

Potato growing concerns the whole School. On a 10-acre scale most of the work has to be done by hired machinery, but occasionally mass turn-outs are necessary for various operations. Last year's work left something to be desired: several rows were omitted or badly planted, and the last few days of gathering left 3 tons (worth £20) to be collected afterwards—ruined of course by birds and exposure. The problem is a simple one on a farm where one man can run the show; in a school, where the masters and senior boys have many calls, a higher degree of sensible co-operation is essential. In the future it will be impossible to obtain manure in quantity, and to maintain fertility the School will have to manufacture some 100 tons of compost annually. This is quite possible, but it means that energetic parties will have to go afield cutting material and that the pioneers will have to make an array of pits properly equipped with concrete drainage and ventilation channels. Then follows periodic "turning" which has got to be done systematically and thoroughly. Lastly, there is spreading.

Fuel has been the special task of the pioneers and their most considerable work. As soon as war was declared we started to collect the many dead trees lying about the copses. At first, with limited equipment and few boys, we used block-and-tackle to hoist the trunks to the path, whence followed a laborious haul and finally sawing, splitting and delivery. The first Christmas, after much effort, saw 5,000 logs—a mere flea-bite compared with the estimated demand. Next came the construction of apparatus to top the Northbrook level in one operation; finally the construction of a trailer and sundry equipment by means of which the timber, now lowered to river level, could be got home quickly via Racquets Court Hill. We soon found that the time-energy ratio of collection to actual log production was something like 9 to 1, and as the demand increased it became more and more difficult to keep pace with the saw benches. Incidental requirements extended the range of work. A storage hut could be built only by learning to quarry the Bargate and making the hut of stone, which, in turn, demanded water and sand, only to be obtained by further improvisations and labour. The work has gone on continuously ever since, save for one hectic month when all our energy was concentrated on bucket hoists, mud, pile-driving and the collection of revetting. Two holiday camps have been held and the School has now received no less than 135,000 logs: we may reach a quarter million before supplies run out (unless the van falls to bits).

As to emergency demands, anything of course may befall us, and the occasion when we did receive a military SOS was one that brought credit to the School. But it requires no great effort of imagination

to visualize possibilities and to see the importance of getting boys accustomed to working in groups, with serious intention, technical efficiency and despatch, particularly when the urgency of the occasion has none of the obvious characteristics of heroic challenge. The kind of efficiency we achieved when a group of pioneers was suddenly sent off to sandbag the Founder's tomb was quite admirable and good practice for more serious calls that may well lie ahead.

The all-important thing is to discard that attitude of mind which, relying on fortitude in stark emergency, pursues its pre-war fantasies, and declines to take seriously the prosaic business of persistent training in solid and sometimes tiresome work. We have already indicated that some of the routine previously allotted to School employees has been taken over, in part by the pioneers, in part by other boys and masters whose energy has been seen displayed on the immediate School surroundings; but much of course remains, and clearly labour will become increasingly scarce. We shall sooner or later get into difficulties unless the whole thing is properly planned, but it must not be supposed that a mere scheme, emanating from authority and backed by compulsion will suffice. The plan of real value will emerge from an awakened School consciousness that the problem exists and must be solved by its own endeavour.

J. C. HOLMES.

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## FOOTBALL

On Colour Sunday, December 14th, the colours were made up as follows:—

1st XI—P. H. Blanchard, A. S. Lovett, R. S. Evans, N. H. Benké, R. M. Lahaye, P. C. G. Larking, R. C. Towers, M. E. H. Le Gallais, R. W. Sword, R. W. Holder, E. W. Lomas.

2nd XI—A. C. D. Davidson, J. D. Bendit, R. A. Vlasto, G. E. Seager, R. D. F. Watson, J. L. B. Edwards, G. T. Metcalfe, E. C. Dalgety, G. Johnson-Smith, A. Crole-Rees, B. R. D. J. Hogg.

