

# THE FARNHAMIAN.

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## Editorial.

We offer our good wishes to the following members of the Sixth and Fifth Forms who have left since the publication of our last number :—D. J. Carter, F. I. Bigg, C. Marett, S. R. Howard, C. Elson, J. H. Lindley, J. Evans, C. K. Warren and C. Smith.

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At the same time, may we be permitted to welcome Canon Girling as a new Governor of the School? He is no stranger to school problems, having been a master for some years at Rossall.

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Never before have School Societies so flourished. The Science and Debating Societies have been going strong; the Choir, if smaller in numbers than last year, is really in a stronger position because those who are members are willing and keen; and surely along with these activities must be classed the boxing that is being held regularly in the Gymnasium after four o'clock. Some time, if we can only discover a few more fiddlers and a 'cellist, we may try to form a string quartette.

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Now that we have passed through the dark days of December and January, everyone will be swift to acknowledge what a boon the installation of electric light in the School has been. Our thanks are due to all those who have helped to secure this improvement.

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We still languish without news of Old Boys. If only they would realise that we really do wish to hear about them, so that they may be kept in touch with each other through the Magazine, and present members may be inspired by their example.

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We have often heard hints thrown out from a certain high quarter that some munificent person might provide (a) a Swimming Bath, (b) a Fives Court. May we add (c) a well-equipped Hall suitable for such affairs as Prizegiving and the School Entertainment? Perhaps it is asking for a lot.

## Science Society.

The Society has held meetings on alternate Fridays during the Autumn Term, and a number of papers of general interest have been read. The attendance has been good, averaging thirty-four members and four visitors—a considerable advance on last year.

We have been fortunate in obtaining two very interesting papers from local experts. Mr. J. Lewis Jones lectured on petrol engines to a large and enthusiastic audience of seventy. This was a record attendance. Mr. H. Brooker also gave a very clear account of wireworms, millipedes and other harmful insects in the soil.

The other meetings heard contributions from masters and boys in the School. Mr. Shelton gave a brief account of the use of the three-inch telescope.

A new departure, designed to develop the powers of the boys in the School, was an arrangement by which the time was divided between two short papers. On one occasion J. Berg spoke on the capture of wild animals, and W. A. Gardiner on explosives. Another evening, C. E. Jones described various meteorological instruments and R. W. Horne gave an account of destroyers. All these four should be capable of giving us a full paper later on.

The various Sections have been working steadily.

The Photographic Section held a number of meetings. These were chiefly demonstrations of printing, developing, etc., and were well attended.

The Natural History Section held three meetings, hearing papers on the White Ant, by Mr. Court; "Classification of Birds," by J. Berg; and "Colour in Animals," by R. F. C. Dignasse.

The Astronomical Section has been greatly handicapped by the cloudy skies. A good three-inch telescope has been obtained and a stand made for it, mainly by D. C. Horry. One meeting was held, and the telescope was used on one occasion.

H.S.S.

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## The Debating Society.

We had seven meetings last term. It may be that the magic of that number "seven" had something to do with it; however that may be, we certainly had a successful session.

On September 1st we agreed with Mr. C. E. Jones "That professionalism is detrimental to all sport," but Mr. J. C. Kingcome made an able defence on the much-derided professional. Our next subject was "That jazz is an insult to the human ear." Mr. L. J. Stroud, the proposer, was supported by Mr. Lerigo, who held us all spellbound while he described, in vivid figures, the sounds that are produced by a jazz band.

Nevertheless, Mr. P. A. Lintern, opposing the motion, convinced us by his cool logic, and we voted in favour of jazz. At the next meeting, an even debate took place on the motion: "That the spirit of adventure in youth is being quelled by modern conservatism," Mr. North and Mr. Berg being the main speakers.

On November 9th we made our first attempt at impromptu debates, and the subjects were:—"Is porridge out of date?"; "That the egg came before the chicken"; "That it is necessary to come to School"; and "That the Staff should wear School caps." One remembers Mr. Loughlin's opening words in proposing this last motion: "I think the Staff should wear School caps; by so doing they would greatly improve their appearance!" In the following debate, Mr. Carter and Mr. Berg gave evidence of a suspiciously good knowledge of criminology on the subject: "That the present penal systems are not tending to decrease crime." We had a full house on December 7th to hear Mr. Morgan and Mr. Lerigo debate the subject: "That the scholar is of more use to the community than the athlete." The scholar won.

On the last Friday of term, at a moment's notice, we arranged impromptu debates, the subjects being: "That children should be taught to believe in Santa Claus"; "That boxing is a cruel sport"; and "That dirty boys are the nicest boys." One member of the Committee suggested the subject: "How long is a piece of string, and, if so, why?" but we rejected it as being altogether too mathematical.

E. A. STROUD, (*Hon. Sec.*).  
H.J.V.

## Old Farnhamians' Association.

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The Autumn Term Re-Union of the Old Farnhamians' Association was held at the School on Saturday, December 15th, 1928. The football match in the afternoon ended in a goal-less draw, both sides being much handicapped by the weather conditions. The Old Boys had the better of the game, but Jones, in the School goal, played exceptionally well and brought off a number of fine saves. The teams were:—

School.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and C. K. Warren; L. S. Smith, C. N. Smith, J. C. Kingcome, C. J. King and J. W. Mack

Old Farnhamians' Association.—L. A. Gibson; L. J. Sherrington and E. C. Patrick; E. F. Chuter, C. J. Newman and H. W. Hern; G. J. Warren, E. J. Warner, G. F. Till, J. D. Gray and F. O. M. Taylor.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the School Dining Hall in the evening. The Headmaster (Mr. F. A. Morgan), as

President, took the chair, supported by Mr. R. W. Mason as Vice-President. The Membership Secretary (Mr. G. H. Bacon) reported an increase during the year of 54, making a total of 235 members. The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. C. N. Brooker) presented the Statement of Accounts for 1928. There was a balance of over £24, which should have been much greater, as there is a large number of outstanding subscriptions for 1928. In view of the desirability of establishing some lasting benefit to the Association or to the School, it was resolved that a Special Fund be formed. The meeting allocated a sum of money from the year's balance to this fund, and it is hoped that it will soon reach such an amount as will enable the Association to carry out its desires.

