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SCOUT MEETING

The regular Scout meeting was held last Friday night at the Woodman Hall. Mr. Whitten had charge of the meeting.

At the last meeting, the boys were told there would be no meeting because of the Scout Hike. Only a few boys were present.

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the Flag. After that we contested in tying the square knot.

At 8:30 we were dismissed with the Scout oath.

We had only one visitor, J. C. Kinchen.

We will have the initiation ceremony for Tenderfoot Scouts next Friday. All members are cordially invited to attend.

Scribe

THE SCOUT HIKE

Last Thursday, fourteen boys of Troop 18 went on the monthly hike.

We started out walking from town but when four of us waited for J. R. Conner, the rest of the boys went a head. Mr. Hardt came along and picked us up and took us to Mr. Jones' ranch. Mr. Jones then came along and took about half of the boys and Mr. Hardt took the other half on to the Vermont mill. After passing several tests we began to get our supper ready.

After the moon began to shine we played "Robbers and the Posse", each band of robbers trying to keep the posse from catching them. At about 8:30 we had a campfire meeting, playing several games. About 9:30 we went to bed. Very few of the boys could sleep at all.

We stood guard all during the night. Two guards on, a one hour guard.

At 8:00 o'clock Friday morning we started hiking home, so as to pass our first class hike requirements of a 14 mile hike.

Scribe

Bob Murray and Geo. Holland were in Eldorado from Christmas Saturday. Bob was looking after his ranch interest near Eldorado.

LUNCHEON

The Eldorado Lions Club had their regular meeting last Wednesday, January 2, at the Methodist church, with the Boy Scout Troop present. The Scouts gave a short program before lunch was served.

The program consisted of the Pledge to the Flag, by the troop, the history of the Flag by J. R. Conner, signalling, by Eli McAngus and the Scout law and oath given by the troop. All was enjoyed by the club and was a pleasure to have the young boys with us. They remained through most of the business session of the club but had to return to school before the adjournment of the club.

The petition of incorporation of the city was brought before the members present and was decided to place it before the County Judge so he could call an election as soon as possible.

The attendance at these meetings is not what it should be. There were only about twenty present at the last meeting. The excuses have been, that they did not know when the club met. We have no warranged to notify each member and ou will have to manage for another excuse now. What will it be next time?

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks for your loving kindness rendered us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. Your kind words and helping hands will ever be remembered with deepest appreciations. May God be as sorrow visits you.

Mrs. F. Ramsel and Children

We understand that our friend Jess Ramey has been on the sick list over in Harris county. Just home sick, we guess.

START 1929 WITH A FAMILY BUDGET

The buying of the American housewife is of greater national importance than that of any of the captains of industry because her buying builds the American home. About 85 cents out of every dollar received by the average family is spent by the housewife, and so important are these expenditures that every home should have its budget. This is the belief of home demonstration authorities of the A. & M. Extension Service as expressed recently by Miss Gertrude Blodgett, district agent.

"If the sleeves and skirt are to be of the right length and breadth a pattern must be followed in making the dress. So also must a plan of spending be adopted if the average family be freed of the financial worry that comes from ignorance and uncertainty. Budgeting is not a kind of servitude, as some people think, but just honest-to-goodness living within your income."

"A budget," says Miss Blodgett, gives an accurate knowledge of the family income and expenditures, checks wasteful spending, establishes a proper relationship between various classes of expenditures, and encourages systematic saving for definite purposes. But a budget, is of value to a family only when it has been made by an dfor that individual group. No two families of the same size and income will apportion their income in the same way because needs, tastes, habits and standards of living are unlike. Similarly, the budget for the same family will probably change from year to year.

The first requirement for making a successful family budget in a new year is to call a family council in which all the children unless they be too small, participate. It's waste of time to start with certain prescribed percentage divisions of the income, even when the income is fixed. The actual situation and needs of the family must furnish the basis for building the budget. From

TEXAS SCHOOL SYSTEM NEEDS ARE OUTLINED

Austin, Texas, Legislative needs of the educational system of Texas that will be submitted to the Forty-First Legislature for consideration have been compiled by State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs in the form of a brief with arguments.

Educational needs are classified as financial and administrative in Mr. Marrs' presentation with five subheads or needs under the financial phase of the work and ten under the administrative.

