

ANNOUNCE ROAD ESSAY CONTEST

College Scholarship is National Award

An offer of four years at college with all expenses paid is contained in the announcement made this week by the Highway Education board of the sixth annual good roads essay contest, in which all high school students are eligible to participate.

In line with administration policies tending toward economy, students are being requested to write essays on the subject "Economies Resulting from Highway Improvement," having in the two preceding years written papers on subjects dealing with highways and religion and highways and home life.

The contest in the various states usually is sponsored by one of the leading universities or the state department of education, which aids in the announcement of the contest and at its termination names competent judges to determine the best essay from that state. This applies also to the District of Columbia and the outlying possessions.

Pay All Expenses

The principal prize is a four years university scholarship, offered by H. S. Firestone, of Akron, Ohio, a member of the Highway Education board, of which the U. S. Commissioner of Education, Dr. J. J. Tigert, is chairman. This scholarship, which in the past five years has been won by three young women and two young men, provides that the successful contestant may attend any college or university in the United States, with tuition, room, board, books and special fees paid by the donor. It is said to be the largest single educational award offered in this country, and its estimated value to the winning student is approximately \$1,000 annually, or at least \$4,000 for the four years.

Many state awards are offered by the cooperating organizations including tuition scholarships, cash prizes, loving cups and medals.

By educational authorities this annual competition among high school students, started in 1920, is declared to have been the first essay contest to assume national proportions. It annually attracts approximately a quarter of a million contestants, the number who submit essays depending upon the nature of the subject. Entire high schools often participate as part of their school duties. Essays are received from every state in the Union, while many of the best come from outlying territories and possessions, such as Alaska, Hawaii, the Philippines, Porto Rico and the Canal Zone.

First Essayist Through School

The award in 1924 went to John Liska, a Wisconsin high school student, whose subject was "The Relation of Improved Highways to Home

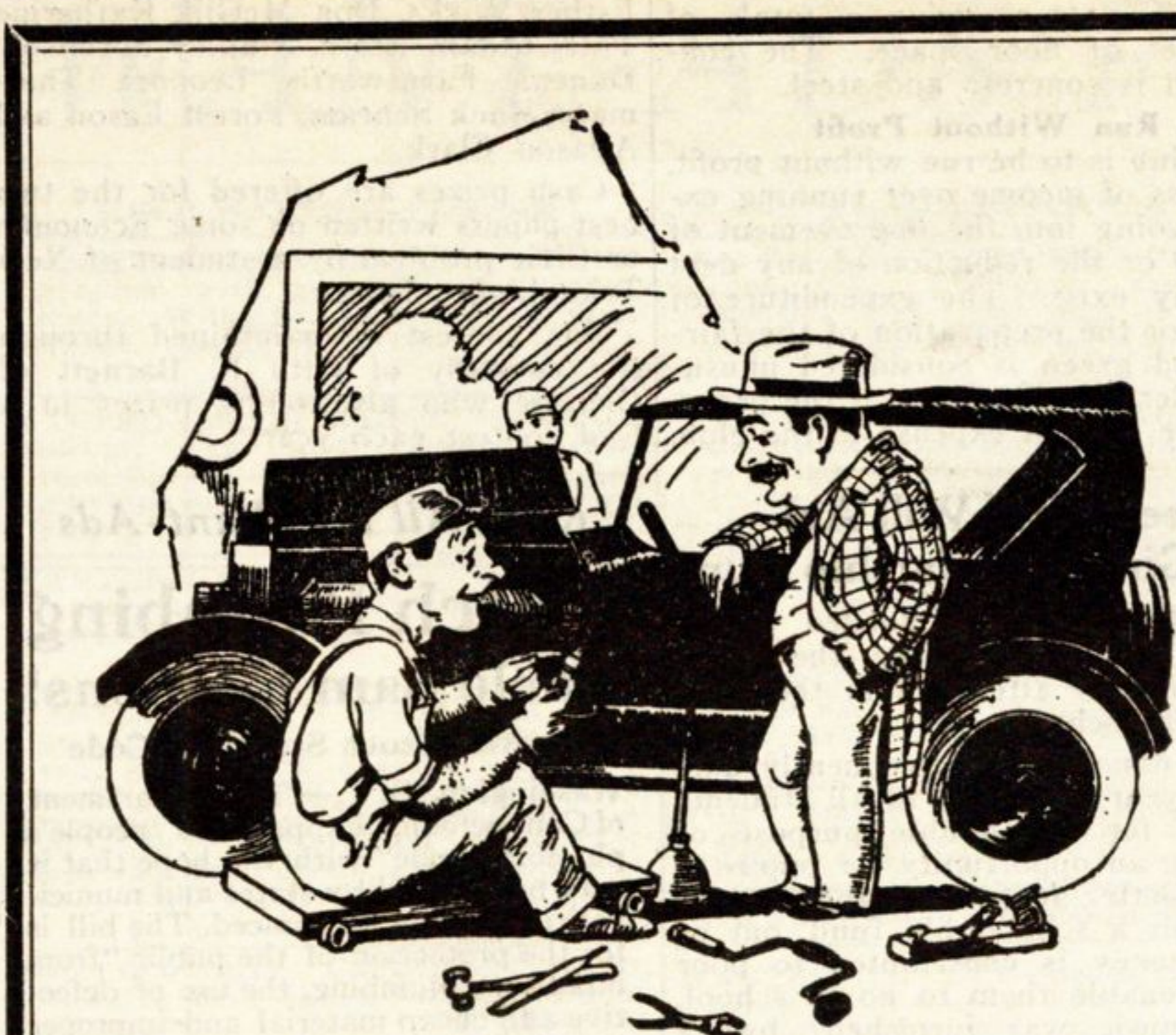
Life." The first winner, Miss Katharine Butterfield, of Weiser, Idaho, was graduated last year from Northwestern university. Other successful students were Miss Garland Johnson, Bridgeport, W. Va., 1921; Karl G. Pearson, District of Columbia and Lindsborg, Kansas, 1922, and Miss Dorothy Roberts, Harlan, Ky., 1923. With the exception of Liska, all of these students are in college, and he will enter when he has completed his high school course.