The meeting next received the reports of the various Committees. A Committee, consisting of Messrs. G. Maxwell Aylwin, H. A. Benson and J. M. Taylor, had been appointed earlier in the year to consider the possibilities of obtaining certain benefits and privileges for the Association and individual members. Various schemes were suggested to the meeting, which finally asked the Committee to obtain further definite particulars which were to be circulated to members in time for detailed discussion at the next meeting. The Cricket Committee had to report a successful season, some fifteen matches being played, and a sum of over £3 handed to the Association towards cost of material. The meeting congratulated Mr. R. L. Wells on this very gratifying result. The Football Committee reported that the two teams had not begun the season very auspiciously, but had obtained much enjoyment, if few points. Mr. A. T. F. Funnell stated that the Debating Society Committee had arranged for a debate on Thursday, January 10th, at 7.15 p.m. at the School on "The Motor Cycle as a Menace to the Public."

The Entertainment Committee reported a successful dance last October, and arrangements are being made to hold another on March 9th.

Mr. E. C. Patrick spoke of the activities of the Miniature Rifle Club on the School Range. Some matches had been shot with other Clubs, and others were arranged for the second part of the season. The President stated that, most appropriately, the Challenge Cup presented by Major H. C. Patrick had been won by Mr. E. C. Patrick, and that he had great pleasure in making this the occasion of the official presentation to Mr. Patrick.

The meeting next proceeded to the election of officers for 1929. The various officers were re-elected and cordially thanked for their services during the past year :—Mr. C. N. Brooker, Hon. Treasurer; Messrs. G. H. Bacon and F. O. Meddows Taylor, Hon. Secretaries; Messrs. E. Kempson and E. W. Langham, Hon. Auditors. The following were elected as Committee :—Messrs. G. Maxwell Aylwin, A. W. Ball, H. A. Benson, C. H. Falkner, L. E. Furlonger, C. R. Gibson, H. W. Hern, H. P.

Joyce, W. G. E. King, H. C. Kingcome, E. C. Patrick, G. H. Ridout, H. Robins, S. G. Robins, E. G. Sherrington, L. J. Sherrington, J. W. H. Stroud, R. B. Varey, R. L. Wells and H. N. Woodroffe.

### THE ANNUAL DINNER.

The third annual dinner of the Association took place at the Bush Hotel, Farnham, on Saturday, January 19th, 1929. Sixty-three sat down to dinner under the chairmanship of the Headmaster, Mr. F. A. Morgan. Among those present were Mr. R. W. Mason (Chairman of the Governors), Mr. C. E. Borelli (who also is a Governor), and Messrs. J. E. Spencer, W. Elphick, J. H. Goddard, W. E. Loe, F. L. Borelli, G. M. Aylwin, S. Barrow, C. R. E. Giles, and H. A. Benson. The guests were grouped, so far as possible, according to their years of attendance at the School, and what was particularly noticeable this year was the wide range of time at the School covered by those present, dating from the youngest old boy who left in 1928 to Mr. R. W. Mason, who was at the School in 1869.

The dinner was in every way a remarkable success. From the very first moment there was absent all trace of the formality and reserve that so often characterises a public dinner. Speech-making was cut down to a very acceptable minimum. The King's health was pledged—as would be expected—with more than ordinary zeal.

The toast of "The Association" was in the hands of Mr. G. M. Aylwin, who made a witty and effective speech, in which he referred to a scheme now under consideration for the building up of a scholarship fund which will enable the Association to send a boy to a University or to some institution for further education after leaving School. He made an impressive appeal to members to give that scheme, when it came before them for their approval, fair and full consideration.

The response to this toast was made by Mr. F. O. Meddows Taylor, one of the Joint Secretaries. After paying tribute to the unremitting labours and enthusiasm of the other officials, in particular Mr. G. H. Bacon, the Membership Secretary, and Mr. C. N. Brooker, the Hon. Treasurer, he confessed to a strong feeling of disappointment that more members did not take the trouble to come to the general meetings, especially the annual one, where the matters discussed, even though they might not prove very entertaining, were of extreme importance to the Association.

The last formal toast of the evening, "The School," was proposed by Mr. C. E. Borelli, who cast a backward glance over the early days of the School, recalling the times when boys went to school in Dickensian petticoats, commenting on the enormous changes the School had undergone since the Surrey County Council became the predominating partner in control, giving it as his opinion that the Surrey authorities had done

very well by Farnham as regards both the Boys' School and the Girls' School, and finishing with a generous tribute to Mr. Charles Stroud.