Superintendent Marrs' analysis of educational needs follows: 1. Provide for the per capita apportionment of \$16 for each year of the biennium 1929-31. The Fortieth Legislature, in its appropriation bill, limited the per capita apportionment to \$15 when the State Board of Education made the apportionment last July it was found that sufficient funds were probably available for the per capita to have been made more than \$16 for the year 1928-29. It is estimated there will be a balance of \$1,550,000 to the credit of the State available school fund on September 1, 1929. This will insure a per capita apportionment of \$16 for the year 1929-30, and steps should be taken by the Forty-First Legislature to guarantee the same per capita apportionment for 1930-31.

He also will ask that the scholastic census law be amended so as to include children 6 years of age.

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then on it's a matter of wise planning and whole-hearted partnership on the part of every member of the family."—A. & M. Extension Service

IN MEMORIAN

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This is all that the polished marble will disclose of this brief but precious life. Though brief yet it was long enough for her to endear herself to all who knew her and win for herself a love that will grow stronger and brighter to the perfect day.

With a form of grace and symmetry, and a face of rare beauty and refinement, she also possessed every element incident to a character of the highest and loveliest type.

As a student she was a favorite with all her little classmates. Gentle, amiable and affectionate in health, her pure soul shown all the brighter when the little body was racked in the pain of its last illness.

She has accomplished a mission. Her life was pure in heart, she was true in spirit, without a stain she has preceded us. We are better for her having been with us.

May her bereaved parents and loved ones be able to say, not desolately but thankfully and tenderly, Fold her, O Father in thins arms, And let her hepeeforth be, messenger of love between, Our human hearts and Thee. A friend who loved her.

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Bert Page.

GIN NOTICE

Tuesday, January 15th will be final gin day at both gins. Remember date.

Eldorado Gin.

Will Whitten returned from a hunt in the Mason country with a ten point buck.

Mr and Mrs. Bunch Brittain were visitors in the city Thursday.

MISS JETTA GRACE DELONG GIVES BIRTHDAY PARTY

Jetta Grace DeLong celebrated her tenth birthday by entertaining a few of her friends on the afternoon of December 28 from three to five o'clock.

The guests played several kinds of games until about four-thirty, when they marched into the dining room.

The dining table was attractively decorated with favors of small baskets of candy at each plate and a large white birthday cake in the center, decorated with ten small candles.

After each little guest had made their birthday wish, Jetta Grace succeeded in extinguishing all the candles at one blow, which indicated that all their wishes would come true. The cake was then cut and served with punch.

Those present at the party were: Misses Molly Turner, June Hooker, Johnnie Fern Isaacs, Genevieve Ramsey, Janova Northcut, Doris Buck, Louise and Wilma Bruton, Josephine Rounds, Carmen Hardt, Clydine Everett, Lillie Sue Holloway and Juanita Cartwright. Masters Jim Tom Roach, Bobby Rouse, Gardner McCormick, Jack Hext, Jack McClatchey, Edward Meadors, Young Newsom, David Elworth DeLong, Jr.

MRS. G. B. SHOEMAKE

SHOT IN KNEE

One of the small boys of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sample, accidentally shot Mrs. G. B. Shoemaker, a neighbor in the knee with a 22 rifle last Thursday afternoon. The bullet lodging in the bone. She was taken to San Angelo but we understand that no operation was formed and the bullet was still in her knee.

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"PICK'S TOPICS"

Coincidentally with Mr. Hoover's homecoming fish stories will be outgoing.

Profane and Latin are the two dead languages, including the words, "Great Caesar!"

The short session of Congress should be abolished, but why mention just the short session?

Strange the professors don't treat the science of political economy with reference to campaign expenditures.

Useless statistics; 11,904,627 farmers in the United States are living in hope there is oil under their land.

If there is a lot of stuff in the paper you are not interested in, one advantage is it doesn't take you so long to read the paper.

Being a pal to your boy is all right, but it takes about twice as many suits of clothes unless you are willing to wear 'em patched at the knees.

"We often wonder how Dr. Hadlicka stands on the Prohibi-

tion question."—Ohio State Journal. Well, if he stands pretty straight chances are he's dry.

The city mail carrier who took a long hike on his vacation has nothing on the bank teller who spent the summer in Minnesota counting the ten thousand lakes.

Maybe you're behind the times but the only name we can think of for some of those instruments the boys play in the jazz orchestras is the squealophone.

If that new invention which sets type by telegraph would go ahead and work out cross-word puzzles one phase of national hysteria would be alleviated.

