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meeting last week under the leader- our troop this month and three adship of Scoutmaster Ruebens , and vanced in rank-Ernest West, Senior Assistant Scoutmaster Schuffler-we Patrol Leader. drilled and studied tests and received a new scout into the troop - Alex Our big feature for March was our Howard, scribe.

New troop at Elm Place school-Another Highlad Park scout troop now being formed at the Elm Place school will meet under the leadership of Scoutmaster Hawkins and assistant Scoutmaster Leach.

Ravinia 35-Troop Committeeman Canman and Jerome attended our meeting last week-we had a good attendance-David Canman, scribe.

Lake Forest 45-Troop Committeeman Casselberry attended our meeting last week-we had four boy visitors and two adults-we are working on drilling and signalling for the Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Libertyville Rally which will be held at Lake tional Meet, Wednesday, April 11. Bluff on April 20-We have added Edwin Blier to the membershp of

our troop-Ian McPherson, scribe. Deerfield 52-We had 21 scouts at wour last meeting and enjoyed a talk by Mr. Getty-Lewis Stryker, scribe. Friday, March 30.

Highland Park 32 grows in March -The big feature of our March program was in recruiting new scoutswe now have an approximate attendance of 30 at our weekly meetings. Troop Committeemens' Conference torists have traveled with the full 14 scouts recently took a trip to Thursday, April 1.

Troop 32 growing-We had a fine | Fort Sheridan. Eight scouts joined

Wilmette eight strong on hikeshike to the cabin in the woods. Six scouts advanced in rank during the month-Mr. Herberholz, scribe.

Coming Events Wilmette Board of Review, Wed

nesday April 11. Wilmette Inter-Troop Rally, Saturday, April 14. .

Kenilworth Court of Award, Tuesday, April 24. Glencoe Court of Award, Tuesday,

April 17. Highland Park Board of Review

4 p. m., Tuesday, April 3. Highland Park Highwood Scoutcraft Field Day, Saturday, April 26. Highland Park Troop 31's Invita-Lake Forest inter - Troop hike,

Saturday, April 28. Lake Forest-Lake Bluff-Liberty-

ville Rally, Friday, April 20. Libertyville-Charter Presentation,

Deerfield-Northbrook-Glenview Inter-troop Scoutcraft Rally, Friday,

TOLL BRIDGES ARE MENACE SAYS HAYES

TOO MANY ON HIGHWAYS type. The statement continues:

Private Enterprises Interfere With Rights of Motorists In Many Sections, He-Declares

"The highways of the nation are being commercialized by an ever-increasing number of privatly owned toll bridges, and the usccess of some of these private interests in capitalizing highway bridges for profit has stimulated hope on the part of those who would extend the commercialization of the highways themselves by 000 was declared, this amounting to applying the toll principle to privately owned trunk lines on heavily populated areas."

This statement was made by Chas. M. Hayes, president of the Chicago Motor club, coupled with the suggestion that congress and the various units of state governments owe it to the public to do everything possible to prevent private interests from exploiting strategic points on the main highways through the toll bridge in-

stitution. **Exhorbitant Tribute**

"While it is unquestionably true," says Mr. Hayes, "that many toll bridges have given and are giving a needed public service at a fair cost it is equally true that scores of them levy an exhorbitant tribute on the

go Motor club relative to the influx bear a reasonable relationship to the highways once and for all, it is up of toll bridges are based on surveys cost. This is a matter which deserves to congress and the state governmade by the bureau of public roads, the careful scrutiny of securities ments to consider the situation from According to these figures, 233 toll commissions in the states at all every angle and to ascertain whethbridges were in operation at the be- times. rinning of this year, of which 191 re privately owned. At present 29 It has been clearly demonstrated building of needed bridges-toll or ew toil bridges are under construc- that states and counties can finance otherwise on the highways of the on and 163 are proposed. Of the toll bridges without increasing taxes country."

163 proposed, 100 will be construct ed and operated on a toll basis by private interests. During the last session of congress and to date, the national legislature has granted franchises for 67 bridges of the latter

Earn Big Dividends "In many instances privately owned bridges earn returns as high as 300 per cent per annum on the capital invested. These are extreme cases, of course. It is nothing unusual, on the other hand, to find toll bridges earning all the way from 40 to 150 per cent. There is one toll bridge Nebraska which yielded an income of 150 per cent on its cost annually from 1923 to 1925. There is a bridge in Maryland which was built at a cost of \$87,000 twenty years ago. In 1926 it had a net operating income of \$41,000 or 47 per cent of the original cost, while a dividend of \$32,-32 per cent on the \$100,000 of common stock outstanding.

