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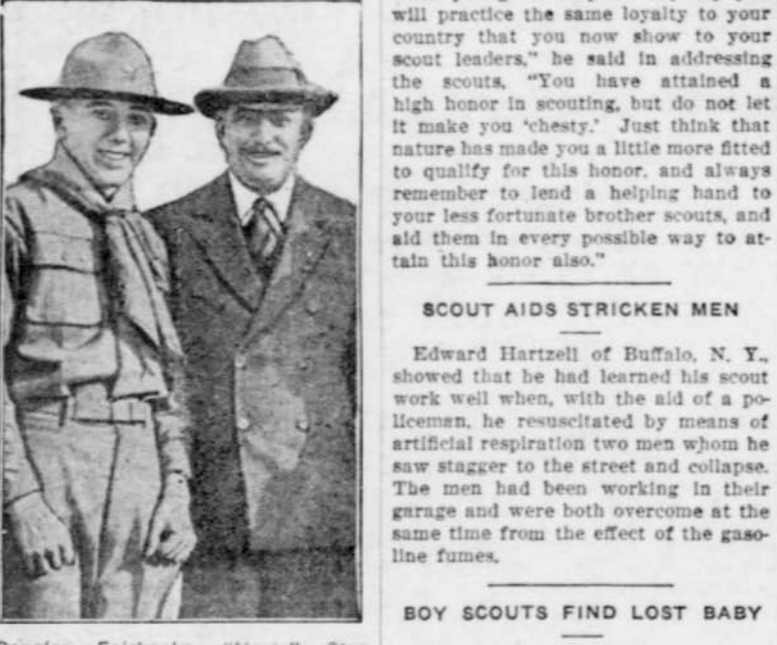
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FAIRBANKS A SCOUTMASTER

When Chief Scout Executive James E. West returned to New York from his extensive western and northwestern tour, the most interesting piece of news he had for the boy scout world, at least as far as the boys were concerned, was the announcement that Douglas Fairbanks will become an official scoutmaster.

Mr. West with Wm. G. McAdoo, national vice president of the Boy Scouts of America, had an interesting visit with Mr. Fairbanks in California, at which time Mr. Fairbanks consented not only to take up active leadership of a troop of his own, but to develop a film of this troop, showing the recreational activities and character building and citizenship training of the Boy Scout program.



Douglas Fairbanks, "Movie" Star (Right), who Becomes a Scoutmaster; an Eagle Scout (Left) of a Los Angeles Troop.

BOY SCOUTS FIND LOST BABY

Boy scouts of Kenilworth, Utah, and the scout motto "Be Prepared," were two big factors in the discovery of a three-year-old child, who recently strayed from home. When the little one was missed a group of boys composed of a larger part of boy scouts, promptly began an organized search. Several hours later the baby was found by three of the scouts. Cold and weak, she was taken home in a sweater of one of the boys.

BOY SCOUTS CO-OPERATE

In Omaha, Neb., at the request of the Automobile club and police commissioner, boy scouts are assisting in safeguarding the streets around the school building of the city. Each scout doing this patrol duty will receive a duty unit for each three hours' work. For five duty units a scout will receive a bronze star; and for five bronze stars he will receive a gold star. The gold star stands for 75 hours of public service.

Talking Crow Killed by Negro Fearing "Spell"

Georgetown, Del.—Councilman Andrew Marvel's pet crow, a bird with a vocabulary, suffered an untimely death because of its education.

A negro shot the pet as it was roosting on a porch entertaining a crowd with some of its choicest language.

The crow had been a pet of the town for three years. It flew everywhere, but returned to the Marvel home every night. The colored man said he thought the bird was bewitched and killed it to break the "spell."

Sixty Million Coins for Bulgaria.
Vienna.—The Austrian mint has received an order from the Bulgarian government for the coining in its behalf of 60,000,000 one-leva and 20,000,000 two-leva pieces. The execution of this order will keep the mint fully employed for the space of nine months.

