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## SCHOOL NOTES.

We have to thank Mr. E. C. Parker, of Salisbury, for the gift of a fine water-colour picture of the old School. This had once been the property of one David Jenks, who was a pupil at the School nearly 140 years ago and was afterwards Rector of Little Gaddesden, Herts. It had come into Mr. Parker's possession by way of inheritance, an aunt of his father's having married David Jenks in 1815.

With this number of *The Abingdonian* is included a recently-taken photograph of "Waste Court."

D. G. Brown is again Captain of the School and Head of the House. Other School Prefects are : J. Ranger, R. F. W. Andrews, A. R. M. Adams, A. N. Elley and R. P. F. Mills. F. A. Bennett, A. A. Bristow (Waste Court), M. R. T. Cooper, W. J. Head, H. L. G. Livingston, D. E. Mills and D. C. Woolf are Sub-prefects.

D. G. Brown is Captain of Rugger and F. A. Bennett, Hon Sec.

H. A. Lunghi is School Librarian.

The following were awarded Certificates in the July Examinations:—Higher School Certificate, Group I (Classics), A. L. Fleet ; Group II (Mathematics), P. A. D. Jones. School Certificate : F. A. Bennett, E. C. Cann, A. N. Elley, R. Emmett, A. C. Emms, J. A. Fletcher, G. L. Graeme, H. L. Jacob, H. B. King, H. L. G. Livingston, H. A. Lunghi (Honours), D. E. Mills (Honours), D. F. W. Newman, J. Ranger, G. M. Stevens, P. A. Town, E. S. Willey and P. R. Wood.

Distinctions were gained by Lunghi in General Science and Mills in Additional Mathematics. W. J. Head took special papers and gained distinctions in Physics and Chemistry.

We congratulate A. J. Turnham on passing into Woolwich.

Last term Cricket Colours were awarded to R. F. Cox, J. A. Fletcher and D. E. Mills, and 2nd XI Caps to A. R. M. Adams and R. G. James.

The Carr Challenge Cup for Inter-House Cricket was won by Blue House.

The bat for the best batsman in the 1st XI (given by the Masters' Common Room) was awarded to R. F. Cox, and for the best bowler (given by the Headmaster) to R. F. Andrews. The bat for the best fielder in the XI was awarded to D. E. Mills.

Bats presented in memory of the late J. H. Meredith, O.A., were won by M. R. T. Cooper, as the best bowler in the 2nd XI and D. Jones, the best bowler under 15. The two bats given under the will of the late Dr. B. W. Henderson for the best all-rounders under 16 and 15 were won by J. A. Fletcher and P. J. Hill.

D. E. Jarvis won the cricket ball given by Mr. Piper for the boy who kept his cricket boots cleanest during the season.

The Reeves Challenge Cup for Inter-House Shooting was won by Blue House.

A. L. Fleet and D. G. Brown attended the Duke of York's Camp at Littlestone-on-Sea.

P. A. D. Jones and A. L. Fleet are going into residence at Pembroke College, Oxford, this October.

Members of the IVs and other full "Colours" made the annual trip to Henley on the last day of the Regatta.

The *Abingdonian* Committee consists of Mr. G. F. Duxbury (Editor), Mr. E. J. P. Ross Barker (Treasurer and O.A. Correspondent), F. A. Bennett, D. F. W. Newman and H. A. Lunghi.

Bishop Shaw will hold a Confirmation in the School Chapel on Sunday, December 9th, at 3 p.m.

This term ends on Tuesday, December 18th, boarders leaving on the following morning. The Easter term begins on Tuesday, January 15th, boarders returning on the previous day.

We acknowledge with thanks (and apologies for any omissions) the receipt of the following contemporaries:—*The Aluredian*, *The Bracklean*, *The Chigwellian*, *The City of Oxford Magazine*, *The Laxtonian*, *The Leightonian*, *The Lily*, *The Log of the Nautical College*, *Pangbourne*, *The Monktonian*, *The "Worcester" Magazine*.

#### VALETE.

VI FORM.—P. A. D. Jones (1929, iii). School Prefect, 1932—1934; O.S.C., 1930, 1931 with distinction in additional Maths.; H.S.C., 1933, 1934; Pembroke Scholarship (Maths.), 1933; 2nd XV Rugger, 1933; Sergeant, O.T.C., 1932—1934; Cert. "A", 1932; 1st Class Shot; Hon. Secretary, L.S.D.S.; Hon. Treas., A.S.P.S.; *Abingdonian* and Library Committees.

A. L. Fleet (1926, ii). School Prefect, 1932—1934; O.S.C., 1930 and 1931; Third Class Honours with Distinction in Greek, 1931; H.S.C., 1933 and 1934; Pembroke Scholarship (Classics), 1934; 1st XV Rugger, 1933; 2nd XV Colours, 1932; 1st XI Cricket, 1934; 2nd XI Colours, 1933; 2nd IV Rowing Colours, 1933 and 1934; Athletic Half Colours, 1934; Sergeant, O.T.C., 1933, 1934; Certificate "A," 1933; 1st Class Shot; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Games Committee, 1933, 1934. Hon. Treasurer of the L.S.D.S., 1932—1934; *Abingdonian* and Library Committees.

A. J. Turnham (1929, ii). School Prefect, 1933, 1934; O.S.C., 1932; 1st XV Rugger, 1932, 1933; 2nd XV Colours, 1932; 1st XI Cricket, 1931—1933; 1st XI Colours, 1932; 2nd IV Rowing Colours, 1933, 1934; Full Athletic Colours, 1934; Sergeant, O.T.C., 1932—1934; Cert. "A," 1932; 1st Class Shot; Hon. Sec., A.S.P.S.; *Abingdonian* Committee.

I. H. Bosley (1925, iii). School Prefect, 1933, 1934; Honours O.S.C., 1932.

L. E. Carter (1927, iii). Sub-prefect, 1933, 1934; O.S.C., 1933; 2nd XI Cricket, 1933; Full Athletic Colours, 1933.

G. E. H. Warrick (1927, iii). School Prefect, 1933; 1st XV Rugger, 1931—1934; 1st XV Colours, 1933; 1st XI Cricket, 1931—1934; 1st XI Colours, 1932; Athletic Half Colours, 1933; Lee.-Corporal, O.T.C., 1933, 1934; 1st Class Shot.

D. H. Blake (1928, iii). Sub-prefect, 1933, 1934; 1st IV Rowing, 1934; 1st XV Rugger, 1933; 2nd XV Colours, 1933; Lee.-Corporal, O.T.C., 1933; 1st Class Shot.

K. G. Corbett (1930, i). Sub-prefect, 1933; 1st XV Rugger, 1933; 2nd XV Colours, 1933; 1st XI Cricket, 1933 and 1934; 2nd XI Colours, 1933; Athletic Half Colours, 1934; Corporal, O.T.C., 1934; 1st Class Shot.

A. C. Emms (1927, i). Sub-prefect, 1934; O.S.C., 1933, 1934; 2nd XV Rugger, 1933; 2nd XI Cricket, 1933—1934; Corporal, O.T.C., 1934; Cert. "A," 1934; School Librarian.

E. S. Willey (1929, iii). O.S.C., 1933, 1934 ; 1st XV Rugger, 1933 ; 2nd XV Colours, 1933 ; 2nd XI Cricket, 1933, 1934.

R. G. James (1930, iii). O.S.C., 1933 ; 2nd XV Rugger, 1932, 1933 ; 2nd XV Colours, 1933 ; 1st XI Cricket, 1934 ; 2nd IV Rowing Colours, 1934 ; 1st Class Shot ; Hon. Treas., A.S.P.S.

VA FORM.—H. B. King (1931, iii). O.S.C., 1934 ; 2nd XI Cricket, 1933, 1934 ; 1st Class Shot.

G. L. Graeme (1931, iii). O.S.C., 1934 ; 2nd XI Cricket 1933, 1934.

L. C. Smallbone (1928, iii). 2nd XV Rugger, 1932, 1933 ; 2nd XV Colours, 1933 ; 2nd XI Cricket, 1933, 1934.

E. C. Cann (1930, iii). O.S.C. 1934 ; 2nd XV Rugger, 1933 ; 2nd XV Colours, 1933.

W. F. Wiggins (1927, iii), 2nd XV Rugger, 1932, 1933 ; 2nd XV Colours, 1933 ; Lce.-Corporal, O.T.C., 1933 ; 1st Class Shot.

D. R. Thomas (1931, i).

R. F. Cox (1929, iii). 1st XI Cricket, 1933, 1934 ; 1st XI Colours, 1934 ; 2nd XV Rugger, 1933, 1st Class Shot.

R. A. Woodley (1929, iii). 2nd XV Rugger, 1933.

VB FORM.—P. L. Beckett (1931, iii). 2nd XV, 1933.

T. H. A. Gill (1930, iii).

III FORM.—L. B. King (1932, i).

#### SALVETE.

VB FORM.—R. E. Brodie, L. J. D. Hutchinson, D. E. Roberts.

