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Editorial.

Journalism, Chesterton once said, consists largely in saying "Lord Jones dead" to people who never knew that Lord Jones was alive. The journalism of the School Magazine must, we fear, be the exception to the rule. To many of our readers—steadily decreasing in numbers, but still potent—our "news" is composed of stale pages of names and numerals, hidden fore and aft, as it were, by lengths of prose matter termed "articles." "Once bitten, twice shy" says the proverb; yet these readers seem to deny the truth of this. Although they are, to their own minds, regularly bitten at the appearance of each Magazine, they continue to buy it and have hitherto refused to become shy. It is hoped with this issue to win over to our side still more of the usually bitten. We present five entirely new contributors, besides the old and tried, and at the same time wish to draw attention to the diversity of subject matter. It will be seen that all is grist that comes to the editorial mill. We hope that by the next issue many more readers, attracted by this omnivorous quality in the Magazine, will have submitted material for publication. It is our ambition to have twice as much material submitted as we can print; for, although in the quantity only rarely can there be a change, in the quality there is always room for improvement; and, remember! the more articles submitted, the greater the honour to have one printed.

Congratulations to L. J. Stroud on winning a Drapers' Company Science Scholarship in Mathematics—£80 a year for three years—at East London College, London University; and to W. A. Smallman, who has won the second prize—four guineas' worth of books—in the Royal Empire Society's Essay Competition for 1932 (Class A). The essay was on the suggested inability of men of different stock and traditions to live happily together under the same government, with reference to the history of South Africa and/or of Canada. Smallman has also been awarded an extra "residential" prize of one pound by the Hants and Dorset branch of the Society.

Up to the time of going to press, J. W. G. Wells, captain of cricket, is the only member of the School with a century to his credit. He scored 122 not out against Lord Wandsworth's Agricultural College on May 13th and has won a "Star" autographed bat for his performance.

On May 31st four F.G.S. boys took part in the Special Events at the Farnham and District Elementary Schools' Sports. In the 100 Yards Flat (14-16), G. R. Blower and E. A. Thurston were first and second in 11 secs.; and in the 440 Yards Flat (14-16), G. S. J. Pearson and C. L. Larmer were second and third, the winner's time being 59 secs.

At the Leatherhead meeting on June 14th, R. Kirk was a member of the winning team in a mixed relay race, representing Farnham and District Schools' Athletic Association.

We have been asked to publish an appeal for a new School Flag. The present one is threatening to dissolve the Union of the three crosses and is rapidly becoming a disintegrated Jack. For the information of any would-be benefactor, we hasten to add that a convenient size for a flag is five yards by three.

J. Miller (1920-1924) has very kindly presented a challenge cup to be held by the winner of the School cross-country run. In his last year at School, Miller himself won the run, in the then record time of 27 mins. 29 2-5 secs. The present holder is W. S. L. Smallman, whose time is 26 mins.

Congratulations to the O.F.A. Football Club on winning the Runwick Charity Cup—the first cup ever won by the Club. Coming as it does after seven lean cupless years, may we hope for six more?

SALVETE.—A. J. Gibbins, A. E. Job, J. R. Killick, H. L. King, H. P. LeClercq, J. H. Whitehead, A. Young.

VALETE.—B. E. Allen, C. P. Briggs, G. N. Franks, G. W. Grabham, T. G. A. Haydon, P. J. McMillan, V. H. Rumble, W. E. Styles, P. A. Thursfield.

PREFECTS.—W. S. L. Smallman (School Captain), W. A. McLelland (School Vice-Captain and Shooting Captain), L. J. Stroud, R. J. Ridout (Assistant Games Secretary), W. A. Smallman (Librarian), G. A. P. Hern (Assistant Magazine Editor), T. C. Aldridge.

SUB-PREFECTS.—R. Baldwin, T. K. Gardner, A. J. Hillyer (Cricket Vice-Captain), J. R. Hoar, R. R. Stewart, S. C. Stewart, D. W. Taylor and R. J. Turner.

Pilgrims' Progress III.

It was at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 19th of April, 1933, that three "little English pilgrims," as a French paper described us, struck Belgian soil for their first time. This took place in the harbour of Ostend, where they were officially received by the Belgian Minister of Education and the Mayor of Ostend, amidst loud cheering from the populace and the screeching drone of twelve little Dagenham Girl Pipers. After saluting the remains of H.M.S. Vindictive, the throng wended its way into the city, where it dispersed to its several hotels. These were quite decent affairs, and it was at such that we sampled our first Belgian dinner—and we survived it!

It was early next morning that we partook of rolls and ghastly black coffee and then walked to the station, traversed a six-inch high platform and boarded a train with very hard wooden seats—third class. This, after half-an-hour's jog, brought us to Bruges, where some hours were spent sight-seeing, the attractions including Le Beffroi, Le Quai Vert, La Basilique du Saint Sang and L'Englise de Notre Dame. After we had been welcomed to the city of Bruges in the Town Hall of 1376, the evening brought forth a Carillon Concert given from the belfry and interspersed with the piping of the above-mentioned bagpipers.

Next morning the party set off by charabanc for Ypres over thirty miles of cobbled road—all the roads are cobbled and often quite straight and level for several miles, due to the flat country found near the coast. The Tyne Cot War Cemetery was visited en route, and on arrival at Ypres a service at the Menin Gate was attended, which was remarkable, we thought, for its weak organisation. Lunch over, the old Cloth Hall and Tower and the new Saint Martin's Cathedral were reviewed and a close inspection of the Ypres Salient War Museum proved full of interest.

Saturday's programme consisted of a visit to Ghent, and, after exploring the Castle of the Counts, the town was tramped till reaching the Palais des Fetes, where, after waiting long hours, a deserved close-up of Prince Leopold and Princess Astrid was witnessed. Les Floralties were then visited, and here indeed was a marvellous array of flowers of every description. I can find nothing to compare with it in England.

We bid adieu to Bruges early Sunday morning and, following the Saint George's Day Ceremony at Zeebrugge, amidst loud cheering once again, we embarked upon the "Princess Astrid," which recorded a safe journey home; and we did not have the "mal-de-mer"!

The usual Continental cordiality was experienced everywhere, and the Englishman especially seemed to be received on very amicable terms. However, passing over this exuberance, it must not be forgotten that our general conception of the Belgian was one of moderate laziness. But perhaps an explanation, allowable enough in itself, may be found for this in the presence of large areas of flat ground, so enabling him, for cheapness sake, to shuffle along in clogs.

Before leaving Belgian habits, a word on drink. Cafes, almost invariably plus "bar," were particularly conspicuous by their numbers; but to cut a long story short, they seemed to be quite free from licensing hours and were often still going strong long after midnight. All this is possibly due to "bock" being a national drink, since their water is everywhere somewhat polluted. It is almost needless to add that all these places, including the hotels, were quite devoid of fresh air.

On concluding, special mention must be made of the Belgian gentleman, who after having carefully explained to his listeners the way to the Kursall, they, the poor noodles, unwittingly walked off in the opposite direction; and of the numerous shopkeepers who, when asked "*Je voudrais voir des cartes postales*," replied: "Oh, you mean you want to see some post cards"!

Thanks are also due to the person who recommended us to climb 804 tortuous steps to the top of the Belfry—on reaching it we were all but deafened by the awful clanging reverberations of tremendously vociferous chimes; to the person who came down and unlocked the doors of one hotel very early Sunday morning; and especially to the School Journey Association, who provided us and 797 other students with a very profitable holiday.

R.J.R.

For the Cause of Punctuality.

During my wanderings about this country of ours I have seen people of all ages, shapes and sizes, in a hurry. I have seen stout gentlemen, resplendent in their carefully brushed bowlers, giving exhibitions of sprinting, which would not discredit an Olympic champion, in order to catch the eight thirty-two for London. I have seen many a scholar approaching the station with a frantic, breath-taking, case-rattling, last-minute dash for the ruthless train which, like time and tide, waits for no man (or boy). While on holiday in the capital I have seen displays of agility performed by persons wishing to proceed to work by bus. In the face of loud protestations from the conductor, they grab the rail and swing aboard with a sigh of relief.

"Why," you may ask, "is all this?" The answer is simply: "This is for the cause of punctuality."

Marvel of marvels—seniors, aye, even prefects, are seen to lift up their heels—and run! Yes, actually run. Not a mere shuffling trot, not a trifling five-miles-an-hour canter, but a real, true, genuine, authentic, copper-bottomed, gilt-edged sprint. No running kit, but full equipment—cap, case, season ticket and fountain pen, all complete. I ask the world, what else beside a mad bull with St. Vitus' dance could produce this? Let it be hoped that these people meet their just reward.

It is not always so.

You arise late. Missing breakfast, you ride or run, as the case may be, hell-for-leather toward the station. You dash on to the platform. Later on the train arrives—five minutes late!

You arrange to meet Master X at seven o'clock. Arriving home late, you hurl slices of bread and butter and pieces of cake about, spill your tea on the floor; away on your bicycle, through water, slithering round corners, scraping against trees and leaving a train of indignant pedestrians behind you, you arrive at the appointed spot with half-a-minute to spare. Ten minutes later, Master X arrives with an innocent: "Am I late?"

What hindrances impede the punctuality seeker! How many an alarm clock fails in the morning! How many a watch is slow and how many a bicycle is punctured! For cyclists such things as favourable and unfavourable winds or weather all have their say in the matter.