After all, the Western Hemisphere will be fortunate if Mr. Hoover is down in history as the man who made two America's prosper, where only one prospered before.

A. D. Wright and wife of Brady were in Eldorado Sunday visiting A. T. Wright and family, and S. L. Wright and wife.

Felix Susen was in the city last week and renewed his subscription to The Success and also had us send it for one year to his friend, Lee Jenkins at Munday, Texas.

PROFITS EARNED FROM HIGHWAYS

In an address at the annual meeting of the Vermont State Chamber of Commerce, Hon. Frank Page, chairman of the North Carolina highway commission, explained under eight headings the dividends justified by the investment in good roads, particularly in North Carolina, but applicable, as Mr. Page said, to every state or every place where people must carry the ordinary transactions of life.

The "dividends" are enumerated as follows: First. Relief to towns and counties and saving to road users thru reducing wear and tear and losses. Second. Educational opportunities that alone justify the investment. Third. Agricultural products transported by truck swiftly, easily, safely, far, and rural life enriched financially and socially. Fourth. Factories avoid congested centers and labor needs no tenements in towns. Fifth. Magnificent resorts of coast and mountains and national park made accessible to all. Sixth. Perfect roads and undeveloped resources win new citizens. Seventh. Public carrier system which roads make possible means millions of value. Eighth. Social life revolutionized thru banishing of distance and isolation.

Each of these "dividend" statements is elaborated upon to an interesting degree. For example, the earliest fortunes accumulated by men were from means of transportation: transportation kings—Vanderbilts and Goulds—were the first of the species of millionaires in America.

"Transportation," declares Mr. Page, "has come to be regarded and recognized as a semi-governmental function." And further that: The wear and tear upon vehicles and the loss to users of the roads by reason of their poor condition would run into a figure that would stagger the imagination.

The development of the school system, with its modern consolidated schools served by school busses, would have been impossible except for a good highway system, translated daily into terms of educational opportunity.

It is in the handling of perishable products of agriculture that we see the greatest benefits for the farmer.

Good roads have made it possible for new factories that are being built to move out from the congested centers where land values and taxes are high, and yet not be compelled to build tenement houses for their employees. This will make it possible to have better living conditions among our industrial population.

The blessings of natural resorts are too great to be enjoyed alone by one people. Good roads make such natural wonders accessible to people in other states.

The thousands of tourists who travel thru the state will inevitably be among many who will remain.

The new wealth created by passengers and freight carrying service made possible by good roads could fairly be capitalized in millions of dollars.

Concluding, Mr. Page makes this significant statement which

MODERN PIONEERING

It is fitting to recall and to commemorate the deeds of brave men and women of history who endured hardships and gave their lives and their fortunes not only for their own dear interests but in order that humanity might be lifted to a higher plane and civilization advance. But what of the pioneers of modern times? They, too, are deserving of admiration, the justification for which is made clear by comparison.

Where men fought in olden times with spears and swords, or threw great stones at walled cities, warriors of today must undergo wholesale slaughter by machine gun, poison gas or terrible destruction of battle ship or transport. Where men fought Indians and blazed their way thru forest and jungle, encountered wild beasts and natural danger, even the commonest among us now are daily subjected to mechanical hazards more certain and more deadly if their path is crossed.

Where men embarked in frail ships and pushed out across the seas to discover and conquer, men now fly over great oceans at the peril of sure and sudden death if even a minute part fundamental to sustain the flight goes wrong; they sail to polar regions finding still new lands and undiscovered phenomena.

Where men poured over books and charts, and engaged in preliminary toasts in matters of science, men now delve into the mysteries of the atom and electron, finding impelling reasons for further research.

No pioneer of old knew speed, power or the utilization of natural resources as we know them today. None knew the intricate systems of finance or the methods of commerce by which the markets of the world are filled to supply its needs.

Statesmen there were, but their scope of activity in dealing with world conditions was never so far reaching as now. Educators there were, but none had to strive so hard in their educational processes to combine the results of meeting the demands of a practical world with much wanted and necessary idealism.

One may go on almost indefinitely with comparison of the pioneers of yesterday with those of today. There is still plenty of need and plenty of room for physical bravery and moral courage. This should be an inspiration to every youth in the land. Ambition never found a greater response than it will find now if one applies himself to the task laid out honestly and industriously follows the course. More power and more opportunity await the modern pioneer.

with his entire address, we believe to be the most comprehensively prepared treatment of the vital question on good roads ever placed before the general public.