REMOVE FORM.—J. W. Greening.

III FORM.—H. B. Bailey, W. H. Beaton, J. Calvert-Fisher, T. C. Davies, P. C. Goddard, R. Goodey, J. A. M. Green, A. P. Head, J. P. Mosdell, G. S. Moss, J. H. Oliver, C. J. Reenan, K. G. Walker, E. Barrett, D. T. Nadin.

II FORM.—J. R. Andrew, B. Arundale, T. J. Basford, M. Hedger, J. H. Hill, M. G. H. Holt, G. M. Mundy, D. E. Smith.

#### FOUNDER'S DAY.

Founder's Day was celebrated on Friday, June 22nd in fine, if somewhat windy, weather and there was the customary large gathering of parents, Old Boys and friends of the School. The service in St. Helen's Church was conducted by the Rev. G. R. Palmer (Vicar of Marcham and School

Chaplain) and the preacher this year was the Rev. H. A. Kennedy, formerly, for many years Vicar of Abingdon. Miss I. Sheldon Peach was at the organ and the anthem "Lead Kindly Light" was sung by the Choir.

Mr. Kennedy took as the text for his Sermon, "Young men shall see visions and old men shall dream dreams," and on this theme he based an address of real interest, raising many questions that must be faced to-day, in his brief survey of the changing conditions of the last fifty years. The characteristic of the Victorian age was its security and solidity. Criticism of the social organisation was regarded as both unnecessary and undesirable, but towards the close of the last century, criticism began to be freely expressed not only of social conditions but of the established political institutions and religion. In the pre-war and post-war years the wave of criticism had steadily increased in volume until it sometimes seemed that the chief feature of the present generation was its scepticism and instability. While older men and women might prefer to make their dreams of the past, the younger generation had to see visions of the future and it was for them a heavy but unavoidable responsibility to make a definite decision on vital questions both moral, religious and political, instead of drifting along an aimless course of doubt and uncertainty. Perhaps the atheism of the man who honestly regarded belief in God as a barrier to human progress was to be preferred to the indifference and insincerity of the merely nominal believer in God.

To Mrs. C. R. Scott we offer our thanks for providing the customary wreath on John Roysse's tomb.

After the Service the Prize Distribution took place in the Corn Exchange. The Warden of St. Edward's School presented the prizes and with him on the platform were the Headmaster, the Rev. H. A. Kennedy, the Rev. H. E. Salter, and Messrs. W. Brewer and W. A. Rudd.

Reviewing the School's activities during the past year, the Headmaster said that the results of the examinations were satisfactory on the whole. In the realm of sport five new records were established in the Athletic Sports, the 'Under 15' Rugby team was undefeated, the Rowing Crews were quite successful and the Cricket team shewed promise of a successful season. Among the Old Boys E. G. Langford had won the Buchanan Prize at Lincoln's Inn, and C. E. H. Dolphin had been appointed to the Staff of the R.M.C. Sandhurst. R. F. Brown

had won his golf "blue" at Oxford, L. P. Mosdell won the quarter mile in the Berkshire Championship meeting and W. B. Badcock established a new ground record in the O.A. Sports with a high jump of 5ft. 5½ins. Next he referred to the great loss the School had sustained by the death of Lord Faringdon, the Chairman of the Governing Body. He had held that office since 1927, and without his clear-sighted ability, generosity and real personal interest the great extension and improvements that had been carried out in his Chairmanship would not have been possible. Finally he expressed the thanks of the School to Mr. J. B. Reeves, O.A., for the waterproof roller-awning covering the fives court.

The prizes were then presented by the Warden of St. Edward's School, as follows :—

VIA : Classics, Meredith Latin and Greek Proses, A. L. Fleet ; Mathematics, P. A. D. Jones ; Physics and Chemistry, A. J. Turnham.

VIB : Classics, G. E. H. Warrick ; Mathematics, F. A. Bennett ; Physics, A. C. Emms ; Chemistry, W. J. Head.

VI : Divinity, A. L. Fleet ; Modern History, D. C. Woolf ; English, D. E. Mills ; Thomas Layng Reading Prize, A. L. Fleet.

VA : English and Divinity, H. A. Lunghi ; Latin, H. L. Jacob ; French, D. F. W. Newman ; Mathematics and History, H. L. G. Livingston ; Science, R. G. James ; Greek, E. C. Cann ; Singing Prize, R. Emmett ; Senior Art Prize, H. B. King.

VB : French, S. K. Muir ; English and History, W. G. Smith ; Divinity, D. B. West ; Latin and Science, R. E. Bowman ; Mathematics, G. V. Bayley ; Greek, D. Jones ; Pianoforte Prize, S. K. Muir.

REMOVE : History and French, R. Hedger ; Divinity, A. Beaton ; Mathematics, R. Goodey ; Latin and Greek, R. Hedger ; Science, F. N. T. Campion.

III : History and Divinity, J. W. D. Downie ; Latin and French, C. G. Carter ; Mathematics, G. J. James ; Science, L. L. Bernthal.

II : Divinity, A. F. Cowley ; French, W. M. Potter ; Mathematics N. J. Holmes ; Nature Study, J. H. Higgs ; Handwriting, J. N. F. Andrews.

In his speech which followed the distribution of the prizes the Warden gave a delightful blend of humour and practical advice. After apologising for his presence as deputy for the Earl of Abingdon, he pointed out how every school depended on the confidence and trust of parents, and while each

parent hoped for the success of his or her son belief and trust in the School was essential. To the boys he pointed out the necessity of moral courage as a solid foundation for their lives. They should never despise knowledge ; though learning might sometimes seem dull there was real happiness in learning to devote themselves to a cause, using all their powers for a definite purpose, which they could find first in their school and later for the world outside.

The ceremony closed with cheers for the Rev. H. A. Kennedy, the Warden of St. Edward's School, the Headmaster and Miss Grundy.

The Company then adjourned to the School for the customary "At Home" held by Mr. and Miss Grundy. Owing to a strong breeze the tea tables were set out on Waste Court and the innovation proved so successful that it is hoped the precedent will be followed in future years. Music was provided by the City of Oxford Band and during tea a squad under the direction of Sergt.-Instructor Eyre gave a very smart display of physical drill.

The School buildings were open to inspection by the visitors, an exhibition of scientific apparatus and experiments was on view in the Chemistry Laboratory and demonstrations were given in the Woodwork Shop.

Donors of prizes, to whom we offer our best thanks, were :—Dr. H. S. Challenor, M.D., Miss I. Sheldon Peach, Messrs. S. R. Benson, N. Duncan, W. M. Grundy, J. Knowles, R. W. Langford, W. T. Morland, J. H. Morrell, A. E. Preston, E. J. P. Ross-Barker (President O.A. Club), H. P. Simpson and T. Skurray.

## REGATTA.

The Regatta was held as usual on the Thursday before Founder's Day, June 21st. It is just conceivable that the weather could have been worse ; there was a cold wind and rain for most of the afternoon, but if conditions had a damping effect upon the spectators, the spirits of the competitors appeared unquenchable. Most of them contrived to submerge themselves at an early stage of the programme and still survive the afternoon without any ill-effects. This year Canoes were substituted for Dongolas in the senior event and in very few heats did all the starters finish. Blue House turned out a very strong crew to win the House Fours from Red House by a small margin, and it was encouraging

to see quite good Fours, both First and Second, put on by all the Houses.

Finally we offer our thanks to Miss Grundy and her helpers who provided us with tea, which was served in the Boat House, where the new floor had an opportunity of proving its worth for the first time.

The results of the races were as follows :—

Junior Pairs : M. H. Holme, G. A. D. Baker, D. B. West (cox).

Senior Pairs : J. Ranger, A. J. Turnham, G. M. Stevens (cox).

Canoes : D. G. Brown, O. E. Clarke.

Dongola : R. E. Bowman, J. M. Viney, M. H. Wheat, P. H. Wooster.

House First Fours : Blue House 1, J. Ranger (bow), R. G. James, A. R. M. Adams, A. J. Turnham, Str., J. A. Fletcher, cox. Red House 2.

House Second Fours : Red House 1, E. A. Joseph (bow), H. L. G. Livingston, G. M. Stevens, R. Emmett, Str., H. A. Lunghi, cox. Blue House 2.

#### CRICKET 1934.

A pleasant season was enjoyed in 1934 and the record was satisfactory ; four matches were won, three drawn and two lost. Although these results were not quite so striking as those of the previous year, the team was almost up to last year's standard, and in fact its composition was very largely the same. Laybourne and Simpson were naturally missed, but in some compensation R. F. W. Andrews and Cox, to mention two particularly, had improved immensely, useful though they had been the previous season. The difference was in the bowling, which was weaker ; Turnham who, with Simpson had taken many wickets in 1933, found himself unable to be so effective on the invariably dry wickets last season, but it was certainly a batsman's year, and the bowlers were not given any help from the hard wickets. The fielding again reached an excellent standard and was always keen ; we will not mention any that were especially good, as this would involve naming two-thirds of the team, suffice it to say that D. E. Mills thoroughly deserved the Fielding Prize, and he held some magnificent catches.

