Bedford Clarence and Everton which was played in Bedford Park on Saturday furnished a couple of good scores, the Clarence making 190 and the Champions 131. The Bedford men played consistently, for no fewer than seven batsmen reached double figures, Alcock coming out best with 34, while Williamson and Wells made 26 each. The Champions responded gamely to the high score set by their opponents, W. Smith making 34, Odell 30, and Tott 23. The most successful bowling for the winners was done by Williamson (5 for 35) and Alcock (4 for 25).

An interesting game took place between Forder's Works and Howard's at Wootton Piling on Saturday, when advantage was taken of having neutral umpires, a luxury seldom asked for in these days. Howard's compiled 93 runs, which was not a tall score on an excellent wicket. W. Head, a rising young batsman, was top scorer with 34, and

Harvey contributed a useful 23. Forder's batsmen did not shine against the bowling of Marshall (6 for 16) and Cooper (4 for 12), only Milton reaching double figures. It was unfortunate that Forder's lost the services of Lowe in the bowling department, who slipped and sprained a guide in his leg.

R.A.F. seem to have returned to form, for after losing three games in succession they appear to have struck a winning vein. Their batsmen hit the Railway Athletic bowling about so much that they were able to declare with 177 for 7 wickets. Chegwiddden played a capital innings of 61, and Robinson made 36, which included two 5's and five 4's. Roachford's contribution of 35 included five 4's. The Athletic were dismissed for 40, Roachford doing best with 4 wickets for 8 runs and Jones 4 for 16. Baldwin took four catches.

OLD BEDFORDIANS' CRICKET WEEK.

JULY 21st to 26th.

Mon., 21st.—v. Beds. & Herts. Regiment.
Tues., 22nd.—v. Cryptics C.C.
Wed., 23rd.—v. Chiltern Ramblers C.C.
Thurs., 24th.—v. Incogniti C.C.
Fri., 25th } v. The School.
Sat., 26th }

All matches commence at 1.30 a.m.

The Old Bedfordians' XI. will be selected from the following:—Rev. F. J. Howard, C. L. K. Peel, R. T. Peel, Capt. H. O. Sutherland, E. L. Rumbold, Major H. M. Edwards, P. L. O. Hill, T. I. Wardle, N. W. S. Halsey, E. F. Stewart, W. Boxell, Jones, C. P. Bailey, Capt. H. D. Weir, H. L. Mitchell, V. H. T. Fields Clarke, Capt. H. B. Davies, L. C. D. Robinson, A. D. B. Cocks, H. Davidson, and Capt. D. Turnbull.

COUNTY CRICKET WEEK

Aug. 2nd to 9th,
Bedford School Ground,
Aug. 2nd—"COCONUTS"
" 4 & 5—CAMBRIDGESHIRE
" 6 & 7—BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
" 8 & 9—HERTFORDSHIRE

BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL v. EMANUEL SCHOOL (WANDSWORTH).

At Wandsworth, Emanuel School batted first on Saturday, and scored 160 for 6 wickets, when Richardson was put on to bowl, and he took 4 wickets for 4 runs, the Emanuel total reaching 139. The Modern School were left 2½ hours to get the necessary runs, and this they did with 12 minutes to spare. The chief scorers for the Modern School were B. A. Babb (69 not out), Cotton (46), Thody (40), and Poole (39). Scores:—

Emanuel School.	
J. R. Cole, b Williams	51
N. S. Deeks, c and b Williams	28
T. M. Kirkwood, b Babb	12
R. M. Kirkwood, b Richardson	42
O. H. H. Shaw, b Williams	13
J. E. Farmer, lbw, b Richardson	17
E. W. Gowen, b Quarry	1
A. J. Head, c Poole, b Quarry	4
A. J. Tinker, b Richardson	14
L. O. Blundell, c and b Richardson	0
J. A. Spalding, not out	1
Extras	6
Total	189

Bedford Modern School.	
A. B. Poole, c Blundell, b Spalding	32
O. H. Williams, b Head	0
R. D. Cotton, c Head, b Shaw	46
J. T. Thody, c Head, b Spalding	40
B. A. Babb, not out	68
C. P. Bennett, not out	10
Extras	8
Total (for 4 wkts.)	204

W. Brace, N. B. Larby, C. H. Quarry, F. Richardson, J. E. Riddehough did not bat.

CRICKET.

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* Not out.	

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A. Russell, Wootton Hall End v. Kempston	8 for 34
J. Brown, Potten 2nd v. Tempsford 2nd	7 for 5
A. Robinson, Marston 2nd v. Cranfield	7 for 8
G. Purff, Kempston v. Wootton Hall End	7 for 10
A. P. Wood, Biggleswade Wesleyans v. Henlow Reserves	7 for 15
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O. Boys, Renhold v. Queen's II.	7 for 21
W. Hore, Sharnbrook v. Souldrop	6 for 8
J. W. Pett, Wrestlingworth v. Gamlingay 2nd	6 for 11
Cole, Maltis v. Conservative Club	6 for 15
F. Marshall, Howard's v. Forder's	6 for 16
A. Stocker, Clarence 2nd v. Goldington	6 for 23
W. Ward, Blunham 2nd v. Bedford Athletic 2nd	5 for 3
S. Everitt, Forder's Works 2nd v. Marston Piling	5 for 5
S. Warton, Conservative Club v. Eaton Socon	5 for 6
F. Battle, Blunham v. Everton 2nd	5 for 9
W. Jeffries, Blunham v. Everton 2nd	5 for 10
A. Whittamore, Clophill v. Silsoe	5 for 10
J. Law, Ickwell v. Gamlingay	5 for 11
S. Smith, Biggleswade Wesleyans v. Henlow Reserves	5 for 11
A. Whittamore, Clophill v. Stopsley	5 for 11
T. Bradshaw, Clophill v. Stopsley	5 for 11
W. Mephram, Forder's v. Howard's	5 for 13
A. Brace, Goldington v. Bedford Clarence 2nd	5 for 16
A. Payne, Stotfold Athletic 2nd v. Ickwell 2nd	5 for 18
A. Marshall, Shire Hall v. Pavenham	5 for 20
F. Williamson, Clarence v. Everton	5 for 35

CRICKET.**COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.****Beds. v. Leicestershire II.**

On Friday and Saturday Bedfordshire played Leicestershire II. at Luton. Thursday night's torrential rain had thoroughly saturated the pitch at Wardown Park, and on Friday morning Wilfred King, on winning the toss, took the bold course of putting his opponents in first. He did this because the Wardown wicket is known to be very quick in recovering. On this occasion it proved no exception to the rule, for before the end of the match it had become a very fast wicket, in spite of the fact that on Friday afternoon, after Leicestershire had scored 70 for three, the whole of the pitch was under water, a heavy shower causing cessation of play for the day. On Saturday morning, though the ends of the wicket had been covered over overnight, it was too muddy when the time for play arrived, and the umpires postponed the start for half-an-hour. Leicestershire continued to score at a sedate pace, Holdstock and King maintaining a magnificent length, and Cocks, the Old Bedfordian and Woolwich bowler, also keeping the batsmen on the qui vive. Everard, the captain, showed the best form for his 50, and the innings closed for 211. Leicestershire had been batting for nearly five hours, and Holdstock had sent down 48 overs for 31 runs, and King 34 overs for 53 runs. It was realized that Bedfordshire would have to score very much faster than this to gain first innings points from the Midland county, but, on the other hand, by forcing the pace too much there was a risk of losing wickets, so that the match was in a very interesting state. Burke and Pacey started, but the latter was soon bowled by a full pitch, and Herringshaw and the left-hander continued the attack for the next hour, although scoring very few runs. Burke was out l.b.w., and Ratcliff stepped into the breach and scored a little faster than his predecessor. Sutherland ended his bad patch for the County by at once going for the bowling and making some really fine shots, especially on the "on" side. Robinson, another O.B., partnered him well, and 40 runs were added, after which Wilfred King and Sutherland proceeded to hit the now tired bowling all over the field. Thus with 20 minutes to spare, Bedfordshire topped their opponents' score and gained the three points for the loss of six wickets. The match was keen and interesting in every way, and the new opponents are a team which it is hoped will figure on the Bedfordshire fixture list for many years to come. Scores:—

Leicestershire II.	
S. W. Bradshaw, b King	27
O. Dobson, c Ratcliff, b Holdstock	33
Lee, b King	8
J. C. Bradshaw, b Holdstock	33
Hutchinson, c Cocks, b Holdstock	11
Snary, run out	17
W. L. Everard, c Sutherland, b Holdstock	50
Benskin, run out	0
Smith, b King	21
Bailey, run out	0
Shenton, not out	5
Extras	6
Total	211

Bedfordshire.	
P. Burke, lbw., b Snary	16
A. Pacey, b Snary	3
G. Herringshaw, b Benskin	44
J. Ratcliff, st. Shenton, b Bailey	27
H. O. Sutherland, not out	61
H. Holdstock, b Benskin	0
L. O. D. Robinson, b Smith	15
W. E. King, not out	25
Extras	23
Total (for 6 wks.)	214

H. Davidson, A. D. B. Cocks, and Dilley did not bat.

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" 4 & 5—CAMBRIDGESHIRE
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BEDFORD SCHOOL v. BEDS. CLUB AND GROUND.

Played on the School ground on Saturday. The School batted first, and C. W. Rippon and R. D. Stewart opened the innings. The former had only made 6 when he was out leg before wicket. C. A. B. McVittie followed, but Stewart was soon after caught by Penstone off Redman. McVittie had a fairly long stay for his 27, the highest score of the match. C. N. Reed and R. Kellett were not at their best, and they were not together long, Redman claiming both wickets. Six wickets were down for 67, and things looked very black. B. C. Yarde only scored three and C. G. Simpson was caught and bowled by Redman before he had scored. C. A. O. Branson improved matters and scored 11 runs, and the score board read 9 for 84. Then came the best stand of the day. J. L. Proudlock and C. M. Pryce put on 37 runs for the last wicket. Several bowlers were tried, but both were well set; then Redman came on again, and he secured Pryce's wicket. The aggregate was 121.

On going in to bat, the Club side were soon in difficulties, and R. Pedraza was bowled by Proudlock before a run had been scored, and H. Maxey only scored three. (2 for 6). Then Penstone left, his score being seven. (3 for 11). F. A. S. Sewell and R. L. Clutton made quite a useful stand, and between them put on nearly 30 runs. Clutton was bowled by Branson. This brought in F. Redman, but he failed to score, being out to a splendid catch by Simpson. J. D. King put on 15 when they were badly needed, but the School were having the best of it. King was caught and bowled by Proudlock. (7 for 67). It was arranged that play should go on until 6.45, and when time was up the score was 83. The umpires were in the act of pulling up the stumps when the Club and Ground skipper asked that the game should continue—a very sporting action. A few minutes later saw the end of a very interesting game, Bedford School gaining a victory by 38 runs. F. Redman bowled well for the Club and took 7 for 45, and J. L. Proudlock did well for the School, getting 5 for 29. Scores:—

Bedford School.	
C. W. Rippon, lbw., b Clark	6
R. D. Stewart, c Penstone, b Redman	14
C. A. B. McVittie, c King, b Redman	27
C. N. Reed, c and b Redman	9
R. Kellett, b Redman	7
B. C. Yarde, lbw., b Clark	3
B. W. Lane, c and b Redman	0

C. G. Simpson, c and b Redman	2
C. A. O. Branson, c Pedraza, b Clark	11
J. L. Proudlock, not out	26
C. M. Pryce, b Redman	14
Extras	2

Total 121

Beds. Club and Ground.	
E. G. Penstone, c McVittie, b Proudlock	7
R. Pedraza, b Proudlock	0
H. Maxey, st. Lane, b Proudlock	3
F. A. S. Sewell, b Kellett	20
R. L. Clutton, b Branson	17
F. Redman, c Simpson, b Kellett	0
J. D. King, c and b Proudlock	15
H. L. Mitchell, c Branson, b Proudlock	6
I. Clark, b Reed	7
G. T. Craswell, c Lane, b Reed	4
I. T. Wardle, not out	2
Extras	2

Total 83

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

FORDER'S WORKS v. BEDFORD CLARENCE.

Played on Forder's Works ground on Saturday, and won easily by the Clarence. Scores:—

Forder's Works.

T. Burdaway, b Ives	0
W. Tysoe, c Wells, b Stocker	5
A. White, b Stocker	0
A. Beard, c Bailey, b Alcock	11
P. Milton, c Maynard, b Ives	0
J. Hillson, run out	12
W. Mephart, lbw., b Bailey	0
O. Lowe, b Bailey	2
J. Biggs, not out	4
T. Everitt, run out	2
G. Faulkner, c Chapman, b Bailey	2
Extras	6

Total ... 44

Bedford Clarence.

O. Dickens, run out	3
H. King, b Lowe	12
J. Folkes, c Beard, b Lowe	12
H. Alcock, b White	60
F. Chapman, lbw., b Everitt	2
E. Barker, st. Faulkner, b Beard	21
A. Bailey, not out	25
O. Maynard, c Hillson, b White	0
Extras	1

Total (for 7 wks.) ... 136

M. Wells, R. Ives and A. Stocker did not bat.

BEDFORD CLARENCE v. CIVIL SERVICE

Played in Bedford Park on the evenings of the 15th and 16th inst., and won by the Clarence. Scores:—

Bedford Clarence.

O. Dickens, c Johns, b Kirton	8
H. King, c Hills, b Kirton	51
E. Barker, b Johns	3
H. Alcock, b Millman	69
F. Williamson, b Kirton	2
A. Bailey, lbw., b Kirton	4
T. Joyce, lbw., b Millman	2
O. Maynard, not out	24
M. Wells, lbw., b Millman	4
F. Field, b Johns	20
A. Stocker, not out	1
Extras	9

Total (for 9 wks., dec.) ... 197

Civil Service.

R. Keens, c King, b Stocker	9
F. Millman, run out	26
D. Butler, b Stocker	0
W. Hills, b Williamson	4
C. Tomalin, b Alcock	8
F. Johns, b Williamson	22
F. Bowler, c Dickens, b Williamson	0
B. Valentinic, c Field, b Williamson	20
Major Kirton, b Alcock	5
W. Rogers, b Williamson	4
O. Prudden, not out	0
Extras	12

Total ... 110

HOWARD'S v. RAILWAY ATHLETIC.

Played at Kempston on Saturday, and won easily by Howard's. Scores:—

Railway Athletic.

Bone, b Cooper	0
Emmison, b Cooper	4
Brittain, b Cocking	3
Phillips, lbw., b Cooper	0
Bonfield, b Whitbread	16
Harlow, st. Dawson, b Cooper	4
Pearce, not out	8
Shortland, c Chambers, b Cooper	0
Allen, c Tysoe, b Whitbread	4
Extras	2

Total ... 41

Howard's.

Chambers, c and b Bonfield	48
Tysoe, b Bonfield	25
Wilson, c Allen, b Bonfield	0
Dawson, c sub., b Harlow	1
Cooper, b Harlow	2
F. Harrison, b Harlow	0
Whitbread, not out	4
Cocking, not out	6
Marshall, lbw., b Harlow	0
Extras	0

Total (for 7 wks.) ... 86

H. B. Harrison and A. Harvey did not bat.

CIVIL SERVICE v. EVERTON.

Played in Bedford Park on Saturday, and ended in a draw. Scores:—

Everton.

T. Tott, c Neale, b Kirton	0
H. Gurney, lbw., b Millman	22
F. Baldock, c Denison, b Kirton	26
H. Usher, b Craddock	5
L. Odell, b Millman	66
W. Smith, not out	15
O. Gurney, b Millman	10
G. Wison, not out	6
E. Giles, b Millman	6
Extras	10

Total (for 7 wks., dec.) ... 166

H. Preezy and R. Gurney did not bat.

Civil Service.

F. L. Craddock, c Usher, b Odell	10
A. P. Turtle, b H. Gurney	2
F. Millman, b H. Gurney	21
R. Keens, c Tott, b Odell	10
F. Denison, b B. Gurney	5
F. Johns, not out	8
Major Kirton, b H. Gurney	0
F. Bowler, not out	5
Extras	11

Total (for 6 wks.) ... 72

T. Berrington, J. W. Neale, and O. Prudden did not bat.

DIVISION I.

Positions of the teams to date:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PT.
Howard's	11	8	1	2	17
Bedford Clarence	10	8	0	2	16
R.A.F. (Henlow)	11	7	0	4	14
The Pyghtle	8	4	0	4	8
Everton	9	3	2	4	8
Forder's Works	9	3	1	5	7
Civil Service	7	2	1	4	6
Igranic Works	8	3	0	5	6
Railway Athletic	9	0	1	8	1

Division II. (Northern Section).

GOLDINGTON v. FELMERSHAM.

Playing on Goldington Green on Saturday.

Felmersham inflicted a defeat on the home team in a double innings' game by 4 wickets. Scores:—

Goldington.—W. Endersby 5—1, Hubert Day 4—19, J. Brearly 0—5, Thompson 0—0, Harold Day 0—0, A. Brace 0—2, S. Tompkins 1—6, R. Roberts 0—2, G. Cotchin 11—4, A. Webster 11—7, A. Harlow (not out) 5—0, extras 4—2, totals 41 and 48.

Felmersham.—J. Hulatt 0—9, W. Hulatt 1—13, H. Hood 22—0, C. Ward 2—0, F. Purser 9, A. Odell 4, R. Turner 4—2, H. Cooper 0—6, F. Hulatt 6, C. Ward (senr.) 7, G. Emmerton (not out) 0—2, extras 3—4, totals 58 and 36 for 6 wickets.

Division II. (Eastern Section).

RENHOLD v. EATON SOCON.

Played at Renhold on Saturday, and won by Eaton Socon by 23 runs. Scores:—

Renhold.—J. Fensome, b R. Benthams, 0; H. Joyce, b Ayers, 0; J. Conquest, b Ayers,

1; O. L. Boyes, b Ayers, 0; P. Joyce, lbw., b Ayers, 3; J. H. Joyce, b Gibson, 10; R. Spyers, c Abbott, b Ayers, 3; P. Harlow, b Ayers, 0; E. Vincent, c Abbott, b Gibson, 0; W. Harlow, b Ayers, 0; W. Sharpe, not out, 2; extras, 8; total, 27.