Think of a cold December morning when you forge ahead at a speed of about six miles an hour, find yourself late by the clock which is half-way to your destination. Think how you push forward, with greater speed, regardless of the elements and heedless of your freezing ears and nose, to catch the train.

Then consider this, all you who live but a short distance from your daily occupation and when summer time starts and we have to arise one hour earlier or when the mornings are chill and the paths but mud and water—consider this, I say, and be free in your admiration of those who devote themselves to the noble cause of punctuality.

R.M.T.

Rural Studies.

Stop work for a moment, all you hard, cold men of the town, and think of the simple life on a farm. Cast your minds back for a moment to the joys and pleasures that were yours in the good old days—ah! yes, those good old days!

Life on the farm is one long round of fresh air, health and pleasure. The farmer lives in a farm-house which is built rather on the lines of a building. He ploughs his land in the winter and sows his wild oats in the spring. In the autumn the corn goes to the mill and the cereals to the press. If a farmer is in the habit of moving his field boundaries during the night, it is termed jumping a claim, and the land so gained is called a hop-field.

The chief workers on the land are the farm-hands, and, owing to the heavy wear they suffer, the fox-glove and the kid are reared as a protective covering. The workers are liable to be thrown into the local duck-pond if they do not come up to scratch.

In the dairy are to be found the milk-maid and the churn—British made. The milk is gathered into bottles (made of bottle glass) and sealed by a hermit kept especially for the purpose. Butter is churned in a churn by the churning, and cheese is tenderly reared with the small chicks in a syncopater.

The water for use on a farm is grown in a well. This is a round hole, somewhat circular in shape and of tubular construction, built into the ground. Water is then poured in and stored away till it is needed. It is rumoured in general knowledge circles, by people who have fallen down wells, that the stars can be seen from the bottom in the daytime. It appears that a good bump of locality is necessary for success.

Animals are to be found knocking about the farm, their number depending on how many there are. Horses are employed to eat up surplus hay, which is their staple diet. They may have carts attached to their backs to prevent them from migrating—craft of the first water. The pig is bred for no reason at all, but its flesh is often rubbed over bacon or pork to give them their pig-like flavour. The sheep is for ever losing its wool, which is sheer bad luck but all for the good of the underwear trade. Of late, scientists have invented a form of sympathetic wool.

The rotation of crops is a device whereby each side of the plant receives its fair share of the sun and is the outcome of the Agrarian revolution. The bean is grown for eating purposes, but, owing to the present financial crisis, lots of farmers haven't one. The leek is only found in cold areas after frosty weather and needs a lot of water to keep it going.

The flora of the local woods grow on the end of stalks and burst into flower when the blossom appears. Trees have to be strong to withstand the rigours of winter and keep their warm underclothes in their trunks. Firs grow upon banks and, like them, have branches everywhere. Their wood is often used to make furniture—log tables with legs of square roots being favoured by the householders with mathematical tendencies.

Other woodland verdure includes the convolvulus (a modern form of mental disease caused through eating stinging nettles) and the forget-me-not (which the farmer ties in his handkerchief as a reminder). Moss grows near its roots and is connected to them, while heather is found on the moor—or less. This is a pity. The birds are of fine plumage and rare in colour. The cuckoo is a queer fish, as it lays its eggs in other birds' nests for a lark. This is also a pity.

So, having rambled through the realms of nature, we must now come back to earth and turn back from the truly rural to the distressingly urban.

W.S.L.S.

Blackwater Bridge.

During a walk I came to a fairly large bridge, with two narrow pathways for pedestrians either side of the wide asphalt road. I climbed up one of these to the top of the bridge and, leaning against the stout, concrete wall, I incredulously gazed around me. I say incredulously, because on my previous visit to this spot I had to wait at a level-crossing alongside a congested stream of traffic, all groaning with impatience at these continual hold-ups and anxious to be on their various journeys. I had heard a rumour then that a bridge was to be built for the traffic to pass over while the trains passed underneath, but I was astounded at such an amazing transformation as had been made in such a short period. A continuous stream of vehicles—motor cars of various descriptions, large commercial lorries and coaches—thundered to and from London and Southampton. I heard a train rumbling in the distance, and presently a gigantic express swished under me, rocking and hissing and sending forth a jet of steam which curled gently like a pale cloud over the wall of the bridge and then vanished amongst the dusty traffic. Porters rolling heavy milk cans, carrying luggage and wheeling heavy trunk-trucks could be seen busy on the station as a small passenger train drew up alongside the narrow platform. Then for a while there was a break in the stream of traffic. No train could be heard, and the station, deserted except for an occasional luggage porter, was almost silent. After the tremendous tumult I had just experienced, the sudden silence was fascinating—all the more so because I could hear the gentle lapping of the water against the rush-fringed banks of the Blackwater river, which ran like a huge silvery snake beside the railway line.

But the silence was short; and the noise started again. More and more traffic passed over the bridge, more trains thundered underneath me, and then suddenly the station also galvanised into action with its hurrying and bustling porters and its banging of trucks and luggage. Awaiting my opportunity, I crossed over to the other side of the bridge, and there I saw a garage with men busy with petrol pumps for the many waiting cars, while farther down to the left was a large hotel with a magnificent garden and green; and though it was early morning, a large number of

cars had drawn up for refreshment. Away in the distance in a vale surrounded by fields in which cattle grazed leisurely, was the little village of Blackwater. The small Church spire clashed against the green background, and the small, red-topped houses clustered snugly together seemed so quiet and peaceful and so utterly unaware of the noisy trains and traffic that it appeared a different part of the world altogether. This was indeed amazing, as only a few miles separated two so different scenes. A sudden outburst of noise from two heavy, commercial lorries and a hissing express directed my thoughts back to the bridge. At last, turning away from this marvellous work of man, I walked slowly homeward, my mind full of admiration for everyone—from the architect to the humblest workman—who had done his share in the construction of it.

R.B.

The League.

The League of Nations has come into the world in response to the need for an international centre of thought and action. It has come at a time when nations are realising that no nation can live for itself alone, that all are closely inter-connected, and that the good of one is the good of all. It is a family to which all nations may belong—a Union of States, working together for the sake of peace and progress.

This Union of States means a Union of their Governments, and as the Governments think and decide well or ill, so will the League. It is an exceedingly practical institution by which countries may obtain, by united action, more secure defence and greater benefit than is possible for any Government alone. The fact that the nations are pledged, in the words of the Covenant, to deal openly, justly and honourably with each other, to respect treaties, to obey international laws and to avoid war, marks an advance on anything that has ever before been tried.

A yearly Assembly of all the States in the League decides on matters of general progress. It admits new members; it controls the budget; it inspects work done; and it directs future efforts. Because it consists of fifty-four nations and meets only once a year, it places all executive work in the hands of a small Council.

The work of the League touches on almost every matter in which nations are connected with each other—such as money, trade, arms, treaties, health, education, and social problems.

The Council guides the affairs of certain European territories whose destinies were bequeathed to it by the Peace Treaties, and it deals with all disputes between nations that are brought to it. For the rest, it has groups of specialists from all over the world gathered round it who are at present grouped into the following sections.—

(1) Financial specialists study money and trade matters.

(2) Business men improve the conditions of international trade.

(3) Military, naval and air experts tackle the question of disarmament.

(4) Colonial experts guard the interests of the mandated countries.

(5) Medical men fight all sorts of epidemic diseases and build up better health conditions.

(6) Professors of learning seek to unite all brain workers for mutual help and progress.

(7) Social welfare experts attack the widespread abuse of drugs.

Every one of these matters is international. The work of the Committees is continuous. They meet regularly and have always at hand the facts and experiences already gathered together. Others carry out the secretarial work for all branches of the League, with the help of translators and interpreters.

These are two big and distinct parts of the League which govern themselves and work quite separately. One is the Permanent Court of International Justice. This is a Court of Judges chosen from all over the world to decide matters of dispute between nations. The other is the International Labour Organisation, which is of the highest importance.

The vast machinery of the League is designed mainly to settle disputes and to increase a spirit of co-operation between nations. The machinery, in construction as simple as possible, is now working smoothly despite continual set-backs. We hope soon to see that day when, as has been said, it will be the mark of an uneducated man not to know of the work of the League.

C.F.S.

Dumb Waiters.

“Aloof, aloof, we stand aloof” (*C. G. Rossetti*).

Toward the end of my examination career, when struggling to convince a sceptical examiner that I really was worth half marks in English, I remember learning that “Time stays still . . . with lawyers in the vacation, for they sleep between term and term.” Now Rosalind, so the text-book told me, was a very clever girl, but I can go one better than she did and say that “Time goes backwards with officials in a post office . . . for obvious reasons.” I am accounted a mild and even-tempered person in the main, but the sight of an elderly, bespectacled “stamps” peacefully knitting or animatedly discussing hats with the “postal orders” at the next counter, while half the neighbourhood is waiting for a 1½d. stamp, drives me to despair. Nero fiddling while Rome burned was nothing compared with the cold, blank stare officially employed while England waits to post its cigarette coupons. All that I can find in my heart to say for them is that their knitting is good for the wool trade. Even then they may know their mythology and undo, before retiring, the weaving that has cost them so many hard words.