Bore Tunnel in Bank's Stone Wall; Get \$40

Denver.—Forty dollars in pennies was what robbers obtained from the First State bank of Bennett, Colo., after going to the trouble of tunneling through a stone wall of the bank.

When officers of the bank entered the establishment they found papers scattered everywhere, tables overturned and everything in the building disturbed. Then they discovered the hole in the wall through which the burglars had entered. The thieves were unable to open the vault of the bank, so all they obtained was \$40 in pennies, which had been locked in a cash drawer.

"Maybe the fact that Sunday was April fool's day had something to do with the haul of the burglars," Leonard De Lee, who is investigating the case, said.

GOOD HIGHWAYS

RAILROADER BOOSTS ROADS

President Finley of Northwestern System Praises Work of Highway Construction.

President William H. Finley, of the Chicago & Northwestern railway, sounded what automobile industry officials declare is a sensible opinion when he came out before a meeting of the Illinois Association of Highway and Municipal Contractors, in a pronounced boost for hard-surfaced highways. Mr. Finley is one of the first railroad magnates to see the light, and to oppose the theory that hard-surfaced highways will ruin the railroads.

When trolley lines were first built there was a hue and cry that they would take all the business from the railroads, declared Mr. Finley.

"Nothing like that happened," he added, "but the trolley lines merely created more business for everybody. Every great development is the result of evolution, not revolution."

Mr. Finley praised the work of highway building but warned against the tendency toward overtaxation.

"It is extremely gratifying to see big men like Mr. Finley come out to the open and declare the truth about hard-surfaced highways," said Henry Paulman, chairman of the good roads committee of the Illinois State Automobile association, "especially since he holds such a commanding position in the railroad world. It is sound doctrine ably given."

"While it is true that the hard-surfaced highways have put several short railroad lines out of business, taken as a whole our federal and state systems of roads in this country simply co-ordinate with the trunk line railroads. The highways for the most part act as feeders of the railroads and increase their business. It is my firm conviction that the railroad officials should be boosters of highway construction and not obstructionists. President Finley's speech on the subject is timely."

CONGRESS AIDS GOOD ROADS

Encouragement Given to Better Highway Throughout Country by Passing Appropriations.

The session of congress which ended March 4 gave encouragement to the good roads movement throughout the country by continuing appropriations for federal aid to the states, but it failed to take action in connection with other matters of moment to motorists. Disappointment was caused at the failure to provide money for the building of roads in the national parks, but this was due to the fact that the budget submitted did not provide for such appropriation, says the National Motorists' association.

OPPOSE OVERLOADED TRUCKS

Problem of Preventing Destruction of Improved Roads Discussed at Recent Meeting.

The problem of preventing the destruction of improved highways by the overloaded motor truck, which transfers a freight train load to a pavement designed for only a lawful maximum of eight tons to the axle, or four tons a wheel, was discussed at the recent good roads congress held in Chicago. A committee was appointed to wait upon county boards and city authorities in order to get better enforcement of the laws regulating truck loads.

PHILOSOPHY OF GOOD ROADS

Difference in Enthusiasm of Jitney Owner and Farmer Who is Living on Muddy Road.

Texas Farm and Ranch says: "You know there must be some difference about the enthusiasm over a good roads movement of a second-hand jitney owner, living in a rented flat in town, owning nobody but his landlord and grocer, and me, living on 200 acres mortgaged to the limit and taxed a little over the limit," and it might have added, and then have the \$30,000 a mile road built so that I would have to go seven miles through the mud to get to it."

MINNESOTA BUILDING ROADS

Millions of Dollars Will Be Spent in Next Few Years in Perfecting Its System.

Minnesota is one of the states which is going ahead in a road-building campaign. Millions of dollars will be spent in this state in the next few years in perfecting a wonderful system in hard roads which will aid materially in the development of the state.

Florida's New Roads.

Florida is spending millions on roads. Recognizing the rapid development of a country with wide, well-built highways, the people of this southern land have invested prodigally but astutely in permanent paved roads.

