

SKINNER'S CENTURY

County Cricket at Ascott

BUCKS v. NORFOLK.

As briefly stated in last week's edition this match was played at Ascott and won by Bucks.

Norfolk won the toss and sent in Low and Rought-Rought to the bowling of Hazelton and Rutter. Low scored three of Rutter's first ball but was bowled next over. Rought-Rought was caught by Edwards before scoring. Holmes and Falcon looked like making a stand but the former was taken at the wicket after reaching double figures (3 for 20). Falcon who scored a century last year was not at all at home with Hazelton and was lbw for 11 (4 for 30). Play was slow, Rought-Rought being content to let Stevens do the scoring. At 47 Rought-Rought was stumped and Stevens bowled. Nichols and Bally made a stand and at 79 Edwards took the ball from Rutter. With his second ball he bowled Bally (7 for 79) and Cant was lbw for 1. (8 for 84). At lunch time the score was 96 for 2. One over after lunch finished the innings for 97, Nichols being not out for a well played 34.

Powell and Brooks opened for Bucks, the bowling being entrusted to R. Rought-Rought and Falcon. A bad start was made, Powell being caught at the wicket before a run was scored. Skinner followed in and a change of bowling was tried, Beadmore (slow left) taking the ball from Rought-Rought. In his first over he bowled Skinner, and Brooke was lbw to Falcon. Franklin had hardly settled down before he was given out, caught at the wicket. At 49 Rought-Rought bowled again from the opposite end and met with great success, Baker was caught at the wicket, and Hazelton should have been caught in the slips. Runs came slowly, the ball rising quickly off the pitch. After scoring 8 Hazelton was caught. Pitchford scored 5 (4 overthrows) and was caught. Battcock was bowled first ball and the same fate befell Rutter, Rought-Rought was doing the "hat trick." His figures for the second time he went on were over 8, maidens 5, runs 16, wickets 8 (including 4 for overthrows). The last wicket fell at 57 leaving Norfolk with an advantage of 40 runs.

SECOND INNINGS.

The same batsmen and bowlers commenced the second innings. After the tea interval (the score being 11 for 0), Edwards bowled instead of Rutter. As no wicket fell Hazelton gave way to Rutter at 61, and the parting came by Edwards catching Low. Rought-Rought was joined by his captain, but was c and b by Edwards, for 30. Holmes was lbw without scoring and Stevens had the misfortune to play the ball hard on to his wicket. Falcon was full of confidence and scored fast, but Rutter seemed to be pitching the ball very short at times and Battcock relieved him at 91. At the close of play the score was 104 for 6 wickets. On resuming next morning Falcon scored 11 off Hazelton's first over and reached his 50 after 15 minutes' play. Edwards was tried at 140 and ten minutes later Falcon's innings was closed. He had played well for his runs and hit 9 fours. Bally was badly missed in the same over when only 7 and this proved an expensive let off. A double change was tried, Battcock and Pitchford bowling. The former got Cant, lbw, and Bally was missed again. Beadmore was splendidly caught by Baker and the innings closed soon after noon for 197.

Bucks, requiring 236 to win entered on their task at 12.35. There being plenty of time, there was no need to force the game. Franklin and Brooke were the first pair of batsmen, Rought-Rought and Beadmore being the bowlers. Runs came slowly only 10 being scored in half an hour. Falcon and Nichols then bowled and off Falcon's first over 12 runs were scored. In his second over he bowled 4 no balls. At 30 Franklin was lbw, and lunch was taken with the score 42 for one.

Brooke and Skinner gave considerable trouble after lunch, there being frequent bowling changes. The batsmen held the upper hand. After batting 1 1/2 hours Brooke reached his 50. Beadmore was the only bowler that was able to check the run getting. Skinner was batting very freely, sending the ball to the boundary time after time. He reached 50 in 1 hour 40 minutes. Brooke was very severe on Nichols, sending him to the boundary twice in succession, 13 being scored off the over.

After scoring 60 Brooke was out for obstruction. His chief hits were six 4's and six 3's. The total was 178, the wicket having put on 140 runs. Tea was taken with the score at 234 for 2. Skinner 84 and Powell 7. The break in the game did not make any difference to Skinner though two other wickets fell before the winning hit was made. After batting a little over three hours, Skinner had the satisfaction of scoring his first century in county cricket. His innings contained 16 4's without giving a chance. At 5.30 p.m. Pitchford sent his ball to the boundary and the game was over. Rought-Rought who was so successful the first day, failed to get a wicket the second day. Too much praise cannot be given to the young batsmen Skinner and Brooke. Going in at a time when the odds seemed against making a big score after the first days' failure, they played with every confidence and success. Scores:—

Norfolk C.C.	
H. F. Low, b Hazelton	3
B. Rought-Rought, c Edwards, b Rutter	0
J. B. Holmes, c Franklin, b Rutter	11
M. Falcon, lbw, b Hazelton	11
G. A. Stevens, b Rutter	19
E. Rought-Rought, st Franklin, b Hazelton	1
Nichols, not out	34
J. H. Bally, b Edwards	12
R. W. Cant, lbw, b Hazelton	1
W. A. Beadmore, c Edwards, b Hazelton	2
Greenwell, c Battcock, b Edwards	1
Extras	2
Total	97

Norfolk C.C. second innings: H. F. Low, c and b Edwards, 14. B. Rought-Rought, c and b Edwards, 28. J. B. Holmes, lbw, b Edwards, 9. M. Falcon, c Battcock, b Rutter, 60. G. A. Stevens, b Rutter, 9. R. Rought-Rought, b Edwards, 9. Nichols, c Franklin, b Battcock, 20. J. H. Bally, not out 32. R. W. Cant, lbw, b Battcock, 17. W. A. Beadmore, c Baker, b Hazelton, 1. Greenwell, c Skinner, b Rutter, 1. Extras, 17. Total, 197.

Bucks C.C.	
C. Powell, c Bally, b Falcon	0
R. H. J. Brooke, lbw, b Falcon	8
A. G. Skinner, b Beadmore	12
W. B. Franklin, c Bally, b Falcon	6
L. G. Baker, c Bally, b Rought-Rought	6
Pitchford (H.), c Cant, b Rought-Rought	14
W. E. Hazelton, c Greenwell, b Rought-Rought	6
L. H. A. Hankey, not out	4
O. G. Battcock, b Rought-Rought	0
B. H. Rutter, b Rought-Rought	0
Edwards (F.), c Bally, b Rought-Rought	0
Extras	3
Total	57

Bucks C.C. second innings: C. Powell, c Cant, b Falcon, 15. R. H. J. Brooke, lbw, b Beadmore, 66. A. G. Skinner, not out, 104. W. B. Franklin, lbw, b Falcon, 31. L. G. Baker, c Holmes, b Falcon, 2. Pitchford, not out, 4. Extras, 6. Total (for 4 wickets) 236.

BUCKS v. KENT II.

'A Remarkable Recovery.'

This Minor Counties championship game took place at Blechley on Tuesday and Wednesday, but on the latter day rain interfered with play. When play ceased on Tuesday night Bucks were 130 runs behind Kent. Bucks started disastrously as Franklin was bowled by Brown for 0, and A. G. Skinner failed to score. On Wednesday Bucks carried their total to 234 for 7 wickets and then declared. R. H. J. Brooke carried his overnight score of 46 not out to 99, while C. Powell knocked up 56 and Walker 44. The extras numbered 30. On going in a second time Kent lost 2 wickets for 15 runs, when rain stopped play. Scores:

Kent II.	
G. S. Watson, st Franklin, b Edwards	28
Hart, c Edwards, b Rutter	0
Bull, c Skinner, b Edwards	78
Hubble, c Walker, b Edwards	2
Brown, b Battcock	1
G. J. V. Weigall, c Skinner, b Battcock	0
Reardon, b Edwards	47
Fairservice, not out	44
Lewis, c and b Rutter	11
Watt, c Hankey, b Rutter	5
Blunden, b Rutter	4
Extras	3
Total	233

Sports & Pastimes

A WEEK'S CRICKET AHEAD

Race for League Honours

FOOTBALL ON THE THRESHOLD.

After the holiday week's cricket we shall be looking forward to football. In some parts practice matches are fixed for August 17th and 24th. There are, however, a considerable number of important cricket games to be decided, including the championships of the seven divisions of the Wycombe and District Cricket League.

Wycombe C.C. 1st XI were at home to Pinner on Saturday, but no definite result was achieved owing to lack of time. It is a pity that teams of the calibre of Pinner and High Wycombe cannot arrange to start before 2.40 p.m. Unless something unforeseen happens there is little hope of completing the innings in such a short space of time. It was so on Saturday. Pinner knocked up no less than 245 for the loss of 8 wickets in nearly three hours, and then declared. It was 5.45 when the Wycombe batsmen faced the music.

Wycombe's other two minor teams made good use of a blank fixture list and assembled on the Royal Grammar School Ground for a knock. I am told that there was a rousing cheer when, on time, Bolton's boys (who indulge in most of their practice on the London Road enclosure, but seldom play there) won by a wicket - 171 to 172 for 9 wickets.

WYCOMBE C.C. HOLIDAY GAMES.

The most important match of the year in connection with the High Wycombe C.C. will be played to-morrow (Saturday), v. M.C.C. Wickets will be pitched at 11.30. Mr. G. V. Peares, who skips the side, hopes to bring down a strong combination. For some years past this particular match has been ruined by the weather, but we are hoping for the weather to hold good, when a splendid game should result.

The M.C.C. team will be: G. V. Peares, F. W. Hollins, N. J. D. Moffat, C. E. Blackshaw, A. J. S. James, J. B. Orr, C. P. Morrice, N. D. Latham, and two professionals.

Wycombe Reserves visit Stotenchurch to play the local XI, and the team will be selected from the following players: H. E. Page (capt.), E. G. Brocklehurst, J. Hall, H. W. Dugg, A. F. Dolman, S. A. Keen, T. H. Redington, J. Stubbings, L. Lawrence, N. E. Hawes, W. Tibbles, and V. G. Oxlade.

The "A" Team are playing The Leo on the Royal Grammar School Ground, and will be selected from: W. Bolton (capt.), M. Beeson, N. Plumridge, G. Styles, P. Shatter, W. Harris, J. E.

Kimber, N. Barnes, O. Bolton, B. E. Bolton, A. Tilbury, G. W. Ray, A. James, C. Slade, F. Croxson, L. P. Watkins.

The Wycombe Cricket week commences on Monday, August 5th, when lovers of the pastime will have an opportunity of seeing some keen games. The following matches will be played:

Monday August 5th (Bank Holiday). 1st XI v. Old Felsteadians, 11.30 a.m. Tuesday, August 6th, 2nd XI v. High Wycombe Cricket League, 1.30 p.m. Wednesday, August 7th, "A" Team v. Frieth, 11.30 a.m.

Thursday, August 8th, 1st XI v. Mr. W. H. Lavington's XI, 1.30 p.m. Friday, August 9th, 1st XI v. Middlesex Magpies, 11.30 a.m.

Saturday, August 10th, 2nd XI v. Monks Ristborough, 2 p.m.

Players are asked to consult the notice board to ascertain for which of the holiday games they have been chosen, or to get into communication with the respective captains.

EVENING CRICKET MATCHES.

The matches for Mr. Brazil's Challenge Cup and medals (for evening cricket matches) are now in full swing. The following first round results are to hand:

Desborough Sports Club, 15; North Dean 13. For North Dean Thomas took 6 wickets for 8 runs.

Wycombe Early Closers 62; Totteridge 31. Taylor, for the Closers, took 6 wickets for 14 runs.

Wycombe Wanderers Sports Club 33; Hughenden End 26 for 6 wickets.

WHITE HART STREET C.C.

Last Saturday White Hart Street C.C. played Ibtone on the Rye, and once more were fortunate enough to win. Ibtone batted first, and with the help of a fine innings of 26 by W. Johnson, scored 38 runs. The Institute then batted, and wickets fell cheaply, until the captain A. Whale, and J. Worley made a stand, and the innings closed at 48. Then, owing to good bowling by W. Ayres and E. Palmer, Ibtone were dismissed for 16 runs and when stumps were drawn, White Hart Street had scored 53 for 7 wickets, which included an innings of 30 not out by the captain, A. Whale. Scores: Ibtone, 38 and 16. White Hart Street, 48 and 53 for 7 wickets.

DOWNLEY NOTES.

Downley played home and away games with Booker C.C. last Saturday, and at the close of play were honours easy.

The First Division game at Booker, ended with the scores as follows: Booker 78, Downley 43. "Time was when we read quite a lot about 'Muddy Booker' - but according to all accounts there is no mud on 'Fred Pierce's' cricket pitch, where the Booker boys are bumping their way to victory after victory. "Well done Darkey."

The Reserves met on Downley Common, and a tall scoring game ended in a win for Downley as follows: Downley 146, W. Avery 23, G. Newall 24, Booker 66. A. Smith 22, S. Newport 23.

Downley Reserves are at home to Naphill Reserves on Saturday and on August Monday Downley are playing Victoria C.C. (Plastow) on the Common.

WYCOMBE & DISTRICT NONCONFORMIST CRICKET LEAGUE.

Results of last Saturday's games: Downley W.M. 23; Oakridge Road, B. 45. White Hart Street P.M. 43, 35-7; Ibtone P.M. 13, 12.

Sands P.M. 30, 41-4; Victoria Street W.M. 25, 17.

Table to date -

Table with 4 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, Pts. Rows include Oakridge Road Baptist, Victoria Street W.M., Ibtone P.M., Newland U.M., White Hart Street P.M., Downley W.M., Sands P.M.

AFTER PARTY YEARS.

Few groundsman can claim a better record than Herbert Page, of the High Wycombe C.C., who has been actively associated with that club for over 40 years. His introduction to cricket was at Great Kingshill, from which village he migrated to Wycombe and soon gained a reputation as a bowler. In addition to being the club's bowler he has been groundsman, and hundreds can testify to his devotion to the London Road enclosure. By way of an "extra," now that he is too old for bowling, he acts as umpire. On August 24th "Laddie" Page takes his annual benefit, when Reading will supply the opposition. I hope the "gate" will be a bumper and worthy of the man.

HIGH WYCOMBE & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE.

Results of matches played on Saturday, July 27th:-

Division I. Booker 79; Downley 43. Prestwood 50; Church Room 30. Lane End 64, 25; Penn Street 40, 55-8. Marsh Green 31; Wheeler End 70.

Division II. Alexs. 23, 10-2; Lacey Green 42, 73. Radnage 68; Haslemere 55. Naphill 60, 35-2; St. Andrews 78, 42. Tyers Green 53; Wanderers 107.

Division III. Hampden 54, 40; Deaborough S.C. 56, 52-6. Speen 60; Kingshill 82. Widmer End 116; Oxford Road B.C. 46. Westbourne Street 106; Tech. O.B. 26.

Division IV. (A). Little Kingshill 60, 35-4; Marlow W.M. 61, 32.

Wycombe W.M. 68; Winchmore Hill 64.

Division IV. (B). Bledlow E. 38; Sands 59.

Bradenham 37, 45-8; Totteridge 27, 40. Marsh S.C. 47, 8-8; Labour Party 20, 46-7 (dec.).

Division V. Downley E. 144; Booker E. 35.

Haslemere R. 160; Radnage R. 52. Loudwater R. 60; Lans End R. 110.

Division VI. Kingshill R. 124; Bledlow R. 37, 24.

Lacey Green R. 65, 42; Widmer End R. 86, 24.

Tech. O.B. 40, 17; Penn Street 37, 22-7.

Wheeler End R. 56, 55-4 (dec.); Wanderers 62, 45-6.

The revised tables now read as follows:-

Table with 4 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, Pts. Rows include Booker, Lane End, Wheeler End, Penn Street, Prestwood, Downley, Church Room, Marsh Green.

Division II. Lacey Green, Radnage, Tyers Green, Wanderers S.C., Naphill, Wycombe St. Andrews, Haslemere, Wycombe Alexandra.

Table with 4 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, Pts. Rows include Desborough S.C., Widmer End, Speen, Kingshill, Hampden, Oxford Road B.C., Wycombe Tech. O.B., Westbourne Street Inst.

Division IV. (A). Little Kingshill, Beacons Bottom, Wycombe W.M., Marlow W.M., North Dean, Marsh Hill, Loudwater, Winchmore Hill.

Table with 4 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, Pts. Rows include Cadmore End, Sands S.C., Totteridge, Bradenham, Bledlow Ridge, Marsh S.C., Labour Party, Gommes's S.C.

Division IV. (B). Haslemere R., Prestwood R., Lane End R., Booker R., Radnage R., Naphill R., Dowley E., Loudwater R.

Table with 4 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, Pts. Rows include Wanderers S.C. R., Wheeler End R., Penn Street R., Widmer End R., Kingshill R., Bledlow Ridge R., Tech. O.B.'s R., Lacey Green R.

Division V. Downley E. v. Naphill R. H. Morris and J. Wiatan.

Lane End v. Haslemere. W. Stacey and N. Cooper.

Loudwater v. Radnage R. W. Tuffney and J. Russell.

Division IV. (A). Winchmore Hill v. Marsh Hill S. Wright and A. Castle.

Division IV. (B). Bledlow Ridge v. Marsh Sports Club. H. Somers and F. Jenkins.

Division V. Downley E. v. Naphill R. H. Morris and J. Wiatan.

Lane End v. Haslemere. W. Stacey and N. Cooper.

Loudwater v. Radnage R. W. Tuffney and J. Russell.

Division VI.

Lacey Green R. v. Bledlow R. G. Brooks and W. Tilbury. Technical Old Boys v. Kingshill. J. Gibbs and A. L. Stone. Penn Street v. Widmers End. W. Turner and W. Collins. The Wycombe and District League team v. Wycombe "A" in H. Oldfield, P. A. Slade, G. Heather, W. Long, W. Meekes, L. Brown, E. Burnett, H. Rixon, J. Outram, M. Wright, and A. N. Other, Umpire, W. Tuffney.

CHALFONT ST. GILES C.C.

The 1st XI were narrowly defeated at home by Fairry Aviation on Saturday last by 10 runs. Fairry Aviation, consistent batting, compiled 145 for 5 wickets applying the declaration at this total. P. Nye (57 not out) and A. Cheeseman (41) were the chief contributors. The home team, thanks to a splendid effort by V. G. McArthur reached the total of 135. McArthur's effort of 99 included two 6's and twelve 4's. P. Nye bowled consistently and captured 4 wickets for 25.

The 2nd XI met with defeat at Seer Green by 35 runs. St. Giles collapsed amazingly and were dismissed for 24. W. Childs and A. Childs bowled unchanged and captured 7 wickets and 3 wickets respectively. Seer Green replied with 59, of which total B. Childs claimed 25. A. Bowler (5 for 34) and G. Taylor (4 for 16) shared the wickets.

TOTTERRIDGE C.C. NOTES.

The Totteridge Club visited Bradenham on Saturday, when, chiefly owing to poor fielding, the visitors lost to the home club by two wickets and 8 runs. G. Goodwin (for Totteridge) took 4 wickets for 3 runs. The scores were Totteridge 27, second innings 48, Bradenham 37, second innings 46 for 3 wickets.

On Monday evening, on the Eye, Totteridge met the Wycombe Early Closers' Club in an eliminating match for the Brazil Cup Competition. The Early Closers knocked up 62 (Taylor 23), Totteridge with 9 wickets down for 12, were saved from the prospect of a heavy defeat by Jeffery, who added 17 runs not out, thus bringing the score up to 31. Totteridge have no fixture for the two following Saturday afternoons.

Beaconsfield v. Colleshill.

Played at Beaconsfield on Sunday. Colleshill winning by 9 wickets and 5 runs. Rain unfortunately intervened and put an end to play at the tea interval. Beaconsfield were handicapped by a wet ball but very sportingly played on when they might have had good reason to stop play. Frank Slade and Murray again played a fine first wicket partnership putting on 56 before being parted. A. Wilkinson then joined the latter and the home team score of 127 was passed without further loss. Chief scorers for Beaconsfield were: R. A. Gill 33, O. T. Sutton 29, and V. L. Baylis 19. Score: Beaconsfield, R. A. Gill, b A. Slade, 11. H. Sneath, b M. Slade, 12. E. S. Smith, lbw, b M. Slade, 6. G. Blacker, b A. Slade, 1. O. T. Sutton, b M. Slade, 20. V. G. Baylis, c F. Slade, b A. Slade, 3. R. A. Gill, b A. Wilkinson, 29. V. L. Baylis, c C. Brackley, b M. Slade, 19. M. W. Halford, c E. Stubbings, b M. Slade, 11. A. E. Berry, b A. Slade, 3. Richard, not out. 4. Extras, 7. Total, 127.

Colleshill, M. Slade, not out, 53. F. Slade, c Blacker, b R. C. Gill, 27. A. Wilkinson, not out 48. Extras, 9. Total 127 for 1 wicket. W. Slade, E. Wilkinson, A. Slade, C. Brackley, B. Greaves, R. Stubbings, P. Palmer, E. Stubbings, did not bat.

Widmers End v. Oxford Road.

Last Saturday Widmers End entertained Oxford Road (Wycombe), and won by 71 runs. The chief performance came from Tranter (Widmers End), who scored a fine 57 not out. Score: Oxford Road: E. Bristow, b Newell, 2. C. Tomlin, c Oldfield, b Newell, 6. E. Davis, b Scott, 10. F. Ing, b Scott, 8. F. Maunders, b Newell, 1. G. Dean, b Newell, 0. E. Smith, c Page, b Newell, 0. A. King, c R. Smith, b Scott, 2. A. Buttersfield, c W. Smith, b Scott, 0. A. Tuffney, not out, 19. Gardiner, hit wat, b R. Smith, 2. Extras, 2. Total 65.

Widmers End: C. Oldfield, b Maunders, 0. L. Tranter, not out, 57. T. Marcham, c Dean, b Tomlin, 0. C. Scott, b Tomlin, 4. W. Smith, run out, 14. R. Marcham, b Smith, 0. L. Newell, run out, 0. W. Page, c and, b Gardiner, 9. R. Smith, run out, 14. F. Brindley, b King, 1. G. Townsend, b Smith, 0. Extras 27. Total 116.

High Wycombe v. Pinner.

Pinner made one of their few visits to the High Wycombe ground on Saturday, when in a high scoring game they effected a draw. The Hertfordshire side batted first and at 23, Stoyle (15) was caught by Beeson, off N. H. Theed. Lobb with Smith took the score to 60 for 2, when Lobb (also 15) was caught by Baker, off Skinner. Parry failing to contribute to the total, Pinner registered 60 for 3. Kitchen and Smit put a different aspect on the game, and scored all round the wicket. Several changes were made in the bowling department, all to no purpose, until 125 had been reached, when Smit (56) was caught by Beeson, off N. H. Theed. Kitchen was dismissed at 151, for 47, when he was clean bowled by Skinner, and in his contribution Kitchen had seven fours. While Glanfield kept up his wicket for 23 not out, Massey (35) and Roncoroni (49 not out) went on to take the score to 248 for 6, when Pinner declared at 5.30. After a short tea interval Wycombe started on their task and they made a gloomy opening. Skinner was out before he had saved his duck, and L. G. Baker (8) was dismissed at 17 for 2, and Brand (6) was sent back to the pavilion at the same total to add to the disasters. S. T. Theed was bowled by Roncoroni for 3-4 for 24. W. M. Pierce and Harry James made matters look more hopeful. Pierce being in his element. At 74, James was caught by Parry, off Kitchen, for 20 (3 fours). Pierce was then joined by Beeson and the margin was rapidly narrowed. Both batsmen punished the bowlers, and when time was signalled they were still not out—5 for 142. Pierce's contribution of 55 was one of the best he has made for the club for some time; he had 5 fours and 2 threes. Beeson's 38 included 6 fours and 2 threes. Roncoroni was the most successful bowler (3 for 34) for Pinner, and Skinner (3 for 51) for Wycombe. Scores and bowling analysis:—

Table with columns for player names and scores. Pinner: C. C. Smit, c Beeson, b N. H. Theed 56. P. S. Stoyle, c Beeson, b N. H. Theed 15. E. Lobb, c Baker, b Skinner 15. K. Parry, c Brand, b Skinner 0. R. T. Kitchen, b Skinner 27. G. P. Glanfield, not out 43. J. Massey, st. Pierce, b H. G. Baker 35. A. S. Roncoroni, not out 40. Extras 17. Total (6 wkts. dec.) 248.

S. Parkhouse, D. Jackson and J. A. Caldwell did not bat.

High Wycombe.

Table with columns for player names and scores. High Wycombe: L. G. Baker, c Caldwell, b Glanfield 8. A. G. Skinner, c Kitchen, b Roncoroni 0. H. G. Brand, c Kitchen, b Roncoroni 6. S. T. Theed, b Roncoroni 3. W. M. Pierce, not out 55. H. James, c Parry, b Kitchen 20. E. Beeson, not out 38. Extras 12. Total (5 wkts.) 142.

N. H. Theed, N. R. Hawes, H. G. Baker and H. G. Page, did not bat.

Wycombe bowling: Beeson, 18-2-64-0; N. H. Theed, 17-6-47-3; Skinner, 16-3-51-3; Page, 8-0-32-0; G. H. Baker, 6-0-25-1; Hawes, 3-0-12-0. Theed bowled 2 wides, and Baker 1, and Skinner 2 no-balls. Pinner bowling: Roncoroni, 14-1-34-3; Glanfield, 15-0-59-1; Parry, 3-1-5-0; Smit, 4-0-21-0; Kitchen, 4-0-17-1. Roncoroni bowled a no-ball.

Wycombe II v. Wycombe "A."

This match, played on the Wycombe Royal Grammar School ground on Saturday, enabled the respective skipper to reveal hitherto hidden talent. It was a decided triumph for the A's to defeat their more experienced opponents by one wicket, after a most exciting game. The result was in a measure due to the destructive bowling of J. Douglas, who was on his first-century form, taking 5 wickets for 28; backed up by A. James (2 for 58), W. Bolton (1 for 5) and N. Plumridge (1 for 0). There were some valuable batting contributions from Wycombe II: J. Stubbings, 57; C. Luttmann, 23; P. Slatter, 20; M. Bexon, 17; G. W. Ray, 18; J. Goodearl, 12; and E. M. James, 12 not out. Apart from the bowling the A's produced some useful bats—W. Harris, 35; A. James, 35; N. Plumridge, 25; and E. G. Stephens, 24. Scores:—

Wycombe II.

Table with columns for player names and scores. Wycombe II: C. Luttmann, b Douglas 23. H. W. Bugg, b A. James 0. P. Slatter, b Douglas 20. J. Stubbings, c Harris, b W. Bolton 57. M. Bexon, b A. James 17. G. W. Ray, c W. Bolton, b Douglas 18. J. Goodearl, b Douglas 12. E. M. James, not out 12. J. V. Britnell, b Douglas 0. H. E. Page, b Plumridge 1. F. G. Oxlade, c Stevens, b Styles 0. Extras 11. Total 171.

