

MONMOUTH CRICKET CLUB.

Improved Financial Position.

ONLY ONE ELEVEN THIS SEASON.

Appeal for Co-operation among Members.

At the annual meeting of the Monmouth Cricket Club held at the King's Head Hotel, on Wednesday evening, it was decided to run only one team during the coming season. Consequently there will be no Saturday 2nd XI, or Thursday team.

Prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting, the Chairman (Mr. G. M. Gibbs) referred to the death of Mr. E. E. Hill, a vice-President of the Club and a playing member, and also to Mr. Francis Hobbs, a vice-President. Those present stood in silence as a token of respect.

Presenting the balance sheet Mr. L. V. McEwen said it would be noted that the total liabilities incurred on behalf of the club during the past season, amounted to £99 14s. 10d. which together with the debit of the previous season of £41 9s. 9d. made a total liability of £141 4s. 7d. Against that, their receipts for the season showed a gross total of £123 11s. 11d., leaving a debit on the season's working of £17 12s. 8d.

It would be noted that the transport costs to the club were £10 15s. 10d. in excess of receipts from that source. Profits on teas amounted to the satisfactory receipt of the sum of £9 4s. 11d. and he felt special mention should be made of the wonderful work in that connection by Mrs L. Manns and her help-mate, Miss Roma Cox who undertook the provision of teas at every home match for the first eleven. Her efforts resulted in an income of over £3 10s. to the club and also to Mrs. R. E. Webb and Miss Jones, who discharged the task on behalf of the second eleven, likewise for every home match. That resulted in a further amount of £3 10s. revenue. To Mrs. Howard Bowen, Mrs. Rosser, Mrs. Colwell and Mrs. H. Lewis they were also deeply indebted for the splendid work in that direction and to all those who so willingly gave of their services. The ground collections fell very short of anything approaching a satisfactory amount, and that was a matter that had for years now, been one of keen disappointment to the committee.

GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION.

The most pleasing item appearing on the receipts side of the accounts was without doubt, that shown under the entertainments accounts of £45 8s. 2d. As they were all undoubtedly aware, Mr. R. E. Webb undertook charge of affairs in that matter at the commencement of the season, his programme consisting in the organising of a dance, the Derby draw and the knock-out competition. Of the results of those efforts, the amount realised made its own recommendation and he felt they could not under-estimate his splendid work or sufficiently give expression to their gratitude and appreciation to him for all he had done.

In conclusion Mr. McEwen said it was a source of satisfaction to note there was an increased income of £11 15s. 0 from membership fees over last year and a further increase of £5 from vice-presidents and

subscribers. On behalf of the club, he extended an expression of appreciation to all the vice presidents etc. for their most welcome and kind assistance in that direction, trusting they might do them the honour of a continuance of their valued support.

After the adoption of the balance sheet, Mr. Colwell proposed and the Chairman seconded a vote of thanks to Mr. Webb which was unanimously carried.

Before submitting his report Mr. L. V. McEwen (hon. sec.) further referred to the loss the club sustained last year in the tragic decease of one of its greatest supporters and friends, Mr. E. E. Hill.

PESSIMISM STILL REMAINS

In preparing his fourth annual report, Mr. McEwen said he had occasion to refer to that of last year, in which he found that he had touched on somewhat of a pessimistic note of the Club's prospects for the ensuing season, owing chiefly to reasons of finance. From the finance report it would be noted that the difficulty in that respect still remained although partially overcome. It was with regret that he again had to report that for reasons of the Club's control and which would also effect the Club's finances the continuance of the Club as at present constituted left that feeling of pessimism remaining. He appealed to the members to give the matter their most earnest and unbiassed consideration.

Dealing with last season's records, it was as all were aware, a season of "spoil sport" from the point of view of weather conditions, rain being responsible on 18 occasions for the abandonment or cancellation of matches. The premier XI were the sufferers on eight occasions, the 2nd XI on seven occasions, the Thursday XI being the most fortunate in that respect, weather conditions affecting their matches on only three occasions.

The match results were as follows:— Saturday 1st XI, played 14, won 6, drawn 3, lost 5; Saturday 2nd XI, played 16, won 8, drawn 2, lost 6; Thursday XI, played 15, won 4, drawn 6, lost 5; making a total of 45 matches played, 18 won, 11 drawn, 16 lost. That was a very fair and improved record on the previous season when the results were: played 53, won 16, drawn 14, lost 23. All the matches were contested in a keen, cricketing and ambitious spirit. It was pleasing to the committee to again note the spirit of harmony and comradeship existing among the members of the Club last season, and so materially assisting the work of the committee.

For the first time in the Club's history, a series of knock-out competitions were played on the ground during the evenings for the Lady Shelley-Rolls Challenge Bowl, all three teams being represented. In that connection their thanks were again due to Mr. R. E. Webb for his wonderful organisation of the events. The competition resulted in some very pleasant and exciting matches being played, both from the point of view of spectators and players.

Rain interfered as also the failing light towards the close of the season, and to enable the competition to be concluded, the first eleven match in the semi-final was withdrawn in favour of the final, Ross v Lydney, being played, the former, Ross, proving themselves the successful competitors in the event.

He desired to place on record an expression of the appreciation of the committee and club to the groundsman, Mr. B. Hoskins, for the most excellent manner in which his duties were carried out during the past season, together with his personal thanks for the assistance rendered him (the secretary) on many occasions. Of his services he could not speak too highly and he felt that the club were deeply indebted to him. A benefit match on his behalf was played on the ground against Pontymister, but he regretted that it did not prove the success anticipated, the sum of only just over £8 10s. resulting.

INVALUABLE ASSISTANCE.

To their popular captain, Mr. W. H. L. Cook he wished to pay the highest of tributes for the invaluable assistance rendered by him to all matters appertaining to the club and to him (the secretary) in the execution of his duties as secretary. Also to the chairman (Mr. G. M. Gibbs), the vice-capt. (Mr. E. W. Colwell), the captains of the Thursday and Saturday second eleven (Mr. S. H. Bowen and Mr. R. E. Webb), their vice-captains (Mr. B. R. Rosser and Mr. H. J. Lewis), to whom they owed a great debt of gratitude. Further, to Mr. R. E. Colwell who so kindly undertook the duties of match and fixture secretary, a task requiring untold patience and a deal of time, they owed special thanks, and to Mr. A. W. Smith and all those who placed their cars at the disposal of the club. They were also extremely grateful, to the Trust House for the use of committee room at the Angel Hotel and to all those who assisted in any possible manner to the successful discharge of a season's programme.

Referring again to the finance statement he stated the club, as a whole, still had a liability to discharge to their creditors. That liability concerned every member of the club and not to their committee alone, being transactions conducted by the committee on their behalf to enable the discharge of a season's obligation. As co-operation was one of the main secrets of success, he appealed in that connection to every member of the club, past, and present and future, to make the matter their individual responsibility and endeavour to assist in every possible manner to the club's discharge of its financial responsibilities.

The secretary's report was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman stated that from the treasurer's report, it would be noted that whereas the club's debt at the end of 1931 season was £41, it was now £18. The position might appear to be satisfactory but he reminded them that when last season it was decided to carry on for another year, it was agreed to make a special effort to pay off the debt. Through the untiring efforts of Mr. R. E. Webb, some £45 was raised. That sum had been drawn upon to the extent of £28 to meet current expenses. Consequently the scheme to wipe off the outstanding liability had fallen short by that amount. It was very disappointing to the committee, particularly when last season's expenses were cut to the very minimum and all items under that heading were carefully scrutinised and a financial statement issued month by month.

Looking to the future, Mr. Gibbs said that to balance their accounts, their expenses had to be cut down or income increased. He was afraid that during the coming year their income would have to suffer reduction, having lost several vice-Presidents, and a number of members who were giving up the game.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION.

The committee had given the financial position and the future of the club every consideration and had come to the conclusion, that they should recommend the club to run only one team during the coming season. Provisional estimates had been made on that basis and they believed that with one team the expenses could be covered by income. The club had been only too pleased in the past to give games to many young men who could not wholly pay their way, but such facilities they regretted, must be restricted until times were better and the club was able to regain its financial position.

PROVIDING FOR MONMOUTH.

The Rev. Owen Jones: I think it would be an awful shame to deprive the younger people of their game of cricket. Our object is to provide for Monmouth and not just an eleven.

When the question was put to the vote it was decided that only one team should be run this coming season.

Lady Shelley Roll's was re-elected President, while the vice-Presidents were re-elected en bloc. Mr. W. H. L. Cook was re-appointed captain, Mr. Eric Smith vice-captain, Mr. E. W. Colwell, match secretary (pro tem), Mr. L. V. McEwen, hon. secretary and treasurer.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, concluded the business of the meeting.

COUNTY CRICKET RAIN TO THE RESCUE AT PANTEG. OF MONMOUTHSHIRE.

Monmouthshire in the Field to Warwickshire.

MATCH ABANDONED WITH VISITORS ON TOP.

Glorious sunshine, tempered by a cool breeze, greeted the appearance in Monmouthshire of Minor Counties cricket at Panteg, where Monmouthshire opposed Warwickshire Seconds.

Overnight rain had made little impression on the wicket, which was in excellent condition, and appeared capable of wearing well. Monmouthshire were able to utilise the services of W. Allan, Newport's professional from Yorkshire, for the first time.

Warwickshire won the toss, and Hill and C. F. Waite opened against E. C. Dolman and Ricketts.

Dolman set the usual field for fast bowling, and had three men in the slips, while Allan had one. Both Hill and Waite opened cautiously, and runs were registered slowly. In Dolman's third over, however, Monmouthshire met with success, when Waite stepped across his wicket to a fastish ball and was out lbw. Warwickshire's score was then only seven.

Against a well-pieced field, Warwickshire found runs hard to get, but at 24 L. Telling, a tall, fast bowler, relieved Ricketts.

Dolman's change of pace was deceptive, and at 27 he pushed back Brown's off stump. Four runs later Warwickshire lost another wicket, when Hill was at lbw to Telling.

At 49 Ricketts displaced Dolman, who had taken two wickets for 23 in 14 overs, four of which were maidens. Dolman had bowled well and had kept a perfect length. With his tantalising slows he gave Plowright and Buckingham many anxious moments.

No Risks.

The batsmen took no risks. C. Coslett, the young Tredegar Park bowler, who was making his first appearance for the county, displaced Telling at 51. Coslett bowls medium pace and has an easy action.

At 50 Plowright survived an appeal for a catch at the wicket by Millerchip, the Newport Police stumper, off Ricketts.

The batsmen gained confidence and the rate of scoring increased. Ricketts was punished by Plowright, who seemed to delight in glancing him to leg.

When Dolman went out again, Buckingham played a ball into T. B. Williams's hands at mid-on. The partnership had realised 59 runs. The century went up after two hours.

WARWICKSHIRE SECONDS.

C. F. Waite lbw b Dolman	2
Hill lbw b Telling	13
Brown b Dolman	11
N. A. N. Plowright not out	40
Buckingham c Williams b Dolman ..	21
Jarrett not out	14
Extras	13
Total (for 4 wickets) ...	114

Llantarnam 107 for 8 wickets (Gill 29), Mr. Bryant's XI. 111 for 5 wickets (Newton 31, Abraham 20).

After Warwickshire Seconds had declared at 397 for six wickets, Monmouthshire started disastrously at Panteg, and in the first over lost Poulson and Cope with only one run on the board. Allan, the Newport professional, and A. H. Rocyn Jones filled the breach for a time, but Monmouthshire's remaining batsmen failed to withstand the attack, and at 7 o'clock were all out for 113 runs. Forced to follow on, Monmouthshire lost G. L. Clay in the first over, and when Thursday's play started they still needed 274 to avoid an innings defeat.

Rain held up the match on the second day and there was no play before lunch. Large pools of water practically covered the outfield. Shortly after lunch the match was abandoned, and Warwickshire took points for the first innings lead.

WARWICKSHIRE SECONDS.

C. F. Waite lbw b Dolman	2
Hill lbw b Telling	13
Brown b Dolman	11
N. A. N. Plowright st Millichip b Allan	128
Buckingham c Williams b Dolman ..	21
Jarrett b Allan	23
Collin not out	161
Tate not out	6
Extras	32
Total (for 6 wkts. dec.)	397

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First innings.

H. Poulson b Brown	0
Allan c Brown b Tate	37
J. Cope c Tate b Brown	6
A. H. Rocyn Jones c Brown b Elsom	36
H. Millichip c Brown b Sanders	14
T. B. Williams c Jarrett b Tate	2
G. L. Clay st Buckingham b Tate	15
E. C. Dolman b Sanders	1
J. Coslett b Sanders	2
C. E. Ricketts b Sanders	1
L. Telling not out	0
Extras	5
Total	113

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second innings.

G. L. Clay b Sanders	0
L. Telling not out	6
H. Poulson not out	0
Extras	4
Total (for 1 wkt.)	10

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

WARWICKSHIRE.—First innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. C. Dolman ..	28	7	79	3
C. E. Ricketts ..	29	7	100	0
L. Telling	17	5	35	1
C. Coslett	11	2	36	0
Allan	14	1	85	2
A. H. Rocyn Jones	5	0	20	0

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brown	6	0	42	2
Elsom	9	1	25	1
Sanders	10	2	18	4
Tate	9.4	0	23	3

NEW PLAYERS NOT FAILURES.

Menmouthshire Find Allan an Asset.

BY "MARLOVIAN."

Rain came to the rescue of Monmouthshire in their Minor Counties match with Warwickshire Seconds at Panteg on Thursday; had the rain held off, anything might have happened—for instance, Monmouthshire might

have made a spirited reply to Warwickshire's big lead.

Last season, in the match between the counties at Stratford-on-Avon, Monmouthshire were over a hundred runs behind on the first innings, but they fought back gamely, scored 273, and forced a draw. This might have



W. Allan.

happened yesterday.

Warwickshire were a trifle lucky to obtain such a commanding lead, for N. A. N. Plowright experienced two "lives" in one over from Allan. Millichip, the Newport Police wicket-keeper, was Plowright's saviour on both occasions. Plowright was then only in the thirties, but he profited from his reprieve and went on to score 128. Then, when Monmouthshire went in to bat, the wicket showed signs of wear.

Allan's Part.

Collin's innings of 161 was a faultless affair, and the Warwickshire bowling and fielding were excellent. Monmouthshire held a good side, but the side still require strengthening. Allan, the Newport professional, was a distinct acquisition, and he never seemed troubled by the bowling.

As a batsman, Millichip gave the impression that he might make many runs for Monmouthshire in the future, but as a wicket-keeper he was disappointing. Millichip, being a policeman, is rather taller than the average wicket-keeper, and at Panteg he seemed to experience difficulty in getting down to the ball.

C. Coslett, the young medium-paced bowler from Tredegar Park, did not accomplish anything in his first County match, but he was not a failure. J. Cope, the Ebbw Vale player, gave a magnificent display in the field, and was worth his place in the side for his fielding alone. He gathered the ball sharply and cleanly, and his returns to the wicket were accurate.

Monmouthshire were again indebted to E. C. Dolman for his bowling, but he bowled too many overs at the commencement.

MONMOUTHSHIRE IN THE FIELD.

New Man Tried Against Warwickshire II.

Monmouthshire began their return Minor Counties Championship cricket match with Warwickshire Seconds at Edgbaston on Monday. The weather was cold and dull, but the wicket was in good condition, and Warwickshire, on winning the toss, decided to bat first.

Monmouthshire included C. Williams, a medium to fast left-hand bowler from Exeter University, who was making his first appearance.

Hill and Buckingham opened Warwickshire's innings against E. C. Dolman and K. C. Raikes. With the total at 36, Buckingham was clean bowled by Dolman. Roberts, the new comer, started well, and hit Williams, who had relieved Raikes, to square leg for six. At 70, Williams had Hill caught at second slip, and 30 runs later Plowright was run out.