Three of the four victories were against other Schools, and the three best matches were perhaps the victories over Bloxham School and Leighton Park School, and the drawn game against the Old Boys. Against Bloxham we batted first and scored 143 for seven wickets, when Turnham made

a well-judged declaration ; this was the first match in which Andrews showed his true form and he made a splendid 50 before being run out, while Cox played one of his many invaluable first wicket innings, scoring 34 and not being out until 110 was on the board. When Bloxham went in D. E. Mills showed his best bowling form and did a splendid performance in taking 6 wickets for 34 ; he and Turnham bowled unchanged for most of the innings and Bloxham were all out for 71, so that we gained a most satisfactory victory. The Leighton Park match was possibly the best achievement of the season, in that we had to face a fairly formidable total when we went in to bat, with not a great deal of time in which to get the runs, but quite enough time in which to be all out if our batting was not sufficiently resolute. Leighton Park batted first and had every reason to be satisfied with their score of 162 ; our bowling was steady and Andrews (3 for 36), Warrick (3 for 28) and Fleet (2 for 14) all did well. We had less than a hundred minutes in which to get the runs, and when Mills was well caught with only one run scored, it seemed possible that we might have our backs to the wall ; Cox and Andrews took the score to 45 and then we saw a real match-winning partnership between Andrews and Warrick, which put the issue beyond doubt. It is not very often that we have a partnership producing over a hundred runs, but these two in a partnership of 114 runs for the third wicket took the score to 159 ; it was a pity that they could not have made the winning hit together, but to all intents and purposes they had won the match between them, and our victory by seven wickets against such a good total as 162 was most meritorious. Andrews, who made 75, was in his best form, which meant that he was hitting the ball confidently and gracefully, and Warrick (58 not out) backed him up admirably. The Old Boys match has always produced an excellent game in recent years, and this year was no exception ; although it ended in a draw, it was certainly one of the best matches, and like the Leighton Park match, it showed the School's ability to make a good reply to a formidable total. The Old Boys are always strong in batting, and they made a particularly good start ; after having only four wickets down for 162, they finally made the somewhat grim score of 233. G. E. Sinclair was the chief thorn in the School's flesh with a lusty innings of 83 (and even then only "run out") and R. Taylor scored 47. The School, however, were undaunted and made an

admirable score in reply ; Cox and Mills made a steady start, until a disaster occurred at 19, when Mills was most unluckily run out. Andrews, however, came in to play a fine innings, and he and the rock-like Cox took the score to 88, when Andrews was caught and bowled for 49 ; he deserved his fifty. There was a little wavering now ; Warrick, after starting steadily was unexpectedly bowled at 102, and Turnham was unfortunately out immediately afterwards, so that 87 for 1 wicket had become 102 for 4. This was the crisis of the game, and if another wicket had fallen soon we might have been in a difficult position ; but the imperturbable Cox was still there, and he and Fletcher averted the possible danger in an exceedingly useful partnership of 49, taking the score to 151 for 4, at which point stumps were drawn. Cox's innings (38 not out) was invaluable ; he defied every attack with the utmost calmness and had apparently taken root, while Fletcher treated us to some splendid off-drives. His score of 26 not out contained six fours. Curiously enough, the match immediately following that against the Old Boys was the only disappointing game of the season ; this was against Magdalen College School, Brackley, and while giving all credit to our opponents for their victory, we feel it was a game which should have been won and not lost by us. The School did not make the most of their opportunities or properly press home their advantage after having dismissed Magdalen for 77 runs. Coming just after the Old Boys' match, and remembering the high scoring then, it certainly did not seem as though a total of 77 would be beyond our powers to pass. There was no hint of disaster at the start of our innings, for Cox and Mills put on 42 for the first wicket, and at this point it seemed most unlikely that we should fail to win ; but cricket is a curious game, full of unexpected turns, and some of these we were destined to experience. Something of a collapse followed, and 42 for 1 became 56 for 6 ; even then all was by no means lost, for Fletcher and Luker took the score to 73 before Luker was out. 73 for seven wickets and 78 spelt victory ; a boundary and a single would settle it, but it was not to be, and we were all out for 74. This was a tantalising game and perhaps a shade of over confidence brought about our downfall ; it is quite possible that we might have done better if Magdalen had made a larger score. Mills bowled well in taking four wickets for 22, and Fleet took 3 for 16.

As regards our other victories, the Staff were

well satisfied when they had amassed a total of 130, nearly fifty runs more than they had made in the previous year ; when they took the field, an early wicket was taken with the score at 6, but their hopes were then most cruelly dashed by the inevitable Cox—rock-like in defence—and Andrews, who settled matters in a way that admitted of no argument by taking the score to 148 ; Cox was stumped when he had made 50 and Andrews, batting splendidly, gain a well-deserved century (114 not out). The matches against Leighton Park School (already mentioned) and Wantage School made two good wins to end the season. Wantage batted fairly steadily and made 98 ; Turnham, if he had not been especially effective during the season, met with welcome success in his last match for the School, and took four wickets for 19, and Warrick with his fast-medium bowling took 3 for 30. We never really appeared in danger of defeat, though Cox, Mills and Andrews were all out for 56 ; Mills had batted well in making 20 and was unlucky to be finely caught off a good stroke. Warrick and Fletcher then won the game for us in a good partnership of 53, taking the score to 109, so that we won by seven wickets ; we finally made 144, and Warrick, who found his batting form at the end of the season, scored 45, getting 103 runs for once out in his last two innings. The season thus closed on a satisfactory note for an XI which had been distinctly strong in batting ; it must be a long time (if ever) since as many as 384 runs (for only 14 wickets) were scored in the Old Boys' Match, while in the Leighton Park match 328 runs were made, also for 14 wickets, our own share being 166 for 4.

Turnham was an enthusiastic and hard-working Captain ; the dry wickets did not suit his bowling and he was inclined to bowl short, but he always stuck to his work and captained the team well. He had two good matches in bowling, taking 5 wickets for 51 against the Common Room, and 4 wickets for 19 against Wantage School, and he set the team a good example in fielding. His score of 30 against Magdalen College School, Oxford, was a real Captain's innings and undoubtedly saved the game for us. Andrews was an efficient deputy as Captain during Turnham's absence in the second half of the season ; as a batsman he showed splendid form and more than maintained his improvement of the previous year. With his added advantage of height and strength he always played with great confidence, hitting the ball

firmly and making his strokes in excellent style ; he had four particularly good innings, already mentioned, and his record of 330 runs in 9 innings (once not out) speaks for itself. In bowling, too, he showed great improvement, always pitching the ball up well and coming fast off the ground ; besides taking wickets, he was not easy to score off and almost always managed to keep the runs down. He was naturally an invaluable member of the team. Cox also continued to show in the 1st XI the fine and consistent form we had seen in the " Under 15 " team the previous year ; he showed a calm front to every variety of attack, and when set (which did not take long) his defence seemed to be almost impregnable. He made an admirable opening batsman and was most consistent in his scoring ; he also kept wicket very usefully in the last two matches, thus allowing Warrick to cause some damage as a bowler. Fletcher made a most promising start with scores of 35 and 39 in the first two matches, and though he did not quite keep it up, he made some very useful scores later in the season, especially against the Old Boys and Wantage School ; in each of these matches he came in to bat at a time when things might have gone badly if another wicket had fallen quickly. He has a good style and is especially effective in his play on the off, making good use of his wrists ; he was out too often leg-before-wicket owing to his tendency to try and turn the ball on the leg-stump, instead of playing it in front of the wicket. If he can get rid of this weakness he should make a great many runs next season. He was a good fielder with a neat and accurate return, and his bowling was useful, but apt to be expensive ; like Turnham, his bowling suffered from the dry wickets, and on a damper pitch he would be able to turn the ball more. Warrick again kept wicket extremely well, and has rendered great service as the School's wicket-keeper for three seasons ; he did not make many runs during the first half of the season, which was a little disappointing ; but he suddenly found his form with innings of 58 not out and 45 in the last two School matches ; in these two matches also he resigned his wicket-keeping gloves and bowled with success, taking three wickets in each game ; his fast-medium bowling would always have been useful to us if it had not been for the fact that he was our wicket-keeper. D. E. Mills was a valuable all-round member of the team ; with Cox he made a good opening batsman, and he played several extremely useful innings, while he was very unlucky on three

or four occasions in the manner of his dismissal, being either run out or very well caught off a good stroke. His analysis of six wickets for 34 against Bloxham was excellent, and his best all-round match was against Magdalen College School, Brackley, when he took 4 wickets for 22 and made 29 (run out). As already mentioned, his fielding was exceedingly good. Fleet was a reliable change-bowler, and was generally steady, keeping a good length ; though it was generally late in the innings that he took his wickets, his full analysis of 13 wickets for 130 runs was good. Brown and Luker, who both fielded well, are both natural hitters with a good eye ; it had been hoped that Luker would have made more runs than he did, but both of them might have scored more with more opportunities to bat, for on various occasions all the necessary runs had been scored by the first half of the batting order.