Wycombe "A."

Table with columns for player names and scores. Wycombe "A": W. Harris, c Slatter, b Bugg 35. B. E. Bolton, b Bexon 12. N. Plumridge, c Oxlade, b Ray 25. A. Tilbury, c Slade, b Bugg 2. G. E. Styles, c Ray, b Bugg 11. A. James, b James 35. J. Douglas, c James, b Luttmann 1. E. G. Stephens, c Page, b Luttmann 24. C. G. Slade, not out 5. A. Conduit, c Stubbings, b James 0. W. Bolton, not out 10. Extras 13. Total (9 wkts.) 172.

Wanderers Sports Club v. Hughenden End.

This match was played in the first round of Mr. Brazil's Cup, Hughenden End winning by 5 wickets and 23 runs. The Sports Club batted first facing the bowling of G. Smith and A. E. King. The opening batsmen started very steadily, the first wicket falling at 7. The following batsmen found the bowling very keen, 3 wickets falling for 11 runs. The fifth wicket fell at 18, then a stand was made by F. Easden (9) who was the Sports Club's top scorer. F. Blaby was brought on to bowl and did good work, the last wicket falling at 33. L. Snell and H. Day opened for the End, making 20 runs before being separated. G. Smith and F. Randall carried on splendidly. F. Randall was out to a fine catch by G. Hazell. A. E. King made the winning hit with 4 wickets down, he hit hard and often, scoring 5 threes and 1 two (not out). H. Stratford bowled well for the Sports Club. F. Blaby took 3 for 3 and A. E. King 3 for 10 for the End. Scores: Wanderers Sports Club, 33; Hughenden End, 56 for 5 wickets. Hughenden End played with one or two exceptions their usual football team.

Little Marlow and Bourne End v. Maidenhead 2nd XI.

This match was played at Little Marlow on July 27th. Maidenhead winning by 32 runs. Bating first, Maidenhead had only 27 runs for the loss of 5 wickets, but H. Vaughan by splendid hitting scored 42, including a six and five fours, and was out by a smart catch by Howard in the long field, their total reaching 88. Yates took 6 wickets for 30 runs. The home team started disastrously losing Laurence and Wootton for none, Smith for a change, also left early. They also had 27 on the board for 5 wickets. Howard having made 17 of them including four boundaries. Two of the "dad" bats then made a little stand, adding 26 for the eighth. H. Vaughan took six wickets for 35.

Playing half-an-hour each in the second innings the visitors scored 53 for 3 and the home team 40 for 2. Scores: Maidenhead 2nd XI—M. Pattani, c Pepper, b Yates, 7. R. Foster, c Wootton, b Yates, 0. H. D. Hulke, c Perfect, b Yates, 11. L. Absolom, c Yates, b Burrough, 2. G. Sprague, b Burrough, 5. A. Ruddle, b R. Ward, 3. F. Crowder, b Yates, 10. H. Vaughan, c Howard, b Yates, 42. E. C. Absolom, b Pepper, 3. F. Edwards, b Yates, 0. A. N. Other, not out, 0. Extras, 2. Total, 88.

Little Marlow & Bourne End.—T. E. Smith, b Ruddle, 5. E. Laurence, b H. Vaughan, 0. H. Wootton, c and b H. Vaughan, 0. F. Howard, c and b Peddle, 17. E. Burrough, c Hulke, b Peddle, 2. W. Perfect, b H. Vaughan, 3. B. Pepper, b H. Vaughan, 15. R. Ward, b Peddle, 0. G. Yates, b H. Vaughan, 11. J. Esley, not out, 0. L. Harding, b H. Vaughan, 4. Extras, 3. Total, 52.

Great Hampden v. Desborough C.C.

Those who visited Great Hampden Common expecting to see a good game when Hampden played the prospective champions of their section of the League, must have felt disappointed with the batting display of both teams.

Desborough won the toss and put Hampden in. The first over brought 4 runs at the cost of a wicket, the next over a casualty, the batsman retiring hurt. This incident appeared to make some of the following batsmen over careful and less inclined to hit the ball. Five wickets were down for 13 and 9 for 29, Hildreth (not out) 8 was joined by Ward; 25 runs were added, Hildreth giving the bowling what it deserved, getting some of his runs (a four included), by adopting a tennis stroke when the ball was over his head. His score was 27 not out, when the innings closed for 54.

Desborough lost their first wicket without a run, the fourth at 25. Vickers then partnered Roarne and played a maiden over. By waiting for the right ball to hit he scored 26 runs in 6 strokes during his stay of 20 minutes, leaving at 48 for 5. Hearn's dreary innings which lasted one hour and a half for 15, ended when Hildreth took a catch left handed a few inches off the ground—49 for 6. The last wicket fell at 56, two in front. Hampden's second knock was as lifeless as the first—9 for 25. Ward, last in, scored 14 of the total of 40, Ridgley (first man) 12.

Desborough also found run-getting difficult, 5 for 13, but eventually had 29 for 6 when the umpires gave the order to "cease fire."

Booker v Downley.

This match was played at Booker on Saturday last, and ended in a win for Booker by 56 runs. Bowling for Booker, A. Patey took seven wickets for 49 runs, and T. Patey three for 15 runs. Booker have now won the premier position in the 1st Division of the Wycombe and District League. Scores:—

Booker—F. Pearce, c Ford, b Sexton 9. T. Patey, b Windsor 5. Gil. Fane, b Windsor 15. A. Patey, c Smith, b Styles 1. G. Heather, b Windsor 0. G. Windsor, b Styles 18. A. Deane, b Styles 0. H. Newport, lbw, b Styles 2. H. Jeskins, b Sexton 5. Geo. Fane, b Windsor 19. F. Piercey, not out 1. Extras 4. Total 79. Downley—T. Moore, b A. Patey 4. E. Youens, b A. Patey 3. E. Jones, c Pearce, b T. Patey 6. J. Smith, b A. Patey 1. C. Ford, b A. Patey 0. B. Sexton, b A. Patey 5. A. Windsor, b T. Patey 2. W. Youens, b A. Patey 9. B. Styles, not out 0. G. Youens, b A. Patey 1. P. Stratford, b T. Patey 3. Extras 9. Total 43.

Westbourne Street Res. v. St. John's Res.

Played on Whincup's on July 27th and ended in a win for St. John's by four wickets and four runs after a very exciting finish. Westbourne Street batted first and knocked up 33 runs, Adby being top scorer with 8. St. John's went in and replied with 56. Lay 15, Green 9 and Martin 8. In their second venture the street fared a little worse scoring 31. Although this only left St. John's 11 to win, 6 wickets went down before the winning hit was made, Brine 9 not out. T. King and D. Gravett bowled well for St. John's taking 7 for 23 and 11 for 34 respectively.

Stokenchurch Res. v. Wycombe St. John's.

These teams met at Stokenchurch on Saturday last in their return match. Going in first the Reserves knocked up a total of 188, F. Barratt playing a fine innings for 69 and A. Elston 34 also did well with the bat. S. Ayres 17 completed the double figures scorers. St. John's had valuable help from W. Barnett who knocked up 49 and with A. Pitfield 25, W. Stevens 13, F. Hurt 11 they ran up a total of 116. G. Ashby took 5 wickets for 11 runs. T. Styles 4 for 36 and S. Ayres 1 for 49. In a second venture the Reserves knocked up 46 for 3 wickets when time arrived. This left them winners by 72 runs on the first innings. Scores:—

Stokenchurch Reserves.—A. Johnson, b Stokes 7. G. W. Ashby, run out 0. S. Ayres, run out 17. F. Barratt, run out 69. T. Styles, c W. Collins, b Pitfield 34. G. Ashby, c F. Stokes, b Hart 6. W. Styles, c and b Hart 9. A. Elston, c Collins, b Stokes 34. F. Butler, b Collins 4. H. Ashby, c Stevens, b Collins 9. S. Lerner, not out 7. Extras 19. Total 188. Wycombe St. John's.—W. Stevens, c A. Johnson, b S. Ayres 13. A. Pitfield, b T. Styles 26. V. Trendall, c A. Johnson, b G. Ashby 9. A. Stevens, b T. Styles 0. S. Hart, b T. Styles 11. F. Stokes, b G. W. Ashby, b T. Styles 0. W. Lerner, b G. Ashby 49. W. Collins, c G. W. Ashby, b G. Ashby 0. G. Stokes, b G. Ashby 3. A. Hart, b G. Ashby 0. E. Stevens, not out 2. Extras 5. Total 116.

Hughenden Valley C.C. v. C. V. Troughton's XI.

This match was played at Hughenden on Saturday last when the Valley Club defeated its Presidents eleven by the narrow margin of five runs. Bating first the Valley scored 67 runs, the outstanding effort being that of G. Waterton's, who played well to score 28 not out. The visitors replied with a score of 62. At one stage it certainly looked as though the Valley would retire winners by a much bigger margin than they did, but the visitors put up a last wicket stand of 23 runs, E. Bray collecting eleven of these in very quick time. A most exciting finish was witnessed by a highly interested audience, every one of the last few runs being loudly applauded. It appeared that the visitors would secure the necessary runs to win, but H. Braund in attempting a big hit was cleverly caught by E. Pope when only 6 runs were wanted, the game thus ending with a five runs victory for the hosters.

The Valley players were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Troughton, and all enjoyed a splendid tea which they were invited to partake of in the beautiful home of their host and hostess. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. and Mrs. Troughton for the excellent arrangements they had made for the comfort of their guests, which included refreshments on the ground, a special marquee having been erected for this purpose. Scores:—

Hughenden Valley.—A. Saunders c Mytton, b Price, 6. N. Kearney, run out, 2. P. Newell, lbw, b Mytton, 4. S. Hall, C. Davies, b Guyer, 4. A. Russell, b Mytton, 4. H. Woodley, c Bray, b Price, 7. S. Pope, c Spaul, b Smyth, 2. G. Waterton, not out 28. F. Ranken, b Spaul, 0. C. White, c Mytton, b Spaul, 2. L. White, c and b Spaul, 2. G. Harding, b Spaul, 0. Extras, 6. Total, 67.

C.V. Troughton's XI.—F. Kendall, b A. Saunders, 0. R. Price, c N. Kearney, b G. Waterton, 11. R. Smyth et Newell, b Waterton 8. V. Spaul, c Kearney, b Hall, 3. J. Dain, lbw, b F. Pope, 0. R. Mytton, b Saunders, 3. E. Davies, b Waterton, 0. E. Catton, b Saunders, 5. J. Ledger, b Saunders, 3. S. Guyer, lbw, b F. Pope, 0. H. Braund, c Pope, b Saunders, 9. R. Bray, not out, 11. Extra, 9. Total, 62.

To-morrow (Saturday) the Valley visit Wycombe Baptists on the Kings Mead Ground at High Wycombe. The following team has been selected for duty: A. Saunders, N. Kearney (capt.), H. Woodley, G. Waterton, G. Harding, S. Hall, F. Pope, A. Drinkwater, J. Babb, G. Summerfield and W. Rixon. Commence 2.30.

Woburn Park C.C. v. Burnham (A) C.C.

This match was played at Woburn Park on Saturday, July 27th, and resulted in a win for the home team by 50 runs. Winning the toss the Park batted first and two wickets quickly fell for 11 runs. A fine stand was then made by E. Rolfe and J. Smith, who put on 71 runs before being parted. Whilst Rolfe kept strictly on the defensive, Smith opened out and made some fine hits and was specially severe on the leg balls. With the exception of H. Cox the remainder of the batsmen failed to withstand the bowling and the innings closed for 99. The Burnham innings opened with the brothers Slater, but wickets quickly fell. Feast and Lee were the only batsmen to reach double figures. Wheeler, the home captain was in fine form with the ball and took 5 wickets for 16 runs. The home team were good in the field and excellent catches were made by S. Ball, E. Cox and E. Fowler. Scores:—

Woburn Park.—E. Cox, c Lee, b Louther, 1. E. Rolfe, c Slater, b Lee, 28. M. Havord, c Sands, b Lee, 0. J. Smith, c Louther, b Lee, 44. T. Wheeler, b Lee, 2. H. Cox, b Louther, 12. B. Havord, b Louther, 0. E. Reeves, run out, 0. F. Smith, b Lee, 0. E. Fowler, c Feast, b Louther, 0. S. Ball, not out, 0. Extras, 12. Total, 99.

Burnham (A).—B. Slater, c and b E. Cox, 5. A. Slater, b Wheeler, 3. B. Sands, run out, 0. N. Brady, c Fowler, b Cox, 1. C. Holloway, c H. Cox, b F. Smith, 2. H. Feast, b Wheeler, 13. F. c E. Cox, b Wheeler, 0. S. Wootton, b E. Cox, b Wheeler, 0. S. Wootton, b Wheeler, 0. E. M. Dowse, c and b F. Smith, 8. G. Bowman, not out, 6. Lee, c Ball, b Wheeler, 10. E. Louther, Extras, 1. Total, 49.

Little Hampden v. The Lee.

This match was played at Lee on Saturday and won by the visitors by 8 wickets. The home team batted first and were all out for 36. Dell and J. Brown both bowling well, Birch and Keen alone doing anything with the bat. Little Hampden went in and made the respectable total of 84, Tompkins, Dell, Buckland and Brown playing well for their respective scores. On Lee going in again they found things to their liking and knocked up 80 for 4 and declared leaving the visitors 43 to win in about 25 minutes, they eventually knocked up 55 for 2 and so a pleasant game ended as above stated. Scores:—

Little Hampden: J. Taylor, c Bristow, b Stone, 7. J. Tompkins, b Birch, 20. M. Dell, b Keen, 11. W. Brown, c Pearce, b Birch, 1. R. Buckland, c Picton, b Birch, 9. H. Wiltshire, b Birch, 2. J. Brown, b Birch, 20. G. Newton, not out, 4. H. Taylor, c Dorrell, b Hearn, 0. J. Bristol, c Beaton, b Birch, 0. W. Lowe, b Hearn, 0. Extras, 10. Total 84.

Second innings 56 for 2. The Lee: W. Birch, b J. Brown, 13. A. Pearce, b Dell, 0. A. Beaton, b J. Brown, 1. W. Stone, b Dell, 0. L. Keen, b J. Brown, 7. H. Hearn, b Dell, 1. M. Bristow, lbw, b J. Brown, 3. D. Dorrell, b Dell, 1. M. Kendall, c Buckland, b Dell, 4. E. Picton, not out, 3. J. Dorrell, c Brown, b Dell, 3. Extras, 0. Total, 36. Second innings: 90 for 4 wickets.

Little Kingshill v. Marlow Working Men.

The above match was played at Little Kingshill and after a very pleasant game the home team won by six wickets. Marlow batted first and F. Sparks 15 and F. Ryan 12 and H. Langley 9 contributed to the useful score of 61. Kingshill started rather badly and lost 4 wickets for 11 runs, but steady play by the veteran R. Taylor (14) and some good hitting by O. Bridge (20), they were able to get within one run of their opponents. On Marlow going in a second time the bowling of W. Babb junr. was so effective that they were all dismissed for 32 runs, leaving the home team to get 33 to win. This was easily accomplished, F. Brooks 9, R. Taylor 8, and W. Babb junr. 12 not out. The runs were obtained for the loss of 4 wickets. Home teams bowling, first innings: W. Babb junr., 0 for 16, R. Taylor 2 for 28, A. Babb 6 for 8, W. Babb junr. 0 for 8. Second innings: A. Babb 1 for 11, W. Babb junr. 7 for 15.

Temple End v. Hampden Reserves.

The above teams met at Cryers Hill last Saturday, the home team winning a pleasant game by 4 wickets. Scores: Temple End 61 (C. Avery 21 not out) and 52 for 6 wickets. (C. Avery 14, and A. Barlow 12 not out); Hampden Reserves, 48 (S. Brown 8 for 23, A. Lamberth 4 for 18), and 49 (W. Ridgley 12 and G. Ridgley 11 not out, A. Lamberth 5 for 24 and S. Brown 3 for 19). J. Essex and F. Davis bowled well for the visitors.

To-morrow (Saturday) Temple End are away to North Dean. Bus leaves Pooters at 1.30 p.m.

BUCKS V. STAFFS.

First Innings Points at Porthill.

GOOD BOWLING.

Bucks had a very interesting fixture with Staffordshire for the holiday, in the Minor Counties competition. The match was played at Porthill, near Stoke-on-Trent, on Monday and Tuesday. Bucks fielded a very representative side, as did Staffordshire, who, of course, included Sydney Barnes, the England bowler, and Lorkett, who has represented the Minor Counties in several important matches. Owing to very heavy rain overnight, play could not be started on time, and it was 2.15 before the captains tossed. Mr. Franklin won the toss for Bucks and decided to bat. The wicket had dried a lot, but the general condition was not good, and with a bowler of Barnes's class, there were no visions of big scores. Franklin and Brooke opened the innings to the bowling of Barnes and Lorkett. Franklin was badly missed behind the wicket. With the score at 17, Barnes brought off a fine c. and b. to dismiss Franklin, 1-17-13. Skinner came in and survived a strong appeal for l.b.w. off his first ball. Brooke was missed in the slips by Boon off Barnes, and promptly celebrated his escape by pulling him for 4. At 32 Boon relieved Lorkett, and one run later he had Brooke caught at the wicket, after batting just over an hour for his 12 runs, 33-2-12.

Hazelton caused much amusement by his unsuccessful attempts to hit Barnes, and after scoring 2, he also fell a victim to the Green-Boon combination. Walker could not get going, and was clean bowled by Barnes, 42-4-1. Pitchford had only scored 2 when caught by Iken, 46-5-2. Skinner seemed to be the only one to stay, and he played very sound cricket, although the run-getting was rather slow. Everyone seemed to know what to do with Barnes except the batsmen, and when Skinner did get him away for 4 there were loud cheers. At 67 Southall was clean bowled by Barnes, after playing very steadily for half-an-hour for 6 runs. Stevens-Davis failed to live up to his reputation as a batsman, and was caught off Barnes without scoring, 67-7-0. Battcock came in and caused more amusement in trying to play Barnes. Taking the advice of the crowd, he went out to him, and clumped him for two nice fours, but in trying again, was well taken by Ellerker, standing on the boundary. Skinner should have been caught in the slips off Boon, but Barnes fumbled it. Tea was taken with the score: 92 for 8, Skinner being not out 38.

On resuming, the score was taken to 101, when Skinner was bowled by Lorkett for a well played 41. Edwards did not stay long, and the innings closed at 105, Rutter being not out 9.

Staffordshire opened with Fitton and Bourne, to the bowling of Hazelton and Edwards. Fitton cut the first ball for 4, but runs came slowly, and at 24 Pitchford went on to let Edwards change over. This proved successful, as Edwards clean bowled Fitton, 1-27-15. Pitchford got Crump caught at short leg after scoring 2 (34-2-2), and bowled Ellerker with his second ball, 34-3-0. Edwards had disposed of Iken when stumps were drawn for the day, Staffs. being 38 for 4.

Torrential rain in the night again delayed the start, as the pitch was under water, and dried so slowly that it seemed quite probable the game would have to be abandoned. At 5.15 the Bucks captain sportingly agreed to resume, although the wicket seemed in favour of the batsmen. Pitchford and Edwards bowled to the overnight "not outs," Boon and Bourne. The former got Pitchford away for 1, but was bowled by Edwards next over, 45-5-6. Barnes came in and opened by pulling Pitchford for 6. Pitchford changed to bowling over the wicket, and this was successful, as he got Barnes l.b.w. (6-6-14); and Bourne was caught by Rutter off Edwards without any addition. Lorkett was l.b.w. to Edwards's first ball, and Franklin brought off a smart bit of stumping to dismiss Heath, the Staffs. captain. Rain began to fall again, but the game was continued, and with the score at 74, Green was caught by Franklin off Pitchford. No more play was possible, and thus Bucks take points for a first innings lead. Scores:

Bucks.	
W. B. Franklin, c and b Barnes	13
R. H. Brooke, c Green, b Boon	12
A. G. Skinner, b Lorkett	41
W. E. Hazelton, c Green, b Boon	2
L. M. Walker, b Barnes	1
Pitchford, H., c Iken, b Barnes	2
W. Southall, b Barnes	6
B. H. Stevens-Davis, c Bourne, b Barnes	0
O. G. Battcock, c Ellerker, b Barnes	12
R. H. Rutter, not out	9
Edwards, F., c Boon, b Barnes	0
Extras	7
Total	105

Staffs. bowling.—Barnes, 30.4-12-43-7, Lorkett, 20-3-35-1, Boon, 10-4-20-2,

Staffs.	
G. A. Fitton, b Edwards	15
H. E. Bourne, c Rutter, b Edwards	28
L. H. Crump, c Stevens-Davis, b Pitchford	2
N. H. Ellerker, b Pitchford	0
A. W. Iken, b Edwards	0
J. S. Heath, st Franklin, b Edwards	2
Lorkett, l.b.w., b Edwards	0
A. Smith, not out	2
Barnes, l.b.w., b Pitchford	14
G. B. Green, c Franklin, b Pitchford	4
Boon, b Edwards	6
Extras	1
Total	74

Bucks bowling.—Hazelton, 9-4-23-0, Edwards, 22-12-23-6, Pitchford, 15-6-27-4.

Cricket of the Week.

HIGH WYCOMBE v. M.C.C.

Three Pro.'s Assist the Visitors.

Wycombe are very unfortunate from the weather point of view when the M.C.C. pay their annual visit to the town club. In 1928, not a ball was bowled, and last Saturday, the unsettled state of the elements no doubt affected the attendance. This fixture is regarded as one of the tit bits of the Wycombe season. For some time Mr. C. I. Thornton skipped the side and after him came Mr. Collins and on each occasion some well-known players have taken part. For last Saturday's game three professionals were included—Covill (Cambridge), Fenner (Kent), and Waghorn (Sussex). Wycombe's side was one of the youngest that has faced the M.C.C. side and all things considered they did exceedingly well, their ground work in the field being freely commented upon by the visitors. Unfortunately no definite result was reached the game being left drawn decidedly in favour of the M.C.C., who after scoring 289 for the loss of five wickets, declared, Wycombe replying with 124 for six. However, there were 113 runs scored during the match, and with plenty of free hitting spectators had plenty to interest them.

M.C.C. started to bat at 11.45 a.m. sending in Hollins and Covill, Britnell and Norman Theed shared the bowling. Covill soon began to punish the bowling and the score rose rapidly. At 37, Hollins (11) was clean bowled by Theed. Two other wickets fell cheaply, Tyler was given out for an obstruction, off Skinner for 4, and Morrice failed to save his duck—3 for 54. Blackshaw joined Covill and there was a long stand during which some fine cricket was witnessed. The timing of the balls by Covill was a treat. The score was taken from 51 for 3 to 201 for 4. Covill in his 119 hit two sixes, 15 fours and 3 three's and Blackshaw's 70 enhanced 6 fours, and James 50 not out, 7 fours and 2 three's. As above stated the M.C.C. venture was closed at 289 for 5 wickets. Wycombe's work in the field is shown by the fact that there were only 3 leg byes, a wide, and a no-ball. Skinner claimed 2 wickets, Britnell, N. H. Theed and H. James one each. At the start it looked as though the Wycombe innings would soon be over as 2 wickets were down for 25, 3 for 55, and 4 for 77. Skinner contributed a useful 47 (5 fours) and with double figures by S. T. Theed matters looked more healthy. W. M. Pierce defied the attack for some time and when time was called Pierce was not out with 31 (4 fours). Fenner took 3 wickets for 34, Waghorn, Peters, and Morrice one apiece. Luncheon was served by Mr. and Mrs. J. Bailey of the Red Lion Hotel and tea by Mrs. Pago.

M.C.C. and Ground.	
F. H. Hollins, b N. H. Theed	11
Covill, c Hawes, b Britnell	119
J. S. Tyler, lbw, b Skinner	4
C. F. Morrice, c G. H. Baker, b Skinner	0
A. J. S. James, not out	50
G. B. Blackburn, c Theed, b James	70
Extras	5

Total (5 wickets declared) 289. R. O. Latham, G. V. Pearce, Fenner, A. D. Peters and Waghorn did not bat.

High Wycombe.	
J. G. Baker, c Covill, b Fenner	12
J. Brickwell, c Peters, b Fenner	11
H. G. Brand, c Covill, b Peters	5
A. G. Skinner, c James, b Waghorn	47
S. T. Theed, b Fenner	19
W. M. Pierce, not out	31
H. R. James, st Latham, b Hollins	5
Extras	3

Total (for 6 wickets) 124. N. R. Hawes, N. H. Theed, G. H. Baker and R. R. Britnell, did not bat.

High Wycombe v. Old Felstedians.

The Bank Holiday attraction at High Wycombe was a visit from the Old Felstedians, who were making their first appearance on the London Road enclosure. Messrs. F. Robinson and T. H. Redington are both Old Felstedians and the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Redington and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brocklehurst (both members of the County C.C.) are at present pupils of the school at Felsted. Mr. Robinson who often assists the Old Felstedians during their "Cricket Week," assisted them on Monday. The gathering had a further social side, as not only was luncheon and teas provided, but after the match, thanks to the kindness of Mr. Robinson his old school chums and a few friends were entertained at the Red Lion Hotel.

The Old Felstedians lost the toss and L. G. Baker and J. Brickwell started the venture for Wycombe at 11.50 a.m. and for the first hour there was some entertaining cricket especially on the part of Baker. The latter had just reached his "50" when he was clean bowled by Beckett, the state of the game at this stage being 1 for 81. Brand did not stay long, and at the luncheon interval, Wycombe had lost two wickets for 93. Brickwell and S. T. Theed resumed batting operations, and there was some more lively cricket. The score rose by leaps and bounds. Frequent changes were made in the attack, but all to no purpose until the score stood at 188 for 3, when Brickwell who had batted patiently, was caught by Edwards off Evans for 61 (7 fours). Wycombe soon lost Pierce (4 for 192) and at 207 for 5, Theed was out "l.w." for 77. Theed's figures, showing the liveliness of his cricket, make interesting reading—1 five, 9 fours, 2 threes and 7 twos. Redington had the misfortune to slip and was run out (6 for 209) and Keen (9) was dismissed at 237. N. H. Theed 35 not out (6 fours) and G. H. Baker (10) not out (2 fours) continued the game till the closure was applied with Wycombe having to their credit 261 for the loss of 7 wickets.