How very kind and thoughtful of the P.M.G. to put up those pretty, red machines outside the Post Office that the occupants might have more peace and quiet. Possibly the intelligence department—for there must be one somewhere—might conceive a machine that sends off telegrams, issues postal-orders, answers back and goes to sleep automatically. With such a machine outside its ever-closed doors, the office would become the perfect haven of rest for the aged and incapable.

How annoying must be the continual interruptions they receive. The perpetual queues of idling gapers, who will persist in brandishing old-age pension forms and other unknown documents beneath the sleeping noses of the staff, must be very trying.

Was it irony or just fate that caused these competent folk to be styled "civil" servants? Personally, I always classify them as being among the most uncivil servants, along with telephone operators and other people's chauffeurs. It is not that they are bad-mannered—the beauty of their position is that they are aloof from all manners. Silent and immovable, they need no social customs or conventions, as in a dream they maintain their sphinx-like immobility. Were they told that they had drawn a horse in a sweepstake they would show not a gleam of intelligence but finish the other sock before raising an eye-brow in acknowledgment.

Was Ovid being prophetic, do you think, when he wrote those famous lines beginning:

*Est prope Cimmerios longa spelunca recessu,
Mons cavus ignavi domus et penetralia Somni;
Quo numquam radiis oriens mediusve cadensve
Phoebus adire potest?"*

I like to think he was. His cave of sleep might well be any provincial Post Office of to-day. The same noiseless doors, the same gloom, solitude and unbearable humidity are to be found; the same opiate sleep, dulled senses and drooping heads. But let us leave them to their charmed slumber. May their heads nod for ever and their souls find eternal rest. While there is yet time, let us draw a veil around them, shutting out the turmoil and strife of this world.

"Oh, what a gift of Heaven is sleep!"

ERAM.

A Morning Walk.

Far away, where the rolling hills meet the dark blue sky, the sun is rising and flooding the countryside with sharp yellow light. Below, round the distant pools, the early-morning mists fly before it like gossamer before a breeze. The cloudless sky, stretching away to infinity, is as clear as a spring and of a blue no sapphire can approach. Down in the valley a cuckoo calls, and from the trees at the foot of the hill comes the answer, soft and mellow. The hillside is covered with drab heather; here and there it is relieved by the bright yellow flowers of the gorse

set safely among its prickly spikes. High above, a sky-lark hovers motionless, spreading over the world below its shrill song. On both sides of the path, ferns spring up from the brown bracken like the Phoenix from its ashes. From the top of a hawthorn bush a sparrow whistles merrily; a thrush hops thoughtfully across the path in search of worms.

Past the broom with its golden foam of flowers, past the whortleberry with its pink blossoms, the dusty path, littered with countless grey stones, descends with decreasing steepness into the soft, cool shadows of the pine woods. The tall, thin, scaly, brown trunks rise slowly to the horizontal branches, which are tufted with bunches of dark green, needle-like leaves. A fir cone drops from above and lands silently on the brown earth carpeted with yellowing fir pins. On the bank at the side of the path a rabbit sits blinking its eyes; it scuttles away, its ears twitching and white tail bobbing up and down. On both sides the trees stretch upward like the walls of a cañon, and through these the sun, higher now, shines down on the narrow path.

The trees slip past and the path changes into a cart track, with two deep ruts where the wheels of carts have churned up the black mud. The pine trees give way to deciduous trees: the oak with the openness of its branches, its furrowed trunk and its sinuate leaves; the ghostly trunk of the silver birch, with its fern-like foliage; the beech, with its delicate-veined leaves fresh with the green of the spring; leaves now all a-line, now ruffled up by the breeze like the sea before a storm. From far up its smooth, green-lichened trunk the song of birds comes down—sharp, ecstatic chirpings, the spirit of spring. Through the hazel bushes by the side of the track, a quick, cool stream babbles merrily over stones, carrying leaves and sticks before it.

The track emerges into a quiet, sandy road with grass-bordered footpaths. Behind the dark green glossiness of the holly hedge are rhododendron bushes with large flowers—purple, pink and white. Far back from the road lies a house with leaded windows and heavy, timbered walls half-hidden with ivy. The shadow on the sundial above the door is nearly vertical. In front of the house is a hawthorn tree shedding its delicate, red blossoms over the green lawn. Dogs bark furiously, shattering the atmosphere of calm repose. A car starts with a roar, twice interrupted, but steadily increasing.

Suddenly the road debouches into the staring white concrete of the highway. A low-slung sports car like a great, black lizard passes with a staccato roar of exhaust; a six-wheeled lorry, a modern brontosaurus, crashes past with a rattle of doors. From nearby comes the blare of the trumpet and the wail of the saxophone. The sound of pneumatic drills like the rat-tat-tat of machine guns completes their harmony. From across the sea of roofs comes the call of the factory whistle. Above, the sun is obscured by murky, black smoke. Lights flash—green, amber, red—red, amber, green. . . . Gradually the noises fade; the singing of the birds and the whistle of the wind in the trees fill the air together with the smell of new mown hay. R.J.T.

Football, 1932-1933.

The School team did not reach such a high standard of play in the season 1932-1933. This was due to the very heavy losses we suffered by boys leaving. At Christmas B. Crowhurst (left-back), R. J. Pesterfield (right-half), R. E. Stanley (inside-left), W. J. Kingcome (inside-right) and W. H. Dimmock left. We earnestly hope that these good footballers will find their way into the ranks of the Old Farnhamians. The team was ably led by S. C. Stewart (captain) and J. W. G. Wells (vice-captain), who did much to infuse enthusiasm in a much-changed team. Colours were re-awarded to Stewart and Wells and awarded for the first time to R. Baldwin (right-back).

The Under 15 team was a very young team this year, and with the same talent available next year, we should do extremely well in the Cup Competitions. This year, in the Cup, we drew one, won one and lost two. Still, as a young team, we played extremely good football. J. Watling (centre-half) captained the team. We feel we must compliment Symes, Larmer and Blower on their excellent play throughout the season. F.B.L.

1ST ELEVEN.

Captain: S. C. Stewart. *Vice-Captain:* J. W. G. Wells.

Played, 3; won, 3; goals for, 15; goals against, 6.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

Feb. 11th.—F.G.S., 8; Lord Wandsworth's Agricultural College, 1.

F.G.S.—A. J. Hillyer; R. Baldwin and D. W. Taylor; H. J. Chitty, J. W. G. Wells and E. A. Thurston; W. S. L. Smallman, S. C. Stewart, W. A. McLelland, R. E. Stanley and W. E. Styles.

Mar. 18th.—F.G.S., 3; Old Farnhamians' XI., 2.

F.G.S.—A. J. Hillyer; R. Baldwin and D. W. Taylor; H. J. Chitty, J. W. G. Wells and B. E. Allen; W. S. L. Smallman, W. A. McLelland, S. C. Stewart, E. A. Thurston and W. E. Styles.

Mar. 25th.—Farnborough Secondary School, 3; F.G.S., 4.

F.G.S.—A. J. Hillyer; R. Baldwin and D. W. Taylor; H. J. Chitty, J. W. G. Wells and B. E. Allen; W. S. L. Smallman, S. C. Stewart, W. A. McLelland, E. A. Thurston and W. E. Styles.

2ND ELEVEN.

Played, 2; won, 0; drawn, 1; lost, 1; goals for, 2; goals against, 3.

Mar. 18th.—Odiham Grammar School, 2; F.G.S., 1.

F.G.S.—F. C. Spong; P. J. Woods and I. C. Patrick; A. R. Auchterlonie, E. A. Drew and F. P. Ashton; R. J. Page, H. E. Cook, J. R. Hoar, L. C. Holloway and A. Snewing.

Mar. 25th.—F.G.S., 1; Odiham Grammar School, 1.

F.G.S.—F. C. Spong; P. J. Woods and I. C. Patrick; A. R. Auchterlonie, E. A. Drew and F. P. Ashton; R. J. Page, H. E. Cook, J. R. Hoar, A. Snewing and L. C. Holloway.

"UNDER 15" XI.

S.J.S.S. Cup.

Played, 4; won, 2; lost, 2; goals for, 10; goals against, 13.

Feb. 4th.—F.G.S., 2; Guildford Junior Technical School, 6.

F.G.S.—G. P. Shandy; G. R. Blower and G. S. J. Pearson; G. W. Allen, J. A. Watling and C. L. Larmer; L. W. F. Percival, W. M. Robertson, R. R. Kirk, D. Wilson and J. J. Parratt.

Feb. 11th.—Woking County School, 5; F.G.S., 3.

F.G.S.—R. W. Brown; G. R. Blower and G. S. J. Pearson; R. F. Symes, J. A. Watling and J. J. Parratt; R. R. Kirk, D. Wilson, C. L. Larmer, W. M. Robertson and E. C. Holloway.

Mar. 4th.—F.G.S., 4; Woking County School, 2.

F.G.S.—R. W. Brown; G. R. Blower and E. C. Holloway; R. F. Symes, J. A. Watling and C. L. Larmer; L. W. F. Percival, W. M. Robertson, R. R. Kirk, D. Wilson and J. J. Parratt.

Mar. 17th.—Guildford Junior Technical School, 0; F.G.S., 1.

F.G.S.—R. W. Brown; R. F. Symes and E. C. Holloway; C. L. Larmer, J. A. Watling and J. J. Parratt; G. A. Bacon, D. Wilson, R. R. Kirk, W. M. Robertson and L. W. F. Percival.

FRIENDLY MATCH.