3rd XI—C. N. Acheson-Gray, J. H. Foster, B. R. J. Walker, J. G. Elliott, J. B. Maflin, B. D. Wilson, I. W. Stiven, J. J. Chaldecott, D. J. Jones, D. J. C. Stevenson, J. M. Crossman.

4th XI—P. K. Drury, T. S. Johnson, J. L. Godden, J. M. Sword, M. J. Rimell, I. G. Lovesy, G. C. Daukes, R. M. Hutchinson, I. L. Jardine, B. C. Isitt, G. D. Spratt.

CYGNETS—R. A. Saager, J. R. Stewardson, F. M. Rushbrook-Williams, J. A. N. Pollock, G. N. Whitfield, I. F. Kitson.

SWALLOWS—E. L. Williams, R. A. Traill, A. D. Fricker, R. Okell, W. A. Westerman, A. C. Robertson.

HARPIES—J. S. Rowe, A. R. Speak, K. M. G. Durrant, J. M. Ellis, J. D. Lumsden, D. W. Savill.

NOMADS—L. J. Hunt, K. L. Brierty, P. A. Vlasto.

The team at the end of the Long Quarter, 1942, was made up as follows:—

A. S. Lovett; R. S. Evans, P. C. G. Larking; M. E. H. Le Gallais, R. W. Sword, R. W. Holder; E. W. Lomas, J. D. Bendit, G. T. Metcalfe, R. D. F. Watson, G. E. Seager.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v AN OXFORD TEAM

At Home. November 22nd. Drawn 1—1.

In an exciting game Charterhouse drew with a team brought down from Oxford by P. W. G. Needham.

Charterhouse were playing with the wind in the first half, but were rather slow on to the ball and the game was largely in mid-field. At first the ball seemed to oscillate rapidly between the opposing lines of defence without materially influencing either forward line, but before long the Oxford team broke through and scored with a lucky shot from their centre-forward. After this Charterhouse began to settle down and actually made several attempts to score, but were held out by a sturdy defence consisting largely of F. A. Peet and J. P. L. Sharp.

In the second half, against the wind, the Charterhouse defence had a busier time and Bendit was called upon to make several good saves. Towards the end of the game, however, the Charterhouse forwards found that passing the ball was not, after all, so very difficult, and their play improved considerably. They were unlucky several times, but were finally rewarded when after a very nice piece of team-work, Lahaye put the ball into the net twenty seconds before time.

TEAM—J. D. Bendit; R. C. Towers, P. H. Blanchard; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; R. S. Evans, G. E. Seager, R. M. Lahaye, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v WELLINGBOROUGH

At Home. November 26th. Won 7—2.

The match was played in the morning owing to travel difficulties, and the Charterhouse team seemed to take some time to get used to the matutinal conditions. At first play was fairly level and nothing particularly graphic occurred. Then Wellingborough scored from a corner, which, to a casual onlooker, seemed slightly unnecessary. For another ten minutes Charterhouse still seemed overpowered by their breakfast; but gradually the digestion improved and the attack became faster and more formidable. Lahaye then scored a goal. Charterhouse were now having more of the game and missed about three open goals from centres from the right by the simple process of missing the ball completely, and Wellingborough were giving as good as they got. Half-time came with the score still 1—1.

The digestion was finished off in the first ten minutes of the second half, which must have produced the slowest football ever seen in a School match. Then Evans suddenly decided to run and immediately scored a good goal from a long shot. Lahaye apparently was stimulated by this display and scored a third. He liked the sensation and so scored a fourth, assisted by Sword and Lovett. This goal was the result of intelligent positioning and was a good effort. Larking then made his contribution and scored from a shot fired some way out. Play then moved to the other end and a Charterhouse defender fouled about ten yards outside the penalty area. This ball went in without anyone taking any apparent interest in it and the score was 5—2. Lahaye was then stung to fury by his fellow-Bodeite's lapse and rushed off to get his fourth goal, and almost immediately after, the seventh goal was scored by a really dazzling quick first-time passing movement, which Lovett finished off successfully; and so time came with Charterhouse the winners by 7—2.