Roberts was out at 133, after batting well for his 51, which included a six and seven fours.

L. M. Ward was caught at the wicket at 147.

WARWICKSHIRE II.—First Innings.

Hill c Allan b C. Williams	32
Buckingham b Dolman	17
Roberts c Williams b Raikes	51
N. A. M. Plowright run out	9
L. M. Ward c Wilson b Raikes	25
Collin, c Cope b Raikes	57
Commander C. F. Cowan, b Dolman	13
Jarratt, c Coleman b Raikes	12
G. Elson, c Coleman b C. Williams	0
A. Brown, b C. Williams	0
Wilmot, not out	5
Extras	12
Total	233

MONMOUTHSHIRE BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. C. Dolman	19	2	41	2
K. C. Raikes	18.2	1	64	4
C. Williams	15	0	86	3
Allan	5	0	30	0

Byes 3, leg byes 5. Raikes bowled four no-balls.

MONMOUTHSHIRE IN FRONT.

First Innings Lead Won at Edgbaston.

The weather was again cold and dull when Monmouthshire continued their innings against Warwickshire II. at Edgbaston. S. Watkins and I. Knox continued against the bowling of Wilmot and Jarratt, and when four had been added to the overnight score of 188, Knox was stumped by Buckingham. Five runs later, Watkins was bowled by Jarratt.

Shortly afterwards Dolman was caught by Brown off Wilmot at 212 but the Warwickshire total was passed with three wickets in hand. Captain Price contributed a useful 28, and the Monmouthshire innings concluded with a total of 252. Monmouthshire's last six wickets fell for 54 runs.

Hill and Buckingham again opened Warwickshire's innings against the bowling of Dolman and Raikes, and Monmouthshire's total was passed without loss. At 25, however, Buckingham played on a ball from Raikes.

WARWICKSHIRE II.—First Innings.

Hill c Allan b C. Williams	32
Buckingham b Dolman	17
Roberts c Williams b Raikes	51
N. A. M. Plowright run out	9
L. M. Ward c Wilson b Raikes	25
Collin, c Cope b Raikes	57
Commander C. F. Cowan, b Dolman	13
Jarratt, c Coleman b Raikes	12
G. Elson, c Coleman b C. Williams	0
A. Brown, b C. Williams	0
Wilmot, not out	5
Extras	12
Total	233

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.

C. Coleman c Elson b Brown	8
Allan c Buckingham b Brown	16
J. Cope c Buckingham b Wilmot	23
S. Watkins b Jarratt	57
R. W. P. Roff b Powright	70
I. Knox st Buckingham b Jarratt	8
Captain Y. Price c Buckingham b Ward	28
E. C. Dolman c Brown b Wilmot	9
C. Williams b Brown	11
K. C. Raikes not out	3
Wilcox b Brown	6
Extras	13
Total	252

WARWICKSHIRE II.—Second Innings.

Hill not out	58
Buckingham b Raikes	9
Roberts c and b Dolman	44
N. A. M. Plowright lbw b Allan	6
L. N. Ward st Wilcox b Allan	13
Collins not out	0
Extras	9
Total (for 4 wickets)	139

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Warwickshire.—First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. C. Dolman	19	2	41	2
K. C. Raikes	18.2	1	64	4
C. Williams	15	0	86	3
Allan	4	0	30	0

Byes 3, leg byes 5. Raikes bowled four no-balls.

Monmouthshire.—First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. Brown	21.3	4	57	4
G. Elson	12	3	36	0
Collin	9	4	20	0
Wilmot	16	2	36	2
Jarratt	15	1	42	2
Roberts	8	0	34	0
N. A. V. Plowright	5	2	6	1
L. M. Ward	6	2	8	1

Brown bowled four no-balls and Roberts two.

POINTS FOR FIRST INNINGS WIN.

Monmouthshire Draw at Edgbaston.

Monmouthshire won the first innings points in their drawn match with Warwickshire Seconds at Edgbaston. After Warwickshire had declared their second innings at 232 for 7, Monmouthshire made 170 for 7.

Warwickshire II. (1st innings), 233.
Monmouthshire (1st innings), 252.

WARWICKSHIRE II.—Second Innings.

Hill st Wilcox b Williams	81
Buckingham b Raikes	9
Roberts c and b Dolman	44
N. A. M. Plowright lbw b Allen	6
L. M. Ward st Wilcox b Allen	13
Collin c and b Williams	24
Comdr. C. F. Cowan c Allen b Raikes	4
Jarratt not out	19
G. Elson not out	7
Extras	15
Total (for 7 wickets)	222

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

C. Coleman b Brown	3
Allen st Buckingham b Jarratt	36
C. Cope c Jarratt b Brown	44
S. Watkins c Hill b Wilmot	41
R. W. P. Roff c Buckingham b Wilmot	8
J. Knox c Buckingham b Wilmot	0
Captain Y. Price not out	31
E. C. Dolman b Wilmot	1
K. C. Raikes not out	2
Extras	4
Total (for 7 wickets)	170

Match drawn.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brown	12	1	39	2
Wilmot	16	2	43	4
L. M. Ward	4	0	21	0
Jarratt	10	1	31	1
Roberts	2	0	11	0
G. Elson	5	1	21	0

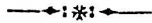
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WARWICKSHIRE.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
K. C. Raikes	18	1	45	2
E. C. Dolman	18	1	48	1
C. Williams	12	1	48	2
R. W. P. Roff	6	0	21	0
Allan	10	0	47	2

Byes 13.
Leg byes 2.

TWO NEW HEADS FOR NEWPORT SCHOOLS



Sportsmen as Masters at Alexandra and St. Woolos.

Mr. Stanley Reginald Dunster, Headmaster of Alexandra Boys' School, Newport, has been appointed Headmaster of St. Woolos Boys' School, Newport, in succession to Mr. J. H. Price, who is retiring.



Mr. S. R. Dunster.

The vacancy at Alexandra School will be filled by Mr. Latimer Jones, Superintendent of Newport Juvenile Instruction Centre for Unemployed Boys.

These appointments made on Monday by the Elementary Education

Committee of Newport Education Committee, were published in the later editions of the *South Wales Argus* on that day.

Mr. Dunster has been Headmaster of Alexandra School since October, 1925. He is 54 years of age and his first appointment was as a pupil teacher at Framton Cotterell School, near Bristol, where he spent a year until 1896, in which year he became an uncertificated teacher.

He entered Exeter Training College in 1898, where he spent two years, and qualified as a certificated teacher.

Mr. Dunster joined the staff of Alexandra Boys' School, Newport, in September, 1900, and remained there for 11 years, when he was transferred to St. Woolos Boys' School. He was a member of the teaching staff of St. Woolos from November, 1911, to December, 1925, when he became Headmaster of Alexandra Boys' School.

Rugby Football Advocate.

Mr. Dunster has been actively associated with Newport Schools Rugby League, of which he was Chairman. He was a member of Newport Rugby Supporters' Club.



Mr. Latimer Jones.

Mr. Latimer Jones, who is the Newport cricketer, is 43 years of age. He was a pupil teacher at Gwendraon School, Llanelly, from 1905 to 1908, and was recognised as an uncertificated teacher in 1908.

He spent two years, 1909 to 1911, at Carmarthen Training College, and the following year was on the staff of Bolton and County of Lancaster Industrial School.

He was appointed to Alexandra Boys' School, Newport, in August, 1912, and remained there until

the outbreak of war.

He joined the 1st Battalion Monmouthshire Regiment in September, 1914, and served in the Army until the end of January, 1919, when he returned to the staff of Alexandra School. Here he remained until August, 1922.

Transferred to Maindee Schools in 1922, he spent three years on the staff of that school, and was then appointed to Hatherleigh Central School, where he was an assistant from August, 1925, to August, 1930.

Since 1930, Mr. Jones has been Superintendent of the Instruction Centre for Unemployed Boys.

Mr. Jones is a keen cricketer, who still plays for Newport. He has captained the Second and Third teams.

MONMOUTHSHIRE AT OXFORD.

Allan and Cope Make a Good Stand.

At Oxford to-day, Monmouthshire won the toss and went in first for the Minor Counties Championship cricket match.

Captain Price left at 35, and then Allan and Cope batted so well that some surprise was caused when, at 78, Allan returned a ball to the bowler.

At 83 Cope was out in similar fashion, and at the same total Watkins was caught at the wicket, while with Coleman clean bowled, half the side were out for 107.

Knox made a few good hits, but lost his wicket to Walters, while Raikes was yorked.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—1st Innings.

Captain Y. Price b Kanugher	6
Allan c and b Cherry	35
J. Cope c and b Walters	34
S. Watkins c Smith b Cherry	6
C. Coleman b Walters	5
I. Knox b Walters	15
K. C. Raikes b Kanugher	13
T. B. Williams c Headley b Kanugher	33
C. Dolman c Smith b Kalaugher	8
C. Williams b Kanugher	0
Wilcox not out	19
Extras	19
Total	183

OXFORDSHIRE.—1st Innings.

S. C. Lee not out	10
J. A. Evett b Dolin	0
C. E. Kerr b Raikes	0
F. Crawshay c Wilcox b Raikes	0
Extras	0
Total (for 3 wks.)	10

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

MONMOUTHSHIRE—FIRST INNINGS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kanugher	18.1	2	73	5
Kerr	5	1	22	0
Walters	22	8	41	3
Cherry	9	0	38	2

Kerr bowled two no balls.

LEAD WON ON THE FIRST INNINGS.

Monmouthshire Do Well at Oxford.

Having had the better of the game on Wednesday, Monmouthshire made sure of getting first innings points by capturing the two outstanding Oxfordshire wickets for ten runs at Oxford on Thursday.

Monmouthshire fully deserved their lead of 68, and their bowlers, who bowled well, were backed up by keen fielding. Raikes bowled his off breaks so well that his four wickets cost only twelve runs apiece. O. Williams, Monmouthshire's recruit from Exeter University, too, had good figures, his three wickets costing 19 runs.

When Monmouthshire were about to begin their second innings rain fell heavily, and the players left the field without a ball being bowled. There was no further play before lunch.

Owing to the original pitch being under water, a new one was made, and a re-start made at 2.45.

Captain Price and Allan again opened for Monmouthshire, but with only one run on the board, Captain Price was taken at the wicket off a rising ball.

Allan and Cope played with great care, but, owing to the nature of the wicket, their policy was justified. Eventually, Allan got a couple of good 4's to leg, and both batsmen, although showing strong defence, did not neglect to snatch every possible run.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—1st Innings.

Captain Y. Price b Kalaugher	6
Allan c and b Cherry	35
J. Cope c and b Walters	34
S. Watkins c Smith b Cherry	6
C. Coleman b Walters	5
I. Knox b Walters	16
K. C. Raikes b Kalaugher	13
T. B. Williams c Headley b Kalaugher	33
E. C. Dolman c Smith s Kalaugher	8
C. Williams b Kalaugher	0
Wilcox not out	19
Extras	19
Total	183

OXFORDSHIRE.—1st Innings.

S. C. B. Lee c G. Williams b Allen	20
J. A. Evett b Dolman	0
C. E. Kerr b Raikes	0
F. Crawshay c Wilcox b Raikes	0
A. F. Allington b Raikes	1
W. Wynne-Wilson, c Allan b Dolman	59
Walters b G. Williams	14
S. R. Smith b G. Williams	2
W. G. Kalaugher c Watkins b G. Williams	5
H. J. Henny, b Raikes	4
C. G. Cherry, not out	0
Extras	8
Total	125

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

Captain T. Price, c Smith b Kalaugher	1
Allan, not out	15
J. Cope, not out	12
Extras	1
Total (for 1 wicket)	29

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

MONMOUTHSHIRE—FIRST INNINGS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kalaugher	18.1	2	73	5
Kerr	5	1	22	0
Walters	22	8	41	3
Cherry	9	0	38	2

Kerr bowled two no balls.

OXFORDSHIRE.—First Innings.

Dolman	8	1	23	2
Raikes	19.3	3	47	4
Allan	7	1	28	1
C. Williams	7	1	19	3

Williams bowled one wide.

POINTS FOR FIRST INNINGS LEAD.

Monmouthshire Success at Oxford.

Monmouthshire drew at Oxford in their Minor Counties Championship cricket match, and take points for their first innings lead.

Monmouthshire.—First Innings, 183.
Oxfordshire.—First Innings, 125.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

Captain T. Price, c Smith b Kalaugher	1
Allan run out	22
J. Cope c Kalaugher b Cherry	20
S. Watkins c Wynne-Wilson b Kalaugher	17
Lieutenant Charles Colman b Walters	1
J. Knox c Wynne-Wilson b Walters	0
K. C. Raikes c Wynne-Wilson b Kalaugher	8
F. D. Williams c Lee b Kalaugher	3
E. C. Dolman c Walters b Kalaugher	8
G. C. Williams c Kalaugher b Walters	2
Wilcox not out	0
Extras	6
Total	88

OXFORDSHIRE.—Second Innings.

S. C. B. Lee c Watkins b Dolman	8
J. A. Evett not out	8
Wynne-Wilson c Watkins b Raikes	14
Walters not out	4
Extras	7
Total (for 2 wks.)	41

Match drawn.

FIRST DEFEAT.

EBBW VALE RECORD GOES AT MERTHYR

Ebbw Vale, unbeaten leaders of the South Wales League, had their record broken at Pentrebach, Merthyr, on Thursday, when Hill's Plymouth beat them by 35 runs. Scores:

Hill's Plymouth: E. H. James not out 32, E. Grocutt c G. Chislett b W. Hughes 1, R. Williams c W. Mees b W. Hughes c Davies (Tim) b Pitchford 8, J. Dempsey c Dunce b W. Hughes 12, Tom Davies c W. Hughes b D. Hughes 7, J. A. Lewis c R. Jones b Pitchford 13, E. Davies b D. Hughes 6, G. Davies b D. Hughes 7, G. Harris b W. Mees 25, W. Thomas b W. Mees 5, extras 14, total 130.

Ebbw Vale: Pitchford c E. James b J. Dempsey 26, R. Jones lbw b G. Davies 5, E. Pritchard b Davies (Tim) 7, W. A. Mees b J. Dempsey 1, A. Bunce run out 0, V. Brewer b J. Dempsey 2, G. Chislett c Tom Davies b Davies (Tim) 10, W. Hughes c and b Davies (Tim) 12, D. Hughes b J. Dempsey 9, G. Gratten not out 0, E. Watkins lbw b Davies (Tim) 4, extras 18, total 95.

BRITON FERRY v. GOWERTON.

At Briton Ferry on Thursday. Gowerton won. Scores:—

Briton Ferry Town: H. Elwell st Morgan b Bowen 5, C. Prosser lbw b Emery 14, T. S. Johns c Emery b Ellis 3, G. Morgan st Morgan b Bowen 6, Suckling b Bowen 7, R. White not out 26, R. Williams b Bowen 7, V. Martin lbw b Bowen 0, E. Morris b Evans 1, A. Shea c Davis b Ellis 16, R. Chapman c Morgan b Emery 4, extras 15; total 104. Bowling—Bowen 5 for 18.

Gowerton: M. Jenkins b Shea 1, I. Dew b Shea 4, S. V. Thomas lbw b Shea 12, D. Walters c Shea b Prosser 23, Emery c Morgan b Shea 5, E. Bowen c and b Morris 38, L. Davies b Prosser 6, G. Ellis c Shea b Morris 60, T. Evans b Morris 5, G. Morgan not out 0, extras 19; total (nine wickets), 173.

TREDEGAR PARK v. NEWPORT POLICE.

At Tredegar House.

Newport Police: S. Millichip c Thomas b Henley 10, R. Powell lbw b Coslett 0, C. Slade c Nicholls b G. Osmond 27, Sergeant Cyril Williams b Henley 1, H. Allsopp c Thomas b Barratt 19, E. Weiter c Foster Stedman b Barratt 24, L. Rees b G. Osmond 0, S. Slocombe b G. Osmond 1, T. J. Davies b Barratt 13, K. Robotham c Jones b Barratt 5, E. Chappell not out 0, extras 9; total 109.

