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## SCOUT ANNIVERSARY IS CELEBRATED

By "Good Turn Week." This Is The Twelfth Anniversary of Scouting In America.

This week, Feb. 5 to 12, marks the twelfth anniversary of the scout movement in America. This commemorative week is celebrated simultaneously throughout the United States, one feature of it being the repetition of the Scout oath by all the members of the troops at the same moment. Anniversary week has been designated "Good Turn Week" since at that time special emphasis is laid on the Scout's motto: "Do a good turn daily."

### SOME INTERESTING HISTORY.

Mr. W. G. Steel of Eugene, Oregon, who has been preparing a work on place names of the United States, their origin and significance, has written to Ashburn inquiring about the following places: Amboy, Ashburn, Betts, Coverdale, Davisville, Fletcher, Hat Creek, Inaha, Josella, Sycamore, Rebecca, Sibley and Worth. The following answer has been sent to him. It makes interesting reading and we are sure many of the younger generation of Turner county as well as the older ones will read it with interest:

Amboy—When the Hawkinsville & Florida Southern R. R. was being built, one of the workmen, a big 200 lb fellow, who was very fond of his toddy, carried his bottle with him on one occasion, and he would take a nip occasionally, smack his lips and exclaim, A-M-BOY. A village soon sprang up, and an office established, and the name Amboy, was given it.

Ashburn—In 1887, Mr. J. S. Betts and Mr. W. W. Ashburn, came to this country, which at that time was an unbroken pine forest, in search of a location for a saw mill and turpentine still. The Georgia Southern & Florida Ry. had just been completed to this place. Mr. Betts bought land on the west side of the railroad. Mr. Ashburn on the east. They selected a site, and agreed on the name of Ashburn, for the new town.

Betts—Named in honor of J. S. Betts, but was changed afterwards to Hobby, after a large family of that name.

Coverdale—Originally named by a Mr. Evans Cloverdale. In applying for a post office, the Department changed the name to Coverdale.

Dakota—Have been unable to learn the origin of this place.

Davisville—Named in honor of D. H. Davis, who owns thousands of acres of land in this county alone.

Fletcher—Named for a large family of that name. This office was discontinued several years ago, and is supplied by R. F. D. from Sycamore.

Hat Creek—Named for a creek by that name, and from the following incident. Several years ago, a northern man came through this country on his way to Florida. This creek had overflowed its banks, and attempting to swim it, he lost his hat. He reported his loss to a nearby family, who gave it the name of Hat Creek. In 1894 the head of this creek was near the center of Ashburn, but it has been filled in, the swamp ditched, and the creek is now just inside the incorporate limits of the town. Hat Creek is said also, to be the head water of the Great Suwannee River, famous in song and story.

Inaha—Named by the builders of the Georgia Southern & Florida Railroad.

Josella—Named for Mrs. Josephine Betts, wife of J. S. Betts and Mrs. Ella Evans, wife of Mr. J. W. Evans, junior member of the firm of J. S. Betts Lumber Co. and a sister of Mrs. J. S. Betts.

Rebecca—Named for Mrs. Rebecca Smith, wife of Lawson Smith, who owned the land, on which the town is located.

Sibley—Named in honor of one Josiah Sibley, who drew the land from the State of Georgia, exact date unknown.

Worth—Originally on the line between Worth and Dooly counties and named for the former county.

Sycamore—One of the principal towns, and possibly the oldest in the county of Turner. Years ago before the days of railroads, a young lady rode horseback from Irwinville, to

## REVIVAL SERVICES TO BEGIN SUNDAY

At Wesleyan Methodist Church. The Pastor Will Be Assisted by Rev. Van Blaricom.

A series of revival services will begin next Sunday morning at the Wesleyan Methodist church. Rev. G. H. Doty, the pastor of the church, feels fortunate in securing the services of Rev. Van Blaricom of Helena, Ohio to assist him in these services. There will be services daily 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m., with Sunday morning services at 11 a. m. The people of Ashburn and surrounding country are cordially invited to attend all services.