Eaton Socon.—A. McKechnie, b W. Harlow, 4; H. Mayes, b W. Harlow, 3; G. Benthams, c Boyes, b Conquest, 3; R. Benthams, b Boyes, 0; R. Ayers, c and b W. Harlow, 0; B. Gibson, run out, 10; J. Smith, b W. Harlow, 2; P. R. Smith, c P. Harlow, b Boyes, 6; H. Abbott, not out, 15; F. Nicholls, b J. H. Joyce, 0; extras, 7; total, 50.

CRICKET.**COUNTY CRICKET MATCH.****Oxfordshire v. Bedfordshire.**

Bedfordshire and Oxfordshire met in a Minor Counties Championship game on Friday and Saturday, the match ending in a draw, Oxon. getting first-innings points. Scores:—

Oxfordshire.	
H. T. Lewendon, b Dilley	0
E. Hartley, lbw., b Dilley	3
C. F. Davies, b Dilley	0
O. Walters, b Redman	28
J. L. S. Vidler, run out	64
F. Hartley, not out	118
E. Wakelin, b Dilley	15
Lieut.-Col. W. T. Brooke, c Redman, b King	5
C. B. Ormerod, lbw., b Penstone	46
R. P. Thomas, b Penstone	1
O. W. Reece, run out	5
Extras	15

Total ... 301

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.

P. Burke, c Davies, b Thomas	37
Holdstock, b Wakelin	14
A. Pacey, c Wakelin, b Thomas	26
G. Herringshaw, b Wakelin	17
H. Willett, b Thomas	0
Rogers, b Wakelin	1
W. E. King, b Wakelin	15
S. Bruce, hit wkt., b Wakelin	17
E. G. Penstone, b Wakelin	4
F. Redman, not out	17
Dilley, c Walters, b Wakelin	3
Extras	22

Total ... 173

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.

P. Burke, b Wakelin	17
Holdstock, b F. Hartley	39
A. Pacey, c Thomas, b Vidler	23
G. Herringshaw, not out	15
H. Willett, not out	2
Extras	1

Total (for 3 wks.) ... 97

Old Bedfordians' Week.**OLD BEDFORDIANS v. INCOGNITI.**

The Incogniti set the Old Boys a difficult task; on Thursday, when, in the afternoon, they declared with six wickets down for 225 runs. B. J. Blackett hit hard for his 73, and R. E. King played a fine innings for 63. For the O.B.'s Capt. Weir took 3 wickets for 43, and Howard 2 for 21. At the tea interval the Old Boys had scored 59 for the loss of one wicket. When time was called the Old Boys were 35 runs behind the total set by Incogniti, with four wickets in hand, and the game was left drawn. Scores:—

Incogniti.	
B. H. Bennett, b Weir	23
B. J. Blackett, c Stewart, b Howard	73
R. H. King, b Reed	63
F. O. Naumann, b Howard	17
Major O. E. Inchbold, b Weir	16
D. Turnbull, c and b Weir	57
A. R. Cronin, not out	1
Extras	5

Total (for 6 wks., dec.) ... 255

O. S. P. Franklin, R. A. Younger, E. Shirley Small, and L. O. Hall did not bat.

Old Bedfordians.

L. O. D. Robinson, c Blackett, b Shirley Small	53
E. F. Stewart, b Small	24
Captain H. D. Weir, c Turnbull, b Shirley Small	60
H. L. Mitchell, c Turnbull, b Cronin	2
O. W. Reed, not out	39
N. W. S. Halsey, b Small	9
P. L. O. Hill, c Bennett, b Small	12
Captain H. B. Dawes, not out	8
Extras	13

Total (for 6 wks.) ... 220

Rev. F. J. Howard, A. D. B. Cocks, T. I. Wardie did not bat.

OLD BEDFORDIANS v. THE SCHOOL.

This two-days' match was played on Friday and Saturday, resulting in favour of the School on the first innings. The School batted first and compiled 211, of which total Stewart was top scorer with 43, Rippon and Reed coming next with 37 each. The Old Boys replied with 181, Robinson playing a fine innings of 62. In the School's second venture they were dismissed for 91; Rippon and Kellett contributing 45 and 28 respectively. Scores:—

Bedford School.	
R. W. B. Fuller, c O. K. Peel, b Robinson	30
O. W. Rippon, c Halsey, b Cocks	37
R. D. Stewart, c R. Peel, b Cocks	43
O. N. Reed, run out	37
E. F. Davison, c Robinson, b Cocks	21
R. Kellett, b R. Peel	1
B. O. Yarde, b Cocks	8
O. A. O. Branson, b R. Peel	3
B. W. Lane, c R. Peel, b Cocks	3
O. F. Simpson, c O. L. Peel, b R. Peel	13
J. L. Proudlock, not out	0
O. G. Crossman, b R. Peel	0
Extras	15

Total ... 211

Old Bedfordians.

L. O. Robinson, c Crossman, b Reed	62
E. T. Stewart, run out	32
Capt. H. D. Weir, c and b Kellett	3
Capt. D. Turnbull, c Yarde, b Kellett	20
R. T. Peel, c Rippon, b Proudlock	13
H. Davidson, c Davison, b Proudlock	17
E. L. Bumball, c and b Reed	6
Rev. T. J. Howard, b Proudlock	3
N. W. S. Halsey, st. Lane, b Reed	16
O. L. K. Peel, b Proudlock	0
A. D. V. Cox, lbw., b Proudlock	1
Wardlin, not out	0
Extras	8

Total ... 181

BEDS. CLUB AND GROUND v. DESBOROUGH.

This match was played on the Goldington-road ground on Saturday, where the state of the pitch caused curtailment of play, with the result that an otherwise interesting game ended in a draw in favour of the home team. Scores:—

Desborough.	
L. E. Holland, b Ayres	13
J. W. Dickeson, b Roachford	28
F. Sanders, lbw., b Clark	2
R. Hawes, b Roachford	5
J. Coe, run out	35
G. H. Hawes, b Ayres	4
H. Turner, st. Perry, b Stileman-Gibbard	6
O. Skovington, c Lowe, b Clark	10
R. Iliffe, not out	6
C. Page, not out	4
Extras	5

Total (for 8 wks., dec.) ... 118

F. O. Dickson and W. H. Panter did not bat.

Beds. Club and Ground.

H. Maxey, not out	35
R. Pedraza, b Coe	44
L. G. Stileman-Gibbard, not out	3
Extras	0

Total (for 1 wkt.) ... 82

J. D. King, T. Plant, J. Roachford, L. Clark, O. J. Lowe, H. Perry, A. S. Carter, N. Illingworth, and R. Ayres did not bat.

Old Modernians' Week.**OLD MODERNIANS v. BEDFORD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.**

Played on the Modern School ground on Thursday, and resulted in an easy victory for the Old Boys, who batted first, and declared at 237 for six wickets. R. D. Cotton played a fine innings, and made the highest score of the match. For the losers Corpl. Chegwid-den scored 53 in good style. For the Old Modernians W. E. King took seven wickets for 68 runs. Scores:—

Old Modernians.	
W. E. King, b Kilton	17
H. W. Willett, b Cocking	11
E. L. Keens, b Cocking	24
B. A. Babb, c Millman, b Hersee	37
A. Raley, c Marshall, b Roachford	0
H. T. King, b Cocking	0
B. D. Cotton, not out	75
O. H. Poole, not out	17
Extras	7

Total (for 6 wks., dec.) ... 257

G. C. Fisher, S. O. Moreton, and H. V. Arbuclle did not bat.

Bedford and District League.

F. Millman, b W. E. King	25
Cpl. Chegwid-den, c H. King, b Fisher	53
H. Marshall, b W. E. King	0
H. Whitbread, b W. E. King	5
F. L. Craddock, c and b W. E. King	12
V. J. Roachford, c H. King, b Fisher	7
E. D. Hersee, not out	15
H. Cocking, b Fisher	15
H. Perry, lbw., b W. E. King	2
G. Baldwin, c Poole, b W. E. King	3
Major Kilton, b W. E. King	5
Extras	6

Total ... 148

THE SCHOOL v. OLD BOYS.

In the concluding match of the week the Old Modernians met the School on Friday and Saturday, on the School ground. The School opened with A. B. Poole and C. H. Williams, but both were dismissed before they had scored. B. A. Babb scored 34 in excellent style, but the rest of the side, with the exception of N. W. Larby (23) did very little, and the total only reached 91. For the O.M.'s J. O. Anderson and H. E. R. Warton laid the foundation of a good score, the former playing a fine innings for 56, and the latter also batted well for 34. A. Raley put on 54 runs, mainly through huge drives, and with S. C. Moreton scoring 20 and A. W. H. Poole 24 not out, the Old Boys declared with the useful score of 222 for nine wickets. B. A. Babb and C. H. Quarry opened the School's second venture, but the latter was run out before he had scored. R. D. Cotton joined the skipper, and they made a good stand, Babb scoring 30 and Cotton 34. For a time the School were holding their own, but with Thody, C. H. Williams, and O. P. Bennett only adding four runs, it looked like an innings' defeat, but N. W. Larby came to the rescue, and when time came he had scored 20 not out, the total number of runs being 128 for eight, the game thus ending in a draw. A special word must be given to A. W. H. Poole, who kept wicket for the Old Boys in excellent style, and only had one bye registered against him. Scores:—

1st Inns.		Modern School.		2nd Inns.	
A. B. Poole, b Fisher	0	c Moreton, b Raley	21		
C. H. Williams, b Fisher	0	c Arbuclle, b Raley	1		
B. A. Babb, b C. Poole	34	c Keens b Raley	30		
R. D. Cotton, b O. W. Poole	3	b Arbuclle	34		
J. T. Thody, b Fisher	10	c Arbuclle, b Raley	2		
O. P. Bennett, run out	2	c Fisher, b Raley	1		
W. Brace, c Raley, b Fisher	0	b Raley	10		
N. W. Larby, b Fisher	28	not out	20		
O. H. Quarry, not out	2	run out	0		
F. Richardson, b O. H. Poole	5	not out	0		
J. Riddehough, run out	5	Extras	9		
Extras	2				

Total ... 91 Total (6 wks., dec.) 228

Old Boys.

J. O. Anderson, b Richardson	56
H. E. R. Warton, b Richardson	38
R. L. Keens, b Poole	1
T. E. K. Williams, b Quarry	6
A. Raley, b Babb	54
H. Vaughan Arbuclle, b Cotton	3
S. C. Moreton, c Cotton, b Babb	20
O. H. Poole, c Cotton, b Babb	8
A. W. H. Poole, not out	24
G. C. Fisher, b Babb	0
S. H. Jones, not out	7
Extras	6

Total (for 9 wks., dec.) ... 222

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

RAILWAY ATHLETIC v. IGRANIC WKS.

Played on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of last week, in Bedford Park, and ended in an easy win for the Igranice. Scores:—

Igranice Works.

E. D. Hersee, c Pearce, b Harlow	32
M. Langford, c Shortland, b Harlow	78
H. O. Curtis, b Harlow	2
T. L. Rose, c Mann, b Harlow	7
S. Murdock, c Shortland, b Bonfield	8
O. L. Lloyd, b Bonfield	10
W. H. Martin, b Bonfield	9
W. H. Piper, b Shortland	12
G. H. Howard, c Shortland, b Bonfield	4
E. C. Terry, not out	3
W. Ward, lbw., b Bonfield	0
Extras	4

Total ... 169

Railway Athletic.

Mann, b Hersee	7
Phillips, b Martin	11
Harlow, c Ward, b Howard	18
Bonfield, b Howard	18
Emmerton, c and b Terry	5
Houghton, b Howard	2
Mann, b Terry	7
Silla, c Murdock, b Howard	1
Pearce, c Hersee, b Terry	0
Shortland, not out	0
Cox, b Terry	4
Extras	11

Total ... 84

IGRANIC WKS. v. RAILWAY ATHLETIC.

This return match was played on Saturday in Bedford Park, and again the Igranice proved the victors. Scores:—

Midland Athletic.

E. Mann, b Hersee	7
V. Phillips, b Hersee	6
F. Holmes, b Hersee	7
O. Bowyer, c Curtis, b Bean	1
H. Mann, c Lloyd, b Hersee	0
G. Silla, b Hersee	5

Pearce, b Hersee	2
Curtis, not out	12
Redsall, c Bean, b Hersee	2
Gurney, c and b Hersee	0
North, c Piper, b Martin	5
Extras	7

Total ... 64

Igranice Works.

E. D. Hersee, c Curtis, b Phillips	4
T. L. Rose, b Phillips	0
H. C. Curtis, b Phillips	1
W. H. Piper, b Phillips	2
J. H. Bean, lbw., b E. Mann	25
M. Langford, c and b E. Mann	4
W. H. Martin, c sub., b Bowyer	16
G. H. Howard, c Holmes, b Bowyer	17
M. Lloyd, b Phillips	4
S. Murdock, b Carter	1
H. Bushby, not out	2
Extras	4

Total ... 80

EVERTON v. THE PYGHTLE.

Played at Everton on Saturday, and won easily by the home team. Scores:—

Everton.

H. Gurney, b Bradley	17
T. H. Tott, c Harlow, b Miller	17
F. J. Baldock, b Miller	23
H. A. Usher, b Rubythorn	38
L. Odell, b Miller	16
C. Gurney, run out	43
W. J. Smith, c Bradley, b Rubythorn	7
E. H. Giles, c Neale, b Rubythorn	9
G. Wisson, run out	3
H. Barnett, not out	1
R. Gurney, b Harlow	4
Extras	14

Total ... 189

The Pyghtle.

F. E. Neale, b H. Gurney	7
G. Bradley, c R. Gurney, b H. Gurney	0
F. Harlow, b Odell	3
Miller, b Odell	7
T. Rubythorn, c and b Odell	0
H. A. Sargent, b Odell	6
Tysoc, b R. Gurney	3
Beechy, b R. Gurney	0
R. Sprague, b Odell	0
H. Burton, not out	0
Extras	10

Total ... 36

BEDFORD CLARENCE v. HOWARD'S.

Played in Bedford Park on Saturday, and ended in a draw in favour of the Clarence. Scores:—

Bedford Clarence.

O. Dickens, b Cocking	29
H. King, b Whitbread	21
J. Folkes, c Tysoe, b Whitbread	10
H. Alecock, st. Dawson, b Whitbread	14
F. Chapman, b Whitbread	10
F. Williams, b Marshall	36
E. Barker, b Marshall	8
A. Bailey, b Marshall	6
O. Maynard, c Harvey, b Marshall	3
M. Wells, not out	2
R. Ives, c and b Marshall	0
Extras	1

Total ... 140

Howard's.

H. S. Harrison, st. Wells, b Chapman	7
W. Whitbread, c King, b Chapman	25
F. Marshall, c Chapman, b Ives	0
F. Harrison, run out	1
R. Cheadle, c King, b Ives	13
H. P. Cocking, b Ives	0
A. Tysoe, not out	5
N. Chambers, not out	0
Extras	2

Total (for 6 wks.) ... 53

A. Harvey, W. Dawson, and F. Cooper did not bat.

FORDER'S WORKS v. CIVIL SERVICE.

Played at Wootton on Saturday, when the Civil Service proved successful in a low-scoring game. Scores:—

Civil Service.

E. Millman, b Lowe	0
R. Keens, b Beard	18
F. Denison, b Lowe	2
F. L. Craddock, b Lowe	10
D. Butler, b Lowe	0
F. Johns, c Mephram, b Beard	11
W. Hills, b Lowe	0
O. H. Tomkins, not out	13
Major Kirtan, c White, b Beard	0
F. Bowler, b Beard	3
J. Neal, b Lowe	0
Extras	0

Total ... 57

Forder's Works.

T. Burroway, b Kirtan	18
Hilson, c Bowler, b Kirtan	1
A. Beard, b Kirtan	2
C. Lowe, b Johns	2
A. Robinson, b Kirtan	5
A. White, not out	3
F. Tuffnell, lbw., b Kirtan	2
W. Mephram, c Craddock, b Johns	0
F. Causby, b Johns	0
J. Biggs, b Kirtan	0
Faulkner, b Kirtan	0
Extras	2

Total ... 35

DIVISION I.

Positions of the teams to date:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PT.
Howard's	12	8	2	2	18
Bedford Clarence	11	8	1	2	17
R.A.F. (Henlow)	11	7	0	4	14
Everton	10	4	2	4	10
Igranice Works	10	5	0	5	10
The Pyghtle	9	4	0	5	8
Civil Service	8	3	1	4	7
Forder's Works	10	3	1	6	7
Railway Athletic	11	0	1	10	1

OTHER MATCHES.

QUEEN'S WORKS v. WOLVERTON.

Played on Allen Park on Saturday, result in favour of the visitors. Scores:—

Queen's Works.—J. Ratcliff, c Yates, b Brocklehurst, 13; H. Faulkner, lbw., b Brocklehurst, 5; W. A. H. Childs, c W. Adams, b Mackey, 32; S. P. Keech, b Leadley, 6; R. Settles, b Leadley, 5; S. Harris, not out, 29; T. Golding, c Whiting, b Brocklehurst, 9; J. Smith, lbw., b Brocklehurst, 1; J. King, not out, 6; extras, 10; total (for 7 wks.), 116. B. J. Smith and C. Loveday did not bat.

Wolverton.—W. Adams, c J. Smith, b Keech, 29; E. T. Brocklehurst, c and b Keech, 64; F. Whiting, c Harris, b Keech, 8; J. Whiting, c King, b Harris, 2; F. Adams, not out, 13; F. Peskett, not out, 0; extras, 4; total (for 4 wks.), 120. F. Yates, D. Wills, D. L. Mackey, R. Moth and R. W. Leadley did not bat.

Division II. (Northern Section).

KEYSOE v. FELMERSHAM.