The 2nd XI had most of their matches scratched for various reasons ; Cooper was the best bowler and might have been considered for the 1st XI if he had not been troubled by a strain to his arm. Adams and Hill were the most successful of the batsmen.

The " Under 15 " team were rather young this year, about half of them being under 14, and there were no outstanding players to help them such as Cox and Fletcher last year. The chief weakness was a great lack of judgment over running between the wickets, and far too many wickets were thrown away through being run out ; the match against Magdalen College School, Brackley, was lost entirely owing to this, for we lost by 7 runs and no fewer than four batsmen were run out. The bowling was quite steady, and Hill, Harfield, Baker and Jones (vi) all did well, each taking ten wickets or more for twelve runs apiece or less. The batting was however rather unreliable and was by no means up to the standard of the bowling ; Bowman was the most successful batsman, scoring 93 runs in five innings. Undoubtedly the best batting total of the team was against Leighton Park School when 123 runs were made, Baker playing well for 36 not out, while Bowman made 25 and Hill 18, and the match was only lost three minutes before time. We were largely indebted to Bowman for our victory over Wantage School, as he made 42 out of our total of 77 ; Wantage were dismissed for 58, Hill taking 5 wickets for 16 runs, and proving himself the best all-rounder of the side. The fielding of one or two players could have been improved, but the general standard

was very fair, and Emmett and Paige were conspicuously good.

## FIRST ELEVEN MATCHES.

*v.* R. M. Salberg's XI, home, May 23rd. Lost by 5 wickets.

## R. M. SALBERG'S XI.

J. H. Hopkins, c Andrews, b Turnham..	16
J. Montagnon, b Turnham.....	44
R. A. Daniell, b Mills.....	14
D. J. Fink, not out.....	52
F. Deelman, b Fleet.....	31
J. L. Keeling, c Warrick, b Fleet.....	1
R. M. Salberg, J. W. Sawtell, T. J. Williams, D. Hughes and F. J. Cornish did not bat.....	
Extras.....	4

Total (for 5 wickets declared).. 162

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Mills, st Fink, b Deelman.....	15
Cox, st Fink, b Hopkins.....	31
R. F. W. Andrews, b Sawtell.....	6
G. E. H. Warrick, ct Williams, b Salberg	10
Fletcher, lbw., b Sawtell.....	35
A. J. Turnham, c sub., b Hopkins.....	7
Brown, b Sawtell.....	17
Corbett, b Williams.....	1
Luker, c Fink, b Williams.....	0
Graeme, not out.....	0
Fleet, b Williams.....	0
Extras.....	16
Total.....	138

*v.* Pembroke College, home, May 26th. Drawn. (Last year : won by 3 wickets).

## PEMBROKE COLLEGE.

Pecover, lbw., b Turnham.....	21
Swann, b Andrews.....	13
Sinclair, b Andrews.....	8
Collins, run out.....	0
Sherwin, lbw., b Fleet.....	34
Hill, b Fletcher.....	1
Spearman, c and b Mills.....	25
White, b Mills...	0
Cartmell, b Turnham.....	24
MacGregor, c Mills, b Fleet.....	9
Harger, not out.....	0
Extras.....	6
Total.....	141

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Cox, lbw., b Swann.....	29
Mills, c Sherwin, b Swann.....	1
R. F. W. Andrews, c Pecover, b Sinclair	8
G. E. H. Warrick, b Sinclair.....	0
Fletcher, lbw., b Swann.....	39
A. J. Turnham, b Swann.....	5
Brown, b Collins.....	6
Corbett, b Collins.....	0
Luker, c Sinclair, b Swann.....	1
Graeme, not out.....	0
Fleet, not out.....	0
Extras.....	11
Total (for 9 wickets).....	100
Swann, 5 for 23.	

*v.* Bloxham School, away, June 2nd. Won by 3 wickets. (Last year : no match).

## BLOXHAM SCHOOL.

Florey, b Mills.....	11
Scott, b Turnham.....	6
Dundas, b Mills.....	4
White, c Warrick, b Mills.....	5
Stark, run out.....	23
Allen, lbw., b Turnham.....	1
Lee, not out.....	7
Dunkerley, c and b Mills.....	0
Bartlett, c and b Mills.....	2
Taylor, c Warrick, b Mills.....	4
Falconer, c Warrick, b Fletcher.....	1
Extras.....	7
Total.....	71
Mills, 6 for 34.	

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Cox c Florey, b Bartlett.....	34
Mills, b Florey.....	13
R. F. W. Andrews, run out.....	50
G. E. H. Warrick, c Lee, b Florey.....	12
Fletcher, run out.....	2
Luker, not out.....	1
Brown, lbw., Florey.....	0
A. J. Turnham, b Florey.....	7
Fleet, James and Corbett did not bat	
Extras.....	24
Total (for 7 wickets declared)	143
Florey, 4 for 22.	



v. M.C.S. Oxford, home, June 6th. Drawn.  
(Last year : drawn.)

## M.C.S. OXFORD.

R. E. Munsey, b Turnham.....	0
A. J. Greenwood, run out.....	5
D. F. Walker, run out.....	20
E. D. Carter, b Fleet.....	23
G. R. Pate, c Cox, b Andrews.....	20
S. Pether, b Turnham.....	58
F. M. Hughes, b Mills.....	45
G. J. Glanville, not out.....	30
F. I. H. H. Wood, not out.....	10
A. H. Waddams and J. H. Austin did not bat.....	
Extras.....	8

Total (for 7 wickets declared) 219

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Cox, c Pate, b Walker.....	3
Mills, b Pether.....	8
R. F. W. Andrews, b Glanville.....	6
G. E. H. Warrick, c Munsey, b Pether..	15
Fletcher, c Pate, b Glanville.....	6
A. J. Turnham, c Hughes, b Glanville...	30
Brown, lbw., b Pether.....	4
Corbett, not out.....	8
Luker, c Glanville, b Pether.....	0
James, not out.....	1
Fleet did not bat.....	
Extras.....	7

Total (for 8 wickets)..... 88

S. Pether, 4 for 24.

v. Common Room, home, June 9th. Won by  
5 wickets. (Last year : won by 3 wickets.)

## COMMON ROOM.

J. B. E. Alston, c Cox, b Turnham.....	23
W. M. Grundy, c Warrick, b Turnham..	0
W. A. Rudd, c Warrick, b Mills.....	1
W. Bevir, b Turnham.....	14
G. R. Palmer, b Andrews.....	11
R. C. Bateman, b Fletcher.....	32
J. W. Piper, b Turnham.....	1
H. N. Bradbrooke, st Warrick, b Fleet..	16
D. E. Morgan, c Fletcher, b Turnham...	4
S. G. Stevens, not out.....	18
H. M. Gray, b Mills.....	2
Extras.....	8

Total..... 130

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Cox, st J. W. Piper, b G. R. Palmer.....	50
Corbett, b W. Bevir.....	3
R. F. W. Andrews, not out.....	114
G. E. H. Warrick, c R. C. Bateman, b W. Bevir.....	0
A. J. Turnham, b W. Bevir.....	3
Fletcher, lbw., b J. B. E. Alston.....	1
Mills, not out.....	8
Brown, Luker, James and Fleet did not bat.....	
Extras.....	7

Total (for 5 wickets)..... 186

R. F. W. Andrews played a magnificent innings  
for the second time this season.

v. O.A.C.C., home, June 23rd. Drawn. (Last  
year : lost by 8 wickets.)

## O.A.C.C.

S. A. Fabes, b Andrews.....	27
R. Taylor, c and b Mills.....	47
L. P. Mosdell, b Mills.....	33
G. E. Sinclair, run out.....	83
W. W. Brown, lbw., b Turnham.....	0
H. R. Lansdown, b Andrews.....	6
M. N. Laybourne, b Fletcher.....	6
R. F. Brown, c Corbett, b Fleet.....	13
G. A. R. Boyd, run out.....	6
H. A. L. Donkin, not out.....	7
W. D. Price, b Fleet.....	0
Extras.....	5

Total..... 233

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Cox, not out.....	38
Mills, run out.....	9
R. F. W. Andrews, c and b Fabes.....	49
G. E. H. Warrick, b W. Brown.....	9
A. J. Turnham, lbw., b W. Brown.....	0
Fletcher, not out.....	26
Brown, Corbett, Luker, James and Fleet did not bat.....	
Extras.....	20

Total (for 4 wickets)..... 151

Fletcher and Cox were awarded 1st XI Colours  
after the match.

v. M.C.S. Brackley, away, June 30th. Lost by  
3 runs. (Last year : won by 3 wickets.)

## M.C.S. BRACKLEY.

G. R. Shepherd, lbw., b Andrews.....	3
G. H. Bradley, c Corbett, b Fletcher....	25
Husein, b Mills.....	4
F. Blencowe, st Warrick, b Fletcher....	6
H. Champion, lbw., b Fleet.....	6
S. Tompkins, b Fleet.....	2
Lloyd, c Corbett, b Fleet.....	1
George, c Fletcher, b Mills.....	3
Beck, b Mills.....	4
Usher, not out.....	4
E. Blencowe, b Mills.....	11
Extras.....	8
Total.....	77

Mills, 4 for 22 ; Fleet, 3 for 15.

