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Editorial.—School News.—Old Boys.

During the first part of the term both work and sports were affected by the absence of victims of the influenza epidemic and of the railway strike. These latter sufferers(?) will appreciate the "Ballade of a Strike" which Mr. Hunt has very kindly written for this number.

All of us, Boys and Masters, who expect to be back at School next term, are very sorry indeed that the Headmaster and Mrs. Stickland are leaving us. They have worked with us for five years, and, since they came, they have infused into the corporate life of the School a wholesome tone in conduct, pleasure in work, and earnestness in play, which we shall do all we can to keep.

It can be truly said of Capt. Stickland that he leaves Farnham Grammar School a real example of "*Mens sana in corpore sano.*"

He leaves in order to take up a partnership in a firm of Coaches and Tutors. We wish him all success and good luck in the venture.

We are sure subscribers will be glad to have the photograph which (with some difficulty!) we were able to obtain for this number.

Another departure this term, which we record with sincere regret, is that of Mr. E. G. Hunt, who, on account of deafness due to illness in military service, has decided to resign from the staff. We believe he has no present intention of leaving Farnham, and therefore hope to see him amongst us from time to time. He knows he has the very sincere sympathy of everyone who has had the privilege of working with him.

At Christmas the Rev. W. P. Owen, to everyone's regret, decided to leave us, in order to farm away in the hills of N. Wales. We were all very sorry to lose him. From what we hear of him, his only links now with "civilisation" are his wireless set and the ubiquitous Inspector. It is now, however, against the Inspector of *four-footed* animals that he has to pit his ingenuity!

We extend a welcome to Mr. R. B. Varey, B.A., who has joined the staff to fill the resident post vacated by Mr. Owen, and as History Master.

We congratulate C. T. Stroud on passing the University of London Higher Schools' Examination, taking Mathematics, Pure and Applied, and Physics.

Also A. W. Chandler, L. S. Doman, H. G. Green, A. E. Janes and W. J. Pink, on reaching Matriculation Standard in the Schools' General Examination, and ten other candidates who passed. Seven distinctions were gained at this examination.

The following boys left us last summer term: W. G. Abbott, L. M. Arnall, W. H. Blake, L. Beuttler, S. H. Case, C. H. Caulfield, G. C. Douglas, A. F. Elmslie, L. C. W. Fitzwalter, S. E. A. Glynn, H. Green, R. V. Harris, R. E. Hurdwell, R. C. Johnson, D. R. Lyster, W. T. Munfield, C. J. Parsons, H. R. Pearson, W. G. Rushton, R. P. Salmon, W. I. C. Shipley, T. J. Stemp, N. A. Spencer, F. R. Stiff, E. E. Sydenham, B. A. Thompson, F. J. Thompson, G. J. Warren. And in the winter term: W. H. Barnard, W. E. Carter, J. W. Cull, D. S. Hunt, R. A. Lelliot, E. R. Milner-Moore, H. Robins, L. J. Sherrington, H. G. Tribe, H. E. Watkins, M. Wells, G. E. R. Wells, and F. T. Wright.

Notes on the present doings of some of these old boys will be found below.

Though some of us regret the loss of the smart, red cap, so long worn by boys of Farnham Grammar School, it was certainly an anomaly that our cap did not show forth the School colours, blue and white. The new one is of blue cloth, with white piping, and carries a badge with the Town Arms in gold.

Mr. Shelton has our lively sympathy in the unlucky and unavoidable accident, as a result of which he lost an eye. We all admire the fact that he seems entirely unhandicapped by this, and also his evident intention of showing his tennis-playing colleagues that he is as hard as ever to beat.

Mr. Bacon wishes to acknowledge with thanks a copy of "Talks and Traits," very kindly presented to the School!

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Library by its author, H. C. Minchin, Esq., and also gifts of books from the following boys: Allen, Cash, Collyer, Feehally, Hurdwell, Hyde, Janes, Kemp; King (c), Linger (a), Parker (a), Parker (b), Rance, Searle, Stroud (b), Swan, Webb and Young.

Pearce, too, was good enough to bring a number of volumes for the French Library.

Congratulations are due to Mr. Kingcome, Mr. Ashton and the 1st XI. on having won the Cup again this season in the Surrey Secondary Schools Senior League Competition. We have a thoroughly good School XI., who have not only played a clever game individually, but have also (and this is the secret of their success) worked together as a team exceptionally well.

We beg leave to express our sincere condolence with the parents and relatives of two Old Boys who died last year: Richard Spreadbridge, who left in 1921 to go to a Naval School of Music, and Herbert Bowden Fox, who left in 1920 to join the Army.

H. W. Evemy, who left in 1917, was elected this year an Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. He is with Messrs. L. H. Lemon and Coy., of London.

We hope to have a letter next term from A. F. J. Elmslie, with a description of life at Sandhurst. "At present," he says, "owing to work from 9.15 a.m. to 10.15 p.m., I have not much time!" An account of his life at the R.M.C. would be very interesting; we must see that he does not forget his promise.

C. B. Griss has come home for six months from South Africa, where he is farming.

We publish with pleasure a short account from W. F. Alderton of the work of building a new harbour at Buenos Aires, on which he is engaged.

The sketch of "A Night in a Newspaper Office" comes from an O.B. who wishes us "not to know from whom it comes." He is now a busy London journalist, whose spare moments are few and far between. "By the time Friday comes round," he writes, "I long to be back at school, with nothing much to worry about, and plenty of spare time to do it in."

W. G. Abbott is "going through it" in the Artillery College, at Woolwich, but he likes it, now that the preliminary three months "on the square" are past. At present he has three half-days a week in school, where most of the work is in technical subjects, and the rest of the time is spent in the workshops.

H. Watkins and D. Lyster both send notes in which they say they wish they were back at Farnham Grammar School.

T. J. Stemp is with a firm of Estate Agents and enjoys the work.

Quite a long letter came from J. Douglas, who is at Woking County School. "Everyone here," he says, "was very disappointed when we lost to you each time in the Cup matches; but, that defeat over, we were glad you won the cup."