Tredegar Park: P. Pembroke b Slade 10, A. Osmond st Millichip b Chappell 0, J. Coslett b Slade 45, B. Jones b Slade 2, I. Thomas c Slocombe 32, E. Barratt lbw b Chappell 2, G. Osmond b Chappell 1, G. Scott lbw b Chappell 0, L. Foster Stedman b Chappell 1, E. Henley not out 0, V. Nicholls b Chappell 0, extras 6; total 99. Newport Police won by ten runs.

TEAMS FOR SATURDAY.

(Continued from Page 9.)

CRICKET.

Crindau Labour v. Outcasts.—At Kimberley Park, 5.0. Crindau (from): A. Cornelius, A. Ford, R. Elson, D. Thomas, G. Wookey, G. Matson, R. Dymond, H. Cooke, R. Workman, P. Collins, A. Humphrey, J. Kendall.

St. John's v. Basis Slag.—At Royal Oak, 3 p.m. St. John's: H. Crosswaite (captain), A. Wicket, A. Roberts, Charles Harris, W. Baker, D. M. Mear, L. Maunders, H. Sandon, G. Owen, J. Crosta, W. Watt, R. James.

St. Patrick's v. Commercial-street Baptists.—At Shaftesbury Park, 2.30 p.m. St. Patrick's: R. Hourahine (capt.), W. Burns, I. Williams, J. Hassell, J. Robinson, H. Jones, H. Screen, H. Whittington, R. Coles, M. Williams, D. Williams.

Alexandra Nomads v. Gwmoarn St. John's.—At Coronation Park 5 p.m. Alexandra Nomads: J. H. Moore (capt.), G. Banks, A. Speight, A. Green, N. Richards, W. Donovan, I. Chivers, A. England, F. Sebells, J. Moore, W. Bray, S. England, R. Marsh.

Newport St. Mary's C.Y.M.S. v. Haven-on-the-Hill.—At Haven-on-the-Hill. Bus leaves Lyceum, 2.20 p.m. Newport St. Mary's: J. Gush (capt.), E. Needham, J. Neil, J. Cashman, A. Guss, W. Hard, E. Foley, W. Bown, W. Dowd, L. Thomas, M. Spence, Res., W. Power.

St. Julian's v. Gwmoarn Athletic.—Semi-final *Arms* Shield. At Kimberley Park, 4.30 p.m. St. Julian's: A. Farr (captain), A. Woodcock, W. Dickenson, F. Jeffries, R. Young, O. Farr, A. Young, L. Pinkard, R. Chaplin, J. Humphries, N. Humphries.

Gwmbrian v. Chepstow.—At Chepstow. Cwmbran: John Bevan (captain), G. Warren, Gwyn Lewis, R. Beech, F. J. James, S. J. Channan, H. Jones, H. Nichols, W. H. Hall, C. P. Thomas, G. C. Lewis. (Bus leaves Clarence-place, Newport, at 1.45 p.m.)

Gwmbrian "B" v. G.W.R., Newport.—At Cwmbran.—Cwmbran: T. J. Davies (captain), A. H. Kelly, W. Fry, J. Thomas, J. Jones, L. Morgan, D. Taylor, B. Williams, T. Muldowney, N. Beech, H. Williams. Wickets to be pitched at 2.30 p.m.

Gwmbrian "B" v. Pontypool "B."—At Cwmbran on Monday. Cwmbran: T. J. Davies (captain), A. H. Kelly, W. Fry, G. Compton, V. Watkins, H. Jones, D. Taylor, B. Williams, L. Morgan, J. Burge, I. Jones; reserve, H. Williams. (Wickets to be pitched at 5.30 p.m.)

EARLY SUCCESS AT POOLE. POOR BATTING AT POOLE.

But Monmouthshire Miss Chances. Monmouthshire's Lack of Enterprise

Monmouthshire met with early success in their Minor Counties cricket match with Dorset at Poole to-day, and three Dorset wickets were down for 18 runs.

Gordon Williams was Monmouthshire's successful bowler on each occasion, and at this period of the game, his figures were:—

O.	M.	R.	W.
4	1	8	3

White and Ogilvy, however, became associated, and at lunch, Dorset had scored 108 for the loss of three wickets.

A slight drizzle was falling when Knight and Outram opened Dorset's innings against E. C. Dolman and Gordon Williams. Knight was the first to leave, out before he had scored. With the score at ten, Brockway was out, and six runs later, Outram, who had stayed 25 minutes, also fell to Williams.

Monmouthshire's fielding was not above reproach, and twice Rogers had players missed off his bowling. The slip fielders were at fault on both occasions.

DORSET.—First Innings.

C. Outram b Gordon Williams	1
Knight b Williams	0
Brockway b Williams	10
G. White c Cope b Watkins	49
S. G. Ogilvy c Williams b Watkins	63
Captain R. D. Busk st Wilcox b Watkins	0
J. Tindall b Watkins	4
M. D. Elderton c and b G. Williams	1
G. J. Jowett b G. Williams	0
W. H. Foot st Wilcox b G. Williams	4
A. M. Harrison not out	0
Extras	19
Total	141

Monmouthshire did not show enterprise when they faced the Dorset bowling at Poole, and run-getting was very slow. With Watkins and Williams together, the rate of scoring increased, and these two showed brisk running. The next best partnership was that of Captain J. Price and Williams, which put on 16 runs. The sixth wicket put on 22.

Monmouthshire were all out for a meagre 87. They have themselves to blame for being in arrears on the first innings. Both Ogilvy and White were missed several times.

When Dorset began their second innings they were soon in difficulties. Knight was clean bowled by Williams with the fifth ball of his first over, and Brockway was well caught by Maddocks at first slip off Dolman. Dorset started Saturday's play with a lead of 84 and eight wickets to fall.

The weather was promising when White and Outram continued Dorset's second innings to the bowling of Dolman and C. Williams. Neither batsman seemed at all comfortable, and, with the score at 23, Outram got in front of a straight ball from Dolman. At the same total Dolman bowled Ogilvy.

Collapses.

The scoring then slowed down, and the batsmen were very cautious, but at 34 Busk was bowled by C. Williams, so that half Dorset's wickets were down at 34. After an hour's play, the home side had added 40 runs for the loss of three wickets. Watkins went on for Dolman with the score at 50 for five. At 52, White was caught at cover point by C. Williams. White had scored 17, and had been batting steadily for an hour.

Wilcox very smartly stumped Elderton off Watkins with the score at 63. With Jowett and Tindell associated, some brisk batting was seen, but at 82 Tindell gave an easy return to Watkins.

Dolman went on again for C. Williams at 84, and, with his second ball, clean bowled Jowett. Two runs had been added when he also bowled Harrison, closing Dorset's innings at 86. They had batted for 2½ hours.

Hodges and Tresawna opened for Monmouthshire against the bowling of Harrison and Jowett. In Harrison's second over, Tresawna was smartly taken at the wicket. Foot came on for Jowett with the score at five for one, when lunch was taken.

DORSET.—First Innings.

C. Outram b Gordon Williams	1
Knight b Williams	0
Brockway b Williams	10
G. White c Cope b Williams	49
S. G. Ogilvy c Williams b Watkins	63
Capt. R. D. Busk st Wilcox b Williams	0
J. Tindall b Watkins	4
M. D. Elderton c and b G. Williams	1
G. J. Jowett b G. Williams	0
W. H. Foot st Wilcox b G. Williams	4
A. M. Harrison not out	0
Extras	19
Total	141

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—1st Innings.

A. E. Hodges c and b Brockway	3
J. Tresawna c Elderton b Harrison	12
J. Cope c Elderton b Harrison	0
Captain J. Price run out	12
Lieutenant C. Coleman b Jowett	0
T. R. Williams c Elderton b Foot	27
A. Watkins c Foot b Jowett	14
E. C. Dolman c Busk b Jowett	6
C. Maddocks st. Elderton b Foot	3
Crwys Williams b Jowett	1
S. Wilcox not out	4
Extras	5
Total	87

DORSET.—2nd Innings.

J. Outram lbw b Dolman	9
Knight b Williams	0
Brockway c Maddocks b Dolman	1
G. White c T. B. Williams b C. Williams	17
J. Ogilvy b Dolman	0
Captain Busk b C. Williams	7
R. Tindell c and b Watkins	18
M. B. Elderton st Wilcox b Watkins	9
C. J. Jowett b Dolman	10
W. H. Foot not out	2
A. Harrison b Dolman	1
Extras	12
Total	86

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

A. E. Hodges not out	3
J. Tresawna c Elderton b Harrison	1
Extras	1
Total (for 1 wicket)	5

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Dorset.—First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. C. Dolman	10	4	13	0
G. Williams	18	2	59	8
S. Watkins	16	2	31	2
A. E. Hodges	5	1	19	0

Dorset.—Second Innings.

Dolman	16.3	8	15	5
C. Williams	20	6	48	3
Watkins	7	2	11	2

MONMOUTHSHIRE IN MINOR COUNTIES.

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Secretary's Appeal for Support at Newport Match.

On their recent tour Monmouthshire, with a very much weakened batting side, were defeated by Dorset and Berkshire (writes Mr. E. C. Dolman, Hon. Secretary of Monmouthshire Cricket Club).

In the Dorset match Monmouthshire in losing the toss were at considerable disadvantage in having to field in a drizzle, and the only two batsmen to make runs on the opposing side were both given a number of lives.

Monmouthshire in all probability would have won this match had the side who took the first innings points from Warwickshire been playing, and a victory is anticipated when Dorset visit Newport on August 18 and 19.

The Berkshire side were much too strong for Monmouthshire's depleted team; Bob Reif bowled magnificently on a wicket that helped him.

In the return game at Newport on Friday and Saturday, August 12 and 13, Berkshire are again turning out a strong side. Their team will include R. H. and J. Human, both recent Cambridge Blues, the Hon. P. F. Remnant, and his brother, together with H. E. Dollery, H. L. Lewis, B. Reif and Dr. W. Y. Woodburn.

Probable Team.

The home side will probably include Allen, the Newport professional, R. W. P. Roff, of Ross, A. H. Royn Jones, H. H. Jenkins, S. Watkins (who did well on the Warwick tour), G. Crwys Williams, and a left-arm medium bowler, who has bowled with considerable success for the county this year; K. C. Raikes, G. L. Clay, H. Foley and J. Cope.

Financial support is urgently needed, and a good gate for the Berkshire game would help matters considerably.

An increase in membership and better gates are essential if Monmouthshire is to regain the position she once held in the Minor Counties tourney. Nearly all the amateurs who have played for the county in recent years have paid their own expenses, and had it not been for their help Monmouthshire would have ceased to exist years ago.

I wish to appeal to all who are interested in cricket to make an effort to support Monmouthshire by attending the Berkshire match next week. The weather forecast is favourable and there is little doubt that interesting cricket will be seen.

MONMOUTHSHIRE FINE BATTING BY STRENGTHENED. FOLEY.

Minor Counties Match at Newport. Stand That Pulled Gwent Team Round.

There was a cool breeze blowing when Monmouthshire played their return Minor Counties cricket match with Berkshire at Newport Athletic Grounds on Friday.

In the match between the counties at Reading a fortnight ago, Berkshire obtained an innings victory.

To-day, however, Monmouthshire were strengthened by W. Allan, Newport's Yorkshire-born professional, and Crwys Williams. Williams, who is a medium paced left arm bowler, and is a schoolmaster at Exeter, was born at Brynmawr, but resides at Swansea. When at Cambridge he played in several "Varsity" trial matches.

The sun was shining when H. L. Lewis and H. E. Dollery opened Berkshire's innings on a perfect wicket against the bowling of E. C. Dolman and Crwys Williams. Runs were not difficult to get, and Lewis made several pretty leg strokes when facing Dolman.

After bowling two overs, Williams was relieved by K. C. Raikes, who had not arrived when the sides took the field. Both batsmen treated the newcomer with respect.

With his score at twelve H. L. Lewis had a "life" when Raikes, fielding at second slip, failed to accept a chance.

At 40, Williams, who plays in spectacles, replaced Dolman, and eight runs later A. Watkins, a slow spin bowler from Chepstow, was introduced for Raikes.

Cambridge Blue.

Williams, bowling at a fast pace, soon knocked back Lewis's middle stump, but with J. H. Human, a Cambridge Blue, in, the rate of scoring increased.

Human, in one over, hit Allan for 15. The Light Blue reached his 50 in 35 minutes.

Human was taken at the wicket by Foley off Raikes. His 55 included nine fours.

After Lunch.

After lunch Dolman and Williams shared the attack, and each opened with a maiden over. After this, however, Dollery and Jennings again gained the upper hand, and runs continued to come freely. Dollery, who had batted in faultless fashion before lunch, continued to bat attractively, and with his score at 78 he seemed well set for a century. Both batsmen found gaps in a poorly-placed field.

BERKSHIRE.—First Innings.	
H. L. Lewis b Williams	21
H. E. Dollery not out	81
J. H. Human c Foley b Raikes	55
W. H. Jennings not out	15
Extras	21
Total (for 2 wickets)	193

When Monmouthshire resumed their innings against Berkshire in a Minor Counties cricket match at Newport Athletic Grounds on Saturday, the home county needed 114 runs to avoid the follow on.

On Friday, Monmouthshire, who commenced batting shortly after the tea interval, made a poor response to Berkshire's big total of 306 for 5 wickets, declared. They lost the wickets of Allan, Tresawna, and A. H. Roeyn Jones for only 15 runs.

A. E. Hodges and T. B. Williams, however, came to the rescue, and at the close had put on 79 for the fourth wicket.

The weather was dull when Monmouthshire's not outs continued batting to-day, and there were only a few spectators present.

Williams and Hodges were not long together, and off the fourth ball of Neate's first over, their gallant partnership came to an end, Williams being clean bowled. Neate, a tall fast bowler, was bowling with greater pace than he did on Friday. Williams, whose 47 included four 4's, had played a real captain's innings, and had filled the breach when disaster threatened to overwhelm Monmouthshire.

H. T. H. Foley, who next partnered Hodges, started confidently, and helped the Newport player to add 44 for the fifth wicket. At this point Hodges played a ball from Mole on to his wicket. Hodges, who had also played a big part in Monmouthshire's recovery, did not neglect to punish any loose balls.

G. L. Clay, the newcomer, did not stay long, and, without scoring, he had his leg stump knocked back by Mole.

Foley's Fine Innings.

H. T. H. Foley and K. C. Raikes made Monmouthshire's prospects of a follow-on less probable. Foley, a tall, left-handed batsman, used his height to advantage, and drove and cut well. He made several delightful square cuts, and reached his fifty in an hour and ten minutes.

At 187 Raikes was bowled by Mole, and E. C. Dolman, who followed, did not stay long. Foley went all out for runs, but with nine runs still needed to save the follow on, Monmouthshire's ninth wicket fell.

There was some excitement as the runs necessary to make Berkshire bat again were made, and when Foley had reached 83, Crwys Williams played on, and the innings closed at 237. Foley hit ten fours.

H. L. Lewis and H. E. Dollery opened Berkshire's second innings against Dolman and Raikes. Allan had left to play for Newport at Blairstown. His place was taken by A. H. Lewis, Berkshire, and later by Squires, of Newport.

