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EDITORIAL.

THE TERM has been a memorable one in various ways, and, if the School teams have not had all the success we should have liked, it is still fair to say that our progress has been maintained.

Next term, there will be another change on the Staff. It was recently announced that the Reverend T. W. Mundy had been offered and had accepted a living in Herefordshire. Without wishing to anticipate the able article which appears elsewhere, the Editor must nevertheless record the break of a long period of loyal service to the School, and express what it must be the happiness of all to feel, that he is taking up work which will be congenial to him and we all heartily wish him an ever increasing measure of content and success.

The minds of most of us are now looking forward to Christmas and the New Year, so there is no place or need for retrospect. We wish all our readers a happy and prosperous time in the eventful days ahead.

Examination Results.

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The Rev. T. W. Mundy.

The end of this term brings with it the retirement of the Rev. T. W. Mundy, who has accepted the living of Hardwicke, in Herefordshire, and is taking up his duties there in January.

Mr. Mundy joined the Staff of the School soon after the end of the war, and for some time he must have found life rather full, since he was also Curate of Holy Trinity Church. Later, he resigned his curacy, and was thus free to devote himself almost entirely to the task of enlightening youth. Mr. Mundy has, as one would expect, taken an important part in the Religious Instruction throughout the School, and we all know how he valued the opportunity thus afforded him.

As Form Master of the Second Form, Mr. Mundy had the responsibility—by no means a small one, of starting the school career of a considerable proportion of the boys who have passed through the School, and has thus been able to exert his influence at a very important stage in their lives.

Mr. Mundy's interest in boys has not been confined to their academic career only: he was for many years House Master of Cams, and followed their varying fortunes with great keenness. Many boys, too, will remember with pleasure being shown the sights of Winchester, about which Mr. Mundy could discourse with authority.

We know that Mr. Mundy's regret at leaving Fareham must be tempered by satisfaction in knowing that he is going to devote himself to what is after all the work he loves best, and we wish him success and happiness in his new life.



Speech Day was held this year on November 6th. The Hall was entirely filled, and many boys were accommodated in Forms IVA and IVB.

In his report of the year's work, the Headmaster was able to point out that no boy had left the School without a job. In the School Certificate Examination, twentyfour candidates succeeded out of twenty-five entrants, while L. V. Martin gained a Higher Certificate and a remarkable place in the Civil Service Examination.

The Headmaster pointed out that very few boys remained at School after they were sixteen, many of them thus leaving when they were just beginning to receive maximum benefit from their education. The report following the recent general inspection was very satisfying. In the sphere of Athletics, he noted with pride the number of Old Boys who kept themselves fit for their work by playing for local teams, and urged the Urban District Council to consider the provision of a public swimming bath.

The Chairman of the Governors congratulated the School on this report and gave away the Prizes. The vote of thanks was proposed by Commander Pitcairn Jones and seconded by Mr. S. W. Dodge. The School Choir rose to the occasion and there were the usual excellent displays in the Art Gallery and the Chemistry Laboratory.

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"Eliza Comes to Stay."

We are indebted to the Trinity Church Players for offering to re-act their play "Eliza comes to stay" in the School Hall for the benefit of our Pavilion Fund. The Show was played to a full house, which appreciated and enjoyed the splendid performance given by the players. We are indeed grateful to the producer (Mrs. Bradly), the Players, and the so often forgotten people who do all the behind-scene work, and thank them most heartily for their kindness.

The profits of the performance amounted to $\pounds 7-17-6$.

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The Pavilion Fund.

The total of the fund, which we hope will be substantially increased by the proceeds from the plays to be performed at the end of term, now stands at £183-8-0.

Donations have been received from the following :--J. D. Dyer, A. H. Dyer, Mrs. Buckley (Bridge Drive), E. L. Dover, C. E. R. Aldersley, Anonymous (£5), O. C. Abbott, J. D. Bent, C. P. Aps, Mrs. Maynard (Bridge Drive).

In addition, £7-17-6 profit resulted from the performance by the Holy Trinity Players of "Eliza Comes to Stay."

To all mentioned above we tender our sincere thanks.

Boxing.

The second House Boxing Competition was held at the end of the Summer Term, and was won by Blackbrook, with Cams as runners-up. Commander Pitcairn-Jones again kindly acted as referee, and Sgt. Davis, R.M., and Mr. Hebditch of the Fareham Boxing Club, as Judges.

This year each House entered a representative for each weight, which was a very satisfactory state of affairs, considering that the numbers in the School who box are still not very great. There were rather more one-sided bouts than was the case last year, but on the whole the standard was higher, and the Referee and both Judges were very favourably impressed by the keenness and skill shown.

Macpherson boxed well to win the under 6 stone class; all four entrants for the weight were fairly evenly matched and all showed considerable promise and skill.

Powell was more than a match for anyone in the under 7 stone, although Sabin, using his left to advantage, had fought well against Smith.

The under 8 stone class produced a very close fight between Clark and David II, who was fighting in a heavier weight than he might have done. An extra round was needed before Clark was judged the winner, but in the final he was no match for Phillips.

Jackson, rather unexpectedly but quite deservedly, won the under 9 stone final after a fine fight with Searle, who had easily beaten Carpenter in the 1st round.

Andrews II and Crouch had a very equal and entertaining struggle in the first heat of the Open Weight, in which each landed many telling blows. In the final, David, who had previously beaten Young in a rather friendly fight, was no match for Andrews, although he put up a plucky show against a larger and more experienced opponent.

Probably Phillips, Jackson and Powell were the best boxers of the afternoon, but several of the Juniors showed considerable promise. The others made up with pluck and good temper for what they lacked in skill.

HOUSE POINTS.

I Blackbroo	ok—20.	2 Cams17.	3 Westbury—13. 4	School House—10.		
		RESULTS.				
Weight		Ist Round	Final	Winner		
	(B) (SH)	Lamport Macpherson II	Macphe r son II			
Unde r 6 ston e	(C) (W)	Fleming Bannell	Fleming	Macpherson II		
	$\begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{W}) \\ (\mathbf{B}) \end{pmatrix}$	Powell Haines	Powell			
Under 7 stone	\mathbf{I}			Powell		
	(C) (SH)	Sabin Smith	Sabin (2nd round)	(stopped in 3rd round)		
Under 8 stone	$\int_{(B)}^{(SH)}$	Walmsley Phillips	Phillips (Ist round)	Phillips		
	(C) (W)	Clark David II	Clark (after extra round)	(stopped in Ist round)		
	$\begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{W}) & \text{Hills I} \\ (B) & \text{Jackson} \end{pmatrix}$		Jackson			
Under 9 stone	(SH) (C)	Carpenter Searle	Searle (Ist round)	Jackson		
	(B) (SH)	Andrews II Crouch	Andrews			
Open	{ (C) (W)	Young II David I	David	Andrews		



Another Football Season has almost ended, with surprising quickness as our short seasons always do. It has been just an average season. We have lost to the stronger teams we play and have beaten the weaker ones. On the whole we cannot be dissatisfied with this record, even if there is nothing particularly splendid about it. ۲t must be remembered that at the beginning of the term there were only three of last year's team remaining, and one of these left after the first match. Not only this, but there were very few of the previous year's 2nd XI available, so the 1st XI had to be built up from boys who last year played in the under 15 Colts' Team. So with such a large number of young, inexperienced players in the side, nothing very great in the way of results could be anticipated. Against Portsmouth Grammar School for instance, the School side were compelled to play against an older and heavier team, and the handicap all round was naturally more than they could manage.