Jan. 21st.—Lord Wandsworth's Agricultural College, 0; F.G.S., 9.

F.G.S.—S. J. Pooley; G. R. Blower and E. C. Holloway; R. F. Symes, J. A. Watling and C. L. Larmer; J. J. Parratt, R. R. Kirk, D. Wilson, W. M. Robertson and L. W. F. Percival

HOUSE MATCHES.

SPRING TERM.

Senior.—Morley 6, Childe 1; Harding 2, School 0; Morley 6, Massingberd 1; Harding 3, Massingberd 1; Massingberd 3, Childe 1; Morley 5, School 4; Childe 2, Harding 1; Massingberd 3, School 0; Morley 5, Harding 0.

Junior.—Childe 10, Massingberd 0; Morley 4, School 1; Childe 6, Harding 0; School 12, Massingberd 0; Morley 7, Harding 0; Childe 2, Morley 1; School 9, Harding 0; Morley 3, Massingberd 0; School 4, Childe 2; Massingberd 0, Harding 0.

FINAL INTER-HOUSE FOOTBALL POSITIONS, 1932-33.

OPEN.

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Goals		Points
					For	Against	
Morley ..	8	7	0	1	48	14	15
Childe ..	8	4	2	2	25	15	10
Harding ..	8	3	3	2	13	14	8
Massingberd ..	8	3	5	0	16	26	6
School ..	8	0	7	1	6	40	1

JUNIOR.

Morley ..	8	7	1	0	37	6	14
School ..	8	6	2	0	45	16	12
Childe ..	8	5	3	0	33	10	10
Harding ..	8	1	6	1	2	45	3
Massingberd ..	8	0	7	1	0	40	1

Boxing.

For the first time, the School has taken part in a boxing match. On Monday, March 27th, we were visited by a team from Guildford Royal Grammar School and were defeated by eight victories to four.

The School's display was consistently plucky; and to have gained four victories from a school with the boxing tradition and reputation of Guildford says much for our boxing and more for its future.

The match was refereed by Mr. J. ("Joey") Smith, and the judges were Mr. J. W. Bowey, of Guildford, and Mr. F. B. Lerigo.

Mr. R. B. Varey acted as timekeeper, and Sergt.-Majors Stent and Fisher as the Guildford seconds, with W. S. L. and W. A. Smallman in the Farnham corner.

Guildford were obviously the more experienced and confident, especially in the junior bouts. In this latter section, one of our men was found to be over-weight, and the consequent reshuffling was by no means in our favour.

In Classes 1—4 the fights consisted of three rounds of one, one and a half, and one minutes each; in Classes 5—7 of three rounds of one minute each; and in Classes 8—12 of two rounds of one and a half and one minutes each.

RESULTS.

Class 1 (11 st. and over).—J. W. Spaul (Guildford) beat J. W. G. Wells (F.G.S.). Fight stopped in second round. Spaul's longer reach was soon put to good use and he scored frequently with his left. Wells fought pluckily against a bigger opponent but was badly dazed early in the second round.

Class 2 (10 st. 7 lbs.—11 st.).—W. A. McLelland (F.G.S.) beat H. B. Crawford (Guildford). Fight stopped in first round. This bout started with a rapid exchange of blows, but a cut soon opened on Crawford's eyebrow.

Class 3 (10 st.—10 st. 7 lbs.).—R. Baldwin (F.G.S.) beat J. L. Stansfield (Guildford). Fight stopped in third round. The first round was close, with Baldwin probably a little superior by virtue of his longer reach. In the second round Baldwin scored heavily in the early stages, but Stansfield, although wary of his opponent's right, attacked at the close. The third round opened snappily, but the fight was stopped after Stansfield had been down for a count of four.

Class 4 (9 st. 7 lbs.—10 st.).—E. Allen (Guildford) beat A. E. Smith (F.G.S.). The first round ended with Allen definitely superior. Smith had fought well against a better opponent but had been cornered several times. In the second round, however, he took the fight into the enemy's country but, despite this, the exchanges were even. In the third round, Allen's superiority once again was manifested and he won on points.

Class 5 (9 st.—9 st. 7 lbs.).—K. Butters (Guildford) beat D. W. Taylor (F.G.S.). A very close fight, keen and eager. There was little to choose between the pair at any stage, though Butters, perhaps, scored more points in the in-fighting. So close was the fight that there was general surprise at the judges' decision. The friendly rivalry that characterised the match was particularly noticeable in this bout.

Class 6 (8 st. 7 lbs.—9 st.).—R. J. Ridout (F.G.S.) beat D. Gay (Guildford). The first round was close, but in the second Ridout's longer reach and better style kept Gay from his in-fighting tendency. The third round merely accentuated the better boxing of Ridout.

Class 7 (8 st.—8 st. 7 lbs.).—N. Butters (Guildford) beat A. H. Smith (F.G.S.). Smith seemed slightly "off colour" but fought back pluckily against a more pugnacious opponent. It was not until the third round that Butters was able to score heavily.

Class 8 (7 st. 7 lbs.—8 st.).—S. C. Cooper (F.G.S.) beat A. Walton (Guildford). Cooper soon showed himself the better boxer and scored heavily with both hands against an opponent whose blows had little weight.

Class 9 (7 st.—7 st. 7 lbs.).—A. A. Williams (Guildford) beat A. L. Baber (F.G.S.). The first round was tame, with more pretty footwork than boxing, but in the second round Williams' longer reach and greater science soon enabled him to gain a good lead in points.

Class 10 (6 st. 7 lbs.—7 st.).—P. Rickard (Guildford) beat B. G. Louch (F.G.S.). Fight stopped in first round. Louch, whose blows were wild and inexperienced, pluckily received great punishment from cool, pushful Rickard, but was obviously being overwhelmed.

Class 11 (6 st.—6 st. 7 lbs.).—J. R. Macdonald (Guildford) beat J. O. Levison (F.G.S.). Levison gave away a lot of weight, and this, together with Macdonald's far greater reach, made the first round the latter's. The second round was scrappy and almost devoid of boxing.

Class 12 (6 st. and under).—A. J. Smith (Guildford) beat C. L. Merricks (F.G.S.). Merricks was obviously nervous and fought poorly in the first round, and Smith scored frequently. Merricks improved slightly in the second round, but Smith, who was very expert for his age, still remained superior.

W. A. McLelland and R. Baldwin have been awarded Colours.

Cross-Country Run.

School running history was made on Friday, March 24th, when a School team took part in a cross-country run against another school. The run was against Lord Wandsworth's Agricultural College at Long Sutton and resulted in a victory for the School by 113 points to 198 points—a really praiseworthy performance.

The course was about three miles long; there were several stiles, fences and gates to be climbed or otherwise negotiated; and mud was fairly plentiful, especially on the narrow path through the coppice. The mud was probably the greatest obstacle to our men, accustomed as they were to Moor Park. In places it was so deep that many shoes were unwillingly left behind, to the accompaniment of sundry squelches and other sounds. Several runners finished shoeless as well as breathless.

It would be interesting if we could contest the Moor Park course with the Long Sutton men. We certainly hope that we will run against them again in the future.

C. R. Abbey (L.W.C.A.) finished first in 16 mins. 46 3-5 secs. A. H. Smith (F.G.S.) put up a good performance in returning 16 mins. 51 2-5 secs. for second place.

The first twelve of each team counted; and it is to the superior packing of the School team that our victory is mainly due. Placings:—

1, C. R. Abbey (L.W.A.C.); 2, A. H. Smith (F.G.S.); 3, E. H. Hancock (L.W.A.C.); 4, D. W. Taylor (F.G.S.); 5, J. R. Hoar (F.G.S.); 6, P. E. Huckin (F.G.S.); 7, T. K. Gardner (F.G.S.); 8, L. Bone (L.W.A.C.); 9, P. J. Woods (F.G.S.); 10, I. A. Ewens (F.G.S.); 11, C. F. Woollaston (F.G.S.); 12, A. Snewing (F.G.S.); 13, T. R. Oaten (L.W.A.C.); 14, T. G. A. Haydon (F.G.S.); 15, J. J. Symons (L.W.A.C.); 16, G. A. P. Hern (F.G.S.); 17, R. J. Turner (F.G.S.); 18, W. A. McLelland (F.G.S.); 19, J. W. Trigwell (L.W.A.C.); L. A. Darby (L.W.A.C.) and W. N. Valentine (L.W.A.C.); 22, H. J. Chitty (F.G.S.); 23, R. B. Darby (L.W.A.C.); 24, W. A. Smallman (F.G.S.); 25, B. J. Merriman (L.W.A.C.); 26, J. M. Wheeler (L.W.A.C.); 27, A. J. Wheeler (L.W.A.C.).

Inter-House Athletic Sports.

The Inter-House Athletic Sports were held on Friday, March 10th, and Saturday, March 11th. The wind, which had slightly affected the "Cricket Ball" and the "High Jump" events on the Friday, dropped on the Saturday, which was bright and sunny.

Full advantage of the weather was taken, four records being established in the Open and three in the Junior events. School House Juniors gained the possible number of points (56), a feat which also constitutes a record. In fact, the general standard of the Sports was appreciably higher than that of previous years. Witness, for example, the Open Long Jump, in which the first three Houses were well above the previous record, while the fourth House was less than two inches below it. In the Open High Jump, moreover, there were only four inches between the first four Houses, and in the Open Cricket Ball only six yards between the first three. As a whole, the results are in themselves sufficient answer to those would-be detractors from the ability of the School.