Played at Keysoe on Saturday, Felmersham winning a double-innings game by an aggregate of 79 runs to 57. Scores:—

Felmersham.—W. Hulatt, b Freeman, 0—c and b Stevens, 9; J. Hulatt, c Stevens, b Freeman, 2—b Stevens, 7; H. Wood, c Luddington, b Stevens, 5—b Stevens, 1; R. Turner, b Stevens, 1—c Stapleton, b Stevens, 0; F. Purser, b Stevens, 0—c and b Stevens, 5; C. Ward, c Wagstaff, b Freeman, 4—not out, 5; A. Odell, c Flute, b Freeman, 2—lbw., b Stevens, 0; F. Hulatt, b Freeman, 7—c Freeman, b Stevens, 1; C. Ward (senr.), b Freeman, 8—b Freeman, 5; H. Cooper, not out, 3—c Wagstaff, b Freeman, 2; G. Emmerton, run out, 4—c Skevington, b Stevens, 0; extras, 3 and 0; totals, 39 and 40.

Keysoe.—F. Stevens, b Purser, 17—lbw., b Hulatt, 1; O. Whitlock, b Purser, 0—run out, 3; W. Ross, b Purser, 2—b Purser, 3; J. Jordan, lbw., b Purser, 0—b J. Hulatt, 1; A. Luddington, b Hulatt, 2—absent, 0; W. Wagstaff, b W. Hulatt, 5—c Ward, b J. Hulatt, 3; H. Skevington, c Odell, b J. Hulatt, 1—b J. Hulatt, 1; A. Stapleton, lbw., b J. Hulatt, 2—c Purser, b J. Hulatt, 2; T. Freeman, b W. Hulatt, 1—c Purser, b W. Hulatt, 1; W. Flute, run out, C—c Turner, b J. Hulatt, 3; R. Hartop, not out, 1—not out, 4; extras, 3 and 1; totals, 34 and 23.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

(All Matches to be played on the ground of the first-named Club).

Bedfordshire v. "The Cocoanuts." (Bedford School Field). Opening match of County Cricket Week.

Biggleswade v. Southill.

Bedford & District League.

Division I.

Railway Athletic v. The Pyghtle.
Royal Air Force (Henlow) v. Everton.
Bedford Clarence v. Civil Service.

Division II. (Northern Section).

Bedford Clarence 2nd v. Sharnbrook.
Souldrop v. Keysoe.

Division II. (Southern Section).

Ridgmont v. Bedford Athletic.
Haynes v. Marston Pillinge.
Forder's Works 2nd v. Kempston.

Division II. (Eastern Section).

Conservative Club v. North End Club.
Blunham v. Great Barford.
Bohnhurst v. Eaton Socon.

Division III. (Northern Section).

Elstow Road v. Bedford Clarence 3rd.
Igranice Works 2nd v. Blunham 2nd.
Colesden v. Bedford Athletic 2nd.
Colmworth v. Clapham.
Staploe v. Roxton.

Division III. (Southern Section).

Ridgmont 2nd v. Cranfield.
Millbrook v. Houghton Conquest.
Turvey v. Marston 2nd.
Stagsden v. Forder's Works 3rd.

East Beds. League.

Division I.

Ickwell v. Shefford.
Gamlingay v. Old Warden.

Division II.

Southill "A" v. Biggleswade "A."
Caldecote v. Gamlingay Res.
Stotfold Wesleyans v. Woodbury.
Langford v. Wrestlingworth.

Division III. (North Section).

Wrestlingworth 2nd v. Tempsford 2nd.
Potton 2nd v. Dunton.

Division III. (South Section).

Stotfold Athletic 2nd v. Meppershall 2nd.
Ickwell 2nd v. Edworth & Hinworth.
Old Warden 2nd v. Clifton.

CRICKET.

COUNTY CRICKET WEEK.

The Cambridgeshire Match.

Victory for Bedfordshire.

MONDAY'S PLAY.

The Bedfordshire Cricket Week opened on Monday morning, on the lovely Bedford School ground, in fine but dull weather, and before a fair attendance. The turf was in splendid condition, and the wickets prepared by "Bill" Cherry, the School groundsman, for the three matches (Herts. and Bucks. are the other opponents of the home County) were perfect. E. D. Dynes was unable to take part in the first match, but the spectators were delighted to find that included in the County XI. were two Bedford School boys, C. N. Reed, a very fine all-rounder, and C. W. Rippon, an excellent batsman.

Cambridgeshire won the toss, and opened the batting with H. B. Hart and A. S. Ling, Dilley and Childs being in charge of the attack. It was quickly evident that the wicket did not favour the former, for after three overs Dilley retired in favour of Rogers, who bowled six maiden overs out of nine before handing over the ball to W. E. King. The first pair of Cambridge batsmen scored slowly, and an hour's cricket had produced only 20 runs, when Childs beat and bowled Ling for 12. Only eight more had been added when King broke through Hart's defence. Hodgkinson followed, but in gathering eight he was missed by Pacey off Wilfred King before he was caught and bowled by Childs. Lilley and Horn carried the score to the half-century, when the former altogether failed to deal with a fine delivery from Childs, who was getting a lot of work on the ball, and he was clearly out leg before wicket. Smith, who followed, had just reached double figures when he, too, succumbed to the attack of the Queen's Works bowler, the luncheon interval arriving with the visitors having lost five wickets for 16 runs.

On the resumption, Horn forced the pace in rare style, finding the boundary several times and once clearing the ring from a glorious hit. He had put together a vigorously hit 44 before R. H. King safely held him off. Rogers. Reed brought off a beautiful long-field catch to dispose of Leek, and Rippon smartly caught Christmas. The Cambridgeshire innings closed for 124 runs, Childs being the most successful of the home County bowlers. He had bowled unchanged throughout the innings, and was nearly always keeping the batsmen on the defence.

There was a fine crowd present when Bedfordshire opened with Burke and Pacey, but the latter was easily taken at square-leg with 16 on the board. Sutherland, who followed, had not opened his account when a confident appeal for a catch at the wicket was answered against him. Burke was meanwhile gathering runs nicely, but he had a slice of luck with the score at 27, being missed from a sharp chance at square-leg. Graham, who had joined the left hander at the fall of Sutherland's wicket, steadily played himself in, and sent up the half-century with a fine boundary hit off Lilley. Burke was at length taken at mid-off for a useful innings of 30, and Rex King joined Graham, the pair being together when the tea interval arrived, with the score at 62 for 3 wickets. Play was very quiet for a time when the batsmen renewed against some good length bowling by Leek and Coxall, Graham's score standing at 22 for nearly half-an-hour. King, too, was exceptionally quiet for him, but once he off-drove Coxall beautifully to the ring. At length Graham straight drove Leek for three and cut him square for four, all run. Lilley took the ball from Coxall, and Christmas went on vice Leek, the latter nearly getting Graham caught at short slip, and obtaining King's wicket by the agency of a catch at third man. The out-going batsman had made 20 runs in an hour, and the total stood at 93. Rippon followed, but, to the general

disappointment, played right across his first delivery. Christmas shattering his wicket. Rogers came next, this being his first appearance for the County on a Bedford ground since he left for Glamorgan, but he proved an easy victim for Christmas, who clean bowled the professional and thus completed the "hat-trick." The Cambridge fast bowler was heartily applauded by the spectators. Wilfred King joined Graham, and lifted the second ball he received to the ring, and with a single sent the century up, after two and three-quarters hours' play. Graham at last opened his shoulders, and drove Lilley clean over the ring for 6 and cut him for 4, but when within one of his half-century he fell to a capital catch by Ling, the bowler again being Christmas. He had held his end up gallantly for two-and-a-half hours against good bowling and exceptionally keen fielding, and his patient innings included a 6, three 4's and four 3's. Wilfred King sent the total past that of Cambridgeshire before Christmas howled him with a fine ball which just took the balls. This brought the Bedford School boy, O. N. Reed, and W. A. H. Childs together, and the former collected 7 before Christmas claim him as his seventh victim. With his next ball Christmas knocked out Dilley's leg stump, and finished up with the remarkable average of 8 wickets for 11 runs. He bowled from the Park end early in the innings without success, but going on at the School end he proved well-nigh unplayable.

TUESDAY'S PLAY.

Ling and Hart opened Cambs.' second venture to the bowling of Childs and Dilley. Hart placed Dilley quickly to the leg for 4, but was clean bowled by the next ball. Horn joined Ling, but did not stay long. Childs bowling him at 11. Hodgkinson, the next man in, survived an appeal at the wicket, and stayed to see his partner, Ling, bowled by a good one from Dilley. Cambs. thus lost three wickets with Beds.' first innings lead of 13 still unpassed. Hodgkinson was joined by Lilley, who was just after wards missed by Rippon off Childs. The pair settled down to play nice cricket, and Hodgkinson drove Childs over the ropes for 6. Rogers relieved Dilley and bowled Lilley in his first over. Dilley came on at the other end for Childs and had Hodgkinson caught at the wicket. Smith joined Leek, and the latter was missed by Rippon. Dilley's next over saw Smith's leg stump knocked out. Leek and Taylor caused the half-century to be passed, the former driving Dilley to the screen and Rogers to the off boundary. In attempting a big hit, however, off Rogers, he was splendidly caught on the boundary by Sutherland, who judged the flight of the ball perfectly. Christmas quickly got his leg in front of a straight one from Rogers, but Collis Browne, who followed, scored so freely that a double change was necessitated, Wilfred King and Childs taking up the attack. 29 runs were added for the partnership before Childs easily caught the captain,

who had batted for nearly an hour for eight runs. Thus eight wickets were down for 97 runs. Dilley again took the ball from Childs, but Collis Browne snicked him to leg and sent up the hundred. King bowled Browne for an enterprising score of 24, and the innings closed for 105. Dilley and Rogers bowled exceedingly well, and each came out with good figures. Rogers mixed his bowling very cleverly, and often had the batsmen guessing, whilst Dilley kept a fine length and pace.

Wanting 91 to win, Bedford started their second innings with Pacey and Burke, opposed to Coxall and Christmas. By steady play the pair took the score to 15 before Burke, in playing forward, missed a good ball from Coxall, and was bowled. Sutherland followed, and avoided a "pair" by placing his first ball to leg for three. He quickly ran into double figures, but at 23 lost Pacey, caught at the wicket, off Coxall. Graham was the next batsman, and when seven gave a very hard chance at short slip. A splendid drive off Coxall yielded four runs to Graham, and with the score at 44 Leek took the ball from Christmas. Sutherland cut him for three, and when Leek went on at the Park end that batsman sent up the 50. He pulled the same bowler to the ring, but a couple of

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balls later was clean bowled. He had compiled a remarkably useful score of 23, and when he left the total was 63. Graham had been making runs steadily, but when 20 he was taken by Hart at point. Just 40 had been put on whilst he was at the wicket. This brought Rippon and R. H. King together, and the School boy was applauded for placing Coxall neatly to leg for a trio. King hit Christmas hard to the on boundary, scored four, all run, from a big off drive, and three for another on drive, whilst Rippon placed the fast bowler to square leg for a couple. This over yielded 13 runs, two more than scored off Christmas in 17 overs on the previous day. A couple of hours finished the match, Beds. winning by six wickets. Full scores and analyses:—

Cambridgeshire.—1st Innings.

H. B. Hart, b W. E. King	19
A. S. Ling, b Childs	19
N. J. Hodgkinson, c and b Childs	8
F. G. Lilley, lbw., b Childs	1
W. G. Horn, c R. King, b Rogers	44
Smith, b Childs	10
E. H. Leek, c Reed, b Childs	7
Rev. A. Taylor, b Rogers	8
H. Christmas, c Rippon, b Rogers	0
M. Collis Brown, not out	5
Coxall, c R. King, b Childs	0
Extras	12

Total 124

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dilley	3	0	10	0
Childs	25.4	8	53	6
Rogers	17	6	31	3
W. E. King	7	0	18	1

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.

P. Burke, c Hodgkinson, b Lilley	30
A. Pacey, c Taylor, b Coxall	5
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, c Collis Brown, b Christmas	0
S. V. Graham, c King, b Christmas	49
R. H. King, c Taylor, b Christmas	20
C. W. Rippon, b Christmas	0
Rogers, c Horn, b Christmas	0
W. E. King, b Christmas	15
W. A. H. Childs, not out	10
O. N. Reed, b Christmas	7
Dilley, b Christmas	0
Extras	3

Total 139

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Christmas	17.2	8	11	8
Coxall	11	2	30	1
Smith	9	1	29	0
Leek	11	3	28	0
Lilley	9	0	37	1

Cambridgeshire.—2nd Innings.

H. B. Hart, b Dilley	4
A. S. Ling, b Dilley	3
W. G. Horn, b Childs	1
N. J. Hodgkinson, c Burke, b Dilley	15
E. G. Lilley, b Rogers	11
E. H. Leek, c Sutherland, b Rogers	22
Smith, b Dilley	3
Rev. A. Taylor, c Childs, b King	8
H. Christmas, lbw., b Rogers	2
M. Collis-Browne, b King	24
Coxall, not out	3
Extras	9

Total 105

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Childs	12	2	28	2
Dilley	17	5	35	4
Rogers	10	1	23	3
W. E. King	2.1	0	9	2

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.

P. Burke, b Coxall	8
A. Pacey, c Collis-Browne, b Coxall	7
Capt. Sutherland, b Smith	23
S. V. Graham, c Hart, b Coxall	20
R. H. King, not out	13
C. W. Rippon, not out	8
Extras	12

Total (for 4 wkts.) 91

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Christmas	13	4	34	0
Coxall	10	0	32	3
Leek	4	0	4	0
Smith	4	1	9	1

COUNTY CRICKET WEEK.

Beds. v. Buckinghamshire.

Home County Badly Beaten.

For the second match of the Beds. County Cricket Week, the home county had far more formidable opposition to face than Cambridgeshire had afforded on the first two days. The weather was still dull, but no rain had fallen since Sunday evening, and the wicket was expected to be faster. However, it was still by no means an ideal batsman's wicket, and when Mr. Wilfred King won the toss he decided to send the visiting XI. in first. There were two changes in the home side, C. W. Rippon and C. N. Reed standing down for A. R. Thomson and W. Rawlins, of Dunstable Grammar School.

WEDNESDAY'S PLAY.

Bucks. opened with W. A. Jackson and A. V. Wells to the bowling of Dilley and Childs, but started very shakily, Wells being almost bowled three times by Dilley in his second over. Two overs later, Dilley clean bowled Jackson with the score at 6, and in his next over had Wells well caught by R. King at first slip. Le Gros came in, and soon put Dilley to the leg boundary for four, but in the next over he was beaten and bowled by the professional. Just afterwards Dilley had L. G. Baker caught by Rogers at first slip. W. P. Franklin had in the meantime been batting steadily, but he quickly lost A. V. Payne, smartly taken at the wicket off Rogers, who had gone on in place of Wilfred King. This brought R. W. B. Fuller, the Bedford School batsman, to the wicket, and he shaped very well until, failing to properly time a delivery from Rogers, he was easily caught by Dilley. Thus Bucks. had lost seven wickets for 67. At the luncheon interval Bucks. had lost eight wickets for 84 runs, Franklin being not out 18. There was again a capital attendance in the afternoon, when Aubrey-Fletcher and Franklin resumed the Bucks. innings. Runs came steadily from both batsmen, and the century was passed. At 105, however, Wilfred King brought about a separation, getting Aubrey-Fletcher leg before for 11. Franklin had now compiled 25, after batting well over an hour, and with the last man in he manoeuvred to get the bowling, running several sharp singles, but at 115, in trying to drive Childs, he cocked up the ball, and was easily taken by Rex King. He had played a correct and valuable if somewhat slow innings. The bowling had been very good all round, and the fielding fair.

P. Burke and A. Pacey were Bedford's first pair, the attack being in the hands of Edwards and Payne. A clever leg stroke which yielded three to Burke was the first hit of note, and in the course of half-an-hour 18 runs had been compiled, when Burke, who was batting with confidence, was the victim of extremely hard luck. Pacey drove the ball hard back to the bowler, who touched it with his foot, and the ball hit the wicket. Burke was just outside his crease, and was consequently run out. Another disaster immediately followed, S. V. Graham being smartly caught and bowled by Payne off the first ball he received. This let in A. R. Thompson, the Dunstable Grammar School headmaster, and with his score at 12 Pacey survived a confident appeal for a catch at the wicket. The bowlers were keeping an excellent length, and 24 overs had only yielded 30 runs when Thompson was out to a beautiful left-handed catch by Payne at mid-on. H. O. Sutherland followed in, but lost Pacey, smartly stumped and the tea interval arrived with R. H. King and Sutherland together, and the score at 35 for 4 wickets.

King and Sutherland commenced hitting hard on the resumption, and hopes ran high. But at 46 a double disaster befel the home county, for from a great drive by the officer, Salmon brought off a magnificent one-handed catch, and Aubrey-Fletcher clean bowled R. H. King. This brought Wilfred King and W. A. H. Childs together, and the captain had notched 10 of the 11 runs scored for the partnership when Childs fell to a simple catch at square-leg. Both Aubrey-Fletcher and Edwards were getting a lot of work on the ball, and King took few chances. He, however, hit Aubrey-Fletcher finely to the boundary, and had gathered 23 before he was smartly stumped by the visiting captain. He had got his runs at a period when his side badly needed them, and he had a fine reception when he returned to the pavilion. Basil Rogers and W. Rawlins, the youthful Dunstable cricketer, were next associated, and the 'boy' aroused great enthusiasm by lifting Edwards to the ring. Rogers also drove him for three, but Rawlins was caught from a mis-hit the next ball. The end soon came, Bedfordshire being dismissed for 82, leaving Bucks. with a first-innings lead of 33. Edwards had been the most destructive bowler, and his performance was a very fine one.

YESTERDAY'S PLAY.

With a lead of 33 on the first innings, Bucks. lost one wicket for eight runs overnight. Franklin and Roe resumed, and W. E. King missed the latter from a very easy chance off Childs. The score was carried to 35 before Wilfred King bowled Franklin, and immediately after Childs disposed of a dangerous batsman in Le Gros, throwing him out whilst attempting a sharp run. A fine stand was then made by Roe and Baker, the score being taken to 89 before Graham caught and bowled Baker for a well-played 23. Roe reached 50 after an hour and three-quarter's play, and his early let-off had proved a very expensive one for Beds. Another prolific stand was made by Roe and Wells, the former completing his century before luncheon, his second 50 having occupied but 35 minutes. The score at the interval was 178 for four wickets.