Charterhouse gave a very mixed display and were often thoroughly lazy. The defence was effective, but did some fearful and wonderful mis-kicking. Lahaye, as indicated, was too fast for the opposing defence in the second half. Evans was menacing on the wing.

The Wellingborough team played very well for the first half-hour, but their lack of weight told after that and their marking became erratic, which produced holes that they were not fast enough to close. Their goalkeeper should have saved one or two of the goals: but they stuck to it till the end.

TEAM—N. H. Benké; R. C. Towers, P. H. Blanchard; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; R. S. Evans, P. C. G. Larking, R. M. Lahaye, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v CAMBRIDGE CZECHS

At Home. December 3rd. Won 3—2.

TEAM—N. H. Benké; R. D. F. Watson, P. H. Blanchard; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; P. C. G. Larking, A. S. Lovett, R. M. Lahaye, E. W. Lomas, R. S. Evans.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v A NAVY XI

At Home. December 6th. Lost 1—7.

It did not take the Navy long to find their feet in this match, and to demonstrate their perfect team-work. Although playing into a very strong head-wind they had soon scored two goals, and were giving the School an object-lesson in the art of running into open spaces while waiting for a pass. By half-time they had raised their score to five.

Charterhouse were rather dubious about the second half; it seemed as if it would be impossible to stop the Navy, now playing with the wind. However, it was not until twenty minutes of the second half had elapsed that they scored their sixth goal. Shortly after this Charterhouse scored from one of their rare attacks: Lahaye took the ball down the middle and shot at goal: Evans followed up and scored from the rebound into an empty goal from very short range. The Navy added another goal to their score before the final whistle.

For Charterhouse, who were without Blanchard and Holder, Towers was outstanding with his well-timed tackling and sure kicking. All the halves played well, but were rather run off their feet by the opposing forwards. Our forwards had little chance to shine, but Evans was always dangerous whenever he was given an opening.

TEAM—N. H. Benké; R. D. F. Watson, R. C. Towers; M. E. H. Le Gallais, R. W. Sword, R. A. Vlasto; R. S. Evans, E. W. Lomas, R. M. Lahaye, A. S. Lovett, P. C. G. Larking.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v COLDSTREAM GUARDS

At Home. December 17th. Drawn 3—3.

TEAM—N. H. Benké; R. C. Towers, P. H. Blanchard; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; R. M. Lahaye, P. C. G. Larking, R. S. Evans, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v THE QUEEN'S REGIMENT

At Home. January 31st. Won 4—2.

TEAM—J. D. Bendit; R. M. Hutchinson, G. T. Metcalfe; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; P. C. G. Larking, G. E. Seager, R. S. Evans, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v O.C.T.U., SANDHURST

At Home. February 11th. Drawn 0—0.

Charterhouse drew with a strong XI from the Sandhurst O.C.T.U., neither side scoring. Sandhurst seemed to have the game very much their own way for the first quarter of an hour, but the defence, at first very ragged, began to sort itself out and Watson and Metcalfe both tackled and cleared the ball well, while Bendit brought off several excellent saves. After preliminary muddling, the forwards settled down and started attacking, but although passes were good and movements well carried out, there was poor finish in the penalty area. Sword was clever with his heading, and was continually in the right position for intercepting the ball.

The second half saw Charterhouse really playing as a team—combination between the halves and forwards

was excellent and Evans kept the ball swinging from side to side of the field. Lovett and Seager both made good openings down their wings, but the shooting in the penalty area was still poor; indeed, near the end, as other methods seemed of little avail, the forwards tried in desperation several times to score by completely missing the ball. Bendit was again very safe, saving several seemingly certain goals, and the defence did well to deal so effectively with a clever opposing line. Holder and Le Gallais in particular gave their insides little chance to put the ball where they wanted.

TEAM—J. D. Bendit; R. D. F. Watson, G. T. Metcalfe; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; P. C. G. Larking, G. E. Seager, R. S. Evans; A. S. Lovett, G. Johnson-Smith.