Short Cut to Market.

Geometry teaches us that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points. And a straight road—a good road—is the shortest way to a profitable market.

Billion for Roads.

Approximately \$1,200,000,000 will be spent in the United States and Canada for roads and streets this year, and about \$1,350,000,000 will be spent for passenger automobiles and trucks.

Pennsylvania Roads.

Of the 60,000 miles of road in Pennsylvania, 10,320 miles comprise the state highway system.

Time to Drag Roads.

After the rain when you can't work in the fields drag that road.

Mrs. Wm. Bradley.

DAIRY TALK

Dairyman, Can You Answer Yes to These Questions?

Do you love the dairy business?
Do you know exactly which cows are making you a labor income?
Do you know each cow's test?
Do you apply your knowledge by sending the boarder cows to the butcher immediately?
Do you know the essentials of feeding the cow?
Do you feed your cows a balanced ration, both as regards the ingredients of the feeds and the cost?
Do you feed regularly?
Do you milk regularly?
Do you exercise care and kind treatment always?
Do you exercise the strictest cleanliness both with the cows and with the utensils?
Do you use a purebred dairy bull?
Do you give your cows adequate shelter?
Do you use adequate bedding?
Do you milk the cows dry and not permit the calves to suck after the first three days?
Do you listen to advice?
Have you a good summer pasture?
Do you like work?
If a man can conscientiously answer "yes" to all of these questions he is not very far wrong on the dairy business.—Harold R. Lascelles, Fieldman, Colorado State Dairy Commission.

Advices Young Mothers

Portland, Ore.—"It surely is a pleasurable duty to recommend Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to mothers and prospective mothers, for I found in this medicine a wonderful help during expectancy and afterward. I was physically frail and feared the consequence of motherhood, but I gained in physical strength. The tonic effect of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' overcame the general weakness I had. Nature was greatly helped through expectancy and I shall always have a good word for Dr. Pierce's medicines, because they have been so much help to me, just at the time I most needed strength."—Mrs. Wm. Bradley, 545 Albina Ave.

Write Dr. Pierce's Invaluable Hotel in Buffalo, N. Y., for free medical advice or send 10c for trial pkg. of any of his medicines.

If They Could Be Harnessed.

It has been estimated that there are always 1,000 thunderstorms in progress in different parts of the world, and that their energy is equal to about 100,000,000 horse-power.

Remarkable Vitality of Fleas.

Small water fleas have been known to lie dormant for 40 years in dried mud, without losing their power of actively living when the mud was again moistened.

Help That Counts.

He who helps a little child helps humanity with a distinction, with an immediateness which no other help given to human creatures in any other stage of their human life can possibly give again.—Phillips Brooks.

Village Spreads for Miles.

Probably the largest village in the world is Kempton, England, which stretches along a single road for seven miles.

Chinese Ancients Used Swords.

Chinese scholars claim that iron swords were in use in their country 4,000 years ago.

Lincoln vs. You

Lincoln belongs to the ages. He was a man of such a high character that he would walk miles to secure a book that he might pursue the quest of knowledge, and he would knock the door to fame and fortune, or any success that you might desire, and insist that you should prepare himself so that when his chance came he would be ready. If you are certain to stick in the mud-suck class.

FEED SUCCELANCE TO COWS

Corn Silage, Mangel Wurzel or Root Crops Are of Much Importance to Dairyman.

Feed all roughage, such as alfalfa, clover or other hay, fodder and corn silage that the cow will eat up clean. Too much stress cannot be laid on the importance of having part of the roughage of a succulent nature, as corn silage, mangel wurzel or root crops. Generally a dairy cow will eat daily a little more than three pounds of silage and about one pound of hay, or its equivalent, in addition to silage, for every 100 pounds of live weight. At present prices the dairyman cannot afford not to feed grain. The cow should be fed about one pound of grain mixture daily for every three and one-half pounds of milk she gives.