Roe was out quickly after the interval, for a brilliant innings of 115, and eight of the visitors were out for 229, when at 3 o'clock the Bucks. innings was declared closed. With the tea interval taken out, Beds. thus had just 2½ hours allowed them to essay the formidable task of making 263 runs to win.

The home side fared disastrously, W. E. King being badly run out, with only one to his credit, and before the teams adjourned for tea they had lost seven wickets for 36. The match was all over at 5 o'clock, Bucks. winning by 240 runs. Edwards had 5 for 20, and Payne 3 for 22.

Buckinghamshire. 1st Innings.

W. A. Jackson, b Dilley	1
A. V. Wells, c R. King, b Dilley	9
W. N. Roe, c Dilley, b Childs	19
P. W. Le Gros, b Dilley	8
L. B. Baker, c Rogers, b Dilley	7
W. B. Franklin, c R. King, b Childs	33
A. V. Payne, c Burke, b Rogers	1
R. W. B. Fuller, c Dilley, b Rogers	6
E. C. H. Salmon, c Burke, b Childs	9
H. L. Aubrey-Fletcher, lbw, b King	11
Edwards, not out	1
Extras	10

Total 115

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dilley	16	3	38	4
Childs	26	10	41	3
W. E. King	5	0	11	1
Rogers	6	1	15	2

Bedfordshire. 1st Innings.

P. Burke, run out	11
A. Pacey, st. Franklin, b Edwards	13
S. V. Graham, c and b Payne	0
A. R. Thompson, c Payne, b Edwards	7

Capt. H. O. Sutherland, c Salmon, b Edwards	7
R. H. King, b Aubrey-Fletcher	8
W. A. H. Childs, c Baker, b Edwards	1
W. E. King, st. Franklin, b Edwards	23
Rogers, not out	5
W. Rawlins, c Wells, b Edwards	5
Dilley, b Aubrey-Fletcher	2
Extras	0

Total 82

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Edwards	24	11	35	6
Payne	14	1	25	1
Aubrey-Fletcher	9.5	1	22	2

Buckinghamshire. 2nd Innings.

W. B. Franklin, b W. E. King	14
W. L. Jackson, b Childs	6
P. W. Le Gros, run out	0
L. B. Baker, c and b Graham	23
W. N. Roe, c Dilley, b Rogers	115
A. V. Wells, b Childs	32
A. V. Payne, lbw, b Rogers	2
R. W. B. Fuller, not out	3
E. C. H. Salmon, c R. King, b Childs	23
H. L. Aubrey-Fletcher, not out	5
Extras	6

Total (for 9 wks., dec.) 229

Bedfordshire. 2nd Innings.

P. Burke, c Le Gros, b Payne	11
W. E. King, run out	1
A. Pacey, c Payne, b Edwards	8
S. V. Graham, b Edwards	0
A. R. Thompson, b Edwards	0
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, c Salmon, b Edwards	8
R. H. King, run out	0
W. A. Childs, not out	8
Rogers, b Payne	0
W. Rawlins, lbw, b Payne	0
Dilley, b Edwards	1
Extras	4

Total 42

LUTON v. BEDS. CLUB & GROUND.

This match was played at Wardown Park, Luton, under ideal conditions on Tuesday, the match being for the benefit of that popular Luton professional and County player, H. Holdstock. There was a large attendance and keen interest was taken in the game. The Club and Ground batted first and opened with A. R. Thompson (Headmaster of Dunstable Grammar School) and A. B. Poole. They put up a very fine stand, the batting being of first-class standard, and the score was 87 before the latter was dismissed for a most useful 22. Thompson made 124 before he was well taken by E. Stilwell; it was a very stylish innings, made with strokes that gained great applause. C. Skevington made a useful 43 by good drives, and A. W. H. Poole, the captain, played well for his 22. The captain declared when the score was 262 for 8 wickets. H. Holdstock was the most successful bowler for Luton, taking five wickets. Luton opened with W. Brown and H. Holdstock, and both played attractive cricket for 27 and 32 respectively. G. Herringshaw (the captain) made top score with 46, and the Rev. A. Raley made a useful 29. Stumps were drawn at 7 p.m., when Luton had made 158 for 5 wickets, so a very interesting match was left drawn. Scores:—

Beds. Club & Ground.—A. R. Thompson, c Stilwell, b Holdstock, 124; A. B. Poole, st. Johnson, b Holdstock, 22; C. J. Lowe, lbw, b Stilwell, 0; C. Skevington, c Raley, b Coles, 43; B. A. Field, c Emery, b Wheeler, 12; T. Miller, c Johnson, b Holdstock, 7; A. W. H. Poole, c Raley, b Holdstock, 22; C. H. Poole, not out, 9; H. T. King, c Johnson, b Holdstock, 16; extras, 7; total (for 8 wks., declared), 262. F. Redman and G. C. Fisher did not bat.

Luton. W. Brown, c Fisher, b Miller, 27; H. Holdstock, run out, 32; G. Herringshaw, c King, b Field, 46; Rev. A. Raley, lbw, b Field, 29; E. Coles, c Miller, b Redman, 1; L. Wheeler, not out, 9; W. Emery, not out, 5; extras, 9; total (for 5 wks.), 158. R. Smart, B. Smith, E. Stilwell and W. Johnson did not bat.

League Notes by "Eagle."

The heavy rains of Friday night and Saturday morning put a stop to cricket in the Bedford Parks on Saturday, so that very little cricket was played in connection with the Bedford and District League. This was the fourth occasion this season that rain has interfered with the week-end sport, and now it is doubtful, so congested have the fixtures become, whether some of the games yet to be decided will be played. It is hoped, however, that all teams will do their best to fulfil their engagements, but in some cases it is almost impossible.

Everton and Forder's Works played their return game at Wootton Pillinge on a soft wicket, rain having fell two hours before play commenced. Everton, batting first, were disposed of for 26 runs. Forder's, at one time, appeared to be collapsing also, but, assisted by the "tail," eventually compiled 54, thereby, it is hoped, ending a sequence of bad luck. The outstanding feature of the match was the batting of A. Robinson, who made the top score of the day, just when it was wanted, viz., 14. Some excellent bowling took place in the match. Tuffnell (6 for 15) and Lowe (4 for 11) bowled splendidly for the winners, while for the Champion's Odell's 5 for 22 and H. Gurney's 3 for 18 were very well indeed.

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

FORDER'S WORKS v. EVERTON.

Played at Wootton Pillinge on Saturday, and won by the home team. Scores:—
*Everton.—H. Gurney, b Lowe, 1; T. Tott, b Tuffnell, 6; J. Baldock, b Tuffnell, 0; H. Usher, lbw., b Lowe, 0; L. Odell, c Biggs, b Tuffnell, 4; C. Gurney, b Tuffnell, 3; W. Smith, c Beard, b Lowe, 3; E. Giles, not out, 8; H. Preedy, c White, b Lowe, 1; R. Gurney, b Tuffnell, 0; R. Gurney, c Robinson, b Tuffnell, 0; total, 26.
*Forder's Works.—T. Burdaway, b Odell, 2; A. White, c Gurney, b Odell, 5; A. Beard, c Baldock, b H. Gurney, 1; W. Mepham, b H. Gurney, 0; J. Hillson, c Smith, b Odell, 7; W. Biggs, b Gurney, 1; A. Robinson, not out, 14; C. Lowe, c Gurney, b Odell, 4; F. Tuffnell, c Smith, b R. Gurney, 2; J. Biggs, b Odell, 1; G. Faulkner, b Usher, 13; extras, 4; total, 54.

Division II. (Northern Section).

SOULDROP v. KEYSOE.

Played at Souldrop on Saturday and won by Keysoe by 40 runs. Scores:—
Keysoe.—B. Hartop 22, L. Stevens 5, E. George 0, W. Wagstaff 6, J. Jordan 1, O. Whitlock 7, H. Skevington 5, T. Freeman 5, H. Stapleton 5, S. Stapleton 0 (not out), extras 2, total 58.
Souldrop.—O. Hall 4, W. Bird 0, E. Hale 2, H. Rich 1, A. Bass 3, S. Elmer 0, R. Cooper 0, B. Smith 2, W. King 0, E. Bird 1, A. Adams 1 (not out), extras 4, total 18.

BEDFORD & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE TABLES.

Positions of the teams to date:—

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PTS.
Howard's	12	8	2	2	18
Bedford Clarence	11	8	1	2	17
R.A.F. (Henlow)	11	7	0	4	14
Igranie Works	10	5	0	5	10
Everton	11	4	2	5	10
Forder's Works	11	4	1	6	9
The Pyghtle	9	4	0	5	8
Civil Service	8	3	1	4	7
Railway Athletic	11	0	1	10	1

DIVISION II (NORTHERN).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PTS.
Felmersham	9	7	0	2	14
Sharnbrook	7	6	0	1	12
Goldington	9	6	0	3	12
Howard's 2nd	8	4	0	4	8
Keysoe	10	4	0	6	8
Souldrop	7	1	0	6	2
Bedford Clarence 2nd	9	1	0	8	2

DIVISION II. (SOUTHERN).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PTS.
Bedford Athletic	10	7	2	1	16
Ridgmont	9	6	0	3	12
Wootton Hall End	10	6	0	4	12
Forder's Works 2nd	8	5	0	3	10
Marston	8	3	2	3	8
Haynes	10	4	0	6	8
Kempston	10	2	1	7	5
Marston Pillinge	9	1	1	7	3

DIVISION II. (EASTERN).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PTS.
Blunham	11	10	0	1	20
Conservative Club	11	8	1	2	17
Eaton Socon	11	8	0	3	16
Queen's Works	9	4	1	4	9
North End Club	8	4	0	4	8
Renhold	10	4	0	6	8
Great Barford	10	3	2	5	8
Everton 2nd	9	1	1	7	3
Bolnhurst	11	1	1	9	3

DIVISION III. (NORTHERN).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PTS.
Roxton	14	9	0	5	18
Bedford Clarence 3rd	12	8	0	4	16
Blunham 2nd	10	7	1	2	15
Colmworth	12	7	1	4	15
Elstow Road	12	7	1	4	15
Igranie Works 2nd	11	7	0	4	14
Colesden	13	5	0	8	10
Clapham	11	4	1	6	9
Bedford Athletic 2nd	10	2	1	7	5
Staploe	12	0	1	11	1

DIVISION III. (SOUTHERN).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PTS.
Ridgmont 2nd	11	8	0	3	16
Marston 2nd	11	8	0	3	16
Forder's Works 3rd	11	7	1	3	15
Stageden	11	6	0	5	12
Cranfield	12	6	0	6	12
Houghton Conquest	12	5	1	6	11
Wootton H. E. 2nd	9	3	1	5	7
Millbrook	10	2	1	7	5
Turvey	10	2	0	8	4

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

(All Matches to be played on the ground of the first-named Club).

Bedford & District League.

Division I.

The Pyghtle v. Everton.
Forder's Works v. Railway Athletic.

Division II. (Northern Section).

Souldrop v. Bedford Clarence 2nd.
Sharnbrook v. Felmersham.

Division II. (Southern Section).

Kempston v. Bedford Athletic.
Ridgmont v. Haynes.
Marston v. Marston Pillinge.
Wootton Hall End v. Forder's Works 2nd.

Division II. (Eastern Section).

North End Club v. Blunham.
Great Barford v. Bolnhurst.
Eaton Socon v. Everton 2nd.
Renhold v. Conservative Club.

Division III (Northern Section).

Bedford Clarence 3rd v. Roxton.
Bedford Athletic 2nd v. Clapham.
Igranie Works 2nd v. Colmworth.
Blunham 2nd v. Elstow Road.
Staploe v. Colesden.

Division III. (Southern Section).

Cranfield v. Stageden.
Millbrook v. Ridgmont 2nd.
Marston 2nd v. Houghton Conquest.
Forder's 2nd v. Wootton Hall End 2nd.

East Beds. League.

Division I.

Shefford v. Gamlingay.
Old Warden v. Royal Air Force (Henlow).

Division II.

Wrestlingworth v. Biggleswade "A."
Gamlingay Res. v. Southill "A."
Langford v. Tempsford.
Woodbury v. Caldecote.

Division III. (North Section).

Caldecote 2nd v. Pottun 2nd.
Beeston 2nd v. Wrestlingworth 2nd.

Division III. (South Section).

Stotfold Athletic 2nd v. Shefford 2nd.
Meppershall 2nd v. Edworth & Hinworth.

MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCES

BATTING.

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W. Ellis, Gamlingay v. Old Warden	40

Not out.

BOWLING.

G. Sinfield, Houghton Conquest v. Millbrook (two innings)	12 for 33
S. Penwright, Millbrook v. Houghton Conquest (two innings)	9 for 21
F. Green, Haynes v. Marston Pillinge (two innings)	8 for 10
(including "hat trick" twice)	
F. Stevens, Haynes v. Marston Pillinge (two innings)	8 for 21
H. Arnold, Gamlingay v. Warden	8 for 22
W. Facey, Millbrook v. Houghton Conquest (two innings)	8 for 30
T. Freeman, Keysoe v. Souldrop	7 for 6
Williams, Southill v. Biggleswade	7 for 18
Robinson, Marston 2nd v. Turvey	7 for 24
E. Dickerson, Gamlingay 2nd v. Caldecote	7 for 24
Bennett, Biggleswade v. Southill	7 for 25
C. Little, Ickwell 2nd v. Edworth	6 for 0
E. Peters, Woodbury v. Stotfold	
Wesleysans	6 for 9
R. Ayers, Eaton Socon v. Bolnhurst	6 for 11
Glover, Shefford v. Biggleswade	
Wesleysans	6 for 12
F. King, Bedford Athletic v. Ridgmont	6 for 13
F. Tuffnell, Forder's v. Everton	6 for 15
Bett, Wrestlingworth v. Langford	6 for 17
W. Gough, Ridgmont v. Bedford Athletic	5 for 3

W. Weed, Turvey v. Marston 2nd	5 for 9
S. Everett, Forder's 2nd v. Kempston	5 for 14
K. Craig, Moravian v. Hassett-street & Park-road Primitive Methodist	5 for 14
G. Mayes, Old Wardens 2nd v. Ickwell 2nd	5 for 16
L. Odell, Everton v. Forder's	5 for 22

BEDFORD CRICKET WEEK.

INTERESTING MATCHES AND A BOWLER'S WICKET.

Like the two dozen and one flower shows in this district, the Bedford Cricket Week has become definitely associated in the public mind with August Week. All this week large crowds—for Minor Counties Cricket—have been attracted to the Bedford School Ground (than which there are few superiors in England), and have seen some exciting cricket. If wickets, and plenty of them cheap, make cricket worth watching, they have had their hearts' desire, for on the wet slow pitches bowlers have reaped a rare harvest for August. On Bank Holiday 20 wickets fell for 263 runs.

The presence of many leading Luton citizens has emphasized the entente cordiale between the sister towns on behalf of the County Club, so happily evidenced last year by Luton's splendid effort for the Club's Shilling Fund.

In the absence of E. D. Dynes and Holdstock, Bedfordshire were not at full strength. Military duties and indisposition respectively prevented their participation. The Week was to have commenced on Saturday with a match with a side called "The Cocoanuts," collected by Mr. J. H. Gurney, of Henlow Grange, but owing to the lamented sudden death of Mr. J. H. Gurney, the match had to be cancelled.

Many an old battle has been fought again, and won, for some old players absolutely bubble over with reminiscences. Mr. L. G. Stileman-Gibbard, the doyen of Bedfordshire cricketers and probably the oldest County player still actively pursuing the game, never misses a session. And "Bill" Cherry, who has again prepared as good a wicket as the climatic conditions will allow, another of the old County veterans, what stories he can tell! Mr. Stileman-Gibbard no doubt can best appreciate his best about the famous victory in 1879 at Woburn Park, when this pair, Dr. Burge, the Bishop of Oxford, then a boy at Bedford School, and his brother were playing, and Seabrook, of Ampthill, better known nowadays as "Ampthill Jack," a noted fast under-arm bowler in those days, skittled out the Norfolk side for a mere song. Cherry remembers throwing in from the long field through a big tree, and the ball falling on Dr. Burge's nose and breaking his glasses.

To-day and to-morrow Hertfordshire will be the visitors, and if, as the forecast suggests, summer weather arrives, some good cricket should be seen.

BEDFORDSHIRE v. CAMBRIDGE-SHIRE.

Cambridgeshire filled the bill for the opening match. The wicket was very slow and dead until the afternoon was well advanced. There was a very good gale, and the members' enclosure and pavilion terrace were well filled. Bedfordshire completed their side by the inclusion of the Bedford School boys, C. N. Reed and C. W. Rippon.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE OPEN.

Cambridgeshire won the toss and batted first on a slow and dead wicket. Ling opened to Dilley and got his second ball pretty to leg for three. Childs led off the attack at the other end. Ling was soon going strong on the leg side, sending both bowlers to the leg boundary with hefty drives. After a quarter of an hour for 15 Dilley was displaced by Basil Rogers. Hart adopted a quiet role, content to keep his wicket going and to take the edge off the bowling, while Ling opened his shoulders occasionally and scored with some choice shots. After sending down seven overs for ten runs Childs decided to try his leg theory. Ling made three lunges at the ball and then decided that there was more in the theory than at first appeared, and staided up. Hart scored his third run in 40 minutes, and then drove Rogers for three into the open country. At 30, after 50 minutes' play, Ling was well bowled by Childs with a ball which came up quickly and took the top of the wicket.

At the end of the first hour Wilfrid King went on himself at the Park end. In his first over a breaking ball sent back Hart, who had batted 65 minutes for his 10 runs. Further success met the home side when at 39 Lilley hit a ball from Childs on to his pads and the ball shot into his stumps. Hodgkinson infused a little life into the game, but he had a life when Pacey dropped a sitter at mid-on, the skipper being the suffering bowler. Hodgkinson did not profit much, however, from his good fortune, for in the next over Childs running up brought off a clever c and b, low down—four for 50. Smith quickly rattled up 10 of the next dozen, and then, wildly swiping at Childs, was bowled neck and crop—five for 62. Just before lunch Rogers went on again with the hopes of getting another wicket before the interval.