R. Stiff writes from Birchington-on-Sea, where he is at a boarding-school, and says he is getting on "toppingly."

R. C. Johnson is articled to a firm of Surveyors, with three examinations to look forward to, and is enjoying the work very much.

H. R. Pearson sails this month for Australia, to join his brother, who is farming there.

W. I. C. Shipley—to quote from an amusing letter from him—is "on the threshold of Journalism," in the happy service of "The Farnham Herald." When he is not proof-reading in his den overlooking the busy thoroughfare of Farnham, he is adventurously scouring the neighbouring villages in quest of news.

H. G. Green is in the Accounts Section of the Secretary's Department of the Prudential Association Company's Head Office in London. He enjoys the work, which gives him spare time enough for recreation and for reading for the Actuarial Examinations. Though he has been there about four months, he says, he still loses himself occasionally in the labyrinth of passages of that immense building. The employees maintain various Societies—sporting, dramatic, literary and musical—and they have a shooting range and four sports grounds.

C. H. Caulfield replied in the best possible way to an appeal for news of his doings: he came over to see us. Moreover, he added service to sympathy, by giving us the lines which appear over his school "nom de plume," Phil.

R. P. Salmon, who is living at St. Leonards-on-Sea, is a "train-boy" again; for he makes a daily journey of 40 miles each way to attend Brighton Technical College. He hopes to matriculate this year.



Speech Day and Prize Distribution.

Our Speech Day was held, as usual, in the Corn Exchange Hall on Wednesday, March 26th. The Chairman of the Governors presided, and the Rev. J. F. Kendall, M.A., Rural Dean of Richmond, delivered an address which was very much appreciated by his audience.

The Headmaster, in his report, reviewed in detail the work of the School during the year past; and he emphasised, as being what he was proudest to be able to report, the growth of a spirit of keenness in work and play and of comradeship in school-life.

At the conclusion of his report, he said :—

"And now, ladies and gentlemen, just a few final words. This term sees the end of my work here, after exactly five years. Neither my wife nor I want to say good-bye. We are both sorry to leave Farnham, but we feel that I must avail myself of the offer that has been made to me in my new work. We have been very happy here, and if the School will allow us we want to keep in touch with all that goes on.

"I am deeply grateful to the Governors for the sympathetic way in which they have treated all matters, whether of an administrative or purely scholastic nature, which have come before them, and for the real and kindly interest they always take in the work of the School. I hope they will not think I am trying to be 'buttery' when I repeat what one of our Inspectors said soon after I came to the School. He said: 'Of course you are very lucky in having such a body of Governors.'

"To the Masters I am indebted to an extent more than I can say. Each one has given of his best, both in and out of School. In a great measure the masters' study reflects the tone of the School—happy, or merely carrying on according to programme. When I say that the word is 'happy,' I need say no more. I part with them with great regret.

"To the Boys I would say two things. First a serious and not a vain promise. My work will be in the centre of London, and I shall be continually in touch with matters directly connected with the entrance to professions, and the examinations on which this depends. If I can be of any assistance, and they will write to me, I will do my very best to help in every way.

"Finally, boys, I would leave with you this thought. Always be sportsmen, whatever you do. If at any time animal spirits tempt you to break out, think of one thing first, 'Would this let the School down?' If it would, don't do it."

The boys' contributions to the programme were received with great appreciation. J. W. F. Gwillim delivered a Latin Speech, of which we think a translation should be recorded :—

Burgesses of this most illustrious Town, and my Fellow Pupils of this most ancient School, in the presence of this great assembly of parents and friends, who are met together at this time of prize-giving, it seemed good to us to touch briefly on certain topics of interest in the Latin tongue. First we wish to bid farewell to our very dear and learned Bishop who for so many years cared for us all, and established our minds, as he was zealous in the performance of his duties, so now that he is freed from the responsibilities of his high position may he enjoy a life of leisure and peacefulness.

We now welcome his successor, and devoutly and reverently pray that he may not only follow in the footsteps of his predecessor, but also abound in the same wisdom and manly courage.

This year we say farewell to the Headmaster, a man of great learning and a most delightful Master. No-one can calculate such a loss.

We hope he will be both prosperous and happy in his new sphere of work.

Through the whole year our pupils have most diligently performed their tasks, showing an eagerness for work not less than their love of sport. This will doubtless be a source of joy to all in this Township. Those who have left School and gone even to the ends of the world are accustomed, I am sure, always to recall and remember the precepts they learnt with us.

In the great (Foot)ball Competition our eleven has a second time been victorious, and carried off the Cup. Well done, I say, Well done! But if anyone should complain that we give out attention more to bodily exercises than to the training of the mind and literary attainments, to him let us recall the well-known and somewhat hackneyed line of Juvenal, "A healthy mind in a healthy body." This indeed is the true philosophy. Wherefore in this last Great War, our youth gave themselves freely to their country—the greater part of whom, alas! never returned to their homes. In memory of those from this School who gave their lives for their country, a monument is even now being erected, though, indeed, their very exploits are for us an everlasting monument. Let us not grieve for them unduly; after so many dangers, after such great labours, in the tomb they now have their rest. Not in vain did they learn; not in vain have they died.

Let us therefore try to follow the examples of such men, and so, with Masters and Pupils amicably working together, we prophesy for this School a future of continuous prosperity: I have spoken.

E. N. Webb, as the Shade of Dr. Johnson, and A. E. Janes, as the Shade of Laurence Sterne, both attired in costume of the period, delivered a dialogue, "On Sensibility," taken from "Talks and Traits," Mr. H. C. Minchin's recent book.

L. S. Doman, A. E. Janes, J. Peters, H. N. Woodroffe and S. N. Wiltshire contributed a Fable of La Fontaine, "Les Animaux Malades de la Peste," adapted for recitation by parts. S. N. Wiltshire, in the role of the "Choir," read from phonetic script, without a knowledge of French.