After the match J. D. Bendit received his colours.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v MEDICAL STUDENTS' UNION

At Home. February 14th. Won 6—0.

Charterhouse easily beat this weak side by six goals to nought. The score should doubtless have been greater, as Charterhouse played well together throughout and were continually in the opposing penalty area. Perhaps they were disturbed by the somewhat original tactics of the Medical Students, who seeing that they could not hold the attack by ordinary methods, resorted to rapidly revolving to different positions in the field, several of them sometimes seemed to be playing in the same place. A real black man also caused considerable diversion by hurling himself voraciously at his opponents instead of at the ball.

Charterhouse all played well, and some of the movements down the field between the halves and forwards were excellent. Goals were scored by Larking (2), Seager (2), Lovett and Evans.

TEAM—J. D. Bendit; R. D. F. Watson, G. T. Metcalfe; R. W. Holder, R. A. Vlasto, M. E. H. Le Gallais; P. C. G. Larking, G. E. Seager, R. S. Evans, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v ROYAL HORSE ARTILLERY

At Home. February 18th. Lost 0—3.

Not only was there an icy wind blowing, but there had also been a very hard frost the previous night, which made Big Ground as hard as concrete. From the start our opponents looked the faster side, and this was the dominating factor throughout the game. There were occasional raids by the Charterhouse forwards, and the Army goal-keeper was called upon to make saves from one or two hard shots, but on the whole the Charterhouse forwards were rather uninspired. The opposing forwards also did not look as good as their defence, but perhaps that was because Met-

calfe and Watson were both playing well, with Bendit very safe in goal. But eventually the Field Artillery forced a corner, the ball went up in the air towards their right half, who scored with a good volley shot. The Army was still pressing when half-time came. The main difference between the sides in the second half was that the Army forwards improved all round, while the Charterhouse attack still seemed listless. The defence, however, was playing a good game, Watson in particular standing out, kicking accurately and tackling well, but they could not stop two more goals being added to the Field Artillery's score.

TEAM—J. D. Bendit; R. D. F. Watson, G. T. Metcalfe; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; P. C. G. Larking, G. E. Seager, R. S. Evans, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### CHARTERHOUSE v ROYAL ENGINEERS

At Home. February 21st. Lost 0—2.

TEAM—J. D. Bendit; R. D. F. Watson, G. T. Metcalfe; R. W. Holder, R. W. Sword, M. E. H. Le Gallais; P. C. G. Larking, G. E. Seager, R. E. Evans, A. S. Lovett, E. W. Lomas.

#### 2nd XI MATCHES

##### CHARTERHOUSE v THE QUEEN'S REGIMENT

At Home. January 31st. Won 3—2.  
(Crole-Rees 2, Dalgety).

##### CHARTERHOUSE v THE QUEEN'S REGIMENT.

Away. February 14th. Lost 1—7.  
(Stevenson).

##### CHARTERHOUSE v R.E.'s

At Home. February 21st. Lost 1—5.  
(Crole-Rees).

#### HOUSE MATCHES

##### SEMI-FINALS

Verites (Vlasto ma.) beat Hodgsonites 1—0.

VERITES—J. D. Bendit; A. J. Bell, K. L. Brierly; J. M. Sword, J. H. Foster, C. N. Acheson-Gray; A. M. Cranstoun, G. C. Daukes, P. A. Vlasto mi., R. A. Vlasto ma. (Capt.), D. R. Marsh.

HODGSONITES—J. S. Rowe; J. G. Elliott, M. F. T. Bridger ma.; P. M. Dowell ma., M. E. H. Le Gallais, J. D. Lumsden; I. W. Stiven, K. M. G. Durrant, A. Crole-Rees, E. W. Lomas (Capt.), J. G. F. Inglis.

Girdlestoneites (Evans) beat Gownboys 1—0.