### FARMERS WILL MEET SATURDAY AT COURT HOUSE

A meeting has been called by Mr. S. W. Brown, President of the Turner County Farm Bureau, for all farmers of Turner county to meet Saturday morning at 10 a. m. at the court house. The purpose of this meeting is to work out plans for buying guano co-operatively.

### LOCAL FORD COMPANY ANNOUNCE REDUCTION OF FORDSON TRACTORS

The Ford Motor company has announced a reduction of \$230 on Fordson tractors, making the factory list price \$395. Local Ford dealers are of the opinion that this reduction will greatly increase their sales, particularly for commercial and industrial purposes.

### TYLER—MOSS.

A wedding of social interest to their many friends occurred Sunday afternoon when Miss Ruby Tyler became the bride of Mr. D. H. Moss. Misses Carmarine Hewitt, Corrine Betts and Mr. Darden Boles, accompanied Mr. Moss to Tifton for Miss Tyler Sunday afternoon. They returned to Ashburn and went to the Methodist parsonage where Rev. J. P. Chatfield performed the ceremony. After the wedding the bridal party went to the Clyde Hotel where dinner was served. They left later in the evening for Tifton. The bride who is well known in Ashburn and loved by many, looked very attractive in a pretty new spring tailored suit, dark blue in color, with a nobby spring hat and other accessories to match. The groom has made Ashburn his home for years and is liked by all. Until recently he was engaged in the tailoring business in Ashburn. Mr. and Mrs. Moss will reside in Tifton. They were the guests Tuesday of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. R. Scott.

### HOLMES—TOWSEN

The following announcement will be of interest to the groom's many Ashburn friends:

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Holmes of Milner, announce the marriage of their daughter, Frances, to Lambuth Reilly Towsen, of Pavo, Ga. The marriage took place at Cairo, Ga., Saturday, January 28, 1922. Rev. W. C. Jones officiating.

where Sycamore is now located, using for a riding whip, a small Sycamore switch. When she dismounted she stuck the switch in the ground, with the hope that it would grow to a large tree, which it did, and from this little incident the town of Sycamore got its name.

Peckville Lane—Names of towns and villages of Turner county, their origin and significance, would be incomplete, without the above named place. Peckville is supposed to have been the first postoffice established, in what is now known as Turner county. Years ago it was known for miles and miles around, as a place where the few inhabitants of that time would gather to exchange stories, and if a stranger happened to pass, the fun commenced. At the point of a gun, he was made to dance, sing, jump, or anything else, that happened to suggest itself to their minds, and numbers of men lost their lives there. Peckville Lane is just one mile from the incorporate limits of Ashburn.

## Sycamore Making Plans For Big Poultry Sale

To Be Held Next Friday, the 17th. Progressive Merchants Of Sycamore Will Offer Many Bargains. Make Tracks For Sycamore That Day.

Sycamore is making every preparation necessary for a successful Poultry Sale which will be held in Sycamore next week, Friday, the 17th. The progressive merchants of Sycamore are anxious to have everyone bring their poultry and eggs to Sycamore on this occasion and as an extra attraction for the day, will sell merchandise at cost. Every store is offering one or more bargains for this occasion. They have a page in this issue telling you about these bargains.

The Poultry Sale will begin at 10 a. m. County Agent H. B. Ralls, Jr., will have several buyers present who will want to buy a car load of poultry and eggs. All arrangements have been made for a poultry car to be placed in Sycamore for this event so that shipment will be made promptly. Now is the proper time to sell off your hens and any friers you have and all the eggs you can spare. Then you will have only your new pullets which will increase your egg production for 1922. Every farmer in

Turner county while making plans for 1922 should arrange to have a good flock of chickens. There is much larger returns from raising chickens and selling eggs for the amount of money invested than in any other line of business a farmer can follow. The hen cannot run the farm but as a side product she is an eminent success. There is no reason why thousands of dollars cannot be turned loose in Turner county each month from the sale of poultry and eggs, if the farmers of Turner county plan for it. This is a phase of farming that the ladies and girls of Turner county can easily manage which will prove interesting and profitable. All farmers will find it will pay to get some pure bred chickens. It costs as much to house, feed and care for a measly 50-egg-a-year slacker hen as it does for a pure bred hen, producing from 150 to 250 eggs per year. The first hen is a dead loss, she does not pay for her feed. The other is a big source of profit and unstinted pleasure.

