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Editorial

DISCIPLINE

The word discipline always arouses that feeling of resistance in varying degrees, the extreme of which is felt when the Commander of a ship reads the appropriate section of the Naval Discipline Act before reading a warrant punishing a defaulter. Why is it that these days, more than ever, the idea of discipline is resented? It may be reaction to being kicked around in the Services during the war but that is not the only explanation. We are still subject to a host of rules and regulations governing the smallest detail of our everyday lives, the breaking of which makes life a little easier but at the same time produces petty criminals.

Parental control has also relaxed because so often both parents compare their own happy childhood days with the present austerity, or both parents are out at work all day and attempt to compensate the child by undue leniency. We have not the space to develop this argument but would ask our readers to ponder on this present spiritual crisis.

Tennis, or for that matter, any other organised game cannot be played without rules. The court or pitch must have boundary lines and the game confined and regulated accordingly if it is to be fairly and happily concluded. Life is a game and must be played according to the rules. Discipline is conduct according to the rules and necessary to a just and happy existence.

Finally, one further observation. Have you noticed the similarity in the words "disciple" & "discipline"? Disciples follow a leader and discipline is empty without adequate leadership.

Unless there is greater conformity to the rules—unless everybody plays the game,—the extreme anti-social elements in the community will endanger the continuance of many facilities which require a reasonable amount of good faith from the public. How annoying it is to find a public call-box is out of action because of vandalism. The improved facilities of withdrawal from the P.O. Savings Bank are in jeopardy because of widespread frauds!

Having pondered these things, are you going to do anything about it?

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Under the auspices of the Leatherhead & the Local Savings Committee a Civic Savings Week has been arranged from the 27th September to 4th October, 1947. The primary object of this week is to demonstrate all that is being done for reconstruction in the district of Leatherhead.

The opening ceremony on Saturday, 27th September, will be an important occasion at which many well-known people, including Sir Harold Mackintosh, Chairman of the National Savings Committee, have agreed to be present.

During the week attractions to

suit all tastes are being arranged and these include concerts, entertainments, dances, special film shows and a Civic Exhibition at which all social societies and associations working for the good of the community have been invited to send specimens of their achievements, and where the methods of local government and something of what the Local Council is doing for the people of the district, will be seen.

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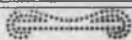
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Bookham Choral Society

Bookham Choral Society starts its 21st consecutive season on the 30th September this year. Hoping to attract new blood, a number of circulars setting out the Society's aims are being distributed, but inevitably some people will be missed. If there are any who have not received the circular and are interested in music making, they are invited to get in touch with the Hon. Secretary Mr. L. R. Neville, Lone Pine, Lower Road, Gt. Bookham. Rehearsals take place every Tuesday at the Congregational Church Hall, at 8 p.m. The first meeting on 30th Sept. however is timed for 7.30 p.m. Annual subscription is 5/-. (2/6 to those of 21 years and under).

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L.P.T.B. Replies

To The Hon. Editor,
"Bookhams Bulletin."

Dear Sir,

I was glad to have the opportunity of reading the June issue of the "Bulletin" which you so kindly sent me, and I should like to give my comments on the item headed "A Bus Suggestion".

This is the first time that it has been suggested that the terminal point for route 418 be moved from Preston Cross to Bookham Station. If such an application is received from the Leatherhead Urban District Council I can assure you that the Board would be prepared to give every consideration to the request.

As to the suggestion that the last 418 bus to Kingston often waits 20 minutes for the last 432 bus from Guildford, I would say that the last 418 bus

through to Kingston is scheduled to leave Little Bookham at 9.37 p.m., whereas the subsequent bus, scheduled to leave at 9.58 p.m., proceeds via the Lower Road to West Ewell, and it is suggested that this is the journey which makes the connection with the 9.41 p.m. arrival of the last 432 bus.

Yours faithfully,

J. H. BREBNER,

Chief Public Relations and
Publicity Officer, L.P.T.B.

(We are not surprised to hear we are the first to make a suggestion although we fail to see that its merit is increased if it is submitted by the Leatherhead U.D.C.)

The C.P.R. & R.O. of the L.P.T.B. has been badly advised as the connection between the last 432 and the 418 to Kingston is made at Great Bookham and not Little Bookham—Hon. Editor).

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As a result of representations from the Bookham Residents Association the footpath on the south side of Leatherhead Road by Beckley Bus stop is to be extended to Downsway.

The Minister of Health has approved the scheme for the conversion & adaptation of Bookham Grove into five flats at a cost not exceeding £2,550.

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Searchlight on Cancer

Treated in time most cases of cancer are curable. In some forms of the disease nearly nine out of ten patients can be saved, yet year after year cancer kills 70,000 people in England and Wales alone.

Why does so curable a disease rank second as a cause of death? Because, although patients treated early are twelve times more likely to recover than are those treated late, only one out of every four seeking treatment comes sufficiently early and two thirds die without any medical treatment.

In the United States of America a five year campaign of public education on the nature of cancer, its early signs and symptoms and its curability has had encouraging results. The Central Council for Health Education is now considering a health education campaign against cancer.

Health Education Journal.

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Most of us have certain other means than reading of passing the time away when travelling by road. Dickens, it is said, was in the habit of taking a note of peculiar names of shopkeepers for his books and to-day a good many of these can still be found in and around London. For instance, according to the Directory, a Chadband is located in five different places. Pickwicks too are fairly common and the family name of Snodgrass is found in four different directions. Two Tupmans appear also and it would be interesting to know if their ancestors ever handed down to them tales of Dingley Dell. One Winkle, according to the book, is all that remains bearing that name. A firm of tailors for many years have traded in the City under the style of Dombey and Son. Creevy, shorn of the prefix La, still exists. There are also the Ridges, the Cartons and many others.

Outside Dickens one of the most peculiar combination of names is that of a firm of solicitors in London whose title is Stileman, Neate and Topping. If a note of interrogation is placed after the first name and one of exclamation after the last, question and answer are to be found.

Another phase of using up travelling time is that possessed by a commercial traveller who, when in car on the road, takes a note of index letters and numbers

of cars which he either passes or they pass him and in starting say at A 1 makes a mental note of the time taken in reaching A 20 if he ever gets that far. Another man will observe the various passing vehicle numbers and endeavour to find their lowest common multiple.

Numbers or rather figures have many peculiarities too, for instance if it is desired to multiply say 24 by 11 add the 2 to the 4 which equals 6 and place that between the 2 and the 4 thus 2 plus 4 equals 6 which put between 2 and 4 make 264, the correct answer.

How many children in working out mathematics are aware that when multiplying decimal point nine say .9 by .9 (even with a long string of the same figure following on) they can never reach a sum with the decimal point on the other side or, in other words, a whole number.

R.A.

Stoolball

Quite often we have been asked what is that game the womenfolk, young and old, play on the recreation ground, with so much energy, waving of arms and whirling of short skirts. That, we reply, is the good old Surrey game of stoolball and it is refreshing to see such display of sportsmanship amongst the fair sex. Mrs. Martin of Omira, Leatherhead Road, is the Secretary and several matches have been played with other Surrey villages. If we haven't a Cricket Club, our girls can play stoolball!



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