GIRDLESTONEITES—P. M. Braund; R. C. Towers, R. M. Hutchinson; J. J. Chaldecott, R. W. Holder, J. L. B. Edwards; N. R. N. Barton, P. C. G. Larking, R. S. Evans (Capt.), G. Johnson-Smith, G. D. Spratt.

GOWNBOYS—G. N. Whitfield; F. M. Rushbrook-Williams, I. G. Lovesy; A. H. Fellowes, A. C. D. Davidson (Capt.), P. J. M. Hill; H. T. Verry, R. S. Dickens, A. B. Whitehorn, G. E. Seager, B. R. D. J. Hogg.

#### FINAL

##### GIRDLESTONEITES (4) v VERITES (1)

This was played as usual on Big Ground on Saturday, December 13th, and was won fairly comfortably by Girdlestoneites with a score of 4—1. On paper Girdlestoneites had an amazingly impressive side, but Verites were clearly unimpressed, and set stoutly about them; to start with they played more together and were quicker on the ball. However, the greater experience of the opposite team proved able to prevent anything dramatic occurring.

Actually, on the day's play the lesser satellites of the Girdlestoneite constellation turned out to be more impressive than the major stars. Kitson at inside right played a most useful game, and Hutchinson compared more than favourably with Towers at back.

GIRDLESTONEITES—P. M. Braund; R. C. Towers, R. M. Hutchinson; J. J. Chaldecott, R. W. Holder, J. L. B. Edwards; G. Johnson-Smith, P. C. G. Larking, R. S. Evans (Capt.), I. F. Kitson, G. D. Spratt.

VERITES—J. D. Bendit; A. J. Bell, L. J. Hunt; J. M. Sword, J. H. Foster, C. N. Acheson-Gray; A. M. Cranstoun, G. C. Daukes, P. A. Vlasto mi., R. A. Vlasto ma. (Capt.), D. R. Marsh.

B.C.L.

#### UNDER XVI HOUSE MATCHES

##### 1ST ROUND

Weekites (Deakin, Godden) beat Verites (Vlasto mi.) 2—1

WEEKITES—N. H. H. Johnson; J. H. Smith, P. W. C. Rodd; R. A. Paine, M. J. Rimell ma. (Capt.), A. J. Rimell mi.; M. R. Dunstan-Crary, D. J. Deakin, P. S. I. Godden, J. F. G. Williams ma., A. G. Williams mi.

VERITES—P. B. Cross (Capt.); G. A. A. Scriven, M. E. Le Jeune mi.; R. H. Oram mi., J. Bowden, J. R. W. Stevenson; A. M. Cranstoun, R. J. Walker, P. A. Vlasto mi., T. R. F. Fenwick, P. C. Hicks.

Bodeites (Pollock 2, Macintosh, Whettem) beat Daviesites (Jory) 4—1

BODEITES—P. Barnard; R. L. K. White, G. M. Hinds; I. R. M. Mitchell, R. R. Hudson, M. C. W. Wildy; J. C. Whettem, J. Macintosh, J. A. N. Pollock (Capt.), V. F. C. Valey, B. T. Bond.

DAVIESITES—J. S. Ingram; J. B. R. Ashley, D. Funnell; J. A. Argenti, M. A. Gemmell (Capt.), A. C. Hennessy; A. G. Ray mi., G. A. M. Lyle, M. D. Jory, A. C. Hall, M. J. Amberg.

##### 2ND ROUND

Girdlestoneites (Dix-Perkin 2, Kitson 2, Spratt) beat Pageites (Newton mi., Staplyton-Smith) 5—2

GIRDLESTONEITES—A. P. Cohen; M. J. S. F. Staplyton-Smith, M. R. Blampied mi.; W. N. Kitson, P. C. Higgins, D. B. R. Osborne; J. P. C. Rucker, G. D. Spratt (Capt.), D. J. L. Dix-Perkin, D. Ounsted, B. H. Llewellyn.

PAGEITES—T. A. Bridge; P. L. Newton ma., R. W. le B. Rickman (Capt.); M. W. Spratt, R. M. Cunningham, J. L. Harvey; A. F. Waley, C. M. Gysin, W. K. Newton mi., P. J. V. Doake, P. R. Hall.

