

REV. C. S. W. MARCON

Mr. C. B. Blackshaw writes:—

I would like, if I may, to add to the tribute of my friend Douglas Goodbody which appeared in *The Times* of December 2.

Sholto Marcon was probably the greatest inside-left who ever played for England at hockey, for whom he gained, I believe, 24 caps and eventually captained the side. He was one of the famous trio of inside forwards—S. H. Shoveller, who died in February of this year, S. H. Saville, who recently retired from being president of the H.A., and himself—who were automatic choices for England in the early twenties. His last appearances for England were when he was nearing the age of 40.

Educated at Lancing and Oriel—the son of the founder of Marcon's Hall in Oxford—he won his Blue as a freshman and captained the Oxford side just before the First World War. After his war service, he taught at Cranleigh until 1936, when he left to be ordained. During the Second World War he served as a chaplain in the R.A.F. and after the war he was vicar of Tenterden.

He was passionately fond of hockey and, apart from being a brilliant performer himself, he was a magnificent and inspiring coach and wrote a good deal about the game. He was also a more than useful cricketer and a very keen fisherman. Above all, though, he was a great Christian and a loyal and charming friend.