#### SOUASH CLUB

A very pleasant time was had by all on Sunday, 24th February, when the School played the Bedford Ladies. The results were as follows:

M. N. Griffiths. Lost, 0-3.

A. J. Saunders. Won, 4-1.

A. K. T. Shannon. Won, 3-2. B. V. Palmer. Won, 3-1.

P. F. T. Sewell. Won, 3-0.

The team wish to thank the ladies for providing such an excellent tea and making the occasion so enjoyable. It is regrettable that it is impossible to arrange a return match this term as suggested.

With the arctic weather conditions of this term it is not surprising that the pressure for the booking of courts is even greater than usual.

We are very pleased to have R. M. Morgan, Esq., with us this term. He will make the Masters' team even stronger

than before. It is very kind of him to find time to give us coaching.

N. F. Hodson.

#### THE TABARD

The last meeting of the Christmas Term was held in Mr. Woolnough's flat, where party games were played.

The first meeting of the Easter Term was held on 10th February when Mr. Inglis gave a talk on "Dr. Leavis"; he used his name as a stepping stone to talk on other aspects of English. Unfortunately, the Society was rather depleted by sickness on that night but those present found it a most enjoyable evening.

The second meeting was held on 24th February at Mr. Andrews' house, when the Secretary gave a talk on "Spiritualism"; though mainly reading out of a book, he succeeded in sowing doubt in most members minds but he was unable to convert many members to completely believe in the Etheric.

I. R. EDGAR.

## Junior Societies

#### MODERN LANGUAGES SOCIETY

The Club Français started the term on Tuesday, 12th February with some members fewer. F. G. Godber, last term's Chairman, did not stand for re-election, as he found other activities too pressing.

At the elections, J. P. M. Sherwood was elected Chairman and B. Garner retained the post of Secretary.

After the elections, P. K. Bourne, Esq., gave an absorbing talk, with the aid of photographs, on his travels in Europe. Unfortunately, he was cut short only half-way through, because of the fleeing time.

To finish the evening, D. B. Thomas, Esq., led the Club in hearty, if somewhat confused, French singing. B.G.

On 22nd January the German Section organised a films evening. This centred on two documentary films about the thousands of refugees who have "voted with their feet" and who have fled from the unpopular Communist régime in the Eastern Zone of Germany; we saw how they were received in West Berlin and flown to settlement camps in Western Germany. To relieve the sombre impression of a divided Germany, there were also two newsreels with shots of the German Grand Prix, holiday camps by the Baltic and of Dr. Adenauer surrounded by his many grand- and great-grandchildren.

A.J.R.

### JUNIOR PLAYREADING

This term we are reading *The Waters of Lethe* by F. Sladen-Smith, which is being recorded by Mr. Bullock. I would like to thank the latter on behalf of the Society for spending so much of his valuable time in doing so.

#### SHOOTING

The IVth Group have certainly made prompt and enthusiastic use of the new miniature range. Very nearly all IVth formers volunteered to have what was for most of them a first experience of firing a rifle, on the regular "Tuesday Societies" evening. Last term and this there have been approximately 15 boys firing each week, and so all have had at least two opportunities to become proficient shots. And proficient indeed some of them are. Admittedly with sandbag rests, they have put up some excellent scores, and the last three weeks of this term are to be devoted to a competition between the best shots of the two terms.

I should like particularly to thank R.S.M. Coblenz for all the time and energy he has put in to make this venture a success—virtually every Tuesday evening he has devoted to the very important task of instructing these boys in the discipline and art of shooting, and all appreciate this sincerely.

J.H.D.

# School Sport THE BOAT CLUB

It has been suggested that an outline of Boat Club organisation might be of general interest and perhaps also explain some apparent mysteries!

The present size of the Club is about 160 boys. There is always a demand to join but numbers are limited by shortage of boats and of changing accommodation. The movement of Bedford Rowing Club to their new boathouse has eased the accommodation problem but in any case the river is becoming increasingly crowded and a big increase in the size of the Club might in the end restrict our own rowing. Coaches are also kept very busy and Senior boys are finding

it increasingly difficult to do their own rowing and give time to coaching Juniors.

Considerable attempts are made to see that the selection of Juniors is as fair as possible. Each House is allowed eleven Juniors and these are selected by House captains in consultation with members of Staff, one of whom is attached to each House. These House coaches in turn consult me on doubtful cases. In addition I am always sympathetic to boys who still want to join as Seniors. This is often possible as Colts, that is in Educational crews. As a general principle I try to accept any boy who has a chance of rowing