SHOULD USE PUREBRED BULL

Profitable Dairying Depends on Superior Breeding, Good Feed and Weeding Out Scrubs.

Farmers and dairymen cannot continue to use scrub or grade bulls, says A. C. Baer, professor of dairy husbandry at the Oklahoma A. and M. college. Profitable dairying depends on (1) good breeding; (2) weeding out poor cows; (3) good feeding.

A purebred bull will improve all dairy herds which are not now headed by a purebred male, Mr. Baer says. Farmers or dairymen can very often club together and buy a bull which costs more than an ordinary purebred male. Whenever possible, a herd bull should be from a tested dam with a good record.

Important Vehicular Traffic.

The big problem of highway transportation is in letting the public know of the importance of vehicular traffic to the entire community just as the people now realize the value of schools to all persons in a town whether parents or not.

Freight by Motor Trucks.

More than 1,400,000 tons of freight, including 134,400,000 tons of farm produce, are now carried by motor trucks over the highways in this country every year.

Signs Help Motorists.

For the guidance of strange motorists, signs are painted directly on the pavement in New Bedford, Mass. The directing letters are white on asphalt, and are made with four-inch lines, fifteen inches in length, and spaced three feet apart.

Road Improvement Each Month.

More than 1,000 miles of improved highways are being completed every month in the United States through the aid of co-operation of the federal government with the states' assistance.

DAIRY TALK

CHICKEN LICE WORRY FOWLS

Application of Blue Ointment is Effective—Sodium Fluorid Also Works Well.

A study of the life of chicken lice shows that there are a dozen different kinds infecting the same bird. Most of them, however, frequent the rear part of the body at least once in every twenty-four hours where they obtain the necessary moisture for their life and growth. This moisture is obtained from around the vent. This habit of lice would answer one method of treatment, the use of blue ointment.

Blue ointment applied around the vent and under the wing of each fowl affected seems to get rid of the lice in a very short time. A piece the size of a good sized pea is plenty for one bird. If the blue ointment is thick and heavy it should be melted so that it can be applied in a very thin layer. It is well to make a second application two weeks after the first, especially if the birds are badly affected.

We find that about two applications a year seem to be sufficient to control the lice.

Any of the advertised lice powders and many of the home made powders seem to work very well for a short time. Their results, however, are only temporary, thus involving considerable labor in holding down this trouble. Good dust sawdust in the poultry house also adds considerably to controlling this pest.

Sodium fluorid can also be used to control lice. This is a common preparation which can be obtained at any drug store. It is applied by what is known as the pinch method. A pinch should be worked into the fluff of the tail, a pinch under each wing, a pinch on the back, and a pinch worked into the neck feathers. This treatment seems to work very well. By Harry Embleton, Professor of Poultry Husbandry, Oklahoma A. and M. College.

KEEP DAIRY UTENSILS CLEAN

Particularly Important That Milk Cans Be Dried and Kept So Until Used Again.

Because bacteria increase in numbers at such an astounding rate when conditions are favorable, it is necessary not only to kill as many of them as possible in order to keep dairy utensils clean and insure a good product; but utensils must be kept dry, so that the few organisms that are left after sterilization will not multiply greatly. In addition to the proper temperature, it is necessary that moisture be present for these germs to grow, but only a very thin film of water is needed.

It is particularly important that milk cans be thoroughly dried and kept dry until used again. They must also be protected from contamination with dust, dirt and flies. Experiments show that in milk cans which were covered before being dried the number of bacteria increased 700 times in 24 hours. Milk put into cans in which the bacteria have been permitted to multiply to such an extent will spoil much sooner than milk put into cans that have been dried before being covered.

To secure rapid drying the cans must be sterilized with steam or boiling water. If the sterilizer is used, the cans may be left in it until time for them to be used again, but there must be some means of ventilation to carry off the moisture. Cans may be set on a rack to dry, but they should be protected from flies and dust, preferably in a well-secured milk house.