Eight boys of Mr. Edward Dean's Singing Class rendered a two-part song; C. A. R. Gilbert, accompanied by four class-fellows, sang "Robin Adair," and, finally, five boys rendered in French "Le Réveil" and "Les Lapins dans la Lune."

THE PRIZE-WINNERS.

Mathematics : C. T. Stroud and F. E. Pool.

Science : R. F. Hurdwell and W. J. Pink.

Latin : H. N. Woodroffe and J. E. Martin.

French : H. N. Woodroffe and P. A. Lintern.

English : A. E. Janes and R. J. Brindley.

Geography : H. F. Swan and W. E. Barrow.

History : A. H. Chandler and J. H. Cooke.

Scripture. F. W. Grinstead.

Reading : J. W. Gwillim and H. J. Lyons.

Drawing : J. M. Taylor and R. G. Warren.

The Form Prizes went to the following boys : Upper V. : L. S. Doman and W. J. Pink ; Middle V. : J. H. Cooke and E. H. Wetton ; Lower V. Classical : J. E. Martin and

J. R. Collyer; Lower V. Modern: D. W. Steel and A. E. King; IV. Classical: E. Marsh and H. W. Hern; IV. Modern: R. J. Gale and D. B. Ryall; III.a: D. J. Carter and E. G. King; III.b: P. A. Lintern and J. C. Kingcome; II.: D. A. Peers and J. E. Murley; I.: L. J. Stroud and A. A. Wade.

Ballade of a Strike.

Full early from my cosy bed
I rose to catch the morning train,
And having duly breakfasted,
Defied the winter wind and rain.
All primed with learning was my brain,
With tasks to write and tasks to say.
Oh! Porter kind, I beg, explain,
Where are the trains of yesterday?

What use to walk where wisdom led,
Absorbing facts with care and pain
To pleasure some instructor dread,
When all such efforts prove in vain?
I cannot use the garnered grain,
The midnight oil was thrown away.
Oh! Porter, tell me yet again,
Where are the trains of yesterday?

One friend, alas! (his conscience dead
Or stagnant), did rejoice amain;
I grieve to tell you what he said:
"No school for days!" was his refrain.
Of course, I showed a just disdain,
I would not join him in his play,
But cried through ev'ry street and lane,
Where are the trains of yesterday?

Envoi.

Headmaster, see the grievous stain
Of tears upon this roundelay,
And hear, oh! hear, thy scholar's strain:
Where are the trains of yesterday?

E.G.H.

The Cadet Corps.

We were unfortunate in losing F. T. Wright just when he had taken over the duties of Coy.-Sergt.-Major. He has, however, been replaced by J. Young, who seems "born to the job."

The strength of the Company, as in January of this year, is: Officers, 7; N.C.O.'s, 34; Cadets, 138; total, 179.

The N.C.O.'s are as follows:—

Compy.-Sergt.-Major: J. Young.

Sergeants: A. Fisher, R. Stroud, N. Hillyer, J. Taylor, R. Parker, J. Gwillim, E. Webb, D. Searle, E. Purcell, C. Bloxham.

Corporals: R. Hurdwell, L. Gibson, J. Miller, J. Strachan, E. Russell, W. Pink, A. Mackay, R. Ellicock, L. Benge, H. Blake, H. Woodroffe, A. Hardman.

Lance-Corporals: H. Swan, O. Taylor, F. Grinstead, H. Feehally, F. Andrews, D. Weedon, H. Penrose, A. Godwin, S. Smith, T. King, L. Lord.

A Signalling Squad was formed in September and very good progress was made during the winter term, owing to the keenness and constant practice of the first "volunteers" and, in particular, of Sergt. J. Taylor, Corpls. A. Mackay and H. Woodroffe, and Cadets G. S. Chennells, L. S. Doman and A. L. Usher, who have attained a very creditable standard of speed and accuracy. Sergt. Taylor and Corpl. Mackay are now instructing new squads, which are "shaping" very well.

The Football.

Last March we were able to say that the 1922-23 season had been one of the most successful the School had known, for the 1st XI. won the S.S.S. Senior Cup and the "Under 15" XI. won the Junior Cup.

On the whole, this season has proved no less successful; for, though the "Under 15" XI. has failed this time to get the Cup, the 1st XI. has won it again, and in even more convincing manner than before. It is true that last season's XI. won every match in the Competition, while this season's XI. had one drawn game; but the former had certain weaknesses, whereas the latter team has been good all through, and this showed itself in the decisive scores in the semi-final (4—0) and the final (4—1).

At the beginning of the season we had no expectation of doing particularly well, as we feared the loss of such players as W. I. C. Shipley, I. J. Tebbutt and W. F. Larn would seriously weaken us. However, the new-comers, Searle, Pink, Russell and Benge, proved strong players, and the team soon got knit together and made an excellent School Eleven. The half-back line seemed uncertain at first, but by taking Parker from back to play centre-half, and putting Benge left back, we obtained a strong half line: Miller—Parker—Carter. For goalkeeper's position we tried both King and Russell; Russell proved the better all-round player, as King lacked judgment in "running out" to meet a forward who had cleared our defence. The backs, Webb and Benge, were very reliable, Benge showing plenty of dash and good judgment in kicking. The forwards were fast and clever—well able to take advantage of all chances that presented themselves. Tribe was the Tribe of old—pre-eminently a getter of goals; Pink was always "there" when needed, and Searle kept his wings busy, both of whom, Purcell and Cull (particularly) centred splendidly.