For a young side, however, they have done very well in most ways, and have and have made remarkable improvement, and it is a side which in another year should develop in power and strength, which, allied to the skill, which, most of them possess, would give us a team capable of playing good and effective football. The lack of weight and power has been most noticeable among the forwards. With the exception of Knott, they were all too easily bustled off the ball in front of goal, and had not sufficient thrust to force their way through a determined defence. The defence, particularly with Manley at back and Hawkins at half, showed much greater vigour, and towards the end of the season were playing very well indeed. Perhaps the halves as a line lacked pace against quick forwards, but they were at most times adequate.

The organisation of a Colt's XI has very quickly justified itself in the football of the School, and without some such source of supply, this year's Ist XI would have been a very sorry business. With the exception of one boy, they were all members of last year's Colt's XI, and the experience in matches and of playing with one another must have been of great help to them this year. If, as we hope, most of these boys stay on for at least one more year, and most of them ought to be here very much longer, we shall have an effective nucleus for 1st XI's for some time, and the task of building up a team should never be quite so difficult as it has been in the past. Moreover, if this team can be kept together as far as possible for one or two more seasons, we should by that time be in a position to bring in gradually some of that large number of junior players at present in the Colts' XI, who only lack size, age and weight. There is no shortage of promising material throughout the School, and if it can be allowed time to develop and not brought into the first eleven too quickly, School football should have a very bright future.

The 2nd XI has been as usual a rather scrappy affair, and here again, the shortage of forwards has been apparent, and perhaps the same slowness of recovery in defence. But in this team also, there are some players who should be most useful next season, so that we ought not next year to be in the rather difficult position in which we found ourselves at the beginning of this year.

Ordinary School games have been played with little interference by the weather. Not for many years has the School field been so dry in December. With the numbers of the School increasing, it is no longer possible to enable all boys to play on every half-boliday, and we are particularly congested when there are home matches. In the House matches a new system has been tried and has been found successful. It had long been obvious that there was room for improvement in many directions. Under the new scheme, the Houses are divided by age into a Senior Group and a Junior or Colts' Group, and each House picks its best team from the two age groups. This prevents good, but young and small players, having to play with people considerably larger than themselves, and also does away with the not particularly desirable feature of big people playing in a smaller game and dominating it completely by the exercise of sheer very keen games, and there can be little doubt that the standard of the football was very much higher for the change.

The Colts' team have had a fairly good season. Once again, it has been difficult to obtain any general uniformity with other Schools as to what should be the age limit for Colts, so that the team has necessarily been changed about from time to time. Most of the Colts of this year are under fourteen, and for their age they show remarkable skill and promise. There are several capable goalkeepers available for this team, Sanders and Wolfe being especially good; Cope is very promising at back, and with more pace would be excellent; Haines, Wheeler and Powell have all played well at half, and of the forwards, Westbrook is perhaps the most promising, but Harding and Scott are little behind him, and Fleming and Amor also have played many good games. One point of criticism here is that most of the side do not use their heads sufficiently, and they ought to practise this important department of the game.

AWAY V. FARNHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL. (Lost 2-15).

Although the score suggests an overwhelming victory for Farnham, the high score was almost entirely due to the brilliance of their centre-forward, who scored twelve of the fifteen goals. The School had not had sufficient time to settle down as a team, and many changes have since been made. The first half was fairly even, and the score should not have been 0-5 at half time, as bad luck on two occasions and also a missed penalty robbed the School of three goals. In the second half, however, after about twenty minutes (when the School defence and the score mounted rapidly against them. Valiantly as Hawkins, Searle and the other defenders played, they could not prevent the brilliant Farnham centre from scoring eight goals in this half. Scorer, Knott 2.

HOME V. PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL. (Lost 1-8),

In this match the School were opposed to a side which must have been several stones heavier and many inches taller. However, in spite of these great disadvantages, the School played gamely. If the inside forwards had not tried to do so much on their own, but had swung the ball about, many more chances of scoring would have resulted. The long reach of the tall Portsmouth defenders was against close play and the School wing forwards were not given the ball often enough. The defence struggled gamely against great odds, and the fact that eight goals were scored against them was mostly due to the very accurate and forceful shooting of the Portsmouth inside forwards.

Scorer, Knott I.

HOME V. MIDHURST G.S. (Lost 4-5).

This was in some ways one of the best games of the season. Midhurst were the heavier side, and for one period of the game were definitely superior. The School scored first, but Midhurst quickly equalised and at half-time led by 2-1. They scored three goals immediately afterwards and the position seemed hopeless, as Midhurst were dominating the game. However, the School made a fine recovery in the last quarter of an hour, and scoring three goals, brought the score to 5-4, only bad luck on two occasions preventing them from making a draw. It was gratifying to see the School make such an effort from an apparently hopeless position.

Scorers : Knott 2, Durant I, Manley I.

HOME V. PURBROOK. (Lost 3-7).

The School were unfortunate in having to face a very strong wind and slope against a much heavier team. Although not greatly inferior in football skill, they were five goals down at half-time. A goal in the first minute of the second half raised our hopes, but the team seemed too tired to make the most of natural advantages, and the half was level, the final score being 3-7. Apart from one mistake which gave Purbrook their first goal, Hawkins played a magnificent game; the rest of the team were moderate. Scorers: Knott, Manley, Ruthen.

HOME V. PORTSMOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL.

This game produced very little good football, although conditions were by no means bad, a moderately high wind blowing down the pitch.

The School were if anything, the better side, but missed many scoring chances in the early part of the game. The Secondary School scored first, but the School equalised. The lack of goals was due to poor forward play rather than to strong defence.

Scorer, Knott I.

HOME v. BEDALES. (Won 5-4).