The Old Felstedians started on their task at 4.30 p.m. and throughout they showed fine sportsmanship—eager to win but never taking any advantage of time. The visitors started disastrously. Cresswell was caught by Pierce off Theed before he had scored (1 for 3), and at 13 for 2 Morley-Brown was given out "lbw" to Britnell for 10. These did not end their run of bad luck, as at 19 for 3 Powell was also given out "lbw" to Britnell. Evans who had so far been the highest scorer with 15 before he was caught by L. G. Baker off Ball, was sent back to the pavilion, and when the state of affairs stood at 11 for 5, Beckett was clean bowled by Ball. W. B. Edwards and P. A. Newman then came together and playing fine cricket brought a remarkable change over the game. At 101 for 6, Redington, who only bowled one over, was credited with the wicket of Edwards, Ball accepting a catch. Edwards' 46 included 5 fours. Newman continued to keep his end up and add to the score, but before the trundling of Theed and Ball, a trio was dismissed with only two runs between them. At 138 Newman was clean bowled by Ball for 53 (6 fours and 2 threes). With ten minutes to go Wycombe gained a well earned victory by 123 runs. Scores and bowling analysis:

Old Felstedians.	
H. F. Cresswell, c Pierce, b N. H. Theed	0
C. Morley-Brown, lbw b Britnell	10
B. S. Evans, c L. G. Baker, b Ball	15
L. A. Powell, lbw, b Britnell	2
W. B. Edwards, c Ball, b Redington	46
J. R. Beckett, b Ball	2
P. A. Newman, b Ball	53
S. P. Lane, b N. H. Theed	0
A. A. Moller, lbw, b N. H. Theed	0
F. Robinson, c and b Ball	2
R. H. Barson, not out	6
Extras	8
Total	138
High Wycombe.	
J. G. Baker, b Beckett	50
J. Brickwell, c Edwards, b Evans	61
H. G. Brand, c Cresswell, b Barson	8
S. T. Theed, lbw, b Beckett	77
W. M. Pierce, c Newman, b Beckett	1
S. A. Keen, c Barson, b Powell	9
T. H. Redington, run out	0
N. H. Theed, not out	35
G. H. Baker, not out	10
Extras	10
Total (7 wickets dec.)	261

J. Ball and R. R. Britnell did not bat.

Old Felstedians bowling.—Powell, 19—2—27—1; Barson, 16—4—19—1; Evans, 16—2—15—1; Cresswell, 7—1—34—0; Beckett, 21—3—80—3; Morley-Brown, 1—0—17—0; Evans bowled a wide.

Wycombe bowling.—Britnell, 15—6—26—2; N. H. Theed, 17—3—48—3; Ball, 14—3—31—1; G. H. Baker, 5—1—14—0; Brickwell, 4—1—6—0; Redington, 1—0—6—1. Redington bowled two wides and Theed one.

Beaconsfield v. Old Citizens.

Beaconsfield entertained the Old Citizens on the 4th and 5th August, when the visitors won both games. Scores for August 4th.

Beaconsfield.	
A. J. S. James, c A. Fulford, b G. H. Lewis	5
C. H. Boddy, c Blake, b R. N. Hunt	0
C. V. Raffety, c Blake, b R. N. Hunt	17
F. M. F. Stephenson, b R. N. Hunt	15
R. A. Gill, b R. N. Hunt	0
J. G. Montague, c Sheppard, b R. N. Hunt	13
H. G. Stevens Davis, b R. N. Hunt	10
H. Sneath, c Thompson, b G. H. Lewis	0
V. C. Baylis, run out	10
J. Bray, c Blake, b G. H. Lewis	22
V. G. Baylis, not out	1
Extras	2
Total	95
Old Citizens.	
C. Sayer, c C. V. Raffety, b H. G. Stevens Davis	7
F. Sheppard, c V. C. Baylis, b J. Bray	20
W. Gaite, c C. H. Boddy, b J. Bray	0
E. N. Hunt, c C. V. Raffety, b R. A. Gill	39
W. Thompson, b V. C. Baylis	8
C. F. Blake, c A. J. S. James, b C. H. Boddy	22
M. J. Blake, b H. G. Stevens Davis	21
W. E. Smith, c C. V. Raffety, b H. G. Stevens Davis	1
A. R. Fulford, lbw, b H. G. Stevens Davis	14
W. K. Fulford, not out	4
G. H. Lewis, b C. H. Boddy	1
Extras	3
Total	140

Scores for August 5th match.

Old Citizens.	
C. A. F. Sayer, c and b J. Bray	8
F. N. Sheppard, c V. C. Baylis, b R. G. Gill	98
W. F. Thompson, c Montague, b H. G. Stevens Davis	0
L. W. Gaite, b J. Bray	5
F. Pearson, c R. Croxford, b V. C. Baylis	28
J. H. Hobday, c Montague, b H. G. Stevens Davis	50
W. K. Fulford, c V. C. Baylis, b H. G. Stevens Davis	28
G. Holday, c Montague, b R. G. Gill	15
A. R. Fulford, b V. C. Baylis	6
W. E. Smith, c G. T. Purver, b H. G. Stevens Davis	12
G. H. Lewis, not out	1
Extras	9
Total	260
Beaconsfield.	
J. G. Montague, b G. H. Lewis	1
V. C. Baylis, b F. N. Sheppard	29
C. V. Raffety, b G. H. Lewis	0
F. M. F. Stephenson, b G. H. Lewis	6
T. G. Purver, b G. H. Lewis	10
R. A. Gill, c W. E. Smith, b F. N. Sheppard	26
H. G. Stevens Davis, c Smith, b F. N. Sheppard	10
R. G. Gill, c G. H. Lewis, b J. H. Hobday	28
J. Bray lbw, b F. N. Sheppard	3
R. Croxford, c F. N. Sheppard, b C. F. Sayer	1
E. Rolfe, not out	2
Extras	11
Total	127

Northwood v. Beaconsfield.

This match was played at Northwood on 3rd August and resulted in an easy win for Northwood. Beaconsfield batted first and as they had only nine men their innings closed at the fall of the eighth wicket for 111. R. H. Rutter, C. V. Raffety and H. E. Forrester were the chief scorers with 19, 13 and 23 respectively. G. I. Green came out with the best analysis, his five wickets costing 21 runs. Northwood lost two wickets for 27 but Goodbody and Green took the score to 83 before the next wicket fell. Goodbody having just reached 50. Green and Tibbory then took the score to 112 without being separated and Northwood won by seven wickets, Green being not out 51 and Tibbory not out 21. Green hit two sixes from consecutive balls from H. E. Forrester. Scores:

Beaconsfield.	
J. G. Montague, c G. I. Green, b J. P. Biggs	1
R. H. Rutter, b J. E. Dexter	40
C. V. Raffety, b G. F. Green	43
R. H. Stevens Davis, c J. P. Biggs, b B. Sharp	12
D. G. Jeffrey, c C. R. Moore, b G. F. Green	6
R. A. Gill, b G. F. Green	4
H. E. Forrester, b G. F. Green	23
C. V. Baylis, c C. R. Moore, b G. F. Green	1
H. G. Stevens Davis, not out	4
Extras	11
Total	115
Northwood.	
M. Waters, c V. C. Baylis, b H. G. Stevens Davis	0
D. M. Goodbody, c Montague, b D. G. Jeffrey	52
J. P. Biggs, c B. H. Stevens Davis, b R. H. Rutter	12
G. F. Green, not out	51
S. V. Tibbory, not out	21
Extras	1
Total (for 3 wkts.)	143

F. W. Orr, J. E. Dexter, B. Sharp, C. E. Shartman, C. R. Moore, H. C. Snelling did not bat.

Wargrave v. Beaconsfield.

This match was played at Wargrave on Tuesday and resulted in a win for the home team. Wargrave batted first and mainly owing to a good knock of 41 by G. A. Browning reached 109 before the last wicket fell. None of the Beaconsfield batsmen were comfortable with the home team's bowling, several balls rising very quickly from the dangerous wicket and they were all out for the poor score of 75. R. G. Gill obtained 6 Wargrave wickets for 57, H. E. Forrester 2 for 12. For Wargrave W. P. Hughes took 6 for 37. Scores:

Wargrave.	
R. Couch, c A. J. S. James, b R. G. Gill	3
W. P. Hughes, b R. G. Gill	16
F. Haines, run out	0
W. Sansom, b R. G. Gill	0
G. A. Browning, c H. G. Stevens Davis, b R. G. Gill	41
A. S. Lockwood, b R. G. Gill	13
J. Robinson, c and b R. G. Gill	19
R. G. Thomas, b H. G. Stevens Davis	0
J. L. Wadron, c H. N. Kent, b H. E. Forrester	2
H. Adams, not out	5
E. Hunt, lbw, b H. E. Forrester	0
Extras	9
Total	109
Beaconsfield.	
A. J. S. James, b W. P. Hughes	17
V. C. Baylis, c Sansom, b W. P. Hughes	2
F. M. F. Stephenson, b W. P. Hughes	14
H. N. Kent, b H. Adams	6
T. G. Purver, st. Lockwood, b W. P. Hughes	15
H. E. Forrester, b J. Robinson	4
H. G. Stevens Davis, b W. P. Hughes	1
J. G. Montague, b J. Robinson	2
R. G. Gill, not out	0
A. R. Shields, c and b Haines	5
Extras	9
Total	75

COUNTY CRICKET.

Herts Robbed of First Innings Points.

Wycombe has had its first taste of county cricket this season, and after what occurred on the Wycombe ground on Monday and Tuesday we have no doubt that the remaining two games—Bucks v. Surrey II and Bucks v. Staffordshire—will be eagerly anticipated. Although no Wycombe players were included in the Bucks side against Hertfordshire—and many regarded this as a serious error—there was splendid patronage, the weather being perfect on both days. Four Beaconsfield players were included in the home county eleven.

HERTS INNINGS.

Herts having won the toss did not hesitate to bat and sent in Bland and Bowie. Rutter and Battcock were the bowlers and being well on the wicket runs came slowly, only 20 being scored in half an hour. With the score 21, Bowie was out for obstruction. During the innings no fewer than five men were dismissed in this way. Edwards was the first change. Fordham opened with two fours, the second being a risky shot. Crossman began hitting as soon as he came in and the 60 went up after one and a half hours' play. Pitchford relieved Battcock. He had bowled 18 overs for 28 runs. No long stand was made and half the side was out for 58. At lunch time the score was 99 for 7 wickets, Meyer 16 and Brown 11. Both players scored freely off Rutter so Pitchford was tried. Nine wickets were down for 138 when Burton joined Meyer and these two players defied the bowlers till they had added 150 runs. Meyer was missed when 48 and the score 157. This "let off" proved very expensive as he was still unbeaten at the close of play with a score of 148, hitting 18 fours. He came in after the fourth wicket had fallen and played good cricket. Burton did his part in keeping him company. Edwards bowled steadily all day sending down 40.4 overs for 91 runs and taking 7 wickets.

SECOND DAY.

The overnight not out, Franklin 18, and Brooke 18 continued the Bucks innings at 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning, Burton and Meyer bowling. Neither batsman was in a hurry to score but the total was 70 before a change of bowling was tried, Brown relieving Burton and Roberts Meyer. As no wicket fell, Meyer again went on for Brown. Brooke completed his 50 after batting a little over the hour. Runs came more freely and the hundred was on the board just before noon with the score at 144.

Franklin was caught off Roberts for 43. Skinner made some good strokes but was bowled for 16. Brooke was partnered by James, and these two were together at lunch time, the score being 163 for 2. Brooke 54 and James 18. On resuming James sent Meyer to the leg boundary but sent Brooke in the next over. With the score 180 Brown bowled again. He and Burton kept the runs down, being backed up by some splendid fielding. At 204 Fordham took the ball and got James's wicket, he being smartly stumped by Crossman. His 56 contained eight 4's. Another change was made when Kingsley took the ball and succeeded in getting Stevens Davis i.b.w. Rutter was splendidly caught at the third or fourth attempt by Kingsley who juggled with the ball. Nine wickets were down and 11 runs were required when Edwards, the last man, went in. Southall had been in for some time. Both batsmen knew that the result depended on them but they were not at all nervous and gradually the score rose. Edwards had the honour of scoring the winning hit by sending Meyer through the slips for 4. There was great applause from the spectators. Roberts was successful in getting another wicket, Edwards being caught at the total of 306. Herts went in again, and Pitchford succeeded in taking a wicket. When one short of his 40 Meyer was bowled. With the fall of his wicket, attempts were

drawn. Full scores:

Herts.	
D. Bowie, lbw, b Battcock	10
T. G. Bland, st Franklin, b Edwards	19
C. B. Fordham, lbw, b Edwards	11
P. G. T. Kingsley, b Battcock	12
E. J. O. Meyer, not out	14
F. T. Lawrence, lbw, b Edwards	0
G. M. Crossman, st Franklin, b Edwards	15
G. D. Hodgson, lbw, b Edwards	0
Brown, c Brooke, b Battcock	24
Roberts, lbw, b Edwards	5
Burton, b Edwards	14
Extras	10
Total	250
Bucks.	
W. B. Franklin, c Meyer, b Roberts	43
E. H. J. Brooke, b Burton	16
A. G. Skinner, b Brown	14
A. James, st Crossman, b Fordham	54
T. R. Kent, b Burton	7
Pitchford, b Fordham	19
B. H. Stevens Davis, lbw, b Kingsley	27
W. Southall, not out	23
O. G. Battcock, c Roberts, b Brown	8
E. H. Rutter, c Kingsley, b Meyer	0
Edwards, c Brown, b Roberts	11
Extras	15
Total	256

Bucks bowling: 1st innings: E. H. Rutter, 16-5-44-0. O. G. Battcock, 35-14-55-3. Edwards, 49.4-15-91-7. Pitchford, 19-4-25-0. B. H. J. Brooke, 3-0-10-0. A. G. Skinner, 6-1-23-0. 2nd innings: Battcock, 6-3-16-0. Rutter, 3-1-10-0. Edwards, 5-4-12-0. Skinner, 3-2-8-0. Brooke, 4-1-9-0. Pitchford, 4.5-2-11-1. James, 2-0-8-0.

THE MINOR COUNTIES' CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Bucks County Matches.

BUCKS v. SURREY II.

Buckinghamshire opened their season by playing Surrey II. at the Oval on July 15th and 16th and lost the match by seven wickets, as previously reported in our columns.

The County won the toss and went in to bat on what appeared to be a perfect wicket. Baker and Skinner opened the innings; the former was caught at the wicket by Barnato in Geary's first over. The second wicket fell at 22, the third and fourth in quick succession.

The position looked hopeless at lunch time, when eight wickets were down for 75 runs. However, after lunch Hazleton and Rutter settled down and runs came at a great pace. At 148 Rutter left for an invaluable 32; Edwards came in and pluckily kept his end up while Hazleton made the runs. Hazleton completed a masterly century, and when Edwards was finally caught in the deep had scored 124 not out, including 18 fours and a six. He played splendid forcing cricket and gave no chance whatever, some of his off drives being superb.

At 4.15 Surrey went into bat and scored at a fair rate, none of the Bucks bowlers being effective.

When stumps were drawn Surrey were 220 for three wickets, H. S. Squire being not out 86. On resuming the next day, Squires quickly completed his century and was out next ball—257 for four wickets. Then the County bowlers took command and Surrey were soon disposed of for 312. Hazleton was the pick of the bowlers, and Edwards also bowled well on Tuesday morning.

In their second innings Bucks again collapsed, only Brooks (66) and Rutter (34) batting at all well. Brooke, a new-comer to the side from Beaconsfield, batted with great patience and should prove of great value to the County as a number one batsman. The innings closed for 181, and Surrey were left an hour and three-quarters to make 121 to win. These they easily obtained for the loss of three wickets, Cook making an excellent 59. Score:—

Table with columns for batsman name, score, and status. Includes: L. G. Baker, A. Geary, A. G. Skinner, R. H. Brooke, W. B. Franklin, H. Pitchford, L. H. A. Hankey, B. H. Stevens-Davis, W. E. Hazleton, O. G. Battecock, R. H. Rutter, F. Edwards, O'Gorman, Extras. Total 256.

Table with columns for batsman name, score, and status. Includes: W. T. Cook, Dally, H. S. Squire, B. J. Woodlats, E. G. Stroud, J. G. O'Gorman, H. Geary, A. Geary, W. Barnato, Lock, W. Barnato, Extras. Total 318.

Bowling Analysis. Surrey II.—First Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: A. Geary, Lock, Stroud, O'Gorman, H. Geary.

Bowling Analysis. Surrey II.—Second Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: A. Geary, Lock, Stroud, O'Gorman, H. Geary.

Bowling Analysis. Bucks.—First Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: Rutter, Hazleton, Pitchford, Battecock, Edwards, Brooke.

Second Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: Rutter, Hazleton, Pitchford, Battecock, Edwards.

BUCKS v. NORFOLK.

On July 24th and 25th Bucks played Norfolk at Ascott and gained a splendid victory by six wickets.

Norfolk won the toss and took first innings on what appeared to be a perfect wicket. However, soon after the start a spot was discovered at one end which caused the ball to rise awkwardly whenever it pitched on it.

In two hours Norfolk were disposed of for 97, Hazleton bowling extremely well, as his analysis shows 23 overs, 28 runs, 5 wickets.

However, the County fared even worse, giving a deplorable display against some good-length bowling by Falcon and Rought-Rought.

Norfolk started on their second innings with a lead of 40, and as close of play had made 103 for six wickets, with Falcon still in.

On resuming the next morning, Falcon soon got going and, with the aid of Bally, raised the total to 180, when Falcon was well caught for an invaluable 60.

The innings closed for 197, leaving Bucks about five hours to get 228 to win.

Franklin and Brooke gave the side a good start, but at 28 Franklin was l-b-w to Falcon in trying to turn a straight ball to leg.

However, Brooke and Skinner played splendidly and the score was raised to 178 before Brooke was out l-b-w. He had played a real good innings, watching the ball carefully and losing no opportunity of scoring off the loose ball.

The County won comfortably at 5 o'clock, Skinner being not out 104.

After the match Franklin gave County Caps to Rutter, Skinner and Brooke.

Table with columns for batsman name, score, and status. Includes: H. F. Low, B. Rought-Rought, J. B. Holmes, M. Falcon, R. A. Stevens, R. Rought-Rought, R. Franklin, Nichols, J. H. Bally, R. W. Cant, Hazleton, W. A. Beardmore, Greenwell, Edwards, Extras. Total 197.

Table with columns for batsman name, score, and status. Includes: C. Powell, R. H. Brooke, A. G. Skinner, W. B. Franklin, L. G. Baker, H. Pitchford, W. E. Hazleton, L. H. A. Hankey, O. G. Battecock, R. H. Rutter, F. Edwards, Extras. Total 239.

Bowling Analysis. Bucks.—First Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: W. E. Hazleton, R. H. Rutter, Edwards.

Bowling Analysis. Bucks.—Second Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: W. E. Hazleton, R. H. Rutter, Edwards, O. G. Battecock, Pitchford.

Bowling Analysis. Norfolk.—First Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: R. Rought-Rought, M. Falcon, W. A. Beardmore.

Bowling Analysis. Norfolk.—Second Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: R. Rought-Rought, M. Falcon, W. A. Beardmore, Nichols, R. W. Cant.

BUCKS v. KENT II.

On July 30th and 31st Bucks played Kent II. at Bletchley. Owing to rain play was much curtailed on the second day, Bucks only gaining points for first innings lead. Score:—

Table with columns for batsman name, score, and status. Includes: G. S. Watson, Hart, Bull, L. W. Recordon, Hubble, Brown, G. J. V. Weigall, Fairservice, Lewis, Watt, Blundon, Extras. Total 223.

Table with columns for batsman name, score, and status. Includes: W. B. Franklin, R. H. J. Brooke, A. G. Skinner, G. Powell, H. Pitchford, L. M. Walker, J. H. A. Hankey, O. G. Battecock, R. H. Rutter, Extras. Total 294.

Bowling Analysis. Bucks.—First Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: Rutter, Battecock, Edwards, Lund, Pitchford.

Bowling Analysis. Bucks.—Second Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: Battecock, Edwards, Pitchford.

Bowling Analysis. Kent II.—First Innings. Table with columns: Name, O, M, R, W. Includes: Blundon, Brown, Bull, Fairservice, Recordon, Lewis.

BUCKS v. STAFFS.

On August 5th and 6th, Bucks played Staffordshire at Porthill. Owing to rain no play was possible until 2.15, when Bucks, winning the toss, went in to bat.

S. F. Barnes, who is probably still the best bowler in England, was in great form and no one but Skinner could do much against him.

Bucks eventually collected 103, out of which Skinner made 41 by excellent defensive cricket. Barnes took seven wickets for 43 runs in 30 overs.

That night Staffs made 42 for the loss of four wickets. Rain fell heavily during the night and no play was possible the next day until 8 o'clock. However, the wicket was drying nicely then, and Edwards and Pitchford had no difficulty in getting the remaining six men out for an addition of 30 runs.

Edwards (six for 23) and Pitchford (four for 27) bowled excellently on a wicket that suited them to perfection. No further play was possible, as heavy rains set in. Score:—

Bucks.	
W. B. Franklin, c and b Barnes.....	13
R. H. Brooke, c Green, b Boon.....	12
A. G. Skinner, b Lorkott.....	41
W. E. Hazleton, c Green, b Boon.....	2
L. M. Walker, b Barnes.....	1
H. Pitchford, c Iden, b Barnes.....	2
W. Southall, b Barnes.....	6
B. H. Stevens-Davis, c Bourne, b Barnes	0
O. G. Battock, c Ellerker, b Barnes...	12
R. H. Rutter, not out.....	9
F. Edwards, c Boon, b Barnes.....	0
Extras.....	7
Total.....	103

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barnes.....	30.4	12	43	7
Lorkott.....	20	3	35	1
Boon.....	10	4	20	2

Staffs.

G. A. Fitton, b Edwards.....	15
H. E. Bourne, c Rutter, b Edwards....	28
L. H. Crump, c Stevens-Davis, b Pitchford.....	2
N. H. Ellerker, b Pitchford.....	0
A. W. Iden, b Edwards.....	0
J. S. Heath, st Franklin, b Edwards....	2
Lorkott, l-b-w, b Edwards.....	0
A. Smith, not out.....	2
Barnes, l-b-w, b Pitchford.....	14
G. B. Green, c Franklin, b Pitchford....	4
Boon, b Edwards.....	6
Extras.....	1
Total.....	74

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hazleton.....	9	4	23	0
Edwards.....	22	12	23	6
Pitchford.....	15	6	27	4

BUCKS v. NORFOLK.

On August 8th and 9th, Buckinghamshire played Norfolk at Norwich and won easily by 48 runs. The County batted first on a hard and true pitch and made 194. Brooke playing another patient innings of 69, though he was somewhat lucky this time, being missed three times.

Norfolk were disposed of the same day for 130, Edwards and Hazleton bowling well.

On resuming the next day, Bucks did not do so well, several men getting themselves out stupidly.

However, set to make 220 to win, Norfolk could only manage 180, 40 of these being put on for the last wicket. Score:—

Bucks.		Norfolk.	
W. B. Franklin, b Beadsmore.....	26	c Falcon, b Nicholls.....	25
R. H. Brooke, l-b-w, b Rought-Rought.....	86	st Bally, b Nicholls.....	39
A. G. Skinner, run out.....	26	c Coldham, b Nicholls.....	3
W. E. Hazleton, b Beadsmore.....	17	c Beadsmore, b Nicholls.....	0
L. M. Walker, l-b-w, b Beadsmore.....	2	not out.....	9
Pitchford, c Batty, b Rought-Rought.....	3	b Beadsmore.....	42
W. H. Southall, l-b-w, b Beadsmore.....	1	c Stevens, b Beadsmore.....	2
B. H. Stevens-Davis, c Batty, b Utting.....	20	b Nicholls.....	15
O. G. Battock, not out.....	4	l-b-w, b Beadsmore.....	5
R. H. Rutter, b Utting.....	4	b Beadsmore.....	5
Edwards, c Stevens, b Utting.....	0	b R. Rought.....	2
Extras.....	11	Extras.....	7
Total.....	194	Total.....	154

Bucks.—First Innings.		Norfolk.—First Innings.		
Hazleton.....	16	2	41	3
Rutter.....	12	3	33	1
Edwards.....	18	9	28	6

Bowling Analysis.

BUCKS.—First Innings.		NORFOLK.—First Innings.		
Hazleton.....	16	2	41	3
Rutter.....	12	3	33	1
Edwards.....	18	9	28	6

Second Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hazleton.....	16	6	39	3
Rutter.....	11	2	47	1
Edwards.....	20	5	55	3
Battock.....	7	0	21	2

NORFOLK.—First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beadsmore.....	25	8	46	4
Falcon.....	5	0	39	0
Utting.....	18	5	46	3
Nicholls.....	14	5	24	0
Rought-Rought.....	15	4	37	2

Second Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beadsmore.....	20	2	49	4
Falcon.....	7	4	19	0
Utting.....	3	0	15	0
Nicholls.....	14	3	58	5
Rought-Rought.....	11	5	15	1

SLOUGH CRICKET WEEK.

Although one match was completely ruined through rain, and another sadly interfered with, Slough's Cricket Week must be said to have been a more successful one than has been the case for the last few seasons. Far more representative eleven have been placed in the field, and some good cricket has been seen. Of the five matches completed, three were lost and two won; but of the defeats only that on the Wednesday against the Licensed Victuallers can be termed a real "licking," as the M.C.C. match was only lost by a mere 17 runs, and that against the Occasionals by even less—six runs separating the teams at the finish. The chief feature of the week's cricket have been:—

MONDAY.—C. H. Smith's fine all-round display, Slough's good catching, and Newberry's stubborn batting.

WEDNESDAY.—Excellent bowling by F. Smith for the visitors, and Slough's collapse.

THURSDAY.—Some more good batting by Newberry, and some excellent bowling by Naylor. Also the fine last-wicket stand by Nicole and Jones for Slough.

FRIDAY.—Splendid hitting by Hawes for the Occasionals, and equally splendid bowling by Brown for Slough. The useful start given Slough by Hankey and Naylor, and the splendid close finish.

SATURDAY.—Slough's fine recovery, thanks to timely efforts by Black, Smith and Stott. Wonderful bowling by Edwards, and good fielding by both sides.

SLOUGH v. NORTH AND SOUTH OF THAMES LICENSED VICTUALLERS.

The Victuallers brought down a strong eleven to oppose Slough last Wednesday week, and although Slough had a fairly representative eleven in the field, they were badly beaten. N. Wilmot, Dodgson and Hankey were the only Slough men to show any confidence when batting against the wiles of Smith, who has played for Surrey 2nd; and the visitors had little difficulty in passing Slough's meagre total of 54. Score:—

Slough.	
L. H. A. Hankey, b Smith	14
H. M. Naylor, b Smith	0
C. A. Smith, c Baker, b Smith	0
F. H. Dyke, b Smith	2
T. P. Wilmot, c Sheffield, b Smith	6
H. C. Dodgson, c Baker, b Owen	10
H. E. Morgan, c and b Owen	1
J. E. Lloyd, c and b Smith	2
N. T. Wilmot, not out	14
H. Jones, c T. Potter, b Smith	3
H. P. Fahey, c F. Potter, b Smith	0
H. S. Waitt, b Smith	2
Extras	2
Total	54

Bowling: F. Smith, nine for 22; Owen, two for 10.

Licensed Victuallers.