Of the Juniors one cannot speak quite so enthusiastically. Our first difficulty was to select a team out of 25 to 30 eligible players. After a series of practice games, we picked out those we thought would form the best XI. available. They have had one lamentable fault—a fault which we have not been able to cure, and which robbed us of our chance of the Junior Cup—weakness in front of the opponents' goal. The "Under 15" forwards seemed to have no idea of scoring when the opportunities came. Had they been able to turn these opportunities to account, they would probably have beaten both the Guildford Grammar School and the Junior Technical School with ease. The strength of the team, whose football in midfield was excellent, was in the half line, with "little" Cooke in charge, ably backed by Hill and Parker.

Fortunately most of the team are under 14, and so will be eligible next year, when we hope the weakness mentioned will have disappeared.

H.C.K.

1st Eleven Record, 1923-24.

Played 14; won 9; lost 3; drawn 2; goals "for" 67; goals "against" 24.

INTER-HOUSE GAMES.

These competitions have aroused, as usual, great enthusiasm, and the contests have been as keen as ever. Up to Christmas the various XI.'s were fairly evenly matched, so that many interesting games resulted. But, at the end of last term, and at the beginning of this term, three of

the Houses were unfortunate in losing some of their strongest players, Massingberd particularly being weakened in this way. Harding were more fortunate, and have come out top fairly easily. School House has had a good XI., and so has been able to avenge defeats stoically suffered in past seasons.

THE MATCHES.

SURREY SECONDARY SCHOOLS' SENIOR LEAGUE.

October 20th. v. GUILDFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Home.
S.S.S.S. CUP.

Result: 3—2 for F.G.S.

During the first twenty minutes neither side showed superiority over the other, though it must be said for us that our inside-left was incapacitated early in the game. The game soon improved, however, and Cull, following a free kick against Guildford, managed to score with a long shot. G.G.S. retaliated soon afterwards with a good oblique shot, which beat our goalkeeper. During the second half Miller launched an attack in the G.G.S. goal, and Searle was able to score. Thenceforward we did most of the attacking. The G.G.S. rushes from time to time were always dangerous, and in one of them they scored again. However, Cull put in a beautiful centre, from which Tribe neatly scored the winning goal.

Team: T. E. King; L. Bengé and E. N. Webb; N. E. Carter, R. H. Parker and J. Miller; W. Cull, H. G. Tribe, D. N. Searle, W. J. Pink, and E. A. Purcell.

October 27th. v. WOKING COUNTY SCHOOL. At Woking.
S.S.S.S. CUP.

Result: 11—2 for F.G.S.

Playing good football and easily out-manoeuvring the W.C.S. defence, we scored four goals in the first twenty minutes. Seven of the eleven goals scored by us came from wing centres. The match was very encouraging to our boys in their hopes of success in the S.S.S. Competition.

Team: T. E. King; L. Bengé and E. N. Webb; N. E. Carter, R. H. Parker and J. Miller; W. Cull, H. G. Tribe, D. N. Searle, W. J. Pink, and D. Weedon.

November 10th. v. WOKING COUNTY SCHOOL. At Home.
S.S.S.S. CUP.

Result: 11—2 for F.G.S.

During the first half W.C.S. played with the wind behind them. But this did not prevent our boys, who were playing good football, from scoring 4 goals to 2 before half-time. During the second half, with the wind in our favour, we easily beat the W.C.S. defence, and the game ended with the same score as on the previous occasion.

Team: E. W. Russell; L. Bengé and E. N. Webb; N. E. Carter, R. H. Parker and J. Miller; W. Cull, H. G. Tribe, D. N. Searle, W. J. Pink and E. A. Purcell.

November 20th. v. GUILDFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Guildford.
S.S.S.S. CUP.

Result: Drawn game, 4—4.

This result made F.G.S. the leaders in this Division of the S.S.S.S. League.

G.G.S. scored in the first five minutes, and again soon afterwards; our defence seemed to need a little time to settle down to their work. Our forwards, when they got the ball, played well, and some clever passing on the left wing and a fine centre, gave Pink the opportunity to score, which he did not miss. G.G.S. scored again, but Pink added another goal for us, thanks to an excellent centre from Cull. At half-time G.G.S. was one goal ahead of us. But our defence had settled

down to work, and during the second half the whole team played a very sound game. Most of the play, in fact, was transferred to the G.G.S. end, our forwards keeping up a continual attack. From a corner forced by Tribe and beautifully taken by Cull, Purcell scored our third goal. In one of their few rushes through our defence, G.G.S. forced a corner and scored their fourth goal from it, but Tribe soon equalised by scoring from a good centre from the right wing.

Our whole team played very well in this match. Searle, at centre, fed the wings cleverly, some of his long passes making good openings for the wing players. The half-backs, by their good tackling and their purposeful kicking, were largely responsible for our superiority during the second half. Russell, in goal, had no chance with the shots which scored; for the rest he showed fine judgment in saving, clearing and running out.

Team: E. W. Russell; L. Bengé and E. N. Webb; N. E. Carter, R. H. Parker and J. Miller; W. Cull, H. G. Tribe, D. N. Searle, W. J. Pink and E. A. Purcell.

November 28th.

v. PURLEY COUNTY SCHOOL.

At Malden.

S.S.S.S. CUP: SEMI-FINAL.

Result: 4-0 for F.G.S.

P.C.S. began the game with a vigorous attack, which for some time kept our boys busy defending. Gradually, however, we transferred operations to the P.C.S. end, and the match became an interchange of attacks on the two goals. Our forwards, when at their opponents' goal, seemed certain to score, but the excellent P.C.S. goalkeeper saved a number of good shots. Our first goal was easily scored by Searle from a penalty kick, given for a "hands" in the penalty area. The second was due to Pink, who cleverly put the ball into the P.C.S. net, from a good centre by Tribe. At half-time we were leading by 2-0.

In the second half the same even struggle went on, though the attacks of the P.C.S. forwards seemed to lose dangerousness when they reached our goal. One good shot by our opponents was finely saved by Russell, who, throwing himself full length on the ground, was just able to turn the ball outside the post.