This was an exciting match with Bedales holding the lead from early in the first half till five minutes from the end of the match. Both sides attacked in turn, but Bedales scored first, only for Hills to equalise with a shot which the goalkeeper should have saved. Before half-time, however, Bedales scored twice, the second being a simple goal through Jackson being unsighted. For some time in the second half the School attacked and scored through Knott, and then Bedales broke away and scored their fourth goal, making the score 2-4. However, the School fought back and Knott equalised the scores five minutes from time with two good goals, and almost straight from the kick-off Alderton took a long shot, which the goalkeeper allowed to enter the net and give the School their first victory of the season.

HOME. V. GOSPORT. (Won 8-0).

The School, playing down the slope, scored in the first few seconds and by half time were leading by two goals to nil. The football in this half was disappointing, many chances being missed in front of goal.

Play in the second half improved considerably, the defence keeping a tight hold over the Gosport attack, while the forwards combined well and before the end had scored six more goals.

Gosport were not a good side, and their marking in the second half was poor, but the School showed very much improved form and thoroughly deserved their win.

Scorers: Alderton 4, Knott 2, Manley, Durant.

HOME v. OLD BOYS. (Won 3-0).

The School played a much improved game and, but for delay in shooting, must have scored heavily. Fortunately, the Old Boys' forwards were equally erratic. After an even first half the School put on heavy pressure down the slope and deserved more than the three goals they got. Scorers: Knott 2, Alderton.

AWAY V. PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL. (Lost 0-6).

After the heavy defeat at home this match was almost a foregone conclusion. The School, however, opened well, and playing good football, attacked strongly at the start. No goals resulted however, and Portsmouth exerting great pressure, scored two goals before half-time. In the second half, Portsmouth had more of the game and scored four goals, but several School attacks were only frustrated with difficulty, and with a little more luck, one or two goals would have been scored.

Ist XI CHARACTERS.

- *G. D. G. HAWKINS (Captain). Is very keen and does not worry his players, but relies more on example. As a goalkeeper in the earlier games, he showed good anticipation and he has good hands, but unfortunately, cannot kick a dead ball. Played at right half in the later matches, and he tackles hard and kicks well.
- *B. S. MANLEY (Left Back and Outside Right). There is no doubt that he is more effective at Back. Here he tackles well, heads well, and shows discretion in his kicking, but he must eradicate a tendency to dribble near his own goal.
- ⁺W. J. TUBBS (Right Back). Has had a good first season with the 1st XI. Kicks the ball beautifully with either foot, and is very quick in the tackle. Heads well and tries to clear to his own forwards. Another year's growth should make him a splendid back.
- G. F. JACKSON (Goal). Came into the team late in the season from the Colts' XI, and has made very few mistakes. Shows good anticipation, and comes out well, but must learn to kick the stationary ball, and to clear without running with the ball unnecessarily.
- +J. E. CROUCH (Centre Half). A most hard-working and unselfish player. Heads the ball very well indeed and kicks and tackles hard, but at present is slow on his feet in recovery. Would make an excellent "third-back" centre-half, if the inside forwards were strong enough to cover the ground.
- *C. W. BARTER (Left Half). Is a difficult player to get past, as he has a long reach and marks closely. Could make more use of his speed, and should practice pushing the ball to his forwards along the ground.
- P. J. RUTHEN (Outside Right). Rather light for 1st XI football, but an accomplished player in most ways. Must learn to go harder when cutting in to goal, as a slight hesitation makes all the difference.
- G. B. DURANT (Inside Right). Has made considerable improvement in the course of the season. Makes good passes to his wing, but shows too much hesitancy in front of goal. He has a powerful shot, but does not shoot often enough or quickly enough.
- +T. F. KNOTT (Centre Forward). Has had quite a good season. Keeps the ball close, dribbles well, and can shoot hard from all angles. His passes do not always open up the game sufficiently, and he has a tendency to work back in a dribble, when a push through would be more effective.
- D. D. ALDERTON (Inside Left). Has good ball control and a good sense of the game. Is rather too slow to keep up with the game and to help the defence. Shoots hard and accurately, and is good with his head.
- P. L. HILLS (Outside Left). Is quite fast and has a powerful left foot kick. At present is lacking in ball control and finds it difficult to elude an opposing half back. Should endeavour to keep the ball closer and to acquire a swerve.
- A. S. BROOKS (Inside Left). A good little player, who can beat a man neatly and is quite fast. At present lacking in weight and thrust, and needs a more powerful shot. Should be very useful next season.
- K. T. LONG (Left Back). Tackles very hard and uses his head well. Is hardly fast enough in recovery and has not yet learnt how to position himself in the face of an attack.

*Old Colour. †New Colour.

FIRST ELEVEN.

Date			Opponents	Ground	Result	Score
Sept.	26		Farnham Grammar School	Away	Lost	2 15
Sept.	30		B. R. Shaw's XI	Home	Lost	07
Oct.	10		Midhurst Grammar School	"	Loşt	4 5
,,	I4		Portsmouth Grammar School	,,	Lost	i 8
,,	17		Purbrook Park County School	,,	Lost	37
**	24		Portsmouth Secondary School	,,	Drew	II
"	31		Bedales	**	Won	54
Nov.	4		Gosport County School	"	Won	8 0
,,	14		Portsmouth Banks	"	Drew	I I
,,	21		Old Boys	,,	Won	30
Dec.	2	• • •	Portsmouth Grammar School	Away	Lost	06
,,	5		Purbrook Park County School	,,		
"	16	•••	Gosport County School	73		

SECOND ELEVEN.

Date	е	Opponents	Ground	Result	Sco	re
Oct.	7	 St. Helen's College	Home	Won	4	2
,,	14	 Portsmouth Grammar School III	"	Lost	Í	IO
,,	24	 Portsmouth Secondary School II	,,	Drew	2	2
,,	31	 Bedales II	,,	Won	8	I
Nov.	4	 Gosport County School II	"	Won	10	I
,,	21	 Old Boys II	"	Scratched		
Dec.	2	 Portsmouth Grammar School III	Away	Lost	0	7
,,	12	 St. Helen's College	,,			
,,	16	 Gosport County School II	**			

COLTS ELEVEN.

Dat	е		Opponents	Ground	Result	Score	
Sept.	26		Farnham Grammar School	Away	Won	6	ĩ
Oct.	3		Gosport County School	Home	Won	12	2
,,	7		St. Helen's College II	,,	Scratched		
,,	10		Midhurst Grammar School	,,	Won	5	2
,,	17		Purbrook Park County School	,,	Lost	r	4
Nov.	II		Portsmouth Grammar School	,,	Scratched		
Dec.	2		Gosport County School	Away	Lost	3	5
,,	5	• • •	Purbrook Park County School	"		-	-
"	12		St. Helen's College II	,,			
,,	16		Portsmouth Grammar School	**			

HOUSE MATCHES.