T. C. Potter, b Smith	13
C. Mercer, c Jones, b Naylor	20
B. Evans, b Smith	9
D. Potter, b Naylor	8
R. Taylor, b Naylor	13
G. Owen, b Lloyd	44
G. Sheffield, st Fahey, b T. Wilmot	33
F. Nicole, b Smith	23
A. Ballott, c W. Wilmot, b Smith	4
W. Baker, not out	13
F. Smith, l-b-w, b Smith	4
Extras	11
Total	105

Bowling: C. A. Smith, five for 64; H. M. Naylor, three for 32; T. P. Wilmot, one for 20; J. E. Lloyd, one for 10.

SLOUGH v. MIDDLESEX MAGPIES.

The "Magpies," new visitors to the Slough Ground, provided the Slough Club with the first victory in their Cricket Week on Thursday in last week. Batting first, Slough reached the respectable score of 217, thanks mainly to some splendid batting by Newberry, who was well supported by Nicole, Norman, Wilmot and Demery. Naylor's bowling proved too good for the visitors, when they batted, and despite the courageous efforts by Wallach and Grayson, they were all dismissed for 93, and were consequently well beaten. Score:—

Slough.	
H. M. Naylor, c H. Brooman, b H.	
Brooman	4
F. H. Dyke, c Hart, b Wallach	9
T. J. Demery, c Grayson, b Robey	25
T. P. Wilmot, c Robinson, b Wallach	0
N. T. Wilmot, run out	29
W. J. Newberry, st Hart, b Sintzenich	61
J. Brown, c Hart, b Robey	4
H. C. Dodgson, l-b-w, b Lavender	9
J. E. Lloyd, b Robey	17
F. Nicole, c Robey, b Wallach	38
H. Jones, not out	7
Extras	14
Total	217

Bowling: Robey, three for 23; Wallach, three for 20; R. Brooman, one for 31; Lavender, one for 43; Sintzenich, one for 27.

Middlesex Magpies.

H. L. Wallach, c Dyke, b Naylor	26
C. Watkins, b Brown	1
E. Hart, c Nicole, b Naylor	5
C. Robey, b Naylor	7
H. Brooman, c and b Brown	1
T. Robinson, c Newberry, b Dodgson	0
P. Brooman, c Brown, b Naylor	0
N. Lavender, st Demery, b Naylor	10
F. K. Brooman, c Brown, b Naylor	0
H. G. Grayson, c and b Dodgson	22
A. Sintzenich, not out	4
Extras	8
Total	93

Bowling: H. M. Naylor, six for 36; J. Brown, two for 31; H. C. Dodgson, two for 3.

SLOUGH v. OCCASIONALS.

Next probably to the M.C.C. match, Friday's game against the Occasionals was the best of the week. The Occasionals batted first, and Hawes showed remarkable enterprise, hitting up 83 before lunch. After lunch, however, the homesters did much better, and the arrival of Brown improved their attack considerably. None of the later batsmen could do much with Brown's bowling, and the whole side were out for 147, after at one time promising to reach a much bigger total.

Hankey and Naylor gave Slough a fine start in their quest for the runs, facing the express deliveries of Nazier Ali confidently. Both, however, eventually fell to that bowler, as did T. P. Wilmot. Dodgson also batted excellently, and Farr and Lloyd contributed useful scores; but the last man was dismissed with but six runs required for victory. It was a very fine match. Score:—

Occasionals.	
P. J. Hawes, c Lloyd, b Wilmot	85
J. C. Butterworth, c Fahey, b Lloyd	22
J. C. Bland, c Fahey, b Lloyd	3
S. Nazier Ali, l-b-w, b Brown	15
P. S. Stoylo, l-b-w, b Brown	0
P. J. Evans, run out	0
R. Skinner, c Dodgson, b Brown	4
P. Cave, c Dyke, b Brown	2
D. H. Price, b Brown	1
R. W. Martin, l-b-w, b Brown	1
T. L. Demery, not out	9
Extras	9
Total	147

Bowling: W. Brown, six for 13; J. E. Lloyd, two for 40; T. P. Wilmot, one for 20.

Slough.

L. H. A. Hankey, c Butterworth, b	
Nazier Ali	32
H. M. Naylor, b Nazier Ali	31
T. P. Wilmot, st Demery, b Nazier Ali	0
H. C. Dodgson, c Demery, b Evans	24
W. G. Newberry, b Evans	1
F. Farr, b Nazier Ali	12
W. Brown, b Nazier Ali	2
F. H. Dyke, b Nazier Ali	3
J. E. Lloyd, b Hawes	16
F. Nicole, not out	3
R. P. Fahey, b Hawes	0
Extras	17
Total	141

Bowling: S. Nazier Ali, six for 60; P. J. Hawes, two for 25; P. J. Evans, two for 21.

SLOUGH v. G.W. RAILWAY.

The local team wound up their week with a fine victory at the expense of the Railwaymen, thereby bringing off a good double, having beaten their opponents at Ealing earlier in the season. Winning the toss, Slough made a most inauspicious start against some steady bowling by Green and Weil. Southall and Wilmot both fell to Green's bowling, but a brief stand by Dyke and Demery caused a bowling change, and Honeyball relieving, quickly bowled the Slough stumper. Newberry was next to go, being bowled by a "shooter" from Green, and with no addition to the score. Dyke was adjudged l-b-w to Honeyball, with five men out for a mere 41. Slough's position looked very bad, but Smith and Stott improved matters considerably, adding 44 runs by good cricket. Upon Stott's dismissal for a more than useful 11, Black joined Smith, and Slough's outlook continued to improve. Black, who showed a complete return to his best bowling form, was particularly severe on Honeyball, and he and Smith had taken the score to 114, when Smith was caught. Going in at a critical period, Smith played a great innings for his side after a very shaky start, during which period he was almost bowled two or three times. Neither Gladwell, Edwards nor Jones troubled the scorers much, but stayed in long enough for Black to continue to hit merrily and add another 30 runs before being bowled. It was Black's best innings of the season, undoubtedly, and his forceful hitting was much appreciated by the spectators. The fielding of the Railwaymen, with a few exceptions, was, as usual, very fine, and Plow's wicket-keeping was excellent.

Leaver faced Frank Edwards very confidently at the start of the Railwaymen's innings, but shortly after the tea interval the Bucks professional got through his defence with the fifth ball of a really splendid over. Swain was nicely taken by Southall next ball, the ball rebounding off Demery's pads to Southall at slip. Artlett hit merrily for a while, but a brilliant "caught and bowled" by Edwards terminated a promising effort. Green and Honeyball both fell to Black, who had been bowling very well, and Japes and Coffey offered stout resistance, both, however, falling to Edwards. Cook showed a bold front, and, in fact, he and Leaver were the only two visitors to stand up to Edwards successfully. Weil was out to a fine slip catch, and Demery completed the innings by nicely stumping Plow. Undoubtedly the bowling of Edwards was the cause of the failure of the Western team, and he proved that he is still as wonderful a bowler as ever. Black and Stott also bowled well, and were supported by some very good fielding. Score:—

Slough.

W. C. H. Southall, b Green	7
H. C. Wilmot, c Japes, b Green	2
F. H. Dyke, l-b-w, b Honeyball	10
T. L. Demery, b Honeyball	12
W. J. Newberry, b Green	9
D. B. Stott, b Green	11
E. P. Smith, c Cook, b Honeyball	38
N. M. Black, b Weil	4
A. B. Gladwell, l-b-w, b Honeyball	4
F. Edwards, c Leaver, b Honeyball	0
H. Jones, not out	0
Extras	14
Total	148

Bowling: C. E. G. Honeyball, five for 63; J. J. Green, four for 55; P. C. Weil, one for 14.

G.W. Railway.

C. W. Allwright, b Edwards	7
J. W. Leaver, b Edwards	20
J. W. Swain, c Southall, b Edwards	0
R. P. Artlett, c and b Edwards	18
J. J. Green, b Black	4
C. E. G. Honeyball, b Black	0
S. Japes, b Edwards	3
D. Coffey, l-b-w, b Edwards	5
J. C. Cook, not out	10
P. C. Weil, c Southall, b Stott	5
F. C. Plow, st Demery, b Edwards	0
Extras	9
Total	90

Bowling: F. Edwards, seven for 45; N. M. Black, two for 28; D. B. Stott, one for 8.

COUNTY CRICKET.

First Innings Lead for Kent II.

BUCKS FIELD WELL.

Bucks played their return match with Kent II, August 14th-15th, at Beckenham. The weather was fine and the pitch looked like an Oval wicket, although it wore badly towards the end of the match. Kent fielded a very strong side and Bucks was well represented except that Hazelton and Hattock could not play and this rather weakened the bowling strength, especially as Edwards had received a nasty knock on the knee at Wycombe. Franklin won the toss for Bucks and opened the innings with Brooke, to the bowling of Beesley and Watt. Franklin was soon off the mark and although the bowling was good he continued to make runs. Brooke was playing sound cricket and the first half hour produced 30 runs. Recondon and Fairservice went on at 34 and the change suited Brooke who took two nice fours off each bowler. Runs were coming fast and several changes of bowling were made. At 81 Franklin reached forward to Bull, the slow bowler, and was smartly stumped after scoring a very nice 43. Skinner did not get going being caught in the slips before he had scored. Brooke reached his 50 with a four off Bull and put the 100 up at the same time. At 109 James was caught at the wicket, off Bull, after batting twenty minutes for four runs. Pitchford was unfortunately run out without any addition to the score.

Raferty resumed after lunch with Brooke, who was misled by Watt off the first over. Some nice cricket was now seen Raferty driving with great power and running some well judged singles. The Kent skipper changed his bowling frequently. At 142 Brooke was caught in the slips for a well played 68 which included ten fours. Stevens Davis helped Raferty to keep up the pace but Bull brought off a nice 0 and b to dismiss him (180-4-32). Raferty seemed set for a big knock but was beaten by one of Bull's slow balls after scoring 38. Southall did not get going being caught at the wicket (187-8-5). Kent was batting well taking three nice fours off Bull in one over. Rutter was l.b.w. to Recondon for 3 but Edwards helped Kent to put on 24 for the last wicket before being bowled by Watt for a well hit 16, the innings closing at 235. Watson and Bull opened for Kent II to the bowling of Skinner and Rutter. The former clean bowled Watson at 7. Hubble and Bull continued the good work and runs came fast several changes of bowling were tried, Edwards, Pitchford and Brooke all taking a turn. The 100 went up without further loss both batsmen reaching 50. Hubble fell to a magnificent catch by Raferty off Edwards, in the deep. Raferty ran 50 yards to get it.

SECOND DAY.

Recondon came out with Bull on the second day but the latter had only added 3 when he was well caught by Stevens Davis at short leg. Valentine, after scoring 13, was snappd by Skinner in the slips. Crawford helped Recondon to keep the score moving, pulling Edwards for a nice six. Rutter was bowling well and at this period had bowled nine maidens out of 13 overs, eight in succession. Recondon was caught at the wicket after scoring 38. The Kent skipper was playing sound cricket and the 200 went up without further loss. At 218 Crawford was out to a fine catch by Brooke. Tyler stayed with Weigall to pass the Bucks total before the latter was out to a splendid catch by James off Brooke (257-7-52). Edwards made a smart catch in the slips to dismiss Tyler. Fairservice was out to the second ball after lunch the innings closing at 276.

The Bucks second innings was marked by a fine batting display. Franklin and Brooke put on 50 in 20 minutes but at 80 the former was caught and bowled by Recondon. Brooke was bowled by Watt for 46. Skinner and James kept the score moving both making some nice shots all round the wicket. At 102 James was bowled by Watt for 57 including ten fours. Skinner hit four successive fours off Fairservice but after scoring a hard hit 89 was bowled by this bowler and the innings was declared closed at 243 for 4 wickets.

Kent had two hours to get the runs. Stumps were drawn with the score at 150 for 5. Kent thus take first innings points. The Bucks bowling was very good and the fielding excellent. In the latter department Stevens Davis and Brooke earned a lot of applause. Scores and bowling analysis:

Bucks 1st innings.

W. B. Franklin, st. Tyler, b Bull	43
R. H. J. Brooke, c Bull, b Fairservice	68
A. G. Skinner, c Valentine, b Bull	0
A. James, c Tyler, b Bull	4
Pitchford H., run out	0
C. V. Raferty, b Bull	38
B. H. Stevens Davis, c and b Bull	23
W. H. C. Southall, c Tyler, b Watt	5
T. R. Kent, not out	24
R. H. Rutter, lbw, b Recondon	5
Edwards, b Watt	16
Extras	10
Total	235

Bucks 2nd innings: Franklin, c and b Recondon, 33. Brooke, b Watt, 46. Skinner, b Fairservice, 89. James, b Fairservice, 57. Pitchford, not out, 12. Extras, 5. Total (for 4 wickets declared) 243.

Kent II 1st innings.

G. S. Watson, b Skinner	3
Bull c Stevens Davis, b Rutter	61
Hubble, c Raferty, b Edwards	59
L. W. Recondon, c Franklin, b Edwards	23
B. H. Valentine, c Skinner, b Edwards	13
T. A. Crawford, c Brooke, b Rutter	23
G. J. V. Weigall, c James, b Brooks	58
F. W. Tyler, c Edwards, b Brooke	21
Fairservice, c Rutter, b Edwards	5
Watt, c and b Brooke	8
Beesley, not out	0
Extras	13
Total	276

Kent II second innings: Watson, c Raferty, b Rutter, 3. Bull, lbw, b Edwards, 33. Hubble, b Brooke, 53. Recondon, not out, 34. B. H. Valentine, lbw, b Edwards, 9. Crawford, b Edwards, 8. Weigall, not out, 10. Extras, 18. Total for 6 wickets, 159.

Bucks bowling, 1st innings: R. H. Rutter, 26-11-22-2; A. G. Skinner, 13-2-44-1; Edwards, 43-8-104-4; Pitchford, 5-0-22-0; E. H. J. Brooke, 8-1-31-3.

2nd innings: Skinner, 6-2-15-0; Rutter, 11-2-32-1; Edwards, 20-4-53-3; Brooke, 9-0-46-1.

Kent II bowling, 1st innings: Beesley, 24-8-42-0; Watt, 23-11-44-2; Fairservice, 9-2-34-1; Recondon, 8-0-33-1; Bull, 23-8-72-5.

Second Innings: Beesley, 7-0-53-0; Watt, 7-3-21-1; Fairservice, 9-2-0-2; Recondon, 7-1-35-1; Bull, 8-0-55-0. Crawford, 3-0-4-0.

BUCKS AT BROXBOURNE.

Herts Easily Defeated.

Bucks played their return match with Herts on Monday and Tuesday at Broxbourne. Herts won the toss and decided to bat, which was just what the Bucks captain wanted. Hazelton and Payne were playing so that the bowling was at full strength. Mayer and Bowie opened to Hazelton and Edwards. At 18 Edwards clean bowled Mayer and also made a good catch in the slips to dismiss Brown. One run later he bowled Limb. Payne relieved Hazelton and in his 2nd over bowled Bowie 27-4, 9). At 40 Kent caught Bland off Payne and Stevens Davis made a good catch to get rid of Hodgson (41-8, 0). Edwards bowled Paul, and one run later Roberts was very shaky facing Edwards and was soon leg before wicket. Franklin made a smart catch at wicket to dismiss Burton, but Mole and Evans took the score to 62, before the former was also lbw by Edwards, who was in great form, taking 7 for 22.

The feature of the Bucks innings was a very fine batting display by Brooke and Skinner, who after the first wicket had fallen at 6, took the score to 103 before being parted. They hit hard all round the wicket in spite of bowling changes. Brooke reached his 100 in just over 1 1/2 hours, and his total included 10 fours.

Herts went in again and when stumps were drawn had scored 93 for 6. On the second day runs came quickly, but at 115 Hodgson was brilliantly run out by James, who picked up very cleanly and threw down the wicket. The innings closed for 145 leaving Bucks 6 runs to make for victory. Edwards and Mayer caused much amusement by playing a single wicket contest to get the runs, but as there was some doubt about the legality of this method Franklin and Brooke went out again and each scored 2 off Mayer's 1st over, thus leaving Bucks winners by 10 wickets. Scores and bowling analysis:

Bucks.

W. B. Franklin, c Mayer, b Paul	0
R. H. Brooke, c Mole, b Roberts	105
A. G. Skinner, c Brown, b Roberts	57
A. James, b Roberts	0
W. E. Hazelton, c Mayer, b Roberts	4
H. Pitchpool, lbw, b Roberts	3
T. E. Kent, c Bland, b Burton	1
A. U. Payne, not out	8
B. H. Stevens Davis, c Mayer, b Roberts	2
E. H. Rutter, b Roberts	2
F. Edwards, b Roberts	0
Extras	11

Total 206

Bucks second innings.—4 for no wks.

Herts.

R. J. O. Mayer, b Edwards	12
D. Bowie, b Payne	9
S. Brown, b Edwards	6
J. G. Bland, c Kent, b Payne	11
P. R. Paul, b Edwards	4
G. D. Hodgson, c Stevens Davis, b Edwards	0
N. Limb, b Edwards	0
F. Burton, c Franklin, b Edwards	3
E. Roberts, lbw, b Edwards	3
S. P. Mole, lbw, b Edwards	6
E. C. Evans, not out	6
Extras	0

Total 60

BUCKS v. SURREY II.

Home County Leads at Wycombe.

The match between Bucks and Surrey II was commenced at High Wycombe yesterday, in bright weather and before a good crowd. At one time Bucks were credited with 140 runs for three wickets, but afterwards Sheffield bowled with deadly effect (7 for 46) and the venture closed with a total of 167. Surrey started off well and out of a total of 32 for the first wicket, W. T. Cook scored 31. Hazelton came into action, and, true to tradition, the first innings supplied a sensational finish, Surrey being all out for 157, with only a minute to go before stumps were drawn. Scores and analysis:

Bucks.

W. B. Franklin, lbw, b O'Gorman	35
R. H. Brooke, c Mobey, b Sheffield	66
A. G. Skinner, c Strand, b Lock	18
A. James, b Sheffield	25
Pitchford (H.), b Sheffield	0
W. E. Hazelton, c Wilson, b Lock	2
T. R. Kent, b Sheffield	3
A. U. Payne, lbw, b Sheffield	0
L. H. A. Hankey, not out	6
R. H. Rutter, b Sheffield	0
Edwards (F.), b Sheffield	8
Extras	3

Total 167

Bowling—Surrey 1st innings: Geary (H.), 7-2-17-0; Baldwin (H.), 7-2-20-0; O'Gorman, 8-0-30-1; Sheffield, 24.2-9-46-7; Garland Wells, 5-0-17-0; Lock, 22-7-34-2.

Surrey II.—1st innings.

W. T. Cook, lbw, b Payne	31
Darby, b Hazelton	57
Mobey, b Hazelton	13
Wilson, st Franklin, b Hazelton	22
Baldwin (H.), b Hazelton	0
H. M. Garland Wells, b Edwards	2
E. G. Strand, run out	9
Geary (H.), lbw, b Hazelton	0
O'Gorman, not out	13
Sheffield, lbw, b Hazelton	2
Lock, st Franklin, b Edwards	1
Extras	7

Total 167

Bucks Bowling: Rutter, 5-0-14-0; Hazelton, 23-6-75-6; Payne, 8-0-30-0; Edwards, 17.2-0-31-2; Hazelton and Edwards each bowled two "no balls."

Charity Match.

Mr. W. T. Cook (captain of the Surrey II) has in conjunction with Mr. A. Millward (the well-known county umpire) arranged to bring an XI to play a match with Wycombe on September 21st in aid of the Wycombe Hospital X Ray Fund. Mr. Cook has promised to come himself, and others will be Capt. Barnato, A. Jeacock, A. Deant, Garland Wells, Jack Freeman (Essex), G. Batecock, Col. C. Millward, H. Elliott and A. Millward.

Sports and Pastimes

BRING OUT THE RUBBING BOTTLE!

Football Training Begins.

CRICKET STILL LIVELY.

Seven more days and we start the football season proper. On August 31st there will be twelve teams engaged in the senior section of the Isthmian League and six in the Reserve Section.

The Cricket season is as far too short as football is too long. The declining days of cricket in this district are being brightened by the fine displays of Bucks County team and if only they could hold up their ends to-day (Friday) and next Monday and Tuesday, they should be in a very good position to challenge Oxfordshire who have so far been unbeaten. On Monday and Tuesday last Bucks, who at Wycombe the previous week obtained a first innings lead over Hertfordshire, inflicted a heavy defeat on Herts at Broxbourne. With Edwards bowling at the top of his form Herts were dismissed for 62, Bucks replying with 204. E. H. J. Brooke, of Beaconsfield, knocking up 105 and A. G. Skinner 57. Edwards and Harry Pitchford were well on the spot when Herts came to bat a second time and dismissed them for 145. Bucks needed 4 runs and secured them without loss of wicket and thus won a great game by 10 wickets. E. O. J. Meyer who scored so freely at Wycombe, failed on his own county soil, only scoring 12 and 11 before falling a victim to Edwards on each occasion.

Wycombe C.C. have not been registering victories "all along the line" but they have up to a week ago been knocking up some big scores. These were 244 for 7 wickets against North Middlesex, 276 for 9 v. Middlesex Magpies, 261 against the Old Folsteadians. Last Saturday they went to Battersea and although five batsmen reached double figures, they were skittled out for 95. Morris, Gentry and Trollope doing the damage. Battersea scored 128 runs for 8 wickets.

The second side of the Wycombe and Battersea teams met at Wycombe, where the home team snatched a victory by 55 runs—192-104. B. A. Keen and J. Stubbing registered 51 runs out of the winning number, and S. Laurence took 7 Battersea wickets for 68 and Bug 3 for 6.

DOWNLEY NOTES.

Downley won their all-important game with the Marsh Green C.C., by the ample margin of 160 runs. Sidney Styles (Downley) commenced operations with a splendid bowling analysis of 7 wickets for 20 runs. This was supplemented by some good batting. The scores were as follows: Marsh Green 46, Downley 146. T. Moore 24, E. Young 88, W. Youens 57, A. Windsor 15. Jack Smith was also well to the fore with a useful 22. ("Well done, Beller.") It is with unfeigned regret that we say good-bye to the Marsh Green, who will return to the Second Division next season. We hope their stay will be temporary. We have always held a warm corner in our hearts for this real sporting team.

Downley Reserves lost their 8th Division game by 9 runs. Judging by the respective scores there was plenty of wood laid on by both teams. Scores: Downley 66, W. Avery (20), Napkin 66, E. Brown (30). ("Some scoring, this.")

Some weeks ago, Wheeler End came and saw—and conquered. The wide margin between the teams at the close has always tasted unpleasant to Downley—who will make a big effort to return the compliment to-morrow, at Wheeler End. This will be the final game for Downley 1st team. "Tempus Fugit," "Yes, time flies."

Downley Reserves are away to Loudwater to-morrow, 6th Division.

SANDS SPORTING NOTES.

The Sands Sports C.C. wound up their League programme on Saturday last when the Marsh Sports Club visited Sands and after a very interesting and exciting match Sands won by 19 runs on the first innings, scoring 32 to 10 runs. Sands last wicket added 11 runs.

The Marsh did better in the second innings, scoring 46 runs and Sands played out time with 33 for 7 wickets. Cadmore End have only to win their last match at home with Gomme's Sports Club to win the championship of their Division.

The Football Club will play their first trial game on Saturday with the following elevens. (See notes). Kick-off 3 o'clock. This should be a very interesting game and several good players should be found to strengthen the club and we hope to see a great revival of Sands united this season. They have again entered the usual Cups and the Combination 1st Division, which we think this year will be the strongest Junior League on record, and they have also entered the Princess Risborough League Division I., so some excellent games should be seen at Sands. Mr. Nuttall has kindly placed the ground again for the benefit of the club.

EVENING CRICKET CUP.

The final has been reached for Mr. Brazil's evening cricket cup (the trophy is on view in the window at Frogmoor). Scores:

Desborough Sports Club 5, Marsh Mill 24. Vicars scored 46 for the Sports Club.

Wycombe Working Men's Club 59, Loudwater 22. Heather for the Working Men took 3 wickets for 9 runs.

In the semi-finals Desborough Sports Club beat the Early Closers, and the Wanderers Sports Club accounted for the Working Men. Arrangements are now being made for the final between the Wanderers Sports Club and Desborough Sports Club, at neutral ground.

BEACONSFIELD C.C.

On the occasion of the visit of the Lord's Ground Staff C.C. (Lord's Nippers) to Beaconsfield, to play the local club, on Sunday next, a collection will be made on behalf of the Windsor Hospital. Several well-known cricketers will be taking part and given a fine day, the funds of the Hospital should receive a useful contribution.

The teams selected are: A. Fowler (Middlesex) capt., E. Sweetland (Middlesex), E. Lester (Middlesex), J. Sims (Middlesex), H. B. Carris (Middlesex), W. Bowes (Yorkshire), F. Burton (Herts), S. Martin (M.C.C.), A. Wilson (M.C.C.), G. Fenner (Kent), H. Pickthall (Gloucestershire).

Beaconsfield: H. G. Stevens Davis, J. G. Montague, C. H. Baddy, A. J. S. James, R. H. Brooke, C. V. Raffety, E. H. Stevens Davis, H. N. Kent, T. G. Parver, R. H. Batty, V. C. Baylis, E. A. Gill, P. R. M. Stephenson.

WYCOMBE C.C.

Page's Benefit.

The 1st XI. and 2nd XI. are engaged to-morrow, the former at home v. Reading, and the latter at Thame. The 1st XI. will be capted from N. H. Theed (capt.), B. T. Theed, L. G. Baker, G. H. Baker, E. Beeson, J. Ruckwell, H. R. James, W. M. Pierce, N. E. Hawes, R. E. Britnell, H. G. Page, J. Ball, W. Tibbles. The 2nd XI. will be picked from: F. G. Oxlade (capt.), A. F. Dolman, J. Stubbing, C. Lutman, A. E. Mason, W. Tibbles, J. Ball, F. Robinson, H. W. Bugg, H. G. Brocklehurst, P. Slatyer, M. A. Stevens, S. A. Kees. At present the "A" team have no match. The former match is being set aside for Page's benefit. It is hoped that a good crowd will assemble on the London Road enclosure. This is Page's 40th year with the Wycombe Club, and he has made the ground one of the finest amateur grounds in England. He deserves a "bumper" benefit, and the Club hopes that all records will be broken.

Wycombe 1st XI v. Battersea.

Wycombe journeyed to Battersea, minus of several of their first team players—Brand, Brocklehurst, the Bros. Theod, W. L. Jackson and Wells all being conspicuous by their absence. Wycombe had first knock and soon lost Redington and Tibbles (9 for 7), L. G. Baker contributed 13, E. Beeson 11, Hawes 18, and H. G. Baker 11. Sandwicked between these batsmen were some low scores, J. Ball played a gallant game towards the close, and although he was not out for 20 (3 fours) he soon lost his partners, and the venture closed for 95. Battersea had a very good tail and although half the side was out for 60, 4 for 68, and 7 for 73 they had great assistance from the Rev. Wright (38-5 fours) and C. Townsend (22 not out-3 fours). In the end Battersea won by 123 for 8 wickets to 96 all by Wycombe. Bowling for Wycombe J. Ball claimed five victims for 10 runs. Scores and bowling analysis:

High Wycombe.