Rules of the contest do not limit participation to high school seniors, but provide that any student attending high school may submit an essay. No other conditions, except those governing the preparation of the paper itself, are provided. Essays must not exceed 700 words in length and must be handed school principals or teachers not later than May 1, 1925. Selection of the best essays is by a process of elimination.

Complete information will be forwarded each person who inquires of the Highway Education board, Willard Building, Washington, D. C.

The best essays of previous years have been collected in pamphlet form and are available for distribution. These booklets may be found in most libraries, or had upon request to the board.

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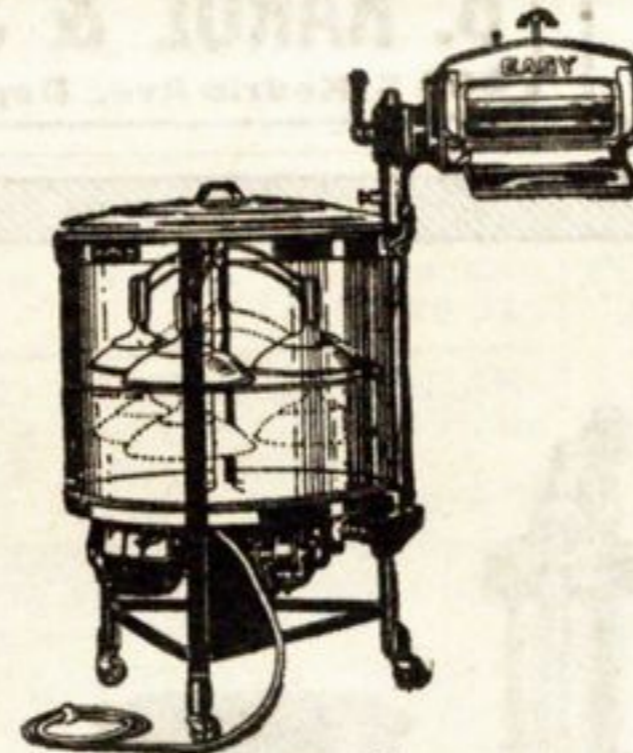
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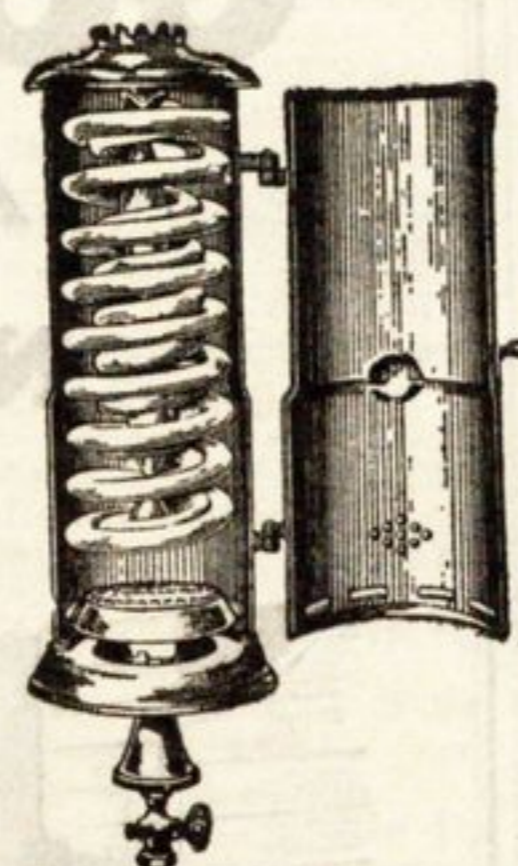
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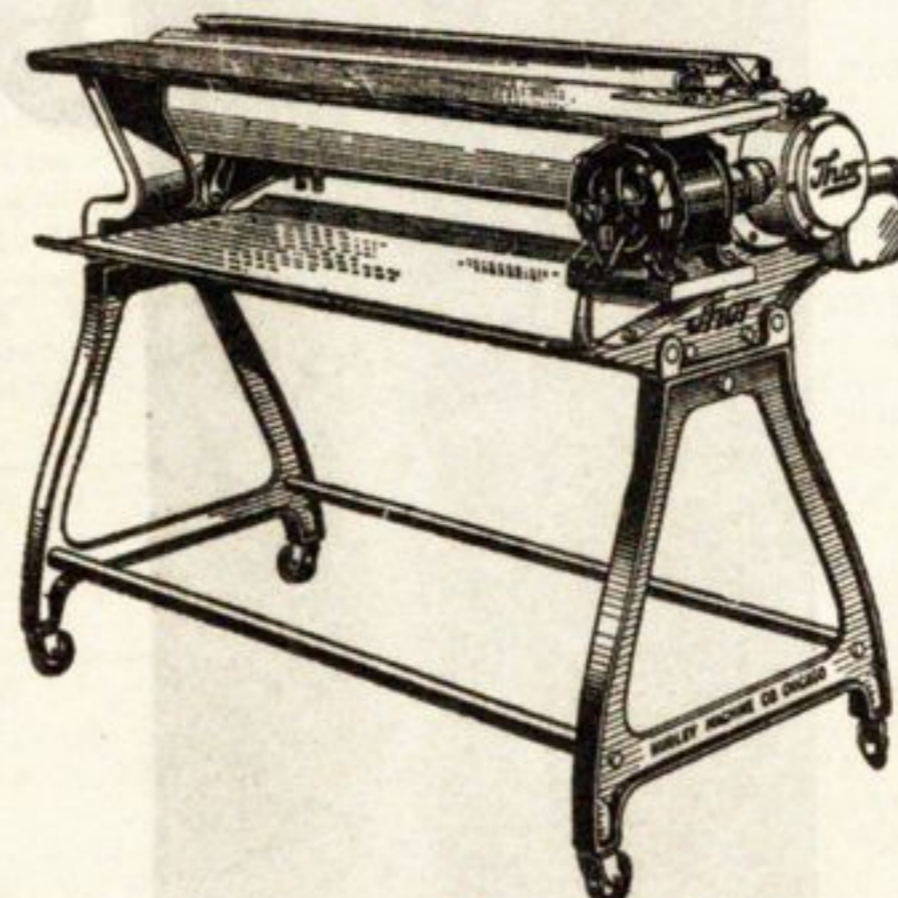
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