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SCHOOL NOTES.

Apart from more momentous happenings of historical importance, this Summer term will long be remembered for the Herculean labour of trench digging. From the efforts of organised gangs of diggers, whose work in torrid days of this remarkable summer, was really beyond praise, two benefits accrued. First we have a vast and complicated system of covered trenches capable, if need should arise, of holding the whole School personel; and secondly the healthful exercise and accompanying suntanning apparently protected us from the epidemics which afflicted some of our less fortunate neighbours. As a further precaution the Gym roof has been strutted with timbers and so we have a feeling of reasonable security with comfort.

During the Easter holidays Mr. Willis was summoned away by the military authorities, and we wish him all good luck in his new activities. His place on the staff has been filled by Mr. B. Matthews, lately Scholar of Magdalen College, Oxford, who is responsible for the History and Geography teaching, and has done sterling work with the Junior Cricket games.

A. C. Dean was Captain of Cricket for the third season and B. Arundale Hon. Sec. of Games.

Prefects were: Captain of the School and Head of the House, A. C. Dean. School Prefects: R. Hedger, H. J. Clarke, J. G. Calvert-Fisher, H. G. Elphick (Waste Court). Subprefects: E. O. Jones, W. J. Eeles, J. A. M.

Green, T. J. Foy, G. D. Wells, J. M. Leftwich, B. Arundale, G. H. Lewington.

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Blue House won the Ladies of Abingdon Cup for House Athletics.

Blue House also won the Carr Cup for Senior House Cricket and the Brewer Bowl for the Juniors.

1st XI Colours were awarded to G. D. Wells, W. G. Bradfield and A. L. Leigh; and 2nd XI Caps to H. J. Clarke, G. Hill, G. Farnsworth, W. D. Richardson, R. E. Ball, T. J. Foy and J. E. G. Davies.

The Fletcher Cup and the Bat given by the Common Room for the best batsman in the XI were won by W. G. Bradfield, and the Headmaster's bat for the best bowler by R. E Ball. A. C. Dean won the bat for the best all-rounder.

Meredith Bats were awarded to T. J. Foy, the best bowler in the 2nd XI, and P. Carter the best bowler under 45.

Henderson Bats were awarded to G. Hill, the best all-rounder under 16, and P. H. Harris the best bat in the Under 15 XI.

The Reeves Cup for Inter-House Shooting was won by Red and the West Cup for the best individual shot by A. C. Dean.

While regretting the absence of the usual cover to the Abingdonian, we feel it unnecessary to apologise for the economy of paper which causes it.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries: The Aldenhamian, The Aburedian, The Bloxhamist, The Brackleian, The Chigwellian, The Brightonian, The City of Oxford School Magazine, The Leightonian, The Lily, The Log of the Nautical College, Pangbourne, The Monktonian, The St. Edward's School Chronicle.

The Christmas Term starts on Thursday, September 19th, boarders returning on the previous day, and ends on Tuesday, December 17th, boarders leaving on the following day.

Valete.

(March, 1940.)

VI FORM. G. W. Povey (1933, iii). School Prefect. O.S.C., 1937. 2nd XV Colours 1937, 1st XI 1937; 1st XI Colours, 1939; Hockey XI 1938; O.T.C., C.Q.M.S., Cert. 'A'; 1st Class Shot.

W. R. Keen (1939, ii). School Prefect; 2nd XV 1939.

D. G. Carter, (1931, ii). Sub-Prefect; O.S.C. 1939; 2nd IV Cox, 1936—38; Marlow IV Cox, 1938; 2nd XV 1938—39; O.T.C., Cpl.; Cert. 'A'; 1st Class Shot.

D. A. Culmer, (1935, ii). Sub-Prefect; O.S.C., 1939; Hockey XI, 1939; O.T.C., Cert. 'A' Pt. 1, 1940.

J. H. Oliver (1934, iii). O.S.C. 1938.

T. M. Bowerman (1935, iii). O.S.C., 1939; Athletics Half Colours, 1939; 2nd XV, 1939.

V FORM. W. G. A. Brind (1935, iii).

IV Form. J. M. Pascoe, (1939, iii).

Remove. I. D. Wilson (1939, iii). R. R. Cottrell, (1935, iii). A. J. Janes. (1938, ii). P. W. Verrall, (1936, ii).

Salvete.

(April, 1940).

IV FORM. P. G. Nowell Usticke, J. C. Cantle, R. H. S. Lesser.

Remove. P. B. Keys, N. B. Humfrey.

III FORM. F. G. Wallace, R. F. Bedson.

I FORM. R. H. Bolton.

Iterum Salve.

V FORM. J. E. G. Davies, (1935, ii.—1937, iii).

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The School Sports were held on Saturday, May 18th, in the Waste Court grounds. The day was fine and warm, and, considering the circumstances, there was a very good muster of visitors. Performances were up to average generally, but no records were broken.

A change was made this year in the method of scoring for the House and Individual Cups. the first four places in each event counting 5. 3. 2 and 1 respectively.

The Heber Clarke Challenge Cup for Seniors was won by A. C. Dean with 21 points; the Shallard Cup for Juniors by G. Hill with 23 points.

Blue again won the House Cup with 98 points, Red being runners-up with 86 points.

Owing to the war no prizes were given, but the various Challenge Cups were presented by Mrs. Gray at the conclusion of the Sports. The Officials were:

President: The Headmaster. Starter: P. W. Martin, Esq. Judges: W. A. Rudd, Esq., W. Bevir, Esq., G. F. Duxbury, Esq., H. M. Gray, Esq., Timekeepers: J. Y. Ingham, Esq., B. Matthews, Esq. Stewards: R. Hedger, H. G. Elphick, É. O. Jones.

Results were:

1. LONG JUMP (Open). ((Record 21ft. 3½ins.)

1. H. J. Clarke (G) 2. I. S. Holland (R) 3. P. R. Andrew (G) 4. G. H. Lewington (B)

Distance, 17ft. 8ins.

