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SCHOOL NOTES.

Through the generous instrumentality of E. J. P. Ross-Barker, Esq., a hard tennis court was laid down in the walled garden at Waste Court last term. The work was carried out by Messrs. Gaze and the result is admirable. To Mr. Ross-Barker we express our appreciative thanks for this valuable addition to the games facilities of the School.

We offer congratulations to P. A. D. Jones on his election to the Pembroke Scholarship in Mathematics.

M. N. Laybourne has been elected Captain of Cricket.

First IV Rowing Colours were awarded last term to D. G. Brown and W. V. Simpson, and Second IV Colours to M. N. Laybourne, A. R. M. Adams, A. J. Turnham, A. L. Fleet, P. H. Gould and D. F. Newman (coxing).

Founder's Day will be celebrated on Friday, June 23rd. The Regatta will be held on Thursday, June 22nd and the O.A. Cricket Match on Saturday, June 24th.

General Sir Charles Corkran, C.B., C.M.G., has very kindly consented to present the prizes on Founder's Day, and the Sermon at the Service in St. Helen's Church before the Prize Distribution will be preached by the Rev. G. R. Palmer, Vicar of Marcham and School Chaplain.

Full Athletic Colours have been awarded to G. J. Goodey, W. V. Simpson, L. E. Carter and Half Colours to L. E. J. Luker, R. E. G. Morewood, G. E. H. Warrick, R. F. W. Andrews, P. H. Gould, and A. J. Turnham.

The O.T.C. inspection will take place on Thursday, June 8th, the Inspecting Officer being Major-General C. G. Fuller, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., vice General Sir P. de B. Radcliffe, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., who is unable to carry out the inspection owing to illness.

On behalf of all members of the School we offer our sincere sympathy to Mr. Alston on the death of his father on May 17th and to Mr. Ingham whose mother died on May 26th.

This term ends on Monday, July 31st, the O.T.C. leaving for camp and boarders returning home on the following day. The Christmas term begins on Thursday, September 21st, boarders returning on the previous day.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries:—*The Aldenhamian*; *The Alfredian*; *The Bracklean*; *The Chigwellian*; *The Laxtonian*; *The Leightonian*; *The Lily*; *The Liverpool College Magazine*; *The Log of the Nautical College, Pangbourne*; *The Monktonian*.

VALETE.

VI FORM.—J. Grover (1927, iii). Sub-prefect, 1932; O.S.C. 1932; 1st XI Cricket, 1932, 1st XI Colours 1932; 1st XV Rugger 1932, 2nd XV Colours 1932.

H. J. Holborow (1928, iii). O.S.C. Honours, 1932; 1st XV Rugger 1932, 2nd XV Colours 1932; 2nd XI Cricket 1932, 2nd XI Colours 1932; Lce.-Cpl., O.T.C., 1932; Certificate "A," 1933.

J. Lay (1928, iii). O.S.C. 1932.

VA FORM.—R. J. Jacques (1927, iii). 1st XV Rugger 1932, 1st XV Colours 1932.

VB FORM.—W. G. Davis (1931, ii). 2nd XV Rugger 1932.

J. M. A. Darell Seal (1929, ii).

R. Stross (1929, iii). 2nd XV Rugger 1931–32.

REMOVE.—G. Barnett (1930, iii).

III FORM.—H. B. Faulkner (1931, i).

K. Prior (1931, iii).

SALVETE.

II FORM.—K. Donkin, G. W. Catmur, T. V. Bowditch, N. J. Holmes, J. H. Higgs.

ROWING.

The season began with some intensive work in tub pairs, carried on under conditions that were far from pleasant. On more than one occasion, due to either ice, rain or floods, no rowing was possible; in fact the races against Magdalen College School had to be postponed for a week to allow the river at Oxford to resume its normal course between banks. It was indeed a novel sight to see two Fours being propelled over the meadows bordering the Culham Road. The 1st

IV as finally constituted proved to be a crew of distinct merit and above the average of previous years. They were entrusted throughout to the care of Mr. Duxbury and developed in the short space of six weeks into a very pleasing and effective combination which, with a little more luck, would have certainly secured a greater share of success.

As a crew they were quite well together, used their legs well at the beginning and showed very fair blade work, but the finish of the stroke was weak and this defect told heavily against them on the longer course at Oxford, especially with such a lot of water coming down. Though 2 and 3 were the chief offenders, none of the crew really learned to swing their bodies over at the end of the stroke, but they were just beginning to correct the trouble when weather conditions upset training. However judging by the result of the races and still more by consistent performances in practice they were a hard working crew with a good turn of speed and can look back on the season with satisfaction.

D. G. Brown at stroke came on very well during training, used his weight well and rowed the longest blade in the boat. He should be a most valuable stroke next year. W. V. Simpson and R. E. G. Morewood shewed identical virtues and vices—a good leg drive, but erratic blades and stiff bodies. J. Ranger at bow shewed considerable improvement on last year—inclined to be early on the others but swung his body and pulled hard. Above all, however, every member of the crew did his fair share of the work. R. Emmett proved a competent cox with a good idea of the right remark to help the crew, and on the very difficult Oxford course he did all that could be expected of him.

The 2nd IV whose work was confined to fixed seat rowing were in Mr. Bevir's charge. They were subject to too many "off days" and were too slow in getting together and acquiring the essential uniformity without which a crew is not a crew worthy of the name. However, on their "good days" they rowed well and made their boat move through the water at a good pace. A. L. Fleet who had been rowing consistently well at bow was unlucky to damage his wrist the evening before the race with Magdalen College School, and no doubt his injury was a serious handicap to the crew.

M. N. Laybourne who was moved from 2 to stroke improved considerably during practice and worked his crew along with good judgment,

refusing to become flustered. He kept a good length but should make more effective use of his body swing; his leg drive was quite good.

Adams at 3 failed at times to back up stroke, was apt to be late and is rather too ponderous, but he worked hard and showed improvement with his blade in the later stages. A. J. Turnham at 2 did well at times, but did not quite fulfil his early promise, being unable to overcome the awkward hunch of one shoulder. His time was good and so were his hands but he was liable to be rather short in the water.

Newman as cox steered quite well; he should try and avoid monotony in his tone and in his remarks.

