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County Fives

Reference is made in the Who's Who columns to county fives, so it might be advisable to point out that county matches have been allowed to lapse for two seasons. This was not because the Association considered that the matches were bad or unprofitable, but simply on account of the many difficulties experienced in raising teams. No County Associations exist so the work of selecting teams fell on the shoulders of a sub-committee, who found it well nigh impossible to raise representative IVs. for counties outside the London area of Kent, Surrey, Middlesex and Essex.

An experiment was tried of inviting the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge and London to compete in the county competition, and this may be written down a success, but what with the difficulty of finding courts and the impossibility of raising suitable teams, due not a little to the necessity of playing nearly every match in London, county fives has now been reluctantly abandoned. At the same time the Association would like it known that promises of sufficient support will result in the revival of these matches.