The play was fast and passed alternately from one goal to the other. From an exciting struggle in the F.G.S. goal-mouth, Tribe managed to get the ball out, and, breaking away, slipped through the P.C.S. defence and scored. Later on Searle got through with the ball and scored our fourth goal before he could be overtaken.

It was a fine game, the two teams being evenly matched and fighting hard; and both sides enjoyed it.

All our team played on their best form; but a word of appreciation is due to Bengé, at back, for his particularly safe play, good kicking and fearless tackling.

Team: E. W. Russell; L. Bengé and E. N. Webb; N. E. Carter, R. H. Parker and J. Miller; E. A. Purcell, W. J. Pink, D. N. Searle, H. G. Tribe and W. Cull.

December 4th.

v. THE TIFFIN SCHOOL.

At Woking

S.S.S.S. CUP: FINAL.

Result: 4-1 for F.G.S.

This match, between F.G.S., winners of the Western Section of the Surrey Secondary Schools' Senior League, and The Tiffin School, Kingston, winners of the Northern Section, was played on Woking Town Ground.

Having lost the toss, we kicked off and attacked, and Tribe was able to break through and score in the first minute of the game. Tiffin, however, made a return attack and broke through our defence, but their shot went wide. They then forced a corner-kick, but our boys cleared. Tribe got away with the ball and passed to Searle, whose shot the Tiffin goalkeeper saved. Soon another shot by Parker was just tipped over the bar. Then Tiffin again broke through our defence; Russell came out, but failed to clear the ball, and it was headed into our net, making the score even. Our boys thereupon attacked vigorously, and another shot by Searle was easily saved. The play was kept for a time in the Tiffin half, where their defence had a stiff struggle to hold our forwards. After Pink had almost scored, Tribe got the ball and went through, putting in a shot which the Tiffin goalkeeper could not

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stop. Our forwards now went still harder at it, outplaying the opposing defence. Pink and Tribe especially put in very good shots, but the Tiffin goalkeeper was too good for them. Soon, however, Searle having got the ball after a fine piece of work by our left wing, sent in a shot which was only diverted, and Pink was able to turn the ball into the Tiffin's net. Thus at half-time we led 3-1.

Tiffin opened the second half by a determined attack, but failed to score from it. This was returned by our forwards, who gave a fine display of team-work, and a shot at goal by Purcell only just missed scoring. Both sides now intensified their effort, but both defences proved too strong for the opposing forwards, until Cull broke away on the left and put across a beautiful centre, which quite beat the Tiffin goalkeeper and allowed Searle to score. There was no scoring after this, though both sides fought hard.

The Cup and the Medals were presented after the game by the Headmaster of the Tiffin School, who congratulated us on winning them a second year, and said that, although he was sorry his own boys had not won, the match had been a good fight and the victory had gone to the better team.

Team: E. W. Russell; E. N. Webb and L. Bengé; J. Miller, R. H. Parker and N. E. Carter; E. A. Purcell, W. J. Pink, D. N. Searle, H. G. Tribe and W. Cull.

OTHER 1st ELEVEN MATCHES.

September 29th, v. St. Cross F.C., 4-0 for F.G.S.

October 6th, v. St. Cross F.C., 4-0 for F.G.S.

October 13th, v. The Salesian School, 4-2 for S.S.

February 2nd, v. St. Cross F.C., 4-1 for F.G.S.

February 9th, v. The Salesian School, 3-1 for S.S.

February 23rd, v. Odiham Grammar School, 12-0 for F.G.S.

March 1st, v. St. Cross F.C., 3-1 for St. C.

March 8th, v. The Salesian School, Drawn game, 2-2.

SURREY SECONDARY SCHOOLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE.

February 2nd. v. WOKING COUNTY SCHOOL. At Woking
S.S.S.J. CUP (UNDER 15).

Result: 3-1 for F.G.S.

In this, our first match in the Junior Competition, good football was handicapped by the bad state of the ground. Nevertheless, there was plenty of promise in the play. During the first half our forwards kept up a lively pressure on the Woking defence, but poor finishing shots robbed them of the expected goals. Our first goal was scored by Steel, who took an easy chance from a rebound from a hard shot by Phillips. But Woking soon drew level with us, their left wing having completely outwitted our defence. During the second half the game became more even, our goalkeeper, Mackay, being kept busy. Cooke added a goal for us by a very coolly taken penalty kick; and Grinstead scored a third from a right wing centre. Our left wing took advantage of the fact that it was not so closely marked as the right, and worried the Woking defence throughout the game. Phillips, as centre-forward, kept his line playing well together. Cooke, at centre-half, played an excellent game; his tackling and feeding contributed appreciably to our success.

Team: R. A. Mackay; A. P. Godwin and H. E. Blake; R. D. Hill, J. Cooke and D. R. Parker; S. N. Wiltshire, D. W. Steel, A. Phillips, F. W. Grinstead, and D. H. Weedon.

February 16th. v. GUILDFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL At Home.
S.S.S.J. CUP (UNDER 15).

Result: 1-0 for G.G.S.

Our Junior Team were distinctly unlucky to lose by the only goal scored. The goal which decided the match was obtained during the last minute of the game, a high kick by one of the Guildford team causing the Farnham goalkeeper to lose sight of the ball against the sun. The play was very even, and a draw would have been a very fair result. Our team showed good combination, and was particularly well

served at half-back, the play there having greatly improved since the match against Woking. Generally, our eleven were good in mid-field, but the forwards seemed unable to take advantage of favourable positions near goal, and several opportunities of scoring were lost by weak shooting or by passing instead of shooting. The Guildford team relied mainly on individual efforts, which were, however, well controlled by our half-backs and backs, who throughout the match played a sound game.

Team: As v. Woking County School, February 2nd.

March 1st v. GUILDFORD JUNIOR TECHNICAL SCHOOL. At Home.
S.S.S.J. CUP (UNDER 15).

Result: Drawn game, 1—1.