THE RACES.

FIRST IV.

v. Culham College, on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd, on Culham Reach.

Conditions were fair with a fresh head wind. The School had a slight lead after 10 strokes but they quickly increased it and went away to win easily in 3 mins. 51 secs., a record for the course.

v. Magdalen College School, on Friday, March 3rd, at Oxford.

Magdalen won the toss and took the Berkshire side, which, in the flooded condition of the river, gave them a slight advantage at the start and a very definite one over the last part, with the worst of the stream along the Green Bank. That is the story of the race. The School made rather a poor start and were half a length down going into the Gut, but when the boats were straight again Abingdon shewed in front and, making a good spurt, went right ahead and were leading by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths at the New Cut. This was just insufficient to allow them to take their opponents' water, and as they struck the full force of the stream Magdalen came up inside with a good burst and gradually went ahead under the wall to win by 2 lengths. The School got very short over the last part but the force of the current in midstream down the Barges was a gruelling test for a tired crew.

v. The Old Boys, on Saturday, March 4th, on Culham Reach.

Against a strong stream and with a fresh cross wind the School led away at the start and, rowing well together, steadily increased their lead. The Old Boys kept going very well, but the better training of the School told and they passed the finishing post 5 lengths ahead in 4 mins. 39 secs.

CREWS.

Abingdon 1st IV.		O.A.'s.	
Bow	J. Ranger.	Bow	J. C. Jacob.
	R. E. G. Morewood.		H. B. Healy.
	W. V. Simpson.		L. P. Mosdell.
Str.	D. G. Brown.	Str.	G. A. R. Boyd.
Cox.	R. Emmett.	Cox.	R. G. James.

SECOND IV.

v. Culham College 2nd, on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd, on Culham Reach.

The School won easily in 4 mins. 51 secs. Their form in this first race showed a distinct improvement on anything they had done in practice. Though rather slow at the start they soon settled down and rowed well together but were in no way extended.

v. Magdalen College School 2nd, on Friday, March 3rd, at Oxford.

Bow was suffering from a damaged wrist.

Again the start was rather slow and they were unable to make much impression upon their opponents who gradually drew away and kept ahead the whole way up the course. It was not a particularly good performance though a plucky one under unfortunate circumstances. The form over the last half of the course was better than that over the first half.

Won by Magdalen College School with four or five lengths to spare.

v. Keble IV, on Saturday, March 4th, on Culham Reach.

The School won an exceptionally good race by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 5 mins. 22 secs. P. H. Gould rowed bow in place of A. L. Fleet. There was a strong stream and a stiff west wind—very different conditions from those of the race against Culham College; so that the discrepancy in the times cannot be strongly emphasized. Keble had the advantage at the start but it was neck and neck to the Big Tree. There Laybourne spurted and drew ahead. This lead was kept till within 100 yards of the finish, when the School put out a further effort and increased their distance to $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. This was an exciting race and the School showed their best form of the season. Bow must be congratulated on his share in the success.

Abingdon 2nd IV.

Bow.	A. L. Fleet.
	A. J. Turnham.
	A. R. M. Adams.
Str.	M. N. Laybourne.
Cox.	D. F. Newman.

P. H. Gould rowed bow in the race *v.* Keble IV.

During the last three weeks of the term a gratifying number of juniors came in for tubbing practice and there were plenty of signs of promising material for the future. On the last Saturday of Term a series of races was held for all crews below the 1st IV—members of the 1st IV acting as coaches and coxes—over a lengthened Regatta Course.

"B" crew won the race for sliding seat IVs, consisting of R. F. Andrews, D. H. Blake, A. R. Adams, J. Ranger (*vice* A. J. Turnham) and W. V. Simpson (cox).

The races for fixed seat IVs were won by "D" crew—A. C. Emms, P. R. Wood, D. C. Woolf, M. R. Cooper and R. E. G. Morewood (cox) and "E" crew—P. V. Collings, D. R. H. Brown, R. Emmett, W. R. Savage and D. F. Newman (cox).

HOCKEY.

The Hockey game unfortunately lost most of its best players from the previous year, whilst most of the new-comers, although they played hard and keenly, were not particularly skilful; as a natural result, the team was by no means so good as last year, but it must be remembered that that team was especially good and had not been much depleted from the year before.

This season's team owed a great deal to the efforts of the three players who alone remained over from last year's side, McPherson, Warrick and Jacques. McPherson played a fine game at centre-forward, and deserved to receive better support from the line he led; he was faster than last year, was clever in opening up an attack and was neat in controlling the ball. His shooting was his only slightly weak point, but his two goals won us the match against the Old Boys and, generally speaking the attacks of the side came from him.

Jacques made use of his experience from last year and developed into a very skilful goal-keeper; he kept his head well and was cool and sure in running out to kick the ball away or tackle a forward on the edge of the circle. He also had a particularly good eye for hitting the ball on the run with his stick and he improved considerably in stopping the ball with his pads when in goal, though this remained rather his weak point. Warrick played a powerful and energetic game at centre-half and always got through a great amount of work; his stick work improved markedly and his general control of the ball was distinctly good. His wing-halves, Goodey and Powell, gave him very fair support and always worked hard without being very skilful.

The main trouble with the backs was that they were too slow; Blackmore, Randle, Wiggins, and Eeles all played in this position and on the whole Wiggins was the best of them. Eeles did well at times, but was too rash, while Randle was neat with his stick in tackling and hitting but was slow in recovering and getting back if he was passed. Luker, who only played after half term had a good eye for hitting the ball, and should be good with more practice.

The forwards tried hard, but as a line did not give McPherson enough support; Mills iii and King i were very fair inside forwards who, on their day, were quite good. Mills iii was the better, in that he was faster, but both want to try and cultivate the quick inter-passing more. Stross, though rather clumsy, at times brought off some surprisingly good runs on the right wing and had a happy knack of scoring unexpected goals. Left wing is always rather a difficult position to fill; Elley was quite dashing and, as he only tried that place late in the term, he might be fairly good with more practice there. Carter i always went hard and was able to centre the ball, but was rather handicapped by his sight and had difficulty in dribbling the ball down the wing.