L. G. Baker, b Trollope	13
T. H. Redington, c Gentry, b Morris	1
W. Tibbles, b Morris	6
E. Beeson, b Gentry	11
N. E. Hawes, b Gentry	18
C. E. Lutman, st Cook, b Trollope	2
H. G. Baker, b Gentry	11
P. Slatyer, b Trollope	9
J. Ball not out	20
H. G. Page, b Morris	6
E. R. Britnell, c Trollope, b Morris	1
Extras	6
Total	95

Battersea.

W. Cook, b Beeson	11
G. C. Done, b Britnell	0
D. McClelland, c G. H. Baker, b Ball	21
J. S. B. Gentry, lbw, b Ball	14
W. P. Donoworth, b Ball	5
Rev. Wright, lbw, b Hawes	38
G. H. Morris, lbw, b Ball	0
A. J. Trollope, b Ball	4
C. Townsend, not out	22
E. G. Done, not out	1
Extras	12
Total (for 8 wks.)	123

H. Hankin did not bat.
Battersea Bowling—Morris, 14-6-25-4; Gentry, 19-7-42-5; Trollope, 9-1-22-5.

Wycombe Bowling—Beeson, 6-1-12-1; Britnell, 10-3-23-1; Ball, 15-7-19-5; Page, 10-2-15-0; Hawes, 2-0-10-1; H. G. Baker, 2-0-12-0.

Beaconsfield v. Reading.

This match was played at Beaconsfield on Saturday last and owing to a misunderstanding, Reading 2nd XI. were the visitors to the home team's 1st XI. and nearly brought off a victory. Rain interfered with play. The Beaconsfield second string met Reading 1st XI. on the Reading Ground and put up a very creditable performance, scoring 160 and getting 3 Reading wickets before their score was passed. A feature of the game was the smart holding of V. C. Baylis. Scores:

Beaconsfield.

A. J. S. James, c Davis, b Price	27
H. L. Mearns, c Davis, b Vincent	0
C. V. Raffety, c Carter, b Hall	26
T. G. Parver, c Hall, b Vincent	43
C. H. Baddy, c Carter, b Price	6
B. Forrester, run out	5
D. A. Scott, not out	3
V. C. Baylis, b McCormack	11
Extras	8
Total (for 7 wks.)	120

H. G. Stevens Davis, R. G. Gill and J. Bray did not bat.

Reading.

Hall, b H. E. Forrester	15
McCormack, b H. E. Forrester	22
Fox, c V. C. Baylis, b H. E. Forrester	0
Price, c James, b H. G. Stevens Davis	8
Carter, c Baylis, b H. E. Forrester	13
Vincent st Baddy, b H. G. Stevens Davis	17
Davis, not out	29
Ball, not out	2
Extras	7
Total (for 6 wks.)	113

Schofield, Gardiner and Dickets did not bat. H. E. Forrester (4 for 50).

Division V.

Radnage R. v. Lane End R. (C. Langley and H. Hunt).
 Preatwood R. v. Haslemere R. (A. Hunt and W. Smith).
 Booker R. v. Naphill R. (S. Wright and A. Castle).
 Loudwater v. Downley (A. Long and J. Russell).

Division VI.

Bledlow R. v. Widmer End (G. Brooks and F. Brooks).
 Wandopers S.C. R. v. Kingshill R. (G. Plumridge and W. Turner).
 Lacey Green v. Wheeler End (F. Farlow and E. Cross).

Hughenden Valley C.C. v. Drightwell C.C.

On Saturday the Valley visited Brightwell C.C. and won a keenly contested match by 15 runs. A. E. Mason, bowling for the Valley, scoured his hundredth wicket of the season. His final analysis was 6 for 20. F. Pope also did well with the ball, taking 3 for 7. Score:

Hughenden Valley: A. Russell, c Harvey, b Calcutt, 0. N. Kearney, b Burnham, 12. J. Perry, c Chaplin, b Calcutt, 1. F. Pope, b Harvey, 3. A. Mason, c Chaplin, b Harvey, 12. E. Adby, b Burnham, 15. H. Newell, run out, 3. H. Woodley, not out, 16. C. White, b Burnham, 0. L. White, b Harvey, 0. O. Palmer, b Harvey, 2. Extras 12. Total 76.

Brightwell C.C.: H. Weatherall, b Mason, 3. J. Calcutt, b Mason, 6. J. Chaplin, run out, 3. G. Burnham, b Pope, 2. J. Smith, b Pope, 0. W. Harvey, run out, 5. W. Wellsted, c Woodley, b Mason, 2. M. Harvey, b Mason, 0. E. Seary, c Pope, b Mason, 4. G. Barlow, not out, 3. E. Barlow, b Mason, 0. Extras 13. Total 61.

WYCOMBE & DISTRICT NONCONFORMIST CRICKET LEAGUE.

Results last Saturday:
 Victoria Street 61, 53; Downley W.M. 50, 52-1.
 Oakridge Road 39; Sands P.M. 32.

Table to date:	P.W.	L.D.	Pta.
Oakridge Road Baptist	11	10	1 0 20
Victoria Street W.M.	19	8	1 1 17
Ibstone P.M.	9	5	4 0 10
Newland U.M.	10	4	5 1 8
White Hart Street P.M.	10	3	7 0 6
Downley W.M.	9	2	7 0 4
Sands P.M.	10	1	9 0 2

Fixtures for to-morrow (Saturday), commence 2.30 p.m.:
 Victoria Street W.M. v. Downley W.M. (on the "Oval") (A. Pearce and G. Piddington).
 Ibstone P.M. v. Newland U.M. (at Ibstone) (G. Springell and A. Gray).
 White Hart Street P.M. v. Sands P.M. (on the Rye) (F. Burrows and R. Spring).

CHALFONT ST. GILES C.C.

For the first time in their history, the above club were able to hold three elevens on Saturday last. The 1st XI. entertained Chalfont St. Peter, the match resulting in a win for the visitors by 18 runs. St. Giles, batting first, were dismissed for 72, J. King (19), and V. Bailey (16), were the chief contributors. W. Weir and J. Davies bowled consistently for the visitors. St. Peter's replied with 90, W. Weir (25 not out), A. Cocks (20), and H. Price (19), making useful contributions. J. King (4 for 26) and S. Gibbard (4 for 34) both bowled steadily for the home team.

Despite a weakened team, the 2nd XI. achieved a fine performance in forcing a draw at St. Peter's. St. Peter's 2nd XI. batting first, scored quickly against a weak attack and compiled 178 for the loss of 5 wickets (declared). St. Giles, with no hope of getting the runs, adopted defensive tactics, and at the close reached 80 for the loss of 5 wickets. W. Stallwood (39 not out) and E. Payne (12) mastered keen attack with considerable skill.

The team that visited Flackwell Heath were successful by 23 runs.

Flackwell Heath were dismissed for 49, G. Taylor capturing 5 wickets for 17. St. Giles replied with 71. F. Taylor being top scorer with 20.

Chearsley v. Temple End.

The above teams met at Chearsley last Saturday, and although the home team were too strong for the visitors, a very pleasant game was enjoyed by all. Chearsley won by 10 wickets. Scores: Temple End 14 (A. Godfrey 5 for 6, T. Godfrey 4 for 7), and 63 (C. Avery 20, A. Barlow 12, B. East 10). Chearsley 63 (A. Godfrey 29, C. Avery 5 for 22), and 21 for no wicket (T. Clark 12 not out). Tomorrow the return match takes place at Cryers Hill. Temple End team selected from the following: C. Badrick (capt), A. Lamberth, A. Barlow, G. Howlett, B. East, C. Holt, C. Avery, T. Groves, W. Payne, T. Doel, L. Badrick, R. Shrimpton, S. Brown, W. Whapshott. Umpire, E. Free.

Colleshill v. Seyno Hill.

Boyno Hill were the visitors to Colleshill on Saturday last, and won handsomely by seven wickets and 80 runs, thanks chiefly to a splendid innings by Jennings, who, going in first, was undefeated at the close with 115 to his credit. Pitt participated in a first wicket stand which realised 77. Score:

Colleshill: F. Slade, c Jennings, b Keens, 6. M. Slade, b Thatcher, b Grant, 0. K. Wilkinson, b Barnes, 13. A. Wilkinson, c and b Keens, 10. F. H. Slade, b Jennings, 49. S. Greaves, b Barnes, 0. W. Slade, c Burfit, b Keens, 6. E. Stubbings, run out, 0. P. Holy Hutchinson, c Jennings, b Baldwin, 19. P. Palmer, b Baldwin, 1. E. Stubbings, not out, 6. Extras 9. Total 119.

Boyno Hill: W. H. Jennings, not out, 113. P. Pitt, c Palmer, b H. Hutchinson, 41. E. Newport, lbw, b W. Slade, 23. A. W. Gibson, c F. H. Slade, b K. Wilkinson, 6. Burfit, not out, 3. Extras 11. Total (3 wickets), 159. H. Thorne, P. Thatcher, G. Barnes, E. Grant, B. Baldwin and G. Keens did not bat.

OAKRIDGE ROAD C.C.

Last Saturday the above club played Sands P.M. on the "Oval" and after a close game won by 7 runs. V. Aldridge and F. Randall were top scorers with 17 and 10 respectively, while B. Springell did well with the ball taking 6 for 9. Scores: Oakridge Road 39 and 54, Sands P.M. 32 and 24 for 5. To-morrow (Saturday) the Road have no fixture.

Lacey Green v. Naphill.

Last Saturday Lacey Green entertained Naphill for the last time for a season or two. Lacey Green batted first and a good score was obtained, the chief performers being H. Rixon (capt.), who scored 15 runs, F. H. Middleton 23, W. Saunders, 15, J. Baker 11, E. Boorman 9. Naphill did not put up such a score as expected and it was rather disappointing. Lacey Green anticipated a far more even game. Their best batsman was Lester Brown who got to his credit 10 runs and "Mr. Extras", 13. Result: Lacey Green 94, Naphill, 36.

Little Marlow & Bourne End v. Bucks Territorials.

This match was played at Little Marlow on August 17th, and after a very pleasant game ending in a very easy win for the home team by 80 runs and 9 wickets. The Terriers were a very sporty team and despite a big score against them they were very good in the field, and their bowling was good, especially Sherlock who bowled four and caught two. Laurence and Wootten gave the home team a fine start, putting on 23, Wootten claiming 21, including two fine boundaries to leg. Waggett and Laurence by good cricket added 32 for the third wicket, the former making 43 before being bowled by Sherlock. Howard and Perfect also made useful scores. The home captain declaring at tea time with the score 101 for 7. On going in to bat, the Terriers with the exception of Cpl. Batty, could make no stand against Yates, Burrough and Pepper. Yates, taking 7 wickets for 8 runs, Burrough 2 for 3 and Pepper 1 for 0. Scores:

Little Marlow & Bourne End.--E. Laurence, lbw, b Sherlock, 13. H. Wootten, b Sherlock, 21. R. Burrough, b Sherlock, 0. M. Waggett, b Sherlock, 43. B. Pepper, c Sherlock, b Batty, 0. F. Howard, b Sherlock, 8. W. Perfect, c Sherlock, b Jones 9. G. Yates, not out, 0. R. Ward, not out, 2. Extras, 8. Total, 101. A. Ward and L. Harding did not bat.

H.Q. Coy. Bucks Territorials.--Sergt. Sherlock, c Howard, b Yates, 0. Pte. Jones, b Burrough, 1. Sergt. Brooklin, c and b Yates 0. Cpl. Batty, not out 8. Cpl. Sherlock, c Waggett, b Yates, 0. Pte. Blackall, lbw, b Yates, 0. Sergt. Wallace, c Perfect, b Yates, 0. Sergt. Poole, b Burrough, 1. Cpl. Ratcliffe, b Yates, 0. Pte. Bowles, b Pepper, 1. Pte. Wills, c Pepper, b Yates, 0. Extras, 1. Total, 12.

St. John's Res. v. Westbourne Street Res.

The above teams met on the "Oval" last Saturday, and after a very sporting encounter Westbourne Street retired winners by 20 runs on the first innings. St. John's were at a disadvantage as only nine of their players turned up. The Street batted first and knocked up 41 (Stroud 17). St. John's replied with the poor total of 21. Harvey being top scorer with 7. The Street went in again and scored 72 for 7. Stroud again topping the list with 37. With 82 runs

to make and only 35 minutes to play St. John's again faced the bowling. Some hard hitting from Williams (43 not out) brought the scores very close, and when time was called the creditable total of 74 for 9 wickets was reached.

Turners Court v. Stokenchurch.

Stokenchurch journeyed to Turners Court on Saturday last, when rain, and the decision of the Turners Court club's captain to cease play at 6.30 robbed them of victory. Batting first, Stokenchurch lost 5 wickets for 57 runs, when E. Britnell, who was in good form and scored 71 not out, was joined by F. Lerner, who played well in an innings of 36. This pair took the score to 144, at which score the Stokenchurch captain declared with six wickets down. Wilkinson took 4 for 42. Prime 1 for 21 and Hampshire 1 for 27. Turners Court faced the bowling of Lerner and Lane but only one batsman (H. Ashton), who scored 15, managed to reach double figures, and at 6.30 nine wickets were down for 63 runs. At this point the home team's captain called the attention of the umpires to the time, and the game ended in a draw--greatly in favour of Stokenchurch. Lane took 3 wickets for 24 runs and Lerner 3 for 25. Score:

Stokenchurch: B. Messenger, lbw, b Wilkinson, 1. F. Hunt, b Wilkinson, 16. P. Griffiths, hit wicket, b Wilkinson, 2. E. Britnell, not out, 71. W. Lane, b Wilkinson, 1. W. Saunders, b Prime, 8. F. Lerner, b Hampshire, 35. Extras 9. Total (6 wickets, dec.), 144. R. Hodges, H. Messenger, G. Ashby, W. Poole did not bat.

Turners Court: W. Lye, b Lerner, 7. H. Ashton, hit wicket, b Lane, 15. B. Prime, run out, 1. J. Hampshire, run out, 8. P. Butler, b Lerner, 5. G. Vowles, c and b Lerner, 6. W. Drinkwater, not out, 9. G. H. Jones, run out, 2. A. E. Carr, c Poole, b Lane, 2. T. Jewitt, b Lane, 0. Extras 8. Total (9 wickets) 62. H. G. Wilkinson did not bat.

Wycombe Early Closers v. Menley Y.M.C.A.

This game was played at Henley on Wednesday last. The homesters batted first, and helped by a splendid last wicket stand of 45, knocked up the useful total of 108 runs. In reply the Closers started well, but by way of a contrast their fall refused to wag and they were all out for 63 runs.

Minor Counties Cricket.

Though somewhat belated, we are able this week to devote space to the Bucks County Cricket Matches.

BUCKS v. SURREY II.

Buckinghamshire opened their season by playing Surrey II. at the Oval, and lost the match by seven wickets. The County won the toss and went in to bat on what appeared to be a perfect wicket. Baker and Skinner opened the innings; the former was caught at the wicket by Barnato in Geary's first over. The second wicket fell at 22, the third and fourth in quick succession. The position looked hopeless at lunch time, when eight wickets were down for seventy-five runs. However, after lunch Hazelton and Rutter settled down and runs came at a great pace. At 148 Rutter left for an invaluable 32; Edwards came in and pluckily kept his end up while Hazelton made the runs. Hazelton completed a masterly century, and when Edwards was finally caught in the deep had scored 124 not out, including 18 fours and a six. He played splendid forcing cricket and gave no chance whatever, some of his off drives being superb. At 4.15 Surrey went into bat and scored at a fair rate, none of the Bucks bowlers being effective. When stumps were drawn Surrey were 200 for three wickets, H. S. Squire being not out 86. On resuming the next day, Squires quickly completed his century, and was out next ball—257 for four wickets. Then the County bowlers took command, and Surrey were soon disposed of for 312. Hazelton was the pick of the bowlers, and Edwards also bowled well on Tuesday morning. In their second innings Bucks again collapsed, only Brooke (66) and Rutter (34) batting at all well. Brooke, a new-comer to the side from Beaconsfield, batted with great patience and should prove of great value to the County as a number one batsman. The innings closed for 181, and Surrey were left an hour and three-quarters to make 121 to win. These they easily obtained for the loss of three wickets, Cook making an excellent 59. Score—

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

L. G. Baker, c Barnato, b A. Geary	9
A. G. Skinner, b A. Geary	40
R. H. Brooke, l.b.w., b Stroud	12
W. B. Franklin, b Stroud	0
H. Pitchford, l.b.w., b A. Geary	13
L. H. A. Hankey, l.b.w., b A. Geary	9
B. H. Stevens-Davis, b A. Geary	24
W. E. Hazelton, not out	124
O. G. Batcock, l.b.w., b Geary	3
R. H. Rutter, st Barnato, b A. Geary	22
F. Edwards, c Stroud, b O'Gorman	5
Extras	12
Total	256

Buckinghamshire 2nd Innings.

L. G. Baker, b H. Geary	7
A. G. Skinner, c Stroud, b H. Geary	3
R. H. Brooke, b O'Gorman	66
W. B. Franklin, b H. Geary	0
H. Pitchford, c Barnato, b O'Gorman	22
L. H. A. Hankey, b A. Geary	5
B. H. Stevens-Davis, b O'Gorman	2
W. E. Hazelton, c Barling, b O'Gorman	16
O. G. Batcock, c Daily, b H. Geary	18
R. H. Rutter, run out	34
F. Edwards, not out	8
Total	181

Surrey 2nd—1st Innings.

W. T. Cook, c Franklin, b Rutter	10
Dailey, c Hazelton, b Batcock	55
H. S. Squire, c Rutter, b Hazelton	101
R. J. Woollatt, st Franklin, b Hazelton	65
E. G. Stroud, l.b.w., b Hazelton	0
J. G. O'Gorman, c Rutter, b Edwards	6
H. Geary, not out	5
A. Geary, st Franklin, b Hazelton	8
Lock, c Pitchford, b Edwards	1
W. Barnato, b Edwards	4
Extras	13
Total	318

Surrey 2nd—2nd Innings.

W. T. Cook, l.b.w., b Batcock	39
Daily, c Edwards, b Batcock	25
H. S. Squire, run out	14
Barling, not out	5
R. J. Woollatt, not out	10
Extras	9
Total	122

Bowling analysis—Surrey II.—1st Innings A. Geary, 7 wickets for 79 runs; Lock, 0 for 74; O'Gorman 1 for 36; H. Geary, 0 for 20. Second Innings, A. Geary, 1 for 38; Lock, 9 for 19; Stroud, 0 for 25; O'Gorman, 4 for 62; H. Geary 4 for 37.

Bucks, 1st Innings—Rutter, 1 wicket for 70 runs; Hazelton, 5 for 98; Pitchford, 0 for 54; Batcock, 1 for 46; Edwards, 3 for 30; Brooke, 0 for 6. Second Innings—Rutter, 0 for 11; Hazelton, 0 for 31; Pitchford, 0 for 19; Batcock, 2 for 25; Edwards, 0 for 27.

BUCKS v. NORFOLK.

Bucks played Norfolk at Ascott and gained a splendid victory by six wickets. Norfolk won the toss and took first innings on what appeared to be a perfect wicket. However, soon after the start a spot was discovered at one end which caused the ball to rise awkwardly whenever it pitched on it. In two hours Norfolk were disposed of for 97, Hazelton bowling extremely well, as his analysis shows 23 overs, 28 runs, 5 wickets. However, the County fared even worse, giving a deplorable display against some good-length bowling by Falcon and Rought-Rought. Norfolk started on their second innings with a lead of 40, and at close of play had made 103 for six wickets, with Falcon still in. On resuming the next morning, Falcon soon got going and, with the aid of Bally, raised the total to 150, when Falcon was well caught for an invaluable 60. The innings closed for 197, leaving Bucks about five hours to get 238 to win. Franklin and Brooke gave the side a good start, but at 38 Franklin was l.b.w. to Falcon in trying to turn a straight ball to leg. However, Brooke and Skinner played splendidly, and the score was raised to 178 before Brooke was out l.b.w. He had played a real good innings, watching the ball carefully and losing no opportunity of scoring off the loose ball. The County won comfortably at 5 o'clock, Skinner being not out 104. After the match Franklin gave County Caps to Rutter, Skinner and Brooke.

Norfolk—1st Innings.

H. P. Low, b Hazelton	3
B. Rought-Rought, c Edwards, b Rutter	0
J. B. Holmes, c Franklin, b Rutter	11
M. Falcon, l.b.w., b Hazelton	11
G. A. Stevens, b Rutter	19
R. Rought-Rought, st Franklin, b Hazelton	1
Nichols, not out	34
J. H. Bally, b Edwards	12
R. W. Cant, l.b.w., b Hazelton	1
W. A. Beardmore, c Edwards, b Hazelton	2
Greenwell, c Batcock, b Edwards	1
Extras	2
Total	97

Norfolk—2nd Innings.

H. P. Low, c and b Edwards	14
B. Rought-Rought, c and b Edwards	26
J. B. Holmes, l.b.w., b Edwards	0
M. Falcon, c Batcock, b Rutter	60
G. A. Stevens, b Rutter	9
R. Rought-Rought, b Edwards	0
Nichols, c Franklin, b Batcock	20
J. H. Bally, not out	32
R. W. Cant, l.b.w., b Batcock	17
W. A. Beardmore, c Baker, b Hazelton	1
Greenwell, c Skinner, b Rutter	1
Extras	17
Total	197

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

C. Powell, c Bally, b Falcon	0
R. H. Brooke, l.b.w., b Falcon	6
A. G. Skinner, b Beardmore	12
W. B. Franklin, c Bally, b Falcon	6
L. G. Baker, c Bally, b Rought-Rought	14
H. Pitchford, c Cant, b Rought-Rought	14
W. E. Hazelton, c Greenwell, b Rought-Rought	3
L. H. A. Hankey, not out	4
O. G. Batcock, b Rought-Rought	0
R. H. Rutter, b Rought-Rought	0
F. Edwards, c Bally, b Rought-Rought	0
Extras	3
Total	57

Buckinghamshire 2nd Innings.

C. Powell, c Cant, b Falcon	15
R. H. Brooke, l.b.w., b Beardmore	86
A. G. Skinner, not out	104
W. B. Franklin, l.b.w., b Falcon	21
L. G. Baker, c Holmes, b Falcon	9
H. Pitchford, not out	4
Extras	6
Total (for 4)	239

Bowling analysis—Bucks, 1st Innings—W. E. Hazelton, 5 wickets for 28 runs; R. H. Rutter, 3 for 54; Edwards, 2 for 13. Second Innings—W. E. Hazelton, 1 for 42; R. H. Rutter, 3 for 59; Edwards, 4 for 55; O. G. Batcock, 2 for 19; Pitchford, 0 for 5.

Norfolk, 1st Innings, R. Rought-Rought, 6 for 15; M. Falcon, 3 for 23; W. A. Beardmore, 1 for 16. Second Innings, R. Rought-Rought, 0 for 43; M. Falcon, 3 for 79; W. A. Beardmore, 1 for 33; Nichols, 0 for 63; R. W. Cant, 0 for 14.

BUCKS v. KENT II.

Bucks met Kent II. at Bletchley. Owing to rain play was much curtailed on the second day, Bucks only gaining points for first innings lead. Score—

Kent II.—1st Innings.

G. S. Watson, st Franklin, b Edwards	28
Hart, c Edwards, b Rutter	0
Bull, c Skinner, b Edwards	78
L. W. Recordon, c Franklin, b Batcock	47
Hubble, c Walker, b Edwards	2
Brown, b Batcock	1
G. J. V. Weigall, c Skinner, b Batcock	0
Fairservice, not out	44
Lewis, c and b Rutter	11
Watt, c Brooke, b Rutter	5
Blunden, b Rutter	4
Extras	3
Total	223

Kent II.—2nd Innings.

G. S. Watson, st Franklin, b Edwards	5
Hart, b Pitchford	3
Bull, not out	3
L. W. Recordon, not out	1
Extras	3
Total (for 2)	15

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, b Brown	1
R. H. J. Brooke, b Fairservice	99
A. G. Skinner, c Watt, b Blunden	0
C. Powell, c Lewis, b Fairservice	56
H. Pitchford, b Fairservice	11
L. M. Walker, c Recordon, b Bull	44
L. H. A. Hankey, c Hart, b Fairservice	9
O. G. Batcock, not out	27
R. H. Rutter, not out	17
Extras	30
Total (for 7 wkts.)	294

C. Lund and F. Edwards did not bat.

Bowling analysis—Bucks, 1st Innings—Rutter 4 wickets for 58 runs; Batcock, 3 for 74; Edwards, 3 for 67; Lund, 0 for 6; Pitchford, 0 for 15. Second Innings—Batcock, 0 for 0; Edwards, 1 for 3; Pitchford, 1 for 9.

Kent II. 1st Innings—Blunden, 1 wicket for 46 runs; Brown, 1 for 18; Bull, 1 for 46; Fairservice, 4 for 78; Recordon, 0 for 37; Lewis, 0 for 39.

BUCKS v. STAFFS.

Bucks played Staffordshire at Porthill. Owing to rain no play was possible until 2.15, when Bucks, winning the toss, went in to bat. S. F. Barnes, who is probably still the best bowler in England, was in great form and no one but Skinner could do much against him. Bucks eventually collected 105, out of which Skinner made 41 by excellent defensive cricket. Barnes took seven wickets for 43 runs in 30 overs. That night Staffs made 42 for the loss of four wickets. Rain fell heavily during the night and no play was possible the next day until 5 o'clock. However, the wicket was drying nicely then, and Edwards and Pitchford had no difficulty in getting the remaining six men out for an addition of 30 runs. Edwards (six for 23) and Pitchford (four for 27) bowled excellently on a wicket that suited them to perfection. No further play was possible, as heavy rain set in.

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, c and b Barnes	... ..	13
R. H. Brooke, c Green, b Boon	... ..	12
A. G. Skinner, b Lorkett	... ..	41
W. E. Hazelton, c Green, b Boon	... ..	...
L. M. Walker, b Barnes	... ..	...
H. Pitchford, c Iden, b Barnes	... ..	...
W. Southall, b Barnes	... ..	...
B. H. Stevens-Davis, c Bourne, b Barnes	... ..	...
O. G. Battecock, C. Ellerker, b Barnes	... ..	12
R. H. Rutter, not out	... ..	7
F. Edwards, c Boon, b Barnes	... ..	0
Extras	... ..	7
Total	.....	105

Staffordshire.