This score does not, unfortunately, represent the play, for our boys should have won. Had it not been for their failure to score, when the chances came in front of their opponents' goal they would have won easily. Otherwise the play of the team was excellent, and the game was a good one, fought out in the best spirit. Steel scored our goal.

Team: As v. Guildford Grammar School, February 16th.

March 8th. v. WOKING COUNTY SCHOOL. At Home.
S.S.S.J. CUP (UNDER 15).

Result: 3—0 for F.G.S.

From the beginning of the game we seemed to have better control than Woking. Our forwards had many chances of scoring, but they often failed to take advantage of them. After a quarter of an hour's play, Grinstead skilfully beat the Woking defence and scored the only goal of the first half. Early in the second half he scored again. Soon afterwards a shot by Weedon rebounded from the post, and Phillips scored our third goal. Our opponents now attacked vigorously, but failed to break through our defence.

The score fairly represents the play, though our forwards, as already indicated, were not strong and quick enough in front of goal. However, they were well supported by the sound play of the half-back line.

Team: As v. Guildford Junior Technical School, March 1st.

March 11th. v. GUILDFORD JUNIOR TECHNICAL SCHOOL. At Guildford.
S.S.S.J. CUP (UNDER 15).

Result: 4—3 for F.G.S.

We must admit we were rather lucky to win this match, for though, during the first half, we had somewhat the better of the game, during the second half we were almost all the time busy in our own half of the field.

We pressed the Technical School at first, and missed several chances to score. At length, however, Steel got our first goal from a centre from the left. Soon afterwards our left wing gave Phillips a chance of a second goal, which he did not miss. Meanwhile, the Technical School forced several corners, but did not score from them. In the second half the Technical School worried our defence considerably, and scored two goals in quick succession, the second from a penalty kick. It began to seem certain that the Technical School would win, but our left wing made two attacks, from which Weedon scored two more goals. The Technical School returned to the attack, but were only able to score once before the game ended.

Cooke and Godwin particularly deserve great praise for the way they worked to hold up a heavy and fast line of opposing forwards.

Team: As v. Woking County School, March 8th.

March 15th. v. GUILDFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Guildford.
S.S.S.J. CUP (UNDER 15).

Result: 4—0 for G.G.S.

In this, the last match of their S.S.S.J. fixtures, our "Under 15" XI. were certainly unfortunate in losing by 4 goals to nil.

At the kick-off, the G.G.S. centre-forward got possession of the ball and scored with a long shot not far from the half-way line. Owing to this—which rather "rattled" our boys—and owing, too, to the ground, which was on a slope and was very small, our team seemed to take some time to settle down to their game. The G.G.S. centre-forward con-

tinued to take long shots at our goal whenever he had the ball and the chance; and with one of these he beat our goalkeeper again. Before half-time the G.G.S. outside left also scored with a very good oblique shot. Our boys had now settled down to good, hard play. Phillips was unlucky in hitting the upright with a fine oblique shot that deserved to score.

During the second half, G.G.S., although they had then the advantage of the slope, were able to add only one goal, our goalkeeper saving a shot, only to miss capturing the ball, which slipped through his legs into the net.

Although losing the match, our team played splendidly, with the exception of some weak shooting in our opponents' goal-mouth.

Team: As v. Guildford Junior Technical School, March 11th.

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If you look on a map of South America, you will find Buenos Aires is the chief port of the Argentine Republic, and is situated on the River Plate, which is something like thirty miles wide.

The Argentine is a great grain and meat exporting country, and so requires a very large port to be able to get enough ships in and out. Up to the present there has been a shortage of docks; so now a very big extension is being built, which consists of four very large docks, with all the necessary warehouses, cranes, railway sidings, etc.

Now, as the river is so wide, it is very shallow along the shore, and a ship cannot get near; so it either means deepening the river or building the docks out into the stream nearer the deep water, and filling up behind them. The latter is what is being done; it is much simpler and cheaper, besides reclaiming a large area of valuable land.

This is how it is done :

A start is made from a given point on the shore, and piles are driven, in pairs, straight out into the river, and joined together on top with cross beams. On top of these, sleepers and rails are laid, like those of the railways in England. This is carried out into the river sufficiently far, and then turned along parallel to the shore for, say, a mile or so, and then back to land again; so there is now a large loop of railway track running out over the water on piles.

Now it is necessary to enclose this area, and to do this trucks full of earth are run out on the railway line and tipped on either side, thus forming an earth dam; and, as soon as the whole area is completely surrounded by the dam, making a sort of large pond, very big pumps are fixed, which pump out the water from the inside and leave it dry.

It is now comparatively easy to build the docks in this dry area, and after setting out, with large pegs, where they are to be, excavation is started, and, when down to the required depth, big walls are built all round, and are carried up to fifteen feet above water level. The material excavated from the dock is placed up behind these walls, so that the dock is half below and half above the old river bed.

As soon as the dock walls are all properly built and finished off, the old earth dam across the front is cut away, and the water allowed to flow in, and the dock is now ready for use. Of course all the spare land enclosed by the dam is filled in, with the result that you get a new piece of ground, which, being so near the city and docks, is very valuable.

To picture the final result better, lay your hand flat on the table, with fingers apart. Now, round the edge of each

finger a wall has been built, and between each finger is a dock. Each finger itself is a mole between the docks, on which there are warehouses, railway sidings, cranes, etc., for unloading the ships. The main part of your hand is the valuable piece of reclaimed land.

All this sounds fairly simple, as it is written here, but the amount of care and calculation necessary is enormous; there are over 2,000 plans of various parts and sections, and dozens of books of calculations, which would be found, on examination, to be crammed full of Trigonometry, Algebra, Calculus and other pet subjects of the schoolboy. These calculations are necessary to work out the stress and strain on walls, the water pressure on the earth dam, the resistant strength of cranes, warehouse floors, etc., to say nothing of the working out of the number of cubic yards of earth excavated, the amount of concrete in walls, as well as the number of gallons of water that have to be pumped out from the original earth enclosure.