	FIRST ELEVEN.		COLTS ELEVEN.
Oct. 21	Cams 3 Westbury 3		Westbury 4 Cams 2
	Blackbrook 7 School House 2		Blackbrook 3 School House 2
Oct. 28	Cams 9 School House 3		School House 6 Cams 0
	Blackbrook 3 Westbury I	•••	Westbury 3 Blackbrook 2
Nov. 18	Cams 4 Blackbrook I	•••	Blackbrook 3 Cams 1
	Westbury 5 School House 3		School House 5 Westbury 2

The Steeplechase.

The Steeplechase was run on Wednesday, December 9th, in fine weather, but over a heavy course, and, as usual, nearly everyone who ran is to be congratulated on his pluck and endurance.

The Junior was an easy race to describe. Two boys running for the first time set a pace which caused many heads to be shaken and a certain amount of misgiving from their well-wishers. Fortunately they knew what they could do better than anyone else and they judged their race like veterans as they left the rest of the field farther and farther behind. Courtnage, a rather bigger boy than Embley, won narrowly, but both ran wonderfully well and the time was the very fast one of 16 min. $46\frac{3}{5}$ secs. They laid the foundations of Blackbrook's success, which was ensured by good packing.

Espley I won fairly easily, as he was The Senior was not so easy to follow. expected to do, and could probably have improved a good deal on the fast time of 19 min. 13 secs. had he been pressed. Brooks, also, looked a very good runner. Young. Gaiger, Hawkins and Gingell, soon sorted themselves out and maintained their places to the end. They did well for their houses, but the race was won and lost behind them. By Roche Court they were followed by a solid squad of Westbury runners, and, with Brooks in second place, it was clear that unless the squad was split or passed, Westbury Blackbrook had three good runners a little behind, and, encouraged by a must win. few well-chosen words from their House Master, they tackled the job. By the top of North Hill, Durant and Gough were in front of the Westbury contingent and so, to maintain the Cams interest, was Fleming, who made a distinguished first appearance. Still. the matter was very close, but calculations showed that Blackbrook had just won.

RESULTS:

Junior Cup		Senior Cup			Combined Cup			
1 Blackbrook		85	I Blackbrook		61	1 Blackbrook	•••	499
2 School House	•••	148	2 Westbury		67	2 Westbury	•••	736
3 Westbury	•••	156	3 Cams	•••	74	3 Cams	•••	890
4 Cams	· • •	198	4 School House		I I 4	4 School House	•••	900

Individual Places:

Senior I Espley I---B 2 Brooks---W 3 Young---C 4 Gaiger---S 5 Hawkins---C 6 Gingell----B

Junior I Courtnage - B 2 Embley—B 3 Warren—W 4 Day—S 5 Harding—B 6 Espley II—B

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HOUSE NOTES.

Blackbrook.

At the end of last term we were successful in winning the Boxing Cup. We had a strong team and we congratulate them on their skill and pluck. Two were beaten by the ultimate winners of their weights, and the others won meritoriously.

Our Football Teams have had varied luck this season. Our Senior Team gained an easy victory against School House, the score being 7-2. In our next match with Westbury, a hard-fought struggle eventually yielded us a 3-I victory. Before the match against Cams, we were unfortunate enough to lose Abbott, and thus handicapped we played well enough to hold the score at I-I until almost the end of the game, when Cams scored three more goals. We should hope for better fortune next year, as we have many promising players, among them Harding, Haines, Wheeler and Cope, who have all played well for our Junior team, which although gaining as many points as the leaders, unfortunately lost the Junior Cup to School House, who had a superior goal average.

We hope now that all our members are in training for the Steeplechase, to be run on December 9th. If all the House trains as it has done in past years, we have reasonable hopes of keeping all the Steeplechase Cups which we gained last year.

There is also the Tarbat Cup to be kept on our shelf, so we hope our boys will do their best in school as well as in the athletic side of School life. Next term we should hope also to do better at Hockey than we have done in previous years.

We must give our heartiest congratulations to all who gained School Certifificates last September, and wish good luck to Espley I in his coming examination. Our good wishes also go to those who have left us and are now trying to earn their living in this wide world.

I am sure everyone will join in wishing Mr. Mundy every success in his new appointment, and will long remember his sympathy and good nature.

Finally, a Merry Christmas to all the House and a prosperous New Year.

C. W. B.

[I feel I must intrude to congratulate the House on the number of cups it now possesses, and this naturally reflects great credit on the House Captain. If Seymour, who left last term, has a photo of the House shelf as it stands at present, he could hardly wish for a better memorial of his unstinted work for his House.—H. R. T.]

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Before mentioning the athletic events and achievements of the term it is first necessary to make mention of the deep regret with which we regard the retirement of our old House Master, Mr. Mundy. He was in charge of Cams for about 15 years, and for a great part of this time the House was very successful. Although it is a case of saying "Good-bye," it is not without an expression of our great esteem for him and a wish for all happiness and good health in the future.

Other members of the House who are leaving or have left, are Hale, Dore, Akers, Privett I, and Searle, all of whom have in various ways rendered valuable service to the House, and they will be greatly missed.

The many members of the House who obtained School Certificates are all to be heartily congratulated on their achievement, and especially Verdon, who was top in seven of his eight subjects. Verdon is also to be congratulated on having been appointed a Monitor,

However, to get to the Athletic events of the term. First and foremost, we won the Football Cup. In the deciding game with Blackbrook, we won by the convincing margin of 4-I, although Blackbrook were possibly weakened by the fact that Abbott was not available. A gruelling game with Westbury produced a draw, and School House were easily beaten by 9-3. The measure of our success was in no small way due to Hawkins, whose keenness and example as Captain, and whose play at centre-half went a very long way to our being so successful. Knott, in particular, also played very well, as did Ward, Ruthen and Brown.

As for the Junior XI, the less said the better. Nevertheless, in spite of their somewhat ignominious failure, it is evident that in Purser we have a goalkeeper of no mean ability, while Marshall and Gullick both showed distinct promise.

The Boxing Tournament which occurred too late to be mentioned last term did not provide us with any special success of note, though keenness is not lacking and great results are to be expected in the future under the excellent instruction of Sergeant Barnes.

With regard to the Steeplechase, three cups are open to competition, and it is to be hoped that the large amount of practice put in by certain members of the House will reap some tangible reward. It is now a long time since a Steeplechase cup has found its way to our shelf, but possibly this long line of failures will soon be broken.

The Tarbat Cup has also been away from our shelf for some while, and those who are not of an athletic nature can at any rate do their best to pull some weight in the way of academic achievements, for which this cup is given.

The House News is now, I think, exhausted, and nothing remains for me but to wish all members a very Happy Christmas, a Prosperous New Year, and a very good time in what is, I am sure, a very well-earned holiday.

School House.

School House has had a very unsuccessful term in point of view of the Seniors and were it not for the promising display by the Juniors, the football term would have been very disastrous for us.

