

BANK HEAD HOLDS REGULAR BOARD MEETING BY PHONE

Since he became president of the Bank of Chapel Hill, N. C., about thirty years ago, C. S. Noble has missed only a few Tuesday night meetings of the board of directors, and in the last seven years not an absence has been chalked against him. However, when he recently made known his intention to go to New York to visit his son, some of his friends asked, "But what about missing the board meeting?"

Mr. Noble knew the answer, he kept it to himself.

When the directors assembled around the big table on the following Tuesday evening, the telephone rang. Cashier W. E. Thompson responded, heard the words "New York calling," and a moment later came the familiar voice of Mr. Noble, "Is everybody there? Are we ready to begin?"

Mr. Noble then called the meeting to order.

SUGAR BEETS NEED BORAX

Research has proved the "disease" known as heart rot in growing sugar beets is not a disease at all but is proof of a soil condition known as boron deficiency. So recommendations are being assembled by tests of soils department specialists at Michigan State College, Farmington, contemplating boron applications, says R. L. Cook, of the college staff, will be safe if they do not apply more than 7 or 8 pounds to an acre where the borax is being applied directly with the seed. In broadcast applications before seeding, 20 pounds an acre may be necessary to supply the necessary available boron. Well drained soils and more likely to need boron and to show results from borax application than poorly drained soils. Farmers who have not noticed any likely boron starvation in their beet fields should watch for the symptom, suggests Cook.

Mountain Crest Trails

Traverse Western U. S. Backpacking exploring expeditions from Canada to Mexico are possible during proper seasons over the Pacific Crest Trail system, according to information given by Clinton C. Clarke, of the Pacific Crest Trail System conference.

Traversing five national parks, 19 national forests, and crossing 10 main highways at their summit passes, the Pacific Crest Trail system furnishes a continuous route of 2,300 miles of trails through Washington, Oregon and California from border to border. The trails are located just beneath the summit crests of the great mountain walls of the Cascade range in Washington and Oregon and the Sierra Nevada in California. The Cascade Crest trail, 440 miles in length, runs from Canada south to Stevens pass, Mount Rainier and the Columbia river.

The Oregon Skyline trail, 410 miles long, reaches from the Washington line to McKenzie pass, Crater lake and the state line between Oregon and California. Three hundred and thirty miles of the California system are included in the Lava Crest trail reaching from Oregon to Yuba gap by way of Mount Lassen. Central California contains three trails: the Tahoe-Yosemite, John Muir, and Sierra trails, totaling 603 miles and covering Yuba gap to Lake Tahoe, Lake Tahoe to Tuolumne Meadows, Tuolumne Meadows to Mount Whitney and Mount Whitney to Tehachapi pass. The Desert Crest trail covers 420 miles in its course from Tehachapi pass to Mexico via Soledad canyon, Cajon pass, and Mount San Jacinto.

The Desert Crest trail, according to Mr. Clarke, will afford opportunities to those who are physically able and sufficiently skilled to enjoy mountain climbing and life on the open trail by the backpacking method during the winter season when the rest of the Pacific Crest is blocked by snow.

Describing the Desert Crest trail, Clarke stated, "A pathway of wide horizons and a great variety of mountain scenery, the trail traverses a semi-tropical region along the summit ridges rising above the desert country."

"Although there are fine camps with good water and stone fireplaces at approximately 15 mile intervals across the desert," Clarke declared, "there is no pasture or green feed for animals."

Women Shop for Sick As Worth-While 'Hobby'
Her generous gesture four years ago became an unpaid, full-time job for Mrs. Harold Kinsley, 50-year-old mother of four boys, when she offered to shop for patients in the tuberculosis unit of the Ann Arbor, Mich., University hospital.

Now, twice each week, she buys merchandise from downtown stores for 40 patients and some of the staff, while a volunteer helper, Mrs. M. W. Wheeler, 53, mother of two daughters, shops for 50 patients in another ward.

Both women admit they like to shop, even though it interferes with household work. Both agree that men are easier to shop for, because "they know what they want, where to get it, and are better satisfied." But, admitting the women patients have whims about their purchases; they say women are grand, too, in their appreciation.

Important Tourist Tip
Wildlife technicians of the national park service, consulted as to what should be done with regard to the problem of skunks in the vicinity of hotels in Glacier National park, Montana, or other national park areas, found that it is not the skunks that constitute the problem. If any, but the attitude of the public.

"Alay the fears of the visitors regarding these harmless and interesting mammals, advise the wildlife experts. "Educate the people to be come better acquainted with skunks—at least on paper—and in time the prejudice that has so long prevented the skunk from enjoying friendly relations with visitors to the country will be overcome."

'Jake Foot' Victims
"Jake foot," the mysterious disease that struck drinkers of Jamaica ginger in the Middle West 30 years ago, still exists. A survey made in Wichita, Kan., where 500 persons were afflicted with or died from the malady, showed that many have died from the effects of the drink. A popular substitute here during prohibition. Twenty victims of the disease still live and receive treatment at the "Jake foot" hospital established by the county for victims of the malady that caused loss of control of the foot and hand muscles.

Ornamental Snow Guards
Snow guards, small iron bars that are secured to the roof, often serve the purpose of preventing snow from falling down. Most snow guards are easily applied and can be used on either metal or slate roofs. On metal roofs, they are usually applied in the eaves, where the snow is sheathing. Those used on slate roofs are riveted on iron plates, which go under the slate. Installation is simple and one if many small improvements which protect the home during the winter months.

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ESTATE OF MICHIGAN, PROBATE OFFICE FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND.

At a session of said Court held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1940.

Judge: Hon. ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary M. Woodworth, Deceased.

Mrs. A. C. Conner, Administratrix of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be extended, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said estate, and be before said court.

It is Ordered, that two months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the 8th day of July 1940 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.
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