2. LONG JUMP (Under 15). (Record 17ft. 32ins.)

1. G. Hill (B) 2. J. C. Cantle (G) 3. G. L. Jones (B) Distance, 15ft. 43ins.

3. HIGH JUMP (Open). (Record 5ft 43ins.)

1, A. C. Dean (R) 2. I. S. Holland (R) 3. G. D. Wells (G) 4. B. Arundale (R) Height 4ft, 113 ins.

4. HIGH JUMP (Under 15). (Record 4ft. 103ins.)

2. J. C. Cantle (G) 4. N. D. B. Corby (G) 1. G. Hill (B) 3. C. B. F. Milne (R) Height 4ft 6ins.

5. HURDLES (Open) (Record 16secs.)

2. G. D. Wells (G) 1. B. Arundale (R) 3. G. H. Lewington (B) 4. J. E. G. Davies (B) Time 20 secs.

6. HURDLE (Under 16)

(Record 17% secs.)

1. E. G. Gibbs (B) 2, I. S. Holland (R) 3. A. C. Randle (G) 4. R. H. Marshall (B)

Time 19# secs.

7. 100 YARDS (Under 12) (Record 13 secs.)

1. P. R. Sims (R) 2. D. J. Penny (R) 3. P. R. Betterton (B) 4. J. B. Pride (B) Time 142 secs.

8. 100 YARDS (Under 15) (Record 11% secs.)

1. G. Hill (B) 2. D. Hayter (R) 3. J. R. Young (G) 4. P. J. Goodman (G) Time 12 1 secs.

9. 100 YARDS (Open),

(Record 10 + secs.) 1. H. J. Clarke (G) 2. A. C. Dean (R) 3. J. A. D. Cox (B)* 4. P. R. Andrew (G) Time 11 1 secs.

10. THROWING THE DISCUS.

1. A. C. Dean (R)
2. H. J. Clarke (C)
3. A. G. Randle (G)
4. J. G. Calvert-Fisher (R) Distance 113ft, 10ins.

11. 220 YARDS HANDICAP (Under 13).

1. J. D. Lambourn D. J: Leach.
 J. B. Pride. 3. D. H. Wheaton Time 28 secs

12. QUARTER MILE (Under 15). (Record 62 secs.)

1. G. Hill (B) 2. D Hayter (R) 4. J. A. C. Barnes (B) 3. C. B. F. Milne (R) Time 623 secs.

13. QUARTER MILE (Open). (Record 54 g secs.)

1. H. J. Clarke (G) 2. J. A. D. Cox (B) 3. G. D. Wells (G) 4. J. M. Leftwich (B) Time 553 secs.

14. PUTTING THE WEIGHT (12lbs) (Record 46ft. 9ins.)

1. A. C. Dean (R) 2. J. E. G. Davies (B) 4. J. G. Calvert-Fisher (R) 3. I. S. Holland (R) Distance 44ft. 9ins.

15. HALF-MILE (Under 15) (Record 2 mins, $27\frac{1}{5}$ secs.)

1. N. D. B. Corby (G) 2. P. H. Harris (B) 3. G. L. Jones (B) 4. P. Anag (R) Time 2 mins. 44 secs.

16. HALF-MILE (Open).

(Record 2 mins. 12 f secs.

1. T. J. Foy (R) 2. J. A. M. Green (G) 3. K. R. Sims (B) 4 R. H. Marshall (B) Time 2 mins. 12 4 secs.

17. RELAY RACE (Junior).

(Record 4 mins. 4 secs.)

1. Green House. 2. Red House. Time 4 mins. 7 secs.

18. RELAY RACE (Senior). (Record 3 mins. 29 secs.)

1. Blue House. 2 Green House.

The Miles were run on Thursday. May 9th in Waste Court.

Results were as follows:

Senior.

1. T. J. Foy (R) 2. A. C. Dean (R) 3. K. R. Sims (B) 4. B. Arundale (R) Time 5 mins. 9 secs

House Points: 1. Red 20pts. 2. Blue 45pts.

Junior.

1. P. Carter (B) 2. G. Hill (B) 3. N. D. B. Corby (G) 4. G. L. Jones (B) Time 5 mins 36 secs.

House Points: 1. Blue 21 pts. 2. Green 51 pts.

FOUNDER'S DAY.

Owing to the war the customary Founder's Day celebrations were restricted to a service in St. Helen's Church on the morning of Friday, June 28th, with the Regatta in the afternoon, while a cricket match between the School and an O. A. XI was played on the Saturday afternoon.

At the Service in St. Helen's Church, conducted by the School Chaplain, the Rev. G. R. Palmer, the sermon was preached by the Rev. H. A. Smith-Masters, Vicar of East Hagbourne, in which he made an outspoken appeal for a wider vision in the world that would have to be reconstructed after the war. In this war, as in previous ones, it was easy to misread as well as ignore, the workings of God's will. In the struggle against evil things it had been left to the British Empire, to maintain the fight and bring it to a successful conclusion. But it was useless to think that victory could be achieved by armaments alone without spiritual weapons, and unless

we based our efforts upon the principles laid down by Jesus Christ our victory would be fruitless, we could not go back to the old ways after the war, and so it was vitally necessary to fit ourselves now for the new order by dedicating ourselves to God's Service; and in particular those who were privileged to take their part in the struggle in the armed forces would need that spiritual assurance to make their efforts fruitful and worth while.

There was, of course, no Prize-giving but at the end of the term certificates were given to those who would normally have received prizes. They were as follows:—

VI FORM. History: A. C. Dean. English & Chemistry B.: J. A. M. Green. Classics: E. O. Jones, 5. Mathematics: A. H. Morser. Physics A & Chemistry A.: A. H. Morser. Physics B.: H. J. Clarke. Extra Science: M. Hedger.

V FORM. English: G. D. Wells. French: A. E. Robinson. Latin & Mathematics: G. Hill, 3. History: W. Schafer, Science: A. C. Randle. Pianoforte: A. C. Randle. Greek: E. G. Gibbs. Art: T. V. Bowditch.