FATAL DISEASE OF TURKEYS

First Symptom of Blackhead is Slowness of Movement—Poulters Need Clean Quarters.

The first symptom of that fatal disease of turkeys, blackhead, is slowness of movement. A poult coming down with this disease will show no symptoms in the early stages, but he will come trawling in after the rest of the poults have come in to roost; at first just a few feet behind, gradually getting farther and farther in the rear of the home-coming poults, until finally the evening comes when he stops by the wayside.

When the first lagging is seen, shut the poult up, give him only sour milk to eat, and give a dose of epsom salts. He can have all the chopped nettles, dandelions or onions he will eat, but that is all. The droppings of affected poults should be buried. Poults will not thrive if fed where there is the fifth of other poultry. Keep them clean—that is, free from lice and mites; feed them clean food on a clean board or trough, and give them drinking water that has not been fouled.

POULTRY NOTES

The hen that lays 150 eggs a year is doing very good work.

Winter eggs should be the constant object of poultry flock owners.

It is not so much what is fed as how it is given that brings results.

Frozen combs are a good sign of poor ventilation in the henhouse. It's not so much the cold as the humidity.

Chickens that are sick or anemic and doing poorly should be culled out at all times. The spindle-legged, long-headed, shallow-bodied pullets should be eliminated as soon as discovered.

Four inches of fine, dry straw on the henhouse floor surely looks comfortable as we watch the hens covorting around after their breakfast.

Young turkeys must be kept penned up mornings until the dew has dried, and must also be guarded against rains and sudden showers.

Lice are a great enemy to young turks and they should be groomed on the heads and under the wings with a few drops of kerosene. This should be done every two weeks.

Use one male bird to every ten or fifteen hens of the heavier breeds, and one to every fifteen or twenty Leghorn hens to give good fertility.

Wyandottes have a standard weight of 8½ pounds for cocks; 6½ pounds for hens; 7½ pounds for cockerels, and 5½ pounds for the pullets.

Geese generally mate in pairs, but occasionally where you have two or three geese you can work in an extra goose and find that the eggs will be fertile; otherwise not.

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Elusive Clues.

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Real Wisdom in Advice.

It was a wise philosopher that invented this saying: "Live as if every moment were your last." If we could heed this advice what a different complexion the world would wear for us. Instantly new values would spring into the mind. The common things of life would take on hues of brilliance.

Satanic Geography.

No person, either historical or legendary, has more places named after him than the devil. The famous explorer, Captain Amundsen, added to the list during his expedition. He gave us "Devil's Glacier" and "Devil's Dancing Room."

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Did He Make a Hit?

May—"Really, I don't feel like walking. My feet bother me a good deal." Jack—"Why, you must be nervous!" May—"Nervous! Why?" Jack—"Otherwise you wouldn't look so little things bother you."—Pearson's.

That's the Point.

Somebody says: "Every cynical bachelor ought to have his nose pulled by the dimpled fingers of a baby." But what good would that do either the bachelor or the baby?—New Orleans States.

Joy in Forgiveness.

Many persons cut themselves off from one of the highest and greatest joys in life—the joy of magnanimously forgiving an enemy.—Exchange.

Cannot Prey on Small Fish.

The big whalebone whale has so small a throat that it cannot swallow fish of ordinary size. Its food consists of little life forms found in the sea: The toothed whales eat any living thing they can catch.

Where Rover Scored.

On her return from a visit to grandma's Bernice said: "They were all glad to see me, but Rover's tail was gladdest of all."

Thackeray.

He blew on his pipe, and words came tripping round him like children, like pretty little children who are perfectly drilled for the dance; or precedence, like kings, gloomily.—Max Beer-bohm.

First Requisite for Heroism.

I should say sincerity, a deep, great, genuine sincerity, is the first characteristic of all men in any way heroic.—Carlyle.

Forest Fires Costly.

Every year forest fires in the United States destroy enough timber to build an entire city the size of Washington.

Sharks' Bones Make Canes.

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