Points for the Inter-House Challenge Cups (both Open and Junior) were awarded as follows: In the Sprint, Distance and Hurdles Relays, 12, 9, 6, and 3 points for the first four Houses respectively; in the High and Long Jumps, 8, 6 4 and 2 points; and in the Cricket Ball, 4, 3, 2 and 1 points.

OPEN.

Sprint Relay (110, 220, 110, 220 yards).—1, Massingberd (R. J. Ridout, I. C. Patrick, G. N. Franks, W. A. McLelland); 2, Childe (G. R. Blower, R. Baldwin, D. W. Taylor, A. H. Smith); 3, Harding (A. J. Hillyer, P. J. Woods, G. W. C. Hartley, W. S. L. Smallman); 4, School (E. A. Thurston, G. S. J. Pearson, F. P. Ashton, D. F. Wagstaff); 5, Morley (S. C. Stewart, W. E. Styles, G. J. Knotts, H. J. Chitty). Time: 1 min. 21 4-5 secs. (record). Previous record (1932): 1 min. 23 1-5 secs.

Distance Relay (440, 880, 440, 880 yards).—1, Childe (I. A. Ewens, D. W. Taylor, R. Baldwin, A. H. Smith); 2, Harding (G. A. P. Hern, T. K. Gardner, A. Snewing, W. S. L. Smallman); 3, Massingberd (I. C. Patrick, R. J. Ridout, W. A. McLelland, R. F. Symes); 4, School (D. F. Wagstaff, P. E. Huckin, G. S. J. Pearson, E. A. Thurston); 5, Morley (S. C. Stewart, W. E. Styles, H. J. Chitty, R. J. Turner). Time: 7 mins. 6 2-5 secs. (record). Previous record (1932): 7 mins. 20 2-5 secs.

Hurdles (4 x 90 yards).—1, School (G. S. J. Pearson, F. P. Ashton, D. F. Wagstaff, E. A. Thurston); 2, Childe (A. H. Smith, D. W. Taylor, R. Baldwin, G. R. Blower); 3, Massingberd (I. C. Patrick, E. Calver, R. F. Symes, W. A. McLelland); 4, Harding (A. J. Hillyer, G. W. C. Hartley, P. J. Woods, W. S. L. Smallman); 5, Morley (J. W. G. Wells, W. E. Styles, H. J. Chitty, S. C. Stewart). Time: 57 secs. (record). Previous record (1932): 57 1-5 secs.

Long Jump.—1, Morley (S. C. Stewart, G. J. Knotts, H. J. Chitty), 51 ft. 7½ ins. (record). Previous record (1932): 47 ft. 8½ ins.; 2, School (D. F. Wagstaff, E. A. Thurston, F. P. Ashton), 49 ft. 2¼ ins.; 3, Harding (W. A. Smallman, P. J. Woods, W. S. L. Smallman), 47 ft. 11½ ins.; 4, Childe (R. Baldwin, G. R. Blower, R. Ewens), 47 ft. 6½ ins.; 5, Massingberd (R. J. Ridout, R. F. Symes, W. A. McLelland), 46 ft. 9¾ ins.

High Jump.—1, Morley (H. J. Chitty, S. C. Stewart, G. J. Knotts), 13 ft. 9 ins.; 2, Harding (W. S. L. Smallman, A. J. Hillyer, P. J. Woods), 13 ft. 8 ins.; 3, Massingberd (R. J. Ridout, I. C. Patrick, R. F. Symes), 13 ft. 7 ins.; 4, School (D. F. Wagstaff, E. A. Thurston, F. P. Ashton), 13 ft. 5 ins.; 5, Childe (R. Baldwin, D. W. Taylor, G. R. Blower), 13 ft. 1 in.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—1, Childe (I. A. Ewens, R. Baldwin, D. W. Taylor), 201 yds. 9 ins.; 2, Morley (S. C. Stewart, C. L. Larmer, J. W. G. Wells), 198 yds. 1 ft. 2 ins.; 3, School (D. F. Wagstaff, E. A. Thurston, P. E. Huckin), 195 yds. 1 ft. 4 ins.; 4, Massingberd (R. F.

Symes, W. A. McLelland, R. J. Ridout), 183 yds. 2 ft. 7 ins.; 5, Harding (W. S. L. Smallman, P. J. Woods, W. A. Smallman), 169 yds. 1 ft. 3 ins.

Inter-House Challenge Cup (Open).—1, Childe, 36 points; 2, Massingberd, 29; 3, Harding and School, 28; 5, Morley, 19 points.

JUNIOR.

Sprint Relay (110, 220, 110, 220 yards).—1, School (A. L. Baber, C. L. Merricks, A. F. Enticknap, R. R. Kirk); 2, Morley (J. J. Parratt, C. D. Williams, J. O. Levison, C. L. Larmer); 3, Massingberd (J. W. Clark, T. R. Alston, H. de B. Brock, R. W. Brown); 4, Harding (G. H. Lawrence, L. B. Harfield, A. E. Briant, T. R. Hern); 5, Childe (G. W. Allen, L. W. F. Percival, R. W. Dipper, M. C. Colwill). Time: 1 min. 33 2-5 secs.

Distance Relay (440, 880, 440, 880 yards).—1, School (A. L. Baber, D. Wilson, C. L. Merricks, R. R. Kirk); 2, Morley (J. O. Levison, P. N. R. Greenway, C. D. Williams, C. L. Larmer); 3, Harding (D. S. Dalton, L. B. Harfield, K. D. Dalton, T. R. Hern); 4, Childe (A. H. Greenfield, L. W. F. Percival, T. J. Pegg, M. C. Colwill); 5, Massingberd (J. W. Clark, H. de B. Brock, F. P. Lambert, R. W. Brown). Time: 8 mins. 8 secs. (record). Previous record (1932): 8 mins. 33 2-5 secs.

Hurdles (4 x 75 yards).—1, School (C. L. Merricks, A. F. Enticknap, D. Wilson, R. R. Kirk); 2, Morley (J. J. Parratt, C. D. Williams, J. O. Levison, C. L. Larmer); 3, Harding (T. R. Hern, K. D. Dalton, A. E. Briant, L. B. Harfield); 4, Childe (M. C. Colwill, A. H. Greenfield, G. W. Allen, R. W. Dipper); 5, Massingberd (T. R. Alston, H. de B. Brock, J. W. Clark, R. W. Brown). Time: 54 2-5 secs.

Long Jump.—1, School (R. R. Kirk, J. A. D. Wood, D. Wilson), 43 ft. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins. (record). Previous record (1928): 39 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.; 2, Morley (C. L. Larmer, J. O. Levison, J. J. Parratt), 39 ft. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.; 3, Childe (G. W. Allen, J. V. Hewes, R. W. Dipper), 38 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ins.; 4, Harding (A. E. Briant, K. D. Dalton, G. H. Lawrence), 35 ft. 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.; 5, Massingberd (R. W. Brown, J. W. Clark, T. R. Alston), 30 ft. 9 ins.

High Jump.—1, School (R. R. Kirk, D. Wilson, A. F. Enticknap), 11 ft. 9 ins.; 2, Morley (C. L. Larmer, J. J. Parratt, E. H. Whiteley), 11 ft. 5 ins.; 3, Harding (A. E. Briant, L. B. Harfield, K. D. Dalton), 11 ft. 4 ins.; 4, Massingberd (T. R. Alston, R. W. Brown, L. P. Lucas), 11 ft.; 5, Childe (G. W. Allen, A. H. Greenfield, R. W. Dipper), 10 ft. 10 ins.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—1, School (J. A. D. Wood, R. R. Kirk, D. Wilson), 165 yds. 9 ins. (record). Previous record (1928): 161 yds. 7 ins.; 2, Morley (C. L. Larmer, S. Wells, J. O. Levison), 153 yds. 2 ft. 9 ins.; 3, Childe (G. W. Allen, R. W. Dipper, A. H. Greenfield), 146 yds. 2 ft. 4 ins.; 4, Massingberd (R. W. Brown, R. D. Lucas, J. W. Clark), 141 yds. 1 in.; 5, Harding (G. H. Lawrence, A. E. Briant, T. R. Hern), 134 yds. 11 ins.

Inter-House Challenge Cup (Junior).—1, School, 56 points (a "Possible"); 2, Morley, 42; 3, Harding, 21; 4, Childe, 12; 5, Massingberd, 9 points.

Miniature Rifle Club.

Although a completely new team has been built up, the improvement in the majority of its members has not been so great as their form at the beginning of the year suggested. We have not developed into "old stagers" yet, and a study of the results will show an amateur inconsistency. However, we obtained a position of 15th in the S.M.R.C. Junior Spring Competition, returning a score of 720, and on the whole a fairly successful season has to be reported.

Feb. 17th.—v. The Tiffin Boys' School: Lost.