The fact that the Seniors lost all their matches can well be explained, as we only possessed thirteen Seniors, of whom only four represented the School in the 1st and 2nd XI's. Despite this heavy handicap, we were very unfortunate to lose to Westbury, and were it not for the extremely erratic shooting of our forwards, we should probably have registered at least one victory. Crouch was the mainstay of the team and Hodges was the only other player up to a House 1st XI standard.

The Juniors had a much better record, losing only one match and winning the others by a considerable margin. Against Blackbrook, School House had all the play but they failed to win, whilst Westbury and Cams were overrun by a well-balanced team. Wolfe, Patten, Amor I and Scott are four very promising footballers and if they remain at School, School House should have an excellent Ist XI team in a year or two. Three Houses tied for the Junior Cup and we were awarded it owing to our superior goal average.

The Boxing last term was again disappointing, although Macpherson won his two fights.

The prospects of this term's Steeplechase are, in the case of the Seniors, very slight indeed, and again the House will have to rely upon the Juniors, who have a very good chance of carrying off the Junior Cup.

May we congratulate Bromley, Bennett, Allen I and Warren, who obtained School Certificates last term, and may the House join in wishing Bromley, our late House Captain, the best of luck in the future.

B. S. M.

[I thought it might be appreciated by the House as a whole if I added a few words to the above account. Our Captain has been the most energetic member of the the House and I think we ought to give him our thanks. He has been the backbone of the Soccer Team and has shown keen interest in the Cross-Country, although unable to run himself. We must also congratulate him on his School Certificate and on obtaining a good job].

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Westbury.

Although we have not actually lost any of our few remaining cups, we have had a very disappointing football season. The Junior XI started off very well by winning their first two matches, and then, when the prospects of regaining the Cup seemed best, School House came along in the last round and showed their superiority over our team by winning with a good margin of safety. Then came a mild dispute, as three Houses had won two of their games. School House triumphed on goal average, and whilst bemoaning our own ill-luck, we hasten to offer our sincere congratulations to the winner. The Seniors also began very well by drawing with Cams, but in the second round they seemed too confident of winning; and as a result they lost to Blackbrook. A win would have enabled us to share the Senior Cup with Cams, for we beat School House. The boxing at the end of last term was also very disappointing, our best men, who caused us to be the first holders of of the Cup, had left, and as a result only two got into the finals, Powell alone winning. The others boxed very bravely, but in each case it seemed that they were matched against the champions of their weight. Next time, however, we must try to regain the trophy. Practice and willingness in the House, I am sure, will work wonders, for boxing is a sport where practice is absolutely essential.

As usual, the results of the Steeplechase are unknown at the the time of writing; however, at present we hold none of the cups, so we cannot be worse off after the race, and I am pleased to be able to say that our chances—in the Juniors especially, are Several of the new boys deserve special mention, as they have shown their quite good. running powers to be good. Firstly Witt: He has only been with us one term, but he easily beat our former champion in the trials. Edwards came a close second, and this is remarkable, for this is the first time he has run owing to bad health in the past. In the Seniors I am glad to say that the boys in general practiced very well, and in their trials for the selection of a team to represent the House, very little slacking (which is general to avoid running in the actual steeplechase) took place. Although the regaining of the Senior Cup, which at present adorns Blackbrook's crowded shelf, does not seem too likely, I am sure that if both Juniors and Seniors really do their best, then the Combined Cup is not beyond us.

The unavoidable evil of losing useful members of the House, is this time not serious. Martin has left us to find a new goalkeeper, both for football and hockey, and also left us to fill his place as House Captain, which I doubt can be filled so successfully. Both Martin and the others who are leaving or have already left us have our best wishes, and we hope that they will succeed in all they undertake in the future.

Congratulations are due to several boys; to Tubbs and Westbrook, who played excellent games against the other Houses; Martin, who passed his "Higher Schools" and did extraordinarily well in his Civil Service Examination, and last, but by no means least, to all those boys who passed the "Schools" in July, especially those who got exemption from London Matriculation.

Finally, I wish all boys of Westbury the happiest of holidays, and a very merry Christmas.

A. J. M. D.

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Black Diamonds.

The sun is just rising over the hill on the opposite side of the valley, which is blanketed with the early morning mist. Here and there chimneys and the great wheels of the pit-head gear loom out. A winding river, dyed orange by the light of the sun can be seen through the rents in the misty blanket, and in some places, lines of houses, with slate-grey walls and roofs form a picture of ghost-like beauty. The sun is climbing higher, dispelling the mists and the phantom-like beauty of the early morning, whose place is taken by the ugliness of grim reality.

Row upon row of houses, with dirty walls tarnished by the coal-dust of many years, appear parallel with the river and walls of the valley; the river is seen to be little better than a ditch of muddy water, with brown rocks rising above the surface here and there. The collieries with their chimneys, pit-head gear, power houses and pumping stations are motionless. The streams of miners going to work on the early morning shift are not seen, for coal is no longer mined down the pit. The signs of life are few. There is a sheep, come down from the mountains for food, nosing in a dustbin; there is a dustman on his round; a milk float can be heard and an empty bus goes by; a housewife is washing the doorstep and the pavement in front of her dwelling, but her menfolk are not seen going to work, for they lost their job when the pit closed down. The houses are built in long rows, opening up on the street. Here and there a small shop is seen with its front boarded up, bearing over the door the message "John Jones, Confectioner," or "Davis, Greengrocer." The houses look as if their tenants had decided to clean them thoroughly, but found the expense too great. The window-sills and doorsteps of many houses are ornamented with aluminium paint in an effort to keep them clean; the curtains are perfectly clean and it can be seen through a half-open door that the interiors, though poor, are spotless, but the exterior walls are ingrained wilh the grime of a hundred years. Behind each house are a few square yards of earth called "the garden," in which a few flowers, some potatoes and a patch of cabbages, all with a grey-green foliage, are struggling for a miserable existence in the few inches of earth before bed-rock is reached. [They are just like the people who planted them, they have to take what they get, and there is insufficient of that.

Soon the children are seen on their way to school, laughing and playing happily enough. They have got used to their miserable existence, like the plants in their gardens. Their clothes are spotlessly clean, for water costs little, but they are well patched; they have thin legs and pinched faces, faces made prematurely old by the lack of work for their parents. The men-folk are abroad now, but they are not going to work. They have left their billycans at home, but are all going in the same direction. Presently a large crowd can be seen congregated outside a large building labelled "Labour Exchange." The crowd is being constantly swollen, although there is a constant trickle of men through the building. They are chatting together cheerfully, but somehow, it seems a forced cheerfulness; everyone jinwardly wondering if they would ever get work again.