Robinites (Albu 2, Hall-Craggs 2, Vine 2, Price) beat Gownboys (Marshall) 7—1

ROBINITES—G. R. W. Carter; F. J. Hill, G. E. Thompson; C. W. C. Green, E. A. Bishop (Capt.), P. D. Moorhead; C. M. B. Crabb, P. A. L. Vine, E. C. B. Hall-Craggs, B. H. Price mi., A. L. Albu.

GOWNBOYS—C. F. Baker; C. H. D. Whitaker, T. D. T. Henshaw, E. A. J. Parry; P. E. C. Rattray, J. E. A. Marshall (Capt.), M. Heymann, J. W. Furnivall, A. C. Ryder.

Weekites (Rimell mi. 2, Godden, Rimell ma.) beat Hodgsonites (Samuel) 4—1

WEEKITES—N. H. H. Johnson; J. H. Smith, P. W. C. Rodd; J. H. S. Law, M. J. Rimell ma. (Capt.), A. J. Rimell mi.; M. R. Dunstan-Crary, I. Macdonald, P. S. I. Godden, R. H. Paine, W. M. E. Hunter.

HODGSONITES—C. Berger; G. L. J. Engle, M. R. Nathan; G. M. Dowell mi., E. C. Whitley, J. D. Tudor-Rees; J. O. Heyworth, H. C. Samuel, G. D. V. Wright (Capt.), R. M. G. Simpson, R. H. Smyth.

Saunderites drew with Bodeites 0—0

SAUNDERITES—H. Le Bas; P. C. D. Moy, G. W. K. Fenn-Smith; G. R. W. Turbutt, P. M. Lind, R. B. Scharff; S. A. N. Raven, P. G. Mason, D. W. Walters, A. E. Cooper, I. A. Lowe.

BODEITES—P. Barnard; R. L. K. White, G. M. Hinds; I. R. M. Mitchell, R. R. Hudson, M. C. W. Wildy; J. C. Whettem, J. Macintosh, J. A. N. Pollock (Capt.), V. F. C. Veley, B. T. Bond.

In the replay Bodeites (Whettem) beat Saunderites 1—0

BODEITES—P. Barnard; R. L. K. White, G. M. Hinds; V. F. C. Veley, R. R. Hudson, M. C. W. Wildy; J. A. N. Pollock (Capt.), J. C. Whettem, I. R. M. Macintosh, P. J. Lyne, B. T. Bond.

SAUNDERITES—H. Le Bas; P. C. D. Moy, G. W. K. Fenn-Smith; G. R. W. Turbutt, J. M. Waddell mi., P. M. Lind; G. M. Eliot mi., P. G. Mason, D. W. Walters, I. W. Lynch, I. A. Lowe.

#### SEMI-FINAL

Robinites (Hall-Craggs 3, Albu, Crabb, Price mi., Vine) beat Girdlestoneites (Dix-Perkin) 7—1

ROBINITES—G. R. W. Carter; D. G. Francis, G. E. Thompson; P. D. Moorhead, E. A. Bishop (Capt.), C. W. C. Green; P. A. L. Vine, C. M. B. Crabb, E. C. B. Hall-Craggs, B. H. Price mi., A. L. Albu.

GIRDLESTONEITES—D. B. R. Osborne; W. N. Kitson, M. R. Blampied; B. H. Llewellyn, P. C. Higgins, P. R. Gidlow-Jackson; J. P. C. Rucker, G. D. Spratt (Capt.), D. J. L. Dix-Perkin, D. Ounsted, M. D. Austin.

Weekites (Godden 2, Deakin) beat Bodeites (Bond) 3—1

WEEKITES—N. H. H. Johnson; P. W. G. Rodd, J. H. Smith; R. H. Paine, M. J. Rimell ma. (Capt.), A. J. Rimell mi.; M. R. Dunstan-Crary, D. J. Deakin, P. S. I. Godden, J. F. G. Williams, I. Macdonald.