The team was rather heavily defeated by Lincoln College, Oxford, and Wantage School, though each of the games was quite enjoyable. An excellent game against the Old Boys, who showed great enterprise in taking the field, was won 2—1; the School was rather fortunate to win, as after two clever goals had been scored early on, both by McPherson, the Old Boys, who played with much dash and vigour, had most of the game afterwards and the School goal had several narrow escapes; Mosdell and Rice with their speed were a constant menace amongst the forwards. Another good game against the "Wet Bobs" resulted in a win for the representatives of terra firma by 2—1. The score might have been 4—1 but for two rather unnecessary "off-sides." The "Wet Bobs," who included several shining lights of previous Hockey sides, played a good robust game; Brown scored for them and McPherson and Stross, who made a clever run before scoring, for the Hockey side.

Those of the team who will be available next year will have gained from their experience this season and should do well.

SCHOOL SPORTS.

The School Sports were held on the School Grounds on Saturday, May 13th, in delightfully warm and sunny weather. The track was in

good condition and the times on the whole were well up to standard. Once again D. G. Brown put up a remarkable performance, winning all the open events except the High Jump, for which he did not enter; and in the Putting the Weight he established a new School record with a putt of 39 feet—nearly 4 feet better than the previous record.

The officials were:—

President: The Head Master. *Starter*: J. B. E. Alston, Esq. *Judges*: R. C. Bateman, Esq., W. A. Rudd, Esq. *Time Keepers*: G. F. Duxbury, Esq., J. Y. Ingham, Esq. *Stewards*: C. F. Powell, H. Bosley, E. F. Parks. *Committee*: W. A. Rudd, Esq. (Chairman), J. B. E. Alston, Esq.; *ex-officio*: D. G. Brown, J. Ranger, M. N. Laybourne, P. A. D. Jones, A. L. Fleet (Hon. Sec. and Treas.); *elected*: A. J. Turnham, W. V. Simpson, R. E. G. Morewood, W. R. Savage, S. R. Ashby, W. M. Potter.

RESULTS.

1. LONG JUMP (Open).
1. D. G. Brown, 20ft. 1in. 2. J. Ranger.
2. LONG JUMP (Under 15).
1. P. J. Hill, 15ft. 3ins. 2. M. H. Holme, 15ft. 1½ins.
3. HIGH JUMP (Open).
1. W. V. Simpson, 5ft. 0¾in.
2. R. F. Andrews, 4ft. 10¾ins.
4. HIGH JUMP (Under 15).
1. P. J. Hill, 4ft. 2½ins. 2. G. A. D. Baker, 4ft. 1½ins.
5. HURDLES (Open).
1. D. G. Brown. 2. R. F. Andrews.
Time: 17¾/5 secs.
6. HURDLES (Under 16).
1. O. E. Clarke. 2. W. J. Brewer.
Time: 19²/5 secs.
7. 100 YARDS (Under 12).
1. W. M. Potter. 2. L. B. King.
Time: 14 secs.
8. 100 YARDS. (Under 15).
1. M. H. Holme. 2. E. F. Stevens.
Time: 12²/5 secs.
9. 100 YARDS (Open).
1. D. G. Brown. 2. J. Ranger.
Time: 11 secs.
10. 220 YARDS HANDICAP (Under 13).
1. N. J. Holmes (12 yds.). 2. D. G. Carter. (22 yds.)
11. QUARTER MILE (Under 15).
1. M. H. Holme. 2. E. F. Stevens.
Time: 66 secs.

12. QUARTER MILE (Open).

1. D. G. Brown. 2. J. Ranger.
Time: 58⁴/5 secs.

13. PUTTING THE WEIGHT (12 lbs.).

1. D. G. Brown, 39ft. 2. G. E. H. Warrick.

14. HALF MILE (Under 15).

1. R. F. Cox. 2. E. F. Stevens. 3. R. Goodey.
Time: 2 mins. 42³/5 secs.

15. HALF MILE (Open).

1. D. G. Brown. 2. G. J. Goodey. 3. P. H. Gould.
Time: 2 mins. 18³/5 secs.

HOUSE RELAY RACES.

Junior.

1. Blue. 2. Red. *Time*: 3 mins. 15²/5 secs.

Senior.

1. Red. 2. Blue. *Time*: 2 mins. 52 secs.

The prizes were distributed at the conclusion of Sports by Mrs. Duxbury. The Heber Clarke Challenge Cup was won by D. G. Brown with 70 points, and the Shallard Cup by M. H. Holme with 24 points.

The House Cup, presented by the Ladies of Abingdon, was won by Red House with 174 points, Blue House being runners up with 120 points.

MILES.

The Miles were run on Thursday, March 23rd. The weather was fine, but the track under the wall was very soft. Entries were good.

OPEN.

1. D. G. Brown. 2. G. J. Goodey. 3. L. E. Carter.
Time: 5 mins. 14¹/5 secs.

Brown took the lead in the first lap and increased it steadily to win easily.

House Placings: Red, 32 points; Green, 43; Blue, 45.

JUNIOR.

1. R. F. Cox. 2. E. F. Stevens. 3. R. Goodey.
Time: 5 mins. 56²/5 secs.

House Placings: Blue, 28 points; Red, 39; Green, 78.

The Subscribers to the Prize Fund, to whom our best thanks are offered, were as follows:—

J. B. E. Alston, Esq., Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Baillie, Mrs. Martin-Baker, Mrs. Balfour-Browne, E. J. P. Ross-Barker, Esq. and Miss Ross-Barker, Mrs. Bevir, Mrs. Brewer, Mrs. Carslaw, Mrs. Carter, E. M. Challenor, Esq., O.A., H. S. Challenor, Esq., O.A. and Miss P. Challenor, Miss B. Challenor, O. B. Challenor, Esq., O.A. and Mrs. Bromley Challenor, Senior, Mrs. Bromley Challenor, Junior, Mrs.

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O.A. SPORTS.

The annual meeting between the School and the Old Abingdonian Club was held on Saturday, May 20th, when the weather was even more delightful than last year.