G. A. Fritton, b Edwards	... ..	15
H. E. Bourne, c Rutter, b Edwards	... ..	28
L. H. Crump, c Steven-Davis, b Pitchford	... ..	2
N. H. Ellerker, b Pitchford	... ..	...
A. W. Iden, b Edwards	... ..	...
J. S. Heath, st Franklin, b Edwards	... ..	...
Lorkett, l.b.w., b Edwards	... ..	...
A. Smith, not out	... ..	...
Barnes, l.b.w., b Pitchford	... ..	14
G. B. Green, c Franklin, b Pitchford	... ..	...
Boon, b Edwards	... ..	...
Extras	... ..	1
Total	.....	74

Bowling analysis—Staffs—Barnes, 7 wickets for 43 runs; Lockett, 1 for 35; Boon, 2 for 20.

Bucks—Hazelton, 0 wickets for 23 runs; Edwards, 6 for 23; Pitchford, 4 for 27.

NORFOLK v. BUCKS.

Buckinghamshire played Norfolk at Norwich and won easily by 48 runs. The County bated first on a hard and true pitch and made 194, Brooke playing another patient innings of 66, though he was somewhat lucky this time, being missed three times. Norfolk were disposed of the same day for 120, Edwards and Hazelton bowling well. On resuming the next day, Bucks did not do so well, several men getting themselves out stupidly. However, set to make 229 to win, Norfolk could only manage 180, 40 of these being put on for the last wicket. Score:—

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, b Beadsmore	... ..	26
R. H. Brooke, l.b.w., b Rought-Rought	... ..	66
A. G. Skinner, run out	... ..	26
W. E. Hazelton, b Beadsmore	... ..	17
L. M. Walker, l.b.w., b Beadsmore	... ..	2
Pitchford, c Bally, b Rought-Rought	... ..	3
W. H. Southall, l.b.w., b Beadsmore	... ..	1
B. H. Stevens-Davis, c Bally, b Utting	... ..	20
O. G. Battecock, not out	... ..	9
R. H. Rutter, b Utting	... ..	4
Edwards, c Stevens, b Utting	... ..	9
Extras	... ..	11
Total	.....	194

Buckinghamshire 2nd Innings.

W. B. Franklin, c Falcon, b Nicholls	... ..	25
R. H. Brooke, st Bally, b Nicholls	... ..	39
A. G. Skinner, c Coldham, b Nicholls	... ..	3
W. I. Hazelton, c Beadsmore, b Nicholls	... ..	0
L. M. Walker, not out	... ..	9
Pitchford, b Beadsmore	... ..	42
W. H. Southall, c Stevens, b Beadsmore	... ..	2
B. H. Stevens, b Nicholls	... ..	15
O. G. Battecock, l.b.w., b Beadsmore	... ..	5
R. H. Rutter, b Beadsmore	... ..	5
Edwards, b Rought-Rought	... ..	2
Extras	... ..	7
Total	.....	154

Norfolk—1st Innings.

J. M. Coldham, l.b.w., b Edwards	... ..	23
J. H. Bally, b Hazelton	... ..	4
B. W. Rought-Rought, l.b.w., b Edwards	... ..	6
M. Falcon, b Edwards	... ..	33
G. A. Stevens, c Skinner, b Hazelton	... ..	3
H. F. Law, b Edwards	... ..	4
C. P. Watson, c Franklin, b Rutter	... ..	2
R. C. Rought-Rought, b Edwards	... ..	4
Nicholls, c Franklin, b Hazelton	... ..	20
W. A. Beadsmore, l.b.w., b Edwards	... ..	2
A. G. Utting, not out	... ..	1
Extras	... ..	18
Total	.....	120

Norfolk—2nd Innings.

J. M. Coldham, c Battecock, b Edwards	... ..	10
J. H. Bally, c Skinner, b Edwards	... ..	6
B. W. Rought-Rought, l.b.w., b Hazelton	... ..	22
M. Falcon, b Hazelton	... ..	0
G. A. Stevens, b Hazelton	... ..	27
H. F. Law, c Edwards, b Rutter	... ..	13
C. P. Watson, b Edwards	... ..	0
R. C. Rought-Rought, c Franklin, b Battecock	... ..	7
Nicholls, b Battecock	... ..	39
W. A. Beadsmore, not out	... ..	27
A. G. Utting, run out	... ..	11
Extras	... ..	18
Total	.....	180

Bowling analysis—Bucks, 1st Innings—Hazelton, 3 wickets for 41 runs; Rutter, 1 for 33; Edwards, 6 for 28. 2nd Innings—Hazelton, 3 for 39; Rutter, 1 for 47; Edwards, 3 for 55; Battecock, 2 for 21.

Norfolk—1st Innings—Beadsmore, 4 wickets for 46; Falcon, 0 for 30; Utting, 3 for 40; Nicholls, 0 for 24; Rought-Rought, 2 for 37. 2nd Innings—Beadsmore, 4 for 49; Falcon, 0 for 10; Utting, 0 for 15; Nicholls, 5 for 58; Rought-Rought, 1 for 15.

COUNTY CRICKET.

Bucks v. Surrey II.

BUCKS WIN BY 108 RUNS.

Surrey II having lost only one match during the season were near the leaders, and having beaten Bucks at the Oval had hopes of repeating the victory. The first day's play as reported in the *Free Press* last week left Bucks with a lead of 10 runs, both sides having completed an innings. Bucks won the toss and sent in Franklin and Brooke, Geary (H.) and Baldwin being the bowlers. Both batsmen opened cautiously, but in Geary's fourth over Franklin got him twice to the boundary, also scoring two 4's off Baldwin. With 40 on the board a double change was tried O'Gorman (googly) and Sheffield (fast) taking the ball. Nine runs were scored off O'Gorman's first over, but in his next, Franklin was l.b.w. Skinner joined Brooke and another stand was made. Brooke was scoring freely so another double change was tried, Garland-Wells and Locke. The hundred went up after about one and a half hours play and then Skinner fell to a catch in the slips. Sheffield relieved Garland-Wells and Brooke reached his 50 after batting 1 hour 35 minutes. Lock had bowled ten overs for 16 runs, but wickets were wanted so, O'Gorman gave him a rest.

At lunch time the score was 123 for 2, Brooke 55 and James 12. On resuming play, Lock and Sheffield bowled. Both were well on the wicket and runs were hard to get. After twenty minutes play Brooke's innings was closed by a catch at the wicket. Pitchford played his first ball on to his wicket and Hazelton fell to a running catch. Payne was appealed against for obstruction but the umpire ruled in his favour. The next ball proved fatal. Rutter was bowled second ball and 7 wickets were down for 150. Hankey and Edwards took the total to 167 when the latter was bowled. The score was disappointing after such a good start. Sheffield was the most successful bowler taking 7 wickets for 46 runs.

Surrey commenced batting at 3.40, Cook and Daily opening for them, Rutter and Hazelton bowling. After the first few overs Cook began to score freely and watched that he had most of the bowling. Payne was tried for Rutter and his first ball got Cook l.b.w. He had scored 31 of the 32 runs made as Daily had had few balls to play. With only two runs added, and with his score 3, Daily was badly missed in the slips. This let off proved expensive and at tea the score was 67 for 1. Daily being 24 and Mobey 12. After ten Edwards and Hazelton bowled and in the latter's second over he bowled Mobey. Daily was now scoring freely and at 5.10 the hundred was on the board. Daily having made 50, Hazelton changed ends and Edwards tried again. Hazelton bowled Daily for 57, his chief hits being eight 4's. Baldwin was bowled before scoring and Garland-Wells filled the vacancy, but after scoring 2 Edwards bowled him. Things were looking better for Bucks and when Geary was l.b.w. at the same total, the game was in an interesting condition as Surrey with 7 wickets down were still 37 behind. O'Gorman and Stroud were batting with confidence when the latter had the misfortune to be run out. He started for a second run, but was sent back by his partner and slipping in turning was easily run out. When the last man came in 23 runs were wanted to get the lead. O'Gorman sent a "sitter" to Rutter and to the surprise of everyone he dropped it. The score gradually rose to 157 when a smart bit of stumping finished the innings Bucks leading by 10 runs. Hazelton bowled the whole of the innings and took 6 wickets for 75.

SECOND DAY.

H. Geary having hurt himself the previous day changed places with the scorer (Lywood) who fielded for him. Bucks opened with the same batsmen, as before Sheffield and Stroud bowling. Brooke was bowled before scoring (3-1-0) and Franklin missed when 10. Sheffield was punished for 9 in one over so O'Gorman came on and Garland-Wells for Stroud. This reduced the run getting for a time, the former bowling 6 overs for 9 runs. Skinner was severe on Wells scoring 3 fours in succession and 3 off O'Gorman. Lock relieved Wells and his first ball beat and bowled Franklin (71-2-30). Sheffield at the other end got Skinner l.b.w. (73-3-41). This brought James and Pitchford together and several bowling changes were tried. Lock was bowling well and keeping down the runs. The hundred went up at 12.45 and soon after James was snapped at the wicket (107-4-22). Pitchford and Hazelton were together at lunch the score being 130 for 4. Lock had bowled 12 overs for 19 runs. Pitchford nearly doubled his score before being splendidly caught high up in the slips. Only a tall fielder could have reached it (146-5-35). This was about the same total as the previous day, and it was expected that the remaining batsmen would do better which proved to be the case. Hazelton was in great form hitting the bowling all over the field, sending Lock over the ring for 6. Of course, he received a certain amount of luck, the ball dropping near a fielder or being missed from a difficult chance. After scoring 60 he fell to a neat catch at cover (185-6-60). The other batsmen added to the score and the last wicket fell at 216. Stroud was the most successful bowler, especially after lunch, taking 6 for 51.

Surrey went in to score 227 to win. The last wicket fell at 118 leaving Bucks winners by 108 runs. Edwards took 5 for 37 and Pitchford 3 for 11. Scores and analysis:

Bucks.—1st innings.

W. B. Franklin l.b.w. b O'Gorman	35
R. H. Brooke, c Mobey, b Sheffield	66
A. G. Skinner, c Strand, b Lock	18
A. James, b Sheffield	25
Pitchford (H.), b Sheffield	0
W. E. Hazelton, c Wilson, b Lock	3
T. R. Kent, b Sheffield	3
A. U. Payne, lbw b Sheffield	0
L. H. A. Hankey, not out	6
R. H. Rutter, b Sheffield	0
Edwards (P.), b Sheffield	8
Extras	3

Total 167

Bowling—Surrey 1st innings: Geary (H.), 7-2-17-0; Baldwin (H.), 7-2-20-0; O'Gorman, 8-0-30-1; Sheffield, 24-2-8-16-7; Garland Wells, 5-0-17-0; Lock, 22-7-34-2.

Bucks 2nd innings.

Franklin, b Lock	30
Brooke, b Sheffield	0
Skinner, lbw, b Sheffield	41
James, c Mobey, b Strand	22
Pitchford, c and b Lock	35
Hazelton, c Daily, b Strand	60
Kent, b Strand	11
Payne, c Baldwin, b Strand	7
Hankey, b Strand	5
Rutter, not out	4
Edwards, b Strand	0
Extras	1

Total 216

Surrey bowling, 2nd innings: Sheffield, 17-3-62-2; Stroud, 19-2-3-5-6; O'Gorman, 7-4-18-0; Garland Wells, 9-0-36-0; Lock, 18-5-46-2.

Surrey II.—1st innings.

W. T. Cook, lbw, b Payne	31
Darby, b Hazelton	57
Mobey, b Hazelton	13
Wilson, st Franklin, b Hazelton	22
Baldwin (H.), b Hazelton	0
H. M. Garland Wells, b Edwards	2
E. G. Strand, run out	9
Geary (H.), lbw, b Hazelton	0
O'Gorman, not out	13
Sheffield, lbw, b Hazelton	2
Lock, st Franklin, b Edwards	1
Extras	7

Total 157

Bucks Bowling: Rutter, 5-0-14-0; Hazelton, 28-8-75-6; Payne, 8-0-30-0; Edwards, 17-2-0-31-2; Hazelton and Edwards each bowled two "no balls."

Surrey II.—2nd innings.

Cook, b Edwards	9
Daily, lbw, b Hazelton	0
Mobey, b Edwards	43
Wilson, c and b Hazelton	10
Baldwin, c Rutter, b Pitchford	38
Garland Wells, b Pitchford	3
Strand, b Pitchford	1
Geary, not out	0
O'Gorman, c Brooke, b Edwards	4
Sheffield st. Franklin, b Edwards	0
Lock, b Edwards	7
Extras	3

Total 118

Bucks bowling: 2nd innings.—Edwards, 23.1-8-37-5; Hazelton, 14-5-33-2; Rutter, 9-0-19-0; Payne, 1-0-3-0; Brooke, 5-3-2-0; Pitchford, 7-4-11-3; Edwards bowled 5 no-balls.

Umpires, A. Millward and Tregyear.

BUCKS v. STAFFS.

Interesting Game at Wycombe

Wycombe's interest in the county games was maintained to the end. At the Wycombe ground on Monday and Tuesday, L. G. Baker (Wycombe) who at his own request dropped out of the county team for some weeks, returned, and his score justified his inclusion. The great attraction to the spectators was the opportunity of seeing that great bowler, Sid Barnes, who although past the fifties can still take his share of wickets. Unfortunately for Staffs he strained his knee and was unable to field during the afternoon his place being taken by T. R. Kent (Bucks' 12th man). Franklin won the toss and took Brooke with him to open the innings, Barnes and Ellerker being the bowlers. Runs were hard to get and after Brooke had scored two he was bowled. Franklin did not stay long and was l.b.w. at the same total. Skinner and James caused the first change of bowlers, Lockett and Boom being tried. The latter is well reported on up north and great things are hoped from him in the future. He takes a short run but sends down a fast ball. Only 30 runs were scored in the hour. Boom was more to the batsmen's liking, 18 runs being scored from four overs. Barnes took the ball and Boom went to the other end, but as 9 runs were scored from his over Lockett bowled in his place. Skinner and James added 30 before the former was caught. Barnes was bowling well (11 overs for 11 runs). Pitchford did not stay long, being bowled by Barnes. Hazelton filled the vacancy and played carefully for a time. James seemed well set when he fell to Barnes. Battock, after playing a few balls, hit Barnes for 4 and 6 in successive overs, scoring 12 in one over.

At lunch time the score was 98, Hazelton (3) and Battock (23). Barnes and Ellerker bowled on resuming and Battock hit the former for 4 sending the hundred up. Barnes had strained his leg so retired for the day, T. R. Kent (Bucks 12th man) fielding for him. Bowling changes were frequent but the batsmen were well set. Battock fell to a catch at the wicket. Baker was missed when 10 and again at 11 but after that played good cricket. At 3.25 the 200 was up and Hazelton had scored 50 of them. After adding six to his total Hazelton was bowled by Boom. His innings contained seven 1's and the wicket had put on 103 runs. Baker fell next over when 1 short of 50. This brought Payne and Rutter together. The former survived an appeal for l.b.w. and then went on to score 29. Rutter caused great enthusiasm by his hitting, scoring six 4's and two 3's in his 31 and was undefeated at the finish. The total (280) was much larger than appeared possible with half the wickets down for 72.

STAFFORDSHIRE BAT.

Staffs commenced their innings at 4.45 and at the close of play had scored 125 for 2. Yates and Homer were the first batsmen, Hazelton and Rutter bowling. Yates soon got going, scoring two 1's on Hazelton's first over. Both batsmen were scoring freely. Edwards went on and Homer was caught. Wilkie hit Edwards for six off a no-ball. The hundred went up after batting 1 hour and 10 minutes, 30 overs being bowled before there was a maiden over. Yates lost his wicket before play closed for the day, but Wilkie was undefeated with 17 to his credit. He had given one chance in the long field.

There was a good number of spectators when play was resumed on Tuesday. Wilkie and Smith facing Hazelton and Edwards. After scoring three 4's and a single Smith was caught. With another run added, Wilkie fell to the Franklin-Edwards combination. In his 53 Wilkie hit two 6's and three 4's. Heath and Lockett added 30 before the latter was well caught by Rutter from a hard

drive. Sid Barnes was next but soon lost Heath caught by Rutter from another "hot un." Seven wickets were down for 175 and Bucks seemed to have the game well in hand, but Barnes and Ellerker caused several bowling changes and completely altered the aspect of things. The latter scored all round the wicket, whilst Barnes was content to play the ball and at lunch they were still together the score being 241 for 7. Ellerker 35 and Barnes 23. Rutter and Edwards bowled on the resumption of play and Barnes was missed in the slips. The let off luckily did not matter as he was caught at the wicket next over off Payne, who had relieved Rutter.

The latter had bowled well after lunch his analysis showing 6 overs, 2 maidens, 6 runs 1 wicket. When the last man came in 18 runs were wanted to win. Boom went in for hitting so Edwards was tried again. Meanwhile Ellerker had scored 50 without a chance. Boom scored three 3's which brought the score to 176. Edwards tried to draw him, and then pitched him one to hit, which he did and Skinner brought off a splendid catch in the long field, Bucks thus led by four runs. Ellerker carried his bat for 32, hitting six 4's. Edwards bowled 40 overs and had 6 wickets. Bucks batted again and scored 103 for 2 wickets, Brooke 32 and Skinner 55 not out. As the visitors desired to reach home that night stumps were drawn at 4.15—an action that created much adverse comment. By gaining the points for first innings lead Bucks are second in the table and will meet Oxfordshire on Merton College ground Oxford, next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Scores and analysis:

Bucks—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, lbw, b Barnes ...	4
R. H. J. Brooke, b Ellerker	2
A. G. Skinner, c Yates, b Boom	16
A. J. S. James, c Homer, b Barnes	34
Pitchford (H.), b Barnes	7
W. E. Hazelton, b Boom	56
O. G. Battock, c Cross, b Ellerker	38
L. G. Baker, b Ellerker	46
A. U. Payne, c Smith, b Woodhouse	29
R. H. Rutter, not out	31
Edwards (F.), c Boom, b Woodhouse	0
Extras	17
Total	280

Staffs Bowling: (first innings): Barnes, 17-7-37-3; Ellerker, 22-7-72-3; Lockett, 23-5-69-0; Boom, 17-2-75-2; Woodhouse, 6-2-10-2. Lockett bowled three "no balls" and Woodhouse a "wide."

Bucks—2nd Innings.

Franklin, c Woodhouse, b Ellerker	6
Brooke, c Wilkie, b Heath	32
Skinner, not out	55
James, not out	5
Extras	5
Total (for 2 wkts.)	103

Staffs Bowling: (2nd innings): Boom, 7-2-22-0; Ellerker 6-3-8-1; Lockett, 12-1-23-0; Woodhouse, 5-0-13-1; Heath, 5-0-32-1.

Staffordshire—1st Innings.

W. H. Homer, c James, b Edwards	15
P. O. Yates, c Payne, b Hazelton	27
F. Woodhouse, b Edwards	35
A. D. Wilkie, st Franklin, b Edwards	53
A. Smith, c Rutter, b Edwards ..	13
J. S. Heath, c Rutter, b Edwards	16
Lockett (A.), c Rutter, b Hazelton	12
Barnes (S. E.), c Franklin, b Payne	28
W. H. Ellerker, not out	52
E. P. Cross, c James, b Rutter	4
Boom (J.), c Skinner, b Edwards	9
Extras	12
Total	276

Bucks Bowling: (1st innings): Hazelton, 28-5-84-2; Rutter, 14-2-30-1; Edwards, 10-3-12-93-6; Battock, 4-0-17-0; Pitchford, 9-3-17-0; Payne, 7-0-23-1.

Umpires: Fuller and Reeves.

CRICKET.

THE MINOR COUNTIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

BUCKS v. HERTS.

Played at Broxbourne on August 10th.—The weather was fine, but the wicket on the soft side. Herts won the toss and took first knock which suited Bucks very well. Mayer and Bowie opened to Hazelton and Edwards, and at 13 the former was clean bowled by Edwards, who also brought off a good catch in the slips to dismiss Brown and clean bowled Lamb with only 1 run added. (Edwards at this period was bowling excellently and was practically unplayable). Payne now relieved Hazelton, who had bowled well, and in his second over bowled Bowie; 27, 4, 9. At 40 Kent caught Bland off Payne and Stevens Davis made a very good catch to get rid of Hodgson; 41, 8, 0. One run later, Edwards clean bowled Paul, the left-hander. Roberts was very shaky when facing Edwards, and was l.b.w. in the 2nd over. Franklin made a smart catch at wicket to dismiss Burton; 46, 3, 2. Then Mole and Evans took the score to 62 before the former was l.p.w. to Edwards, Evans being not out, 4.

The feature of the Bucks innings was a fine batting display by Brooks and Skinner, who, on a difficult wicket, and in spite of repeated changes of bowling, put on 162 for the 2nd wicket. Both batsmen hit very hard all round the wicket, and their firm stand gave Bucks a good lead, although most of the following batsmen failed against the excellent bowling of Roberts, the Herts left hand bowler. Franklin and Brooke opened the innings but the former was well caught by Meyer with total at 6. Brooke and Skinner took the total to 168 before the former was caught at wicket off Roberts, after scoring 105, which included 10 fours and 2 sixes. He took the six and 3 fours off the over of Brown's. Skinner had scored 87 when caught in the slips. Although not scoring quite as fast as Brooke, he played nice cricket and was very severe on anything loose sent down. James was bowled before he had scored, and Pitchford was l.b.w. to Roberts for 5. Hazelton could not get going and was caught by Mayer; 183, 6, 4. Kent was out at the same total. Stevens Davis looked like getting runs, but was caught by Mayer after scoring 2. Payne was batting very competently, but lost Rutter at 192. Edwards made several nice strokes, but hit over one from Roberts and was bowled. The innings closed for 204. Payne not out, 8. Herts started their second venture after tea, and when stumps were drawn for the day had made 93 for 6. There were prospects of the match being finished, but careful batting prevented this, although the bowling was good and nothing was being given away in the field. On resuming the second day, Rutter and Edwards bowled and runs came fairly quickly, but at 115 Hodgson was brilliantly run out by James, who picked up the ball very cleanly and threw down the wicket. Burton was bowled by Rutter before he had scored, but Mole and Evans stayed to save the innings defeat before Mole was well caught by Skinner in the deep off Pitchford, who had relieved Rutter. Roberts was l.b.w. to Edwards, and the innings closed at 145, leaving Bucks to get 4 runs to win. Franklin and Brooke opened as usual, each batsman getting 3 runs off Mayer's 1st over and thus Bucks won by 11 wickets. Score:

Herts.

R. J. O. Mayer, b Edwards	12	l.b.w., Edwards	11
D. Bowie, b Payne	9	b Edwards	7
Brown (S.), c Edwards	6	c Skinner, b	5
Hazelton	6	b Edwards	24
L. Lamb, b Edwards	0	c. Rutter, b	14
		Pitchford	11
J. G. Bland, c Kent	11	c. Skinner, b	21
b Payne	4	b Edwards	7
P. R. Paul, b Edwards	0	run out	16
G. D. Hodgson, c Stevens	3	b Nutter	0
Davis, b Edwards	2	l.p.w., Edwards	1
Burt n (F.), c Franklin	2	c. Skinner, b	12
b Edwards	6	Pitchford	26
Roberts (E.), l.b.w., b	4	not out	6
Edwards	6	Extras	6
S. P. Mole, l.b.w., b	0		
Edwards	6		
H. C. Evans, not out	0		
Extras	6		
Total	62	Total	145

Bucks.

W. B. Franklin, c Mayer, b Paul	0
R. H. J. Brooke, c Mole, b Roberts	105
A. G. Skinner, c Brown, b Roberts	57
A. James, b Roberts	0
W. E. Hazelton, c Mayer, b Roberts	4
Pitchford (H.), l.b.w., b Roberts	5
T. R. Kent, c Bland, b Burton	1
A. H. Payne, not out	8
B. H. Stevens Davis, c Mayer, b Roberts	2
Edwards (F.), b Roberts	9
Extras	11
Total	204

Second innings.

W. B. Franklin, not out	3
R. H. J. Brooke, not out	3

BOWLING.

	1st innings.	2nd innings.
	O. M. R. W.	O. M. R. W.
Hazelton	6 2 14 1	1 - 6 -
Edwards	18 6 22 7	25 5 69 6
Payne	13 6 20 2	14 5 30 -
Pitchford		8 1 3 2
Rutter		7 1 22 1

Herts.

	1st innings.	2nd innings.
	O. M. R. W.	O. M. R. W.
Mayer	9 2 33 -	
Paul	7 3 25 -	
Roberts	15 1 46 8	
Brown	4 - 30 -	
Burton	18 4 60 1	
Total	1 0 4 0	

BUCKS v. SURREY II.

Buckinghamshire beat Surrey II. at High Wycombe by 108 runs. Score:

Buckinghamshire.

W. B. Franklin, l.b.w., b O'Gorman	30	b Lock	30
R. H. J. Brooke, c Mober, b Sheffield	66	b Sheffield	0
A. G. Skinner, c Stroud, b Lock	18	field	41
A. J. S. James, b Sheffield	25	c. Mober, b Stroud	22
H. Pitchford, b Sheffield	0	c Stroud, b Lock	35
W. E. Hazelton, c Wilson, Lock	3	c Stroud	60
T. R. Kent, b Sheffield	3	b Stroud	11
A. V. Payne, l.b.w., b Sheffield	0	c Baldwin, b	7
L. H. A. Hankey, not out	6	b Stroud	5
R. H. Rutter, b Sheffield	0	not out	4
Edwards (F.), b Sheffield	8	b Stroud	0
Extras	8	Extras	1
Total	167	Total	216

Surrey II.

W. T. Cook, l.b.w., b Payne	31	b Edwards	9
Daily, b Hazelton	57	l.b.w., b Hazelton	0
Mober, b Hazelton	13	b Edwards	43
Wilson, at Franklin, b Hazelton	22	c-b Hazelton	10
Baldwin (H.), b Hazelton	0	c Rutter, b Pitchford	38
H. M. Garland-Wells, b Edwards	2	b Pitchford	3
L. G. Stroud, run out	9	b Pitchford	1
H. Geary, l.b.w., b Hazelton	0	not out	0
O'Gorman, not out	13	c Brooke, b Edwards	4
Sheffield, l.b.w., b Hazelton	2	at Franklin, b Edwards	1
Lock, at Franklin, b Edwards	7	b Edwards	7
Extras	6	Extras	2
Total	167	Total	118

Slough Albion.

Table with columns for First Innings and Second Innings, listing players and runs.

Winkfield.

Table with columns for First Innings and Second Innings, listing players and runs.

MR. T. E. RICHARDS' XI. v. BURNHAM C.C.

Mr. T. E. Richards kindly brought down a very strong team for his annual match against Burnham last Wednesday which included many well-known players.

Table listing players and runs for Burnham C.C. vs Mr. T. E. Richards' XI.

Mr. T. E. Richards' XI.

Table listing players and runs for Mr. T. E. Richards' XI.

BURNHAM v. THE JESTERS.