In the first over after the resumption Leek snote mightily at Childs. It was a fine hit and looked certain to reach the boundary, but Reed, racing across, brought off a magnificent running catch—six for 76. Having made 24 by patient cricket Horn had a go at Childs. The ball fell into Pacey's hands on the on boundary, but again the Queen's Works' man failed to hold it. In the next over the reverend gentleman was bowled by a fast 'un from Rogers, and the next ball Christmas hit hard to square leg where Reed shot out his hand and brought off a brilliant one-handed catch. A lucky three from Horn sent up the century, as a result of two and a half hours' play!

TUESDAY'S PLAY.

Bedfordshire had a good half hour on Tuesday morning. Dilley and Childs were both bowling so well that the visiting batsmen played very warily, and only 12 runs were scored. In the meantime, Dilley, who was swerving in from the off, had clean bowled the opening pair, Hart and Ling, and Childs, who was breaking from both sides, bowled Horn, the leading batsman of Monday. After a quarter of an hour's quiet cricket Ling presented Rippon with an easy catch at mid on, but the Bedford School boy, who rarely misses anything, dropped it. Hodgkinson relieved the tedium with a nice square cut off Childs for two.

Shortly afterwards Hodgkinson drove Childs lustily towards the Chapel for 6, and then retired again into his shell. The first hour's batting produced 35 runs. Rogers now gave Dilley a rest, and off his first ball Lilley gave a hard low chance to King at mid on. He survived, only to be beaten absolutely by the fourth ball which, coming up sharply, broke the bail—four for 37. Dilley came on at the other end and with the wind behind him, got a tremendous pace on the ball. Hodgkinson just snicked his sixth ball and Burke, standing far back, took a good catch—five for 38. Smith edged one from Rogers among the slips, but it fell clear. Rippon made a second bloomer when he dropped another fairly easy catch off Rogers, Leek being the batsman to profit thereby. In the next over Dilley uprooted Smith's stump with a swifter, the score then being 43. Leek, profiting by his let off, began to hit out, and was applauded for several nice scoring shots. The Padre meanwhile was very restrained, and in 25 minutes made exactly one. Then Leek, hitting out to Rogers's slow ball, fell to a brilliant running catch by Sutherland in the far country—seven for 65.

Christmas's stay was brief. He never liked Dilley, but it was Rogers who brought about his retirement, or rather it was himself, for he missed a ball which he should have cleared, and was out lbw. The Padre made his third scoring stroke in 45 minutes, a pretty snick for two, but he found a more prolific partner in Collis-Brown, who got in several good drives and leg shots. After batting just an hour for 8 runs Taylor only partially got hold of a leg drive, and was easily taken by Childs. With a snick through the slips Brown sent up the century, and became top scorer. Then W. King bowled him with a full toss, and Cambridgeshire were out for 105.

Bedfordshire's opening pair began scoring at once. Christmas was again bowling from the School end, with the gusty wind behind him. The wicket was getting faster. Burke put the speed merchant through the slips twice for pairs, and with a neat glide to leg took another couple off Coxall. At 15 the left hander mistimed Coxall and was bowled.

S. V. Graham got straight off the mark with a couple of 2's, and soon passed Sutherland with the first boundary, a pretty carpet drive. Sutherland sent the 50 up after 50 minutes' play. Both batsmen were now playing attractive cricket, in fact it was the brightest interlude of the game. A four by Sutherland was run out, but soon after he was well bowled by Smith. Graham went soon after, being caught at deep cover off Coxall. The score was then 63. Rex King and Rippon made runs quickly. The former dispatched Christmas to the boundary and off the next ball ran a four. He hit the fourth ball for three, and Bedfordshire wanted three for victory. Rex had got some of his own back from Christmas! Rippon helped himself to a couple off the same bowler, and the winning runs came from two byes off Christmas. Bedfordshire thus won by six wickets, it being then about 4 o'clock.

After this there was a bright interlude, Horn hitting out vigorously. One great hit off Childs cleared the seat on the off boundary for 6. It was closed all too soon by Rex King who smartly caught Horn at first slip. In the next over Coxall skied the ball to Rex King and the innings closed shortly after three o'clock for 124.

Childs bowled right through the innings and took six wickets for 58 runs. Rogers's three cost him 31 runs.

BEDFORDSHIRE REPLY.

Bedfordshire started their reply at 3.20 with Burke and Pacey the initiating operators. Burke opened in a gay mood—for him—turning Coxall twice to leg in his first over for two, and in the next driving him all along the carpet for three. Pacey placed the same bowler to leg neatly, but the next ball fell into an obvious trap, putting the ball into Taylor's hands at short square leg—one for 16. None too promising, but worse was to follow, for before he had scored Sutherland snicked the fast bowler and was taken at first slip. Graham joined Burke and this pair settled down to play steady and confident cricket. With the score at 27 Burke gave an easy chance to Smith at square leg, but Smith dropped it. Graham put one dangerously through the slips, and it went for a single, and then Burke, after a nice couple, sent the ball whizzing to the leg for the first boundary. Graham followed this up with a pretty glance to the leg boundary, and a lovely off drive for three. Having made 30 in just over an hour Burke was easily taken at mid on by Hodgkinson. The partnership, which had lasted 35 minutes, put on 42, and coming when it did was most valuable.

Rex King hit his first ball for three, and then the teams took tea, with the score at 63.

After the refreshing cup Graham and Rex King batted very quietly for a time, King scoring a shade the faster. Off one lovely drive of Graham's four were run, a notable feat for one suffering from Graham's disability. The long partnership ended when King, hitting hard at the fast bowler, sent an easy catch to Taylor in the slips. The partnership added 34 in 45 minutes—four for 93.

Rippon was bowled first ball, and Rogers, tamely scooping one round to leg, enabled Horn to round off Christmas's hat trick. Christmas's bowling analysis at this point read 10 overs, four maidens, 6 runs, four wickets.

Quite a different problem now faced the skipper as he went to the crease than what was anticipated only an over before. Bedfordshire still wanted 31 to equal Cambridgeshire's total. Graham narrowly missed being stumped before King sent up the century with a single. Then Graham opened his shoulders, and with a magnificent drive cleared the ropes at the on boundary for 6. Runs were coming more freely now than at any time, and with a hard off drive Graham brought his figures to 48. He had added one more when Christmas enticed him to give Ling an easy catch in the slips. He had made his 43 by admirable cricket in just two hours, and his best strokes were a 6, two 4's, and four 3's. At 6.6 a cheer heralded a couple by King which carried the home score past the Cambridge total. In the same over Christmas bowled him, and brought his record up to six wickets for 10 runs. He was keeping a beautiful length and maintaining a hot pace on a wicket which was getting faster. King had batted well for 25 minutes for his 15 runs. At 139 Christmas removed Reed's leg stump and with the next ball knocked the same stump out of the ground. Christmas had now the flattering figures 17.2 overs, 8 maidens, 11 runs, 8 wickets, despite which Bedfordshire had a 15-run lead on the first innings.

Cambridgeshire.

First Innings.

H. B. Hart, b W. King	10
A. S. Ling, b Childs	19
M. S. Hodgkinson, c and b Childs	8
F. G. Lilley, b Childs	1
W. G. Horn, c R. H. King, b Rogers	44
Smith, b Childs	1
E. H. Leek, c Reed, b Childs	7
A. D. Taylor, b Rogers	8
H. Christmas, c Reed, b Rogers	0
M. Collis-Brown, not out	0
Coxall, c R. H. King, b Childs	12
Extras	10
Total	124

Second Innings.

H. B. Hart, b Dilley	4
A. S. Ling, b Dilley	3
W. G. Horn, b Childs	1
N. T. Hodgkinson, c Burke, b Dilley	15
F. G. Lilley, b Rogers	11
E. H. Leek, c Sutherland, b Rogers	22
Smith, b Childs	3
Rev. A. D. Taylor, c Childs b W. King	8
H. Christmas, lbw b Roger	2
M. Collis-Brown, b W. King	24
Coxall, not out	3
Extras	9
Total	105

Bedfordshire.

First Innings.

P. Burke, c Hodgkinson, b Lilley	30
A. Pacey, c Taylor, b Coxall	5
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, c Collis-Brown	0
b Christmas	0
S. V. Graham, c Ling, b Christmas	40
R. H. King, c Taylor, b Christmas	20
C. W. Rippon, b Christmas	0
Rogers, c Horn, b Christmas	0
W. E. King, b Christmas	10
W. A. H. Childs, not out	9
C. N. Reed, b Christmas	7
Dilley, b Christmas	0
Extras	4

Total ... 139

Second Innings.

P. Burke, b Coxall	3
A. Pacey, c Collis-Brown, b Coxall	7
H. O. Sutherland, b Smith	23
S. V. Graham, c Hart, b Coxall	20
R. H. King, not out	18
C. W. Rippon, not out	8
Extras	12

Total (for four wickets) ... 91

THE BUCKINGHAMSHIRE MATCH.

The Buckinghamshire match has been a feature of the week from the week's inception. Last year, after defeating Bedfordshire on an atrocious wicket at Bletchley Park, Bucks came on to Bedford a week or so after and beat Bedfordshire on the first innings by 200 to 170, thanks very largely to Edwards's bowling, in both matches. Bedfordshire made two changes, the two School boys dropping out. Holdstock had hoped to play, and though he was on the ground he was not feeling up to it, and A. R. Thompson, the Headmaster of Dunstable School, who made a great century at Wardown Park in the Club and Ground's match for Holdstock's benefit, filled that vacancy. A trial was also given to A. Rawlins, a Wellingborough School boy, who made two fine catches for the School against the Club and Ground.

Buckinghamshire brought a strong side, which included R. W. B. Fuller, the captain of Bedford School, and L. G. Baker, a recent Old Bedfordian.

Bedfordshire won the toss and put Buckinghamshire in. They had memories of Edwards's wizardry on a similar wicket here last year.

Buckinghamshire opened with W. Jackson and A. V. Wells, Dilley and Childs bowling. Dilley sent them down at a hot pace and kept a good length, and with Childs turning both ways the batsmen exhibited due caution and runs came very slowly. The first quarter of an hour yielded three singles. With six up Jackson was beaten by a ball which whipped in from the leg. Having made nine of the first 11, Wells cut one hard into the hands of R. King at 2nd slip. Roe drove the Old Mod-

ernian gleefully along the carpet to the boundary; obviously the outfield was getting faster by the way the ball travelled. At 23 Dilley yoked Le Gros, who was followed in by L. G. Baker. The Old Bedfordian soon let out at Childs, who had the mortification of seeing Rawlins drop an easy catch in the on country. Baker, however, did not profit much by his good fortune, for in the next over Rogers snapped him up in the slips, and gave Dilley his fourth success. Roe and Franklin got in a few nice shots and the first hour's cricket realised 51 runs. The Bedfordshire skipper now gave Dilley a rest, but the separation came from the other end, Roe skying one to Dilley at mid-on and giving Childs his first wicket. Roe had taken 40 minutes in making his 19—quite the best knock of the morning. At 59 the wicket rang and re-echoed with "How's that?" and Payne retired for a snap at the wicket off Basil Rogers who had just gone on for King. This brought in Fuller, whose School colleagues gave a cordial reception. He opened with a beautiful drive along the ground for three off Rogers, but having made three more by neat hits he made a shocking stroke and put an easy catch in Dilley's hand at mid-off. The score quietly jogged along until just before lunch, when Salmon skied the ball behind the wicket and was easily taken by the stumper. 8 for 84.

Lunch was taken with the score at 86.

The first incident after lunch was a crisp carpet drive to the off boundary by Fletcher which sent up the century, after two hours and a quarter's play. Dilley and Childs were again the bowlers. Neither batsman was comfortable with Childs, though he had bowled 25 consecutive overs. King took the ball from Dilley and his first over saw Fletcher removed for obstruction. The ninth wicket stand had added 21 in about an hour. The last pair ran up another ten, mostly from smartly run singles, before Franklin, trying to force the pace, hit up an easy catch to Rex King at cover point.

Buckinghamshire battled nearly 3 hours for 115. Childs, who had bowled cleverly without too much luck, sent down 26 overs, of which ten were maidens, for 41 runs. Dilley's four cost 38, King's one 11, and Rogers's two 15.

Bedfordshire opened with the usual pair to Edwards and Payne. Burke neatly glanced Payne to leg for three. Pacey collected five nice singles while Burke cut through the slips for a pair. Runs, however, were very difficult to get, and after 20 minutes only 11 appeared on the board. Twenty minutes later Burke ran into double figures, and the pair seemed to have settled down when Burke was run out in an amazing manner. Pacey drove the ball hard back to the bowler, who, in attempting to stop it, dropped it, and it cannoned into Burke's wicket. Burke, who had followed up, had scrambled back, and there was a pretty mix-up of batsman, bowler, and umpire. To the astonishment of those in a direct line with the crease Burke was given out. Misfortunes seldom come singly, and that very reliable bat, S. V. Graham, sent his first ball back hot to the bowler. It was very low down but it stuck, and Graham walked back. Pacey survived an appeal for a catch behind the wicket. The fielding was applauded for two pieces of brilliant work. The batsmen were uncomfortable with Edwards. Thompson gave a possible chance off Edwards when he snicked one in the slips. Two balls later he hit one to leg and was out to a fine left-handed catch at square leg. The score was then 30. Sutherland put his first ball into the long field for a single. Pacey was stumped with the score at 33. Soon after the tea interval came.

King hit Edwards for a two and three in the over after tea. Forty went up and then Sutherland obtained the first four of the innings by sending Edwards to the leg boundary. Off the next ball he was finely caught at mid-on. He had made a fast 7 and brought the Bedfordshire total to 46 for 5. At the other end Rex King was bowled by Aubrey Fletcher. Six for 46. W. E. King joined Childs and cut the first ball for a two. The skipper hit out, but the partnership did not bring many runs, for Childs succumbed to Edwards, giving an easy catch to square-leg when the score was 58. King, who was now joined by Rogers, included a four in his seven runs off Fletcher. At 71 he was stumped for a vigorous 23. Rawlins, after a steady start, hit the first ball of his second over for a four, but he soon misjudged a ball and was caught at point. 79 for 9. Dilley gave little trouble and the end came with Bedfordshire 33 behind Buckingham's modest total.

A shower delayed Buckingham's second appearance at the crease until 6.10. When only one ball had been bowled a drizzle and bad light caused a ten minutes' further delay. With the last ball of the day Childs bowled Jackson, the score then standing at 9.

YESTERDAY'S PLAY.

The game was resumed on Thursday in beautiful sunshine. The overnight rain had made the wicket easy and the batsmen were much more aggressive. W. King dropped Roe at mid-on off a rather high catch, a mistake destined to be very expensive. Roe proceeded to score rapidly. The total had reached 39 when King beat Franklin all ends up. In trying to sneak a run off the next ball Le Gros was run out by a smart throw in by Rogers before he had received a ball. The wicket was getting faster. Baker, the Old Bedfordian, got off the mark at once, Graham had his first turn with the ball during the week when the score had reached 72, and it was he who broke up a partnership which in 35 minutes had put on 50 runs, by taking a weak return from Baker. The 100 was signalled after 2 hours' play. After hanging in the forties for half-an-hour Roe completed his 50, made in 100 minutes, with a drive for 3. His next 30 was rattled up in 20 minutes by attractive play all round the wicket. A change of bowling quickened down the batsmen for a few minutes, but Roe came on again, and completed his 100 with a lovely drive to the screen, this second 50 having taken him only 35 minutes. In the same over he hit a grand 6 in the same direction, both off Childs, as a prelude to luncheon.

The break proved fatal to both batsmen, for Roe had added only 8 runs when he was caught by Dilley in the country off Rogers. Besides his six, his innings included nine 4's. Wells soon followed him home at 137. Payne's stay was very brief and 7 wickets were down for 199. Salmon enjoyed a merry knock for 23 and then at 3 o'clock Franklin declared.

Bedfordshire had a bad half-hour when they began their second venture. Wanting 263 for victory Wilfred King decided to go in first with Burke in the hopes of getting runs quickly. Unfortunately when only three runs had been scored he called for a short run. Burke sent him back, but before he could turn the ball was in Franklin's hands with both batsmen in the middle of the wicket. Pacey and Burke played steadily for 20 minutes, when Pacey put the ball into Payne's hands at silly point. Two balls later Graham played on to Edwards and qualified for a pair of spectacles. Worse was to follow. Thompson was bowled for a "duck," and then Burke, who had been playing steadily for 11, snicked one and was taken in the slips. Only Sutherland and Childs troubled the bowlers after this and so after a most inglorious display, even allowing for the excellence of the bowling on a wicket which was very responsive to Edwards, Bedfordshire were all out for 42.

Buckinghamshire.

First Innings.

W. Jackson, b Dilley	1
A. V. Wells, c R. King, b Dilley	9
W. N. Roe, c Dilley, b Childs	19
W. L. Le Gros, b Dilley	8
L. G. Baker, c Rogers, b Dilley	7
W. B. Franklin, c R. King, b Childs	33
A. U. Payne, c Burke, b Rogers	1
R. W. B. Fuller, c Dilley, b Rogers	6
E. C. H. Salmon, c Burke, b Childs	9
H. C. Aubrey Fletcher, lbw, b W. King	11
Edwards, not out	1
Extras	10

Total ... 115

Second Innings.

W. F. Franklin, b W. King	14
W. L. Jackson, b Childs	6
W. H. Roe, c Dilley, b Rogers	115
P. W. Le Gros, run out	0
L. G. Baker, c & b Graham	23
A. V. Wells, b Childs	32
A. U. Payne, lbw, b Rogers	2
R. W. B. Fuller, not out	3
E. C. H. Salmon, c R. King, b Childs	23
H. L. Aubrey Fletcher, not out	5
Extras	6

Total (for 8 wks. dec.) ... 229

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Bedfordshire.