From the point of view both of general performances and close finishes this was certainly one of the most interesting meetings for some years. The system of scoring adopted this year was 2 points for a first place, 1 point for a second and 3 points for the winner of the Relay Race, the Old Boys winning by $15\frac{1}{2}$ points to $11\frac{1}{2}$ points, while the School actually won 5 of the 9 events. D. G. Brown again showed remarkable all-round form by winning the Hurdles, Long Jump, Half Mile and Quarter—the last a thrilling finish, four-fifths of a second outside record time; L. E. Carter provided a very fine finish to the Mile, overhauling Clarke in the final straight to win by inches; while the Old Boys established a new record for the Relay Race, three-fifths of a second better than previous best time.

The results were as follows:—

1. 100 YARDS.

(Record 10 secs.)

1. L. P. Mosdell (O.A.) 2. G. A. R. Boyd (O.A.)
Time: $10\frac{1}{5}$ secs.

J. Ranger. M. N. Laybourne.

2. HURDLES.

(Record $16\frac{1}{5}$ secs.)

1. D. G. Brown. 2. L. P. Mosdell (O.A.).
Time: 17 secs.

M. Thomas (O.A.). R. F. Andrews.

3. HIGH JUMP.

(Record 5ft. $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins.)

1. A. F. Hill (O.A.), 5ft. 1 in. 2. W. V. Simpson
and G. E. Sinclair (O.A.), 4 ft. 11 ins.
R. F. Andrews.

4. LONG JUMP.

(Record 22ft. 2ins.)

1. D. G. Brown, 20ft. $1\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
2. L. P. Mosdell (O.A.), 19ft. $5\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
G. F. Powell (O.A.). J. Ranger.

5. HALF MILE.

(Record 2 mins. $9\frac{4}{5}$ secs.)

1. D. G. Brown. 2. S. A. Fabes (O.A.).
Time: 2 mins. $10\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
G. A. R. Boyd (O.A.). G. J. Goodey.

6. QUARTER MILE.

(Record 55 secs.)

1. D. G. Brown. 2. L. P. Mosdell (O.A.).
Time: $55\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
M. Thomas (O.A.). J. Ranger.

7. MILE.

(Record 4 mins. $50\frac{1}{5}$ secs.)

1. L. E. Carter. 2. R. C. Clarke (O.A.).
Time: 5 mins. 11 secs.
G. J. Goodey; S. A. Fabes (O.A.); G. E. Sinclair
(O.A.); A. J. Turnham.

8. PUTTING THE WEIGHT.

(Record 42ft. 7ins.)

1. G. F. Powell (O.A.), 38ft. $8\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
2. D. G. Brown, 38ft. 4 ins.
G. E. Sinclair (O.A.). G. E. H. Warrick.

9. RELAY RACE.

(Record 1 mins. $59\frac{2}{5}$ secs.)

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. O.A.C. | 2. A.S.A.C. |
| R. C. Clarke. | M. N. Laybourne. |
| M. Thomas. | R. E. G. Morewood. |
| G. E. Sinclair. | J. Ranger. |
| G. A. R. Boyd. | L. E. J. Luker. |
| G. F. Powell. | L. E. Carter. |
| L. P. Mosdell. | D. G. Brown. |

Won by 8 yards in the record time of 1 min. $58\frac{4}{5}$ secs.

SPORTS RECORDS SINCE 1891.

(From *The Abingdonian*.)

SCHOOL SPORTS. (OPEN EVENTS.)

100 yards	N. Duncan	1906	10 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
Quarter Mile	*H. W. D. Charleton	1925	55 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs. (Handicap before 1914.)
Half Mile	G. A. R. Boyd	1930	2 mins. 17 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs. (Handicap before 1926.)
Mile	†C. E. H. Dolphin	1922	4 mins. 50 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
Hurdles	G. H. G. Shepherd	1909	16 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs. (3 ft. 6 in. hurdles.)
Long Jump	G. H. G. Shepherd	1909	21 ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
High Jump	N. A. Carr	1921	5 ft. 2 ins.
Cricket Ball	A. J. Watson	1926	‡102 yds. 2 ins. (Discontinued after 1930.)
Weight—16 lbs.	§W. R. Mortleman	1907	32 ft. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. (Before 1929.)
Weight—12 lbs.	D. G. Brown	1933	39 ft. (1929 and after.)

A.S.A.C. v. O.A.C.

100 Yards	G. F. Powell, O.A.	1929	‡10 secs.
Quarter Mile	B. Challenor, O.A.	1901	} ‡55 secs.
	R. G. Rice, O.A.	1912	
Half Mile	B. Challenor, O.A.	1906	‡2 mins. 9 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
Mile	†C. E. H. Dolphin	1922	‡4 mins. 50 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
Hurdles	H. J. A. Payne, O.A.	1904	‡16 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs. (3 ft. 6 in. hurdles.)
Long Jump	W. Leach, O.A.	1911	‡22 ft. 2 ins.
High Jump	R. G. Rice, O.A.	1907	‡5 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
Cricket Ball	F. Parker, O.A.	1913	101 yds. 1 ft. 4 ins. (Discontinued after 1921.)
Weight—16 lbs.	G. H. G. Shepherd, O.A.	1911	‡35 ft. 5 ins. (Before 1929.)
Weight—12 lbs.	G. F. Powell, O.A.	1931	‡42 ft. 7 ins. (1929 and after.)

* Charleton's record equalled that of C. J. Butler (55 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.) made for the School v. O.A.C. in 1908.

† Dolphin's performance in the School Sports constituted a Ground Record, but he himself beat this a week later v. O.A.C., this last record still standing.

‡ Signifies Ground Record.

§ Mortleman beat his own record a week later v. O.A.C., when he put the 16 lb. weight 33 ft. 9 ins. He was barely 16 at the time.

SCHOOL SPORTS. (JUNIOR EVENTS.)

100 Yards (under 12)	B. L. Kaye	1906	13 secs.
	R. F. L. Thomas	1924	} 12 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
100 Yards (under 15)	L. P. Mosdell	1927	
	J. Ranger	1931	
Quarter Mile (under 15)	J. Ranger	1931	62 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
Half Mile (under 15)	J. Ranger	1931	2 mins. 29 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
Mile (under 15)	D. G. Brown	1931	5 mins. 23 secs.
Hurdles (under 16)	S. L. Buckle	} 1920	18 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.
	N. A. Carr		
Long Jump (under 15)	A. T. Hatfield	1926	17 ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
High Jump (under 15)	E. R. Barber	1918	4 ft. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

Relay Races.—These were instituted in the School Sports in 1920 and v. O.A.C. in 1922. The records are : SCHOOL SPORTS, Senior, Reds, 1931, 2 mins. 48 secs. ; Junior, Greens, 1927, 3 mins. 9 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs. (Four laps—each competitor half a lap.)