In his reply, the Headmaster said that in spite of the enormous changes dwelt on by Mr. Borelli, he ventured to say that in all essentials the School was not so very different now from what it was 60 years ago, for throughout all the changes there remained unaltered the native spirit of the School, the spirit of a sturdy country Grammar School. Touching on the scheme to which Mr. Aylwin had referred, he said he believed that all the Association now required to make it forge ahead, not only in numbers, but also in influence and enthusiasm, was some great object which stretched beyond the interests or pleasure of individual members. Once it was realised that the Association was something more than a pleasant Saturday afternoon organisation, nothing would stop its growth. He believed that the formation of a Scholarship Fund would bring about that result; and as a member of the Sub-Committee which was working out the details of Mr. Aylwin's scheme, he had every reason to hope that they were within measurable distance of devising means to achieve that end. The Headmaster mentioned with pride the fact that he had just secured as a new member one who was at the School in 1854—Mr. J. R. Nash. Finally, referring to subscriptions, he drew attention to the fact that many members had not taken the trouble to keep up-to-date in their payments and complained that this dilatoriness involved not only a loss of funds, but also an unnecessary amount of work for the Secretaries and Treasurer.

There were two other toasts that were not formally on the menu, but nevertheless were just as cordially proposed and drunk as the official toasts. The Chairman proposed the health of Mr. William Stroud, as a former Master, who through many years of unstinted service at the School had won the love and respect of more than one generation of boys.

Mr. William Stroud, in his reply, while thanking the company for their tribute, which was emphasised by musical honours, complained that he had only agreed to look in at the dinner on the understanding that attention should not be drawn to him, but he should be treated as a "modest violet."

Mr. Phil Stroud proposed the health of Mr. R. W. Mason, as Chairman of the Governors, the oldest Old Farnhamian present, and a genuine and loyal friend to the School.

Mr. Mason, in his reply, seized the opportunity to explain that on a previous occasion he had been misreported in the Press. He had not told the magistrates that he would undertake to look after the Old Farnhamians at their dinner. On the contrary, he said he would not do that, but he assured them that the Old Farnhamians would behave as gentlemen. Mr. Mason went on to say that his connection with the School, as Chairman of the Governors, was a privilege which he valued very

highly. The School was in his thoughts a great deal, and it was one of his dearest pleasures to serve the School to the best of his capacity.

Throughout the evening the company enjoyed hilariously the tuneful and witty efforts of an extremely clever concert party, "The Dandy Entertainers." Thanks to them and to the briefness of the speeches, it can safely be said that there were very few dull moments in an exceptionally enjoyable evening.

The following sat down to dinner :—G. N. Allsop, G. Maxwell Aylwin, G. H. Bacon, A. W. Ball, S. Barrow, H. A. Benson, C. E. Borelli, F. L. Borelli, R. S. Bowie, C. N. Brooker, G. R. B. Brown, W. E. Carter, K. Craigen, H. Elphick, W. Elphick, S. P. Evemy, J. G. Figg, A. L. Fisher, A. T. F. Funnell, L. E. Furlonger, C. R. Gibson, L. A. Gibson, B. C. N. Giles, C. R. E. Giles, J. H. Goddard, H. W. Hern, F. A. Holloway, E. G. King, H. E. W. Kirby, W. E. Loe, R. W. Mason, H. J. Mills, K. T. Mitchell, L. J. Mitchell, F. A. Morgan, E. A. W. Morris, C. M. Mould, E. W. J. Neave, E. C. Patrick, H. Redman, G. H. Ridout, H. Robins, S. G. Robins, E. G. Sherrington, K. B. Sherrington, L. J. Sherrington, F. W. Smith, Ivor Smith, J. E. Spencer, C. P. W. Stroud, C. T. Stroud, J. W. H. Stroud, E. E. Sydenham, F. O. Meddows Taylor, R. H. Meddows Taylor, S. J. Thorp, R. B. Varey, C. B. A. Wade, G. C. Watkins, R. L. Wells, F. Withers, J. W. Withinshaw and L. F. G. Wright.

### CRICKET, 1928.

*Captain* : F. O. Meddows Taylor.

*Hon. Sec.* : R. L. Wells.

The details of the matches played by the O.F.A. Cricket Team (held over from the last issue of the Magazine) are as follows :—

#### May 12th v. Woking C.S. Old Boys.—Away.

Woking: 80 for 5 wickets (Purcell, 2 for 20; Barnard, 1 for 0; F. O. M. Taylor, 1 for 8; Ball, 1 for 36).

O.F.A.: E. A. G. Purcell, 7; H. P. Joyce, 13; A. W. Ball, 0; L. F. Naylor, 0; E. Barnard, 0; F. O. M. Taylor, 3; N. H. Hillyer, 23; R. L. Wells, 4; L. J. Sherrington, 1; L. E. Furlonger, 4; R. H. M. Taylor, not out, 0; extras, 4. Total, 59.

#### May 26th v. School.—Away.

School: 104 (Phillips, 5 for 25; Wheatley, 3 for 11; Furlonger, 1 for 17).

O.F.A.: H. P. Joyce, 0; A. Phillips, 2; L. E. Furlonger, 9; R. L. Wells, 4; G. J. Warren, 7; F. O. M. Taylor, 0; A. W. Ball, 1; B. F. Wheatley, 23; S. N. Wiltshire, 1; J. M. Taylor, 4; R. H. M. Taylor, not out, 11; extras, 5. Total, 67.

#### June 2nd v. Tilford "A."—Away.

Tilford "A": 23 (Phillips, 4 for 8; Purcell, 3 for 7; Wheatley, 2 for 3).

O.F.A.: B. F. Wheatley, 2; H. P. Joyce, 61; A. Phillips, 11; L. E. Furlonger, 0; E. A. G. Purcell, 3; F. O. M. Taylor, 5; extras, 3. Total (6 wickets), 85.