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

R. F. Cox, b Bradley.....	9
Mills, run out.....	29
R. F. W. Andrews, c F. Blencowe, b Bradley.....	3
G. E. H. Warrick, lbw., b Bradley.....	2
J. A. Fletcher, b Bradley.....	12
Brown, c Bradley, b Champion.....	3
Corbett, b Champion.....	0
Luker, b Bradley.....	6
Fleet, lbw., b Bradley.....	0
Adams, b Blencowe.....	1
James, not out.....	0
Extras.....	9

Total..... 74

G. H. Bradley, 6 for 16.

v. Leighton Park School, home, July 4th. Won  
by 6 wickets. (Last year : won by 7 wickets.)

## LEIGHTON PARK.

G. Bowser, c Adams, b Warrick.....	29
D. Hoyland, b Warrick.....	25
N. Moore, lbw., b Fleet.....	13
T. S. Maw, b Fleet.....	6
J. A. Ainslie, c Adams, b Andrews.....	20
J. E. Robson, b Andrews.....	0
D. G. Jones, b Fletcher.....	25
W. W. Burgon, b Warrick.....	15
P. E. Cadbury, b Andrews.....	9
B. A. Haughton, b Fletcher.....	11
R. A. Goodbody, not out.....	2
Extras.....	7
Total.....	162

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

R. F. Cox, b Ainslie.....	12
Mills, c Maw, b Burgon.....	1
R. F. W. Andrews, lbw., b Goodbody....	75
G. H. E. Warrick, not out.....	58
J. A. Fletcher, lbw., b Burgon.....	5
Brown, Corbett, Luker, Fleet, Adams and James did not bat.....	
Extras.....	15

Total (for 4 wickets)..... 166

v. Wantage School, home, July 11th. Won by  
46 runs. (Last year : won by 12 runs.)

## WANTAGE SCHOOL.

K. G. Walker, b Andrews.....	5
W. J. Kearrell, b Turnham.....	16
C. F. Brooke-Smith, b Andrews.....	25
M. F. H. Fox, c Fletcher, b Warrick....	3
P. Heading, c Cox, b Mills.....	6
A. G. Cadel, c Mills, b Turnham.....	28
V. T. G. Liles, c Luker, b Turnham.....	0
M. I. Disney, c Luker, b Turnham.....	0
W. C. Carter, lbw., b Warrick.....	0
I. O. Platt, not out.....	2
W. I. Fuller, c and b Warrick.....	7
Extras.....	6

Total..... 98

Turnham, 4 for 19.

## ABINGDON SCHOOL.

R. F. Cox, c Walker, b Liles.....	8
Mills, c and b Heading.....	20
R. F. W. Andrews, lbw., b Liles.....	19
G. E. H. Warrick, b Liles.....	45
J. A. Fletcher, b Liles.....	15
A. J. Turnham, lbw., b Heading.....	0
Corbett, b Heading.....	0
Brown, c Disney, b Liles.....	19
Adams, lbw., b Heading.....	0
Luker, b Heading.....	11
Fleet, not out.....	0
Extras.....	7

Total..... 144

## FIRST ELEVEN CHARACTERS.

A. J. Turnham. 1st XI Colours 1932, 1933, 1934. He was an enthusiastic Captain and set a good example in the field. As a bowler he sent down some excellent balls, but was not so consistent as last year and was inclined to pitch short.

He could not make the ball turn enough on the dry wickets, but bowled very well against the Common Room and against Wantage School. Though he did not make many runs, his innings of 30 against Magdalen College School, Oxford, undoubtedly saved that match for us.

R. F. W. Andrews. 1st XI Colours 1933, 1934. Showed great improvement as a batsman and played some fine innings, batting confidently and in an attractive style. He also bowled with great zest, and his well-pitched up fast-medium deliveries, coming quickly off the ground, kept the runs down and were always likely to take wickets. A keen and good fielder.

G. E. H. Warrick. 1st XI Colours 1932, 1933, 1934. Kept wicket remarkably well throughout the season. In his batting he was rather disappointing at first, but improved towards the end and made two very good scores.

R. F. Cox. 1st XI Colours 1934. Kept up an extremely steady average throughout the season. His strong defence was just what we required. His fielding was good, and he was also very useful as a wicket-keeper when Warrick was bowling.

J. A. Fletcher. 1st XI Colours 1934. Has a good style and made some very useful scores, but he should be careful to avoid getting out lbw. His fielding was excellent and he was a useful change bowler.

D. E. Mills. 1st XI Colours 1934. Though he had bad luck in his batting he played steadily throughout the season. His bowling was good, his best success being at Bloxham when he took six wickets for 34 runs. An excellent fielder.

Brown. 2nd XI Colours 1932, 1933, 1934. A very keen player but was rather erratic in his batting and should have more control over the ball. His fielding was good.

Fleet. 2nd XI Colours 1933, 1934. Although his batting was not good, he was a steady change bowler and took many useful wickets, keeping a good length. His fielding was rather mediocre.

Luker. 2nd XI Colours 1933, 1934. Was also rather erratic in his batting, but his fielding was really excellent and he had an extremely good throw-in.

Corbett. 2nd XI Colours 1933, 1934. Was a little disappointing in his batting. His fielding, however, was very good.

James. 2nd XI Colours 1934. Was a new-comer whose batting was not very good, but he was keen. He should be more confident; but he did not have a great many opportunities of batting in matches.

## SECOND ELEVEN MATCHES.

*v.* Magdalen College School, Oxford, on Wednesday, June 6th. Away. Lost. M.C.S., 241 for 4. Abingdon School 42. (Last year: scratched.)

The School batted first and compiled the meagre total of 42, of which Hill scored 21. Owen took 8 wickets for 27 runs. Magdalen replied with 241 for 4 wickets, Barnes being not out 112. Cooper took 3 wickets for 49 runs.

*v.* Leighton Park School, on Wednesday, June 20th. Away. Lost. L.P.S., 169 for 9 dec. Abingdon School, 87. (Last year: lost.)

Leighton batted until tea, declaring their innings closed at 169 for 9 wickets, Goodbody scoring 51. James took 3 wickets for 29 and Emms 2 for 22. Apart from Adams who made 44, the School batting was weak and the last wicket fell at 87 soon after extra time.

The following played for the Second XI: R. G. James (Capt.), A. R. M. Adams, A. C. Emms, E. S. Willey, M. R. T. Cooper, H. B. King, M. H. Holme, D. C. Woolf, G. L. Graeme, P. J. Hill, P. J. Woolf, L. C. Smallbone.

## "UNDER 15" MATCHES.

*v.* Magdalen College School, Brackley, Wednesday, May 23rd. Home. Lost. M.C.S., 50. Abingdon School, 43. (Last year: won.)

M.C.S. batted first compiling a fair total, Usher scoring 28. No one, in the School, succeeded in reaching double figures; also the last three wickets were lost rather cheaply. The School bowling was quite good—Harfield took 4 for 16, and Baker 3 for 11.

*v.* City of Oxford School, Wednesday, May 30th. Away. Lost. C.O.S., 148. Abingdon School, 57. (Last year: won.)

C.O.S. batted first and played a good innings, scoring steadily and rapidly. The School started fairly well, Hill making 22, and Smith 12, but the last five wickets fell for 10 runs.

*v.* City of Oxford School, Saturday, June 16th. Home. Lost. C.O.S., 80. Abingdon School, 49. (Return match.)

C.O.S. batted first, making a fair score, Robins making the good score of 44, and Hunt 21. When the School batted, the start was rather poor, but the last few batsmen made an effort after the score had remained almost unchanged for 4 wickets.

v. St. Edward's School, Saturday, June 30th. Home. Lost. St. Edward's School, 190 for 8. Abingdon School 59. (Last year: no match.)

St. Edward's School batted first, making an excellent total, to which Hollis and Bradyll both contributed 40. The School started quite well, Bowman making 20 and Emmett 12. After this the wickets fell rapidly, no one scoring double figures.

v. Leighton Park School, Wednesday, July 4th. Away. Lost. Leighton Park School, 152 for 3. Abingdon School, 123. (Last year: no match.)

Leighton Park batted first, Thomas playing a magnificent innings of 118, and Richard 28. The School made a good start, Bowman making 25 and Smith, 10. They were then backed up by Hill, who made 18, and Baker who played a good innings of 36 not out. After this the wickets fell rapidly, only 9 runs being scored during the fall of the last five wickets.

v. Wantage School. Away. Won. Abingdon School, 77. Wantage School, 58. (Last year: won.)

Abingdon School batted first, and Bowman and Hill put up a very good second-wicket partnership, Bowman making 42 and Hill 19. With the score at 74 for 4, the School allowed the remaining 6 wickets to fall for 3 runs. Hill took 5 wickets for 16 runs. Wantage batted quite steadily; Lagget took 5 wickets for 2 runs and Geary 4 for 13.