"The most important of all among the dividends of good roads is the socializing influence upon our people. All values in the last analysis, of course, are relative to their influence upon human life. Most of the strife and conflict, most of the prejudicial and undesirable things of life, are born of ignorance. Nothing will do more to banish ignorance and encourage that spirit of charity that makes the whole world kin than a system of highways, providing easy transportation and enabling the whole people to enjoy fellowship with their neighbors as well as our brothers from afar.—Pickerill Service.

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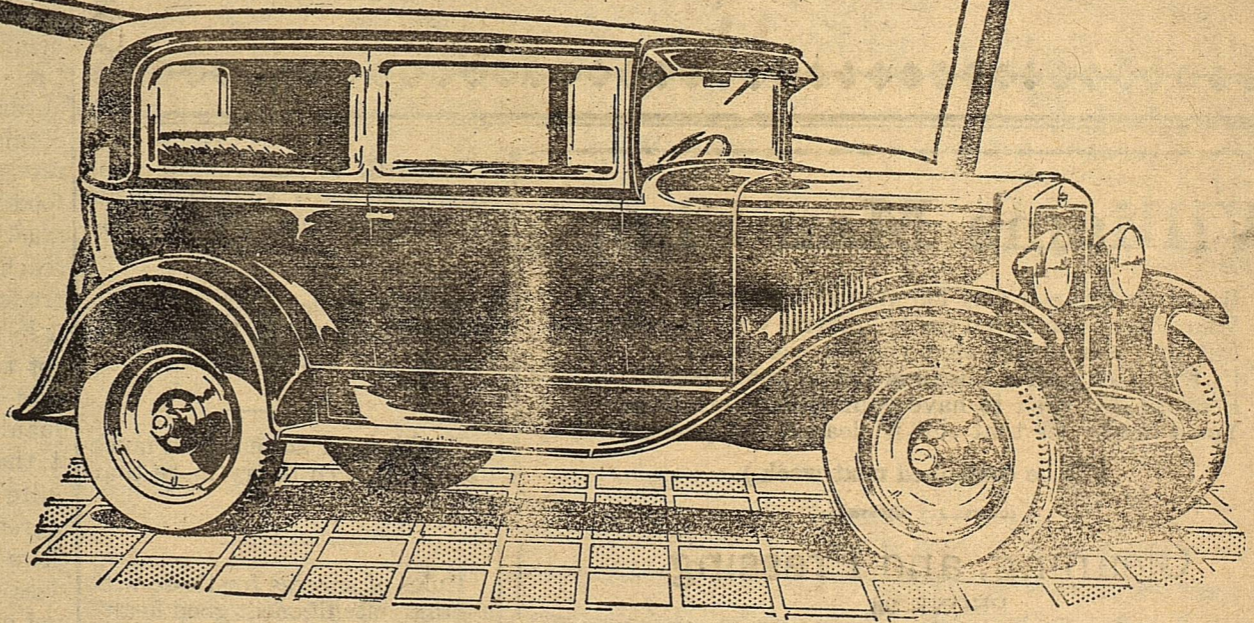
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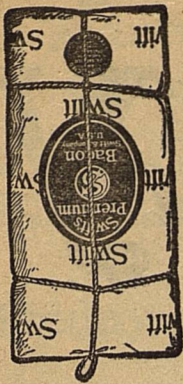
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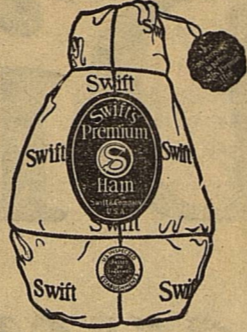
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(To be continued next week.)

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PULLETS FOR PROFIT WHEN WINTER COMES

Depend on the youngsters for Heaviest Laying in Fall and Winter Months when Prices are Highest, Says Dr. LeGear.

"Youth will be served" so runs the old proverb. Of course, no reference to poultry was intended, but it happens to fit just the same. As a rule, pullets lay more eggs during their first laying season. Consequently, if hatches are correctly timed so that plenty of pullets will be brought to maturity some time during the latter part of August or September, a banner winter egg season is bound to follow. Pullets hatched during February or March, according to breed, should begin laying just about the right time for winter eggs.