IV FORM. English & Science: W. G. Bradfield. Latin & French: W. G. Bradfield. History: M. F. C. Brook. Greek: D. O. Wilks. Mathematics: I. P. J. Goodman. Singing: E. H. Aldworth and F. W. G. Carter.

Remove. English & French: D. Hayter. Science: D. Hayter. Latin: I. A. J. Burborough. Mathematics: P. H. Harris. Greek: A. J. Walters.

III FORM. English: R. I. W. Hadley. Latin & French: D. Beattie. Science: A. P. Goodman, 2. Mathematics: M. G. Beadle.

II FORM. English & French: D. H. Wheaton. Mathematics & Nature Study: J. W. J. Freeston.

I FORM. Nature Study: C. S. Cullen, 3. Mathematics: M. M. Mosczytz. English: J. P. N. Langford.

CRICKET.

As in the Rugger term the fixture list was unfortunately curtailed by the war: the Eleven was only beginning to fulfil its potentialities when the last game was played, and although cricket prophecies are notoriously "stale, flat and unprofitable" it is at least safe to say that the players were more confident, more alert and on their toes than in previous seasons.

Although we won only two matches it was a successful season. Three players had batting averages of over 20, and eight of over 10. All the matches but the Oratory match were evenly contested. And in the latter match we were without three of our regular and best players. The batting of the side was always good and by the end of the season the combination of Dean, Bradfield, Wells, Hill, and Leigh must have been as strong as we have been able to put in the field for some seasons. The bowling at the beginning of the season was definitely experimental. Green was the only bowler of experience we could rely on, for the School field counts against a bowler of Wells' Farnsworth proved character. medium-paced bowler and we were lucky to find two more useful change bowlers in Ball and Foy. Ball in particular deserves a word of praise. His slow leg-breaks, often bowled into the sun, were cleverly varied and his success promises well for the future.

In the field the side was definitely good and keen. Dean placed his field well and was quick to see any gaps. There were only two moderate fielders in the side and the rest were quick, alert and eager.

The first match of the season against Mr. Martin's XI was in the nature of a trial. The School side was young and inexperienced but it stood up well to some experienced bowling.

The second match against Bloxham was unfortunate. We arrived under heavy clouds of rain, having found our way across Oxfordshire denuded of signposts. Bradfield, Leigh, and Dean batted confidently until a veritable deluge turned the wicket into a lake, and a promising match had to be abandoned.

The next match against M. C. S., Oxford, came rather early in the season for our inexperienced team. We made 103 runs thanks mainly to an excellent 37 by Hill. For a time, when Magdalen batted, the game seemed to be swinging either way and Ball had the batsmen reaching forward uncomfortably for his leg break. After taking 3 wickets for 16 however he was taken off and a steady Magdalen partnership knocked off the runs.

The match against the City of Oxford School was a good interesting game. The batting of Smith and Clarke on an easy wicket was always good to watch. When we batted Bradfield and Dean showed equal confidence and after the first few overs there was little chance of a finish.

In the game against the Oratory the team seemed to falter and neither individually nor as a whole were they happy in the field, The game was played in the midst of a trench-digging fever which cost us two of our best players and severely tried the others.

Against Wantage the experiment was made of sending Wells in to open with Bradfield. It was a great success and the 100 went up without loss. After this these two batsmen never looked back and in a House Match put well over 200 on the board without loss.

The game against the O. A.'s was the best of the season and the best type of cricket. The enemy batted first and made 209 for 7 wickets thanks first to Randall, who has taken 97 off the School bowling in two innings, and then to Fabes, Harfield and Allison. When the School batted a victory for us was, in the time, out of the question and granted a reasonable batting success a draw fairly certain. However the batsmen decided that the festive occasion deserved better things. They went for the bowling courageously and skilfully. All the batsmen in the side made runs and in the last over, when one or two stodgy shots might well have made a draw, Farnsworth cracked two fours to the boundary. The last wicket fell on the stroke of seven when stumps were to be drawn. A good game!

The last game of the season against M. C. S. Brackley, was another well deserved success. Bradfield, Leigh and Green batted well and Hill got a good 31. When Magdalen batted Ball bowled very well indeed for a hat trick and five wickets for one run.

Thus the team finished the season well on its toes, all wishing that there were more fixtures to come.

1st XI AVERAGES.

Batting.

	Times		
	Runs	out.	Average.
A. C. Dean	130	7	18.6
J. A. M. Green	56	5	11.2
G. D. Wells	123	6	20.5
W. G. Bradfield	230	8	28.8
A. L. Leigh	108	6	18.0
Clarke	20	3	6.6
Hill	100	4	2 5.0
Farnsworth	35	3	11.6
Richardson	36	6	6.0
Ball	12	3	4.0
Foy	51	_	Management
Davies	50	3	16.6

Bowling.

	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
A. C. Dean	78	4	19.5
J. A. M. Green	373	27	13.9
G. D. Wells	42		
Farnsworth	178	10	17.8
Ball	91	12	7.6
Foy	60	2	30.0
Davies	44		•

1st XI MATCHES.

v. Mr. P. Martin's XI, at Abingdon, Saturday, May 25th. Drawn. (Last year, no match).

Mr. MARTIN'S XI.

G. W. Povey, c Davies, b Green	0
P. W. Martin, b Green	74
J. Guilfoyle, b Green	4
G. D. Randall, b Dean	33
J. B. E. Alston, c Leigh, b Farnsworth	2
C. A. Jakeman, b Farnsworth	0

Green	 21 1 1 7 0 1
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Bradfield, lbw, b Jakeman	•••	17
Leigh, b Holmes		2
A. C. Dean, c Goodman, b Holmes	•••	0
Wells, run out	•••	19
J. A. M. Green, lbw, b Jakeman		0
Hill, c Ball, b Foy		6
Davies, b Foy		4
Richardson, b Guilfoyle	•••	19
Clarke, not out		5
Farnsworth, c Martin, b Alston	•••	11
Leftwich, did not bat		
Extras	•••	8
Total (for 9 wickets)		91

v. Bloxham School, at Bloxham, Wednesday, May 29th. Drawn. (Last year, Lost).