				F.G.S. Deliberate.	Rapid.			Total.
B. G. Barnard	...	...	...	96	94			190
G. M. Elphick	...	...	...	93	95			188
E. A. Drew	...	...	...	95	88			183
R. E. Stanley	...	...	...	91	88			179
W. A. McLelland	...	...	...	87	91			178
R. J. Turner	...	...	...	89	83			172
				Counted out :	Total	...		1,090
I. C. Patrick	...	...	...	85	84			169
R. J. Ridout	...	...	...	85	77			162
				TIFFIN BOYS :				
Smart	...	...	...	95	97			192
Towers	...	...	...	94	95			189
Saunders	...	...	...	93	89			182
Mussell	...	...	...	90	87			177
Bishop	...	...	...	86	90			176
Pipe	...	...	...	92	83			175
					Total	...		1,091
				Counted out :				
Wicker	...	...	...	83	90			173
Lamb	...	...	...	78	71			149

Mar. 3rd.—v. Rutlish School (Merton): Won.

				F.G.S. Deliberate.	Rapid.			Total.
G. M. Elphick	...	...	...	94	95			189
W. A. McLelland	...	...	...	96	91			187
B. G. Barnard	...	...	...	95	91			186
I. C. Patrick	...	...	...	89	87			176
E. A. Drew	...	...	...	88	84			172
R. J. Turner	...	...	...	83	81			164
				Counted out :	Total	...		1,074
G. W. C. Hartley	...	...	...	82	78			160
R. J. Ridout	...	...	...	88	68			156
				RUTLISH.				
Stringer	...	...	...	92	87			179
Baldwin	...	...	...	88	88			176
Jarvis	...	...	...	85	88			173
Rumbell	...	...	...	82	88			170
Grey	...	...	...	86	76			162
Channon	...	...	...	81	76			157
					Total	...		1,017
				Counted out :				
Markey	...	...	...	78	74			152
Alexander	...	...	...	78	72			150

June 9th.—v. Tavistock Grammar School: Won.

				F.G.S. Deliberate.	Rapid.	Total.
G. M. Elphick	...	...	...	99	91	190
B. G. Barnard	...	...	...	96	89	185
E. A. Drew	...	...	...	90	89	179
I. C. Patrick	...	...	...	90	87	177

F.G.S. (Continued).

			F.G.S. (Continued).		
			Deliberate.	Rapid.	Total.
R. J. Ridout	81	86	167
W. A. McLelland	82	83	165
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			Total		1,063
			Counted out :		
G. W. C. Hartley	86	78	164
R. J. Turner	84	67	151
TAVISTOCK G.S.					
Cadet Edwards	...	...	85	85	170
Lce.-Corpl. Youldia	...	...	87	77	164
Cadet McGahey	83	79	162
C.S.M. Lee	76	82	158
Cadet Matthews	76	76	152
Cadet Holwill	60	81	141
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			Total		947

INTER-HOUSE SHOOTING—SPRING TERM.

1.—MASSINGBERD.

B. G. Barnard	89
R. J. Ridout	85
W. A. McLelland	...	...	83
I. C. Patrick	...	...	78
E. Calver	...	...	70
R. F. Symes	...	...	65

Total ... 470

Counted out:

C. F. Woollaston	...	...	60
H. de B. Brock	...	...	44

3.—CHILDE.

T. C. Aldridge	...	...	82
D. W. Taylor	...	...	82
T. J. Pegg	...	...	75
B. E. Allen	...	...	73
G. R. Blower	...	...	64
W. M. Robertson	...	...	57

Total ... 433

Counted out:

J. P. Campbell	...	...	55
I. A. Ewens	...	...	40

2.—HARDING.

W. A. Smallman	...	...	82
V. H. Rumble	...	...	79
G. W. C. Hartley	...	...	78
H. E. Cook	...	...	77
G. F. Parker	...	...	75
W. S. L. Smallman	...	...	74

Total ... 465

Counted out:

C. D. Barrow	...	...	64
J. H. Turnbull	...	...	63

4.—SCHOOL.

R. R. Bishop	...	...	79
D. F. Wagstaff	...	...	71
F. P. Ashton	...	...	71
E. A. Drew	...	...	70
F. T. Holmes	...	...	70
P. E. Huckin	...	...	69

Total ... 430

Counted out:

M. E. Handley...	...	...	64
D. W. C. Jepp	...	...	52

5.—MORLEY.

G. M. Elphick	...	...	84
J. A. Watling	...	...	72
F. R. Croucher	...	...	70
F. G. E. Clement	...	...	68
R. J. Turner	...	...	67
E. H. Whiteley	...	...	63

Total ... 424

Counted out:

F. C. Spong	...	...	55
G. J. Knotts	...	...	44

B. G. Barnard was awarded a spoon for the highest score (89).

House Notes.

CHILDE.

As I write these notes, our position in the Cock-House table is second, mainly due to our unexpected winning of the Senior Inter-House Athletic Sports last Term. This, together with second and third places in the senior and junior football respectively, has enabled us to obtain half a point less than Harding, who lead with $48\frac{1}{2}$. Although there is a large number of points between ourselves and the third House, it does not mean that we are sure of second or possibly first place, and so it becomes essential that Childe obtain a large percentage of the points that remain to be divided. I hope by the time these notes are read that we have shown ourselves worthy of high positions in both cricket and swimming, which should enable us to be Cock House for the year 1932-33.

D.W.T.

HARDING.

Looking back over the events of the Spring Term, it would seem that our progress has been fairly satisfactory.

Our football positions were poor, both senior and junior. Still, a good fight was put up, as shown by the fact that our seniors had the best goal average, in spite of only a third place in the competition.

Our performance at athletics was just average, third place being obtained in the seniors and juniors.

The House shooting is showing distinct improvement, and it would mean very poor shooting if we relinquished second place this Term.

While I write these notes we are leading for the Cock-House Shield, and I trust that the next few weeks will not depose us from the premier position.

W.S.L.S.

MASSINGBERD.

As a whole, a fairly successful Term and end of last Term have to be reported. As far as seniors are concerned, a very successful season; but the juniors . . . not so successful.

We again returned the highest score in the End-of Term House Shooting, and in order to make quite sure of the destination of that cup, the team, I think, is fully aware of what it has got to do about it at the end of this Term.

The football season was wound up very successfully, and we were unfortunate in not being able to improve our position, having begun the season so badly.

A position of second in the seniors in the Athletic Sports was a great effort, but here again, what happened to the juniors?

Again, there is nothing but praise for the senior cricket eleven, and, again, juniors, you have yet to prove your worth.

With such praiseworthy efforts to our credit, it would seem that the Cock-House Shield is within our grasp. It is . . . and the result depends upon the final spurt.

Verbum sat sapientibus.

W.A.M.

MORLEY.

During the season we have kept up our reputation in football, having won both the senior and the junior cups.

Unfortunately, we have once again to look forward to the end of this Term for an improvement in our position in House Shooting, but by trying out several youngsters we are hoping to infuse new life into the team.

In the Inter-House Athletic Sports, the juniors are to be congratulated in coming in second, while the seniors were last.

Up to the present, cricket is satisfactory, but no more. The swimming this Term must be an improvement on last year, and we hope many of our members are practising assiduously.

R.J.T.

SCHOOL.

In the Athletic Sports last Term we did quite well, our seniors coming third and the juniors first with the maximum number of points. The juniors also did well in coming second in the football.

This Term we still have a chance to win both cricket cups, and prospects are bright with regard to winning the swimming cup again.

R.R.S.

OLD FARNHAMIANs' ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERSHIP.

Since the last issue of the Magazine, the following Old Boys have joined the Association:—

L. B. Smith (1910-1914), 11a, Borneo Street, Putney, S.W.15.

P. G. Chalcraft (1928-1930), Longwood Dene, Winchester.

W. J. Kingcome (1923-1932), "Mewstone," Searle Road, Farnham.

W. T. Munfield (1919-1923), 2, St. Mark's Villas, Upper Hale, Farnham.

B. E. Allen (1925-1933), "Kearsney," Hale Road, Farnham.

E. C. Riley (1908-1912), 24, Humberstone Road, Leicester.

R. J. Ayling (1915-1920), 120, East Street, Farnham.

Mr. L. Whibley, a Governor of the School, is welcomed as a member.

IN MEMORIAM.

Many Old Boys will learn with deep regret of the death, in his 91st year, of Mr. Robert Stroud, at Shanklin on May 30th. He was the oldest of Old Boys, as he entered the School in 1851 when his brother, the late Mr. Charles Stroud, was Headmaster. After college, he returned to his old School as Assistant Master, being especially remembered for his skill as a musician, a draughtsman and a cricketer.

A few short weeks before his death on the 21st April, 1933, Edgar Kempson resigned the office of Clerk to the Governors, to which he had been appointed on the 6th April, 1893. Forty years of ungrudging service, at the end of which he remained what at

heart he had always been—a school-boy. The School owes much to the driving force of his restless energy in those forty years.

He was an Old Bedfordian, and if we cannot claim him for our own, he was a product of the English Grammar School at its highest, which may well be why he was one of the best friends the School has ever had or is ever likely to have. G.F.W.

SPRING GENERAL MEETING

The Spring General Meeting of the Association was held at the School on Saturday, March 18th, the Headmaster presiding.

The Membership Secretary (Mr. G. H. Bacon) reported a membership of 337, 20 new members having joined since the last meeting in December. Unfortunately, 17 had been struck off membership—15 for not having paid subscriptions for 1931. There had been a nett increase of 32 during the preceding twelve months.

Reports were received from the various activities of the Association, all functioning in a satisfactory manner. A grant of £5 to the Farnham Unemployment Fund was confirmed.

Rule 13 was amended to read: "The Association may appoint at any General Meeting Vice-Presidents and other Honorary Members of the Association." It was resolved that the members of the School Staff be appointed as Honorary Members.

