

BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

WHAT IS SCOUT MOVEMENT?

Any boy, of any nationality, of any creed, twelve years of age or older, may become a boy scout if he promises to keep the scout oath and laws and prepares himself for simple tests, on the composition and history of the American flag and the significance of the scout badge, and can make several cordage knots.

The boy scout movement is in no sense a secret organization.

The plan is to group a number of boys (not more than 32 in one "troop," as they are designated) under the leadership of a "scoutmaster"—a carefully selected, clean, intelligent, boy-loving, volunteer leader—always a man of sterling character and mature judgment. Each troop and scoutmaster are under the supervision of a "troop committee" of responsible citizens, usually officials of the church, synagogue, school, settlement house, asylum or playground with which the troop is connected.

Through such leadership the boys of the troops are kept interested in a program of play-activities that are health-giving and educational. They take long tramps, studying nature in all its forms. They learn woodcraft, and how to take care of themselves in the open. They have troop meetings each week for study, handicraft, experiments, demonstrations, etc., and go into camp every summer under trained directors.

In a hundred ways the boy's time is occupied. The program is so varied and so fascinating to the boy that he simply hasn't time or opportunity to trill with an idle gang or to turn into the evils that beset the path of the idle boy.

The boy scout is taught courtesy, honor, humanity, kindness, chivalry and service, and to exercise them at home, in school and outside, and such practical activities as first-aid, life-saving, cooking, swimming, etc.

The boy scout must do a "good turn" daily.

The only membership cost is an annual registration fee of 25 cents. The boy scout is taught thrift. He must earn the money for his own scout expenses.

City officials often co-operate with scout leaders, permitting the scouts to enjoy, as they do, the privilege of assisting in honorable, safe ways in connection with big demonstrations. On each occasion scouts are responsible aids, while other boys, in striking contrast just "hang around," getting in the way if not actually into mischief. It becomes a first step in practical civics.

ROOM FOR 50,000 CAMPERS.

When the work of W. A. Welch, engineer for the Palisades Interstate park has been completed there will be accommodations for 50,000 campers on the lakes near Greater New York. The park has been carefully planned, so that the camp sites will be suitable for those for whom they are intended. The scouts of Greater New York will be camped on one big lake, which is being made by joining three other lakes together. Our pond will be turned over to the Big Brothers and to the Society for Improving the Condition of the Poor.

It is proposed, as soon as accommodations are arranged, to try out a new type of camp which has proved a success in Los Angeles and Seattle. This will be a neighborhood camp. Small buildings are being prepared to take care of families so that those who desire to live in the open during the summer will have an opportunity to do so. The spot set aside for the scout camp is in the very center of the park, the wildest part of the country. It offers opportunities for the hikes and woodcraft which all scouts love.

NOTES OF THE SCOUTS.

A scout practices self-control, for he knows that men who master problems in the world must first master themselves. He keeps a close guard on his temper and never makes a silly spectacle of himself by losing his head. He keeps a close guard on his tongue, for he knows that loud speech is often a sign of ignorance and that untruthfulness shatters the confidence of others. He keeps a close guard on his appetite and eats moderately of foods which will make him strong; he never uses alcoholic liquors, because he does not wish to poison his body; he desires a clear, active brain, so he avoids tobacco.

A scout holds his honor to be his most precious possession, and he would die rather than have it stained. He knows what is his duty and all obligations imposed by duty he fulfills of his own free will. His sense of honor is his only taskmaster, and his honor he guards as jealously as did the knights of old.

A lecturer surprised the scouts of Montclair, N. J., by telling them of over sixty kinds of birds that remained in town over the winter. Under such conditions it ought not to trouble any scout to pass his third study examinations at any time of the year.

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Big Mid-Summer Clothing Sale

STARTS SATURDAY, JULY 7th, 1917

On Saturday, July 7th we are going to declare war on Clothing prices such as have heretofore been unheard of. While Clothing is going higher it does not pay to go into next season with any Spring and Summer Clothing on hands and we take this method in which to make room for our next seasons stock.