ABINGDON SCHOOL.

Bradfield, run out		5
Leigh, not out		15
A. C. Dean, not out		8
Wells, J. A. M. Green, Hill, D	avies,	
Richardson, Clarke, Farnswort	h a nd	
Leftwich did not bat		
Extras	•••	3
Total (for 1 wicket)		31
Total (for I wicket)	•••	

Rain stopped play.

v. Magdalen College School, Oxford, at Abingdon, Wednesday, June 5th. Lost. (Last year, Won).

ABINGDON SCHOOL.	ABINGDON SCHOOL.
Bradfield, c Brookes, b Stone 10 Leigh, lbw, b Stone 3 A. C. Dean, c Brookes, b Pollard 7 Wells, lbw, b Lawson 2 J. A. M. Green, b Pollard 6 Hill, not out 37 Richardson, b Pollard 1 Clarke, b Pollard 6 Ball, b Lawson 6 Farnsworth, b Lawson 6 Farnsworth, b Lawson 1 Leftwich, b Stone 4	Bradfield, b Smith 35 Richardson, c Timms, b Norman 5 A. C. Dean, b Smith 32 Wells, not out 5 Leigh, not out 0 J. A. M. Green, Hill, Clarke, Foy, Ball and Farnsworth, did not bat Extras 11 Total (for 3 wickets) 88
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	v. Oratory School, at Reading, Wednesday, June 19th. Lost. (Last year, Drawn).
	ABINGDON SCHOOL.
(Pollard, 4 for 13). MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL. Searby, lbw, b Green 8 Brookes, c Green, b Ball 28 Lawson, b Farnsworth 4 Smith, c Richardson, b Ball 6 Pollard, b Ball 32 Rees, not out 23 Stone, not out 0 Cornell, Browne, Harper and Williams did not bat Extras 10 Total (for 5 wickets) 111	Bradfield, b Hicks 4 Richardson, b Slater 0 A. C. Dean, c Smith, b Slater 3 Wells, c Stilwell, b Neville 12 Leigh, c Neville, b Slater 6 J. A. M. Green, lbw, b Longueville 4 Clarke, c and b Neville 9 Davies, st. Bodenham, b 4 Ball, b Slater 0 Farnsworth, not out 9 Leftwich, b Slater 6 Extras 5 Total 62 (Slater 5 for 25).
(Ball, 3 for 16).	(Stater 5 for 25).
c: City of Oxford School, at Abingdon, Saturday, June 8th. Drawn. (Last year, Drawn). CITY OF OXFORD SCHOOL. Smith, c Dean, b Green 47 Phelps, c Leigh, b Farnsworth 9 Timms, c Wells, b Farnsworth 5	Smith, c Leigh, b Green 9 Neville, c Green, b Dean 45 Slater, lbw, b Green 30 M. C. Bodenham, c Clarke, b Dean 27 Thornycroft, c Clarke, b Green 3 M. Wety, b Green 6 A. Stilwell, b Green 8 S. Hicks, run out 6
Clark, C., not out 88 Norman, b Green 25 Course, Clark, A., Morris, Read, Coles and Mathews did not bat Extras 3 Total (for 4 wickets) 177	Nowel-Smith, not out 11 P. Stilwell, b Ball 20 J. Longueville, b Ball 0 Extras 14 Total 180
	(Green, 5 for 56)

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v. Wantage School, at Abingdon, June 26th. Won . (Last year, W		Goodman, not out 2 E. C. Beaven, Leftwich and Marshall did not bat		
ABINGDON SCHOOL.		Extras 1	1	
Bradfield, c Curzon, b Dymond Wells, b Dymond Hill, c Rhodes, b Dymond Richardson, lbw, b Rhodes	80 58 5 5	Total (for 7 wickets) 20	9	
J. A. M. Green, c Fox, b Curzon A. G. Dean, lbw, b Dymond	35	ABINGDON SCHOOL.		
Leigh, b Dymond Davies, not out Ball, not out Farnsworth and Foy did not bat	6 27 1	Wells, lbw, b Allison 2 Hill, c Randall, b Holmes 2	8 7 11 14	
Extras	6	Richardson, c Holmes, b Fabes	6	
Total (for 7 wickets)	228		8	
(Dymond, 6 for 105)		Farnsworth, b Harfield 1	5 4 5	
WANTAGE SCHOOL.		Foy, not out	1	
Carson, c and b Green	8	Extras	0	
Curzon, b Green Michell, st Leigh, b Ball	6 18	Total 16	9	
Gregory, c Davies, b Dean Fox, b Foy	8 1 3	(Fabes, 5 for 66)	_	
Dymond, c Ball, b Farnsworth Rhodes, c Farnsworth, b Green Walker, b Green Hodges, b Farnsworth	7 2 17	After the match 1st XI Colours were award ed to G. D. Wells and W. G. Bradfield.	[-	
Driver, not out Keene, b Green	0	v. Magdalen College School, Brackley, a	ιt	
Extras Total	6 83	Abingdon, Wednesday, July 3rd. Won (Last year, Drawn).		
(Green, 5 for 42)		ABINGDON SCHOOL.		
v. Old Abingdonians. Home. June 29th. Lost. (Last year, Los		G. D. Wells, c Barrett, b Turrell Hill, c Meridith, b Turrell 3 A. C. Dean, c Morgan, b Turrell 1	0 1 1 0	
OLD ABINGDONIANS.		Leigh, c Martin, b Yanai 5	0	
G. W. Povey, lbw, b Farnsworth G. D. Randall, c Dean, b Green S. A. Fabes, c Dean, b Foy	6 64 35	J. A. M. Green, not out 4 Davies, Farnsworth, Ball and Foy did not bat	1	
N. J. Holmes, c Green, b Ball	12	Extras	4	
R. F. Jackson, b Green R. Allison, b Farnsworth	38 2 35	Total (for 6 wickets) 19	8	
S. A. Fabes, c Dean, b Foy N. J. Holmes, c Green, b Ball V. A. Harfield, b Green R. F. Jackson, b Green	35 12 38 2	not bat Extras		

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Parmett h Green		3
Barrett, b Green	• • •	
Deplidge, b Green	•••	0
Wilkes, c Wells, b Green	•••	15
Meridith, b Ball	•••	3
Turrell, c Farnsworth, b Gre-	e n	0
Humphries, not out		7
Martin, c Farnsworth, b Ball		7
Morgan, c Green, b Ball		0
Yanai, b Ball		0
Davies, c Dean, b Ball	•••	0
Gilkes, b Green	•••	0
Extras		11
TD - 4 - 1		
Total	•••	46
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(Green 5 for 23, Ball 5 for 11).