Opposed to Franchises "The Chicago Motor club is opposed to the granting of toll bridge franchises to private interests, except in instances where it is clearly proven that units of government cannot raise the money or are unwilling to raise to construct these bridges in co-operation with the federal government, even if units of government have to operate such a bridge on a toll basis

for a period of time. "The general belief is that this op- which the bridges can be turned to eration will be more economical to free use. Public officials can nowathe motoring public than private op- days borrow money as easily and at eration. We are heartily in favor as low a rate of interest as private of the recapture clause which Con- interests and can operate a toll bridge gress now places in the bills for pri- for a limited period of time as ecorate of granting charters, the num- vately operated toll bridges. Every nomically as can private owners. ber of toll bridges in the United thing possible should be done to as- "Considering these facts, and in or-States will double in a few years," sure that the bonds issued in con- der that a drive may be made to The figures adduced by the Chica- nection with these ventures should establish the free principle on our

Clearly Demonstrated

LOT OF MOTORIST IS HAPPIER NOW

PAST YEAR WAS BETTER

Speed Traps Fewer, Banditry Is Less, Corruption Not So Widespread; Attitude of Officials

"A careful observer of motoring conditions during the past year could not have failed to note that the lot of the motorist was far happier than in any previous year in the history of motordom," says Charles M. Hayes, president of the Chicago Motor Club. "Speed traps did not flourish so freely. Banditry, insolence and corruption, according to the signs, are beginning to vanish from our highways."

Improved Attitude

There is a noticeable disposition on the part of arresting officers throughout the country to regard their trusts more highly, according to Mr. Hayes. He states, "There is less of a desire on the part of police officers to ride for revenue only; they are beginning to realize that they are peace officers and trusted with the responsibility of preserving the peace and reducing accidents. With this attitude prevailent, one found fewer speed cops hiding behind bushes waiting to pounce upon the occasional offender, and a greater number of officers riding in uniform in full view of everyone on the highway. Needless to sa, traffic conditions have been improved by this Deerfield - Northbrook - Glenview changed attitude and, of course, moenjoyment of their constitutional

Reason Apparent

"One of the apparent reasons for this improved condition on the highways," continues Mr. Hayes, "was the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, in which the judicial qualifications of a public officer were passed upon, and it was held that where officers acting in a judicial or quasi-judicial capacity depended upon a conviction as the only medium of obtaining revenue, they were disqualified because of their interest in the controversy." The Court in its opinion said: 'It certainly violates the fourteenth amendment and deprives the defendant in a criminal case of due process of law to subject his liberty or property to the judgment of the court, the judge of which has a direct personal, substantial, pecuniary interest in reaching a conclusion against him in his case.'

Crooked Justice Rare "To find a magistrate who might extort an illegal fee in this county is a rarity today, according to the reports of our legal department. In other counties throughout northern Illinois and northern Indiana a gratifying change has developed. This change has been the result of a welldirected campaign on the part of village boards and other public officials to hire a better grade of men to ride motorcycles, and to select as police chiefs men of good character.

by using tolls to retire bonds after

NEW CONDENSER IS DEVISED FOR 'PHONE

MAY BE USED IN RADIO

Description of Latest Device Made in Laboratories of Bell System; Powerful in Effect

capacity many times greater that any but the requirements are far more ever obtained before in the same severe. Here a capacity of four or space, has been made by engineers of five thousand microfarads is needed, the Bell Telephone Laboratories and else special electrical generators must is now being installed in telephone be used. By permitting the use of central offices.

to the radio amateur. Air condensers have a very small capacity, but it is sufficient for tuning the radio receiver. Paper condensers often have a capacity, stated technically, of about one microfarad, and this is usually enough, when used with other apparatus, to adapt socket power so as to eliminate B-batteries.

In telephone central offices some-An electrical condenser having a what the same thing must be done, standard commercial generators the raise."-American Magazine.

The new condenser adds another new condensers bring about importmember to the group, already includ- ant reductions in costs to offset ining air and paper condensers familiar creasing expenses in other directions.

The new condenser consists of two sets of aluminum salts, one set of plates being coated with an insulating film. Its size is about the same as an ordinary storage battery, and the electrical capacity for 24-volt service has the enormous value of about 1,000 microfarads. Thus four or five units are sufficient for a central office with standard commercial generating

It Never Comes

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