A.S.A.C. v. O.A.C. : O.A.C., 1933, 1 min. 58 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs. (Three laps—each competitor half a lap.)

In the School Sports Blues have won the senior event 6 times, Greens 4 and Reds 4, while Greens have won the junior 7 times, Blues 5 and Reds 2.

In the meetings v. O.A.C. the O.A.s have won 7 times and the School 5 times.

It may be noted that two of the existing Ground Records were set up by boys still at school—C. E. H. Dolphin's Mile v. O.A.C. in 1922 and A. J. Watson's Cricket Ball Throw in the School Sports in 1926.

O.T.C.

We must first congratulate A. R. M. Adams, A. L. Fleet, H. J. Holborow, M. N. Laybourne and J. McPherson on obtaining certificate "A."

We were also pleased to observe last term a general improvement among the N.C.O.'s in leading their sections and acting on their own initiative; this was fully brought out in the parades which were devoted to field work and finally on the Field Day. The latter event took place on March 16th when we were in co-operation with the Magdalen and Radley contingents. The weather failed us, but in spite of this a most exciting battle was staged on the Downs in the vicinity of Lowbury Hill. No. 1 Platoon, commanded by Sgt. Turnham, was well to the fore and made a decisive attack on the enemy's right flank. There followed a march through pouring rain in which, however, we were buoyed up by the prospect of Sgt. Wiblin with hot tea.

On March 15th the value of the School Cinematograph was fully established when we were both entertained and instructed by a film showing a Platoon in Attack. It proved a useful prelude to the Field Day.

This term we have the Annual Inspection before us to be carried out on June 8th by Major-General C. B. Fuller, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. Platoon drill and rifle exercises are being brought to perfection and, as in previous years, our thanks are again due to Sgt.-Major Eyre for the high standard attained by the Corps in this respect.

The contingent will be attending camp this year at Tweseldown, Aldershot, for the period Aug. 1st—Aug. 9th. We are looking forward to this event all the more as no official camp has taken place for the last two years.

Promotions: to be Sgt.: A. L. Fleet; to be Cpls.: A. R. M. Adams, J. McPherson.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Debating Society, after nearly a year's hibernation, held a special meeting on February 18th. Those already holding office were Mr. W. M. Grundy (President) and Mr. E. J. P. Ross-Barker (Vice-President). In addition the following officials were elected: Vice-President, Mr. J. Y. Ingham; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. L. Fleet; Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. A. D. Jones.

At a second meeting of the Society thirteen new members were elected.

At a meeting on February 25th Mr. A. J. Turnham, seconded by Mr. J. C. Blackmore,

proposed "That in the opinion of this house leg-theory bowling is not against the best interests of the game of Cricket." Mr. T. J. H. Charley, seconded by Mr. G. J. Goodey, opposed the motion. The Opposition was somewhat disorganized by one of its members being asked out to tea at short notice and, consequently, having little time in which to prepare his speech. The Proposition, consequently, had ample scope for sarcasm and the motion was carried by 15 votes to 7.

On March 4th Mr. A. W. James (of Keble College) read a paper on Pope Boniface VIII. Mr. James interested us all by his vivid picture of a very clever man who tried to defy both the King of France and his own noblemen, and was eventually assassinated. He made the subject really interesting, and we hope to persuade him to come down again during the next session.

On March 11th Mr. A. J. Turnham, seconded by Mr. D. G. Brown, proposed "That in the opinion of this house a rural life is to be preferred to a town life." The motion was opposed by the Secretary, seconded by Mr. P. H. Gould. The Proposition yearned for the great open spaces, they despised the gay life of the large towns. What more could one ask, demanded the Honourable Seconder, than to walk along the sea shore and watch the waves breaking and the gulls circling overhead? The Opposition, on the other hand, preferred the refinements of town life; they considered every country-dweller a yokel; they were, they told us, far too clever to be deceived by the superficial pleasures of the country; they knew all the discomforts attendant on these pleasures. The Honourable Opposer made a long but unavailing effort to persuade us that there was as much beauty in the town as in the country. The President told us that, in his personal experience of country life, the discomforts related by the Opposition were purely imaginary. The motion was won by 7 votes to 6.

On March 18th the members showed quite clearly their views on impromptu debates by staying away in force from the one arranged for that date. However, after much canvassing, a quorum was collected. The motion drawn was "That in the opinion of this house professionalism is ruining British sport." The Secretary was drawn to propose and Mr. A. J. Turnham to oppose. The Proposer, of course, harped on the present state of Association football. The Opposer (also of course) avoided Association football and asked the Society where they would be without their

professional golfers, tennis players and cricketers to set an example to amateurs. The Vice-President, Mr. E. J. P. Ross-Barker, gave a very fair and well-reasoned statement of the position, and declared himself to be against the motion, which was lost by 3 votes to 10.

A meeting was held on March 22nd at which Mr. P. H. Gould, seconded by Mr. A. C. Emms, proposed "That in the opinion of this house blood sports ought to be abolished." The Opposer was Mr. D. C. Woolf, seconded by Mr. H. B. King. The Proposition were righteously indignant; they considered all blood-sportsmen outcasts. The Opposition (of whom one member had spoken in favour of town life at an earlier debate) thought blood sports a very healthy and interesting diversion, a tradition which ought to be upheld; they were convinced that the fox liked being hunted. Mr. G. F. Duxbury raised some interesting points; if the Proposers wished to be consistent in their interpretation of blood-sports, he said, they ought also to abolish butchers, which he did not think they would agree to. Opinions differed greatly as to the exact definition of a blood sport; the limit was reached when one member cited the case of the whale fisheries. This motion was lost by 7 votes to 13.

The Society is much indebted to the Vice-President, Mr. E. J. P. Ross-Barker, for the trouble he took in printing copies of the rules for distribution to the members of the Society.

THE RAG CONCERT.