BERKSHIRE.—First Innings.	
H. L. Lewis b Williams	21
H. E. Dollery c Clay b Hodges	115
J. H. Human c Foley b Raikes	55
W. H. Jennings b Watkins	40
R. R. Relf not out	25
A. L. Lewis b Raikes	5
N. Pulley not out	22
Extras	23
Total (for 5 wickets dec.)	306

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.	
A. E. Hodges b Mole	52
Allan c Pulley b Neate	9
J. Tresawna b Neate	0
A. H. Roeyn Jones b Relf	3
T. B. Williams b Neate	47
H. T. H. Foley not out	83
G. L. Clay b Mole	0
K. C. Raikes b Mole	15
E. C. Dolman b Mole	0
A. Watkins b Mole	1
C. Williams b Woodburn	13
Extras	14
Total	237

BERKSHIRE.—Second Innings.	
H. L. Lewis not out	30
H. E. Dollery not out	41
Extras	2
Total (for no wkt.)	73

BERKSHIRE BOWLING.—First Innings.	
O. M. R. W.	
E. C. Dolman	15-7-35-0
C. Williams	19-5-62-1
K. C. Raikes	32-7-83-2
A. Watkins	23-5-53-1
Allan	4-0-31-0
A. E. Hodges	6-1-19-1

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.	
O. M. R. W.	
R. R. Relf	42-12-94-1
F. Neate	9-2-34-3
W. Y. Woodburn	14-0-46-1
C. W. Mole	14-2-39-5
J. H. Human	3-1-10-0

MONMOUTHSHIRE'S DEFEAT.

Second Innings Failure at Newport.

After making a spirited reply to Berkshire's big first innings total of 308 for 5 wickets declared in a Minor Counties match at Newport, Monmouthshire collapsed in their second innings, when set 304 runs to avoid defeat, and were dismissed for 117 runs (write "Marlovian").

In Monmouthshire's second innings, only H. T. H. Foley and G. L. Clay played the bowling with confidence. It was Foley, too, who saved Monmouthshire from having to follow on. Foley, who is from Hereford, is a tall, left-handed batsman. He stands well over six feet. One of his best strokes is the square cut. He also kept wicket and has also distinguished himself with the Free Foresters.

Berkshire are a team of all-round ability, and they gave a display worthy of a first-class county side. Their batting was strong, their bowling deadly, and their fielding exceptionally keen.

In the second innings, Monmouthshire were without Allan, who had left to play for Newport against Blaina. This was Monmouthshire's own fault—the result of bad arrangement. Monmouthshire knew that he would have to leave at lunch to play for Newport.

For Warwickshire.

H. E. Dollery, who scored a century in each innings, is qualifying for Warwickshire, and he should make his mark in first-class cricket.

Nearly 600 runs were made in the match, scored at the rate of a run a minute. The attendance was disappointing, but Newport folk will have an opportunity to make amends on Thursday and Friday, when Monmouthshire play Dorsetshire.

BERKSHIRE—First Innings.

H. L. Lewis b Williams	21
H. E. Dollery c Clay b Hodges	115
J. H. Human c Foley b Raikes	55
W. H. Jennings b Watkins	40
R. R. Reif not out	25
A. L. Lewis b Raikes	5
N. Pulley not out	22
Extras	23

Total (for 5 wickets dec.) ... 308

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.

A. E. Hodges b Mole	52
Allan c Pulley b Neate	9
J. Tresauna b Neate	0
A. H. Rocyn Jones b Reif	3
T. B. Williams b Neate	47
H. T. H. Foley not out	83
G. L. Clay b Mole	0
K. C. Raikes b Mole	15
E. C. Dolman b Mole	0
A. Watkins b Mole	1
C. Williams b Woodburn	13
Extras	14

Total 237

BERKSHIRE.—Second Innings.

H. L. Lewis b Williams	32
H. E. Dollery not out	105
J. H. Human not out	82
Extras	16

Total (for 1 wkt. dec.) 235

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

A. E. Hodges lbw b Reif	10
A. H. Rocyn Jones c Dollery b Neate	5
J. Tresauna lbw b Mole	6
H. T. H. Foley not out	9
T. B. Williams b Mole	0
G. L. Clay c Mole b Woodburn	21
K. C. Raikes b Reif	14
C. Williams lbw b Woodburn	5
E. C. Dolman not out	0
A. Watkins c Mole b Woodburn	0
Allan absent	0
Extras	7

Total 117

BOWLING.

Monmouthshire.—Second Innings.	
R. Reif	O. M. R. W.
F. Neate	25-10-42-3
C. W. Mole	9-3-26-1
W. Y. Woodburn	4-1-7-2
	11.1-0-35-3

BRIGHT CRICKET AT BLAINA PARK.

Newport Race to Victory in High Scoring Game.

Newport, who were weakly represented, gained a brilliant victory at Blaina by nine wickets, after the home side had declared. A large crowd watched Blaina bat first, and H. J. Hale and J. Gomery opened to H. Jenkins and A. Morris. In H. Jenkins's second over Gomery played on. N. Bainton, the Nantyglo Secondary School boy, joined Hale, and runs came fast; 61 were added before H. J. Hale was given lbw. to Allan. G. Tovey left at 82, and ten runs later Bainton reached his 50 and was well set.

When E. Wetherall joined Bainton, some merry hitting was seen. Both batsmen seemed well set, and fours predominated; 77 had been added when Wetherall was clean bowled by H. Jenkins. He had scored 42 by forceful cricket, and hit a 6 and seven 4's. Atheren left me run later, and with an addition of 19 runs (207 for six), and Bainton unbeaten with 102, including thirteen 4's and four 2's, the innings was declared.

Bainton's innings was faultless, and he did not give a chance. H. Jenkins took two for 60, Allen three for 75, and A. Morris one for 27.

Sporting Chance.

Newport, who had been given a sporting chance to win with the same time batting as Blaina (2½ hours) opened with H. Jenkins and Allan. Both batsmen set about the bowling from the start, and 50 appeared without loss after 30 minutes. Harold Jenkins reached his 50 out of 82, and the century was recorded after 50 minutes' batting.

At 120 Allan reached his 50. With 6 runs added Allan was given lbw to J. Gomery. His 54 included eight 4's, 3 and three 2's. E. A. Boughton joined Jenkins, and some merry hitting was seen. Nine, and sometimes 10 and 12 were scored from an over. The score went quickly on, and Jenkins reached his century out of 170.

The game ended with Newport winners by nine wickets. Jenkins hit seventeen 4's in his 100, and Boughton claimed two 6's and five 4's in his 50. Newport's innings had occupied only an hour and 40 minutes.

BLAINA.

H. J. Hale lbw b Allan	23
J. Gomery b H. Jenkins	2
N. Bainton not out	101
G. Tovey b Allan	11
J. Moody b Allan	9
E. Wetherall b H. Jenkins	42
T. Atheren b A. Morris	1
W. Davies not out	4
Extras	14

Total (for 6 wks., dec.) ... 207
W. Jenkins, J. Dalley and G. Williams did not bat.

NEWPORT.

H. H. Jenkins not out	102
Allan lbw b J. Gomery	54
E. A. Boughton not out	50
Extras	5

Total (for 1 wkt.) ... 211
T. G. Walters, A. G. Edwards, P. B. Poole, L. Newton, J. R. Owen, Rev. J. P. Stephens, N. Gray and A. Morris did not bat.

OTHER LEAGUE GAMES. MASTEG v. PONTARDAWE.

At Maesteg. Maesteg won by 55 runs. Scores: Maesteg: Smart, c Jones, b W. M. Jones, 115; G. Rickard, b L. Evans, 8; T. Llewelyn, b L. Evans, 2; C. Jenkins, b S. Thomas, 26; T. Loveland, c Jones, b L. Evans, 16; A. Williams, b C. Bubb, 8; T. Thomas, lbw, b Bubb, 2; B. Lewis, b Bubb, 4; T. Treharne, c Jones, b Bubb, 8; A. Phillips, c Evans, b Bubb, 5; W. Jenkins, not out 1; extras, 0—total, 195.

Pontardawe: W. M. Jones, c Treharne, b Williams, 94; F. Roberts, run out, 8; R. Morris, b Treharne, 0; T. Vaughan, b Treharne, 0; L. Evans, b Treharne, 4; A. Gilgertson, b C. Jenkins, 6; S. Lewis, b Jenkins, 0; E. Thomas, c Treharne, b Smart, 1; W. Jones, b Smart, 0; C. Bubb, b Smart, 18; S. Thomas, not out, 8; extras, 1—total, 140.

PITCHFORD'S USUAL CENTURY

At Ebbw Vale. Match drawn. Scores: Ebbw Vale: Pitchford, b Dempsey, 100; Rees Jones, c Dempsey, b G. Davies, 0; J. Cope, b T. Davies, 0; W. A. Mees, c G. Harris, b G. Davies, 34; C. Osborne, st Harris, b E. Davies, 35; T. Henry, not out, 42; G. Chislett, c T. Davies, b E. Davies, 6; J. Williams, st Harris, b E. Davies, 16; extras, 4—total (for seven declared), 237. Bowling—G. Davies, two for 34; T. Davies, one for 37; E. Davies, three for 41.

Hill's Plymouth: E. M. James, b W. Hughes, 4; E. Groucutt, c Osborne, b G. Gardiner, 13; T. Davies, b W. Hughes, 45; R. Williams, lbw, b Pitchford, 61; J. Dempsey, b W. Hughes, 9; Tom Davies, c Chislett, b W. Hughes, 9; E. Davies, b W. Hughes, 2; G. Davies, b Pitchford, 0; extras, 15—total (for eight), 156.

LLANELLY v. BRITON FERRY STEELWORKS.

At Llanelly. Llanelly won by three wickets. Scores:

Briton Ferry Steelworks: T. Davies b E. H. Tunstall, 0; J. T. Hopkins b Butler, 17; D. J. Poley c I. Davies, b E. H. Tunstall, 9; L. Thomas b J. Hinwood, 34; S. Parker b I. Davies, 39; H. Thomas lbw b Butler, 23; I. Williams c H. Davies, b Gwyn Davies, 3; T. S. Jones b Gwyn Davies, 6; E. Hutchinson st. S. Phillips b Butler, 0; W. J. Hill b G. Davies, 2; L. Morgan not out 0, extras 15, total 148. Bowling: Butler 3-23, Gwyn Davies 3-27, E. H. Tunstall 2-24, I. Davies 1-43, J. Hinwood 1-16.

Llanelly: D. B. Thomas b W. J. Hill, 8; Gwyn Davies c D. J. Poley b I. Williams, 21; Butler c E. Hutchinson b W. J. Hill, 4; E. M. Pullen b D. J. Poley, 41; Haydn Davies c S. Parker b L. Morgan, 20; J. Hinwood b I. Williams, 29; E. H. Tunstall c T. S. Jones b D. J. Poley, 12; S. Phillips not out 13; B. Holberry not out 4, extras 4, total (for seven) 156. Bowling: D. J. Poley 2-35, W. J. Hill 2-47, I. Williams 2-46; Morgan 1-24.

NEATH v. ABERTILLERY.

At Neath. Match tied. Scores: Neath: H. Creek c D. Marsh b C. Powell, 2; W. R. Jones st. Hughes b C. Powell, 51; G. Rees b E. Evans, 4; Davies (W. D.) c Hughes b Evans, 6; R. Maddocks st. Hughes b Powell, 7; G. Reason b Powell, 0; C. Michael c C. Powell b G. Paul, 22; Les Williams at. Hughes b Powell, 2; D. Pearce b E. Evans, 46; T. Evans not out 25; D. Davies b E. Evans, 0, extras 6, total 171.

Abertillery: W. Robins run out 75; D. Marsh c D. Davies b C. Michael, 0; H. Hughes c G. Reason b R. Maddocks, 39; T. Adams b Davies (W.D.), 21; C. Powell b Davies (W.D.), 9; G. Jones b Davies (W.D.), 5; W. Sarks not out 7; extras 15, total (six wickets) 171.

CRICKET TEAMS.

Outcasts v. Tramways.—On Tuesday at Kimberley Park, at 6.30 p.m. Outcasts (from): F. McQuire, W. Burgum, L. Williams, W. Collins, C. Morgan, I. Jones, W. Cooke, D. Davies, E. Glover, W. Piper, K. Jones, R. Pearce, F. Burgum, E. Piper, R. Davies.
Gaer Park v. Caerau.—At Sta tesbury Park on Monday, at 6.0 p.m. Caerau: Edwards, R. Humphreys (capt.), Mason, Pelling, Jenkins, F. Humphreys.

PANTEG v ST. FAGANS.

At St. Fagans. St. Fagans won by 104 runs. Scores:—

St. Fagans: H. T. Taylor b V. Gregory, 26; A. L. Richards st Wilcox, b L. Telling, 6; J. G. Dunton c sub b Telling, 2; V. S. R. Vaughan c Wilcox b Telling, 11; W. W. Thomas c and b Telling, 2; A. Slocombe c Wilcox b Telling, 82; W. H. L. Chattin not out 45, extras 18; total (for 6 wks., dec.) 192. C. Tennick, J. Fletcher, S. Dawson, and J. H. Carr did not bat.

Panteg: G. Jones b V. S. R. Vaughan, 0; G. Smith b V. S. R. Vaughan, 18; A. North b Chattin, 36; S. Wilcox c Dawson b Vaughan, 9; T. Telling c Tennick b Vaughan, 0; Hugh Jones b Vaughan, 0; Dr. J. P. Jenkins c Tennick b Chattin, 5; G. Bowen b Chattin, 0; C. Job b Chattin, 0; J. H. Jones not out 11; V. Gregory b Vaughan, 0, extras 9; total 88.

ABERGAVENTNY v. BRECON SPORTS CLUB.

At Abergavenny. Abergavenny won by 35 runs. Scores:

Brecon S.C.: E. R. Davies c W. G. Jones, b Cook, 0; J. N. Thomas b E. Meredith, 30; H. Jones b W. Robinson, 12; W. J. Anibrose b I. Cook, 38; E. S. Edwards b I. Cook, 2; J. J. Liptrot lbw, b Meredith, 1; J. Shelton lbw, b Cook, 3; A. G. Cattell b Cook, 2; V. R. Hughes c Colonel Lewis b E. Powell, 1; C. Fussell b Powell, 0; G. Phillips not out 0, extras 6—total 95.

Abergavenny: W. H. Robinson c Hughes b E. Davies, 30; H. Shapley lbw, b Shelton, 0; W. Adams c Edwards b Shelton, 2; E. Powell run out 0; T. Cook c Jones b Davies, 49; Colonel W. R. Lewis c Cattell b Davies, 10; J. K. Ruther lbw, b Davies, 3; W. G. Jones c Liptrot b Davies, 0; J. Adams c Thomas b Davies, 5; O. Morgan b E. S. Edwards, 3; E. Meredith not out 24, extras 4—total 130.

I. Cook took 5 wickets for 29 runs and E. R. Davies 6 for 46.

Pontymerist 160 for 5 (W. Lewis 41, W. Morris 28 not out, E. Hacking 18 not out; B. Hoskins 5 for 55) Monmouth 83 (J. Watkins 4 for 9, T. Williams 4 for 13).

Abercarn 194 for 7 declared (H. Wilkinson 70, B. Vaisey 35). Llanhilleth 99 for 7 (B. Challenger 44).

Llanhilleth, St. Mark's 92 (E. Dykes 60), Gellyerug 131 (A. Brooks 60 not out), Llanhilleth II. 48, Pontnewynydd All Saints 109 for 4.

Newbridge 122 for 6 (J. Britten 70), Gabalfa 43 (E. Sheppard 7 for 19).

Panteg "B" 185 (R. H. Phillips 95, N. Bassett 35), St. Fagans II. 60 (M. Everson 7 for 29).

Poole Park 225 for five, declared (Knight 72, E. W. Pike 87 not out); Tredegar Park 111.

Cwmbran 175 for 5 dec. (S. Kelly 68, R. Bees 54), Rhiwbina 70.

Emmanuel 152 for 8 dec. (K. Cankett 54, G. Heighton 38), Cardiff Argonians 20 (J. Stewart 5 for 8, J. Strachan 3 for 1).

Newport II. 187 for 6 dec. (R. Dixon 69 not out), Usk 165.