First Innings.

P. Burke, run out	11
A. Pacey, st Franklin, b Edwards	13
A. R. Thompson, c Payne, b Edwards	7
S. V. Graham, c and b Payne	0
H. O. Sutherland, c Salmon, b Edwards	7
R. H. King, c Aubrey Fletcher, b Edwards	8
W. A. H. Childs, c Baker, b Edwards	1
W. E. King, st Franklin, b Edwards	23
Rogers, not out	5
W. Rawlins, c Wells, b Edwards	5
Dilley, b Fletcher	2
Extras	0

Total ... 82

Second Innings.

P. Burke, c Le Gros, b Payne	11
W. E. King, run out	2
A. Pacey, c & b Edwards	8
S. V. Graham, b Edwards	0
A. R. Thompson, b Edwards	0
H. O. Sutherland, c Salmon, b Edwards	8
R. H. King, run out	0
W. A. H. Childs, not out	8
Rogers, b Payne	0
W. Rawlins, lbw, b Payne	0
Dilley, b Edwards	1
Extras	5

Total ... 42

COUNTY CRICKET WEEK.

3rd Match -v. Herts.

An Innings' Defeat for Beds.

The concluding match of the Bedford Cricket Week opened on the Bedford School ground on Friday morning, Hertfordshire being the visitors. Herts. fielded a strong side, including C. H. Titchmarsh, the All England batsman. The home County had three changes from the side which fared so disastrously against Bucks., T. Davies, of Kimbolton, E. D. Dynes, and S. P. Keech coming in in place of Basil Rogers and the two Dunstable players, Thompson and Rawlins. Wilfred King won the toss, and P. Burke was accompanied to the wickets by T. Davies, the bowlers being Meyer and Burton. Only a dozen runs had been made when the new-comer to the side was taken in the slips, letting in S. V. Graham. Both scored at a fair pace, the half-century being reached after about an hour's play. Hylton-Stewart then took the ball from Meyer, but the separation came from the other end, Burke being caught at the wicket for a very good innings of 28, which included five 3's. Graham did not long survive his partner, also falling a victim to the vigilance of the wicket-keeper. He had gathered 25 in his customary correct style. E. D. Dynes, who followed, opened in promising style, but had only collected 7 runs when he tipped one into the hands of Meyer at slip; and four wickets were down for 80. This brought Capt. Sutherland and A. Pacey together, and they held the wickets until the luncheon interval arrived, the score then being 91 runs for 4 wickets.

On the resumption, Sutherland ran his individual score up to 16 before he was bowled by Meyer, just after the century was hoisted. R. H. King was quickly caught in the slips, and Pacey, who had been playing very steadily, in trying to turn a ball to leg, put up an easy catch to the wicket-keeper. W. E. King and W. A. H. Childs were now together, but the latter was clean bowled by Meyer before he had opened his account. S. P. Keech only survived one ball before he was easily taken near the wicket, and Dilley, the last man, was in. The Beds. captain, hitting out, scored five 2's off the next over, and Dilley scored a single from the other end which might easily have been two. King scored a single and Dilley survived two more balls of that over, and four more of another from Meyer, but in the next over King was caught in the long field by Hylton-Stewart off Burton, and the innings closed at 20 minutes past 3 for 133 runs. Six wickets had fallen since luncheon for 42 runs. Meyer came out with a fine average.

Watson and Bland opened the Hertfordshire innings to the bowling of Dilley and Childs. They scored with ease and confidence from the start, and 30 appeared on the board after as many minutes' play. This brought Dynes on for the professional, but the batsmen kept steadily on their way, each finding the ring with good shots, and the half-century went up in 45 minutes. At 52, however, Bland got his leg in front of a straight one from Childs, and retired for a nicely played 19. Crossman, the old Etonian, followed, but had only made a couple when Dynes got him l.b.w. This let in Titchmarsh, but Watson was the most prolific scorer. The pair were together when the teams left the field for tea, when the total was 72 for 2 wickets.

Scoring was faster on the resumption of play, but at 84, and with his own score at 12, Titchmarsh survived a wonderfully confident appeal for a catch at the wicket off Dynes, several fielders shouting simultaneously. At the home total, however, Watson's remarkably good innings came to a close, R. H. King taking him smartly at mid-wicket. His 47 runs had been made by clean hitting, mostly on the leg side, and included three 4's, three 3's and five 2's. Titchmarsh quickly followed, Dynes catching him in two minds, for he ran out presumably to drive, altered his stroke, missed the ball, and was clean bowled. Reid, the visiting captain, had only made 9 runs when Childs beat and bowled him with a beautiful length ball. R. J. Meyer, the Cambridge Blue, was next in, and sent the century up after just two hours' batting. He is a light-hearted cricketer, and scored a century in the previous match against Beds. He at once went in for hitting, and drove Childs over the screen for 6, and his partner, Cowley, also hit very hard, putting both Fowlers to the boundary. Bedfordshire's score was passed after 2½ hours' batting, with five wickets down. Meyer had a slice of luck, playing a ball from Childs "dead" on to his wicket without removing the bails. Graham took the ball from Childs, and Dilley from Dynes, but the batsmen continued to score freely, and W. E. King went on vice Dilley. From his second ball, Meyer was missed by Sutherland in the long field, and then Cowley completed his 50 with a fine stroke to square leg, and the score at the close of play was 174 for 5 wickets, Cowley being 52 and Meyer 34. Cowley and Meyer, by free hitting on Saturday, carried the score from 179 to 244 before Cowley left for a magnificent innings of 94, which included nine boundaries. Meyer departed soon after, and although he had enjoyed some luck his innings of 59 was a freely-played and attractive one. Of the remaining batsmen, Hylton-Stewart hit with much power for 33, and the Herts. innings closed for 297. Childs was the mainstay of the Beds. attack, and his average of 12 runs per wicket in an innings of nearly 300 was a truly fine performance.

Four hours remained for play when Beds. went in a second time to get 164 to avoid a single innings defeat, Burke and Davies being opposed by Burton and Meyer. Batting very well together they carried the score to 30 before the left-hander was caught and bowled by Meyer. Pacey, who followed, was also bowled with only 5 runs to his credit, bringing Graham and Davies together. This pair put on 36 runs by sound batting, when Graham was caught at the wicket for 24. Davies, who had put up a good defence for 75 minutes, next succumbed to a fine ball from Hylton-Stewart, and Dynes was clean bowled by Meyer for a single. R. H. King also fell a victim to Meyer, and Sutherland, after quickly get-

ting into double figures, had his off stump disturbed by Hylton-Stewart. Six wickets had thus fallen for 94 runs, and W. E. King sent the century up with a nice cut for 3, after 1½ hours' play. He also drove Hylton-Stewart and pulled Meyer to the ring, and his partner, Childs, placed the latter for 3 twice. The captain again collected the full number off both bowlers, bringing Cuthbertson on in the place of Meyer, and the new bowler succeeded in getting Childs l.b.w. in his first over. The Queen's Works player had taken part in a very valuable partnership of 55, his share being a well-played innings of 22. S. Keech followed in and out, l.b.w. to Burton, and Dilley came in with Beds. still requiring 14 runs to stave off a single innings' defeat. Only two of them were obtained before the captain was bowled. He had played the right game for the occasion, and although at times he hit very hard, his innings of 34 was far from being one of Wilfred's typical hurricane displays. Scores:

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.

P. Burke, c Crossman, b Burton	28
E. C. L. Davies, c Watson, b Meyer	4
S. V. Graham, c Crossman, b Hylton-Stewart	25
E. D. Dynes, c Meyer, b Burton	7
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, b Meyer	16
A. Pacey, c Crossman, b Meyer	14
R. H. King, c Watson, b Meyer	9
W. E. King (capt.), c Hylton-Stewart, b Burton	14
W. A. H. Childs, b Meyer	0
S. Keech, c Hylton-Stewart, b Meyer	0
Dilley, not out	1
Extras	15

Total ... 133

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Meyer	20	2	46	6
Burton	24.2	5	60	3
Hylton-Stewart	8	2	11	1
Driscoll	1	0	1	0

Hertfordshire.

L. A. Watson, c R. King b Childs	47
J. G. Bland, lbw., b Childs	19
G. M. Crossman, lbw., b Dynes	2
C. H. Titchmarsh, b Dynes	14
R. B. Cowley, c Pacey, b Graham	94
L. J. Reid, b Childs	0
R. J. O. Meyer, b Graham	59
B. A. Hylton-Stewart, c Sutherland, b Dilley	33
R. Driscoll, c Burke, b Childs	10
Burton, lbw., b Childs	0
Cuthbertson, not out	6
Extras	13

Total ... 297

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dilley	18	2	85	1
Childs	34.2	5	60	5
Dynes	27	3	77	2
Graham	17	7	25	2
W. E. King	7	0	21	0

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.

P. Burke, c and b Meyer	10
E. C. L. Davies, b Hylton-Stewart	27
A. Pacey, b Burton	5
S. Graham, c Crossman, b Meyer	24
E. D. Dynes, b Meyer	1
H. O. Sutherland, b Hylton-Stewart	10
R. H. King, c Titchmarsh, b Meyer	2
W. E. King, b Cuthbertson	34
W. A. H. Childs, lbw., b Cuthbertson	22
S. Keech, b Burton	0
Dilley, not out	2
Extras	15

Total ... 152

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Meyer	23	4	60	4
Burton	15	3	40	2
Hylton-Stewart	9	0	34	2
Cuthbertson	1.5	0	3	2

League Notes by "Eagle."

Forder's Works and Railway Athletic met at Wootton Pillinge, upon a very fast wicket—in fact it was too fast for the batsmen of both teams—particularly as soft wickets have been the rule this season. The Athletic, batting first, could only total 20 runs, and Forder's lost their first three batsmen without a run being scored. However, the "tail" wagged until 51 was reached. After tea, the Railwaymen commenced their second innings, but although trying hard, they were dismissed for 27, making a total of 47 runs for the two innings, which left Forder's the victors by an innings and four runs. The veteran Charlie Lowe took 14 wickets for 23 runs, besides doing the "tail hat trick" (4 wickets with 4 successive balls). Like good wine, he improves with age! A. White too bowled well, taking 5 for 13. P. Milton made the top score of the match with 12, whilst A. Robinson and A. Beard contributed 11 and 10 respectively. Bonfield (4 for 17) and Harlow (4 for 18) were most successful with the ball for the Railway Athletic.

Charlie Lowe, the Forder's Works "speed merchant," and one who has been playing in the League for many years, has been doing well this season, despite the lowly position of his club in the League table. On Saturday he took 14 wickets for 23 against Railway Athletic (including four wickets with successive balls), and in the last three matches has taken 24 wickets for 60 runs. And "Charlie" is called a veteran!

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

• FORDER'S v. RAILWAY ATHLETIC.

Played at Wootton Pillinge on Saturday, and won by Forders. Scores:—

• Railway Athletic.—Bone, b Lowe, 0; Em-mison, b White, 2; Brittain, c and b Lowe, 5; H. Harlow, c Biggs, b White, 6; Bon-field, b White, 2; Phillips, b Lowe, 0; E. Mann, b Lowe, 0; Shortland, b Lowe, 2; C. Sills, b Lowe, 0; Lynch, not out, 0; Red-sall, c Mephram, b Lowe, 0; extras, 3; total, 20.

• Forder's Works.—T. Burroway, b Bonfield, 0; W. Mephram, b Harlow, 0; A. Beard, b Harlow, 10; A. White, c Phillips, b Harlow, 0; J. Hillson, b Bonfield, 2; A. Robinson, c Brittain, b Bone, 11; W. Biggs, c Mann, b Bone, 5; P. Milton, b Bonfield, 12; C. Lowe, b Bonfield, 6; J. Biggs, b Harlow, 1; G. Faulkner, not out, 0; extras, 4; total 51.

Railway Athletic batted a second time, and were all dismissed for 27 runs.

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PT.
Howard's	12	8	2	2	18
Bedford Clarence	11	8	1	2	17
R.A.F. (Henlow)	11	7	0	4	14
Everton	12	4	3	5	11
Forder's Works	12	5	1	6	11
Igranie Works	10	5	0	5	10
The Pyghtle	10	4	1	5	9
Civil Service	8	3	1	4	7
Railway Athletic	12	0	1	11	1

CRICKET.

MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCES

BATTING.

B. Flanders, Kimbolton v. St. Neots	*79
J. Bennett, Biggleswade v. Luton	
Borough Police	58
A. R. Sinfield, Aspley Guise v. Newport	
Pagnell	56
W. Gudge, Shefford v. Gamlingay	54
H. Dennis, Blunham v. North End Club	50
H. Perry, Conservative Club v. Renhold	44
F. Martin, St. Neots v. Kimbolton	41

* Not out.

BOWLING.

C. Lowe, Forder's Works v. Rail-way Athletic (two innings)	14 for 23
(including 4 with successive balls)	
T. Bradshaw, Claphill v. Slip End	8 for 14
A. Spenser, Celtic v. Post Office	8 for 18
H. Arnold, Gamlingay v. Shefford	8 for 31
R. Geary, Conservative Club v. North End Club	7 for 5
F. W. Western, Biggleswade Wesle-yans v. Stotfold Wesleyans	7 for 7
H. Heathfield, Shefford 2nd v. Stot-fold Athletic	7 for 12
D. Holly, Forder's Works 3rd v. Wootton Hall End 2nd	7 for 13
G. Turff, Kempston v. Bedford Ath.	7 for 15
S. Lack, Bolnhurst v. Great Bar-ford	7 for 21
S. Sinfield, Aspley Guise v. Olney	7 for 24
T. Woods, Ridgmont v. Haynes	6 for 9
S. Smith, Langford v. Tempsford	6 for 9
A. Robinson, Marston 2nd v. Houghton Conquest	6 for 12
Hobbs, Ridgmont v. Haynes	6 for 13
O. Campling, Woodbury v. Calde-cote	6 for 13
A. Brim, Wrestlingworth v. Big-gleswade "A"	6 for 14
J. King, Tempsford v. Langford	6 for 20
C. Reynolds, Potton 2nd v. Mepper-shall 2nd	6 for 27
H. Newell, Caldecote v. Tempa-ford	5 for 4
O. Rawlins, Blunham v. North End Club	5 for 6
G. Bygraves, Caldecote v. Tempa-ford	5 for 6
J. Glidewell, Stagden v. Cranfield	5 for 8
R. Ayers, Eaton Socon v. Ever-ton 2nd	5 for 12
A. White, Forder's Works v. Rail-way Athletic (two innings)	5 for 13
W. Howe, Sharnbrook v. Felmer-sham	5 for 15
T. Hilton, Sharnbrook v. Felmer-sham	5 for 20

FRIENDLY.

BEDFORD CELTIC v. POST OFFICE

Played in Bedford Park on Thursday, when a very close game resulted in a win for the Celtic by 9 runs. Owing to some very fine bowling by Spenser, the P.O. were dismissed for 52 runs. Spenser taking 8 wickets for 18 runs. Bowling seven men and catching the other off his own bowling. The Celtic found runs hard to get against some good bowling by Best and Keens, and things would have been very bad but for a well played innings by Tame, who scored 23. Scores:—

Post Office.—R. Keens 6, J. Bayes 3, T. Berrington 0, W. Rogers 0, F. Bowler 13, W. Neal 7, C. Tomalin 11, A. Turtle 5, W. Stewart 0, W. Best 5 (not out), S. C. Clarke 0, extras 2, total 52.

Bedford Celtic.—H. Vaughan-Arbuckle 11, C. Tame 23, L. Jones 3, H. Timmins 0, H. N. Sprague 5, K. Linger 3, G. H. Thomas 1, G. Linger 1, A. Spenser 6, E. G. Stratton 0 (not out), C. Sharpe 0, extras 2, total 61.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

(All Matches to be played on the ground of the first-named Club).

Bedford & District League.

Division I.

Howard's v. The Pyghtle.
Igranie Works v. Everton.
Railway Athletic v. Bedford Clarence.
R.A.F. (Henlow) v. Forder's Works.

Division II. (Northern Section).

Felmersham v. Souldrop.
Goldington v. Sharnbrook.

Division II. (Southern Section).

Wootton Hall End v. Bedford Athletic.
Kempston v. Haynes.
Ridgmont v. Marston.

Division II. (Eastern Section).

Queen's Works v. Conservative Club.
North End Club v. Bolnhurst.
Renhold v. Blunham.
Everton 2nd v. Great Barford.

Division III. (Northern Section).

Igranie Works 2nd v. Bedford Athletic 2nd.
Colesden v. Bedford Clarence 3rd.
Colmworth v. Elstow Road.
Roxton v. Blunham 2nd.
Clapham v. Staploe.

Division III. (Southern Section).

Wootton Hall End 2nd v. Cranfield.
Millbrook v. Stagden.
Marston 2nd v. Ridgmont 2nd.
Turvey v. Forder's Works 3rd.

East Beds. League.

Division I.

Old Warden v. Ickwell.
Gamlingay v. Stotfold.

Division II.

Biggleswade "A" v. Stotfold Wesleyans.
Tempsford v. Gamlingay Res.
Caldecote v. Langford.
Wrestlingworth v. Woodbury.

Division III. (North Section).

Tempsford 2nd v. Beeston Athletic.

Division III. (South Section).

Shefford 2nd v. Edworth & Hinxworth.
Clifton v. Ickwell 2nd.
Meppershall 2nd v. Old Warden 2nd.