As usual, we were provided with a varied programme to suit all tastes; and, as a reminder of the term's activity on the water, the curtain rose to disclose the deck of the good ship *John Royse*, with a hardened crew toiling about the capstan, what time they entertained themselves, and us, with some sea-shanties. The crew was composed of D. G. Brown, A. L. Fleet, J. Ranger, W. V. Simpson and R. E. G. Morewood and they thoroughly earned the applause by their singing—and their strenuous wrestling with the anchor, full ten fathoms deep.

This was followed by a drama without words, "A Spanish Tragedy" with a distinctly southern atmosphere. Don Ferdinando (R. F. Jackson), the stern father, Donna Elvira (J. N. Paige), the unhappy damsel and Pedrillo (H. A. Lunghi), the happy-go-lucky troubadour played their parts with such conviction that words could not say more.

After the tragedy without words we were given "a domestic scena without faces," the stage being occupied by a loud-speaker from whose mouth there reached us the voices of Mildred the nervous young wife (P. R. Wood), George (D. C. Woolf) the blasé husband with small respect for feminine fears, and last, but far from least, the "noises off" (E. A. Joseph). Noises will be noises in every house but it needs a wireless set left switched-on by mistake, to provide so thoroughly alarming "A Stormy Night." We must congratulate the actors on projecting their personalities through the ether and the traverse curtain.

The final item on the programme was an excerpt from "Ruddigore." R. Emmett played Rose Maybud, the pretty village maiden, with a taste for good works; S. K. Muir was Hannah, her aunt, whose features and voice made her a very effective foil to her niece, while M. N. Laybourne as Robin Oakapple was quite as bashful as a youth can be. The duet between Rose and Robin was particularly pleasing—while Hannah's knitting deserves honourable mention.

Interspersed among these items were two songs by Miss Peach which were much appreciated, two songs by Mr. Bevir in his well-known and inimitable manner; the Chancellor's Song from "Iolanthe" by Mr. Bateman, assisted by P. H. Wooster (Master of the Robes) and also the "Master's Farewell to his Form"; while Mr. Duxbury, assisted by a very awkward squad, told us what happened when Sam dropped his musket at the battle of Waterloo.

Finally we must mention E. A. Joseph and his extemporisations at the piano throughout the concert. In fact the whole concert was a variety entertainment in the best sense of the words.

JUNIOR RUGGER.

The Junior House Cup was again won by Blue House who beat Green House by 12 points to 3, and Red House by 20 points to 10. In the other match Red House beat Green House by 6 points to nil. The play in all these matches reached a higher standard than last year, and although Blue House won both their games by a comfortable margin they had to work hard for all their points.

A Junior XV played the Boys' Central School, Oxford, at home, a very keen and close game resulting in a win for the visitors by 5 points to 3. Our team consisted of Cox; Whitfield, Woodley, Jones vi, Wooster; Hill, Fletcher; Brown iii, Woolf ii, England, Goodey ii, Ashby, Wood v, Bury, Emmett.

LIBRARY NOTES.

In response to the appeal made in the last issue of the *Abingdonian* we have received promises of books from several O.A.s and acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following: *Macaulay's Life and Letters* given by H. J. Holborow and *At the War* given by J. Lay. A Library Committee has been formed consisting of G. F. Duxbury, Esq., T. H. Charley (Librarian), P. A. D. Jones, A. L. Fleet and D. G. Brown.

ROUND ABOUT THE AZORES.

A small Portuguese ship of some 3,000 tons left Madeira late one afternoon and arrived at the capital of the Azores, St. Michaels, about a day and a half later. A stately pilot in a rowing boat met the ship and brought it into the harbour which boasted of a harbour wall. An excited crowd of natives immediately came rushing round the boat trying to sell different things, while the ship unloaded, taking the whole day in doing so. The Portuguese are not exactly fast workers.

The islands that it called at after leaving St. Michael's gradually became smaller until, at Graciosa, the ship just stayed opposite a beach and what cargo there was to be loaded was brought off by rowing boat. However, after calling at the island of Pico, a volcano rising straight out of the sea to a height of 8,000 feet, the ship arrived at Fayal, second in size to St. Michael's and five miles away from Pico. Having stayed here one day the ship continued on to Flores and Corcu, two small islands 100 miles away which could be seen from the top of Pico.

English people, from the cable stations of Fayal often go up Pico to see the sunrise and it is a wonderful sight. Fayal is also a volcanic island with a perfect crater. The island itself is covered with lava on which grapes grow to perfection and grapes that are sold in England for 3s. 6d. per lb. are sold there for 1d. per lb.

From June to August there is perpetual sunshine, so if you want a sunshine holiday go to the Azores.

A.J.F.

COLLEGE-ALE.

(Spoken at Abingdon School, Aug. 6th, 1739.)
Aid Cerevisia, whilst with humble Lays
My Tongue attempts to wanton in thy Praise
Of Ale I sing: O may I *never* fail.
Ale first inspired me. Let my Theme be Ale.
Happy's the Man, who having calmly spent
His Hours in Study, till the sun's descent:

Then in the Evening, while the Minutes roll
Joins with his friends, and quaffs a plate of Coll.
He, void of all remorse, nor anxious runs
On Tick, nor fears *horrid sound* of Duns.
Nor late in Ale-house fears the startling sight
Of Proctors, the *grim Tyrants* of the Night:
But *sweetly* conscious of the Day well spent
Sits, and enjoys unspeakable content.
Thus while he draws Tobacco's sweet Perfume
And fragrant vapours curl around the Room,
From Lip to Lip the circling Tankard goes,
And o'er the Tongue the grateful Nectar flows.
Each greedy mouth with joy proclaims its Praise,
And Mirth sits smiling on each chearful Face.
So when the Sirian Star infests the Sky,
And parched with Heat the Fields around us lye,
The thirsty Earth *receives* the *welcome* Rains
And fresher Glory crowns the smiling Plains.
Beware, ye Scholars, well advis'd beware
Of Lucubrations and of Midnight care.
Oft have I known the Students' greedy Sight
Justly rewarded with eternal Night.
I'd not buy *Knowledge* at so *dear* a Price,
Nor Milton's Learning have with Milton's Eyes.
But when the thirsty Ruler of the Day
To his nocturnal Revels in the Sea
Descends, then all embrace the friendly Bowls
With gen'rous Coll enlarge their chearful Souls.
How *sweet* 'tis after Toil to tast Delight!
Phœbus the Day, but Bacchus rules the Night.
In vain O Coll! would I in artless Verse
Thy *matchless* Worth and thy just Praise rehearse;
How, with thy Presence honour'd, we contemn
The fancied Pleasures of a Diadem,
How at thy sight we triumph, and begin
To feel another soul exult within.
My trifling Muse the *mighty* Theme declines,
And the great Task to abler Hands resigns.
O! could I please like Thee, and make my Song
Clear like *thy Nectar*, like thy Nectar strong!
O'er lofty Philips should *my Verse* prevail
And his *immortal* Cyder* *yield to Ale*.