MINOR COUNTIES RETURN MATCH.

Monmouthshire Meet Dorsetshire.

The sun was shining brilliantly when Monmouthshire opened their return Minor Counties cricket match with Dorsetshire at Newport Athletic Grounds to-day.

Included in the Monmouthshire side was J. C. Evans, of Malvern College, and when T. B. Williams won the toss he opened Monmouthshire's innings with Allan, the Newport professional.

R. G. Tindall, a fast bowler, whose run to the wicket is almost as long as the pitch itself, and A. M. Harrison, a slow to medium paced bowler, shared Dorsetshire's attack.

Playing in his first Minor Counties match, Evans, who is only 18 years of age, showed no sign of "nerves," and at the start he dominated the scoring.

Tindall, who is a leaaway type of bowler, seemed to experience difficulty in controlling his length, at first, and he sent down several long hops, and was no-balled twice in his first over.

With Monmouthshire's score at 31, however, Evans was completely beaten by a ball from Harrison, bowling from the Pavilion end, and was bowled after batting confidently for his 19.

Syd Watkins, the Cross Keys Rugby player, next partnered Allan, and in the next over, Brockway a left-handed medium paced bowler, replaced Tindall.

It did not take Watkins long to settle down but it was Allan who did most of the scoring at the commencement of their partnership.

Neither Allan nor Watkins seemed worried by the bowling, and on a good wicket they did not find runs hard to get. The half century was sent up after 40 minutes' play.

At 68, Captain R. D. Busk, another fast bowler, went on for Harrison, but Allan helped himself to four fours in his first two overs.

Newport Pair.

Watkins, too, batted well, but at 85 he gave a chance to White at backward point off Brockway. The chance was accepted, and Allan's next partner was his club captain, Harold Jenkins. The half-century was destined to elude Allan, and he was caught at first slip by Tindall off Brockway within one of his 50.

A. H. Rocyn Jones was the newcomer, and he helped Jenkins to send up the 100 after 1 1/2 hours' play. Both batsmen made attempts to force the pace, but the bowlers were coming into their own, and at 103 Rocyn Jones edged a ball from Busk into the hands of Brockway. Seven runs later Jenkins was taken at the wicket by Elderton.

T. B. Williams and K. C. Raikes next came together, and Monmouthshire's captain attempted to get on top of the bowling by forcing methods. For a time he met with success, but eventually he was caught by Brockway off his own bowling.

Monmouthshire's seventh wicket fell when Dolman became Brockway's fifth victim.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First innings.

Allan c Tindall b Brockway	49
J. C. Evans b Harrison	19
S. Watkins c White b Brockway	16
H. H. Jenkins c Elderton b Brockway	13
A. H. Rocyn Jones c Brockway b Busk	4
T. B. Williams c and b Brockway	11
K. C. Raikes not out	11
E. C. Dolman c White b Brockway	13
A. E. Hodges not out	9
Extras	11

(Total (for 7 wickets) 148

DORSET'S STRONG POSITION.

First Century in Minor Counties Cricket.

Leading by five runs, with nine wickets to fall, Dorsetshire continued their first innings against Monmouthshire at Newport to-day.

On Thursday, Dorsetshire, by steady batting, had placed themselves in a commanding position, and at the close had scored 168.

The weather was again gloriously fine when Outram and Tindall faced Raikes and Jenkins, two medium paced bowlers.

During the first four overs no runs were scored.

After twenty minutes Outram reached his century, when he cut a ball from Jenkins through the slips to the boundary. Outram had been at the wicket for nearly 3 1/2 hours, and his innings was a tedious affair. In making his first century in Minor Counties cricket he made no attempt to attack the moderate bowling.

At this point a telegram boy arrived with a telegram for Outram, but he pushed it into his pocket without opening it, and continued batting.

After this the rate of scoring increased, and the double century went up after 35 minutes' play.

At this point, Outram gave his first chance, but Hodges failed at first slip. Outram did not stay long, and with the score at 169, he was caught by Jenkins, fielding deeply. His 134 included ten fours. The partnership had put on 162.

Captain R. D. Busk, Dorset's tall fast bowler, joined Tindall, and the score mounted rapidly. Tindall, especially, forced the pace, and reached his century forty minutes before lunch. He batted all round the wicket, driving and cutting with freedom and skill. His century included 12 fours.

When Morris, a forcing batsman, joined Tindall, runs came even more freely, aided by Monmouthshire's poor fielding.

Dorset Declare.

Dorset declared with their score at 411 for three.

Set 249 to avoid an innings defeat, Monmouthshire, through A. E. Hodges and Allan, the Newport pair, opened their second innings against the bowling of A. M. Harrison, slow to medium, and R. D. Busk, fast. Both Hodges and Allan started cautiously, but Allan, with attractive strokes, soon made the scorers busy. He scored 21, while Hodges was making five. The temperature at this point was 90 degrees, and both batsmen and fielders seemed affected by the overpowering heat.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First innings.

Allan c Tindall b Brockway	49
J. C. Evans b Harrison	19
S. Watkins c White b Brockway	16
H. H. Jenkins c Elderton b Brockway	13
A. H. Rocyn Jones c Brockway b Busk	4
T. B. Williams c and b Brockway	11
K. C. Raikes c Morris b Harrison	11
E. C. Dolman c White b Brockway	13
A. E. Hodges not out	3
R. W. P. Roff hit wkt. b Brockway	0
A. E. Watkins c Brockway b Harrison	8
Extras	16
Total	163

DORSETSHIRE.—First Innings.

J. I. Outram c Jenkins b Dolman	134
Brockway c Hodges b Allan	42
R. G. Tindall not out	135
Captain R. D. Busk b Watkins	18
E. M. Morris not out	46
Extras	36
Total (for 3 wickets dec.)	411

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second innings.

A. E. Hodges not out	6
Allan not out	22
Extras	7
Total (for no wicket)	35

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Monmouthshire.—First innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. G. Tindall	4	1	18	0
A. M. Harrison	27.4	13	46	3
R. D. Busk	8	1	40	1
Brockway	32	16	43	6
DORSET BOWLING ANALYSIS.—1st innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. C. Dolman	25	5	101	1
K. C. Raikes	26	8	73	0
H. H. Jenkins	11	2	54	0
A. E. Watkins	15	2	79	1
A. E. Hodges	13	2	43	0
Allan	10	3	26	1

DORSET'S WIN BY TEN WICKETS.

Monmouthshire Defeated at Newport.

Dorsetshire defeated Monmouthshire in a Minor Counties match at Newport by ten wickets, though at one time (writes "Marlovian") victory almost threatened to elude their grasp.

Had this occurred, Dorsetshire would have had only themselves to blame, for on Thursday their batting was painfully slow, and they made no attempt to attack moderate bowling in match-winning fashion. On Friday, however, they altered their methods, and placed themselves in a commanding position. Even so, they were obliged to claim the extra half-an-hour, and were denied the innings victory.

The batting of Allan, H. H. Jenkins, and A. H. Rocyn Jones, the Newport trio, too, at one time looked as if it might rob Dorset of victory, but they received little support. Allan gave a stylish display, but before he reached his half century, he was missed twice. He scored most of his runs in front of the wicket. Jenkins and Rocyn Jones, both forcing batsmen, gave an entertaining display.

Monmouthshire's primary weakness was again their bowling, coupled with indifferent fielding. E. C. Dolman, apparently the only fast bowler Monmouthshire can rely upon, rarely seemed difficult to play. The remaining bowlers were ineffective, and only Allan bowled with any success.

Monmouthshire will conclude their Minor Counties campaign against Oxfordshire at Ebbw Vale on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monmouthshire.—First innings: 163.
Dorsetshire.—First innings: 411 for 3 declared.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second innings.

A. E. Hodges c Tovey b Busk	13
Allan c Elderton b Jarchow	69
S. Watkins b Jarchow	7
H. H. Jenkins c Elderton b Harrison	50
A. H. Rocyn Jones b Oglivy	69
R. W. P. Roff b Busk	17
J. C. Evans c Elderton b Busk	0
T. B. Williams lbw b Jarchow	0
K. C. Raikes b Busk	0
E. C. Dolman run out	1
A. E. Watkins not out	0
Extras	29
Total	225

DORSETSHIRE.—Second Innings.

R. G. Tindall not out	5
E. M. Morris not out	3
Total (for no wicket)	8

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Monmouthshire.—Second Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. M. Harrison	31	14	34	1
R. D. Busk	16	5	51	4
F. C. Jarchow	31	4	99	4
Brockway	11	4	24	0
R. G. Tindall	3	0	18	0

PANTEG XI. v. CAMBRIDGE CRUSADERS.

At Panteg on Thursday.
 Panteg Invitation XI, which included Pitchford (Ebbw Vale), Smart (Maesteg), Brett (Abercarn), and Every (Gowerton) made a good start against Cambridge Crusaders at Panteg on Thursday. Pitchford and Smart were associated until the score reached 133. Smart, in his 80, hit three sixes and nine fours. The Cambridge XI. were led by F. R. Brown, the Surrey player.
 Panteg: H. Poulson b Camston 8, L. Pitchford c McKinnon b Rowney 47, C. Smart et Hoaze b McKinnon 80, A. E. C. Smith not out 0, W. Emery c Brown b McKinnon 0, A. out 16, W. Every c Brown b McKinnon 0, A. North not out 7, extras 0, total (for 4) 157.

PITCHFORD ON TOP. HUGE LEAD IN BATTING AVERAGES.

Pitchford, the Ebbw Vale professional, has this season proved the outstanding figure in Welsh League cricket. He is still top of the batting averages with the amazing figure of 83.12, and also stands second in the bowling table.

The League table, including August 18, is:-

	P.	W.	L.	D.	A.	Pos.	Ob.	Per-centage
Swansea	16	10	4	1	1	80	20	86.66
Gowerton	17	6	3	1	7	20	19	60.00
Maesteg	16	6	4	0	6	20	12	60.00
Ebbw Vale	17	3	3	2	9	18	10	55.56
Newport	17	6	4	1	6	22	12	54.54
Hills Plymouth	18	7	4	2	5	24	14	58.34
Llanelli	16	6	7	0	3	24	18	44.14
Neath	16	5	4	3	4	24	11	45.83
B. F. Town	16	4	4	2	6	20	8	40.00
Abertillery	17	3	5	4	5	24	5	20.83
Blaena	16	2	7	1	6	20	4	20.00
Pontardawe	15	2	6	2	5	20	4	20.00
B. F. Steelworks	15	1	8	3	3	24	2	8.33

Neath and Abertillery played a tie each.

BATTING.

	Inn.	Runs.	1st.	Not.	Aver.
Pitchford (Ebbw Vale)	13	735	124*	5	86.12
Smart (Maesteg)	12	448	131*	2	49.00
Davies (L.) (H. Plymouth)	19	870	118*	8	42.15
N. Bainton (Blaena)	10	281	101*	3	40.14
J. Hinwood (Llanelli)	8	244	102*	2	41.00
Allan (Newport)	11	355	84*	3	39.44
Davies (W. D.) (Neath)	12	404	106*	1	36.72
Rees Williams (H. Plymouth)	12	390	67*	1	35.45
W. E. Harris (Swansea)	11	202	57*	1	33.66
C. J. Lloyd (Swansea)	15	243	28	2	22.40
E. Bowen (Gowerton)	11	270	50*	2	31.00
H. N. Jenkins (Newport)	10	273	102*	1	30.33

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
T. C. Treherne (Maesteg)	177	44	267	28	7.78
Pitchford (Ebbw Vale)	137	51	278	21	8.06
Emery (Gowerton)	127	67	378	42	8.98
G. Davies (Hills Plymouth)	122	27	299	22	9.34
Gange (Swansea)	275	63	683	73	9.35
G. Ellis (Gowerton)	126	28	424	40	10.87
Creber (Swansea)	255	70	623	53	11.75
Allan (Newport)	104	14	377	32	11.78
I. Davies (Llanelli)	145	26	404	33	12.75
Smart (Maesteg)	200	42	526	40	13.15
J. W. Jones (Neath)	179	41	441	32	13.78
Butler (Llanelli)	246	78	708	51	13.88
E. Evans (Abertillery)	162	24	403	33	14.03

UNHAPPY EXIT BY NEWPORT

Trounced in Last Welsh League Game.

For their last game of the season and their final game in the South Wales League, Newport were weakly represented at Maesteg on Saturday and were easily beaten. A crowd of about 4,000 were present when, having won the toss, H. H. Jenkins opened the Newport innings with Allan to the bowling of Smart and T. C. Treharne. The score was only 11, when Jenkins was bowled by Smart. At 14, L. Newton and J. P. Stephens left, both clean bowled by Treharne. A. T. Cutter and Allan, by careful cricket, advanced the score to 41, when Allan was lbw.

The collapse continued, and Newport lost seven men for 42. J. E. Dunn was the only remaining batsman to play the bowlers with confidence, and after only an hour's batting Newport were all out for a miserable total of 61. Extras amounted to 18.

Smart bowled 13 overs for 19 runs and six wickets, and Treharne 12 overs for 24 runs and four wickets.

Soon Over.

Smart and G. Rickards opened for Maesteg, and runs came quickly. The first wicket fell at 39, when Rickards was bowled by Jenkins. With one added, Llewellyn was sent back. These were Newport's only successes before their total of 61 was passed by Maesteg.

Maesteg's total eventually reached 158. Allan secured five wickets for 37.

NEWPORT.

H. H. Jenkins b Smart	3
Allan lbw b T. C. Treharne	18
L. Newton b T. C. Treharne	3
J. P. Stephens b T. C. Treharne	0
A. T. Cutter c D. R. Thomas b T. C. Treharne	7
J. R. Owen c T. Thomas b Smart	0
N. K. Gray b Smart	0
J. E. Dunn b Smart	8
A. G. Edwards b Smart	4
A. Morris not out	3
L. M. Jones c G. John b Smart	0
Extras	18
Total	61

MAESTEG.

Smart c N. Grey b L. M. Jones	68
G. Rickards b H. Jenkins	7
T. Llewellyn b L. M. Jones	0
C. Jenkins c J. R. Owen b J. P. Stephens	24
A. Williams et N. Gray b Allan	13
T. Loveland b Allan	0
D. R. Thomas c A. G. Edwards b Allan	16
G. John c J. E. Dunn b Allan	0
T. Thomas c A. G. Edwards b Allan	5
T. C. Treharne et N. Gray b J. P. Stephens	12
A. E. Phillips not out	5
Extras	8
Total	156

OTHER LEAGUE GAMES.

SWANSEA THE CHAMPIONS.

Swansea won the Welsh League championship by a decisive win over Briton Ferry Town.

Briton Ferry Town: S. Cooper b W. P. Morgan 16, F. Morris lbw b Creber 15, C. Prosser c I. Jenkins b W. P. Morgan 7, R. White c I. Jenkins b W. P. Morgan 2, H. Shea b Creber 0; C. Chapman lbw b Creber 12, F. Jones lbw b Creber 3, B. Davies c W. P. Morgan b Creber 7, Suckling (E.) c Gange b W. P. Morgan 6, G. Morgan b W. P. Morgan 0, W. Bowen not out 5, extras 9; total 32. Bowling: Creber five for 32, W. P. Morgan five for 17.

Swansea: G. Harris not out 66, B. Watkins b A. Shea 15, W. P. Morgan c and b A. Shea 14, C. Wren lbw b Cooper 14, extras 5; total (for 3 wickets) 114.

LLANELLY v. PONTARDAWE.

At Llanelly. Scores: Pontardawe: W. M. Jones c Phillips b D. Morgan 19, F. Roberts c W. Morgan b D. Morgan 58, R. Morris c and b G. Davies 1, T. A. Vaughan c Williams b I. Davies 18, L. Evans b D. Morgan 0, J. Aldridge b I. Davies 9, A. Gilbertson st Phillips b D. Morgan 5, S. Lewis b W. Morgan 22, A. C. Bubb c Phillips b Evans 1, S. Thomas c S. Phillips b G. Davies 7, H. Evans not out 9; extras 25. Total 172. Bowling: D. Morgan 3-32, I. Davies 3-69, G. Davies 2-35, G. C. Evans 1-10, W. Morgan 1-6.

