

CRICKET AT SYDNEY

Australia: Cricket weather at the famous Sydney Oval and early shocks for the M.C.C. when Len Hutton and Bill Edrich opened against New South Wales. Edrich fell to fast bowler Crawford and, off the next ball, Simpson was held in the slips. M.C.C. 24 for two.

Crawford again...to Peter May. The ball misses the wicket and Crawford misses his hat-trick chance.

HOWEVER -

~~But~~ The Surrey man soon goes caught at the wicket off Treanor, though he didn't seem happy about the decision.

and when the fourth wicket fell at 43 - the position looked serious to Appleyard and Denis Compton.

Then young Colin Cowdrey came in to take some of the batting responsibility off the shoulders of skipper Hutton.

~~3~~ Len went on to yet another hundred with a straight drive to the boundary....the 128th century of his career

All this time, Cowdrey was the perfect foil to the Master ^{by contrast?} and he made almost certain of a Test place with his first Australian century, and crowned it by another in the second innings!

Facing the now respectable total of 252 - New South Wales won first ~~innings~~ innings lead. Skipper ^{Kirk} Miller led the way with a hard-hitting 86. ~~that of~~ ~~neith~~ ~~anyway.~~

But the Australian "find" was Bill Watson - a last-minute deputy. He scored 155, to share with our Colin Cowdrey, the honours of a drawn game.