* Philips' "Cyder" first published in 1708.

O.A. NOTES.

BIRTH.

SAXBY.—On April 25th, to Joan (née Barnett), wife of Ronald C. F. Saxby, a daughter—Shirley.

MARRIAGE.

TINEGATE—LINES.—On May 27th, 1933, Eric Tinegate to Phyllis M. Lines. Address: 319, Bearwood Road, Smethwick.

DEATHS.

LEACH.—on Feb. 23rd, at Binfield, Berks, William Leach, aged 42.

D'ALMAINE.—On March 27th, at Abingdon, Harry George William d'Almaine, F.S.A., Solicitor, aged 72.

SWABEY.—On April 2nd, at Manchester, the Rev. Stephen Swabey, aged 68.

STONE.—On May 7th, at Abingdon, Ambrose Stone, aged 79.

Ambrose Stone was a native of Marcham, where his father carried on the business of maltster. For the following particulars we are indebted to *The North Berks Herald*, from which we quote :—

Educated at Roysse's School from 1863 to 1870, after a short period with Tiptaffs School, Stert Street, he succeeded his father as a maltster in 1885. Removing to Abingdon in 1894, he entered the service of Messrs. Thomas and Sons, maltsters, of Abingdon, as manager and later worked for Mr. J. Fisher Downing until his retirement in January, 1931. In his early days, the late Mr. Stone was a keen sportsman, his chief recreation being hunting and cricket.

H. G. W. d'Almaine, the eldest of the three brothers educated at the School, was the son of the late Mr. H. d'Almaine, who was manager of the old London and County Bank in Abingdon. He joined the School at the beginning of 1871 and left in 1876 to be articled to a firm of solicitors in London. Returning to Abingdon in 1887 he took over the practice of the late Mr. A. D. Bartlett, and from that time to his death remained a resident of his native town.

In 1917 he was co-opted a member of the Borough Council, but resigned that appointment a year later to become Town Clerk in November 1918, in succession to the late Mr. Bromley Challenor, O.A. This office he held for nearly five years, when the strain and multiplicity of post-war work compelled him to relinquish it for reasons of health. He was for many years a Governor of Christ's Hospital, of which he was at one time Master. He was also a prominent Freemason. As an O.A. he took a keen and practical interest in the School, to which he sent both his sons in due course—his elder son, Roy, by his first marriage, who gave his life in the War while serving with the Canadian Expeditionary Force, and his younger son, Rob, by the second marriage, who is now in the Mercantile Marine. In 1913, the

350th anniversary of John Roysse's endowment, he was President of the O.A. Club.

In his younger days he devoted much of his spare time to river sports, camping and touring, on foot or by cycle: likewise to the amateur dramatic stage, where he showed powers as an actor which he retained in his later years. His last public appearance of this sort was in "Scenes from Abingdon History," given in the Corn Exchange in the autumn of 1927, when to those unaware of his earlier successes his presentation of Thomas Pentecost, last Abbot of Abingdon, came as a revelation. Latterly Golf had been a favourite recreation, and he had been a member of the Frilford Heath Club since it was started in 1908. In this connection it is of interest to record that he always claimed to have been responsible (in consultation with J. H. Taylor) for the retention of the present 18th hole at the original lay-out of the course. But perhaps the keenest interest of his later years was in archæology, and it was a great source of satisfaction to his many friends when he was made an F.S.A. in the spring of 1922. His knowledge was especially great in relation to North Berks and the Vale of the White Horse, and few who heard it will forget his public lecture on Wayland Smith's Cave, given in the Corn Exchange in March 1918, when all those who were then at the School had the good fortune to be present.

The Rev. Stephen Swabey was a boy at the School from May 1878 to July 1883, proceeded thence to Pembroke College, Oxford, and after taking his degree returned to the School as a master in January 1888. Both as a boy and afterwards he won athletic distinction, playing Cricket and Rugger for his School and College and excelling in other branches of sport, especially pole-jumping. At Rugger he was a fast three-quarter, and was chosen on several occasions to play for Blackheath. On relinquishing his mastership in 1890 he was ordained at Carlisle Cathedral, and for the rest of his life his clerical duties confined him mostly to the north of England.

William Leach was of a later generation and there will be many among our readers who will remember him well as a schoolfellow and deplore his early death. His period at the School was from September 1902 to July 1909, and the summary of his School record reads as follows :—Prefect, 1908; Colours for Cricket, 1907 (Captain, 1908 and 1909); Colours for Football, 1906; Gymnastics, 1907; Athletics, 1907; Swimming, 1909. After leaving school his reputation as an

athlete was extended over a wider area. In the Olympic Trials at Stamford Bridge in 1912 he accomplished an excellent long jump and in the same year represented the A.A.A. in the long jump v. Cambridge University. His jump of 22 ft. 2 ins. in 1911 for the O.A.C. v. School still stands as our ground record. He excelled also as a sprinter, beating the 100 yards world champion, W. R. Applegarth, in the Old Bracknell Sports in 1912 and winning the 100 yards championship of Reading both in the two following years and again after the War in 1919 and 1920. He was also ranked highly as a footballer and at one time played regularly as an amateur in the Reading forward line.

By profession he was a schoolmaster, and at the time of his death he was Headmaster of Binfield Church of England School, Berks.

During the War he held a commission in the Royal Berkshire Regiment and was awarded the M.C. for gallant conduct on the French front.

He leaves a widow and one son.

We learn, though we can give no details, that R. N. Trye was married about eighteen months ago and is the father of a little daughter; while among those engaged to be married we may include the names of K. T. Wood, H. S. Bartlett, J. H. Bartlett and H. N. Trye.