Leicestershire v. Beds.**Home Team Get First Innings' Points.**

At Oakham on Friday and Saturday, Bedfordshire played their return game with Leicestershire 2nd in the Minor Counties' Championship competition. Leicestershire made the useful total of 332, and Beds. replying with 137, had to follow on. The visitors did much better in their second venture, and put up 237, of which A. Pacey made 84 and W. A. H. Childs 50. The game then ended, and Leicestershire, wanting but 42 runs for complete victory, had to be content with first innings points. Bedfordshire were unfortunate in losing Holdstock, who injured himself badly while fielding during Leicester's innings. He was in consequence unable to bat for his county. Scores:—

Leicestershire II.	
S. W. Bradshaw, lbw., b Dilley	2
Berridge, run out	65
J. C. Bradshaw, c Pacey, b Holdstock	16
W. K. Beisiegel, run out	12
C. Starmer, b Redman	9
C. L. M. Brown, b Dilley	56
Hutchinson, c Burke, b Childs	96
W. L. Everard, b Childs	4
Smith, c sub., b Dilley	3
Snary not out	33
Shenton, c Childs, b King	8
Extras	28

Total ... 332

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dilley	20	5	57	3
Holdstock	12	2	32	1
Childs	24	2	58	2
Redman	19	2	63	1
King	7.3	0	34	1
Clark	12	2	34	0
Pacey	8	1	26	0

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.

P. Burke, c Snary, b Smith	1
A. Pacey, c S. Bradshaw, b Snary	15
S. Bruce, c Beisiegel, b Snary	6
W. A. H. Childs, c J. Bradshaw, b Snary	12
W. E. King, b Snary	11
R. J. J. Ireland, lbw., b Smith	0
W. Brown, not out	50
F. Redman, b Snary	0
L. Clark, c Snary, b Hutchinson	2
Dilley, c S. Bradshaw, b Starmer	33
Holdstock, absent (hurt)	0
Extras	7

Total ... 137

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.

P. Burke, lbw., b Starmer	18
W. Brown, b Starmer	8
A. Pacey, c Shenton, b Smith	84
W. A. H. Childs, c J. Bradshaw, b Brown	50
W. E. King, b Snary	6
S. Bruce, b Brown	1
R. J. J. Ireland, b Smith	35
F. Redman, b Smith	22
L. Clark, b Snary	3
Dilley, not out	1
Holdstock, absent (hurt)	0
Extras	9

Total ... 237

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

(All Matches to be played on the ground of the first-named Club).

Bedford & District League.**Division I.**

Bedford Clarence v. R.A.F. (Henlow).
Railway Athletic v. Civil Service.
Forder's Works v. The Pygittle.
Igranic Works v. Howard's.

Division II. (Northern Section).

Goldington v. Souldrop.
Howard's 2nd v. Sharnbrook.

Division III. (Southern Section).

Wootton Hall End v. Haynes.
Kempston v. Marston.

Ridgmont v. Marston Pillinge.

Division II. (Eastern Section).

Queen's Works v. Blunham.
Bolnhurst v. Renhold.
North End Club v. Everton 2nd.
Great Barford v. Eaton Socon.

Division III. (Northern Section).

Igranic Works 2nd v. Clapham.
Bedford Athletic 2nd v. Elstow Road.
Roxton v. Colnworth 2nd.
Blunham 2nd v. Collesden.

Bedford Clarence 2nd v. Staploe.

Division III. (Southern Section).

Cranfield v. Turvey.
Millbrook v. Wootton Hall End 2nd.
Marston 2nd v. Stagden.
Ridgmont 2nd v. Houghton Conquest.

East Beds. League.**Division I.**

R.A.F. (Henlow) v. Stotfold Athletic.

Division II.

Stotfold Wesleyan v. Caldecote.
Langford v. Woodbury.
Temptford v. Southill "A."

CRICKET.**MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCES****BATTING.**

A. Pacey, Beds. b Leicester II.	84
H. A. Pacey, Conservative Club v. Queen's Works	*72
J. Ratcliff, Queen's Works v. Olney	*71
N. Chambers, Howard's v. Pygittle	*62
H. Mardle, Queen's Works v. Conservative Club	56
W. A. Childs, Beds. v. Leicester II.	50
H. King, Clarence v. Railway Ath.	54

* Not out.

BOWLING.

H. Newell, Caldecote v. Langford	8 for 18
F. H. Taylor, Marston Pillinge v. Forder's 2nd	7 for 6
A. Brinley, Marston 2nd v. Ridgmont 2nd	7 for 9
T. Hilton, Sharnbrook v. Goldington	7 for 10
F. W. Western, Biggleswade Wesleyan v. Potton	7 for 31
J. W. Pitt, Wrotham v. Woodbury	6 for 1
J. Bushby, Stotfold v. Gamlingay	6 for 3
J. Keens, Elstow Road v. Colnworth	6 for 7
Huckle, Clarence 2nd v. Collesden	6 for 15
Cocking, Howard's v. Pygittle	6 for 16
R. Keens, Post Office v. Police	6 for 23
R. C. Geary, Conservative Club v. Queen's Works	6 for 48
W. Ridgely, Gamlingay v. Stotfold	5 for 7
R. Ives, Clarence v. Railway Ath.	5 for 15
W. Facey, Millbrook v. Stagden	5 for 15
G. Whentley, Old Warden v. Ickwell	5 for 16
M. Rabone, Forder's 2nd v. Marston Pillinge	5 for 22
G. Mayes, Old Warden 2nd v. Mepershall	5 for 23
R. Gurney, Everton v. Igranic	5 for 40

RUGBY FOOTBALL NOTES.**The Fly Half Berth.**

"Tubby" Dynes, whose skill at opening out the game gave the Bedford threequarters so many opportunities to shine last season, is desirous of playing as regularly as his military duties will permit, and there is another decidedly useful candidate for the vital fly-half position in R. A. Taylor, whose occupation now permits of his playing in Saturday football.

League Notes by "Eagle."

Bedford Clarence are keeping up the grand form displayed at the commencement of the season, and on Saturday soundly beat Railway Athletic. The Clarence batsmen were in good form. King (54), Folkes (47), Dickens (40), and Chapman (32 not out) all doing well. Harlow and Mann started well for the Railwaymen, but, with the exception of Bonfield, the rest did very poorly with the bat. Ives (5 for 15) bowled with much effect, and Williamson gave him much support.

The failure of The Pygittle against the League leaders on Saturday at Kempston is difficult to explain. Notwithstanding the fact that Pilgrim bowled well and took four of the six wickets lost by Howard's, the latter's players scored freely, Chambers and Harvey doing remarkably well, while Whitbread was also prominent. With 175 for six wickets, Howard's skipper applied the closure. Then followed the innings of The Pygittle, which realised only 26 runs, of which Miller made 13. Cocking took six wickets for 16, and Marshall 3 for 10, and it must be said that they bowled remarkably well.

Civil Service and Forder's Works met in Bedford Park on Saturday, and the match provided quite an exciting finish. Civil Service, batting first, reached the total of 137 for seven wickets, after 2½ hours' play, when Major Kinton, in a very sporting manner, declared. With the interval of ten minutes, this left Forder's one hour and 35 minutes to bat. The first four of Forder's wickets fell for 29. When the partnership of J. Hillson and G. Tuffnell commenced the pair hit out delightfully, and the score reached 90 before the latter was caught. The tail wagged again until the last over was reached, when Forder's score totalled 138, who thus won by one run and one wicket, amidst much excitement. T. Keens batted well for Civil Service for 46, whilst J. Hillson and G. Tuffnell contributed 41 and 35 respectively for Forder's. Tuffnell (3 for 27) and Kinton (4 for 49) were the most successful bowlers.

Igranic Works put up a good fight against the Champions in Bedford Park on Saturday, but had to submit to defeat, although there was not a lot to choose between the teams. Darlow (50), Baldock, and Usher batted nicely for the visitors, and for the Igranic Works Martin, Langford, and Howard were the most prominent with the bat. R. Gurney (5 wickets for 40 runs) and Usher (3 for 8) bowled well for Everton, while for the Works Rose, Bean and Howard took three wickets each at a cost of 25, 26, and 29 respectively.

The visit of the Conservative Club to Allen Park on Saturday was noticeable for a fine first wicket stand on the part of the Club and a last wicket stand by Queen's Works. Perry and Warton collected 84 runs between them for the Club, and the former made 72 not out, and the latter 40. Perry's strokes included four 4's, three 3's, and nine 2's. Valentine made 27, so that Geary was able to apply the closure at 157 for six wickets. The Works batsmen were not seen to advantage, for half the side was out for 23 runs. Bustin stopped the rot by making 19, and Chester contributed 13. With nine wickets down for 57, the Clubmen looked easy winners. Then Warren (not out 35) and Mardle (56) laid about the bowling to good purpose, and the latter was only dismissed three minutes before time, when the Works were only 18 runs in arrears. Thus the Clubmen won their eleventh victory in succession.

At Blunham on Saturday Renhold fielded a strong side, but had only ten men. They won the toss and started to bat, but runs came slowly until Vincent started to hit out. The next wicket fell rather cheaply, but the brothers Joyce came together and added 23 for the sixth wicket. The side was soon all out after that, P. Joyce being not out with a well-played 20. Blunham on going in to bat went for the bowling in an endeavour to get the necessary runs. Dennis, Rawlins and Jeffries all reached double figures. Rawlins scored 18 in one over—a 6, two 4's, and two 2's. With the total at 69 for four wickets rain fell, and the game was closed. Blunham thus winning their 12th game in the competition.

BEDFORD LEAGUE.

Division I.

HOWARD'S v. THE PYGITTLE.

Played at Kempston on Saturday, and won easily by the home team. Scores:—

Howard's.—F. Marshall, b Pilgrim, 2; F. Harrison, b Harlow, 3; W. Whitbread, hit wicket, b Miller, 39; H. S. Harrison, b Pilgrim, 5; H. Cocking, lbw., b Pilgrim, 2; A. Peacock, lbw., b Pilgrim, 11; N. Chambers, not out, 62; A. Harvey, not out, 42; extras, 9; total (for 6 wks., dec.), 175. A. Tysoe, W. Dawson, and R. Fowler did not bat.

The Pygittle.—T. Miller, b Cocking, 13; H. Arbuckle, lbw., b Cocking, 1; R. M. Page,

c Whitbread, b Cocking, 0; F. Harlow, c H. Harrison, b Cocking, 3; G. Bradley, lbw., b Marshall, 0; D. Rabythorne, b Cocking, 2; G. Pilgrim, c and b Cocking, 2; A. Sargent, b Marshall, 4; R. Sprague, b Marshall, 1; P. Beechy, not out, 0; H. Butterworth, absent, 0; extras, 0; total, 26.

BEDFORD CLARENCE v. RAILWAY ATHLETIC.

Played in Bedford Park on Saturday, and won easily by the Clarence. Scores:—

Bedford Clarence.—H. King, b Bonfield, 54; C. Dickens, b Bonfield, 40; J. Folkes, c Brittain, b Harlow, 47; F. Chapman, not out, 32; F. Williamson, not out, 6; extras, 0; total (3 wks., dec.), 184. A. Bailey, E. Barker, F. Field, O. Maynard, M. Wells, R. Ives did not bat.

Railway Athletic.—H. Harlow, b Ives, 13; H. Mann, c Dickens, b Williamson, 27; V. Phillips, b Williamson, 0; J. Bonfield, b Ives, 13; G. Brittain, b Ives, 0; A. Reddall, c Wells, b Ives, 0; A. Carter, retired hurt, 0; E. Gilbert, c Chapman, b Williamson, 2; F. Holmes, not out, 2; T. Lynch, b Ives, 0; extras, 3; total, 60.

CIVIL SERVICE v. FORDER'S.

Played in Bedford Park on Saturday, and won by the visitors. Scores:—

Civil Service.—Keens, c Hillson, b White, 46; R. Millman, lbw., b Tuffnell, 11; Butler, b Tuffnell, 8; Craddock, b Tuffnell, 0; Johns, b Beard, 7; Curtis, b White, 1; Hills, c Robinson, b White, 20; Dennison, not out, 20; Bowler, not out, 14; extras, 10; total (for 7 wickets, declared), 137.

Forder's Works.—T. Borroway, b Kinton, 1; W. Tysoe, b Kinton, 1; A. White, b Johns, 10; A. Beard, c Wickers, b Johns, 16; J. Hillson, c Butler, b Millman, 41; G. Tuffnell, c Denison, b Millman, 35; A. Robinson, not out, 15; W. Biggs, b Kinton, 12; C. Lowe, b Kinton, 3; Tuffnell, not out, 3; extras, 3; total, 123.

IGRANIC WORKS v. EVERTON.

Played in Bedford Park on Saturday, and won by the visitors. Scores:—

Everton.—T. H. Tott, b Rose, 5; H. Gurney, c Murdock, b Rose, 8; F. J. Baldock, c Martin, b Howard, 14; H. A. Usher, run out, 15; C. Gurney, c Ward, b Howard, 7; W. J. Smith, b Bean, 5; G. Wisson, b Howard, 1; E. H. Giles, b Bean, 0; H. Preedy, c Murdock, b Bean, 6; H. R. Darlow, b Rose, 30; R. Gurney, not out, 0; extras, 9; total, 100.

Igranic Works.—W. H. Piper, b R. Gurney, 3; T. L. Rose, b R. Gurney, 0; G. H. Howard, b R. Gurney, 11; M. S. Langford, c and b Usher, 27; J. H. Bean, b H. Gurney, 6; W. H. Martin, b R. Gurney, 22; S. Murdock, b Usher, 0; H. Bushby, not out, 2; C. Cooper, run out, 4; W. Ward, b R. Gurney, 0; Harold, b Usher, 0; extras, 7; total, 82.

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	PT.
Howard's	13	9	2	2	20
Bedford Clarence	12	9	1	2	19
R.A.F. (Henlow)	11	7	0	4	14
Everton	13	5	3	5	13
Forder's Works	13	6	1	5	13
Igranic Works	11	5	0	6	10
The Pygittle	11	4	1	6	9
Civil Service	9	3	1	5	7
Railway Athletic	13	0	1	12	1

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Division II. (Northern Section).

FELMERSHAM v. SOULDROP.

Played at Felmersham on Saturday. Scores:—

Felmersham.—W. Hulatt, 0 and 1; J. Hulatt, 2—0; F. Purser, 3 (not out) and 9; C. Ward, 0—0; H. Hood, 0—2; H. Cooper, 10—4; F. Hulatt, 16 (not out) and 1; C. Ward, sen., 15—0; R. Turner, 0—0; A. Odell, 13—6; extras, 4—6; totals, 27 and 65.

Souldrop.—H. Rich, 0 and 3; W. Bird, 0—0; S. Elme, 0—1; F. Prigmore, 5—0; A. Bass, 0—4; C. Hale, 1—15; E. Hale, 0—1; W. King, 0—3; R. Cooper, 2—1; F. Betts, 0—0; Adams, 0—2; extras, 1—10; totals, 9 and 41.

Division II. (Southern Section).

KEMPSTON v. HAYNES.

Played at Kempston on Saturday, and ended in a draw. Scores:—

Kempston.—L. Barker, c Thorogood, b C. Edwards, 1; F. Jeffrey, b Stevens, 1; W. Houghton, lbw., b Stevens, 14; S. Eames, b Stevens, 9; G. Turff, b Francis, 30; F. Swales, run out, 1; E. D. Martell, not out, 20; A. White, b Green, 5; R. Robinson, b C. Edwards, 8; W. A. Riddy, b Green, 3; C. Thomas, b Green, 0; extras 4; total, 95.

Haynes.—V. Edwards, 1 White, 19; F. Thorogood, b Turff, 1; F. Stevens, b Barker, 6; A. Brittain, b Barker, 1; F. Green, b White, 2; R. Edwards, st. Thomas, b Jeffrey, 23; W. Newell, b Turff, 7; S. Francis, not out, 17; W. Barber, c Jeffrey, b Robinson, 3; H. Herbert, not out, 8; extras, 3; total (for 8 wickets), 90. C. Edwards did not bat.

COLMWORTH v. ELSTOW ROAD.

This rearranged fixture took place in Russell Park, Bedford, on Saturday, and was won by Elstow Road. Scores:—

Colmworth.—F. King, 0, R. Swales, 6, V. Pell, 4, A. Thompson, 7, T. Millard, 0, T. Pell, 8, W. Swales, 3, G. Smith, 3, C. Thompson, 2, H. Ball, 6, extras 1, total 40.

Elstow Road.—J. Minns, 20, P. Minns, 3, T. Minns, 7, J. Fagg, 18, R. Minns (not out) 10, J. Keens (not out) 4, extras 6, total (for 4 wickets) 68. G. Goodwin, K. Payne, E. Everett, J. Frost, G. Plumley did not bat.

BLUNHAM v. RENHOLD.

Played at Blunham on Saturday, and won by the home team. Scores:—

Renhold.—R. Spyres, c Sims, b Godman, 4; O. L. Boyes, b Godman, 2; E. Vincent, b Jeffries, 14; W. Harlow, b Godman, 2; P. Joyce, not out, 20; J. H. Joyce, c Jeffries, b Battle, 11; W. Wootton, b Godman, 4; E. Conquest, c and b Rawlins, 0; H. Norman, b Battle, 0; E. Constant, b Jeffries, 1; extras, 7; total, 65.

Blunham.—H. Dennis, lbw., b Boyes, 11; B. Spavins, lbw., b Boyes, 0; W. Jeffries, not out, 15; G. A. M. Isherwood, c J. Joyce, b W. Harlow, 1; C. Rawlins, b W. Harlow, 21; J. Goodman, not out, 8; extras, 13; total (for 4 wks.), 69. H. Currant, F. Battle, W. Sims, M. Maries, and J. Batterson did not bat.

CRICKET.

Bucks. v. Beds.

Visitors Lose on First Innings.

Played at Ascott Park, near Leighton Buzzard, on a wet wicket, Beds. won the toss, Newman and Burke opening the batting, the former making his first and only appearance for the County this season. The wicket suited Edwards, the Bucks. slow bowler, and in his third over he clean bowled the left-hander. Runs were difficult to get, and with the score at 30 for five wickets rain stopped play for five hours. On resuming, three more wickets fell, and the total reached 93 before close of play. The remaining two wickets only added nine runs, the innings closing for 102 runs. The first two Bucks. batsmen scored very fast, but the later batsmen, after the effects of the roller had worn off, found runs difficult to obtain. Le Gros and Roe were the only two who could cope with the attack, but Bucks. were able to obtain a lead of 48 runs, which was a good score, in view of the state of the wicket. On batting a second time Beds. sent in their hitters with the idea of getting runs quickly before the wicket became difficult, and in the circumstances, the score of 128 could be considered good. Before, however, Bucks. were able to enter upon their task of getting the required 80 runs for victory, rain came on again and put a stop to any further play, Bucks. thus winning at the first innings. Scores:—

Bedfordshire.—1st Innings.