Pullets should not be allowed to come into maturity too quickly. Normally, a pullet starts to lay eggs as soon as she has reached maturity and her body has ceased to grow. Sometimes laying starts somewhat before full growth has been reached and further growth may cease. Such pullets may remain undersized and their eggs may be defective and small. If pullets are maturing too rapidly their mash and animal food should be reduced. The grain rations may also be slightly increased, as pullets should have a good reserve store of body fat before they start laying. Otherwise they will stand up well under the strain of laying and may fall considerably short of the maximum egg production. For that reason, many increase in the quantity of grain fed to the pullets as their combs begin to redden. At the same time, they cut down on the mash and animal food; beef scraps or similar material. The grain is fattening, whereas the animal food being no longer required for muscle building as the birds reach maturity, may start egg production before it is desirable. It is usually considered better not to force pullets into premature laying by feeding large quantities of mash. Instead, limit the mash until pullets are quite ready to lay and by feeding a greater amount of grain, to get them fat. Such a ration emphasizes the fat making material and by withholding the egg-making materials, removes the danger of a too early maturity. Mash should not be entirely eliminated, as it contains materials

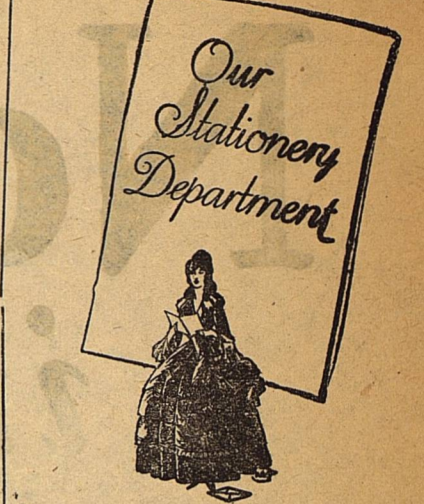
needed for building up the muscles of young fowls. Too much of it however, may precipitate egg laying before it is desirable. Give the developing pullets all the grain they will eat during early fall and after they come into normal laying, gradually decrease grain with a corresponding increase in mash feeding.

If pullets have been properly developed along the lines just described above, they should begin laying just as they are put into winter quarters. Their quarters should not be changed once they start laying. Such a change will usually cause a molt and falling off in the egg yield. Furthermore, pullets should never be housed with older hens. The more mature hens annoy the younger ones and that too interferes with their laying. From this point on, the usual rules for feeding and handling laying hens will apply to pullets developed especially for winter egg production.

Of course, I do not mean that older hens are incapable of winter egg production, merely because I emphasized the desirability of developing pullets for that season. With proper culling, breeding and feeding, hens can be made to lay almost as many eggs during the winter months as in warmer weather. The subject of special feeding and handling of fowls for winter egg production is however, of sufficient importance to constitute a separate article all by itself.

The reason for emphasizing ways of increasing winter egg production is, of course, that prices reach their very highest peak at that time. It is, therefore, desirable not only to produce as many winter eggs as possible but also to market every possible one of those that are produced. Practically all of them can be marketed by preserving and keeping for home use the low priced eggs of summer and spring.

It is very easy to preserve eggs for future use by putting them down in water glass, a syrup liquid that can be obtained from almost any druggist. This water glass should be mixed with nine parts of cold boiled water



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and the solution kept in crocks or stone jars. Kegs or barrels may also be used if absolutely clean and free from odors provided they are thoroughly scalded. Fill jar or keg partly full of the water glass solution and put in the eggs from day to day as they are gathered. Be sure there is always at least two inches of solution over the eggs. No dirty or cracked eggs should be used nor any about which there is any doubt as to when they were laid. They must be absolutely fresh, laid the same day they are put in the solution.

The cost of preserving eggs in this way is very small and calls for almost no work at all. Eggs in water glass will keep for six or eight months in stored in a cool dark place, well covered, and may then be used for all cooking purposes or for the table. The advantages of this plan certainly should be apparent without argument.

I have not attempted to go into any great detail in this article. On the contrary, I have tried only to suggest enough so the reader will want to know more about methods of increasing the winter profits from his flock.

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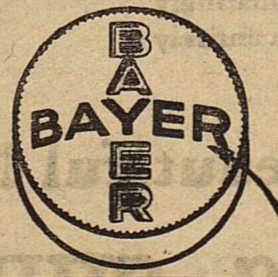
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