After the match 1st XI Colours were awarded to A. L. Leigh.

1st XI CHARACTERS.

- A. C. Dean, (1st XI Colours 1938). A very capable captain who has learnt a great deal in his three years captaincy. Throughout the season he saved many runs by his skilful placing of the field and handling of the bowling. Batted well especially in the second half of the season.
- J. A. M. Green, (1st XI Colours 1939). Despite some trouble with his run-up to the wicket he bowled consistently well and took more than twice as many wickets as any other bowler. A useful bat in an emergency though rather stiff.
- W. G. Bradfield, (1st XI Colours 1940). A very steady, dependable and skilful bat who had a most successful season. Always difficult to get out. Slow in the field.
- G. D. Wells, (1st XI Colours 1940). Batted very well throughout the season. He was a useful change bowler and the best fielder in the side. A good cricketer.
- A. L. Leigh, (1st XI Colours 1940). As wicket keeper he did good work. He is a stylish batsman with easy strokes. At the beginning of the season a tendency to step

- across his wicket prevented him from scoring many runs, but later he improved and had some good innings.
- H. J. Clarke, (2nd XI Colours 1940). A good field and a steady bat. His work in the field was very valuable.
- G. Hill, (2nd XI Colours 1940). A good natural bat and a quick field. He was very shaky on the off side but very good on the leg and played some good innings.
- G. Farnsworth, (2nd XI Colours 1940). A steady opening bowler: kept a good length though he had a tendency to bowl on the leg side. Rather slow as a batsman.
- W. D. Richardson, (2nd XI Colours 1940). With more experience he will be a useful batsman. He is already a safe fielder.
- R. E. Ball, (2nd XI Colours 1940). One of the most successful bowlers of the season. He is still young and with more experience should be a clever leg-break bowler.
- T. J. Foy, (2nd XI Colours 1940). Bowled steadily and accurately. Needs constant practice as a batsman.
- J. E. G. Davis, (2nd XI Colours 1940). Promised well at the beginning of the season. He then lost his form but was brought into the team for the last two matches and played well.

2nd XI MATCHES.

The Second XI proved a good nursery for the 1st XI this season. Games were played against Bloxham (Lost); Magdalen College School (Won); and St. Edwards School (Lost).

v. Bloxham School. Home. Wednesday, May 29th. Lost.

Bloxham School 88. Johnson 42, Foy 8 for 22.

Abingdon School 18. Busby 6 for 6.

v. St. Edward's School. Home. Saturday, June 1st. Lost.

St. Edward's School 131.

Abingdon School 98, Ball 43.

v. Magdalen College School, Oxford. Home. Wednesday, June 5th. Drawn.

Magdalen College School, 156 for 7. Higgins 38

Abingdon School, 95 for 5. Foy 48 not out.

The following played for the 2nd XI; H. J. Clarke, G. Farnsworth, A. L. Leigh, W. D. Richardson, T. J. Foy, R. E. Ball, J. E. G. Davies, J. M. Leftwich, R. H. Marshall, C. R. Howell, P. J. Goodman, P. A. Sitch, W. J. Eeles, C. R. T. Heard, E. H. Aldworth, P. H. Harris, J. W. Rayson, B. Arundale, E. G. Gibbs, E. O. Jones, K. R. Sims and T. V. Bowditch.

UNDER FIFTEEN XI.

With the assistance of Bradfield and Hill. the team was stronger than in recent years. In several matches however the claims of the 1st XI deprived the team of the services of one or both of them, and without them it was rather a weak batting side. However owing to the strength and variety of its bowling it was able to give a good account of itself. The fielding was never very good but reached a satisfactory standard. Of individual performers, Bradfield and Hill of course were outstanding with the bat, and Harris played some good stylish innings, Goodman's was quite sound and Carter 4 was a hard if happy-golucky hitter. The last-named and Harris were the most successful bowlers, but most members of the team "came off" at least once during the season with either bat or ball.

v. St. Edward's School. Away. June 1st. Won.

St. Edward's School, 106. Lones 50, Carter 4 for 4.

Abingdon School 107. Bradfield 30, Harris 29 not out.

v. Bloxham School. Home. Wednesday, June 19th. Lost.

Abingdon School 49.

Bloxham School 174. Mead 55 not out, Hinton 35, Carter 6 for 34.

v. Wantage School, Away. Wednesday, June 26th. Won.

Abingdon School 78. Imms 6 for 18.

Wantage School 37. Carter 3 for 8, Milne 3 for 6.

v. Magdalen College School, Oxford. Away. Wednesday, July 3rd. Won.

Abingdon School 102 for 8 wickets, Milne 27, Carter 21.

Magdalen College School 57. Pauffley 25.

The following played for the Under Fifteen XI; W. G. Bradfield, G. Hill, P. Carter, P. J. Goodman, C. R. T. Heard, P. H. Harris, E. H. Aldworth, C. B. F. Milne, J. C. Cantle, A. E. Carter, D. Hayter, G. L. Jones and F. W. G. Carter.

O.T.C.

The first 6 weeks of the term were devoted to a course of intensive all-round training in accordance with War Office instructions. T. E. W. T's. were arranged in the surrounding country for N.C.O's. and Cadets holding certificate A, and everyone gained useful experience in patrolling.

The inspection which was to have been held on June 6th was unfortunately cancelled, owing to the international situation. The corps however benefitted materially from the previous training.

Several cadets and both officers are now members of the Home Guard and night operations are a weekly feature in the life of this small and select body.