#### June 9th v. Old Guildfordians.—Away.

O.F.A. (1st Innings): H. P. Joyce, 12; N. H. Hillyer, 3; E. A. G. Purcell, 3; L. E. Furlonger, 0; B. F. Wheatley, 0; F. O. M. Taylor, 4; E. Barnard, 0; R. L. Wells, not out, 0; A. W. Ball, 1; R. H. M. Taylor, 0; H. Wilkinson, 0;

extras, 4. Total, 27. (2nd Innings): H. P. Joyce, 15; R. L. Wells, 4; E. Barnard, 0; N. H. Hillyer, 6; A. W. Ball, 1; E. A. G. Purcell, 16; F. O. M. Taylor, not out, 5; L. E. Furlonger, not out, 1; extras, 8. Total (6 wickets), 56.

Old Guildfordians (1st Innings): 57 (Purcell, 5 for 21; Wilkinson, 2 for 8; Barnard, 1 for 7; F. O. M. Taylor, 1 for 7; Furlonger, 1 for 8). (2nd Innings): 33 for 3 wickets.

### June 23rd v. Brook.—Away.

O.F.A.: A. Phillips, 19; L. E. Furlonger, 4; E. Barnard, 6; H. P. Joyce, 1; R. L. Wells, 0; B. F. Wheatley, 0; F. O. M. Taylor, 19; A. W. Ball, 4; L. J. Sherrington, not out, 7; J. M. Taylor, 3; H. Wilkinson, 0; extras, 5. Total, 68.

Brook: 70 for 2 wickets (Barnard, 1 for 8; Wilkinson, 1 for 22).

### July 7th v. Farnham "A."—Away.

Farnham "A": 151 (Wheatley, 6 for 59; Barnard, 4 for 31).

O.F.A.: E. Barnard, 12; L. E. Furlonger, 0; B. F. Wheatley, 1; J. M. Taylor, 0; R. L. Wells, 8; F. O. M. Taylor, 5; A. W. Ball, 17; L. J. Sherrington, 0; G. J. Warren, 2; R. H. M. Taylor, 4; H. Wilkinson, not out, 0; extras, 5. Total, 54.

### July 21st v. School.—Away.

School: 228 for 2 wickets (F. O. M. Taylor, 1 for 30).

O.F.A.: L. E. Furlonger, 9; B. F. Wheatley, 22; H. P. Joyce, 0; N. H. Hillyer, 1; F. O. M. Taylor, 7; E. Barnard, not out, 22; R. L. Wells, not out, 3; extras, 3. Total (5 wickets), 67.

### July 28th v. Old Guildfordians.—Home.

Old Guildfordians (1st Innings): 60 (Sherrington, 6 for 26; Wheatley, 4 for 25). (2nd Innings): 75 for 4 wickets.

O.F.A. (1st Innings): H. P. Joyce, 0; B. F. Wheatley, 4; L. E. Furlonger, 13; E. Barnard, 2; A. Phillips, 4; F. O. M. Taylor, 0; R. L. Wells, 1; L. J. Sherrington, 2; G. J. Warren, 4; R. H. M. Taylor, not out, 1; H. Wilkinson, 2; extras, 13. Total, 46. (2nd Innings): H. P. Joyce, 0; B. F. Wheatley, 3; L. E. Furlonger, 7; E. Barnard, 7; A. Phillips, 14; F. O. M. Taylor, 0; L. J. Sherrington, 0; G. J. Warren, 0; R. H. M. Taylor, 3; extras, 4. Total (9 wickets), 38.

### August 4th v. Brook.—Home.

Brook: 46 (Sherrington, 8 for 16; Wilkinson, 2 for 18).

O.F.A.: B. F. Wheatley, 2; A. Phillips, 4; G. Boyes, 0; R. L. Wells, 0; L. J. Sherrington, 8; F. O. M. Taylor, 0; H. Wilkinson, 7; G. J. Warren, 2; R. Stiff, 3; A. Bat, 8; A. Ball, not out, 2; extras, 4. Total, 40.

### August 11th v. Farnham Post Office.—Home.

O.F.A.: A. Phillips, 35; B. F. Wheatley, 39; H. P. Joyce, 20; S. N. Wiltshire, 0; R. L. Wells, 2; L. J. Sherrington, 0; G. J. Warren, 4; J. M. Taylor, 5; H. Wilkinson, 0; R. H. M. Taylor, 0; E. J. Warren, 0; extras, 11. Total, 116.

Farnham P.O.: 108 (Wells, 3 for 9; Phillips, 3 for 23; Wilkinson, 2 for 13; Wiltshire, 1 for 7).

### August 18th v. H. C. Patrick's XI.—Home.

O.F.A.: L. E. Furlonger, 11; B. F. Wheatley, 10; A. Phillips, 23; H. P. Joyce, 0; R. L. Wells, 24; L. J. Sherrington, 5; G. J. Warren, 20; F. O. M. Taylor, 24; R. H. M. Taylor, 2; E. G. Sherrington, 0; H. Wilkinson, 2; extras, 13. Total, 134.

Patrick's XI. (1st Innings): 34 (Wilkinson, 6 for 9; Wheatley, 3 for 8; L. J. Sherrington, 1 for 9). (2nd Innings): 53 for 3 wickets.