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In Boys' Woolen and Worsted Suits that formerly sold at \$6.50, now	\$5.00
In Boys' Woolen and Worsted Suits that formerly sold at \$5.50, now	\$4.50
In Boys' Woolen and Worsted Suits that formerly sold at \$4.50, now	\$3.75
In Boys' Woolen and Worsted Suits that formerly sold at \$3.50, now	\$2.75

BOYS' WASH SUITS

Boys' Wash Suits in both short and long sleeves, that were formerly \$2.00, now	\$1.48
Boys' Wash Suits in both short and long sleeves, that were formerly \$1.50, now	98c
Boys' Wash Suits in both short and long sleeves, that were formerly \$1.00, now	78c
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While it is unfortunate for us that we have too large a stock of goods on hand at this time, it is a golden opportunity for you to take advantage of the wonderful bargains that we are offering.

Remember Sale Starts Saturday Morning, July 7th, 1917

The Myers-Dailey Company

WILL FILL RANKS

Ranks of the Indiana National Guard Companies

Will be Filled

TO WAR STRENGTH

With Conscription Men—Training Camps Probable

ly be at Anniston, Ala.

(United Press Service) Indianapolis, July 5—With the mobilization of the Indiana National Guard but one month distant, it was practically certain today that it would be necessary to fill the ranks of many of the companies through conscription. Although campaigns for new members have been waged strenuously in every city in the state possessing a military company, the majority of the guard units are still considerably below war strength.

No orders have been received regarding the disposition of the companies which are now on guard duty in various sections of the state, protecting bridges and buildings, when the mobilization of the is called. It is the general impression, however, that those companies now on guard duty will be relieved by home guards and other local organizations so that the soldiers may be released for training for foreign service.

Under the present plans, the guards will be mobilized in armories and home stations where they will remain for a few days. They will be sent south as soon as transportation is provided to a federal training camp. At present the indications are that the camp for Indiana troops will be located at Anniston, Ala. It is probable that before leaving for the south, a central mobilization will take place at Ft. Benjamin Harrison.

During the few days which the companies are in their home quarters, a last effort will be made to fill the ranks of those which are still below peace strength. As soon as the men reach the southern concentration camp, they will be given an intensive training course for work abroad.

ANOTHER CHAIRMAN

Indianapolis, July 5—The question of who shall be named to succeed Cas. A. Greathouse, chairman of the democratic state central committee, who has been named a member of the vocational education board of the federal government by President Wilson, was under discussion by politicians here today.

That Greathouse will accept the position and resign as state chairman is considered practically certain. He has been in office only a few weeks, however, being elected last month to succeed Bernard A. Korbly, who resigned.

Greathouse's resignation will probably not be presented before August. He expects to go to Washington shortly to "look over" the ground and investigate the nature of his new duties.

EARLY CELEBRATOR IMPROVES.

Alfred Schell, whose premature celebration of the Fourth was ended with a bullet wound in the jaw Sunday night, was reported yesterday, the day he was celebrating in advance, to be doing nicely and has a good chance to recover. Louis Daniels, who is alleged to have fired the shot after Schell and his companions had frightened a dozen horses with firecrackers, still denies the shooting.—Ft. Wayne Journal Gazette.

The accident happened on the Decatur road near Hesse Cassel. According to the stories of Lloyd Elder and Lester Somers, driver of the car the young fellows were joy riding. They had some two-inch firecrackers with them and were lighting them and throwing them from the car. They passed Daniels' wagon near Hesse Cassel and threw some firecrackers at it. They went a short distance and turned around and on their way back threw some firecrackers under the wagon. Then a shot rang out and Schell, who was sitting beside Somers, was struck.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, on account of the heavy increase in expenses, will be compelled—commencing Saturday, July 7th—to charge fifteen cents to unbind a team:

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