BODEITES—P. Barnard; R. L. K. White, G. M. Hinds; V. F. C. Veley, R. R. Hudson, M. C. W. Wildy; J. A. N. Pollock (Capt.), J. C. Whettem, I. R. M. Macintosh, P. J. Lyne, B. T. Bond.

#### FINAL

Robinites beat Weekites in the final of Under XVI House matches by 1—0 after extra time.

This was a very evenly contested match throughout, and the result was always doubtful. Weekites were playing downhill and with the wind in the first half, but failed to make full use of these advantages; Rimell put in several long shots, any of which might have produced a goal, and Robinites nearly scored twice with Albu and Vine both shooting over the top from close range. Bishop was outstanding in the Robinite defence, using his head well and being nearly always in the right position, and he was ably supported by Francis and Thompson, both of whom tackled and cleared well. Rimell was always the mainstay of Weekites both in defence and attack, but he was inclined to try and dribble too much. Half-time came with no score.

During the second half, Robinites pressed hard with the wind and slope in their favour, but, although frequently in the Weekite penalty area, seemed incapable of shooting straight; this was largely due perhaps to a stubborn defence by Rodd and Smith, who both cleared well up their wings, and Rimell, who largely dominated the play in the second half. Bishop was conspicuous for Robinites in attacking now, and Albu and Price made several clever movements together down the right wing. It was not surprising however that extra time was needed to produce a result, as neither side inspired their supporters with any hope of their scoring.

Robinites scored in the first half of extra time; the ball went out to Albu on the wing, who was completely unmarked—he kept his head well and put in a lovely shot in the top corner of the goal. The last minute of play provided tremendous excitement, with Weekites pressing desperately in a scrimmage right in the Robinite goal mouth; Bishop, however, managed to clear the ball away before the final whistle blew amidst scenes of terrific excitement and anxiety both on the field and on the touch-line.

ROBINITES—O. B. Popplewell; D. G. Francis, G. E. Thompson; C. W. C. Green, E. A. Bishop (Capt.), R. D. Moorhead; P. A. L. Vine, C. M. B. Crabb, E. C. A. Hall-Craggs, B. H. Price mi., A. C. Albu.

WEEKITES—N. H. H. Johnson; P. W. C. Rodd, J. H. Smith; R. H. Paine, M. J. Rimell ma. (Capt.), A. S. Rimell mi., M. R. Dunstan-Crarey, D. J. Deakin, J. F. G. Williams, W. M. E. Hunter.

## THE FOOTBALL SEASON, 1941-42

What with increasing difficulties in finding matches, travelling facilities and footballs and bladders, coupled with a prolonged ice age after Christmas which prevented any match being played in normal conditions and culminating with the cancellation of the Winchester match, the review is bound to be a little jaundiced. However, before Christmas the situation was briefly as follows:—The only School Matches possible were against Bradfield, which resulted in victories both at home and away, and against Wellingborough (won 7-1). Other creditable victories were against the Corinthian Casuals and the Sherwood Foresters. However, some very tough obstacles cropped up which caused more than a mere stumble. The Coldstream Guards beat us 6-0: they were an imposing team of very large and very active men. Another feature of the season was a contest against a Naval team from Portsmouth as a culmination of the Godalming Warships Week. These sailors were not so large but amazingly fast and were probably the best side that has visited Charterhouse for some time. The score was something like 7-1 against. They appeared supported by a gale and also the F.A. Cup, which was kindly lent by the holders, Portsmouth F.C., for the occasion. Mr Chignell took up a strong position in the aura of this imposing object and endeavoured to sell Savings Certificates. However, as stated before, the weather was not helpful either to him or the players. A remarkable kick by the Godalming mayoral toe to open the proceedings should not be allowed to pass unsung.

Girdlestoneites then won the House Matches fairly comfortably against Verites.