### August 25th v. Farnham "A."—Home.

O.F.A. (1st Innings): L. E. Furlonger, 6; H. P. Joyce, 3; A. Phillips, 0; R. L. Wells, 1; F. O. M. Taylor, 5; G. J. Warren, 1; L. J. Sherrington, 8; R. H. M. Taylor, 1; E. G. Sherrington, 0; H. Wilkinson, 3; G. Boyes, 15; extras, 7. Total, 50. (2nd Innings): L. E. Furlonger, 1; H. P. Joyce, 13; A. Phillips, not out, 29; extras, 4. Total (2 wickets), 47.

Farnham "A": 123 for 6 wickets (Furlonger, 3 for 45; Wilkinson, 2 for 17).

Matches played, 12; won, 3; lost, 8; drawn, 1.

## VARIA.

## CRICKET CLUB.

Several fixtures have been arranged for the coming season. Mr. R. L. Wells, "Littlecott," Heath End, Farnham, is at present acting as Hon. Secretary, and would be pleased to hear from intending players. The subscription is 5/-, but members are asked to provide their own bats.

## FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Association has endeavoured to run two teams in the Farnham and District League. Members wishing to play should write to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. G. H. Bacon at the School. The subscription is 5/-.

## MINIATURE RIFLE CLUB.

This Club meets at the School Range every Friday throughout the winter at 8 p.m. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. C. Patrick, "Gwanda," Compton Lane, Farnham, would welcome new members. The subscription is 2/6.

## BADMINTON CLUB.

This Club meets in the School Hall every Tuesday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Any member wishing to play should get into touch with the Headmaster.

## OLD FARNHAMIANs' TIE.

The Association Tie can be obtained, 3/9, post free, from Mr. G. H. Bacon at the School.

THE NEXT DANCE will be held at the Farnham Institute on Saturday, March 9th.

THE SPRING TERM RE-UNION will be held at the School on Saturday, March 23rd.



## A Word to the Unwise.

As the rich possibilities of insurance will shortly come within the purview of the O.F.A., perhaps a few words on the subject will be of assistance to those members who have not yet considered this form of investment.

Heaven forbid that the writer—let alone the Association—should act as an advertising medium to the insurance business. But while it would not be fair to sound the trumpet for any particular undertaking, there is every justification for singing the praises of the fundamental ideas that underlie all insurance.

Whether as a wage-earner or as a capitalist, the average man can insure against most risks which involve monetary loss. The main insurances can be roughly classified as those covering loss of property and those covering loss of earning power. The former class includes losses by fire, accident, or theft; the latter losses by accident or death.

The necessity for insurance against loss of property is obvious, as the disappearance of material possessions without

adequate compensation may place the loser in a very difficult position. The tragedy of an ardent motorist who is unable to replace his "bus" after a collision is sufficiently poignant to cause deep reflection on the merits of car and cycle insurance; and if his vis-a-vis in a collision sues for damages and our young hero has no Insurance Company to contest the claim, his cup is indeed full. But, although all this sounds platitudinous, the fact remains that many people—especially young men who have a pathetic belief that "those whom the gods love die hard"—do not take the trouble to insure their property until they have had a salutary lesson.

As to life insurance, this is undoubtedly the most important form of self-protection for everyone whose livelihood depends on personal effort. To such a man the assurance of a sum of money payable at death to his dependants is imperative; and even in cases where a pension is forthcoming, it is necessary to insure as well. In how many cases does a pension scheme provide adequately for widows and children? For this form of insurance the most economic method is to take out either a "whole life" or an "endowment" policy.

The "whole life" insurance ensures the payment of a certain sum of money at the death of the policy holder to his legal representative; the "endowment" insurance provides for the payment of a certain sum at a definite future time or at previous death. The objects for which this kind of policy could be taken out are obviously many. An additional attraction of "endowment" policies is the annual payment of a bonus by most of the leading companies. One well-known company, for instance, has averaged over 2 per cent. in bonus for the last five years. Thus a person taking out a policy for, say £100 payable in 25 years time, or at previous death, is only paying about £4 premium per annum, but he is receiving 2 per cent. per annum interest on £100. Moreover, he will receive over £150 in 25 years time, and is "covered" to the extent of £100, plus accrued bonuses to date during that period.

What cannot be emphasised too strongly in connection with life and endowment insurance is that it makes a world of difference to take out a policy when young. For every single person who shakes his middle-aged head sadly and says, "Ah, my boy, I wish I had learned to play the piano when I was young," there are a hundred who shake their middle-aged heads and say, "Ah, my boy, I wish I had taken out a life policy when I was twenty-one."

Be it confessed that this dissertation is a cross between a string of platitudes and a sermon on prudence; if it succeeds in drawing the attention of some members of the O.F.A. to the indisputable merits of insurance it will have served its purpose.

C.N.B.

(We showed this financial dissertation to our tame poet, and this is his contribution.—Ed).

## The Song of the Fool.

(With apologies to A. E. Housman).

When I was one and twenty  
 I heard a wise man say :  
 "Insure, young man, this hour;  
 The premium you'll pay  
 Is not beyond your power,  
 Go, get your policy."  
 But I was one and twenty,  
 No use to talk to me.

When I was one and twenty  
 I heard him say again,  
 "Each year you let slip by  
 Will lessen all your gain;  
 Premiums will grow so high  
 And bring you endless rue."  
 And I am one and *thirty*,  
 And oh, 'tis true, 'tis true.

## Football.

Autumn Term, 1928.

Captain : D. J. Carter. Vice-Captain : J. C. Kingcome.

A general review of School football would be out of place in this issue. We hope to give this in next term's *Farnhamian*, when the football programme has been completed. Here are the details for last term :—

1st ELEVEN.

Played, 11; won, 2; lost, 7; drawn, 2; goals for, 22; goals against, 41.