Coming to the shopping centre, all kinds of shops can be seen, all big shops. There are grocers, tailors, drapers, cycle shops, wireless shops, furniture stores, all trying to sell the people things which they cannot afford. Here at last is a place where one can see prosperity, the signs of a better time to come. But on closer examination, it can be seen that there is something wrong with them; they are not ordinary shops, but shops where goods can be bought on credit and on the hire-purchase plan, owned by large multiple firms. In some places, small shops can be seen, struggling for an existence, but these shops will soon be closed and boarded up, as they cannot afford to sell their goods on credit. There are several cinemas, and if it's Saturday, crowds of children can be seen going to spend an enjoyable afternoon for the price of one penny in the pit and twopence in the gallery, in watching the antics of one Charles Chaplin.

When one comes to a colliery, everything is quiet. Every piece of machinery is motionless, the railway lines are rusty, the narrow gauge railway trucks are upturned with their four wheels pointing to the heavens. The big wheels are no longer spinning merrily around, the steam is no longer escaping from the leaky pipes. The miners can no longer be seen going home, with their faces black with coal-dust, the dust of success.

About everyone is an atmosphere of forced cheerfulness, cheerfulness in their adversity. There is an air of expectancy; they are waiting for better times, for the time when the men can come home, faces black, for the time when the cages will once more run up and down in the pits, for the time when there will be work and money.

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Aniline Dye Making.

When cloth has been manufactured in the North Country, it has to be dyed. The cloth weavers do not do this themselves; they send the cloth to a dyer. This dyer uses analine dyes, that is, those dyes which are added to water before being used, but he does not make the dye he uses. The dyes are made in a factory which makes a fixed number of colours, the mixing, to get other colours, being done by the dyer.

The dye-works I visited is one of the largest in the world. The buildings, which are all brick (although there is an abundance of stone in the district), cover an approximate area of ten acres. Besides this ground, a large amount is used for railway sidings of the factory.

The most noticeable things for several miles around are the chimneys from the furnaces in various sections of the works. Two of these are over 150 feet in height, while a third is over 300 feet. Ladders go to the top of the last chimney, from where one can see the country surrounding for many miles.

The works are divided into a large number of sections, the most important of which is the Engineers' department.

The Engineers' job is to keep all steam pressures up for the whole factory, attend to the buying of vats, mixers and machinery. They have to construct any new buildings which are wanted, as well as inspect all existing buildings. The Chief Engineer's office is fitted with gauges showing steam pressure in all the boilers, and he is in communication by telephone with every part of the works.

Other departments include the Carpenters', who make wooden vats, mixers for the drying dye, and drying racks which all have to be made of wood. The reason for this will be explained later.

There is an Electricians' department, which has to attend to all the motors, dynamos and electrical apparatus in the factory. Large numbers of special motors are used for driving the machinery, and they are all kept in dust proof cases, as the dye in the air would soon ruin them. Some of the gases in the rooms corrode the metal casings, and periodical inspection is necessary.

In the electricians' care is the sewage works, which disposes of the waste products from the dye works. In this building, which is separated from the main buildings by waste ground, are four large motors, driving an equal number of centrifugal pumps, which have to be kept on all day to discharge the poisonous liquid from the grounds.

When the dye is made it is in liquid form, and for convenience it is made into a powder. If, while it is in the liquid state, or the first part of the drying stage, the dye comes into contact with any metal, it is ruined. All the vats in which the liquid is stirred, and the mixers when the dye is in powder form, have to be made of wood. The dyes are dryed in heated rooms, and wooden trays with dovetailed corners used to be used.

Very soon these trays split and were then useless. The trays which are now used are of armour-plated glass, which has proved to be very successful.

When a dye has been made, it is submitted to chemists, who test it for perfect colour, and see that the dye is perfect when the instructions for its use are followed.

These Chemists, who own separate laboratories, also make new styles of dyes, and improve the ones being manufactured.

When the powdered dye is finished, it is packed in wooden casks, which are made in a Coopers' building in the factory, and they are carefully packed into the company's railway trucks and are then taken several miles to the main line of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway. From here they are distributed all over the world to dyers.

The men who work in the drying rooms, mixing and packing buildings, can be seen on week-ends, walking in the City, some of them with blue, red and even green faces and hands, as the dye never comes off by washing, and it never has time to wear off. E. A. H. (VA).



The Old Pricean.

NOTE.

The Old Priceans' Association is a body formed to enable Old Boys to keep in touch with each other and with the School. All boys are urged to join immediately on leaving school, in order to preserve an unbroken association with the School.

Boys, on leaving school, will receive the privilege of a year's free membership, after which they become eligible for full membership and will be asked to pay the modest annual subscription of 3/6 (overseas members 2/6) or a life subscription of £2 2s.

Members will receive the "Lion" on publication and will be entitled to play in Past v. Present matches and to take part in the various functions organised by the Association.

The Hon. Secretary is D. C. T. Humphries, 186, Tulse Hill, S.W. 2, and the Hon. Treasurer, M. W. Gardner, "Chudleigh," Hedgerley Lane, Gerrards Cross, Bucks, (to whom all subscriptions should be addressed).

Old Boys living in and around London are urged to join the L.S.O.P., a very lively body, run by its very energetic Hon. Secretary, D. M. Masterman, 35, Hillside Gardens, Wallington, Surrey, who will be overjoyed to hear from prospective members.

Past v. Present Matches will be held on the following dates :-

HOCKEY Ist Saturday in March. CRICKET—2nd Saturday in July. FOOTBALL—3rd Saturday in November.

Secretarial Notes.

I again have the pleasant task of congratulating the School upon the results of the Oxford Locals. They show that the standard of teaching is still as high as ever.

The attendance on Old Boys' Day was very gratifying indeed, but I wish a few more fellows had volunteered to play Soccer. One weak side is hardly good enough. The School deserve better treatment than that. I hope we will turn out two Hockey teams. We must certainly avenge the Soccer defeat.

The London Section is still on the up-grade and D. R. Masterman, the ever popular Secretary, will be glad to welcome any Old Boy round or about Town. The Xmas Dinner on 8th December promises to be a great occasion. The Section is turning out in full strength to greet the Headmaster, Mr. Bradly and Mr. Gale, who are coming up to "meet" the London Section. Owing to the fact that E. G. White, H. de M. Wellborne, E. G. Gregory and A. G. Phillips are no longer available the London Sunday Hockey side has had to find its feet again. After a somewhat shaky start I am glad to say that the side looks distinctly promising. Details of the matches appear elsewhere.

Incidentally, the London Section team would be glad of a Sunday game near Fareham on March 7th. Can any local Old Boy turn out a scratch side to play the Londoners?

I would like to appeal again to Old Boys in Portsmouth, Southampton, Fareham, Gosport and the Meon Valley to start a Local Section and arrange for a monthly meeting at a convenient local spot. I will forward any such prospective Hon. Secretary a list of "local" members.

