

boys rose, one by one, stretching and yawning, and dreamingly singing the words of "Good Night Ladies." After all the boys had filled the tent at the head of the room, the bugler emerged, and standing by the campfire sounded taps.

Immediately the lights were switched on, and the boys bestirred themselves in serving refreshments. The balance of the evening was spent socially. This brought to a close a very successful demonstration, of which the boys are justly proud.

On Saturday, October 30, the troop took an over-night camping trip to their old camp grounds at "Camp Lookout." The weather was ideal, and one of the best times this summer was experienced. Quite a few of the boys passed second-class Scout tests. In the evening, the air growing cold, a large campfire was built, around which the boys gathered to sing and listen to wierd ghost stories.

Finally, drawing near bedtime, a true Scouts' "cold weather bed" was constructed. This consisted of several logs placed on the windward side of the campfire. This was piled high with cornstalks and hay, which served as a wind-break. In back of this, hay was spread on the ground and the blankets on top of that. Then crawling in between them, sinking down in the hay, and with a warm log campfire at our feet, we couldn't help grinning. So turning over, we heaved a sigh and slept sound and warm while the moon looked down from overhead. The next evening we returned home; tired, but as happy as only a Scout can be.

To Beautify Badin

To beautify a town does not necessarily mean for the streets to be paved with gold, and magnificent buildings erected. If nothing else harmonizes, then it falls far below our idea of what the word "beauty" implies.

Referring specifically to our town, Badin, we shall take it just as it is, tear it to pieces, and harrow it until it is as we would have it. Since environment is one of the most influential constructives, that would naturally be the first step in bettering conditions. However, until we do get our town materially beautified it behooves us to so shine that the bare and ugly places will not be noticeable; for it is not the people that make the place. Though living here may not be a matter of choice, it will certainly strengthen your temperament and be-

come you to take pride in your town. Someone has to be the pioneer, so why not every one of us take it upon ourselves to begin by appointing himself a committee of one to make everything neat and pleasant, even if a civics movement has already been started.

The little things amount to the most, so it would bear repeating that garbage pails be placed to the convenience of the public, and their usage emphasized. There is not a one of us who does not want to make our best impressions upon strangers, and especially visitors; so let's consider the town a part of our own being, and make it attractive. The streets and business section particularly should be conspicuous by the absence of rubbish and unclean show windows.

At the next club meeting, propose converting that back alley or disused corner, from an eyesore and menace to the neighborhood, to pleasant and sanitary lane, and cheerful flower bower. Have you ever realized the importance of plants?

It greatly adds to the safety of health to have trees and other plants, to utilize the harmful carbon dioxide that we exhale while they give us the oxygen so essential to us. By the club's doing this, it creates a spirit of teamwork, and turns work into play.

The outdoor exercise will justify you there. Firstly, it acts as a doctor—plenty of exercise in fresh air will keep you in first-class condition; secondly, it awakens new interest in life, studying the development of vegetation and the sweet beauty of flowers inspire us to the highest things of life, like some irresistible force. Lastly, it incites competition which teaches self-control.

A little chat over the hedgerow and a discussion of the problem of a garden is much more desirable than so much time wasted in gossip and slander, which is practiced so much as a time killer. Did you ever judge a person by his home town? If his town is sanitary, and has the appearance of being improved—he would naturally be considered wide awake and progressive. On the other hand, it is the fault of the people if the town is dingy and unkempt.

But the most beautiful of all improvements is when that line of inequality is dissolved, and we impartially speak to our fellow-citizens.

—EVELYN M. KENDALL.

Daniels is cleaning house. His wife must be coming home.

Athletic Association

Monday, September 20, Mr. Quinlan and Mr. Ben Williams called a meeting of the high school students, and organized an Athletic Association. Ballots were taken, and the following officers were elected: Ernest S. Arthur, president; Nita Bell vice-president; Lawrence Rockfield, Secretary; and Robert C. Bizzell, treasurer.

It was voted that the Association be thrown open to the whole school, and an initiation fee of fifty cents be made. The plan of the Association is to raise a sum sufficient to back the school teams in all expenses. Season tickets for all games of 1920-'21 are on sale by Lawrence Rockfield, Nita Bell, Ernest Arthur, and J. M. Coffman. These tickets are for sale to the public, and are being sold at prices that are cheaper than buying tickets at every game. We hope that the citizens of Badin will give us their loyal support in the buying of the tickets and coming out to the games.

Presbyterian Church Notes

The following was noticed in the columns of a newspaper, and is passed on for what it is worth:

Fourteen Points for Church Killing

1. Don't come. If you do come, come late.
2. If the weather doesn't suit you; don't think of coming.
3. Come bound to find fault with officers and members.
4. Be selfish, and ask, "What do I get out of this?"
5. Never accept office. It is easier to criticize than to do things.
6. Visit other churches half of the time.
7. Let the pastor do all the work.
8. Never use front seats; sit back. Don't sing.
9. Hold back your dues as long as possible, or never pay at all.
10. Don't encourage the preacher. Tell his faults to outsiders.
11. If strangers come in, don't find them a seat. Don't give them a book. Don't ask them back.
12. Don't bother about getting new members. "Let George do it." Never speak of the services to anyone.
13. When you see everything is going harmoniously, do something to engender strife.
14. When others roll up their sleeves and work willingly, howl about the organization being run by a clique.