Sept. 22nd.—F.G.S., 6; Farnborough Secondary School, 1.

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and P. A. Lintern; V. C. Jones, C. N. Smith and J. C. Ghost; L. R. Bannon, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and C. K. Warren. (Scorers: J. C. Kingcome (4), C. J. King, K. C. Dutton).

Sept. 29th.—F.G.S., 0; Salesian School, 3.

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; C. N. Smith and J. C. Ghost; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and J. W. Mack; L. R. Bannon, L. S. Smith, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and C. K. Warren.

Oct. 6th.—Lord Wandsworth Agricultural College, 7; F.G.S. 1.

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; C. N. Smith and J. C. Ghost; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and G. W. Morris; L. R. Bannon, B. C. Stewart, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and C. K. Warren. (Scorer: J. C. Kingcome).

Oct. 13th.—F.G.S., 1; Reading University "A," 3.

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and C. N. Smith; F. W. G. Lewin, P. A. Lintern and V. C. Jones; L. R. Bannon, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and C. K. Warren. (Scorer: J. C. Kingcome).

Oct. 20th.—Guildford Royal Grammar School, 10; F.G.S., 2.

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and C. N. Smith; J. C. Ghost, P. A. Lintern and V. C. Jones; K. G. Crowhurst, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and C. K. Warren. (Scorer: J. C. Kingcome (2)).

**Nov. 10th.—F.G.S., 5; Guildford Royal Grammar School, 1.**

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and C. N. Smith; L. S. Smith, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and C. K. Warren. (Scorers: J. C. Kingcome (3), and C. J. King, (2)).

**Nov. 17th.—Woking County School, 4; F.G.S., 0.**

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and C. N. Smith; L. S. Smith, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and J. W. Mack.

**Nov. 24th.—Strode's School, Egham, 3; F.G.S., 3.**

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and F. W. G. Lewin; L. S. Smith, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, C. K. Warren and J. W. Mack. (Scorers: J. C. Kingcome, C. J. King and L. S. Smith).

**Dec. 1st.—F.G.S., 2; Woking County School, 4.**

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and C. N. Smith; L. S. Smith, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and J. W. Mack. (Scorer: J. C. Kingcome (2)).

**Dec. 8th.—F.G.S., 2; Aldershot County School, 5.**

F.G.S.—C. N. Smith; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; B. C. Stewart, V. C. Jones and C. K. Warren; L. S. Smith, C. J. King, J. C. Kingcome, K. C. Dutton and J. W. Mack. (Scorers: J. C. Kingcome and C. J. King).

**Dec. 15th.—F.G.S., 0; O.F.A., 0.**

F.G.S.—C. E. Jones; D. J. Carter and K. G. Crowhurst; V. C. Jones, P. A. Lintern and C. K. Warren; L. S. Smith, C. N. Smith, J. C. Kingcome, C. J. King and J. W. Mack.

Colours have been re-awarded to D. J. Carter, J. C. Kingcome and C. J. King, and awarded to P. A. Lintern, C. E. Jones, V. C. Jones and J. C. Ghost.

**2nd ELEVEN.**

Played, 6; won, 1; lost, 3; drawn, 2; goals for, 12; goals against, 19.

**Sept. 22nd.—Farnborough Secondary School, 1; F.G.S., 5.**

F.G.S.—B. L. Rugg; K. G. Crowhurst and J. Wing; C. Elson, L. S. Smith and J. W. Mack; A. J. Hall, A. E. Clifton, B. C. Stewart, A. W. Lindsay and E. G. Boulton. (Scorers: A. E. Clifton (2), B. C. Stewart (2), and J. W. Mack).

**Oct. 6th.—F.G.S., 0; Odiham Grammar School, 3.**

F.G.S.—B. L. Rugg; F. W. G. Lewin and J. W. Mack; C. Elson, L. S. Smith and S. R. Howard; A. E. Clifton, N. H. Patrick, K. G. Crowhurst, A. W. Lindsay and E. G. Boulton.

**Oct. 20th.—F.G.S., 2; Guildford Royal Grammar School, 2.**

F.G.S.—B. L. Rugg; G. W. Morris and J. Wing; F. W. G. Lewin, L. S. Smith and A. J. Baker; L. R. Bannon, A. W. Lindsay, B. C. Stewart, J. W. Mack and E. G. Boulton. (Scorer: J. W. Mack (2)).

**Nov. 10th.—Guildford Royal Grammar School, 3; F.G.S., 1.**

F.G.S.—B. L. Rugg; R. W. Horne and J. Wing; F. W. G. Lewin, G. W. Morris and N. F. Lowry; L. R. Bannon, A. E. Clifton, B. C. Stewart, J. W. Mack and E. G. Boulton. (Scorer: B. C. Stewart).

**Nov. 24th.—F.G.S., 3; Strode's School, Egham, 3.**

F.G.S.—B. L. Rugg; R. W. Horne and J. Wing; G. W. Morris, A. J. Baker and N. F. Lowry; A. E. Clifton, L. R. Bannon, C. N. Smith, E. G. Glynn and E. G. Boulton. (Scorers: C. N. Smith (2) and E. G. Glynn).

**Dec. 8th.—Aldershot County School, 7; F.G.S., 1.**

F.G.S.—B. L. Rugg; G. W. Morris and J. Wing; N. J. Phillips, F. W. G. Lewin and N. F. Lowry; L. R. Bannon, A. E. Clifton, V. D. Pope and E. G. Glynn. (Scorer: A. E. Clifton).