Promotions.

To be C.Q.M.S.—Sergt. Calvert-Fisher, J. G.

To be Sergt.—Cpl. Eeles, W. J.

To be Cpl.—L.-Cpl. Trudgian, G. E. T.

To be L.-Cpl.—Cdt. Foy T. J.

A.S.P.S.

After a period of quiescence during the Easter term the Photographic Society has been extremely active. Seven new members joined, and at an early date a visit was arranged to the Town Hall. By the courtesy of E. S. Willey, O. A., members were able to go to the roof of this historic building, and the excellent weather made the views particularly pleasant and attractive for photography. The museum on the first floor was also found very interesting.

At the end of May a conversazione was held in the Physics Laboratory. At this members were able to see one another's albums, and a varied and extensive show of pictures was on view.

Early in June a visit was paid to the Abbey Press, the printing works of J. H. Hooke, O.A. More precisely, two visits were paid; for in order that everyone should see easily the party was divided into two lots and came on different days. The various machines and processes of modern printing were inspected, the intricate composing machine being a source of much fascination and interest. We were very grateful to Mr. Hooke for his patient explanations and for devoting so much of his time to us.

Two competitions have been held. The first "Holiday Competition", covering the period from the end of the Christmas Term, resulted in fine entries. J. M. Leftwich won the first prize, in the professional class, with "Digging for Victory". The subject chosen for the second competition was "Spring and its Activities". For this there were seven entries, and "The Mile" by J. W. Rayson—amateur class—was the winner.

O. A. NOTES. Births.

Pearson—On April 6th, to Marjorie, wife of Norman V. Pearson, Rosewarren, Dracaena Avenue, Falmouth, a son (John Whitford).

Brown—On May 14th, at the Priory, Wootton Warren, Warwickshire, to Helen (nee Whitlock), wife of Lieut. Walter W. Brown, R.E., a daughter.

Waterhouse—On May 31st, to Esther Margaret, wife of R. C. W. Waterhouse, 1 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh, a daughter (Elizabeth Margaret).

Wood.—On June 27th, to Betty (nee Mann), wife of Fl./O. J. D. Wood, R.A.F., a daughter.

Marriages.

Bosley—Shearwood.—On May 13th, at Holy Trinity Church, Bracknell, Ronald A'Court, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bosley, Ivydene, Broadway, Didcot, to Madeleine, Jacynth, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Shearwood, of Burnside, Station Rd., Bracknell.

WILLIS—JONES.—On June 1st, at New Road Baptist Church, Oxford, Donald Owen, youngest son of Mr. R. H. Willis, of 59 Fernhill Rd., Cowley, to Muriel Edith, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Jones, of 51 Hill View Road, Oxford.

Woodley—Keep.—On June 1st, at Upton Church, Ronald Arthur Woodley, of Church Street, Didcot, to Audrey Dora Keep, of the Crossings, Upton.

Powell—Noel.—On July 5th, at St. Mary's Church, Carew, South Wales, Fl./O. Geoffrey, F. Powell, R.A.F., to Susan Diana Barham, Daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. E. B. Noel, of 20 Ovington Court, S.W.3.

FLEET—THORP.—On July 29th, Lieut. Arthur L. Fleet, R.M., only son of Mrs. and the late Mr. C. A. Fleet, of Harrow, to Mary Thorpe, of Beckenham and University College, Nottingham.

HILL—BALE.—On August 19th, at Trinity Methodist Church, Abingdon, Albert Frank Hill to Annie Lydia Bale.

HICKS—BING.—On September 7th, at Cowley Road Methodist Church, Oxford, Gunner Aubrey Leslie Hicks, R.A., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hicks, of Heverley, Hinksey Hill, Oxford, to Joyce Winifred, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Bing, of 18 Kenilworth Avenue, Oxford.

Deaths.

Stone—On April 20th, William Stone, of 8 Conduit Road, Abingdon, aged 84.

William Stone (1872) was born at Marcham in 1856, and was a pupil at the School at the time of its transference from the old buildings in the town to its present site. Leaving at the age of 16 he started in business in the City, and became eventually director of an Insurance Company. Latterly he had lived in Abingdon, where he had many friends, and sent his son, the V. Stone (1908), to his old School. Until recently he was a frequent spectator at our School Cricket, acting as umpire in O.A. matches. For a number of years he was Hon. Treasurer of the Abingdon Bowling Club, and for several years Treasurer of the Abbey Lodge of Freemasons.

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- A. C. Croasdell (1925) has been appointed Town Clerk of Abingdon, in succession to his father, Mr. W. Carlyle Croasdell, retired.
- A. J. K. Smith (1928), of the London Hospital, passed his final M.B. exam. in June.
- H. A. Lunghi (1939) has been awarded 2nd Class Honours in Classical Moderations at Oxford—a good performance after only one year's residence. He is now at an O.C.T.U.
- D. Jones (1937) and G. D. Randall (1939), the latter of whom has since left Culham and joined the R.A.F., both distinguished themselves in the Culham College Athletic Sports this year. Randall won the 100 yards and Weight Putting and Jones the Half-mile and Cricket Ball Throw. Jones is joint Captain of Rugger this year at Culham and was Cricket Secretary.
- D. T. Nadin (1939), who is studying engineering at Glasgow, is at present doing a six months' course in the fitting shop at Arral's Yard. He has joined the University O.T.C.—engineer unit.
- D. A. Large (1939) has obtained a billet with Furness Withy, the shipping firm. His work is in the Outward Freight Department, where a new service was started at the beginning of the war between London and New York; and as there are no American ships in competition, business is heavy and hours apt to be long. But Large likes the work and finds it very interesting.

- B. W. O. Dockerty (1939) has secured a post in Lloyds Bank Trustee and Executor Department, in Piccadilly.
- J. Richardson (1939) is working on the staff of Stevenson, Smart & Co., Chartered Accountants, of Lincoln.
- D. A. Culmer (1940) is in the Agricultural Department of the Middlesex County Council at Uxbridge.
- G. W. Povey (1940) is doing the secretarial work at Radley College which K. Mills (1932) has relinquished to join the R.A.F.