The Re-union for 1933 was fixed for Saturday, July 22nd, to take the form of an effort to raise further monies for the O.F.A. Playing Field Fund.

A collection for the Runwick Charity Cup amounted to £1.

The customary match between the School and an O.F.A. XI. in the afternoon resulted in a win for the School 3—2. The O.F.A. was represented by: A. J. Ryall; D. W. Lintern and A. J. Hall; R. Kimber, H. Robins and N. F. Lowry; C. M. Mould, H. Wilkinson, E. C. Patrick, T. B. B. Penney and H. S. North.

ST. PATRICK'S NIGHT DANCE.

The Association had a very successful and enjoyable dance at the Memorial Hall on St. Patrick's Night. There were 200 dancers, and Hugh Robins was the M.C. This dance was in aid of the O.F.A. Playing Field Fund, which is being devoted to levelling the extra playing field as a memorial to the Old Boys who died on active service in the Great War.

As a result of the dance, over £44 was handed over to the Fund. This splendid result would not have been possible had not all the refreshments been provided by generous donors and had not the work of preparing and serving the refreshments been undertaken by an enthusiastic party of ladies under the competent direction of Mrs. W. Elphick and Mrs. H. R. Robins. It is worthy of notice that "Tuffy" Marshall sent the coffee all the way from Kenya.

INSURANCE BUREAU.

The last notes on the above contained a statement that it had become almost a habit to report a record year, since each one

had shown an increase on results for the previous similar period. We have possibly made the boast in too light-hearted a spirit; for, although exact figures are not available at the moment and would be to some extent misleading were they quoted, it seems certain that results this year will compare very unfavourably with those of any of the last three years.

One has a suspicion that with things going so well, there was a feeling abroad that the scheme was bound to thrive without any conscious effort on the part of the individual member. If the hard facts of the moment dispel that superstition, the medicine may prove more effective than palatable.

Those hard facts are these: First, that the task we have set ourselves (to collect capital worth fifty pounds a year) has become a greater one than we thought when sound securities brought in a steady five per cent. We have, in fact, to find an extra four hundred pounds to complete the first stage, unless we are very fortunate in our investments.

The second fact is that whereas difficult times make saving in any form difficult, the savings that are contrived under such circumstances are always highly prized, including life endowment, now the most profitable form of saving and investment available.

The third fact is that, whereas we are apt to look upon our scheme as one which will produce money without cost to our members, we may be sure that money cannot be collected without effort. Let our members make that extra effort, not just because it is good business, but because it will bring a stage nearer a magnificent monument to the School and Association. G.M.A.

THE PLAYING FIELD FUND.

The rate of progress in the work of levelling the O.F.A. Memorial Field has been somewhat slower than was expected. The reason is twofold—the spells of bad weather during the winter and the heavy nature of some of the digging.

As to the financial side, since last December we have received £52 odd, most of it the proceeds of an O.F.A. Dance and the School Entertainment.

Writing before the Fête, I can say that we have enough money to carry on, at our present rate of working, until October 1st. But, according to our surveyor's reckoning, we shall not finish the levelling till next January or February. This means that we still require a considerable amount of money—not only for the levelling, but for the soiling, sowing, fencing, etc.

We are going to make a big effort at the Fête on July 22nd. But it is doubtful whether we shall get all the money we want from one Fête. I hope, therefore, that Old Boys and friends will remember that the subscription list is still open:

FURTHER SUBSCRIPTIONS.

					£	s.	d.
St. Patrick's Night O.F.A. Dance, 1933	...	...	...	...	44	9	4
School Entertainment, 1933	...	...	...	...	8	0	0
T. M. Lee	...	...	...	...		5	0

F.A.M.

FOOTBALL CLUB.

This season the O.F.A. Football Club achieved one of its ambitions by winning the Runwick Charity Cup. In the first round they defeated Rowledge (at Rowledge) by four goals to one. In the second round they accounted for the Aldershot and District Traction Co. Reserves by two goals to nil. In the semi-final they surprised their supporters by defeating Badshot Lea on the Rowledge Recreation Ground by three goals to two. On the Brewery Sports Ground after a very close game they succeeded in defeating Ash United by two goals to one. Unfortunately two regular members of the team, A. R. Stay and C. J. Newman, were unable to play in the final and their places were taken by N. J. Phillips and L. E. Lord. The cup final team was as follows:—

N. H. Patrick; A. F. Swan, N. H. Hillyer; N. J. Phillips, William Turk, L. E. Lord; W. H. Dimmock, K. G. D. Crowhurst, J. C. Kingcome, J. G. Caesar and F. O. M. Taylor. Scorers: Kingcome (penalty) and Caesar.

The team was not so successful in the Farnham and District Junior Football League as they were the previous season. They finished up fourth in the table, their record being as follows:— Games played 14, won 6, lost 6, and drew 2, goals for 40, and goals against 32. One thing which was noticeable was the fact that the team played well up to Christmas and afterwards their standard of play deteriorated and they were not nearly so successful. This was entirely different from previous seasons as in the past the team has always been much more successful after Christmas than they were before. The League games resulted as follows:—

Home Games: v. Bourne 5—2, v. Headley 7—2, v. Grayshott 3—2, v. Badshot Lea 0—2, v. Weyburn Sports 3—2, v. Ash United 1—2, v. Farnborough 3—4.

Away Games: v. Weyburn Sports 4—1, v. Grayshott 8—1, v. Farnborough 3—3, v. Badshot Lea 2—2, v. Headley 0—2, v. Ash United 0—4, v. Bourne 1—3.

The Old Boys were defeated in the third round of the Surrey Junior Cup by Badshot Lea (away) by three goals to two. In the two previous rounds they defeated Hindhead (away) by three goals to two and Bourne (home) by three goals to two.

Badshot Lea were once more the thorn in our side for they defeated us in the first round of the Surrey Junior Charity Cup by four goals to one.

The friendlies which were played resulted as follows: v. Old Wokingians (home), lost by one goal to six; v. Old Guildfordians (home), won by six goals to one; v. Hale Rangers (away), won by four goals to three; and v. Hale Rangers (home), lost by four goals to five.

The total number of games played by the first eleven resulted as follows:—

Games played 27, won 15, lost 10, drew 2, goals for 77, and goals against 62.

The goal scorers were as follows: Kingcome 24, Crowhurst 11, Caesar 10, Stewart 9, Dimmock 5, Taylor 4, Wells and Warren 3 each, Turk and Baker 2 each, and Patrick, E. C., North and Kimber one each.

The following played fairly regularly: N. H. Patrick, A. F. Swan, N. H. Hillyer, A. R. Stay, William Turk, C. J. Newman, L. E. Lord, W. H. Dimmock, K. G. D. Crowhurst, J. C. Kingcome, J. G. Caesar and F. O. M. Taylor.

The following also assisted occasionally: E. C. Patrick, N. J. Phillips, H. S. North, R. F. Baker, A. Harding, H. Wilkinson, R. Kimber, J. W. G. Wells, S. C. Stewart, G. J. Warren, and E. G. Glynn.

The "A" eleven played a series of friendly games which resulted as follows:—

Games played 14, won 3, lost 10, drew 1, goals for 30, goals against 59.

The detailed list of matches is as follows:—

Home Games: v. Churt 3—4, v. Spartans 4—4, v. Tongham Res. 5—4.

Away Games: v. Crondall 2—6, v. Churt 0—2, v. Rowledge 0—4, v. Frensham 1—5, v. Tilford 1—6, v. Wrecclesham 0—3, v. School 5—3, v. Frensham 3—7, v. Frensham Heights 2—1, v. Aldershot and District Traction Co. Reserves 2—7, v. School 2—3.

The goal scorers were as follows: Patrick, E. C. and North, H. S. 6 each, Penney, T. B. B. and Warren, G. J. 4 each, Wilkinson, H. and Glynn, E. G. 3 each, Dimmock, W. H. 2, and Hern, H. W. and Kimber, R. 1 each.

The following players, besides some of those mentioned before as assisting the first eleven, assisted the "A" eleven: H. Robins, A. Ryall, T. B. B. Penney, N. F. Lowry, G. W. Morris, A. J. Hall, F. W. German, C. M. Mould, E. J. Williams, A. J. Hillyer, E. Thurston, A. Larmer, D. W. Lintern, L. F. G. Wright, C. E. Jones and H. W. Hern.

The Committee which worked in a very conscientious manner and made good attendances at meetings was as follows: N. H. Hillyer (captain and team secretary, first eleven), H. Robins (captain "A" team), E. G. Glynn (team secretary, "A" eleven), J. E. Sims, William Turk (vice-captain, first eleven), and L. E. Lord (hon. secretary).

Praise should be given to E. G. Glynn for the good work which he put in raising an "A" eleven. He certainly had a thankless job which entailed a lot of work. Unfortunately some of the "A" eleven's fixtures were cancelled; this was usually due to the fact that the team they were to have played had a re-arranged league fixture to play. We hope to get over that difficulty next season.

I should like to add one word of praise to our former Secretary, Mr. G. H. Bacon. He was a fine, efficient secretary and I think I am right in saying that the Club will never be better served in that office. I think that a large amount of the praise which the Old Boys received by their success in the Runwick

Charity Cup should be credited to Mr. Bacon, who by his "spade" work laid the foundation to the Club's primary success.