**"UNDER 15" ELEVEN.**

Played, 2; lost, 2; goals for, 3; goals against, 11.

Nov. 17th.—F.G.S., 0; Lord Wandsworth Agricultural College, 4.

F.G.S.—B. H. Crowhurst; D. A. Murphy and A. G. Purchase; D. W. Lintern, N. J. Phillips and N. F. Lowry; R. J. Pesterfield, F. E. Hobbs, V. D. Pope, R. A. Hunt and E. H. Benson.

Dec. 1st.—Lord Wandsworth Agricultural College, 7; F.G.S., 3.

F.G.S.—G. A. Smith; D. A. Murphy and A. G. Purchase; C. J. Evitt, N. J. Phillips and N. J. Lowry; S. C. Stewart, L. E. Chapman, V. D. Pope, R. A. Hunt and D. W. Turner. (Scorers: V. D. Pope (2) and S. C. Stewart).

**HOUSE MATCHES.**

1st Eleven.—Massingberd 4, Morley 2; Childe 3, School 0; Morley 7, Harding 1; Massingberd 2, School 1; Morley 13, School 0; Childe 3, Harding 1; Massingberd 5, Harding 0; Morley 1, Childe 1; School 4, Harding 2; Massingberd 3, Childe 0.

Juniors.—Harding 10, Morley 0; Massingberd 12, Morley 0; Childe 6, Harding 0; Massingberd 2, Harding 0; Childe 7, Morley 0; Childe 2, Massingberd 0.

**Inter-School Athletics.**

(Held over from last issue).

The Second Athletic Sports Meeting of West Surrey Secondary Schools was held at Strode's School, Egham, on May 17th of last year. Five Schools competed: Strode's School, Fgham; Tiffin School, Kingston; Richmond County School; Woking County School, and Farnham Grammar School.

F.G.S. was represented as follows: 100 yards, E. A. W. Morris and J. C. Kingcome; 220 yards, C. Levings and E. A. W. Morris; 440 yards, E. A. W. Morris and C. Levings; half-mile, C. N. Smith and E. J. Williams; mile, J. W. Fastes and H. E. W. Kirby; long jump, J. C. Kingcome and C. E. Jones; high jump, H. E. W. Kirby and J. C. Kingcome. Results:—

100 Yards.—1, Richmond; 2, Strode's; 3, Tiffin. Time, 11 secs.

220 Yards.—1, Tiffin; 2, Richmond; 3, Strode's. Time, 25 2-5 secs.

440 Yards.—1, Richmond; 2, Tiffin; 3, Farnham (Morris). Time 58 3-5 secs.

Half-Mile.—1, Tiffin; 2, Tiffin; 3, Richmond. Time, 2 mins. 15 4-5 secs.

Mile.—1, Strode's; 2, Tiffin; 3, Farnham (Eastes). Time, 5 mins. 7 secs.

Long Jump.—1, Strode's; 2, Tiffin; 3, Tiffin. Distance, 16 ft. 5½ ins.

High Jump.—1, Richmond and Woking (tie); 3, Woking. Height, 5 ft. 4 ins.

Final Points (three for a 1st, two for 2nd; one for 3rd).—Tiffin, 16; Richmond 11½; Strode's, 9; Woking, 3½; Farnham, 2.

**Speech Day.**

The Prize-giving and Speech Day took place last term on Wednesday, December 12th, at 2.30 p.m. There was an excellent gathering of parents and friends in the Corn Exchange, and as usual we were very fortunate in our visitors on the plat-

form. Lady Perceval very graciously presented the prizes, and was a model for all who have to perform that difficult act. Each presentation seemed to have her personal interest, and each prize-winner received a warm handshake and a word of congratulation.

The chair was taken by the Chairman of the Governors, R. W. Mason, Esq., who prepared us for the Headmaster's report. Besides a review of the past year's work, we had a short discourse on the true aims of education. It is not proposed to give a verbatim report here, but we hope that those present carried away some ideas which they will not quickly forget. It is as well that people should be reminded of those valuable activities of the School which take place outside the class-room and after 4 o'clock.

The address by Major-General Sir E. M. Perceval, K.C.B., D.S.O., J.P., was short and to the point, and was appreciated tremendously by everybody.

After Canon Girling had proposed a vote of thanks (by the way, this is the first time the School has met him publicly), there was the usual struggle by keen members of the Dramatic Society with the difficult conditions of the Corn Exchange. How badly we need a suitable hall for this annual function of ours! But not even these difficulties could interfere with the splendid pronunciation of the French piece. The singing was a great improvement on that of last year.

Here is the complete programme:—

OPENING REMARKS BY THE CHAIRMAN.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES: AND ADDRESS.

FRENCH RECITATION:

"Les Animaux Malades de la Peste" (after La Fontaine); by D. J. Carter ("Chorus"); A. J. Hall ("Lion"), and members of Form IIIa. (other animals).

EXERPT FROM "AS YOU LIKE IT."

Dramatis Personæ:

Duke Senior	...	...	R. M. Craigen.
Jaques	...	...	R. F. C. Dignasse.
Orlando	...	...	N. F. Lowry.
Adam	...	...	F. J. Salt.
Amiens	...	...	R. J. Pesterfield.
A Lord	...	...	A. J. Ryall.

SONGS BY JUNIOR CHOIR:

"Marching through Georgia."

"The Bay of Biscay."

SCHOOL SONG.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

PRIZE-WINNERS.

Form Prizes:

Prep.: 1, M. Elphick; 2, F. T. Holmes.

I.: 1, R. P. de Burgh; 2, F. H. Eavis.