### SIGN YOUR NAMES TO ARTICLES

A number of articles came to this office this week for publication with no names signed. We cannot publish articles unless we know the writer.

### SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR ENJOYED SWINE GROWERS' ASSOCIATION MEET

In writing up the Swine Growers' Association held in Ashburn in January, Editor Hunnicutt of the Southern Cultivator among other things says: "We have attended all the Swine Growers' meeting in Georgia for the past sixteen years, but the meeting held in Ashburn was far the most successful. We have always known South Georgia was a great section, but the people of Turner county deserve special commendation for the manner in which they conducted the Swine Growers' Convention, and especially for the heroic and successful struggle they are making to combat the destruction wrought by the boll weevil."

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## FAMOUS LECTURER COMING MONDAY

To School Auditorium. Third Number of Lyceum Course Will Surely Please All.

The third number of the Lyceum course occurs next Monday night the 13th, at the school auditorium when the noted lecturer, Mr. Will Arthur Dietrick, will come to Ashburn. The Woman's Club is very fortunate in securing Mr. Dietrick, as his lectures are remarkably fascinating and we feel that Ashburn people will greatly enjoy Monday evening's entertainment.

### SOME FINE HOGS GO IN PURE BRED SALE.

According to live stock men who are familiar with "blood lines" in the hog game, some of the best sows and gilts ever offered at public sale in this territory will be included in the big sale at Brookwood Farm, four miles north of Moultrie on February 17th.

Mr. H. L. Harrell, the owner of Brookwood Farm, combed the country for good blood when he laid the foundation for his fine herd of pure bred big bone Poland Chinas. His hogs have been prize winners at all of the fairs. Whenever he has sold breeding stock success has followed the sale and has been with the purchaser.

Brookwood Farm has two of the finest boars in the state. H. L.'s Big Jones, No. 414449 is a son of the noted old Gersdale Jones which sold for \$6,000. The dam of this boar is a sow by old Big Bob, one of the most noted boars of the west. This boar, in good flesh, will weigh a thousand pounds.

Another of the favorite sires on the Brookwood farm is Big Bob's Target No. 414447. He is a grandson of Old Big Bob, sire of many extra fine western herds. He is a great animal standing on four wonderful feet, deep, smooth, even side lines, a high arched back, a splendid coat, with a real boar head.

The gilts to be sold are from these two noted boars.

## BANQUET TO BE GIVEN AT B. AND B. CAFE

To-Morrow Night For The Purpose of Organizing A Turner County Board of Trade.

A banquet that is expected to mark a new era in the growth and development of Turner county occurs tomorrow night, Friday, at the B. & B. Cafe at 8 o'clock. The purpose of this banquet is to organize a Turner County Board of Trade and every business man and farmer in Turner county, who wants to see Turner county grow should be present to help outline plans for 1922. It is impossible to personally invite each one but all are invited. Fifty cents a plate will be charged to help defray the expenses of the feed. Those who expect to attend should notify Mr. Stanley M. Hackett, Secretary, of the Ashburn Board of Trade, so that places can be reserved for all planning to be present.

### ATTEND WATERMELON MEETING

The annual meeting of the South-west Georgia Watermelon Growers' Association was held in Adel last Thursday. Those attending from Turner were: Messrs. H. B. Ralls, Jr., J. R. Brown, W. L. Story, R. L. Betts of Ashburn, Messrs. Homer Adams and Gordon Shepherd of Sycamore and Mr. G. F. Nasworthy of Rebecca.

### MR. STEELE NOW WITH DE LAVAL SEPARATOR CO.

Mr. G. C. Steele, who has been with The Betts-Evans Trading Co., for over a year is now field representative for the De Laval Separator with Georgia his territory. Mr. Steele is not only an efficient man but a great booster of dairying for this section and knowing the many good qualities of the De Laval Separator, will make a splendid record for this company. Both he and Mr. Steele have made many friends since coming to Ashburn who will be glad to know they will still make their home here.

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