The following played for the "Under 15" XI: P. J. Hill (Capt.), R. E. Bowman, W. G. Smith, R. Emmett, G. A. D. Baker, D. Jones, J. N. Paige, J. O. Bury, R. Goodey, H. H. Whitfield, V. A. Harfield, J. M. Viney, P. H. Wooster, C. G. Carter, D. Pimm.

### TENNIS.

What we may now describe as the Annual Tennis Match between Masters and Boys was played on Saturday, July 28th. Each side was represented by three pairs in two-set matches, and the final score of 11 points to 7 in favour of the Masters gives some idea of a close and interesting struggle. Fletcher and James were the most successful pair for the boys—taking 4 points out of a possible 6.

Complete results were:

R. C. Bateman and J. B. E. Alston beat Fleet and Andrews 6—1, 6—0; beat Fletcher and James 6—0, 6—0; beat Corbett and Adams 6—1, 6—1.

E. J. P. Ross-Barker and W. Bevir lost to Fleet and Andrews 2—6, 4—6; lost to Fletcher and James 1—6, 3—6; beat Corbett and Adams 6—1, 6—3.

W. A. Rudd and J. Y. Ingham halved with Fleet and Andrews 7—5, 1—6; lost to Fletcher and James 4—6, 2—6; beat Corbett and Adams 6—2, 6—3.

### O.T.C.

The annual inspection was carried out on June 5th by Major L. F. S. Dawes, M.B.E., R.E., who expressed himself well satisfied with the work of the contingent as a whole and pronounced the discipline and keenness of all ranks as especially noteworthy.

The annual camp was held at Warminster from July 31st to August 8th. 30 cadets from the contingent were privileged to attend. Despite the vagaries of the weather the camp proved most enjoyable and some very instructive training was carried out. The contingent had the distinction of winning the guard mounting competition on the Monday night and of being second on points for the six nights. We must congratulate J. Ranger who acted as Sgt. of the Guard and also A. C. Emms the Corporal, P. R. Wood the Bugler, and D. H. Blake, G. E. H. Warrick, O. E. Clarke, D. C. Woolf, K. G. Corbett, R. F. W. Andrews who comprised the guard. We must also mention Sgt.-Major Eyre whose painstaking instruction contributed so much towards the success of the guard.

Promotions: to be Sgt.: Bennett, Woolf i, Brown ii; to be Cpl.: Corbett, Emms.

### THE STEEPLECHASES.

The Steeplechases were run on the Common on Tuesday, October 9th. The weather was fine and there was rather more mud than water in the water-jumps, so that the competitors arrived at the finish looking considerably dirtier than they did last year.

Unfortunately in the Junior event several of the leading runners took the wrong course and could not be recalled in time. It has therefore been decided to run this race again later in the term.

D. G. Brown again won the Senior event being closely followed by Andrews, who was leading at

the Butts. Order of finishing : 1, D. G. Brown ; 2, R. F. W. Andrews ; 3, D. R. H. Brown ; 4, G. M. Stevens.

Time : 11 mins. 30 secs. (1 sec. less than last year !).

In the House placings Red House secured first place by a comfortable margin, with 1, 4, 5, 6, 8 = 24. Blue House being second with 3, 9, 12, 13, 14 = 51. Green House scored 55.

### LIBRARY.

We acknowledge with many thanks the presentation by Professor W. J. Sedgefield of *Clarendon's History of the Great Rebellion*, won by his father as a school prize in 1851 ; also *Three New Plays of Bernard Shaw* from A. L. Fleet ; *Trader Horn* from P. A. D. Jones ; and *Plays of J. M. Synge* from the Library Committee.

Among books added last term we may mention Wells' *Work, Wealth and Happiness*, Parker's *English Wild Life*, Strachey's *Elizabeth and Essex*, *Everybody's Lamb*, Mitchinson's *Black Sparta*, Smith's *Prisons*.

H. A. Lunghi is the new Librarian.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

The Society began the Summer Term with a meeting held in the Strange Room on Thursday, May 31st. The subject for the terminal competition was decided upon as "Open." The event winners of this were R. F. W. Andrews (Amateur Class) with "Evening" and M. H. Wheat (Professional Class) with "Bill."

Later in the term, on the retirement of A. J. Turnham, D. F. W. Newman was elected Hon. Secretary.

All the prints entered for the Summer Holiday Competition were in the Professional Class, and "Lofty Crags" by R. F. W. Andrews was adjudged winner.

At an early meeting this term H. L. G. Livingston was elected Hon. Treasurer, and it was decided to hold two competitions for the term, running concurrently, viz. "Landscape" and "Still Life."

On October 21st a successful *Conversazione* was held in the Physics Laboratory, at which a varied and interesting collection of photographs, stereoscopic view and pictures was exhibited.

The number of members in the Society this term is 22.

### RAG CONCERT.

A vivid representation of "Come over on the

Sunny Side," executed by the very "bright lads of VB," was the commencement of an evening which proved to be as colourful as the attire of the songsters. Then D. G. Brown as Mr. Ramsbottom, another of our friends from the north, recounted the fate of his son Albert "and all" in the lion's den at Blackpool, seeming more concerned for the "all" than for Albert.

Next M. Siepmann paid us his first and last visit in person (on taking leave of the School after years of painful service) in a sketch, called "Un Peu de Français" or "French as she is learnt." M. Dupont (Mr. Ingham) asks M. Siepmann (Mr. Duxbury) for the hand of his daughter ; they have a long conversation in which the domestic side of M. Siepmann's life is admirably portrayed with the assistance of D. C. Woolf as Madeleine, the excitable parlour-maid. They finally discover, amid much emotion, that M. Dupont's beloved belongs to another unfortunate father.

Two musical items followed : one a trio from "Iolanthe," sung by A. L. Fleet, R. F. W. Andrews and R. Emmett, the other a popular tango of the day, "Play to me Gipsy," by the three Scholar Gipsies, P. R. Wood, E. A. Joseph and P. J. Hill "beside the caravan of Gipsy Lee."

The evening was most successfully concluded by a very humorous and exciting play, "The Pink Peril." The play was well acted, Muir and Rice especially excelling themselves in the parts of Nitro Gliserinski, an anarchist, and Robert a shabby-looking waiter in an unsavoury dining room in Soho. R. F. Simmonds as Jack Pincher was so cleverly disguised that his handsome features were quite unrecognisable till late in the play. Jack the hero, is not unnaturally amorously inclined towards the attractive Nancy (R. F. Jackson), daughter of Mr. Jabstick (G. V. Bayley), a choleric character with a red face and a voice like a factory siren, at times somewhat too forced. Unfortunately Jack's means are too scanty to win the favour of his prospective father-in-law. However, by good fortune a couple of exotic anarchists (S. K. Muir and D. B. West—a female of the species) choose the restaurant as their rendezvous, and their final apprehension by the watchful Pincher, thanks principally to Robert, secured both the last-named a handsome reward and the former the hand of his beloved. In a show that was acted and produced throughout as admirably as it was written we shall not soon forget the anarchist table manners and countersign, and we should very much like to have had a sight

of the cook who was so unlucky with the crockery. Of the actors, Rice as the principal character played consistently well throughout, and his droll nonchalance was excellent. Of the rest of the cast, each of whom shewed individuality, we may be excused for singling out Muir, who succeeded admirably in being extravagant without overacting—altogether a deservedly popular production.

### NAZI ELECTION IN OBERAMMERGAU.

Not having visited Germany for two years, one approached the frontier with an eye for any outward and visible signs of an inward and spiritual change. They were at once apparent: newspapers and literature were to be declared! A polite official, whilst collecting an armful of certain dailies, returned with a smile the one I offered him, though it had once been on the Index Expurgatorius. Once one was out of the train an air of excitement was produced by the placards and flags which were met on all sides. There was a sprinkling of Brownshirts and Hitler youths everywhere, and most of these wore a black band on their arms as a token of respect for the late president. Every village one entered had large streamers across the streets inviting and urging all voters to give the "Führer" a "Ja." Walls and windows were placarded to the same effect; where nothing further was attempted a simple "Ja" was displayed. A very heavy expenditure must have been incurred on the large swastika flags which bedecked the towns; these, doubtless, had figured before and would do so again. Another notice that one met, particularly in the villages, was: "Jews are our misfortune: they are not wanted here." Yet a guide at Nuremberg, pointing out the synagogue, insisted that Jews were allowed their full rights, and the stories we had doubtless heard to the contrary were untrue.