Miss Norah Bonner retired from the Lodge at the end of the Easter term. She had spent years of faithful and loyal service at the School, and many Old Boys will always remember her with gratitude and affection. She took a real interest in the children under her care and was anxious that they should grow up good and useful members of our community. The courage and endurance with which she carried on latterly, in spite of acute arthritis, filled us with admiration. We tender her our warmest thanks for her devoted service and wish her every happiness in her new home.

WAR NEWS.

Casualty List.

Baker.—Killed at Dunkirk, on June 1st, Signalman G. A. D. Baker, R.N.V.R., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker, of 2 Denmark Mansions, Bristol Road, Weston-super-Mare, aged 21.

He had been attached to a mine-sweeper since June 1939. He gave his life whilst helping to evacuate members of the B.E.F. The boat he was using was machine-gunned and capsized, and he was drowned while trying to regain his ship. We quote the following from a letter written to his father by one of his late messmates—surely as fine and sincere a tribute as a man could hope to receive:-"To us he was a hero as he had done everything possible to get the troops on board and in doing so gave his life for others. He had no thought for himself but only for his fellow-countrymen and to all of us he died a hero; and we thought you might like to know that your son had done his bit and we all shall cherish his staunchness and bravery, and may we all do our share as he has shown us... We all liked him so well and we share your sorrow for one of England's heroes... God bless your son George who we will never forget." At school, George Baker played cricket for the 1st XI and headed the bowling averages in his last season. On leaving (1935) he obtained a post with the British American Tobacco Company.

Barnes.—Killed on active service, P./O., A. L. V. Barnes, R.A.F., of 94 Gillhurst Road, Harborne, Birmingham, aged 21.

A. L. V. Barnes was a boarder at the School from 1932 to 1935. He joined the R.A.F. in 1937. We have heard no particulars of the date and manner of his death.

EMMETT.—Killed in action in Flanders, 2nd Lieut. Robert Emmett, East Surrey Regiment, second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. E. C. Emmett, of 23 Grove Way, Esher, Surrey, aged 20.

Robert Emmett-"Bob"-was shot in the head during the retreat to Dunkirk and killed instantly. Bob had made many friends during the seven years which he spent at the school (1929 to 1936) and in many cases these friendships had remained unbroken: he was too the youngest member of a family well known to us here. his brother John, now in Malaya, having preceded him at the school (1925 to 1932) and his sister Margaret, now married to another O.A.-G. A. Wood (1925 to 1929)—having been a pupil at St. Helen's School: so that to many of us here as one of his friends has expressed it, "when one thinks of Bob's young life so abruptly curtailed, the tragedy of the whole terrible business is brought home more strongly than ever." As a School Prefect, a member of the 1st XV, of the 1st IV, and of the 2nd Cricket XI, Bob Emmett played a full part in the active life of the School: also as a vocalist of no mean quality. On leaving he found employment with a firm of Insurance Agents in London, and in his spare time was an active member of the London branch of the O.A.C.

Holme.—Killed in action in Flanders, 2nd Lieut. Michael Harold Holme, Royal Berks Regiment, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holme, of Rivermead, Wallingford, Berks, aged 21.

Michael Holme (1935) had adopted insurance as his profession and held an appointment at the Head Office of the Employers' Liability Insurance Corporation, but he was commissioned at the start of the war and he proceeded to France in the Spring. Here he proved himself a capable officer and quickly won the confidence of his men. A corporal of his command, with-Michael at the time of his death, writes in high terms of his skilful handling of his men in action, to which undoubtedly many of them owe their lives. At school Michael Holme will be remembered as a quarter-mile runner, representing the School v. the Old Boys and subsequently on several occasions the Old Boys v. the School. He was also a capable boxer, and in 1938 won the Novices Light-weight Championship at the inter-Insurance Companies boxing competition. His father, who is manager at Lloyds Bank in Wallingford, was badly wounded in the war of 1914-18 and lost a leg in the Gallipoli campaign.

Morley.—Killed in action in Flanders, Major Philip Woodgate Morley, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, second son of Mrs. E. H. Morley, of De Vaux Lodge, Salisbury, aged 40.

Philip Morley (1913 to 1917) gained his colours for both cricket and football and was captain of football in his last season; also a school prefect. On leaving school he joined the army, passing into Sandhurst. He was killed in a gallant effort to silence a machine-gun, which was inflicting murderous punishment upon his company. Though already wounded in the neck, he managed to crawl within striking distance of the gun, but as he raised his arm to hurl a grenade, he received a shattering wound in the shoulder, and the next moment the grenade exploded, killing him instantaneously. His colonel writes that Philip's death is an irreparable loss to the regiment, and that he personally has lost a true and loyal friend. Philip Morley was married two years ago.

RAYMONT.—Killed in action in Flanders, Major Oliver Thomas Morton Raymont, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Raymont, of Furze Cottage, Carbis Bay, St. Ives, Cornwall. aged 31.

O. T. M. Raymont (1922 to 1927) after taking an honours degree in history at Oxford, entered the army in 1931 by means of a University commission, and his time of service included four years in Nigeria. He had been promoted to the rank of Captain some months before the outbreak of war, and subsequently, on proceeding with his regiment to France, to that of Acting Major. He died of wounds received in action on May 16th. A senior officer writes of him—"The regiment has lost one of its most gallant and well-loved officers;" and another—"I heard recently from the battalion how splendidly he was doing. We shall miss a great friend, and the regiment one of its best younger officers." Though always a capable athlete, it was not until his Oxford days

that he won real distinction. At Oxford he became President of the Pembroke College Athletic Club, and came near to winning his "blue" for hurdling. Later, in the army, he was well-known as a rider—a frequent competitor in point-to point races and the winner, in 1937, of the Viscount Tredegar Challenge Cup at Newport (Mon.) Steeplechases on his own horse Towcester.

Steele.—Died on active service, Frank Charles Steele, eldest and only surviving son of Captain and Mrs. Steele, of Faringdon Rd., Abingdon, aged 36.