The first eleven has made a successful application for membership to the Surrey Junior Football League for season 1933—34. It has also been decided to enter the "A" eleven in the Second Division of the Farnham and District Junior Football League for season 1933—34.

The Hon. Secretary, L. E. Lord, "Gable End," Longley Road, Farnham, is always pleased to hear from any member who is desirous of assisting the Club next season. L.E.L.

BADMINTON CLUB.

Those members of the O.F.A. who have availed themselves of the opportunity of playing Badminton at the School have spent many enjoyable evenings, both in practice games and in matches against local clubs. Although victory has not been ours on the majority of occasions, it cannot be said that we have done badly in view of the fact that we were all, I believe, tyros so far as match play was concerned. Indeed, many of the team handled a racquet for the first time this season. Those who played in matches gained a great deal of experience and craft which, I hope, will stand us in good stead next season. At present badminton with the O.F.A. is cheaper than with any other local club, but it can be made cheaper still if more members will join. Results:—

v. Courages (h), lost by 0 rubbers to 9, 1 game to 18, 99 aces to 277; v. Pinewood, Fleet (a), lost by 0 to 9, 1 to 18, 131 to 288; v. Churt (h), won by 7 to 2, 15 to 6, 286 to 227; v. Pinewood, Fleet (h), lost by 2 to 7, 6 to 14, 181 to 262; v. Churt (a), lost by 3 to 6, 8 to 12, 226 to 248; v. Courages (a), lost by 0 to 9, 2 to 18, 146 to 297; v. Fleet United (a), won by 7 to 2, 15 to 7, 296 to 239.

The following represented the O.F.A.: H. Elphick, N. H. Hillyer, L. E. Lord, E. M. Loughlin, E. C. Patrick, N. H. Patrick, H. Robins, L. J. Sherrington, J. E. Sims and R. H. Meddows Taylor. R.H.M.T.

MINIATURE RIFLE CLUB.

There are 16 members of the Club. After a good season we finished by being third in Section B of the North Hants Winter Postal League. The average score for the 20 matches in which we took part was 579.

Winners of Monthly Spoon Handicap:—October, W. Elphick; November, H. Wilkinson; December, R. H. M. Taylor; January, February and March, H. Wilkinson.

Winners at the annual prize meeting.—Major Patrick Cup and Replica, H. Wilkinson; Bell Medal, D. B. Ryall; Times Certificate, A. J. Hall; Daily Telegraph Certificate, D. B. Ryall; Sunday Times Certificate, E. C. Patrick; Daily Mail Certificate, D. B. Ryall; S.M.R.C. Silver Spoon, D. B. Ryall.—Next season starts in October. H.E.

“Training a Greenhorn.”

Two years ago found me beginning life on a farm about 100 miles west of Winnipeg, Manitoba, at a little settlement called Melbourne. It was a late evening in the middle of May when I arrived at my destination after having travelled some 4,500 miles.

The first three weeks were spent in preparing the land and putting in the crop, so I had quite a lot of handling of horses to do. During this time I made a few queer mistakes and as a result I was frequently being called a “typical green Englishman,” or a “green horn.”

When the grain was safely under the dirt, we got busy fixing the barbed wire fences, of which there were about 12½ miles—a prickly sort of job, the wire getting entangled around me far too much for my liking! One thing that strikes the newcomer is the absence of the hedges that are so common in the “Old Country.”

After I was through working on the fences I was given a job which enabled me to see for myself the real West with its wonderful assortment of wild flowers, tall pines and many kinds of wild birds and animals. This job consisted of herding cattle on the virgin prairie and in the “bush”—interesting work but very hot at times, especially if I had to do a lot of hard or rough riding on the range. This took me nearly to the end of July, so that by then I was ready to jump right in with the haying, which occupied roughly two weeks.

Then I did a bit of road work, consisting of building up the road over a muskeg (swamp), and so became a “navvy” (without the beard) for a few days. It is the custom of the farmers to put in so many hours on road work each year and so each keeps up his portion of the road.

The middle of August found me working away with six horses on the plough at the other farm some five miles away. Here I had to “batch” and am glad to say was none the worse for my own cooking after my ten days’ stay there.

Towards the end of August the fields began to turn to that familiar golden colour of ripening grain and we started on the big job of the year, harvesting and threshing the grain. I enjoyed this work very much, although it’s hard work from daylight to dark. It was during this time that I had a real taste of hot weather; often during the middle hours of the day the temperature in the shade would be around the 104 degrees mark. After this there were many small jobs such as harvesting the potatoes, loading the railway cars with wheat, and doing repairs around the farm, etc., etc. From then till “freeze-up” I was on the land, fall (autumn) ploughing and cultivating. The “freeze-up” in this particular year came rather late, around the first week in November.

Up to this time the stock looked pretty well after itself, but from now on I was kept busy fixing them up in their winter

quarters and looking after them in general—very interesting for one who likes animals!

At the beginning of December the snow began to get too deep to use anything with wheels, so the sleighs were fetched out for winter work. These were used quite a lot in bush work. My work in the bush consisted mostly of swinging the axe, a job that I like best for a day when the temperature is around 40 below zero. I might add here that during January there were many days when one couldn't work outside at all for blizzards—many a time I've not been able to see more than 15 yards ahead of me for driving snow. Usually on days like these we kill and do some butchering of pigs, cattle, sheep, etc.

They tell me that back in the '80's the winters were much worse than they are now. According to my experiences life then could have hardly been bearable, for this last winter I've seen one or two five-day blizzards with 40 degrees below zero, and when the storm had abated drifts from 14 feet could be seen all around.

The next important phase was the lambing season from middle February to April. This job calls for a lot of patience (which I can't boast of!), and often night work on account of the very cold winters.

Around the end of April the land begins to "open up" and so once again everybody is busy with another year's work.

J. C. U. GROUND.

NEWS OF OLD BOYS.

Congratulations and good wishes to M. Wells (1920-1923), to A. H. D. Stedman (1907-1912), and to H. W. Bide (1914-1916), on the occasions of their respective marriages.

Members of the Football Club—and others—will be interested to hear that "Pat" Vanner (1918-1920) is now a proud—very proud—father!

J. Miller (1920-1924) has presented a Challenge Cup for the School Cross-Country Run. Congratulations and many thanks!

W. E. Carter (1920-1924) is now in West Africa. His address is c/o Barclay's Bank (D.C. and O.), Lagos, Nigeria. If any Old Boys are ever in West Africa, particularly the Lagos district, he would be delighted to see them. We are expecting a lengthy contribution from him.

N. J. Phillips (1921-1932) was awarded his football colours at Goldsmiths' College, University of London, at the end of last season.

D. Bentall (1926-1931) is now at work in the Rating Clerk's Office at Bideford.

G. H. Thompson (1922-1928) is now engaged to be married—and has resigned his membership of the O.F.A.!

F. H. C. Wimbledon (1922-1927) writes (in March) that he is now learning to fly. He is not sure whether the accomplishment will be of any use to him or not, but he gets a "kick" out of it

and, sitting behind the slip-stream of the propeller far above Mother Earth, sees England at its best. We shall look forward to a promised article from him.

T. M. Lee (1925-1927), from San Pedro, California, U.S.A., is endeavouring to compose an article on the United States Coast Guard. He writes that he finds the section of "The Farnhamian" devoted to Old Boys News always interesting and wishes that more Old Boys would write articles for the Magazine. *Verb. sap.!*

H. W. Hern (1921-1926) writes from Bristol that he has become engaged. Congratulations and good wishes! As a consequence, grey hairs are making their appearance with alarming rapidity! But the extraordinary thing is that he is rather enjoying life. Although, so he says, things are a little brighter, it is still an uphill task trying to convince that most (next to schoolmasters!) conservative animal, the shoe retailer, that he wants more shoes than he thinks he needs. Still, it has its bright moments, and he hopes to be embarking very shortly on another "strictly business" trip to the Channel Islands!

J. C. U. Ground (1923-1930) has had an unfortunate last few months in Canada. Towards the middle of last January, when 60 degrees of frost was being experienced, he was caught in a very severe blizzard after going to a social evening some miles away (in Manitoba). He had the greatest difficulty in reaching his farm after some hours and (as a consequence) has been sent into a Sanatorium. Latest news (June) is reassuring, for he writes that he is progressing finely and benefiting already from his four months' stay. He is delighted with Canada and Canadian life, though the extremes of climate are somewhat trying. He has been impressed by the friendliness of the farmers and the long-distance views across the prairies. He so appreciates the Magazine that he has sent a welcome contribution—and promises more!

G. F. Wright (1906-1910) has been appointed Clerk to the Governors of the School.

Ernest Barnard (1918-1922) has passed the first examination of the Auctioneers' and Estate Agents' Institute and also the final examination of the Surveyors' Institute. Congratulations!

A. J. Lush (1913-1916) is now home on leave from Uganda.

Dates.

July 22nd.—O.F.A. Playing Field Fund Fête.

July 24th.—School Swimming Sports (Events for Old Boys).

December 16th.—O.F.A. Annual General Meeting

Messrs. Elphicks, West Street, Farnham, supply O.F.A. Badges (1/6), O.F.A. Ties (silk 2/6 and 4/6, blazer cloth 2/6), O.F.A. Wool Scarves (7/11), O.F.A. Silk Squares (12/6) and O.F.A. Blazers (35/-).