On arriving at Oberammergau two days before the election one found flags in further evidence: it was "yes-es, yes-es all the way." Yet there was no tension apparent. One could almost have supposed it was all part of the usual picture of this unique village, where the inhabitants with their long hair and beards look for all the world like a remnant of one of the lost tribes. There were no anti-Jewish notices in Oberammergau. The static excitement was undoubtedly due to the lack of any opposition. Had Caiaphas, or Judas, or Pontius Pilate had the audacity to display a "No" outside his door there might have been ructions. The one special election meeting was a

"patriotic concert" outside the Passion-Play Theatre on the Saturday evening. At this we heard a simple yet intense speech from the Bürgermeister which seemed in complete keeping with the fervent spirit displayed by these villagers in their Passion-Play. It was given in an obviously sincere and convincing manner. There were many dramatic pauses where in England one would have expected applause: these villagers kept an equally dramatic silence. Only at the conclusion did the unstinted clapping leave the audience's concurrence in no doubt, and the singing of "Deutschland über Alles" which followed was significantly robust. There is no doubt that these villagers believe that Hitler is an inspired leader who will unite the nation for prosperity and peace at home and abroad. Listening to these sentiments voiced with such undoubted conviction one felt one's self joining in with the spirit of happy unanimity. Hitler's visit to the Passion Play earlier in the week had made a tremendous impression. He had gone on the stage afterwards and spoken to the players—"just like an ordinary man," as one of them said to me.

I have not seen the election figures for Oberammergau; but if there is anywhere in Germany where a hundred per cent. of ayes was recorded I should expect it to be there.

Would that the spirit of this village and the simple unaggressive patriotism of its inhabitants was to be found throughout Germany; returning through Baden and Cologne one could not but be aware of a Saar problem which Germany meant to have solved her own way.

J.Y.I.

### A FORTNIGHT IN GERMANY 1934.

*Thursday, 23rd August.*

Our party left London in the early afternoon for Dover where we embarked on the *Prince Leopold* and had a very calm crossing to Ostend. After supper we caught a train for Cologne, and despite the usual continental type of railway carriage, we managed to get some sleep on the journey before arriving at Cologne at 6 a.m. the next day.

*Friday, 24th August.*

Having had breakfast, we spent the two hours before our train left for Frankfurt in seeing the city, although we did this more thoroughly on the return journey. The cleanliness of this town, as also of the others we visited, compared with our English ones, is very striking. We went over the

cathedral, a fine old building and extremely lofty, though rather narrow. The main entrance is covered with small effigies of bishops and other notabilities, and these clustered round the doorway form a very impressive picture. In Cologne stands what is supposed to be the oldest church in Germany, and about one hundred yards away its tower is built on the site of an old castle as the church was not completed. The Rathaus (town hall), like many other buildings in Cologne, is decorated with figures, and contains an interesting clock that plays a different tune every hour. There still remains a very old city gateway with a round tower on either side, forming a house. Another point of interest is the new bridge of three spans across the Rhine, at both ends of which are double towers surmounted by equestrian statues, and all is in harmony and keeping with the atmosphere of the old city.

From Cologne we travelled by train to Frankfurt-am-Main where a picture of our party was taken by German Press photographers. We then proceeded to a Jugendherberge—a youth hostel for travellers—and were made quite at home there by German students. Later we toured around the town and were struck by the newness of the outskirts, the residences being mostly very modern flats. The Frankfurt museum contains a very interesting series of pictures by the Hitler Youth Movement depicting the various stages and progress of Hitlerism in Germany.

*Saturday, 25th August.*

Members of the Akademische Auslandsstelle took us round Frankfurt. We visited Goethe's house, a good example, in perfect preservation, of a residence of a fairly well-to-do gentleman of the period. The rooms are many but small. Silhouettes by Goethe himself of his friends and relations hang on the walls. We also visited the town hall and saw the Electors' Room, the carving on the walls and floor of which forms an example of the excellent craftsmanship of Frankfurt joiners in the 18th century.

*Sunday, 26th August.*

We left Frankfurt early in the morning and arrived in Munich towards evening. The scenery was pretty but not exceptional until we passed through the valley of the Lech near Munich. Here we stayed at a Students' Hostel, where we met a few University students, and this proved to be more comfortable than the Jugendherberge at Frankfurt. Our first impressions of Munich were gained by a walk through the town that even-

ing; all the buildings were illuminated and many floodlit.

*Monday, 27th August.*

We visited the "English Gardens," so-called on account of the many English trees and shrubs there. We passed the place where an attempt was made in 1923 to assassinate Hitler, and on the advice of our German guide, we conformed with the practice of the citizens and gave the Nazi salute. Among other things we saw the Arms and Letters Museum, the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior, the Maximilianeum (University) and the Alte Pinakothek. The latter contains world-famous pictures by Rubens and Dürer. In the afternoon we went to the "Deutsches Museum." Sections of this museum are devoted to various industries of the present day, e.g. mining, road-making, chemicals, etc., and it was unanimously agreed that this was well worth a visit. The rest of the afternoon we did as we chose, and most of us wandered around the town.

*Tuesday, 28th August.*

NYMPHENBURG. This is in the country about two miles out of Munich, and perhaps the most interesting part of it is the famous Royal Nymphenburg Porcelain Factory where hundreds of artists make by hand beautiful ornaments portraying animal life. We visited Nymphenburg castle and several houses in its grounds, and I consider that these latter are more interesting than the castle itself. They were the residences of relatives of the royal family, and in one of them is the royal swimming bath, which used to be filled with water from the lake in the park. In the afternoon we took the train for Oberammergau and after travelling for about two hours through very pretty country we arrived at the charming little village surrounded by hills. Here our party divided, as we spent the two nights at the houses of various villagers. The first evening we wandered about Oberammergau, taking photographs and seeing the tiny but very beautiful church wherein are many gilded figures.

*Wednesday, 29th August.*

The whole of this day we spent at the Passion-Play, which was, of course, the main attraction of our whole trip, and I must say that we were not disappointed. The simple character and acting of these peasants so well portrayed the Bible scenes that one could scarcely believe that it was only acting. The stage was in the open air but the audience was under cover in the theatre

itself. The river Ammer flows through the village, and, apart from the Passion-Play itself, the village is well worth a visit, but of course everything is connected with the play; even the houses are ornamented with beautiful biblical frescoes.

*Thursday, 30th August.*

Owing to the arrival of other visitors for the Friday performance of the Passion-Play, accommodation in Oberammergau was limited, so we returned by train to Munich. We had lunch there and then started for Nuremberg, arriving in the evening.

*Friday, 31st August.*

Nuremberg is a really delightful city. Old walls run practically all round it, and within the walls are some extraordinarily fascinating old buildings, the best known of which is, perhaps, Hans Sachs' house, now a wine bar. The court-yard at the back of this inn is immortalised in the opera "Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg." Hans Sachs was a Meistersinger and a poet, but a cobbler by trade.

We walked round the city and visited the church of St. Lawrence. The Sacrament House in this church is one of the most beautiful ornaments in existence. It looks like a church spire and was carved by Adam Kraft and his two assistants, taking seven years to complete. The figures upholding the structure represent Kraft and his helpers. Near this masterpiece hangs a very famous carving by Stoss called "The Angelic Salutation." When leaving the church we noticed a large stained-glass window in the shape of a Tudor Rose.

There are many fine fountains in Nuremberg, but the richly ornamented "Beautiful Fountain" in the Adolph Hitler Platz is unique. Crossing this market place, considered one of the best in Germany, we made our way up to the Castle, from the tower of which is a grand panoramic view of the city.

*Saturday, 1st September.*

Travelling in a diesel motor train, we started on a day's excursion to Rothenburg, an old fashioned town on the river Tauber. Here we saw a clock equally as odd as that in the marketplace at Nuremberg, but instead of having an emperor surrounded by bishops who bow at 12 o'clock, this has two windows, one on either side, which open at mid-day revealing two men, one drinking wine and the other drinking beer. Another feature of interest is a two-tier bridge spanning the Tauber.

*Sunday, 2nd September.*

Early in the morning we left Nuremberg and arrived at Rudesheim in time for lunch. We then embarked on a steamer and sailed down the Rhine as far as Koblenz. The scenery was really wonderful. All along the river banks for miles and miles stretched vineyards. Among them, at the bends of the river, castles had been erected in mediæval times in order to protect the valley. Reaching Koblenz during the evening, we journeyed by train to Cologne and spent the night at a Jugendherberge.

*Monday, 3rd September.*

The morning was devoted to another sight-seeing tour of the city. There are some very fine woods near the city, and our athletic German friends took us for an afternoon's walk through them. Tea was very welcome after this tremendous tramp!

The grand holiday was fast drawing to a close for we reached Ostend en route for Dover in the evening. It was a glorious night, the sea was quite calm, and our interesting and jolly tour ended with our arrival at Victoria Station next morning.

A.A.B.

## OXFORD LETTER.

DEAR EDITOR,

Leaves turn brown and fall; and we regret the summer of our lives. Those eager days when we were spring leaves excited by the life surging up in us, and those long summer days when we, full grown, drank in the pleasure of the sun, are gone; and we are passing through the brown and yellow autumn, clinging desperately to the only tree we know, our youth. To-morrow we shall be middle aged, suddenly. (Slippers, the end of all?)

Mosdell went down trailing a centipede and a greyhound—a popular combination—looking remarkably young after three such gruelling years. Brown retained his cheerfulness to the end and went down with a golf half-blue and a host of friends.