P. Burke, b Edwards	3
F. C. W. Newman, st. Franklin, b Edwards	18
E. D. Dynes, c Payne, b Edwards	11
A. Pacey not out	26
W. A. H. Childs, c Aubrey Fletcher, b Edwards	0
L. C. D. Robinson, lbw., b Edwards	0
W. E. King, c Rafferty, b Edwards	12
C. N. Reed, st. Franklin, b Edwards	17
R. J. J. Ireland, b Edwards	3
F. Redman, c and b Payne	1
D. Dilley, c Edwards, b Payne	6
Extras	5

Total ... 102

Buckinghamshire.—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, st. Burke, b Dynes	27
W. L. Jackson, lbw., b Childs	28
W. N. Roe, c and b Redman	23
P. W. Le Gros, c Ireland, b Redman	23
A. V. Wells, st. Burke, b Childs	2
Pitchford, b King	19
C. V. Rafferty, c Pacey, b Dynes	4
E. Carlton, c Dynes, b King	15
H. L. Aubrey Fletcher, run out	6
A. V. Payne, lbw., b King	0
Edwards, not out	2
Extras	2

Total ... 150

Bedfordshire.—2nd Innings.

W. E. King, c Aubrey Fletcher, b Payne	22
F. Redman, c Rafferty, b Payne	6
W. A. H. Childs, lbw., b Edwards	13
C. N. Reed, b Payne	26
F. C. W. Newman, st. Franklin, b Edwards	31
H. Pacey, c Payne, b Edwards	10
E. D. Dynes, b Payne	0
P. Burke not out	8
L. C. D. Robinson, b Payne	0
R. J. J. Ireland, b Edwards	0
Dilley, c Le Gros, b Edwards	0
Extras	8

Total ... 128

COUNTY CRICKET NOTES.

By "HOW'S THAT?"

An Ideal Ground.

Beds. played their last competition match last Friday and Saturday, on Mr. Anthony de Rothschild's magnificent private ground at Ascott, near Leighton Buzzard. The ground itself was ideal, the equipment was first class, and the hospitality of the owner was perfect in every way. The one complaint was the usual one this year, and was directed against the weather, for after an hour's batting on the opening day so fast did it rain that the wicket was practically under water in ten minutes, and necessitated a wait of some five hours before play was possible again. During this hour's play Edwards had wrought havoc amongst the Beds. men, for the pitch was only soft on the surface, and this fact made the slow bowler come very fast off the pitch. Burke was bowled playing forward when he should have played back; Newman was out the very first time he went out to meet Edwards; Childs and Robinson were only given time to look at the pitch, and then came the long wait to think things over.

Spectators' Comfort.

Several old friends of Beds. came to see the match, amongst them being Mr. and Mrs. George Wharmby, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Arnold, W. Brown, and several of the Leighton Buzzard team. All were received with the same spirit of generosity of the owner of the beautiful park, and had the weather been different, cricket could not have been played under better conditions.

Rain Helpful.

Rain certainly made the pitch more favourable for the batsmen, and 65 runs were added for the loss of three wickets, Ireland being bowled by the last ball of the day. Twenty minutes the next morning was sufficient to close Beds.' innings, Pacey carrying his bat for 26, which was as valuable as any score he has made this season, and under ordinary conditions was worth a hundred. Bucks., reaping the benefit of the roller, put together 52 very quickly before Burke caught his opposing wicket-keeper, "feeling about" for Dynes, and they passed the visitors' score with only four wickets down. Had Newman taken Le Gros in the country before he reached double figures, Beds. might easily have taken three points instead of one, for the pitch became a real "sticky dog" before the end, and it was only the resolute hitting of Carlton which enabled Bucks. to command a lead of 48.

Order Changed.

With the idea of getting as many runs as possible while the wicket remained easy after the effects of the roller, King changed the order of batting, taking Redman in with himself. This move worked well, for Edwards could only turn the ball slowly at first. A score of 128 was quite good, under the prevailing conditions. To get 80 runs in the fourth innings on such a wicket would not have been such an easy task as it looked on paper, but rain settled the question in no uncertain manner, and Bucks. were forced to be content with three points. The final record of Beds., then, is as follows:—Played 12, won 2, won on 1st innings 2, lost on 1st innings 3, lost 5, points 19, out of possible 60, percentage 31.6.

A Bad Season.

To be frank, Beds. have had a very bad season. In playing 12 matches it was thought that more support would be forthcoming, both from members and spectators, but two factors have upset this theory entirely. First, the terrible weather has killed all enjoyment in watching and playing the game, and in consequence matches have not lasted their full time. Luton, from whom was expected even greater patronage than last year, has failed badly, and the gates have not reached 25 per cent. of last year's total. In addition to the bad weather, the team itself has shown extremely poor form in batting, bowling, and especially fielding. The latter branch of the game has been at times really wicked; at least sixty catches must have been put down during the season—an average of five per match. Such exhibitions sicken supporters, especially when the opponents have shown such excellent form in catching and fielding.

County Averages.

	BATTING.				
	Inns.	out.	Not out	runs.	Av.
G. Herringshaw	6	2	51*	165	41.2
Holdstock (H.)	10	0	122	243	24.3
A. Pacey	22	2	84	476	23.8
P. Burke	22	1	54	447	21.2
W. A. H. Childs	15	3	61	230	19.1
W. E. King	18	1	37	298	17.5
L. C. D. Robinson	6	1	54*	86	17.2
S. V. Graham	8	0	49	136	17
C. N. Reed	3	0	26	50	16.6
H. O. Sutherland	11	1	61*	150	15
Rogova (B. L.)	8	1	39	99	14.1
S. Bruce	6	0	37	63	10.5
R. H. King	6	1	20	52	10.4
R. J. J. Ireland	4	0	35	38	9.5
F. Redman	8	1	22	53	7.5
E. D. Dynes	10	1	11	68	6.4
Dilley (E. C.)	15	3	33	71	5.9
H. Maxey	3	0	6	12	4
H. Willett	3	1	4	6	3
S. Keech	7	2	6*	15	2.1

(Qualification: Batted in 5 innings.)

	BOWLING.				
	Inns.	O.	M.	R.	W. Av.
W. A. Childs	15	295	74	699	41 17
E. D. Dynes	7	109	13	278	14 19.8
W. E. King	15	107.3	30	379	17 22.2
Holdstock	9	175	41	438	19 22.8
Dilley	15	209.4	37	776	30 25.8
F. Redman	5	49	6	160	6 26.6
Rogova	7	115	23	393	15 26.8
A. Pacey	5	24	2	110	2 55

(Qualification: Bowled in 5 innings.)

Remarks on the Season.

Congratulations to both Lutonians, Herringshaw and Holdstock, on heading the batting averages. It is a pity the former could not play more often. A. Pacey is undoubtedly the most improved batsman of the season, and has scored more runs than any other player, but for some unaccountable reason has lost his usually safe hands in the field. Childs, the other Queen's Works player, is the best all-round member of the team. He has scored more runs and taken more wickets than in any past season. What a drop for E. D. Dynes from second place last year to 16th this. Burke has been fairly consistent. King has done better with the ball, but not quite up to his last year's form with the bat. Although Dilley has not had such a good season with regard to wickets to suit his bowling, he has increased his number of victims. Beds. have scored 3,244 runs for the loss of 197 wickets, average 16.4 runs per wicket. Their opponents have scored 3,795 runs for 161 wickets, an average of 23.5 per wicket.

These weekly notes will conclude next week with a review and averages of Beds. Club and Ground.

BEDFORD LEAGUE.**Division I.****CIVIL SERVICE v. RAILWAY ATHLETIC**

Played at Bedford on Saturday, and won by the Civil Service. Scores:—

Civil Service.	
F. Millman, b Harlow	21
R. Keens, lbw., b Phillips	0
D. Butler, b Bonfield	5
F. L. Oraddock, lbw., b Harlow	26
T. Ourlis, c Mann, b Harlow	10
F. Johns, b Harlow	0
W. Hills, b Phillips	32
F. Denison, run out	15
F. Bowler, not out	10
Major Kirtton, run out	1
W. Neale, c Harlow, b Phillips	2
Extras	7
Total	132

Railway Athletic.	
Emmerson, b Johns	3
Brittain, c Butler, b Kirtton	4
H. Mann, c sub., b Johns	2
Harlow, c Bowler, b Kirtton	0
Bonfield, b Kirtton	1
Phillips, b Johns	0
Sells, b Johns	6
Holmes, c Oraddock, b Johns	3
Pearce, run out	27
Redeall, not out	28
Carter, c Bowler, b Kirtton	6
Extras	2
Total	82

HOWARD'S v. GRANIC WORKS.

Played at Kempston on Saturday, and ended in a win for the visitors. Scores:—

Howard's.	
F. Marshall, lbw., b Rose	4
F. Harrison, c Arnold, b Bean	2
W. Whitbread, b Martin	31
A. Brown, not out	61
H. S. Harrison, run out	33
A. Penneck, b Rose	6
N. Chambers, c Cooper, b Rose	3
A. Harvey, lbw., b Rose	0
A. Tysoe, not out	9
Extras	12

Total (for 7 wks., dec.) 158

H. P. Cocking and W. Dawson did not bat.

Granitic Works.

T. L. Rose, b Cocking	0
M. S. Langford, b Brown	78
G. H. Howard, b Harvey	49
J. H. Bean, not out	36
H. C. Ourlis, b Brown	0
O. L. Melyd, b Brown	2
W. H. Martin, c Cocking, b Brown ..	0
C. Cooper, c Tysoe, b Harrison	1
Extras	8

Total (for 7 wks.) 174

F. Harrold, Franklin, and S. Murdock did not bat.

R.A.F. (HENLOW) v. BEDFORD CLARENCE.

Played at Henlow on Saturday, and won easily by the Clarence. Scores:—

R.A.F. (Henlow).	
Cpl. Chagwidden, c Wells, b Williamson	8
Cpl. Robinson, run out	5
L.A.C. Grayer, c Folkes, b Ives	0
L.A.C. Wood, c and b Ives	9
L.A.C. Roachford, b Williamson	0
Cpl. Perry, b Chapman	7
Cpl. Randall, b Ives	0
A.C. Hamer, run out	0
A.C. Howell, b Williamson	0
A.C. Fox, not out	16
A.C. Jones, b Chapman	0
Extras	2
Total	47

Bedford Clarence.

F. Chapman, c Fox, b Jones	7
A. Bailey, b Jones	1
J. Folkes, st. Perry, b Roachford ..	24
H. Alcock, c Grayer, b Hamer	25
F. Williamson, c Randall, b Roachford	0
E. Parker, lbw., b Roachford	2
E. Fisher, b Roachford	0
O. Maynard, c Chagwidden, b Roachford	3
M. Wells, b Hamer	0
T. Joyce, not out	23
R. Ives, not out	36
Extras	1

FORDER'S WORKS v. THE PYGHTLE.

Played at Wootton Pillinge on Saturday, heavy rain causing the abandonment of play. Scores:—

Forder's Works.—A. Beard, b Pilgrim, 0;

W. Tysoe, b Pilgrim, 2; G. Tuffnell, b Harlow, 0; T. Burraway, b Pilgrim, 2; J. Hillson, not out, 21; A. Robinson, c Miller, b Pilgrim, 6; W. Biggs, run out, 5; C. Lowe, 1; F. Tuffnell, b Pilgrim, 1; J. Biggs, b Pilgrim, 2; G. Faulkner, b Pilgrim, 7; extras, 3; total, 50.

The Pyghtle.—T. Miller, b Lowe, 2; F. E. Neale, lbw., b Tuffnell, 8; Harlow, c Faulkner, b Lowe, 4; extras, 2; total (for 3 wickets), 16.

Division II. (Northern Section).**HOWARD'S 2nd v. SHARNBROOK.**

Played on Howard's ground on Saturday, ending in favour of the visitors by 61 runs and 3 wickets. Scores:—

Howard's 2nd.—Potter, c Pacey, b Hilton, 2; Wilson, b Hilton, 3; King, b Howe, 19; Poulter, b Howe, 2; Keech, b Howe, 1; Fowler, c and b Hilton, 4; Inskip, c Bell, b Howe, 0; McKillop, b Hilton, 4; Harvey, b Hilton, 0; Jenkins, not out, 1; extras, 5; total, 41.

Sharnbrook.—W. Howe, b Potter, 1; L. G. Stileman-Gibbard, c Keech, b Poulter, 6; H. Boyles, c Poulter, b Poulter, 7; A. Turner, c Potter, b Poulter, 4; G. Bell, st. Keech, b Jenkins, 14; H. Butcher, not out, 24; R. Newell, b Jenkins, 14; F. Allen, c McKillop, b Potter, 16; T. Hilton, not out, 5; extras, 11; total (for 7 wks.), 102. E. Pacey and G. Stapleton did not bat.

Division II. (Southern Section).**WOOTTON HALL END v. HAYNES.**

Played at Wootton on Saturday, Haynes gaining an easy victory. Scores:—

Wootton Hall End.—A. Moore, c Francis, b C. J. Edwards, 5; F. Lambert, b Francis, 15; H. Hutchings, b Francis, 1; C. Burraway, c V. L. Edwards, b C. J. Edwards, 2; P. Wadsworth, b Francis, 1; C. Gilbert, c C. J. Edwards, b Francis, 5; C. Sinfeld, c Newell, b C. J. Edwards, 2; W. Hutchings, c V. L. Edwards, b C. J. Edwards, 2; E. Moore, b Francis, 1; A. Curtis, not out, 4; B. Cooper, b Cooper, 0; extras, 2; total, 40.

Haynes.—V. L. Edwards, c and b A. Moore, 2; F. Thorogood, b W. Hutchings, 10; S. Francis, not out, 27; F. Stevens, run out, 0; R. B. Edwards, not out, 4; extras, 1; total (for 3 wickets), 44. H. Herbert, W. Newell, A. E. Brittain, A. Cox, S. Cooper and C. J. Edwards did not bat.

Division II. (Eastern Section).**QUEEN'S WORKS v. BLUNHAM.**

Played at Allen Park on Saturday, and ended in a draw. Scores:—

Queen's Works.—G. Church, b Godman, 0; J. Chester, lbw., b Rawlins, 6; A. Barnes, b Godman, 0; H. Warren, run out, 31; M. Adams, b Rawlins, 4; H. Bustin, c Joyce, b Battle, 3; W. Amos, b Spavins, 64; B. Alcock, b Jeffries, 1; A. Sharpe, not out, 13; A. Hailstone, b Dennis, 23; A. Lockyer, b Sims, 0; extras, 2; total, 147.

Blunham.—H. Dennis, c Alcock, b Warren, 13; B. Spavins, b Sharpe, 0; Jeffries, run out, 1; Major Isherwood, b Alcock, 18; C. Rawlins, not out, 22; J. Godman, c Lockyer, b Alcock, 6; H. Curran, b Warren, 12; F. Battle, not out, 8; extras 4; total (for 6 wickets), 84. W. Sims, A. Joyce and J. Batterson did not bat.

League Notes by "Eagle."

For the second time during the season Bedford Clarence on Saturday beat Royal Air Force (Henlow) in Bedford Park, and there was no mistaking the verdict, for it was a great victory. The "Eagles" did poorly with the bat, and only one player reached double figures. The bowling of the Clarence appeared too much for them, Williamson (3 for 9), Chapman (2 for 2) and Ives (3 for 27) doing splendidly. The Clarence batted nicely, Folkes again doing well, as also did Alcock, while Joyce and Ives for the last wicket put on 60 runs. The Clarence now take top position on the League table.

Rain spoiled what looked like being a most enjoyable match at Wootton Pillinge on Saturday. Everyone expected a full four hours' cricket, as the wickets fell rapidly. J. Hillson carried out his bat for 21 out of the small total of 50 scored by Forder's. The Pyghtle had lost three useful batsmen for 16 when heavy rain came on and stopped further play, so that the result was a draw.

FRIENDLY.**QUEEN'S WORKS v. BEDS. CLUB AND GROUND.**

This match was played at Allen Park on Saturday. Both sides were without several of their regular players, owing to the County game with Bucks. The Club and Ground batted first, and made 184, and the Queen's replied with 65 for three wickets, the game thus ending in a draw. Scores:—

Beds. Club and Ground.	
F. A. Sewell, c J. Smith, b J. B. Smith 25	
F. Rawlins, c J. Smith, b Ratcliff ..	35
C. H. Williams, b F. Alkner	29
J. D. King, lbw., b Ratcliff	3
L. Clark, c Smith, b J. B. Smith ..	29
C. B. Bennett, b J. B. Smith	0
W. W. Corfield, hit v. a. l., b J. B. Smith ..	13
R. J. Keens, c Pearce, b Ratcliff ..	31
C. J. Lowe, lbw., b J. B. Smith	5
C. L. Harris, c Faulkner, b Johnson ..	0
K. Rawlins, not out	8
Extras	8

Total 184

Queen's Works.

J. Ratcliff, c King, b Rawlins	31
G. J. Golding, b Sewell	8
S. Keech, lbw., b King	25
J. Lazenby, not out	0
H. Faulkner, not out	3
Extras	0

Total (for 3 wks.) 65

J. King, B. Longstaff, J. B. Smith, J. Smith, H. Pearce, and T. Johnston did not bat.

BIGGLESWADE TOWN v. KIMBOLTON.

Biggleswade Town entertained Kimbolton at "Fairfield" on Saturday, and a most interesting game was witnessed. Biggleswade batted first, and declared when 151 runs had been obtained for the loss of 8 wickets. The top scorers were A. O. Brown (47), W. H. Frickot (31) and J. S. Bennett (25). Kimbolton started disastrously, the Rev. Morris soon being bowled by the Rev. R. A. Goodwin. Owen, however, batted splendidly and obtained 39, and when a heavy shower came on and the score sheet read 100 for 4 wickets, the game was abandoned in a draw forty minutes before time.