It may be of interest to the readers of this to know that although these docks are being built in the Argentine, both the Engineers and the Contractors are British firms.

W. F. ALDERTON.

Framling and Frayle.

The red roofs of Framling,
The fishwives of Frayle,
A-grinning and grumbling,
Are swept by a gale;
The gale through the roof-tops,
Is salt from the sea,
But the gale from the fishwives
Is lurid and free!
The gardens of Framling
Are washed by the breeze,
But fishwives are ambling
And wash as they please!
O, the gardens are dewy
And crisp is the kale,
But the fishwives are faded
And jaded and pale!
There are graves 'neath the sea-tide,
Beyond mortal hail;
And graves on the hillside,
For widows are frail!

“PHIL.”

A Night in a Newspaper Office.

It is past midnight, but the West End of London is alive, busy and bright. Theatres are over, and supper parties are on. Taxies are numerous, and it is a gay scene in the West.

In the City all is quiet. From the Bank—one of the world's busiest crossings in day-time—to London Bridge and back to the grey dome of St. Paul's, towering up in the night, there are perhaps four policemen, about the same number of street lamps, and an underground telegraph repair gang. That is all, and it is a weird contrast to the City in the busy hours of the day.

Midway between the West End and the City is activity, but orderly and not too noisy. This is Fleet Street, the cradle of the journalism of the world, and men are putting the papers "to bed," to print them for our morning breakfast table. Within a few hours, five, six, seven or more million papers will have been printed and sent away to every town and village in the United Kingdom, and many places abroad, too. And if the "Daily ——" is not on his breakfast table, with all the news from London to Peking, Mr. Tom Noddy, taking his holiday in Wales, will want to know the reason why; and if the financier, taking an early morning stroll along the Boulevards of Paris, does not get his London paper by nine o'clock, he will likewise have things to say.

But both will get their morning papers early. How? Well, cannot you smell the printers' ink? Cannot you hear the rumble of the presses, the rush of the delivery van tearing off to the railway termini with the first editions, and the rattle of the delivery shoot throwing papers into the street by thousands?

Down every little side street round Fleet Street is a queue of motors, and even a number of horse vans, too. They are waiting to take off the papers to the stations, and the narrow streets are bright with arc lamps to aid the work.

Come up to Shoe Lane and see the "Daily Express" at home. There are dozens of packers doing up papers on counters which almost butt on to the pavement. The papers come up from an endless chain out of the floor or wall in a never ending, steady stream. The whole place is alive, the building throbs, and the machines roar from underground.

We can go inside and down to the basement, and what a sight we see! A battery of printing presses, each large enough to fill the big hall at Farnham Grammar School and lift the roof off. All seems to be in confusion; papers everywhere, flying wheels, reels, men and machinery. The noise is terrific, too loud for us to speak to each other.

Come over to the machine in the corner. They are changing the edition, and oiling up. At one end are being hoisted the big rolls of paper, nearly six feet long and two or three feet thick—five or six miles of paper, or nearly enough to go from Aldershot to Farnham and back. Men in, around and on top of the machine are screwing on gleaming white stereo plates (curved casts of the type which contain the news), and the new reels of paper are being threaded round the impression cylinders through to the shining folders. Every part is bright and clean, and every bearing well oiled. The ink cylinders have just the right amount of ink from the pumps—no more or no less.

"Hurry up, there!"

"Right on top deck."

"Clear below."

"Burr-r-r-r-r-r!"

A noise like an electric motor hooter or a ship's fog horn (a warning for all hands to stand clear), and somebody presses a small button to start. The wheels and paper begin to revolve, slowly at first, and then a little faster. There is a crease needing to be flattened out, a plate is not getting enough ink, there is too much ink somewhere else, and the impression is not good enough on another cylinder. Soon these little details are put right, and a complete paper comes off the folders, still wet and steaming with ink and damp. The machine is stopped for adjustments, and then started again, but this time it is at full speed.

"Burr-r-r-r-r-r!"

And off she goes again, and soon gathers speed. My! What is to happen? Everything is lost in a whirl. It will all be confetti! The paper is all black and smudged.

Somebody hands you a copy and you look at it. Printed perfectly, without a blot! And you look at the mass of flying wheels and you wonder.

Where do they come out? Round the corner, off the two folders at the end. There are perfectly folded twelve-page papers coming out each side, and they are counted in quires of twenty-six. They fall over each other like the water going over the sluices at Waverley Bridge, and each folder is putting out about ten papers a second. That is something like 600 a minute, or 36,000 an hour, a small total of seventy odd thousand copies an hour for the one machine. There are ten or a dozen presses altogether in this office.

Upstairs there are the typesetting, picture-making, and editorial departments. The news "copy," brought in from the street by messengers, is sent up by pneumatic tube to the sub-editors' room, and here the column is condensed to a paragraph. This is also the telephone room, the tele-

graph tape machines from the news agencies spinning out yards and yards of news on tapes. There is a telephone direct from Paris for foreign news. From this wonderful room—a most important one—the copy goes up to the printers, and is “set” on the lino type machines. They are something like glorified typewriters, about 8 feet high from the floor, and they set a column of news an hour. In another room the type is collected up to make the page, and a paper impression made of it. From this paper impression is cast the curved plate for the printing machines, this operation taking place in the foundry below. The wonderful Autoplate machines have coppers full of boiling, bubbling, molten lead, from which they cast about eight plates a minute.

The hurry in a newspaper office is terrific. Everybody works at top speed, as if there were not a minute to spare. There is no time to waste; for the papers with such enormous circulations as the “Daily Express” have to go to press early at night, in order to catch the trains and aeroplanes for distribution. It is no small business collecting all the odds and ends of news from everywhere, arranging it to fit into the pages, and having it all ready to print within a few hours, or often a few minutes, of its happening. To print a million copies is also a big job, needing a tremendous amount of organisation and a big staff, which works together as smoothly as the wheels of a watch.