After Christmas, it froze. Matches were played, or rather, clattered through, on a series of concrete-like grounds. The match *v* Sandhurst O.C.T.U. was very nearly normal and resulted in a draw 0-0, but all the others were very, very artificial affairs. The final blow was the scratching of the Winchester match owing to persistent ice on their arena. Naturally, it thawed the very next day.

Before Christmas the team was fairly effective but rather rough and crude. Sword proved a great find as a 'stopper' centre-half, and his heading was always outstanding. Blanchard and Towers were a fast pair of backs but not always reliable in their kicking and tackling. Of the wing halves, Le Gallais always played coolly and intelligently: Holder worked hard but his judgment of tackles is at times faulty. Also he has a bad habit of launching himself desperately at an opponent. The forwards combined well and Lahaye was

always dangerous owing to his speed. Evans improved a great deal as the season progressed. Larking and Lovett played intelligently as insides, and Lomas had his moments at outside-right, but usually lacked dash. Benké in goal lost confidence badly and seemed unable to keep his head down when taking a shot. The inevitable result was that things went wrong.

After Christmas, the gaps were filled by Bendit in goal, and by Metcalfe and Watson as backs, who developed into a very sound pair. Seager came in as inside-left and Larking went to outside-left, and Evans returned to the centre. There was a marked contrast in this arrangement, as the side played far better football, but were lacking the thrust which really gets results. The finish of the forwards was always feeble, but their tactics often excellent. However, given proper conditions they would have developed into a very decent side and it would have been most interesting to have had a comparison with Winchester.

The following played for the 1st XI during the season 1941-1942; the figures in brackets indicate the number of times each played:—

P. H. Blanchard ...	(11)*	R. D. F. Watson ...	(7)
A. S. Lovett ...	(16)	J. D. Bendit ...	(6)
R. S. Evans ...	(18)	R. A. Vlasto ...	(6)
N. H. Benké ...	(12)*	G. E. Seager ...	(6)
R. M. Lahaye ...	(11)*	G. T. Metcalfe ...	(3)
P. C. G. Larking ...	(16)	E. C. Dalgety ...	(3)
R. C. Towers ...	(12)*	G. Johnson-Smith ...	(3)
M. E. H. Le Gallais	(17)	B. R. D. J. Hogg ...	(1)
R. W. Sword ...	(16)	G. D. Spratt ...	(1)
R. W. Holder ...	(15)	R. M. Hutchinson ...	(1)
E. W. Lomas ...	(16)		

\*Left O.Q. 1941.

The following matches were played:—

Oct.	4.	<i>v</i> R.A.S.C. ...	won	2-1
	8.	<i>v</i> Sherwood Foresters ...	drawn	1-1
	11.	<i>v</i> Coldstream Guards ...	lost	0-6
	15.	<i>v</i> St. Thomas's Hospital ...	won	3-0
	18.	<i>v</i> Corinthian-Casuals ...	won	1-0
	25.	<i>v</i> Bradfield ...	won	2-1
Nov.	1.	<i>v</i> R.A.F. ...	won	3-2
	8.	<i>v</i> O.C.T.U., Sandhurst ...	lost	1-5
	15.	<i>v</i> Bradfield ...	won	4-0
	22.	<i>v</i> An Oxford Team ...	drawn	1-1
	26.	<i>v</i> Wellingborough ...	won	7-2
Dec.	3.	<i>v</i> Cambridge Czechs ...	won	3-2
	6.	<i>v</i> Navy XI ...	lost	1-7
	17.	<i>v</i> Coldstream Guards ...	drawn	3-3
Jan.	31.	<i>v</i> Queen's Regiment ...	won	4-2
Feb.	11.	<i>v</i> O.C.T.U., Sandhurst ...	drawn	0-0
	14.	<i>v</i> Medical Students' Union ...	won	6-0
	18.	<i>v</i> 77th Regt. Royal Highland Art.	lost	0-3
	21.	<i>v</i> R.E's ...	lost	0-2

Matches played, 19; won, 10; drawn 4; lost, 5.  
Goals for, 42; against, 38.