Coulson is still playing hockey and, his tutor tells me, shapes very well in the laboratory.

P. A. D. Jones has nice things in his rooms, plays hockey, and is sure to enjoy himself.

Arthur Fleet is making his chest rather formidable by rowing, and ought to get into the Toggler. He finds that classics demand a deal of a man's vitality and no longer wonders that the writer has become so frail and old.



We have just put on our slippers and are waiting for a nice cup of "Ovaltine" before we retire to bed.

Yours sadly,  
AUTUMN.

## O.A. NOTES.

## BIRTHS.

TINEGATE.—On May 22, at South Hill Nursing Home, Birmingham, to Mr. and Mrs. Eric Tinegate (1924), a daughter—Shirley.

WIGGINS.—On Aug. 12, at the Warren, Abingdon, to Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Wiggins (1921), a son.

## MARRIAGES.

WOOD—RANCE.—On Dec. 14, 1933, at St. Saviour's Church, East London, South Africa, Kenneth Taylor (1924), elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wood, of Bere Regis, Abingdon, to Rosalind Kate, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rance, of East London.

WOOD—ALLEN.—On Nov. 3, at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, Yeoville, Johannesburg, Norman Collins, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wood, of Bere Regis, Abingdon, to Annie Hill, only daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. T. S. Allen, of Renfrew, Scotland.

SQUIRE—LE SUEUR.—On Nov. 17, at St. Mary's Church, Finchley, John Arthur Squire, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Squire, of Cranbourne Gardens, N. W. 11, to Doris May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Le Sueur of St. Helier's Jersey.

ROBINS—DRAYTON.—On Aug. 6, at Longworth Church, Philip L. T. Robins (1925) to Amy Wakelin Drayton, of Southmoor.

GARDINER—THURGOOD.—On Sept. 12, at Lacock Church, Chippenham, Thomas Edward (1926), youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Gardiner, of Abingdon, to Joan Madeleine, elder daughter of the late Mr. H. Thurgood and Mrs. Thurgood, of Lacock.

BROWN—POTTER.—On Oct. 6, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Lima, Peru, David MacGregor (1924), eldest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. D. H. Brown, of Leamington, to Eileen Minnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Potter, of La Punta.

F. E. Thorn has recently been appointed Secretary of the Shipwrecked Fishermen and Mariners' Royal Benevolent Society, on the staff of which he has worked for the past twenty-two years as Visiting Secretary.

H. A. N. Medd, though now practising in London, is the architect responsible for the design of the new English church in process of erection in New Delhi.

J. D. Wood (1926) (another architect) has joined the R.A.F. Reserve of Officers. He is doing a flying course in Yorkshire, and his full title is Pilot-Officer J. D. Wood, R.A.F.O.

G. A. Wood (1929) writes happily from Southern Rhodesia, where he is tobacco-farming. He has lately taken a half-share in a large farm with the man whose pupil he has been hitherto. The farm is called "Eldorado," which sounds auspicious, and we sincerely hope it will live up to its name. He starts work upon it next year.

G. A. R. Boyd (1931) has secured employment with the Standard Wall-paper Company.

D. E. Healy (1931) has gained the First Class Ordinary Grade Certificate in Gas Supply of the Institution of Gas Engineers.

A. E. Belcher (1928) (M.P.S.) has been studying at the London College of Pharmacy and passed the Chemist and Druggist Qualifying Examination last June. He has also been doing well at Soccer, gaining his colours for the College and playing for them at centre-half in Brussels against the Pharmacy Department of Brussels University.

At the Army Athletic Championships 2nd Lieut. A. J. A. Watson (1925) put the weight 44 feet 1 inch—an Army record.

H. S. Bartlett (1925), of the E.T.C., has gone out to Gibraltar.

J. B. O. Durell (1927) is a master at King's Mead School, Seaford.

W. B. Smith (1928) is Chief Engineer of the British Radio Relay Service, Ltd.,—a London company whose business it is to relay the broadcast programmes to subscribers, by means of overhead wires from a central station.

W. G. C. Denny, whose address is 46 Harcourt Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, has obtained a post on the radio testing staff of E. K. Cole, Ltd., the makers of the "Ekco" radio receivers.

R. L. Triggs (1931) has gained Second Class Honours in the Final B.Sc. Examination in Engineering of London University. He is now working in the L.M. & S.R. engineering "shops" at Watford.

D. G. Lovibond (1932) has succeeded in getting into the Home Civil Service, the Customs and Excise department.

R. E. G. Morewood (1933) has passed the Preliminary Examination in Art of the Edinburgh Art School.

R. A. Bosley (1933) is articled to a Chartered Accountant in Reading.

L. P. Mosdell (1931) who gained Third Class Honours in his Law Finals at Oxford last term, is now articled to Messrs. Morrell, Peel and Gamlen, solicitors, of Oxford.

G. E. Sinclair (1931) has again been playing Lawn Tennis for Cornwall this summer. Among his activities at Oxford he is Captain of Rugger at Pembroke, plays Soccer for the College, and is President of the J.C.R. and Johnson Society.

J. M. Allison (1932) has passed the University of Reading Associated Training Colleges Exam., gaining the certificate. He is teaching at Cowley.

Of the boys who left last term :—

A. J. Turnham has passed into the R.M.A., Woolwich.

A. L. Fleet and P. A. D. Jones are in residence at Pembroke College, Oxford.

H. Bosley has joined the Exeter Training College for Teachers.

G. E. H. Warrick is in Barclay's Bank in Witney.

D. H. Blake is with Messrs. W. T. and A. R. Blake, in the office of their Travel Bureau in Piccadilly.

A. C. Emms is at the Wye Agricultural College in Kent.

H. B. King and L. B. King have returned with their parents to India, where the elder brother aims at entering the Northern India Salt Department.

E. S. Willey is Assistant Librarian at the Abingdon Free Library.

R. G. James intends to take up dentistry.

W. F. Wiggins has joined the R.F.A.

L. C. Smallbone is going in for horticulture.

R. A. Woodley has obtained an appointment with the G.W.R. Company.

P. L. Beckett is in his father's business in Birmingham.

*(We are attempting, as far as possible, to add the year of leaving School to each name in the O.A. Notes.—Ed.)*

## O.A. CLUB NOTES.

The Annual General Meeting of the club was held in the School Common Room on Saturday, June 23rd, 1934, after the Past v. Present Cricket Match. The President (E. J. P. Ross-Barker) was in the chair and 20 other members were present.

The accounts shewed a balance in hand of £52 3s. 8d.

The following officers were elected for 1934—35 :  
President : E. A. Mortleman.

Vice-President : W. M. Grundy.

Committee : G. F. Powell, G. S. Sturrock, W. G. Hancock, L. P. Mosdell, W. W. Brown, R. F. Brown.

Hon. Secs. and Treas : H. A. L. Donkin, Caldecott Cottage, Abingdon ; R. E. Eason, Radley College, Abingdon.

Assistant Hon. Secs. : G. E. Sinclair, Pembroke College, Oxford ; G. A. R. Boyd, Kingslake, Hartington Road, Grove Park, Chiswick, W.4.

London Secretary : W. H. Stevens, Wood Ride Cottage, Pett Ridge, Kent.

A discussion ensued on the question of a Club Dinner in London and the following proposition was finally agreed : "That this meeting is in favour of a Club Dinner in London and instructs the Committee to make the necessary arrangements if they find it possible to do so and depending on the result of this to make their decision as to arrangements for next Summer."

The Club Dance was held at the Crown & Thistle Hotel, Abingdon, on Friday, June 22nd, the evening of Founder's Day. Unfortunately there were only 28 present but this small number had a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

We should like once again to compliment the School on their Cricket team. Although the bowling was not all up to the standard of previous years, the fielding and batting were excellent.

We should like to thank Boyd for his energy in bringing down a London O.A. Rugger XV on

Oct. 13th. This was the School's first match and they won deservedly. They seem to have the makings of a good side.

## LONDON DINNER.

A Club Dinner was held in London, at the City Livery Club, St. Paul's Churchyard, on Friday, November 2nd.

H. A. L. DONKIN.

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## RUGGER FIXTURES.

## FIRST XV.

Sat. Oct. 13	London Old Abingdonians	Home
Sat. „ 20	Abingdon R.F.C.	Home
Wed. „ 24	City of Oxford School	Away
Sat. „ 27	Leighton Park School	Away
Wed. „ 31	Abingdon R.A.F.	Away
Wed. Nov. 7	Radley College 2nd XV	Home
Sat. „ 10	Bloxham School	Home
Sat. „ 17	Pembroke Coll., Oxon	Away
Sat. „ 24	Magdalen C.S. Oxford	Away
Sat. Dec. 1	Magdalen C.S. Brackley	Home
Sat. „ 8	Old Abingdonians	Home

## SECOND XV

Sat. Oct. 27	Leighton Park School	Home
Sat. Nov. 10	Bloxham School	Away
Sat. „ 17	Magdalen C.S. Oxford	Home

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