I would also like to bring to the notice of members that we possess an official tie which is obtainable either through me or from Chas. Dunn, of West Street, Fareham, price 5/-. He has a stock of handsome O.P. cuff-links which would make an excellent Xmas present.

Several Old Boys have asked me if anything can be done to establish an official Old Boys' blazer. Has anyone any ideas on the subject?

Finally I would like to wish the School, Staff (past and present) and the Old Boys a Very Happy Xmas and a Prosperous New Year.

> D. C. T. HUMPHRIES, 186, Tulse Hill, S.W.2.

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Old Boys' Day, November 21st, 1936.

This year we were favoured with quite an ideal afternoon for the Reunion, and for once the School Field was in a playing condition.

It was a pity that the Old Boys could only muster one side to play the School, in point of fact, only eleven asked to play football and so the side chose itself.

The School team played excellent football and were in no way overawed by the Old Boys. They thoroughly deserved their 3 - 0 victory, and had it not been for the noble work of D. S. H. Swinstead in goal, and of D. E. J. Saint at right back, the score would have been a lot higher. It's up to the Old Boys to take their revenge next year.

After the game we all adjourned to School House where tea awaited us. We missed the presence of Mrs. Ashton at tea, and hope she will be well enough by March to be amongst us again. We also missed Miss Bouchier who is still recovering from her operation. Still, it was nice to see Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, and Mr. Gale, in addition to most of the Staff.

We understand that Mr. Mundy is retiring at the end of the term and is taking a living in Herefordshire. We have not seen him recently at Re-unions, but take this opportunity of wishing him many happy years in his new post.

The attendance of Old Boys was very encouraging. Among the forty odd Old Boys present we were pleased to see J. C. Heath, G. R. Rogers, E. J. Gilbert, H. R. Bucknall and E. P. Smith, all of whom have not been present for some while. Among those present were the following:-

C. P. Aps, H. R. Bucknall, B. G. Buckley, J. Bent, M. W. Gardner, J. C. Heath, D. C. T. Humphries, D. R. Masterman, S. G. H. Miller, H. W. A. Mundy, G. R. Rogers, D. E. J. Saint, and D. S. H. Swinstead (all from London), D. F. Abbott, J. R. Bannell, A. E. Blanch, F. G. Bowen, H. E. Brookes, J. Chapman, W. H. Cook, N. C. Daventry, H. E. Dean-Cooper, E. J. Gilbert, D. Gough, C. L. Hale, H. T. W. Headden, J. Hoad, A. E. Hodges, E. R. Hinxman, C. G. Jefferys, A. Jones W. J. Kilford, R. Moon, D. Mortimer, S. C. Phillips, C. Ross, B. R. Ross, R. R. Sanders, E. P. Smith, D. Strugnall, E. J. Tatford and D. Woodsford.

TEAM. -D. S. H. Swinstead (goal), D. E. J. Saint (right back), J. Bent (left back), N. C. Daventry (right half), B. G. Buckley (centre half), J. R. Bannell (left half), H. T. W. Headden (outside right), C. P. Aps (inside right), J. Chapman (Capt.) (inside left), E. P. Smith (centre forward), and W. H. Cook (outside left).

Changes of Address.

Adams, N. J. 62a, Kensington Road, Earlsdon, Coventry.

Blanch, A. E. "Oarfield," Mousehole Road, Bitterne Park, Southampton.

Cummins, W. G. "Restermel," Dean Park Road, Plymstock, Devon.

Dover, E. L. c/o Westminster Bank Ltd., Walmer, Kent.

Garret, E. J. K. 46, Mount Ephraim Road, Streatham, S.W.16.

Hurden, J. C. 15, Gordon Close, Knowle Park Road, Staines, Middlesex.

Hynes, N. "Lollesworth Cottage," West Horsley, Surrey.

Mercer, A. V. 3, Newlands Avenue, Peel Green, Patricroft, Manchester.

Mundy, H. W. A. I, South Villas, Camden Square, N.W.I.

Saint, D. E. J. 9, Greenford Avenue, Southall, Middlesex.

Swinstead, B. H. c/o Mrs. Sanderson, Cockayne, Hatley, Sandy, Bedfordshire.

Swinstead, E. A. "The Croft," Chawston, Bedfordshire.

Swinstead, R. "Malt House," Kingsley, Borden.

Waller-Pinhorn, C. B. "The Bell Hotel," Two Waters, Apsley, Hertfordshire.

Winsor, R. L. 70, Christchurch Street, Ipswich, Suffolk.

Woodward, W. V. 110, White House, Albany Street, N.W.I.

New or Rejoined Members.

Abbott, D. F. 45, East Street, Portchester, Hants.

Bowden, F. G. 33, Western Road, Fareham, Hants.

Dill, J. P. c/o "Orchard End," Eden Way, Beckenham, Kent.

Hodges, A. E. Post Office, Camden Town, Gosport, Hants.

Phillips, S. C. 31, Gosport Road, Fareham, Hants.

Martin, L. V. 1, South Villas, Camden Square, N.W.I.

NOTE.

Will all Old Boys please inform me of any change of address.

Next Old Boys' Day is on MARCH 6th, 1937. Book up this date NOW!

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News of Old Boys.

- DILL, J. P., has departed for New Zealand on business for his firm (Fur Merchants) and will be missed by the London Section of which he was a keen member. We will be glad to hear from him.
- DORE, W. H., we understand, is at present recovering from a serious operation. We wish him a speedy recovery.
- GREGORY, D. E., has just left for Malta where he expects to be for sometime with the Fleet. We hope it will not be for too long.

- HURDEN, J. C., is now on the travelling staff of his firm, The International Combustion Co., and so is seldom in town. He is a very keen member of the Territorial Army and is at present trying conclusions with a horse.
- HVNES, C. A., has just left the Country to return to his Regiment in India. He looks very fit and seems to like the life, but seems to have enjoyed his leave.
- SAINT, D. E. J., is now teaching at a school at Hayes, Middlesex, and is a great asset to the London Section Hockey side. He is also the possessor of a Flying Certificate.
- SWINSTEAD, E. A., took up duty in October as Sub-Warden for the Land Settlement Association Ltd., at Chawston, Beds. The work is concerned with the settling of unemployed men from the Distressed Areas on the land. He says that he has to work from 6-30 a.m. to II p.m., and understands that this is only his holiday.
- WALLER-PINHORN, C. B., states that he is works manager for Messrs. Mayhew Bros., Electrical and Radio Consultants of Apsley, Hendon and Edgware and was engaged last Xmas to Miss E. Jones.
- WHITE, E. G., went to India rather hurriedly in September to take up a post as Engineer in charge of several Power Stations owned by Messrs. A. Yule & Co. We hope to have news of him soon.