G. E. Sinclair has been awarded Second Class Honours in Classical Moderations at Oxford.

T. E. Gardiner has been awarded the Cook's Law Prize for the County of Somerset for the year 1931, when he passed the Law Finals with honours.

G. F. Powell passed the Final Examination of the Law Society in November.

It was the Chartered Accountants' Intermediate Examination which S. A. Fabes successfully negotiated, and not that of the Incorporated Accountants and Auditors, as stated in our last issue.

Captain T. M. Layng was ordained deacon last September, and has been appointed Dock Chaplain at Sharpness, Gloucestershire. His address is "The Venns," Sharpness, Berkeley, Glos.

Paymaster-Lieutenant T. T. Theophilus, R.N., has obtained an on-shore appointment as Secretary to the Admiral in Command at Chatham.

R. F. Brown was selected as one of Oxford's two spare men for the Varsity Golf Match this year. Relative to the "Dinner Match" we quote the following from *The Times* :—

As the result of yesterday's play in the Dinner Match at Prince's, Cambridge will have the privilege of paying for the dinner of the Oxford team and their own when the University Match has been decided. Cambridge started well enough, for T. F. B. Law and W. S. Taylor beat R. F. Brown and R. D. Knox in the Foursome, which was played in the morning. In the afternoon, however, Oxford had the better of it, for Brown beat Law, after a great struggle, at the 19th hole, and Knox went even farther, to the 20th before he beat Taylor.

The results were :—

SINGLES.

R. F. Brown (Abingdon and Brasenose, Oxford) beat T. F. B. Law (Cheltenham and Pembroke, Cambridge) at the 19th hole.

R. D. Knox (Shrewsbury and Brasenose, Oxford) beat W. S. Taylor (Pocklington and St. John's, Cambridge) at the 20th hole.

FOURSOME.

T. F. B. Law and W. S. Taylor (Cambridge) beat R. F. Brown and R. D. Knox (Oxford) by 3 and 2.

In the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Inter-Club Competition R. F. Brown was one of the victorious Oxford University B team (four players). His score of 147 (73 and 74) was five strokes better than that of any other competitor. In this competition the Oxford B team beat the Oxford A team.

C. E. H. Dolphin was one of the four playing for the Lincolnshire Regiment, which won the Army Golf Championship. Playing top he won all his matches beating, among others, the former Army Champion.

A. J. A. Watson, putting the weight (16 lbs.) for the Milocarians (Sandhurst, Woolwich and Cranwell "Blues") v. Oxford University on May 13th, beat his own previous best by 13 ins. with a put of 45 ft. 2 ins.

C. A. W. Payne and J. F. Sinclair, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, are now home on holiday from Calcutta.

H. A. N. Medd returned from India in 1931 and is now practising as an architect at 2 Bedford Square, W.C. 1, though still professionally interested in several Indian commissions of a private nature.

H. F. D. Smart writes from South Africa, where he is employed upon a sheep farm at Hillmoor, Steynsburg, Cape Colony.

M. Ogle sailed for Mombassa on April 19th.

R. F. C. Saxby, of the E.T.C., is at the I. and I.C. Beam Station at Bridgwater, engaged upon wireless work. J. D. Lynn Robinson has just left the same station for Durban, and his elder brother, W. Lynn Robinson, has taken his place at Bridgwater.

S. W. Hale has obtained a post with Samuel Budgett & Co., Tea and Coffee specialists of Great Tower Street, E.C.3. His private address is "The Firs," Poynder's Road, Clapham Park, S.W.4.

C. Spalding is working as draughtsman with the Magneta Time Company, Westminster, makers of electrical apparatus.

F. M. Butterfield is in Chichester, completing his electrical experience with a friend of his father's. ("St. Benedict's," Newtown, Chichester.)

H. J. K. Genders, we learn, has obtained a commission in the Essex Regiment, and is now doing a P.T. course at Aldershot, where W. R. A. Kettle is doing the same course.

H. J. Holborow has a post on the Chief Office Staff of the Pearl Assurance Company, and is preparing for the Intermediate Examination of the Chartered Insurance Institute.

O.A. CLUB NOTES.

The following arrangements have been made for Founder's Day etc. :—

Friday, June 23rd. Club Dance at the Crown and Thistle at 8.15 p.m. Tickets 4s.

Saturday, June 24th. Past v. Present Cricket Match, 11.15 a.m. Annual General Meeting of the Club, 6.0 p.m. Club Dinner at the Lion Hotel at 7.30 p.m. Tickets 7s. 6d.

Sunday, June 25th. Golf Competition for the Challenge Cup presented by J. B. Reeves, O.A. Prize presented by the Donor. Optional sweepstake 2s. 6d.

The Cricket team against the School will consist of J. F. Sinclair, G. E. Sinclair, W. W. Brown, R. F. Brown, L. P. Mosdell, S. A. Fabes, W. R. A. Kettle, E. P. Rice, G. A. R. Boyd and two others.

The Secretary will be glad to hear, as soon as possible, from members who want tickets for the Dance.

CRICKET FIXTURES.

FIRST XI.

Wed. May	24	Pembroke College, Oxon	Away
Sat. "	27	Lincoln College, Oxon	Home
Sat. June	3	Leighton Park School	Away
Wed. "	7	Magdalen College School	Away
Sat. "	10	Oxford Exiles	Home
Wed. "	14	Wantage School	Away
Sat. "	17		
Wed. "	21	Bloxham School	Away
Sat. "	24	Old Abingdonians	Home
Wed. "	28	City of Oxford School	Away
Sat. July	1		
Wed. "	5	Magdalen C.S. Brackley	Home
Sat. "	8		

SECOND XI.

Wed. May	31	Dorchester College	Away
Sat. June	3	Leighton Park School	Home
Wed. "	7	Magdalen College School	Home
" "	21	Bloxham School	Home
" "	28	City of Oxford School	Home

UNDER 15 XI.

Sat. May	27	Magdalen C.S. Brackley	Away
Wed. "	31	City of Oxford School	Home
" June	14	Wantage School	Home
Sat. "	17	St. Edward's School	Home
" July	8	City of Oxford School	Away

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