Try and think what life would be like without newspapers and books. Live for a day without casting your eyes on a printed page, just to see what it is like. You could hardly do it. There are few people in these days who do not read newspapers, so that the men who own the papers and the periodicals have a tremendous influence on the public.

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Inter-House Boxing Competition.

This Competition was held on Saturday morning, February 23rd. Each boy who enters the ring for a round of two minutes gains one point for his House, the winner of each bout obtaining an additional point. In case of a draw the three points are shared. Some of the boys gave very good exhibitions of their knowledge of boxing, and many showed promise of developing into very useful boxers. One special feature of the Competition was the display of pluck and grit by a large number of the losers. The result was a win for Morley House, with 45 points, Harding being second with 41, followed by Massingberd 34½, Childe 29½, and School 18½.

THE DETAILED RESULTS.

Austin beat Andrews (b); Steel (b) beat Wimbledon; Stoodley (b) beat Stewart (b); Martin (b) beat Jones (b); Lintern drew with Loughlin; Hardy beat Bonarjee (a); Dyson (a) beat Franklin; Lyons (b) beat White (b); Parker (a) beat Cluter (a); Stoodley (a) beat Denyer; Gray beat Hardy (a); Jennings beat Dyson (b); Lyons (a) drew with Plumridge; Patrick (b) beat Bigg; Parker (b) beat Elson; Hill (b) beat Taylor (c); Kingcome (a) beat Hyde; Mould beat Stratton; Brindley beat Andrews (a); Warner beat Jefferies (b); Eggett beat Cooke; Smith (a) beat Gillman; Hill (a) beat Allen; Martin (a) beat Chappell; Phillips (a) beat Jones (a); Elphick beat Godwin (a); Bowie beat Newman (b); Jefferies (a) beat Bridges; Gale (a) beat Chorley; Patrick (a) beat Weller; Le Clercq beat Ryall (a); Marsh drew with Deadman; Gwillim beat Sherrington; Penrose beat Mann; King (a) beat Pope; Farrant drew with Seymour; Swann drew with Taylor (b); Weedon beat Benge; Lee beat Usher (b); Conduit beat Searle; Marshall beat James; Cull beat Lord; Young beat Miller; Hillyer beat Peters; Taylor (a) beat Blake; Stroud (b) beat Hurdwell; Strachan beat Lock; Russell beat Webb. Parrott (b), Wing, Hern, Thompson, MacDonald, Mitchell, Wiltshire, Sansom, Steel (a), and Pink had "walks-over," and Mackay (b), Bloxham and Fisher drew byes.

The School Championship Competition will not have been completed in time for a detailed account of it to be included in this number. This will appear, therefore, in next term's issue.

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The Steeplechase.

The Steeplechase was run on Thursday afternoon, February 21st, over the same $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles course as in previous years. J. Miller won it in 27 mins. 29 2-5 secs.—a record for this course. The House positions were as follows: 1st, Massingberd (380); 2nd, Harding (482); 3rd, Morley (650); 4th, Childe (662); 5th, School House (80r).

Medals were won by J. Miller (1st), A. L. J. Plumridge (1st “under 14”), and D. W. Cæsar (1st “under 11”).

The following was the order of arrival:

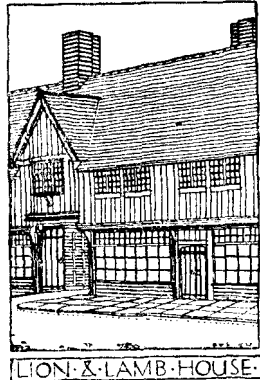
1, Miller; 2, Cull; 3, Weedon; 4, Clark; 5, Searle; 6, Phillips (a); 7, Bloxham; 8, Hern; 9, Pink; 10, King (a); 11, Purcell; 12, Janes; 13, Plumridge; 14, Hardman; 15, Grinstead; 16, Young; 17, Gray; 18, Ackerman; 19, Usher (b); 20, Webb; 21, Wetton; 22, Chappell; 23, Stroud (b); 24, Smith (b); 25, Warren (c); 26, Hyde; 27, Andrews (a); 28, Conduit; 29, Deadman; 30, Hardy (a); 31, Jones (a); 32, Patrick (a); 33, Allen; 34, Mould; 35, Hurdwell; 36, Taylor (b); 37, Farrant; 38, Mitchell; 39, Taylor (c); 40, Lass; 41, Sherrington; 42, Poole; 43, Kingcome (a); 44, Cooke; 45, Cæsar (b); 46, Penrose; 47, Rance; 48, Andrews (b); 49, Bartlett; 50, Dutton; 51, Chorley; 52, Shrubbs; 53, Taylor (a); 54, Jones (b); 55, Boyes; 56, Lintern; 57, Hardy (b); 58, Dyson (a); 59, Stratton; 60, White (b); 61, Stroud (c); 62, Kneller; 63, Austin; 64, Gillman; 65, Gwillim; 66, Mackay (b); 67, Fisher; 68, Godwin (a); 69, Newman (a); 70, Bonarjee (a); 71, Graham; 72, Dyson (b); 73, Bushell; 74, Malim; 75, Strachan; 76, Wing; 77, Patrick (b); 78, Stroud (d); 79, Stoodley (b); 80, Butcher; 81, German; 82, MacDonald; 83, Wiltshire; 84, Ryall (a); 85, Reed (b); 86, Pool; 87, Wimbledon; 88, Martin (b); 89, Thompson; 90, Styles; 91, Harvey; 92, Smither; 93, Jones (c); 94, Franklin; 95, Ground (b); 96, Goss; 97, de Neuville; 98, Wise; 99, Stewart (b); 100, Parker (b); 101, Pearce; 102, Brindley; 103, Lindley (a); 104, Smith (f); 105, Ground (a); 106, Rugg; 107, Nash; 108, Bigg; 109, Hatt; 110, Lusty; 111, Dignasse; 112, Baigent.



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