On Thursday last Burnham entertained the Jesters and after a most enjoyable game were defeated by 38 runs.

The Jesters.

Table listing players and runs for Burnham vs The Jesters.

Table listing players and runs for Burnham 1st XI vs Bray.

BURNHAM 1st XI. v. BRAY.

Burnham entertained Bray at the Gore Ground on Saturday and after the usual pleasant and keen game were defeated by 17 runs.

Bray.

Table listing players and runs for Bray vs Burnham 1st XI.

Burnham 1st XI.

Table listing players and runs for Burnham 1st XI.

BURNHAM 2nd XI. v. MAIDENHEAD ST. MARY'S.

Played on the Vicarage pitch on Saturday last, and resulted in a win for Burnham by 53 runs.

Maidenhead St. Mary's.

Table listing players and runs for Maidenhead St. Mary's vs Burnham 2nd XI.

Burnham 2nd XI.

Table listing players and runs for Burnham 2nd XI.

JOHNSON AND JOHNSON v. BURNHAM 3rd.

Played at Slough Recreation Ground on Saturday last, and ended in a win for Burnham by 44 runs.

Burnham 3rd.

Table listing players and runs for Burnham 3rd vs Johnson and Johnson.

Johnson and Johnson.

Table listing players and runs for Johnson and Johnson vs Burnham 3rd.

SLOUGH v. KILBURN.

Played at Slough on 28th August. The match provided some extraordinary cricket. Slough won the toss and Newberry and Morgan put on 88 for the first wicket.

Slough.

Table listing players and runs for Slough vs Kilburn.

Bowling Analysis.

Table showing bowling analysis for Slough vs Kilburn.

Kilburn.

Table listing players and runs for Kilburn vs Slough.

Bowling Analysis.

Table showing bowling analysis for Kilburn vs Slough.

THE JESTERS v. EGHAM.

Played at Egham on August 21st. Score:

The Jesters.

Table listing players and runs for The Jesters vs Egham.

Egham.

Table listing players and runs for Egham vs The Jesters.

Total (for 4)

Table showing total runs for Egham vs The Jesters.

SLOUGH ESTATE CRICKET LEAGUE.

ASPRO AND ST. HELENS TO PLAY FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Interest in the Slough Estate League has been well maintained to the very end of the season, and even now the championship is in doubt, for either St. Helens or Aspro may win the coveted honour. The St. Helens team have done extremely well during the second half of the season and their challenge to Aspros is (as can be seen from the table) a very strong one. The position at the top of the table may look a little odd at first glance, but the withdrawal of Slough Estates from the competition forced the committee to give the points of the remaining Estate matches to their opponents, and as St. Helens still had to play the Estates, they have been awarded two points, which gives them a lead in the table of their Aspro rivals. However, the Saints and the Tablets will meet for the Championship, and a great game should result. On Saturday St. Helens did well to defeat Black and Decker twice in one afternoon, and so secure four most valuable points. The table and result of Saturday's games are appended:

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE.

Table with 5 columns: Club, P, W, L, D, Pts. Lists teams like St. Helens, Aspro, St. Martins, Johnson and Johnson, Citroen, Black and Decker, Hanovia, and Estates with their respective records.

*Two points forfeited by Estates.
*Four points forfeited by Estates.

JOHNSON AND JOHNSON v. BRITISH HANOVIA.

Played at St. Martins' ground on Monday, August 26th. Match was played for four points. Score:

Scorecard for Johnson and Johnson vs British Hanovia. Lists players like Sherlock, Wright, Clifford, Williams, Brooks, etc., and their scores.

ST. HELENS v. BLACK AND DECKER.

Played at Pooocks-lane on Saturday last. Two matches were played on Saturday. Score:

Scorecard for St. Helens vs Black and Decker. Lists players like Butt, Higgins, Martin, Constance, Corbett, etc., and their scores.

Bowling: Andrews, 3 for 26; Pierce, 5 for 14; Hing, 1 for 0.
St. Helens's
Hing, l-b-w, b Constance 6
Thorniley, run out 4
Pugh, c Butt, b Martin 20
Evans, run out 5
Unsworth, c and b Brown 0
Kirk, not out 0
Extras 5
Total 48
*Total (for 5 wks) 48
*Innings declared closed.
Edgar, Pierce, Andrews, Kelly and Bryant did not bat.

2ND MATCH.

Scorecard for 2nd Match. Lists players like Martin, Corbett, Brown, Constance, Hammond, Butt, Higgins, Vincent, May, Waite, Wickens, and Extras with their scores.

Total 27
Bowling: Hing, 7 for 13; Andrews, 2 for 5.
St. Helens.
Edgar, l-b-w, b Constance 10
Thorniley, b Brown 0
Pugh, b Brown 11
Hing, c Hammond, b Brown 14
Evans, b Brown 9
Pierce, b Brown 0
Kirk, b Brown 0
Unsworth, b Brown 0
Andrews, c Waite, b Brown 0
Kelly, c and b Vincent 3
Bryant, not out 0
Extras 4
Total 60
Bowling: Brown, 8 for 25; Constance, 1 for 25; Vincent, 1 for 6.

ASCOT v. WOKINGHAM.

This match, played at Wokingham on Saturday, resulted in a draw, each side scoring fairly freely. Wokingham, who batted first, declared at 159 for 6, and then Ascot replied with 111 for 9. Bullock took two wickets for 29, C. Higgins 2 for 38, and Colonel Maude, 2 for 57. Score:

Scorecard for Ascot vs Wokingham. Lists players like Knight, Denton, Birch, Goddard, Phipps, Bullock, Harton, Deacon, and Extras with their scores.

*Total (for 6 wks.) 156
*Innings declared closed.
A. Dowty, R. Hewitza, E. Whard, F. Perkins, G. C. Wilson did not bat.
Ascot.
Colonel Maude, l-b-w, b Denton 7
Rev. C. A. M. Roberts, b Birch 1
J. Higgins, c Denton, b Birch 25
C. Higgins, b Dowty 14
A. Bullock, b Denton 23
Major F. Burne, b Birch 1
R. Vanner, b Denton 7
D. Goddard, c Wilson, b Denton 3
J. Irvin, b Dowty 1
F. B. Tottle, not out 14
G. Charman, not out 3
G. A. Bullock did not bat 0
Extras 15
*Total (for 9 wks.) 111

INTER-CLUB MATCHES AT ASCOT.

Two inter-club matches were played in connection with the Royal Ascot Rovers C.C. at Crouch Lane, Ascot, on Saturday and Sunday. On the latter occasion the teams were entertained to tea by Messrs. Coombs and Westbrock. Score:

Scorecard for inter-club matches at Ascot. Includes MR. COOMBS'S XI v. MR. CAMPBELL'S XI and MR. WESTLAKE'S XI v. MR. A. COOMBS'S XI.

SUNDAY.

MR. WESTLAKE'S XI v. MR. A. COOMBS'S XI.

Scorecard for Mr. Westlake's XI vs Mr. A. Coombs's XI. Lists players like Gray, Wyse, Payne, Westbrock, Evans, Jones, Payne, Barger, Easer, Rye, Murphy, and Extras with their scores.

Total 57

Mr. A. Coombs's XI.
H. Baigent, c Wyse, b Westbrock 18
G. Lovegrove, c Westbrock, b Gray 15
C. Walford, b Bridger 11
W. Coombs, b Gray 22
E. Elliott, c Payne, b Gray 0
G. Costl, retired 24
A. Coombs, b Payne 10
H. Watson, c Gray, b Payne 6
H. Ansell, b Westbrock 0
W. Brent, not out 1
Eales, c and b Westbrock 0
Extras 22
Total 129

GILLETTE WORKS v. HAMBLEDON.

Played at Eton on Saturday last. The Hambledon team collapsed badly in each innings before the bowling of the Gillette men. W. Baldwin took five wickets for three runs and made 22, G. Saunders took five wickets for 14, E. Moore five for 18, and Moore four for 36. G. Payne batted well for the Gillette team, and A. Tilbury bowled exceedingly well for Hambledon. Score:

Scorecard for Gillette Works vs Hambledon. Lists players like Rev. Thomas, Hooper, S. Tilbury, A. Tilbury, F. Bunting, G. Sylvester, H. Hare, F. Britton, A. Keeley, R. Stevens, A. Wheeler, M. Manuel, and Extras with their scores.

MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE v. KENT II.

Played at Beckenham, the result being a draw. The Bucks bowling was good, Edwards as usual being very steady in spite of his bad knee. Rutter also bowled well, but did not have much luck. At one time he bowled eight maidens in succession. The Bucks ground fielding was good, Stevens-Davis and Brooke earning much applause from the ring for their excellent work. The catching was not too sure, especially in the slips, but some of them were difficult chances. Franklin was as usual excellent behind the stumps. No doubt Bucks missed Hazelton in the bowling department, but the men entrusted with this did very well considering the strong batting side of Kent. Score.

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, st Tyler, b Bull	43
R. H. J. Brooke, c Bull, b Fairservice	68
A. G. Skinner, c Valentine, b Bull	0
A. James, c Tyler, b Bull	2
H. Pitchford, run out	0
C. V. Riffety, b Bull	38
B. H. Stevens-Davis, c and b Bull	22
W. H. C. Southall, c Tyler, b Watt	5
T. R. Kent, not out	24
R. H. Rutter, l.b.w. b Recordan	5
F. Edwards, b Watt	16
Extras	10

Total ... 235

Buckinghamshire—2nd Innings.

W. B. Franklin, c and b Recordan	33
R. H. J. Brooke, b Watt	36
A. G. Skinner, b Fairservice	59
A. James, b Fairservice	57
H. Pitchford, not out	13
Extras	5

Total (for 4 wks. dec.) 243

Kent II—1st Innings.

S. Watson, b Skinner	3
Bull, c Stephen-Davis, b Rutter	60
Hubble, c Raffety, b Edwards	51
L. W. Recordan, c Franklin, b Edwards	28
B. H. Valentine, c Skinner, b Edwards	12
T. A. Crawford, c Brooke, b Rutter	23
G. J. V. Weigall, c James, b Brooke	52
F. W. Tyler, c Edwards, b Brooke	29
Fairservice, c Rutter, b Edwards	5
Watt, c and b Brooke	8
Beslee, not out	0
Extras	13

Total 276

Kent II—2nd Innings.

S. Watson, c Raffety, b Rutter	2
Bull, l.b.w., b Edwards	33
Hubble, b Brooke	55
B. H. Valentine, not out	34
T. A. Crawford, b Edwards	3
G. J. V. Weigall, not out	10
Extras	13

Total (for 5 wks) 159

HERTFORDSHIRE v. BUCKS.

Played at Broxbourne. Bucks won by ten wickets. Scores:—

Hertfordshire—1st Innings.

R. J. O. Meyer, b Edwards	12
D. Bowie, b Payne	9
Brown (S.), c Edwards, b Hazelton	6
N. Limb, b Edwards	0
J. G. Bland, c Kent, b Payne	11
P. R. Paul, b Edwards	4
G. D. Hodgson, c Stevens-Davis, b Edwards	0
Burton (F.), c Franklin, b Edwards	2
Robert (E.), c Franklin, b Edwards	2
S. P. Mole, l.b.w., b Edwards	6
H. O. Evans, not out	4
Extras	6

Total 62

Hertfordshire—2nd Innings.

R. J. O. Meyer, l.b.w., b Edwards	11
D. Bowie, b Edwards	7
Brown (S.), c Skinner, b Edwards	24
N. Limb, c Rutter, b Pitchford	14
J. G. Bland, c Skinner, b Edwards	21
P. R. Paul, b Edwards	7
G. D. Hodgson, run out	16
Burton (F.), b Rutter	0
Roberts (E.) l.b.w., b Edwards	1
S. P. Mole, c Skinner, b Pitchford	12
H. C. Evans, not out	26
Extras	6

Total 145

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, c Meyer, b Paul	0
R. H. J. Brooke, c Mole, b Roberts	105
A. G. Skinner, c Brown, b Roberts	57
A. James, b Roberts	0
W. E. Hazelton, c Meyer, b Roberts	4
Pitchford (H.), l.b.w., b Roberts	5
T. R. Kent, c Bland, b Burton	1
A. O. Payne, not out	8
B. H. Steven-Davis, c Meyer, b Roberts	2
R. H. Rutter, b Roberts	2
Edwards (F.), b Roberts	9
Extras	11

Total 204

Buckinghamshire 2nd Innings.

W. B. Franklin, not out	2
R. H. J. Brooke, not out	2

Total (for no wks.) 4

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE v. SURREY II.

In the minor Counties Championship, Buckinghamshire beat Surrey II. at High Wycombe on Saturday by 108 runs. Score:—

Buckinghamshire—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, l.b.w., b O'Gorman	30
R. H. J. Brooke, c Mobery, b Sheffield	66
A. G. Skinner, c Stroud, b Lock	18
A. J. S. James, b Sheffield	25
Pitchford (H.), b Sheffield	0
W. E. Hazelton, c Wilson, b Lock	3
T. R. Kent, b Sheffield	3
A. V. Payne, l.b.w., b Sheffield	0
L. H. A. Hankey, not out	6
R. H. Rutter, b Sheffield	0
Edwards (F.) b Sheffield	8
Extras	8

Total 167

Buckinghamshire 2nd Innings.

W. B. Franklin, b Lock	30
R. H. J. Brooke, b Sheffield	0
A. G. Skinner, l.b.w., b Sheffield	41
A. J. S. James, c Mobery, b Stroud	22
Pitchford (H.), c Stroud, b Lock	35
W. E. Hazelton, c Daily, b Stroud	60
T. R. Kent, b Stroud	11
A. V. Payne, c Baldwin, b Stroud	7
L. H. A. Hankey, b Stroud	5
R. H. Rutter, not out	4
Edwards (F.), b Stroud	0
Extras	4

Total 216

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Surrey II—1st Innings.

W. T. Cook, l.b.w., b Payne	31
Daily, b Hazelton	57
Mobery, b Hazelton	13
Wilson, st Franklin, b Hazelton	22
Baldwin (H.), b Hazelton	0
H. M. Garland-Wells, b Edwards	2
L. G. Stroud, run out	9
Geary (H.), l.b.w., b Hazelton	0
J. O'Gorman, not out	13
Sheffield, l.b.w., b Hazelton	2
Lock, st Franklin, b Edwards	1
Extras	1

Total 157

Surrey II—2nd Innings.

W. T. Cook, b Edwards	9
Daily, l.b.w., b Hazelton	0
Mobery, b Edwards	43
Wilson, c and b Hazelton	10
Baldwin (H.), c Rutter, b Pitchford	38
H. M. Garland-Wells, b Pitchford	3
L. G. Stroud, b Pitchford	1
Geary (H.), not out	0
J. O'Gorman, c Brooke, b Edwards	4
Sheffield, st Franklin, b Edwards	1
Lock, b Edwards	7
Extras	1

Total 118

MINOR COUNTIES TABLE.

Oxfordshire comes first and Buckinghamshire second in the Minor Counties table, having played nine matches, won four, lost one, won on first innings three and lost on first innings one. The possible number of points obtainable was 45; 30 were obtained and the percentage works out at 66.66. Surrey II. is third in the table with a percentage of 65.71. Berkshire is more than half way down the list of the 23 counties, with a percentage of 42.00 while Bedfordshire is four below with a percentage of 30.00.

Buckinghamshire by their victory over Staffordshire on Tuesday, at High Wycombe, have earned the right to challenge Oxfordshire and the match will be played Thursday, Friday and Saturday next, at the Merton College Ground, Oxford. This is the fourth occasion since the War that Buckinghamshire have played in the final and on the three previous occasions they beat their opponents, Norfolk, Northumberland and Surrey II.

Cricket.

CHAMPIONS.

Oxfordshire v. Bucks.

Thanks in a large measure to the bowling of Frank Hartley, the old Corinthian footballer, who is now a professional in the ranks of Tottenham Hotspur, Oxfordshire beat Buckinghamshire last week in the Minor Counties Challenge match at Oxford by ten wickets. The last eight wickets of the losers actually went down for five runs, and as the result of the match, Oxfordshire, for the first time in their history, won the Minor Counties' Championship.

Bowling fast-medium right-arm, Hartley took six wickets for 15 runs, and did the hat-trick by disposing of Raffety, Pitchford and Hazelton with successive deliveries. Before taking a wicket he had 11 runs hit off him, and at one point his analysis read 3.1-1-4-6. Score:

Bucks—1st innings.

R. H. Brooks, b Walters	13
W. B. Franklin, c Arnold, b Walters	17
A. G. Skinner, lbw, b Walters	0
A. J. S. James, c L. Rogers, b F. Hartley	0
C. V. Raffety, b Walters	0
Pitchford (H.), lbw, b Walters	4
W. E. Hazelton, b J. Rogers	11
O. G. Batcock, not out	51
A. U. Payne, c L. Rogers, b Walters	7
E. H. Butler, c and b F. Hartley	23
Edwards (F.), b F. Hartley	0
Extras	13

Total 148

Bucks—2nd innings: Brooks, b Walters, 17. Franklin, c Henry, b Rogers, 3. Skinner, lbw, b J. Rogers, 8. James, c Thomas, b F. Hartley, 10. Raffety, c Lewenton, b F. Hartley, 0. Pitchford, b F. Hartley, 0. Hazelton, c J. Rogers, b F. Hartley, 0. Batcock, c and b F. Hartley, 1. Payne, b F. Hartley, 1. Butler, c Lewenton, b Walters, 2. Edwards, not out, 0. Extras 13.

Oxfordshire.

S. C. B. Lee, b Butler	7
H. Walker, b Hazelton	12
L. Rogers, b Edwards	12
J. Arnold, not out	62
F. Hartley, c Franklin, b Edwards	0
O. Walters, lbw, b Pitchford	23
F. Hartley, b Edwards	14
H. T. Lewenton, b Hazelton	6
B. P. Thomas, b Hazelton	0
J. Rogers, b Hazelton	7
B. J. Henry, c Franklin, b Edwards	10
Extras	20

Total 193

Oxfordshire, 2nd innings: Lee, not out, 7. Walker, not out, 12. Total (no wicket), 19.

Bowling analysis: Buckinghamshire, 2nd innings: Thomas 4-2-3-0. J. Rogers 10-6-19-2. F. Hartley 11.1-5-13-6. Walters 9-1-6-2. Oxfordshire, 2nd innings: Butler 2-0-11-0. Hazelton 1.1-0-6-0.

The wicket was a poor one and the outfield none too good. The ball rose over the batsman at times, and players were caught in trying to get out of the way. "Mr. Extras" reached nearly a score in each innings. It is hoped next year that arrangements may be made for the second elevens of counties to be grouped. Another suggestion I should like the Committee to consider is that the final should be played on neutral ground.

Reading v. Wycombe.

Scores of 83 by L. G. Baker and 71 by J. Brickwell were enough to give High Wycombe first eleven the victory over Reading at Reading on Saturday. Batting first, Reading made 140, of which C. A. Butler's 36 was the highest score. Hawes bowled splendidly, taking eight for 40, and N. H. Theed took the other two for 40. Baker and Brickwell opened in fine style, and had amassed 131 when Brickwell was caught by Stokes. Brickwell's score of 71 included nine fours. Baker was joined by H. B. James, who stayed only long enough to let Baker get two or three more, and James was followed by J. Brickmore, and James was followed by the well-knitted, who had scored ten when the innings was closed. Baker's was a bright performance, and he looked in trim for his century. He reached the boundary ten times. Score:

Reading.	
W. Maclean, b N. Hawes	1
Birch, c Keen, b N. H. Theed	0
D. W. Stokes, c S. T. Theed, b N. Hawes	25
Hawes	40
C. G. Gory, c James, b N. H. Theed	16
C. A. Butler, lbw, b N. Hawes	36
M. Jole, c Britnell, b N. Hawes	10
J. S. Williams, b N. Hawes	1
H. G. Dadley, c S. T. Theed, b N. Hawes	0
A. T. Yendell, c S. T. Theed, b N. Hawes	8
W. V. Stokes, at Keen, b N. Hawes	40
J. S. Maunder, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	140
High Wycombe.	
L. G. Baker, not out	83
J. Brickwell, c Stokes, b Gory	71
H. B. James, b Gory	0
J. Brickwell, jun., not out	10
Extras	10
Total (2 wickets)	174

S. T. Theed, S. A. Keen, N. H. Theed, N. E. Hawes, G. H. Baker, H. G. Page and E. E. Britnell did not bat.

Eton College Servants v. Stokenchurch.

Stokenchurch brought their season to a close by visiting Eton on Saturday. Batting first, the visitors soon showed the College servants (who played with ten men) that they were in for run-making, and with five wickets down for 177 they declared. E. Britnell (74 not out) played his best innings of the season, and F. Lerner (33) showed that in addition to his success in bowling, he can use the willow. Eton College servants made a very poor show, and were dismissed for 34 runs. F. Alder (10) was the only batsman to reach double figures. Lerner took 7 wickets for two runs and Butler took 7 for nine runs. In the Servants follow-on Stokenchurch took things easy and the College Servants knocked up 57 for six wickets. A. Wilkins (22), and F. Alder (13) being chief scorers. W. Saunders took two wickets for nine, H. Messenger one for six, F. Griffiths one for 16, and R. Hodges two for five runs. The visitors thus won by 143 runs on the first innings. Score:

Stokenchurch: H. Messenger, c Haverly, b Brown, 12; P. Hunt, b Gibbs, 15; E. Britnell, not out, 74; A. Butler, b Harris, 13; F. Griffiths, b Harris, 0; F. Lerner, b Brown, 33; W. Poole, not out, 7; Extras 23. Total (5 wickets) 177. W. Saunders, W. Lane, G. Ashby and R. Hodges did not bat.

Eton College Servants: W. Mead, b Lerner, 0; H. Brown, b Lerner, 2; F. Alder, b Lerner, 10; E. Harris, b Lerner, 1; A. Wilkins, b Lerner, 0; B. Berry, b Lerner, 6; H. Reader, b Lerner, 0; B. Swan, b Butler, 4; H. Haverly, not out, 0; J. Elkins, c Messenger, b Butler, 1; Extras 10. Total 34.

Stokenchurch Res. v. Wormsley.

On Saturday last Stokenchurch Reserves entertained Wormsley, and after a well-contested game they lost by 22 runs. Wormsley went first to the wickets, and after losing one wicket for four runs a good stand was made by Newman and Bird, who took the score to 33. After this runs came slowly, but Hinton did some hard hitting and knocked up 30 before being bowled by H. Ayres. The tail did not do badly, and at the close of their innings Wormsley showed a total of 101. The Reserves did not make a good start, 15 runs being registered for the loss of three wickets. F. Bird (20) and H. Ayres (10) carried the score to 35 for the fourth wicket. T. Styles materially helped the Reserves with a score of 19, but although the tail end made a very good effort the home side finished up 25 behind (79). Scores:

Wormsley: J. Brown, c Elston, b Bradbury, 1; J. Newman, c Johnson, b Bradbury, 20; W. Bird, b S. Ayres, 9; E. Bradbury, b S. Ayres, 0; E. Nickerson, c Ashby, b Bradbury, 4; B. Hinton, b H. Ayres, 30; G. Bracey, c Ashby, b Bird, 9; W. Trotman, c Ayres, b Bird, 3; W. Richardson, c Lerner, b T. Styles, 7; J. Francis, b S. Ayres, 6; W. Seymour, not out, 1; Extras 11. Total 101.

Stokenchurch Res.: E. Ashby, b Bird, 1; A. Johnson, b Bird, 1; S. Ayres, c Francis, b Bird, 2; F. Bird, b Hinton, 20; H. Ayres, b Bracey, 13; A. Elston, b Hinton, 6; W. Styles, b Hinton, 0; T. Styles, c Richardson, b Bracey, 19; S. Lerner, c Trotman, b Bracey, 6; H. Ashby, not out, 3; E. Bradbury, c Richardson, b Bracey, 3; Extras 5. Total 79.

Little Hampden v. Great Hampden.

At Little Hampden on Saturday, Great Hampden found Dell in form with the ball. He took two wickets in his first over, and three wickets were down for 8 and six for 39. Great Hampden's total was 90 (Langston 34), and Little Hampden started off well to reach it. Two wickets fell for 30, but the rest of the team collapsed, and Tompkins (15) was the only one to reach double figures in a score of 47. At home, Great Hampden Reserves beat Mr. Logan's eleven by 24 on the first innings, the Reserves scoring 70 (Miller 21, G. Ridgley 11), and the visitors 46 (D. Cooper 26). At a second attempt, the visitors made 64. In the first innings W. Ward secured five wickets for 10.

Great Missenden Thursday v. Public Schools XI.

This match, played at Great Missenden on Thursday last week, ended in a draw. Score: Schools XI: P. Radham, b Tanton, 115; H. Mackenzie, lbw, b Taylor, 0; C. Roberts, b Taylor, 6; R. Harrington, b Taylor, 5; C. Thompson, c Tanton, b Summerfield, 39; D. Parker, c Woolford, b Summerfield, 12; W. Ritchie, b Taylor, 1; V. Thompson, b Summerfield, 0; J. Harrington, b Taylor, 1; A. Mackenzie, b Taylor, 0; Rev. Badham, not out, 3; Extras 6. Total 168.

Great Missenden: R. Taylor, c Thompson, b Harrington, 24; F. Tanton, run out, 27; H. Woolford, st Thompson, b Thompson, 4; A. Lake, b Thompson, 40; F. Glover, b Thompson, 18; R. Gunnell, not out, 1; F. Summerfield, not out, 3; Extras 1. Total (5 wickets), 114.

WYCOMBE & DISTRICT NONCONFORMIST CRICKET LEAGUE.

Result of last Saturday's game: Hands P.M. 77; Downley W.M. 72. The final table is as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Oakridge Road Baptist	12	11	1	0	23
Victoria Street W.M.	10	9	2	1	19
Ibstone P.M.	12	6	5	1	12
Newland U.M.	12	4	6	2	10
Hands P.M.	12	4	8	0	8
Downley W.M.	12	3	9	0	6
White Hart Street P.M.	12	3	9	0	6

Temple End v. Mr. C. Langley's XI.

The above match was played at Cryers Hill last Saturday, Temple End winning by 29 runs. Score: Temple End 103 (A. Barlow 32, A. Lamberth 21, C. Badrick 13, A. Stroud 2 for 9, G. Ing 3 for 6), Mr. Langley's XI 74 (A. Stroud 34, J. Summerfield 11, A. Stratford 9, A. Lamberth 5 for 34, C. Holt 3 for 20). This season C. Avery has had the batting average and A. Lamberth (with 144 wickets) has the best bowling average.

Hayes v. Wycombe "A."