Llanelly: E. M. Pullen b S. Thomas 50, D. B. Thomas b A. C. Bubb 4, Haydn Davies lbw b W. M. Jones 29, J. Hinwood c S. Lewis b S. Thomas 0, Gwyn Davies c F. Roberts b S. Thomas 0, W. Morgan b S. Thomas 1, D. Morgan lbw b S. Thomas 15, G. C. Evans not out 8, A. Williams c W. M. Jones b S. Thomas 1, F. Phillips b S. Thomas 0, I. Davies not out 0; extras 35. Total (nine wickets) 143. Bowling: S. Thomas 7-18, Bubb 1-17, W. M. Jones 1-47.

EBBW VALE v. NEATH.

At Ebbw Vale. Ebbw Vale won. Scores: Neath: W. R. Jones b W. Hughes 0, H. Creek b W. Hughes 4, W. E. Allin b Pitchford 11, Davies (W. D.) b Pitchford 4, R. Magdocks b D. Hughes 2, C. G. Michael b Pitchford 5, L. Williams c and b Pitchford 6, G. Reason b W. Hughes 34, D. Pearce b D. Hughes 0, J. W. Jones b W. Hughes 18, D. Davies not out 0, extras 4; total 88.

Bowling: W. Hughes 4 for 36, Pitchford 4 for 30, D. Hughes 2 for 28.

Ebbw Vale: Pitchford c Reason b J. W. Jones 18, R. Jones b Michael 33, A. Bunce run out 4, W. A. Mees b C. Michael 10, T. Henry run out 29, C. Osborne b G. Reason 13, G. Chislett not out 25, D. Hughes b G. Reason 2, W. Hughes b G. Reason 0, J. Williams b G. Reason 0, G. Gardner run out 2, extras 8; total 145.

Bowling: C. Michael 2 for 32, J. W. Jones 1 for 58, G. Reason 4 for 7, G. Reason performed the hat trick.

BLAINA v. BRITON FERRY STEELWORKS.

At Blaina. Steelworks won easily. Blaina: C. Lewis b W. G. Hill 9, J. Gomery b G. Colwell 17, N. Bainton st. Parker b Hill 0, W. Jenkins c D. J. Poley 5, K. S. Davies c Hutchinsonson b Morgan 20, G. Tovey b Hill 17, E. Wetherall c L. Morgan b Hill 12, F. Athron not out 6, W. Davies c G. Harris b Colwell 7, G. Dally b Hill 2, G. Williams c Hopkins b Hill 0, extras 0; total 95.

Briton Ferry Steelworks: G. Harris c W. Davies b Dally 20, T. Davies run out 9, D. J. Poley b Williams 25, S. Thomas b Tovey 5, J. T. Hopkins lbw b Tovey 1, S. Parker c Bainton b Jenkins 13, T. S. Jones c Tovey b Jenkins 2, E. Hutchinsonson b Dally 59, W. J. Hill not out 27, S. Morgan b Dally 1, G. Cogwell b Dally 0, extras 3; total 165.

OTHER GAMES.

MONMOUTH v. LLANHILLETH.

At Monmouth. Match drawn. Scores: Monmouth: I. L. Manns lbw b Sanders 1, B. Michael lbw b Rees 15, P. Williams lbw b Rees 15, L. Cook c Challenger b Maxwell 2, F. R. Scard bw b L. Rees 0, S. H. Beach b Sanders 42, M. Butler lbw b Lloyd 12, H. Fussell lbw b Rees 7, N. Cook b Sanders 5, T. H. Davies lbw b L. Rees 2, B. Hoskins not out 15, extras 9; total 110.

Bowling: Lloyd 1 for 25, Sanders 3 for 26, Rees 5 for 36, Maxwell 1 for 4, Beanes none for 10.

Llanhilleth: F. Beanes lbw b L. Hoskins 0, B. Challenger c Michael b Beach 1, G. E. Maxwell b Hoskins 6, H. Lloyd c Butler b Beach 0, E. Morgan b Beach 16, T. Elkins not out 11, W. Rees not out 0, extras 7; total (for 5 wickets) 41.

Rhiwbina 107 (T. William 4 for 28, E. Hackling 3 for 22), Pontymister 183 for 7 (W. Morris 63, B. Lewis 39).

Rogerstone Welfare 160 (H. Beddow 40, P. Bullock 39), Spillers Athletic 146.

(Other games on Page 8.)

NEWPORT AVERAGES.

ALLAN AT TOP OF BOTH TABLES.

Newport concluded their season on Saturday, when they were defeated at Maesteg. Of the 20 matches, seven were won, five lost, four drawn, and four abandoned. In the early part of the season, Newport had only



Allan (Newport).

won one game out of ten, but in the last half they secured six victories in ten games, with great wins over Llanelly, Neath, Swansea, and Cardiff at home, and Hills Plymouth and Blaina away. Maesteg were the only team to win both games against Newport. Panteg drew both games, and

the Ebbw Vale games were both abandoned.

Allan, the professional, again headed the averages, both batting and bowling, having scored 446 runs for 16 innings, with an average of 31.85, and secured 45 wickets, with an average of 12.73.

The average bat was won by A. E. Hodges, whose aggregate of 300 for ten innings gave him an average of 30.9.

Allan also headed the averages for League matches only.

ALL GAMES.

BATTING.

	Inns.	Runs.	Heat score.	Not out.	Aver.
Allan	16	446	84	2	31.85
A. E. Hodges	10	309	110	0	30.9
F. M. Jones	5	143	91	0	28.60
H. H. Jenkins	16	392	102	2	23.00
E. A. Boughton	9	122	50	3	20.33
A. Roeyn Jones	6	114	39	0	19.00
J. M. Smith	6	93	48	1	18.60
A. T. Cutter	12	166	46	2	16.60
T. G. Walters	7	54	28	1	9.00
L. Newton	10	66	19	0	6.60
N. Gray	10	48	16	2	6.00
J. P. Stephens	6	27	17	0	4.75
J. F. Rust	6	18	7	2	4.50

Also batted: A. G. Edwards, 4 innings, 24 runs; J. C. Gill, 4 innings, 23 runs; A. Morris, 4 innings, 11 runs; J. E. Dunn, 3 innings, 27 runs; L. M. Jones, 3 innings, 12 runs; R. Dixon, 2 innings, 6 runs; P. Poole, 2 innings, 4 runs; J. R. Owen, 2 innings, 5 runs.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	Wkts.	Aver.
Allan	155	18	572	45	12.73
A. Morris	60	7	159	12	13.75
A. E. Hodges	104	24	288	18	16.00
H. Jenkins	194	43	563	22	25.54

Also bowled: L. M. Jones, 7 for 137 runs; J. P. Stephens, 7 for 165 runs; L. Newton, 5 for 120 runs; A. H. Jones, 3 for 124 runs; D. Dixon, 3 for 18 runs; P. Poole, 1 for 14 runs; N. Fairclough, 1 for 45 runs.

LEAGUE GAMES.

BATTING.

	Inns.	Runs.	Heat score.	Not out.	Aver.
Allan	12	370	84	2	37.00
Boughton	6	104	102	3	34.66
H. Jenkins	11	277	50	1	27.70
A. E. Hodges	7	182	73	0	21.71
A. T. Butter	8	105	55	1	15.00
L. Newton	8	48	19	0	6.00
N. R. Gray	9	30	11	1	3.75

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	Wkts.	Aver.
Allan	112	13	414	37	11.23
A. Morris	47	6	126	7	18.00
L. M. Jones	32	5	110	6	18.33
H. Jenkins	154	40	442	20	22.00
A. H. Jones	22	1	71	3	23.66
A. E. Hodges	70	18	272	10	27.20

D. W. Jones, 3 wickets for 18 runs.

NEWPORT MAYOR'S SON WINS THOUSAND POUNDS

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Former Cricketer Who Solved Newspaper Puzzle.

Mr. Fred Jones, second son of the Mayor and Mayoress of Newport (Councillor and Mrs. Griffith J. Jones), has won the prize of £1,000 in a "Sunday Graphic" picture puzzle competition. He was the only one to return a correct solution.



Mr. Fred Jones.

His success crowns many attempts, and this is not the first prize he has won, for in a talk with a *South Wales Argus* reporter he laughingly confessed to once having secured a small sum as a share of a £3,000 prize.

Mr. Jones, who is well-known in Newport and Monmouthshire, is a member of the staff of Rogerstone School, and has spent some years in the service of Monmouthshire Education Committee.

He is a former pupil of Newport High School, and was a student at Cardiff College of the University of South Wales and Monmouthshire, where he secured the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

At the outbreak of war he joined the N.A.C. Platoon of the 8th South Wales Borderers, and served with that battalion in Salonika. He was the first of that battalion to be commissioned on the field.

He afterwards served as an officer with the South Lancashire Regiment in the famous 55th (Lancashire) Division, which held the line at Givenchy in April, 1918.

Newport Cricketer.

Before the war he played regularly in the Newport cricket eleven and appeared on a few occasions in the Monmouthshire side. Owing to malaria fever and other disabilities contracted during his war service he gave up active participation in games twelve years ago.

He is a brother of Wyndham Jones, well-known formerly as a Newport Rugby player.

His win is a popular one and proves that the cheery optimism and persistency which he has in abundance is not misplaced.

His friends are happy at his success.

MONMOUTHSHIRE'S COLLAPSE AT EBBW VALE.

Oxford's Fast Bowler Plays Havoc With Batsmen.

Monmouthshire started their last Minor Counties match of the season against Oxfordshire at Ebbw Vale to-day in disastrous fashion, and after half-an-hour's play half the side were out for 30 runs.



Norman Bainton.

Abraham and Cutter each failed to score, while Allan, the Newport professional, had only a single.

Although the sun was shining, there was a cold breeze, and the attendance was poor. Included in the Monmouthshire side was Norman Bainton, a schoolboy from Nantyglo Secondary School, who has done well for Blaenau this season, while in the Oxfordshire team were B. C. Gadney, the English Rugby international, and J. A. Evetts, a Cambridge University cricketer.

For the second time in succession, T. B. Williams won the toss, and Allan and G. Williams opened against W. G. Kalaugher, a former Oxford University player, and F. Thornton.

The batsman started cautiously but disaster came early. Bowling at a tremendous pace, Kalaugher, with the first ball of his third over, pushed back Allan's middle stump, and with his fifth ball, sent Abraham back with no addition to the score.

Worse was to follow, for, facing Thornton at the other end, G. Williams was bowled.

Still More.

H. H. Jenkins, Newport's free hitting captain joined Bainton, and once again showed that he is a man for such occasions. He hit Thornton for three successive boundaries, and then took a four off Kalaugher. Jenkins was not destined to stay long, and Thornton gained ample revenge when with the first ball of his next over, he bowled Jenkins.

A. T. Cutter, the next batsman, left without scoring.

T. B. Williams joined Bainton, and for a time the Oxfordshire bowlers were denied further success. Both batsmen played the bowling confidently, and the 50 was reached in a few minutes. Bainton batted with delightful freedom, and, although Kalaugher had three slips, the Nantyglo ex-schoolboy did not find it difficult to find gaps. The bright partnership soon came to an end, and Dolman only had a brief stay.

The remaining batsmen did not offer much resistance, and the innings closed for 104.

Playing in his first county match, Bainton, who was just out, gave a promising display. He had a strong defence, and bats exceptionally well.

Thornton, who was chiefly responsible for Monmouthshire's downfall, took 6 wickets for 52.

J. A. Evetts, who did well against Monmouthshire at Ebbw Vale last year and W. G. Godfrey, were Oxfordshire's opening batsmen, and E. C. Dolman and W. Hughes, both fast bowlers, opened the attack.

After lunch, neither Evetts nor Godfrey displayed any tendency to go out for run-making, and the score mounted very slowly. Still, the batsmen played with an air of mastery, and did not seem troubled by the bowling of W. Hughes and Dolman.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.

G. Williams b Thornton	9
Allan b Kalaugher	1
N. Abraham b Kalaugher	0
A. G. Bainton c Inge b Lee	48
H. H. Jenkins b Thornton	38
A. T. Cutter b Thornton	0
T. B. Williams c Inge b Thornton	14
E. C. Dolman c Gadney b Thornton	5
D. Hughes lbw b Thornton	4
S. Wilcox b Lee	1
W. Hughes not out	2
Extras	2
Total	104

OXFORDSHIRE.—1st Innings.

J. A. Evetts not out	8
W. J. Godfrey not out	13
Extras	7
Total (for no wkt.)	28

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. G. Kalaugher	9	3	27	2
F. Thornton	13	3	52	6
S. C. B. Lee	6	1	23	2

MONMOUTHSHIRE'S RECOVERY.

Fine Partnership Changes Run of Game.

Monmouthshire set about redeeming their lost fortunes in a dismal manner in their Minor Counties' cricket match with Oxfordshire at Ebbw Vale to-day. After the first over H. H. Jenkins and Allan, two of Monmouthshire's best batsmen, were back in the pavilion with only two added to the overnight score. Both were victims of Rogers, a right hand slow bowler.

Norman Bainton, G. Williams and A. T. Cutter, however, stopped the rot, and fears of a collapse were soon dispelled. Williams and Cutter put on 140 for the 4th wicket.

The weather was cold when the match was resumed, and most of the spectators had overcoats and mackintoshes. When Jenkins and Bainton continued batting, Monmouthshire needed 105 to avoid an innings defeat.

On Wednesday, Henry, Oxfordshire's captain, altered his tactics, and opened with B. Rogers in place of W. Kalaugher. His policy soon proved successful, for with the fifth ball of his first over, Rogers bowled Jenkins, and then, with his next ball, enticed Allan to step across his wicket to be out lbw.

G. Williams and Bainton took the score to 58. Bainton again gave a sterling display, and was chiefly responsible for stopping the rot.

Cutter started confidently, and he and Williams hit with freedom. Once Cutter drove Rogers for a glorious six. The 100 went up after an hour's play, and Monmouthshire soon wiped off their arrears with seven wickets in hand.

Williams reached his 50 after batting an hour, and a few minutes later Cutter followed suit. Cutter's innings was not without luck, and just before he reached his half century he was missed at mid-off.

At 77, Cutter was smartly stumped. He hit ten 4's and a 6. Williams was out in the same way. He hit ten 4's.

Steady Scoring.

Monmouthshire's score continued to mount steadily, and against the Oxfordshire attack, which seemed to have lost sting, neither Abraham nor Dolman appeared uncomfortable. At 274, however, Abraham mistimed a ball and was bowled. He batted attractively for 39, which included four 4's.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.

G. Williams b Thornton	9
Allan b Kalaugher	1
N. Abraham b Kalaugher	0
N. G. Bainton c Inge b Lee	48
H. H. Jenkins b Thornton	38
A. T. Cutter b Thornton	0
T. B. Williams c Inge b Thornton	14
E. C. Dolman c Gadney b Thornton	5
D. Hughes lbw b Thornton	4
S. Wilcox b Lee	1
W. Hughes not out	2
Extras	2
Total	104

OXFORDSHIRE.—First Innings.