IIb.: 1, V. Morgan; 2, J. Boulton.

IIa.: T. Aldridge and W. A. McLelland (bracketed equal).

IIIb.: 1, D. Jarvis; 2, O. G. Parratt.

IIIa.: 1, W. E. Styles; 2, E. J. Williams.

IVb.: 1, A. G. Morton; 2, S. W. Puttick.

IVa.: 1, A. J. Hall; 2, V. Rumble.

Remove: 1, J. Elson; 2, A. G. Styles.

## Subject Prizes:

English.—Senior, W. A. Gardiner; junior, W. E. Styles.  
 History.—Senior, H. J. Winterbourne; junior, E. A. Sheppard.  
 Geography.—Senior, C. J. King; junior, (i) W. E. Styles\* (ii) A. J. Ryall.  
 Latin.—Senior, D. J. Carter; junior, W. E. Styles.  
 French.—Senior, F. I. Bigg; junior, F. J. Salt.  
 Mathematics.—Senior, L. J. Stroud; junior, B. D. Lee.  
 Physics.—Senior, (i) W. A. Gardiner\* (ii) L. J. Stroud; junior, C. P. Briggs.  
 Chemistry.—Senior, W. A. Gardiner; junior, B. D. Lee.  
 Divinity.—Senior, E. G. Glynn; junior, J. W. Brooker.  
 Drawing.—Senior, L. R. Bannon; junior, C. J. Evitt.  
 Reading.—Senior, P. A. Lintern; junior, W. A. McLelland.  
 Manual.—Senior, P. M. Taylor; junior, R. Robins.

## Special Prizes:

For Intermediate Science and Higher Certificate (Lond. Univ.): P. A. Lintern.

For General Proficiency: D. J. Carter.

For Matriculation: V. Dyson, W. A. Gardiner, H. J. Lyons; E. A. Stroud, G. H. Thompson.

\* Note.—Not allowed to take more than two Subject Prizes.

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## Correspondence.

To the Editor, *The Farnhamian*.

Sir,—I venture to draw your attention to a grave injustice in connection with the history of the School.

The "House" system perpetuates the memory of four pious benefactors of the School, but overlooks one whose services were of far greater value than all their efforts put together. Of these four, the earliest was Dr. Harding, an Oxford scholar, who left £10 a year to the School in 1611.

But in 1578 Bishop Horne, of Winchester, established an endowment (consisting of a house and land) for a school in Farnham. There can be no doubt that his benefaction was far greater than any other, for we owe to him, if not the foundation of the School, at any rate its revival in 1578.

Why then is he so ungratefully overlooked?

Yours historically,

M. USTY.

[We suppose that it was because Bishop Horne did not know how to blow his own trumpet. In any case, what remedy is there now? Will any House in the interests of historical gratitude consent to change its name?—Ed.].

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To the Editor, *The Farnhamian*.

Sir,—Chesterton's superior dog once said about us:—

"They haven't got no noses.  
 Even the smell of roses  
 Is not what they supposes,  
 And goodness only knowses  
 The noselessness of man."

Now, Sir, I am not indicting this statement as doggerel. Personally, I like the sound of it. It is the sense that I am

disputing. True, in these degenerate days of civilisation we have very few chances of enjoying a really good smell. The very word smell has a bad connotation. But I maintain, Sir, that we were meant to put our noses to an enjoyable use. What are the actual facts then? As a general rule, we only notice our noses on three occasions: First, when we want to wipe them; second, when they bleed; and, third, when there is something wrong in the circumambient air. As for the first occasion, I suppose we can't complain. It is good for the laundry; in the moderate exercise there is a certain pleasure of relief, and moreover—so far as school is concerned—it has been known to put a master, as they say, “off his stroke”; while in excess it leads to a few days in bed, with consequent “day long blessed idleness.” As for the second occasion, I suppose this cannot be avoided, unless one wears a nose-guard when boxing.

It is the third occasion that is the subject of my protest. I maintain that in a school everything possible should be done to draw out the best that is in us; and, so far as concerns the nose, we should be taught to enjoy that noble instrument. Why then is the chemical laboratory allowed to pollute the air with clinging stinks? Why must we, day after day, suffer our noses to be put to baser uses than ever falls to the lot of the sewer man?

Science in these days would seem to have won almost complete mastery over the forces of Nature. Why cannot it learn to consume its own smells? Are there no deodorisers capable of removing this blot on civilisation? If not, then I, who am jealous of God's handiwork and eager to put my nose to a proper use while I am young enough to take pleasure in my senses, would urge that whatever good chemistry may achieve in school is far outweighed by this outrageous maltreatment of a human organ; and in that case I would urge with all my heart that chemistry should be erased from the curriculum.

Yours truly,

PUBLIUS NASO.

### Games Committee.

During the Autumn Term the Games Committee was constituted as follows:—The Headmaster (President), Mr. J. W. Withinshaw (Vice-President), Mr. H. C. Kingcome (Chairman of Committees), Messrs. G. H. Ridout, G. H. Bacon, S. D. M. Horner, S. E. J. Lock, R. B. Varey (House Masters), E. Munton and F. B. Lerigo, D. J. Carter, J. C. Kingcome, J. C. Ghost, E. G. Glynn, B. C. Stewart (House Captains), C. N. Smith, P. A. Lintern, L. R. Bannon and C. J. King.

The following boys, with Mr. H. C. Kingcome as Chairman, and three Masters, acted on the Football Committee: D. J. Carter, J. C. Kingcome, J. C. Ghost and P. A. Lintern.