One of the most surprising features of this match at Hayes on Saturday was the bowling of Eric James, who at one stage had dismissed four of Hayes' best batsmen for nine runs, and finished up with four for 32. Bowling left-hand, he imparted plenty of spin to the ball, and how he managed to do this on a wicket which appeared to be hard and perfectly true, puzzled everyone. N. Plumridge took two wickets for four runs, and A. James, Kimber, Read and Douglas shared the rest. Hayes were all out for 90. The Wycombe team lost two wickets for 23, but W. Harris saved the situation with a cautious 37, and later E. Read avenged things up by scoring 43 in twenty minutes. A. James' 22 was also a good careful performance against tricky bowling. Score:

Hayes: W. Lee, b E. James, 6; F. Jarvis, c A. James, b E. James, 6; J. Baldwin, lbw, b A. James, 1; A. Thomas, st Harris, b E. James, 1; H. Rockell, c A. James, b E. James, 3; A. Weatherhead, b Douglas, 42; A. Cook, b Kimber, 7; A. Aley, c Watkins, b Read, 11; R. Govan, not out, 0; White, b Plumridge, 9; A. Croft, st Harris, b Plumridge, 0; Extras 4. Total 90.

Wycombe "A": A. James, c Croft, b Aley, 22; J. Kimber, c Lee, b Thomas, 4; E. James, b Thomas, 0; W. Harris, retired 37; N. Plumridge, c Croft, b White, 5; L. Watkins, c Jarvis, b Aley, 1; J. Douglas, st Jarvis, b Aley, 9; N. Barnes, c Jarvis, b Thomas, 3; E. Read, b Govan, 43; G. Britnell, b White, 0; B. E. Jarvis, not out, 8; Extras 16. Total 143.

BEACONSFIELD C.C.

The match at Beaconsfield on Saturday next versus Ealing has been selected for the groundman's benefit match. This game last season was the most exciting of the Beaconsfield C.C. matches, Ealing declaring and leaving Beaconsfield very little time to get the runs, but thanks to a hard hitting innings by H. N. Kent, who scored 60 in 15 minutes, the home club claimed a victory just before the call of time.

Colehill 1st XI v. Cherley Wood 1st XI.

This match was played at Colehill last Saturday, and resulted in a draw. Score: Colehill: M. Slade, c Taylor, b Stavenot, 23; F. Slade, not out, 59; A. Wilkinson, b Taylor, 2; F. H. Slade, b Taylor, 16; P. Slade, b Taylor, 2; S. Greaves, b Taylor, 0; W. Slade, not out, 7; Extras 15. Total (5 wickets) 124. C. Greaves, G. Wingrove, F. Brackley, and P. Rogers did not bat.

EVENING CRICKET.

The Brazil Challenge Cup.

The final of this interesting competition for the cup given by Messrs. Brazil's, of Frogmore, has been played on the Town Cricket Ground. The contesting teams were Desborough Sports Club and the Wanderers Sports Club. Desborough won the toss and elected to bat. B. Finch and G. Hearn opened the batting against the bowling of W. Brown. Brown had Hearn lbw with the third ball of his first over, with nothing on the score board. W. Hearn was promptly bowled by Brown: 2 wickets for no runs. Desborough did not recover, and W. Brown had the brilliant analysis of 8 wickets for 4 runs, including the hat-trick, Desborough being all out for ten runs. Hinton and A. Wright commenced batting for the Wanderers. Wright was soon run out by Bradbury, who followed, was dismissed in the same way. Lawner and Hinton then made a highly successful stand, the Wanderers being eventually dismissed for 24. The chief scorers were T. Hinton (38), C. Leyner (21), S. Crump (21). Desborough went in again, and did vastly better than in their first venture, scoring 76 for 4 wickets, of which J. Outram made 29, G. Tapping 27 not out, and G. Hearn 24. This competition bids fair to become very popular next season, when it will be thrown open to all town clubs.

CRICKET.

THE MINOR COUNTIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

OXFORDSHIRE WIN CHALLENGE MATCH.

The Challenge Match for the Minor Counties Championship, which commenced on the Merton College ground, Oxford, on Wednesday last week, had a rather unexpected ending on Thursday, and Oxfordshire won before luncheon by 10 wickets. At the close of play on Wednesday Buckinghamshire, with one wicket down in their second innings, were still 28 runs behind their opponents' first innings score. A heavy ground dew may have affected the pitch slightly, but at first there was no evidence that the batsmen were unduly troubled. When the third wicket fell Buckinghamshire were 11 runs on, and it was still an open game. Then, however, Hartley, one of the Oxfordshire fast bowlers, found a spot. He sent down eight overs for 11 runs without taking a wicket, and then had James caught in the slips by Thomas. From that point he went from triumph to triumph. He did the hat-trick, dismissing Rafferty, Pitchford and Hazelton with successive balls, caught Battcock off a hard return, and uprooted Payne's stumps in this spell. His analysis during that time was 3.1 overs, 1 maiden, 4 runs, 6 wickets, and in the innings he took six wickets for 15 runs. His record for the match was nine wickets for 33. He was well supported by Walters, who in the two innings took eight wickets for 47. The Buckinghamshire batting was feeble, and Oxfordshire were left with only 17 runs to win, and soon scored them without loss. This is the first time Oxfordshire have finished at the head of the Minor Counties Table and won the Championship, and their success is due largely to the fact that they have played all their matches with practically the same eleven. Score.

Buckinghamshire.		Oxfordshire.	
R. H. Brooke, b Walters	12	b Walters	17
W. B. Franklin, c Arnold, b Walters	17	c Henry, b J. Rogers	3
A. G. Skinner, l-b-w, b Walters	0	l-b-w, b J. Rogers	8
A. J. S. James, c L. Rogers, b F. Hartley	0	c Thomas, b F. Hartley	10
C. V. Rafferty, b Walters	0	c Lewenton, b F. Hartley	0
Pitchford (H.), l-b-w, b Walters	4	b F. Hartley	0
W. E. Hazelton, b J. Rogers	11	c J. Rogers, b F. Hartley	0
O. G. Battcock, not out	51	c and b Hartley	1
A. N. Payne, c L. Rogers, b Walters	7	b F. Hartley	2
B. H. Rutter, c and b F. Hartley	28	c Lewenton, b Walters	2
Edwards (F.), b F. Hartley	0	not out	0
Extras	18	Extras	18
Total	148	Total	61

Oxfordshire.	
S. C. B. Lee, b Rutter	7
H. Walker, b Hazelton	12
L. Rogers, b Edwards	18
J. Arnold, not out	62
F. Hartley, st Franklin, b Edwards	0
C. Walters, l-b-w, b Pitchford	28
F. Hartley, b Edwards	14
H. T. Lewenton, b Hazelton	15
R. P. Thomas, b Hazelton	0
J. Rogers, b Hazelton	0
B. J. Henry, c Franklin, b Edwards	10
Extras	20
Total	193

SECOND INNINGS: S. C. B. Lee, not out, 5; H. Walker, not out, 12. Total (no wicket), 17.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Buckinghamshire.—First Innings.									
O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.		
Thomas	4	2	4	0	F. Hartley	7	3	18	3
J. Rogers	11	0	57	1	Henry	1	0	10	0
Walters	18	5	41	6					

Buckinghamshire.—Second Innings.									
O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.		
Thomas	4	2	3	0	F. Hartley	11.1	5	15	6
J. Rogers	10	6	10	2	Walters	5	3	6	2

Oxfordshire.—First Innings.									
O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.		
Hazelton	18	4	46	4	Payne	2	0	10	0
Rutter	6	0	25	1	Pitchford	12	4	30	1
Edwards	27.1	0	62	4					

Oxfordshire.—Second Innings.									
O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.		
Rutter	2	0	11	0	Hazelton	1.1	0	6	0

WINDSOR AND ETON v. RANLEIGH.

Played at Windsor on Saturday. The visitors, batting first, were dismissed for 100, Coles (32) and Cottle (23) batting very well. Windsor and Eton scored 142 for six in an hour and a-half, Norris making a splendid 74 and playing most attractive cricket. Nichols was unfortunate to be run out, as he was shaping quite well. The visitors (a young team) were very keen in the field, the home side being rather the reverse. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Ranleigh players like E. Vanner, G. Miles, W. Cowell, M. Bullock, A. Deane, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Windsor and Eton players like C. Deller, E. Nichols, E. J. Norris, W. Wolfe, etc.

ROYAL HOUSEHOLD v. LANGLEY PARK.

Played at Frogmore on Saturday. The Household had a good win, just managing to get Langley out before time. For the Royal Household Garwood, Whiteley and Wright had a good knock, each of them hitting freely at times. The bowling on both sides suffered. While coming out first with four for 20, H. Ford and F. Higgs each played a fine innings for their side, both making some beautiful shots in an attempt to win the match, but were poorly supported by the rest of the side. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Royal Household players like C. Taylor, M. Garwood, M. Whiteley, etc.

WINDSOR PHOENIX v. CIPPENHAM 1st XI.

A very enjoyable match was played between these teams on Saturday, and in the end Cippenham won by 20 runs. The home side put together the useful score of 77, B. Knight playing very well for 35 not out. D. Stillard and E. Green also batted well. G. Clifford was Cippenham's best bowler, taking four for 10. Cippenham was repaid with 97 runs. W. G. Butler, L. Hawkins, G. Clifford and G. Swabey played well for their runs. Knight bowled well for the Phoenix. Cippenham have had an excellent season, losing only two matches. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Windsor Phoenix players like W. Hule, T. Smith, S. C. Turner, etc.

OLD PALUDIANS v. DEVONSHIRE HOUSE.

Played at Slough Recreation Ground on Saturday last. The Paludians played Devonshire House in their last match of the season, and the game was left drawn in an interesting state. Harris and Sampson batted well for the "Pals," whilst the Devonshire House batsmen made light of their bowling. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Old Paludians players like H. N. Harris, R. J. Sampson, etc.

DEVONSHIRE HOUSE.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Devonshire House players like H. Spencer, T. Harris, etc.

WINDSOR VICTORIA WEDNESDAY XI. v. BEACONSFIELD.

On Wednesday, September 4th, the "Vics" journeyed to Beaconsfield and gained their best victory of the season, making it their 13th win. By vanquishing such a strong eleven as Beaconsfield the "Vics" have something to be proud of and should go further in their effort for better cricket. The home team won the toss and elected to bat first on a good wicket. Runs were always hard to get against the "Vics" smart fielding and good bowling. The best bowlers were Evans (five for 35) and Goulding (three for 17). A total score of 127 was confidently faced, and Evans and Charlton put on 51 for the first wicket. Crawford played well for a useful 34, and, with two wickets down for 100, it looked an easy win. From this point the batting was not so good, but at the fall of the fifth wicket the "Vics" had gained their win. The innings was played to a finish, and the total score reached 169. Everybody played well, and Budd kept wicket well without giving away a single bye. Evans made a welcome re-appearance and helped a lot towards the victory. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Windsor Victoria Wednesday XI players like C. G. Evans, W. L. Charlton, etc.

DEVONSHIRE HOUSE.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Devonshire House players like R. A. G.H., R. Croxford, etc.

DATCHET v. THAMES VALLEY RAMBLERS.

The continued excellent weather conditions resulted in such end-of-the-season keenness that teams of 13 a side were fielded in the match with Thames Valley Ramblers on Saturday last. The home side had first use of a wicket that repaid the trouble spent on it, and the total of 85 was mostly due to the steady play of the early batsmen. Doe and Fielding were the most successful bowlers for the visitors and to them goes the credit for keeping down what promised early on to be a reasonably good score. The visitors could not get going against some accurate bowling by C. Lewin, who secured his six wickets at very little cost, and although H. McCreedy contributed a sound 26, they finished on the enjoyable and sporting game five runs in arrears. The Datchet fielding was really good. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Datchet players like E. Page, V. Payne-Jennings, etc.

THAMES VALLEY RAMBLERS.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Thames Valley Ramblers players like C. Curtis, A. Trewen, etc.

GILLETTE WORKS v. GILLETTE, LONDON.

Played at Eton on Saturday. It was a very exciting match, the Slough team winning by 12 runs. At one time it looked as if the London team would win easily, but a fine innings by W. Baldwin of 57 gave the victory to the Slough team. Saunders took four wickets for 28, and E. Hooper took four for 32. Cornish batted well for the Sloughs, making 31, but Viles put up a good performance for the London team, making 32 and taking five wickets for 30, and was unlucky to be on the losing side. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Gillette, London players like E. Squires, G. Viles, etc.

GILLETTE WORKS.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Gillette Works players like C. Davies, F. Dreury, etc.

NOAKES' ATHLETIC v. WINDSOR AND ETON II.

Played at the Home Park on Saturday. The home side batted first. Starting well, W. French and D. Greig put on 53, when Greig was caught for a useful 30. T. Lawson and E. Palliser, both young batsmen, batted well for their respective scores of 17 (not out) and 13. E. B. Farr was in good form with the ball, taking eight wickets for 37. The visitors, owing to the fine bowling of J. King who took seven wickets for 15 runs, were all out for 55. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Noakes' Athletic players like W. French, D. Greig, etc.

WINDSOR AND ETON II.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Windsor and Eton II players like H. C. Smith, G. Stevens, etc.

FAIREY AVIATION v. WINDSOR VICTORIA 1st XI.

Played at Hayes on Saturday last, and won, after an exciting struggle, by the "Vics," one of the best efforts they have made this season. The home side batted first, and good all-round hitting, in which they were led by Cheeseman, resulted in their reaching the respectable total of 130. The "Vics" started badly, losing three wickets for 3 runs, and lost the side away out for 20. Rice and Crawford stopped the run and took the score to 60, when the latter was dismissed. With Rice and Cooper together, runs were scored freely all "round the clock," and the next wicket fell at 124. The eighth wicket, in a race against time, put on 10 runs in five minutes, leaving the "Vics" winners of a very interesting game. For the "Vics" Charlton again "kept" well, allowing only two byes out of a score of 130. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Fairey Aviation players like G. C. Owala, W. Pilgrim, etc.

WINDSOR VICTORIA 1st XI.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Windsor Victoria 1st XI players like C. G. Evans, H. H. Huppens, etc.

WINDSOR VICTORIA 2nd XI. v. CITROEN.

Played in the Home Park on Saturday, September 7th. Citroen batted first and, thanks to a fine first-wicket partnership, which produced 48, made a score of 114. C. Cox batting well for 52, A. S. Way bowled well, taking six for 27. The "Vics" did fairly well up to a point, Nichols and Finch taking the score to 33 before the 5th wicket fell, but a spell of inspired bowling by Constance proved too good for the later batsmen and the innings closed for 63, leaving Citroen winners by a comfortable margin. Score:-

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Citroen players like C. Cox, H. Holden, etc.

WINDSOR VICTORIA 2nd XI.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Windsor Victoria 2nd XI players like F. A. Nichols, G. P. Bolton, etc.

DORNEY v. DROPMORE.

Played at Dropmore on Saturday last, Dorney winning by 49 runs. Ruddell took seven wickets for 4 runs. Score :-

Dropmore.	
H. Powell, b Ruddell	4
W. Dennis, c Ruddell, b Jordan	3
T. Newman, b Ruddell	0
W. Gray, b Ruddell	0
F. Read, c Tydeman, b Ruddell	2
E. Humridge, b Jordan	0
T. Scott, c Carter, b Ruddell	1
A. E. Stephens, c Carter, b Jordan	0
G. Bradshaw, b Ruddell	3
E. Jones, not out	0
F. Earl, c Tydeman, b Ruddell	0
Extras	3
Total	16
Dorney.	
Jordan, b Powell	3
Tydeman, b Powell	2
Shepherd, c Powell, b Read	20
Carter, b Read	4
Stevens, c Powell, b Read	0
Ruddell, b Powell	10
Back, b Bradshaw	10
Foulkes, b Powell	4
W. Jordan, b Bradshaw	2
Unwin, not out	8
Extras	2
Total	65

ETON WICK v. SUNNINGHILL.

Played at Eton Wick on Saturday, the home team winning by 57 runs. G. Prior played well for the Wick, as did P. Branfield for Sunninghill. Score :-

E. Buckland, b Newman	11
W. Moss, c Mullarky, b Middlemist	10
G. Prior, b Middlemist	33
F. Hammerton, c Newman, b Middlemist	21
A. Bryant, c R. Elock, b Newman	7
A. Laing, c Hoare, b Newman	0
S. Woods, b Newman	3
W. Sullivan, c Hoare, b Newman	2
E. Morris, not out	11
M. Lane, not out	1
Extras	5
Total (for 8 wks.)	115
E. Lane did not bat.	
Sunninghill.	
C. Elock, b-w, b Bryant	0
F. Mullarky, c Hammerton, b Bryant	1
D. Middlemist, c Hammerton, b Buckland	3
W. Taylor, b M. Lane	12
R. Elock, c Bryant, b M. Lane	4
W. Hoare, c Sullivan, b Moss	0
P. Branfield, c Bryant, b Laing	29
F. Newman, b Prior	1
J. Rosier, c and b Prior	0
B. Huthings, not out	4
R. Lane, retired	0
Extras	4
Total	58

ASCOT v. ORIENTAL CLUB.

The annual match between the Ascot Club and the Oriental Club, of London, which for many years has been one of the pleasantest engagements of the cricket season locally, took place on the Royal Heath on Saturday, when Ascot were victorious by 38 runs. The victors, who won the toss, were dismissed by Parkinson (six for 10), Balley (two for 5), and Higgins (two for 17), none of the side reaching double figures. Ascot's best batsmen also failed, and it was left to the bowlers to win the game by some bright batting. Going in a second time, the Oriental Club had made 101 for nine when stumps were drawn. Score :-

Oriental Club.	
Baker, c Bullock, b Parkinson	6
Martin, b C. Higgins	3
Hall, b Parkinson	8
Playfoot, b Parkinson	3
Perks, c Lovegrove, b Parkinson	2
Hubbard, b C. Higgins	1
Bradbury, b Balley	0
Morgan, not out	7
Hayes, b Parkinson	2
Ross, b Parkinson	0
Pennycook, b Balley	0
Extras	0
Total	41
Ascot.	
Rev. Roberts, c Bradbury, b Baker	11
F. B. Tottle, c Martin, b Baker	5
J. Wiggin, c Hayes, b Baker	7
C. Higgins, c Martin, b Baker	1
G. Lovegrove, b-w, b Perks	0
E. Balley, b Baker	23
W. Parkinson, c Hayes, b Perks	18
A. E. C. Lloyd Jones, not out	4
G. A. Bullock, c and b Hall	0
T. Christmas, b Perks	1
Colman, b Bradbury	5
Extras	5
Total	80

SLOUGH ALBION v. MR. MARSHAM'S XI.

Played at Slough on Saturday last. This match resulted in a win for the Albion by 68 runs. The Albion were mainly dependent on M. Howard, who hit well for his 46. D. Hayward and D. Daunt batted well for the scratch eleven. G. Leslie and R. Few captured four for 20 and six for 29 respectively. Score :-

Slough Albion.	
R. Few, b Daunt	9
G. Leslie, b Daunt	6
R. Howard, c Murray, b Daunt	0
P. Green, b Tilley	13
M. Howard, b Napper	46
C. Smith, b Napper	8
E. Walker, b Sherman	4
F. George, not out	6
A. Brown, c Murray, b Sherman	0
Extras	22
Total (for 8 wks.)	120
Mr. Marsham's XI.	
E. Holdway, b Leslie	3
H. Tilley, c Leslie, b Few	0
C. Sherman, b Few	0
E. Napper, b Leslie	0
D. Hayward, b Few	21
D. Daunt, c Green, b Leslie	17
G. Hopkins, b Few	1
J. Perratt, b Few	6
J. Murray, b Few	0
A. Holloway, not out	1
S. Woodbridge, c Smith, b Leslie	0
Extras	12
Total	61

BUCKS C.C. AVERAGES

Edwards Again Takes Bowling Averages.

BROOKE'S 822 RUNS.

The Bucks County Cricket Club averages are to hand, and it will be noted that R. H. Brooke and A. G. Skinner (Beaconsfield) are well up in the batting averages. Brooke being at the head with 822 runs for 19 innings. Edwards (P.) has again bore the brunt of the attack. He bowled more than twice as many overs as any other player capturing 72 wickets at an average of 12.14. The figures are appended:

Batting:		Tot. Hgt. Tms nt.	In.	runs.	sc.	out.	Avg.
R. H. Brooke	19	822	105	1	15.66		
A. G. Skinner	18	497	104	2	31.63		
W. E. Hazelton	12	299	124	1	27.16		
O. G. Battcock	11	171	51	4	24.48		
A. J. S. James	10	211	57	1	23.46		
W. B. Franklin	19	308	49	0	16.21		
R. H. Rutter	15	163	34	4	14.81		
B. H. Stevens							
Davis	8	110	25	0	13.99		
Pitchford	17	104	42	2	12.33		
L. G. Baker	5	61	46	0	13.29		
T. R. Kent	5	46	24	1	11.59		
A. U. Payne	6	63	29	1	10.99		
L. H. A. Hanky	6	38	9	2	9.59		
W. H. C. Southall	6	41	27	0	8.59		
Edwards	14	69	39	2	7.66		
Also Batted:							
C. F. Powell	3	71	50	0	23.66		
L. M. Walker	4	46	44	0	14.59		
C. V. Zaffey	3	26	28	0	12.66		
Bowling:							
	O.	M.	E.	W.	A.		
Edwards	487	124	874	72	13.14		
W. E. Hazelton	37	57	666	20	19.59		
O. G. Battcock	103	27	298	14	20.57		
Pitchford	106	35	243	12	20.26		
R. H. Brooke	30	5	113	4	28.25		
A. U. Payne	45	11	125	4	31.25		
R. H. Rutter	196	41	609	19	31.48		
A. G. Skinner	23	7	69	1	69.00		
Also Bowled:							
V. Lund	3	0	16	0	60.00		
A. J. S. James	3	0	8	0	60.00		

HIGH WYCOMBE v. MR. W. T. COOK'S (SURREY) XI.

Effect for Hospital Fund.
Mr. W. T. Cook, the well-known Surrey captain, with the assistance of Mr. A. Millward, brought a team to Wycombe on Saturday, to play the locals, the proceeds being devoted to the Hospital X-ray Apparatus Fund. A good number of tickets were disposed of prior to the match, so that the "gate" cannot be reckoned by the attendance, which was exceedingly good for the far end of the season. The visiting team was not quite so formidable as the one advertised, but it included several well-known players and included P. W. Le Gros, who for some years was a tower of strength to the Bucks County eleven. Wycombe, with one exception relied on their own players, W. B. Franklin (the Bucks County Captain) assisting. Some interesting cricket was played, the match ending in a draw, Wycombe requiring 16 runs with one wicket to fall when stumps were drawn. Mr. Cook's side had first knock, the Captain being out for a blob at 6, and Le Gros (18) at 36.

Battcock (another Bucks player), and Dales played fine cricket and in a long trying partnership they took the score to 135 for 3. Battcock's 82 included 1 five and 12 fours and Dales in his 55 had 1 five and 6 fours. Before the bowling of Hawes and N. H. Theed, the remainder of the side gave little trouble and the venture closed for 163. Hawes had 7 wickets for 43 and Theed 3 for 26. Wycombe sent in L. G. Baker and J. Brickwell to share the bowling of Battcock and Edwards. Baker soon rattled off 15—a six out of the ground, four and a three, when he was smartly stumped by Barnato, and three other batsmen were out in a similar manner. Brickwell, who batted with patience was joined by Skinner, but the Beaconsfield man had 3 fours in his total of 15, when he shared the same fate as Baker. Wycombe showed 2 wickets lost for 49 and 3 for 60. Brickwell was out 8th wicket down for 53 (3 fours). After this H. James and N. R. Hawes (two of the youngest members of the team) brightened up matters. James quickly hit up 25 (five fours), and it was left to Hawes (18) and H. Page jun., to play out time with the score at 167.

Mr. John Gibson, J.P. (chairman of the Hospital Committee) kindly entertained the players to luncheon and he was thanked for his kindness and in return Mr. Gibson expressed gratitude for assistance given to the X-Ray fund. In the evening there was another function at the Red Lion Hotel, Mr. Gibson occupying the chair. Scores and bowling analysis:—

Mr. W. T. Cook's XI.	
W. T. Cook, c	L. G. Baker, b
Hawes	..... 6
O. G. Battcock, b	Hawes
.....	..... 23
P. W. Le Gros, lbw, b	Hawes
.....	..... 13
H. L. Dales, c	L. G. Baker, b
N. H. Theed	..... 55
W. Barnato, b	Skinner
.....	..... 0
B. J. Henry, b	Hawes
.....	..... 12
Edwards, (F.) st.	Franklin, b
Hawes	..... 1
G. H. Baker, c	Franklin, b
Hawes	..... 0
A. Millward, b	N. H. Theed
.....	..... 0
W. C. Millward, not out	..... 0
J. Moore, b	Hawes
.....	..... 0
Extras	..... 19
Total	..... 163
High Wycombe.	
L. G. Baker, st.	Barnato, b
Edwards	..... 15
J. Brickwell, b	Moore
.....	..... 53
A. G. Skinner, st.	Barnato, b
Edwards	..... 15
S. T. Theed, b	Edwards
.....	..... 5
W. B. Franklin, c	W. C. Millward, b
Edwards	..... 4
H. G. Brand, run out	..... 0
W. M. Pierce, lbw, b	Moore
.....	..... 7
N. H. Theed, st.	Barnato, b
Edwards	..... 1
H. James, st.	Barnato, b
Edwards	..... 25
N. R. Hawes, not out	..... 12
H. Page, not out	..... 4
Extras	..... 17
Total (9 wkts)	..... 167

Wycombe Bowling: Hawes, 20-3-43-7; N. H. Theed, 12-5-26-2; Skinner, 10-3 39-1; Page, 4-0-22-0; Pierce, 1-0-7-0; R. R. Britnell (who deputised for some time), 6-0-20-0. Hawes bowled 2 wides.
Mr. Cook's side bowling: Battcock, 13-6-20-0; Edwards, 20-3-68-0; Moore, 2-0-44-3; Dales, 4-0-17-0. Edwards bowled 2 wides.

Mr. A. E. Mason's XI v. Mr. W. H. Lavington's XI.
Mr. W. H. Lavington's XI proved much too strong for A. E. Mason's XI at Monks Ebborough last Saturday. Mr. Lavington's side scored 237 for 6 wickets, K. Saxon scoring a brilliant 105 which included eleven 4's and two 6's. C. J. Bray (Essex County) scored 74 in really first class style, the total including eight 4's and one 6. A. E. Mason's XI against a very skilful and varied attack had to fight very hard for runs, being dismissed for 144. E. Britnell going in at the fall of the first wicket carried his bat for a very sound 47, including two 6's. This game proved to be a very interesting and enjoyable day's cricket.

Kimble v. Great Hampden.
These teams finished their respective fixtures when they met at Kimble. The visitors won by 10 wickets. Kimble first faced the bowlers and made 33 Baggett 9, A. Spittles 11. Hampden did not fare much better, getting only 38. Brown 13, Tilbury 9. Kimble's second attempt produced 28, H. Spittles 12, Barnard 12, to which the visitors replied with 42 without loss. Eidgey 28 not out, Bowler 11 not out.