J. A. Evetts run out	72
W. J. Godfrey b W. Hughes	16
F. Thornton run out	13
S. C. B. Lee lbw b D. Hughes	0
B. C. Gadney c G. Williams b Dolman	56
W. W. Inge b Jenkins	38
W. How b Jenkins	8
B. Rogers c Wilcox b Jenkins	1
E. F. Bowtell b W. Hughes	3
W. G. Kalaugher b Jenkins	2
B. J. Henry not out	2
Extras	25
Total	236

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

H. H. Jenkins b Rogers	18
N. G. Bainton b Dowlall	23
Allan lbw b Rogers	0
G. Williams st Inge b Rogers	90
A. T. Cutter st Inge b Rogers	77
N. Abraham b Bowtell	39
T. B. Williams st. Inge b Rogers	9
E. C. Dolman not out	15
D. Hughes not out	4
Extras	9
Total (for 7)	284

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. G. Kalaugher	9	3	27	2
F. Thornton	12	3	52	6
S. C. B. Lee	6	1	23	2

OXFORDSHIRE.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. C. Dolman	13	1	42	1
W. Hughes	21	4	45	2
D. Hughes	20	3	63	1
H. H. Jenkins	9.5	2	32	4
Allan	8	0	29	0

MONMOUTHSHIRE'S RETALIATION.

Batting That Startled Oxfordshire.

Although Monmouthshire's last Minor Counties match of the season with Oxfordshire at Ebbw Vale ended in a seven wickets' defeat, they came through the match with credit (writes "Marlovian").



E. C. Dolman.

When disaster threatened to overwhelm them, they fought back magnificently and gave one of their best batting displays of the season. Monmouthshire lost three wickets for 58 runs, but when the next wicket fell 198 runs were on the board. They eventually

scored 402.

Monmouthshire could field little more than a scratch team, but while the acknowledged batsmen failed, the "unknowns" came to the rescue and extricated their county from a desperate situation.

A Merry Innings.

G. Williams, the Ebbw Vale batsman, who helped A. T. Cutter to add 140 for the fourth wicket, was unlucky to miss his century. He batted confidently, driving and late cutting with freedom and skill. Cutter's innings was a merry one. He treated all the bowlers with scant respect and appeared to revel in knocking boundaries. He was missed three times, and after his third escape, he showed his appreciation by stepping out and driving Rogers for a six.

E. C. Dolman, Monmouthshire's fast bowler, also played a big part in subduing the bowlers, who on the previous day had played havoc with the Monmouthshire batsmen. He cut attractively, drove forcibly and defended stubbornly.

Set 271 runs to win, Oxfordshire went down to their task in brisk fashion, and as a result of hurricane hitting by W. J. Godfrey, B. C. Gadney and W. W. Inge, they were able to snatch a splendid victory two minutes from time. Thus ended an interesting game with the result always in the balance.

The scores were:

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—First Innings.

G. Williams b Thornton	9
Allan b Kalauger	1
N. Abraham b Kalauger	0
N. G. Bainton c Inge b Lee	48
H. H. Jenkins b Thornton	18
A. T. Cutter b Thornton	0
T. B. Williams c Inge b Thornton	14
E. C. Dolman c Gadney b Thornton	5
D. Hughes lbw b Thornton	4
S. Wilcox b Lee	1
W. Hughes not out	2
Extras	2

Total 104

OXFORDSHIRE.—First Innings.

J. A. Evetts run out	72
W. J. Godfrey b W. Hughes	16
F. Thornton run out	13
S. C. B. Lee lbw b D. Hughes	0
B. C. Gadney c G. Williams b Dolman	56
W. W. Inge b Jenkins	38
W. How b Jenkins	8
B. Rogers c Wilcox b Jenkins	1
E. F. Bowtell b W. Hughes	3
W. G. Kalauger b Jenkins	2
B. J. Henry not out	2
Extras	25

Total 236

MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Second Innings.

H. H. Jenkins b Rogers	18
N. G. Bainton b Dowlall	23
Allan lbw b Rogers	0
G. Williams st Inge b Rogers	90
A. T. Cutter st Inge b Rogers	77
N. Abraham b Bowtell	39
T. B. Williams st. Inge b Rogers	9
E. C. Dolman b Henry	77
D. Hughes lbw Thornton	21
S. Wilcox not out	29
W. Hughes c Godfrey b Henry	2
Extras	17

Total 402

OXFORDSHIRE.—Second Innings.

J. A. Evetts lbw b Jenkins	42
W. J. Godfrey not out	109
B. C. Gadney c Jenkins b Hughes (W.)	45
S. C. B. Lee run out	5
W. W. Inge not out	57
Extras	17

Total (for 3 wks.) 275

Oxfordshire won by seven wickets.

CRICKET CURTAIN AT NEWPORT.

Strong Challenge of the League Favourites.

For the last game of the season Newport will visit Maesteg, the strong mid-Glamorgan side, in a South Wales League game.

The match is also Newport's final League game, for next season they are not competing in the League.

This will be Newport's first game at Maesteg—the game last year was abandoned through rain. The game at Newport was easily won by the home team, Maesteg being dismissed for 129 and Newport replying with 198 for 7. H. Jenkins compiled 102 not out.

Maesteg turned the tables on Newport at Newport this year, dismissing Newport for 89 (T. C. Treharne 4 for 22) and themselves compiling 150 for 6 (Smart 68). Allan secured five wickets for 42.

Cricket is a subject of keen interest at Maesteg, and given fine weather on Saturday, a crowd of 4,000 to 5,000 will probably attend.

Maesteg are seriously challenging Swansea for the leadership, and should they win on Saturday they will have every chance of finishing top of the League. Newport who have many players away on holiday will field a strong side, and are hoping to avenge their defeat at home. One change is made from last week's team, E. M. Jones returning in place of K. Simcox.

Train leaves 1.50 a.m. Team: H. H. Jenkins (captain), A. E. Hodges, N. R. Gray, A. T. Cutter, L. W. Newton, Rev. J. P. Stephens, J. R. Owen, E. M. Jones, A. G. Edwards, A. Morris, and Allan. Reserve: L. M. Jones.

Newport II. and III. are home to Ebbw Vale II. and Abercarn II. respectively. Both games commence 2.30 p.m. Teams: Seconds: G. A. Webb (captain), N. W. Abraham, L. M. Jones, J. E. Dunn, R. J. Dixon, N. Fairclough, J. W. Bee, W. H. Fisher, R. H. Hollingdale, J. H. Anning, and N. D. Squire.

Thirds: D. C. Dolman (captain), K. Squire, H. K. Ford, R. S. Webb, M. Gifford, R. Lannon, A. L. Weight, A. Shearer, K. Williams, F. Saunders, I. G. Morgan, W. O. H. Davies.

Newbridge 126 (E. Hawkins 56), Bassaleg 86 (J. Smith 3 for 4, E. Hawkins 4 for 10).

CRICKET TEAMS.

Llantarnam Parish Church v. Alexandra Nomads.—On Thursday, at 6 o'clock. Llantarnam: Billy Weston (captain), Reg. Pope, Gwyn Rees, Ron. Lawrence, Arthur Johnston, Trevor Chappell, John Donne, Len. Hinton, Charlie Blackmore, Leslie Morgan, Billy Lane; reserves, Peter Donne, Cliff Williams.

DR. BETTINGTON WINS AUSTRALIAN TITLE.

FORMER CRICKETER FOR MIDDLESEX.

Dr. R. H. Bettington, the former Oxford University and Middlesex cricketer, to-day won the Australian Amateur Golf Championship, defeating the holder H. J. Williams, by three and one in the final.

The professional championship of Australia, which was played in conjunction with the amateur event, was won by F. McMahon, who beat G. Naismith by seven and six in the final.

A Heavy Scoring Season But Panteg's Attack Not So Good

HIGH LIGHTS OF 1932.

Season 1932 will long be remembered at Panteg as one of exceptional run-getting. The first eleven passed the 200 mark in five successive matches, and the aggregate total was 2947.

This should have been enough runs to have enabled the side to win most of its matches, but the standard of the attack was not so high.

The first eleven played 20, won 5, lost 4, drew 10, and the match at Abercarn was a tie.

The batting averages are headed by A. E. C. Smith, an excellent all-round cricketer, who has been a great acquisition to the team. He scored consistently, and his batting was always attractive. With H. Poulson, he set up a record partnership for the club v. Abertillery; the pair put on 213 runs, and both batsmen were not out.

L. Telling has also had a good season; he has shown great improvement as a batsman, and his bowling has been exceptionally accurate. The team were badly handicapped through the want of another bowler of Telling's merit. He had to keep one end going for almost the whole season. The departure of H. Fry from the district early in the season contributed to this handicap.

A. North, V. Gregory and G. Bowen are young players who have shown real promise, and, with other young players who have not played so frequently, should be of good service to the club in future seasons. Another loss to the team has been the inability of Hugh Jones to turn out regularly.

CAPTAIN'S WILY SLOWS.

Dr. J. P. Jenkins has captained the side, and the sporting reputation of the club has been enhanced under his leadership. He disappointed his friends by failing to hit up a century at Ross, where he got within 5 of the desired goal, but he is well up in the batting averages, and his wily slows have broken up a few very stubborn partnerships. His success on these occasions might easily have tempted him to bowl oftener.

The outstanding event of the season was the match against the Cambridge Crusaders, captained by F. R. Brown, the England and Surrey player. This was an excellent day's cricket, favoured by ideal conditions, and will stand out for many years in the history of the club. Other defeats were those inflicted by Ebbw Vale, St. Fagans and Abercarn. Wins were secured over Barry, Ross, Brynmawr, Mr H. M. Bowcott's XI. and the Old Herefordians.

Many of the drawn games were against very strong elevens. These included excellent shows against Newport, Hills Plymouth, Hereford, Abertillery and Blaina.

"B" ELEVEN.

The "B" XI. had a good season. Their record reads: Played 17, won 9, lost 4, and drawn 4. D. J. Davies has been keen and hard-working as skipper, and he had the distinction of scoring a century against Blaina II.

R. H. Phillips heads the batting averages, and the older players have been the mainstay in both departments. M. Everson took the most wickets and got good support from D. Dark, L. Sumner, L. Andrews and R. H. Phillips. Gordon Jones has kept wicket and shows promise of soon being a good class stumper.

The prospects of the club, for the future, are as bright as ever. Splendid support has been extended to it, and the gates have shown that the class of cricket played at Panteg this season will draw the public in spite of the many counter-attractions now available during the summer months.

Cricket Averages

Panteg Cricket Club Figures

BATTING.

	No.	Times	High-	Total	Av.
	of	not	est		
	in's	out	score		
A. E. C. Smith ...	15	3	*106	657	54.7
H. Poulson	17	2	*101	398	26.5
Dr. J. P. Jenkins	8	2	95	135	22.5
L. Telling	17	3	51	266	19.0
A. North	14	1	52	244	18.8
J. H. Jones	7	2	28	92	18.4
Hugh Jones	8	0	60	145	18.1
C. Job	7	1	60	93	15.5
G. Bowen	11	2	32	108	12.0
S. Wilcox	13	4	*50	96	10.6
H. Fry	6	0	26	59	9.8
G. Smith	18	0	43	164	9.2

*Not out.

Also batted—C. G. Jones 3 innings 25 runs; R. H. Phillips 4—18; R. Sumner 2—25; W. T. Thomas 2—11; V. Gregory 4—1; N. Bassett 1—21; L. Andrews 1—3; G. E. Smith 1—22; D. J. Davies 1—1; R. Pearce 1—0.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Dr J. P. Jenkins	22	1	88	7	12.5
L. Telling	326	82	859	65	13.2
H. Fry	74	17	203	14	14.5
A. E. C. Smith ...	121	26	412	22	18.7
V. Gregory	59	13	196	8	24.5
G. Bowen	123	21	411	12	34.2

Also bowled—L. Andrews 3—84; G. Smith 1—18; R. H. Phillips 1—7; C. Job 2—43; S. H. Beach 2—32; J. H. Jones 1—29; H. L. Jones 1—1; A. North and Hugh Jones.

Panteg "B"

BATTING.

	No.	Times	High-	Total	Av.
	of	not	est		
	in's	out	score		
R. H. Phillips	10	0	95	255	25.5
W. T. Thomas	7	0	57	177	25.3
D. J. Davies	12	1	109	255	23.2
N. Bassett	6	1	35	102	20.4
J. D. East	7	1	43	107	17.8
F. C. Lewis	8	0	41	121	15.1
L. Sumner	8	1	30	99	14.1
C. G. Jones	11	3	36	97	12.1
D. Dark	11	1	47	120	12.0
J. H. Jones	8	0	30	83	10.3

Also batted—C. Job 5 innings 29 runs; M. Everson 6—16; R. Sumner 3—189; L. Andrews 9—33; R. Pearce 7—35; H. Crum 4—46; A. Nunley 3—20; S. Ball 4—13; J. Fisher 3—10; G. Harris 4—12; L. Telling 2—45.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
L. Telling	23	9	36	9	4.0
D. Dark	44	6	131	14	9.3
M. Everson	128	26	273	26	10.5
L. Andrews	67	14	174	14	12.4
R. H. Phillips ..	47	0	182	14	13.0
L. Sumner	87	10	240	18	13.3
V. Gregory	49	12	120	8	15.0
J. H. Jones	48	9	140	8	17.5

Also bowled—D. J. Davies 4—33; N. Bassett 4—49; R. Pearce 4—100; C. Job 4—129; A. Nunley 2—29.

Memorable Games

Pontypool Matches that will Live

Although Pontypool's record (seven games lost and six drawn out of 26) is probably one of the worst in the history of the club, there has been no deterioration in the class of cricket played, and the season has produced some memorable games, both in the Park and away.

The club again arranged a Cricket Week in the Park, and this year took over the Devon tour previously run by the East Monmouthshire Touring Club. Both maintained the high standard set, and were thoroughly enjoyed by players and spectators alike.

Downend were again the only team to beat Pontypool during the Cricket Festival, and the following Saturday they completed the double on their own grounds after one of the most remarkable games Pontypool have ever played. Cliff Lloyd just missed a century out of Pontypool's total of 236, and Downend gave a great display of forceful batting, hitting off the winning runs for the loss of six wickets just before time. This game has firmly entrenched Pontypool as favourites with the Downend Club and their supporters.

FAILURE IN ATTACK.

Another lost game was at Cardiff, where Pontypool's attack failed badly, as it did against Ebbw Vale and St. Fagans. A defeat at Malpas (after declaring) was reversed at the Park.

The only game lost while on tour was that with Plymouth, and staleness probably had something to do with that. Both games with Cwmbran were drawn, and Garndiffaith were only narrowly defeated. Among the teams defeated were Cardiff (at the Park), Chepstow, Hereford, Carmarthen Wanderers, South Devon, Paignton, Monmouth, Hendon Wanderers, and Buckfastleigh.

E. J. Harmston has captained the side with his usual capability and tact. Harold Hone was the most consistent bat, and deservedly headed the averages. His slow bowling was also useful, and he was undoubtedly the most valuable all-rounder in the side. H. L. Jones played fairly regularly and thoroughly justified his promotion from the "B" XI. (whom he had captained). His best innings were played when they were most needed, and he several times "stopped the rot," and once, with George Lewis against Hendon Wanderers, turned a critical position into a handsome win.

AN EXCELLENT "BAG."

Cliff Lloyd kept wicket excellently, and dismissed thirty men by means of catches and "stumped" decisions.

Martin and Spary headed the bowling averages. Neither played regularly, and there was sometimes a lack of variety in the attack available.

George Lewis was a welcome acquisition during Cricket Week, and the club also had the very valuable assistance of A. E. C. Smith for three games and Frank Ryan for the tour.

Cousins, although not particularly successful as a player, proved an excellent groundsman.

Pontypool Averages

BATTING.

	No. of ins.	Times not out	Runs	Highest score	Average
H. Hone	25	2	636	103	25.44
G. Lewis	7	1	143	*60	23.84
R. Fawdry	13	1	263	59	21.91
H. Preston	20	3	296	*78	17.41
C. Beckett	7	1	104	36	17.33
C. J. Lloyd	20	0	327	93	16.35
E. C. Pullin	12	1	155	37	13.18
H. L. Jones	18	1	222	58	13.05
C. M. Townsend	15	1	172	41	12.28
E. Martin	11	1	117	39	11.70
H. G. Spary	11	0	128	38	11.64
Cousins (W.)	10	1	97	22	10.77
E. J. Harmston	16	8	68	*16	8.50
J. Lavis	11	1	80	25	8.00
L. C. Lewis	9	1	33	13	4.12

Among those who "also batted," A. E. C. Smith has the remarkable average of 190. He played three innings and was twice not out, so that his aggregate was also his average. His highest score was 108 (not out) against Carmarthen W. Frank Ryan played four innings (once not out) and made a total of 106 runs, his highest score being 48. H. Poulson made 89 runs in five innings (highest 56).