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London Section commenced its 1936-7 session on the first Tuesday in September. The question of changing the day for meeting was raised, but since those for whom Tuesday was an impossible day have now unfortunately gone abroad, it was decided to leave the meeting day unchanged. Be it known then, that we meet on the first Tuesday in each month, September to May inclusive, at De Hems Restaurant, I6, Gerrard Street, W. I, from 7-30 p.m. to I0 p.m., and we extend a cordial invitation to any O.P, or member of the Staff who finds himself in Town on these days, to come and join us.

It is pleasant to report that we are still gaining strength, our average attendance now being a dozen. Some of the older members seem to have dropped out, the reason being, I think, that they feel if they do turn up they will find no familiar faces. This will not be true if they all come along, but if they do come singly, I can assure them that they will find the "young 'uns" are as good as the "old 'uns," and in any case grandpa, in the shape of myself, will be there, and while I can understand that that is no inducement to them, it does at any rate mean that I shall be on the spot to tell them who's who.

The success of London Section is making me conceited, so much so, that it makes me express the wish that other districts would copy us and form other local sections; I could name one or two places where there are quite sufficient O.P's. to form a very healthy "local," and it only wants some hero to exert himself and call them together. Forming local sections is a splendid way of keeping interest alive, and in making the main O.P. body a live and vital one. To continue the conceit, it is only necessary to count up the London members on any Old Boys' Day at School and to notice how many London O.P's there are in the teams, to realise the effect a local section has on the keenness of its members. Thank you all, members of the L.S.O.P., for giving me the grounds for this conceit.

With the loss of the services of Wellborne, Gregory and White, all of whom have moved to other climes, we were rather tearful of the fate of this season's Sunday Hockey. It is therefore pleasant to be able to state that we are still producing a team, and thanks again to Humphries, we have a full and excellent fixture list, and though our record to date is three losses, two draws and one win, there has never been a greater margin than two goals against us, and as our two draws and win are the results of our last three games, it would appear that we are riding on a wave of success and maybe for the last half of the season we shall win every match! It may well be noted here that we have at last got a real goalkeeper in the shape of Mundy. I have not yet had the good fortune to see him in play, but I understand that he is a tower of strength as a last line of defence. Of course that is what I say; in reality, on the days he has played in goal I have sat sulking at home, for my services are only called on now when we are up against a weak team !

I regret having to close on so bitter a note, but I must add a brief account of those games in which I was *allowed* to play.

Before these notes appear in print, we shall have had our Annual Xmas Dinner, which Mr. Ashton, and those two new Old Boys, Mr. Bradly and Mr. Gale, have promised to attend, and I should like to thank them here for the sporting spirit which prompted them to give us the honour and pleasure of their presence.

DUDLEY R. MASTERMAN, Hon. Sec.,

Wallington 4570.

35, Hillside Gardens, Wallington, Surrey.

L.S.O.P. Hockey Results.

October 11th, v. Pettswood. Result, Loss 0-2.

In this, the first game of the season, we had not got together as a team and a certain amount of re-shuffling had to be done to fill the gaps left by Wellborne, Gregory and White, and we had to call one or two of our worthy Tulse Hill friends to our aid. With a better goalie the result might well have been a goalless draw, but we had not yet discovered the provess of Mundy in that position.

October 18th, v. Fairey Aviation Co. Result, Loss 1-3.

This is always a hit and rush game though our opponents are exceedingly sporty, and, as they used to beat us by half a dozen or more goals, we should feel satisfied with keeping the score down to 1-3, but, to harp again on the same string, with Mundy in goal the result would undoubtedly have been very different. Aps scored our only goal. D.M.

October 25th, v. Harrodians. Result, Loss 3-4.

(As I sat sulking at home on this occasion I must hope that Humphries will come to my aid and fill in an account of the game). For various reasons we were very short of players this week-end and had to call on five subs, from Tulse Hill. The result was a very disorganised side. The match started in sunshine but soon we had to encounter a devasting hailstorm which (unfortunately for us) came straight in our faces. It was a very close game and given a few more minutes we might have equalised. A very pleasant evening was spent by the few who stayed on to a Concert held in the Clubhouse. D.C.T.H.

November 1st, v. Rampants (London Scottish). Result, Draw 4-4.

Here we began to stop the sequence of losses and did well to draw with such worthy opponents. The game was fast and very even, and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone, and the extreme hospitality shown to us by the London Scots was up to their usual standard, and one cannot say more than that, not to mention the two members of the "Force" who deserted their beats to challenge us at darts! D.M.

November 15th, L.P.T.B. Result Win 3-0.

(Hooray! we won, but I was sulking at home so must call on Humphries). This game was played in very bad weather and a rather crude game resulted. Had the ground been firm we could have got a lot more goals as our opponents were not very skilful as a team. Lardeaux, Hynes and Buckley scored. Our opponents entertained us in the evening and a congenail evening was had by all. D.T.C.H.

November 29th, v. G,W.R. Result, Draw 2-2.

(I regret not having seen this match for it was a wonderful effort to draw with such a strong team. Humphries told me that everyone played magnificently but I will leave it to him to give you a first hand account).

The bad state of the ground did not effect the high standard of the hockey in this game which was splendidly handled by the umpires. It is by far our best achievement to date and shows that the better the opposition the better we play. We had our strongest possible side in the field and re-organised the forward line with the best of results. Henry scored in the first half, and Hayward early on in the second half with a fine solo effort. Mundy in goal) played a very safe game, and Saint (at right back) was quite brilliant; he will make a first class back when he settles down. The wing halves gave nothing away and Hayward touched his best form of the season. The rest of the side all played well.

Teams chosen from ----

D. R. Masterman, H. W. Mundy (goal), D. E. J. Saint, A. S. French (backs), V. J. Barnes, D. C. T. Humphries, A. D. Hayward (halves), H. E. Lardeaux, M. J. Hynes, C. P. Apps, W. J. Henry, J. C. Hurden and B. G. Buckley (forwards).

Masterman has been saying a lot about his poor goalkeeping, and so I think it's about time the skipper had a few words to say about it. Dudley first stepped into the breach on 28th of January, 1934, and has kept goal for us ever since, until a week or so ago. He began without any experience of his job and with only his courage and sporting spirit behind him, has made a very good job of it. He does not claim to be an expert (but is good enough to play for one of the Tulse Hill H.C. Junior lelevens) and as a goalkeeper came along he very sportingly offered to stand down. After all, in all games it is the spirit that counts, and Dudley can be assured of the respect of all of us.

I should like to thank all of the lads mentioned above for turning out and hope they have not regretted it. We look like having a very successful season.

D. C. T. HUMPHRIES.

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