F. C. Steele (1915 to 1920) died on July 1st, while serving in Palestine with the Australian Imperial Expeditionary Force.

Missing, believed killed in action.

D. H. Wardlaw (1929 to 1931), P./O., R.A.F.

Prisoners of war in Germany.

P. A. Wimberley (1935 to 1936), Fl./O., R.A.F., and G. F. Rice (1932 to 1936), Driver R.A.S.C.

Distinctions.

Rev. T. M. Layng, C.F., M.B.E., M.C., (1906) has been awarded a bar to his M.C., which he won in 1916 as temporary Captain and Adjutant of the 2nd Durham Light Infantry for his services at the battle of Hooge. The bar was awarded for "exemplary courage throughout the retreat and at Dunkirk, where, although the division to which he was attached as senior chaplain had already embarked, he remained behind to tend the wounded and bury the dead, despite murderous bombing.

The name of Torpedo Officer L. H. C. Cresswell, R.N., (1914), of H.M.S. Cossack, appeared in the list of Birthday Honours as a recipient of the M.B.E. Cossack, it will be remembered, in addition to her action in the rescue of the Altmark prisioners, played a prominent part in the naval operations at Narvik.

Among those mentioned in despatches for their "daring and resource in the conduct of hazardous and successful operations in His Majesty's submarines against the enemy" was Lieut. H. R. D'Almaine, R. N., (1929), of H.M.S. Sunfish.

409 Additions and corrections to Roll of Service. Allison, J. M. (1932) Capt., Ox & Bucks L.I. Barber, E. R. (1920) Royal Corps of Signals. Beazley, G. H. (1927) Royal Armoured Corps. Bennett, F. A. (1936) Lieut., R.M. Bernthal, L. L. (1938) R.A.F. Blackmore, J. C. (1933) Major, R.A.O.C. Brown, D. G. (1935) Lieut., R.A.S.C.—4th Field Ambulance. Brown, R. F. (1931) O.C.T.U., R.A. Brown, W. W. (1927) Lieut., R.E. Calvert-Fisher, J. G. (1940) R.A.F. Charley, T. J. H. (1933) 274th Battery, H.A.C., (Anti-aircraft). Cleave, K. (1922) Sergt., 220th S/L Training Regt., R.A. Collick, A. R. J. (1938) Apprentice, Fleet Air Arm. Cooper, M. R. T. (1935) Sergt., Kenya Regt. Dewe, W. M. (1934) R.N. Foxwell, A. E. B. (1931) 2nd Lieut., Middlesex Regt. Foxwell, A. W. R. (1926) Sergt.Major, H.A.C. Garton, A. M. (1926) R.A.F., V.R. Garton, G. (1929) Gunner, R.A. Good, C. H. B. (1901) Col. R.A. (A.A. Battery) Goodey, G. J. (1933) R.A.M.C. Gould, R. C. (1933) R.A.F. (Training as aircrew Observer). Harfield, V. A. (1937) R.N. Hedger, R. (1940) Cpl., Royal Berks Regt. Hill, P. J. (1936) R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Howard, H. T. (1926) R.A.F., Clerical Section. Insley-Fox, H. M. (1926) Sub-Lieut., R.N.V.R., (H.M.S. King Alfred).

Jacob, W. G. E. (1932) 2nd Lieut., R.A. James, R. G. (1934) R.N., Dental Section.

Jones, J. C. T. (1931) Cpl., R.A.S.C.

Kortright, J. C. H. (1932) Sub-Lieut., Fleet Air Arm.

Lansdown, S. J. (1931) Royal Corps of Signals. Lay, J. (1933) R.A.F., Accounts Section. Layng, Rev. T. M. (1906) C.F., 4th Cl. (a/C.F.

3rd Cl.)

Luker, L. E. J. (1935) 2nd Lieut., Royal Welch Fusiliers.

Lunghi, H. A. (1939) O.C.T.U., R.A.

Mills, D. E. (1935) 2nd Lieut., R.A.

Mills, K. (1932) R.A.F. (Training as air crew Observer).

Mills, R. P. F. (1935) Royal Berks Regt.

Morland, C. S. (1921) No. 1 Light Tank Corps, South Africa.

Morland, J. W. (1917) Cpl., H.Q. Coy., 2/1 Austr. Bn., A.I.F. *Morley, P. W. (1917) Major, Royal Warwickshire Regt. Newman, D. F. W. (1935) 2nd Lieut., R.E. Powell, G. F. (1926) Fl./O., R.A.F. Prior, K. (1933) Cpl., Ox. & Bucks L.I. Punter, E. J. F. (1933) Gunner. 159th Heavy A.A. Battery. Randall, G. D. (1939) Cpl., (a/Sergt.), R.A.F. *Raymont, O. T. M. (1927) Major, Royal Welch Fusiliers. Smith, P. D. (1929) P./O., R.A.F. Smith, W. G. (1935) Royal Corps of Signals. Stevenson, H. M. (1903) R.A.S.C. Stiles, H. D. S. (1923) Capt., R.A. Thomas, D. R. (1934) L./Cpl., R.A.S.C. Thomas, M. (1932) R.A.O.C. Wells, M. D. (1937) Cpl., Royal Berks Regt. West, D. B. (1939) O.C.T.U., R.A. (Sandhurst) Whitfield, H. H. (1936) 2nd Lieut., Cameron Highlanders. (Attached Anti-Tank Corps). Wood, J. D. (1926) Fl./O., R.A.F. Wright, D. C. K. (1927) Sapper, 4th Training Bn., R.E.

*See Casualty List.

- H. L. G. Livingston (1935) has been posted to India, where his address is (or was in Feb.) R. A. Mess, Kakul, N.W.F.P.
- L. G. Cather (1936) was C.Q.M.S. at G.H.Q. in France during the early part of the war, and was not with his own regiment, the 12th London Rangers. He is now at an O.C.T.U. in training for a commission.
- W. Giles (1937) is applying for a commission in the Royal Armoured Corps. He is one of four selected from his group to go to a Cadet Training School.