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Average
E. Martin	84	12	196	16	12.25
H. G. Spary	156	36	368	30	12.26
H. Hone	159	24	613	42	14.59
H. L. Jones	144	20	408	29	14.69
E. J. Harmston	131	10	555	23	24.13

Frank Ryan took 25 wickets for 186 runs in 61 overs (13 maidens), his average being 7.44. A. E. C. Smith took six for 55 (average 8.12), L. C. Lewis 15—135 (9), and C. Beckett 7—106 (15.1).

Catches.—C. J. Lloyd 12; H. Preston 10. Stumped.—C. J. Lloyd 18.

Club's record.—Played 26; won 13; lost 7; drawn 6.

Pontypool "B"

BATTING.

	No. of ins.	Times not out	Runs	Highest score	Average
C. J. Evans	14	2	233	*50	19.40
F. Owen	15	0	254	86	16.90
A. Pinney	14	0	203	43	14.50
J. Moseley	9	0	128	39	14.20
W. Young	12	3	120	*54	13.30
L. Jenkins	8	0	80	17	10.00
W. Barrett	13	1	114	54	9.50
W. West	10	1	84	27	9.30
N. D. Gulliford	11	0	95	26	8.60
D. Oliver	11	2	78	28	8.50
E. Parker	8	1	53	34	7.50

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Average
H. L. Jones	17	4	78	10	7.80
W. West	173	39	453	52	8.70
L. Jenkins	39	9	90	10	9.00
N. D. Gulliford	95	17	283	23	10.10
C. J. Evans	77	17	192	16	12.00
J. Moseley	34	9	108	9	12.00

Club record.—Played 18; won 8; lost 7; drawn 3.

A Season Reviewed

Cwmbran Cricket Club Still Progressing

A GOOD TERM EXPERIENCED.

Looking back over the cricket season just terminated, Cwmbran Cricket Club can be truthfully said to have experienced one of if not their most successful seasons in more respects than one.

Opening the season with a comfortable bank balance, it is believed that by the time the statement of accounts is presented at the annual meeting in February this figure will have been considerably augmented. The Club is in a more flourishing financial position than ever before, and this despite several disappointments in attractive games being abandoned.

The severest disappointment in this respect was, of course, the abandonment of the game v. Glamorgan County Club and Ground on September 1st, and it is safe to assume that this lost the Cwmbran Club a large sum. But "hope springs eternal" and members and supporters are looking forward to the visit promised next year by Mr Maurice J. Turnbull, the County skipper.

In a playing sense, too, a successful season was accomplished, despite a disastrous start, for in the first game at Cwmbran Rhiwbina dismissed the side for the smallest total ever recorded, and won handsomely.

POETIC JUSTICE.

Poetic justice, however, was meted out when Cwmbran gave Rhiwbina a severe trouncing at Cardiff, for 177 for 5 wickets was registered before Rhiwbina were sent back for 75 runs.

The entire record for the season is: Played, 20; won, 8; lost, 7; drawn, 5; runs for, 2,463 (an average of 14 per wicket); against, 1,840 (an average of 10.8 per wicket). When it is remembered that two games were lost by a single run against Tredegar Park and Whitechurch, it will be appreciated that the record is more presentable than actually appears in the first instance.

The highest scoring game was against Pontypool at Cwmbran, when only 11 wickets fell for an aggregate of 326 runs, but probably the most exciting were against Cardiff H.S.O.B. and Whitechurch, both at Cwmbran. The victory gained over the former club was in all probability the best win of the season. Set to get 142 runs Cwmbran had lost 8 wickets for 84 runs when W. H. Salt and G. B. Lewis came together in a very bad light. Their partnership resulted in an unbroken stand of 77 runs and a thrilling victory was registered against big odds.

A sensational game was played against Cross Keys at Cwmbran, for after Cwmbran had put together 147, a total none too impressing on a batsman's wicket, Cross Keys were literally skittled out for a paltry 20 runs, Warren and James being unplayable.

Another season has passed and Cwmbran are waiting for that elusive victory over Chepstow. In the game at Cwmbran the home side registered 192, and, dismissing several of the visitors' leading batsmen cheaply, a comfortable win looked in prospect, but G. H. Hutchings (Cwmbran's bogeyman) and the later batsman played out time. At Chepstow an almost identical game was played, although in this instance the Wyesiders forced a narrow win.

The only double achieved was against Pontypool, but no club accomplished this at Cwmbran's expense.

INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES.

Premier place in the list of individual performances must be awarded to the skipper, John Bevan, not because of the outstanding success he achieved in a playing sense, but because of the manner in which he fostered that essential quality, "team spirit," and because of the way he maintained the sporting traditions of the Cwmbran club. His unselfishness was an outstanding feature of the season, personal satisfaction and performance ever being secondary to team advancement (and this can be truthfully applied to the whole membership). I repeat what I wrote twelve months ago with greater emphasis, that it will be a sorry day for Cwmbran cricket when the skipper puts his flannels away for the last time.

In a playing sense the outstanding performances must be credited to G. Warren. Joining the Club a few years ago as a bowler, Warren more than fulfilled the highest expectations in this respect, and last year was second aggregate run getter. He played the biggest innings for the Club, a knock of 56 against Chepstow, when he was distinctly unlucky in missing the coveted century. On several other occasions he passed the half century mark. But useful as his achievements were with the bat, it was as a bowler his brilliance was revealed. Several performances against exceptionally strong opposition were remarkable, and more than one club paid him compliments by stating that he was the finest bowler they had encountered. When it is realised he captured over 70 wickets for an average of just over 7 runs each, it will be admitted he enjoyed a wonderful season.

The outstanding and most improved batsman was undoubtedly R. Beech. While still young, Beech has for seasons exhibited style and conception of batsmanship to a marked degree without being a prolific run getter, but this season he fulfilled the hopes of his most ardent admirers in this direction. On four occasions he passed the fifty mark, and particularly in two instances was unluckily dismissed when a century appeared more than a remote possibility. Being an opening batsman the value of several of his innings can be estimated by the number of runs he registered.

F. W. Tomkins did hardly so well as for several previous seasons, but possibly this can be accounted for by the fact that he did not play too regularly. His best innings was 52 not out against Pontypool, but the polish of his batsmanship remained, despite his enjoying a season which hardly fulfilled expectations.

F. J. James and S. J. Chapman ably seconded Warren in the bowling department, and both rendered reliable all-round services.

OPENING BATSMAN.

A member who made strides was Gwynn E. Lewis, especially early in the season, and was developing into a sound opening batsman, but he can possibly still claim to be the most unfortunate member in the manner in which he was often dismissed.

G. C. Lewis opened the season in disastrous fashion, and was relegated to the "B" XI, but he recovered and finished the season in brilliant fashion.

Valuable and unselfish service was rendered, too, by H. Nichols, C. P. Thomas and others, while another outstanding feature was the return of Stanley Kelly

from Canada. He only played two innings and totalled 123 for an average of 61.5, a reproduction of the form that gained him a place in a Canadian side which played Bradman and Co.

H. Jones, who was promoted to keep wicket on Lewis's loss of form, retained his form and place and gave consistently good and oft-times brilliant service, as did W. S. Salt, an all-rounder with brilliant prospects.

With the retention of the most attractive Clubs, together with the addition of Blafna, Panteg, and Cardiff and others, an especially strong list has been compiled for next season.

The Club was well managed, but one disappointment was the inability of the President, Mr W. A. Clarkson, to play regularly, his appointment as General Manager of Cwmbran Works making his opportunities of playing all too limited.

To the Ladies Committee the entire membership's best thanks are due for unflinching and unselfish labours, and the Club desire to thank publicly Messrs H. G. Spary (Pontypool C.C.), A. E. C. Smith and T. Telling (Panteg C.C.), F. Beddington (Malpas C.C.) and Brett A. G. (Abercarn C.C.) for the proffered and appreciated assistance for the game with Glamorgan C.C.

Last, but certainly not least, to the "Free Press" for complete reports and unflinching courtesy.

A review of the "B" XI will be published in the near future.

H.C.

Trevethin Cricket Supper

Successful First Season Celebrated

Mr Edward Plumley, who has the double distinction of being the oldest cricketer in the Eastern Valley and the oldest member of Trevethin Church, on Monday presented the Trevethin Cricket Club with a cricket ball which was probably older than most of those who attended the first annual supper of the club at the Trevethin Schoolroom.

Mr Plumley, who is a vice-president of the club, has a wonderful memory, and after making a reminiscent speech, was prevailed upon to recite the tragic story of Pyramus and Thisbe.

Mr Evan W. Moseley, chairman of the club, presided, supported by the Vicar (Canon Vaughan W. T. Rees), the Revs. H. Vincent Evans and E. A. Munro Cape, Messrs E. Plumley, Alfred Davies, T. Cordy and J. H. Salter (vice-presidents).

The Chairman said that in all his experience of Trevethin cricket that was the first supper he remembered. When it was decided to resuscitate the club he was only too glad to do what he could to help, and when it was remembered what difficulties they had had to contend with they must agree that their first season had been a great success. (Applause.) In welcoming the vice-presidents he explained that Mr T. B. Pearson was on holiday and Mr C. H. Pearce was unable to be present. Mr Plumley's presence was especially fitting. (Applause.) He congratulated the team and the officers on the success that had attended their opening season.

THE REPORTS.

The season's record and averages were read by Mr Graham Higton, who is joint hon. secretary with Mr Arthur Timms.

Mr Timms said that although they had only won eight of their 22 matches they had all enjoyed the season and hoped to do much better next year. When they started some of them had only a very elementary idea of the game, but he believed he could claim that they had improved under the tuition of the older and more experienced players. In their captain (Mr Cliff Phillips) they had a leader to whom they could look up, and in the team they had a fine lot of boys imbued with the team spirit and the will to improve their game. (Applause.)

Mr W. Callender, the hon. treasurer, reported a balance in hand of nearly £7, and paid a tribute to the enthusiasm and efficiency of the joint secretaries.

Mr Plumley recalled that fifty years ago they had a very good cricket team who used to play at the Junction Field, near the canal. Two of his fellow cricketers and very good friends were Messrs Herbert and Oswald James, sons of the then Rector of Panteg. They had a cricket supper every year in those days, and very enjoyable affairs they were.

Mr Oswald James was a very witty man, and he used to comment on the various players in the "Lily-Whites' Annual." Dr. J. R. Essex was one of the players, and was always talking of his student days at Bristol, where he played with the great Dr. W. G. Grace, and told wonderful tales of his feats on the cricket field. Unfortunately Dr. Essex was not so successful at Pontypool, and Mr James's comment upon him when his average was about 3 was: "Unfortunately he plays all his best cricket away from home!" (Laughter.)

Mr James's comment upon the speaker was: "Mr E. Plumley is an enthusiastic cricketer. He thinks cricket a noble game, and has been known to stay in half-an-hour for 3 runs!" (Laughter.)

Mr Plumley then produced the cricket ball, which he said he found recently when turning out an old box. It was a relic of the past, like himself, and they were very welcome to it. (Applause.) He concluded with thanks to the ladies for the very nice supper they had enjoyed.

Messrs Alfred Davies, T. Cordy and J. H. Salter also spoke briefly, congratulating the club and expressing good wishes for the future.

VICAR'S ENCOURAGEMENT.

The Vicar opened with thanks to the ladies and went on to eulogise the work of the officers of the club. He was glad to see Mr Newport, a very old member; Mr Ben Rees, another veteran, and others whose experience and help were much appreciated. They should not be discouraged because they had only won eight matches; they had to learn to walk before they could run, even between the wickets, and the fact that they had lost would make them all the better friends with other clubs. (Laughter.) He thought they had done wonderfully well, and he had faith in them for the future. The team spirit which had developed among them would have its effect upon the younger boys of the parish and upon other teams.

VOLUNTEER GROUNDSMAN.

As a personal tribute, and on behalf of the club, the Vicar presented to Mr Harry Jones a handsome gold cigarette case as a mark of appreciation of the valuable work he had done on the pitch.

Mr Jones's popularity was evident from the applause which greeted him, and he returned thanks in a very neat little speech.

Others who spoke were Messrs Fred Morgan (fixture secretary), Cliff Phillips (capt.), David Higton (vice-captain), the Revs. E. A. Munro Cape (vice-chairman) and H. Vincent Evans.

Mr W. Callender, acknowledging compliments paid to him, gave instances from his own experience and appealed to the boys to appreciate the many opportunities provided for them. He announced the formation of a social club to keep the team together during the winter months.

Mrs Higton responded to a vote of thanks to the ladies.

Mr H. Bishop proposed and Mr Stan Fawdry seconded a vote of thanks to the Chairman, and the National Anthem concluded a pleasant evening.

Supper was served by Mesdames J. Higton, S. Fawdry, W. Timms and J. Tanner.

Record and Averages

Played 22; Won 8; Lost 12; Drawn 2.

BATTING.

	No. of in's	Not out	Highest score	Total	Av.
D. Higton	21	2	57	189	9.94
C. Phillips	22	0	29	206	9.36
S. Fawdry	22	2	37	140	7.45
W. Phillips	18	1	21	75	4.41
T. Johns	18	1	14	68	4.00
G. Higton	20	1	22	71	3.73
A. Timms	17	3	15	45	3.21

Also batted.—W. Jones (average 2.875); W. Higton (2.5); E. Tanner (2.28); Morgan (2.25); T. Davies (1.5); F. (1.1); S. Asher (1.1); C. Peardon (played 5 games, average 12.4).

BOWLING.

	Runs	Wkts.	Av.
W. Phillips	346	67	5.18
C. Phillips	603	84	7.18
S. Fawdry	91	12	7.58
T. Johns	90	8	11.25
D. Higton	134	10	13.40

"The Lost (Re)Chord"

Poem to a Llantarnam Cricketer

The annual dinner of Llantarnam Cricket Club, one of the oldest clubs in the county, was held on Thursday last at the Green House Inn, Llantarnam. Mr Joseph Evans, president of the club, presided, and was supported by Messrs Needham Jones, A. T. Jones, Oliver Reeves (vice-presidents), Don Stephens (captain), Mel Jones (chairman) and S. E. Wilding (secretary).

During the dinner, the Chairman said that he had received an anonymous poem, written "with all due deference to Mr Roy Gill, having regard to his many fine batting achievements on Llantarnam Cricket Ground."

THE LOST (RE)CHORD.

Standing one day at the wicket
I was nervous and ill at ease,
And an impotent kind of feeling
Was centred about my knees.
The ball came hurtling 'wards me,
Delivered at speed immense,
But I struck one blow with my own new bat
In a spasm of defence.
A glorious drive resulted,
A perfectly grand affair;
The ball soared up like a rocket
Fast cleaving the upper air.
Then down it swooped from the heavens,
Until with a splintering shock,
It struck with a smash resounding—
And smashed the Abbey clock!
The cheers of the massed spectators
Re-echoed a mile away;
The teams were applauding wildly;
Joe Davies exclaimed "Hooray."
A deputation approached me
With a beautiful silver cup,
When a feminine voice said "Dearie,
I've called you before. Wake up."

Mr H. Pritchard said that during the season there had been individual scores of 81 and 79, but the record was that of the old stalwart of the club, Mr John Davies, who was 85 not out. He hoped he would continue for many years to support them. Mr George Prosser, who headed the batting averages last season, was presented with a bat.