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Boy Scouts

The American boy's urge to do things is largely responsible for the phenomenal growth of the Boy Scouts of America during the past three decades, the National Council of the organization believes. Although adults look with favor upon the character-building aspects of Scouting, the 12-year-old is primarily interested in joining a lively bunch of his contemporaries who seem to spend most of their time hiking, camping, performing spectacular Good Turns and playing exciting games.

Records of the past three decades have well established the character values of Scouting. More than half of the Rhodes Scholars from the United States have been former Scouts. So have half the cadets at Annapolis and West Point. Private organizations who hire many young men frequently consider attainment of Eagle Scout rank as the equivalent of two years in college. The Army and Navy Air Corps give special preference to high-ranking former Scouts because they are presumed to be serious-minded, responsible and alert.

Despite the solid basis for adult approval of Scouting, there is good reason for the enthusiasm of the boys themselves. The Movement's whole program is predicted on the idea of "learning by doing." To promote respect for the United States Flag, a color ceremony is part of Troop meetings, and an important part of the "Tenderfoot" requirements is a knowledge of correct Flag usages.

Self-reliance is developed on hikes in the woods, where—under the eye of Senior Scouts and adult leaders—the beginners learn to pitch their own tents and cook their own meals. Tracking and pathfinding games are exciting sports, and they teach the boys to be observant. Contests in first aid, knot-tying and bridge building keep them alert and ready for the day when their knowledge will be of serious use to the community.

The idea of service is kept before the boys throughout their years as Boy Scouts. The daily Good Turn is a keynote of the program. Advancement to higher rank requires evidence that the youngsters have lived up to the Scout Oath and Law since joining.

Typical of the sort of Good Turn that appeals to the boy's dramatic sense is the distribution of Thanksgiving baskets, ushering at public functions, and assisting in rescue work. Preparation for such tasks instills an eagerness to perform others, less exciting jobs. Active participation in Scouting from his 12th birthday until he is 16 or 17 often has profound effect on a youth's adulthood.

Interesting Figures

There were 161 deaths last month from what the State Board of Health lists as preventable accidents, as compared with 131 in October, 1939, according to the figures just issued by the Division of Vital Statistics, of which Dr. R. T. Stimpson is the director. The increase registered in October, 1940, was 30. Aside from deaths due to automobile accidents, there were 15 accidental drownings last month, as compared with only 3 during the same period a year ago, while railroad accidents not associated with highway traffic took a toll of 7, against 4 a year ago. Also, there were two air transportation fatalities this year, as compared with none for the corresponding period in 1939, it was pointed out.

So far, for the entire year, the death toll in North Carolina from preventable accidents totals 1,196, out of 26,393 deaths from all causes. In other words, those dying from preventable accidents constitute more than four and a half per cent of those dying from all causes. This does not in-

clude those who have died from diphtheria and other preventable diseases.

There was a sharp decline in the number of births reported last month, as compared with figures for the previous October. For the 1940 period there were 6,776 babies born in North Carolina, or 325 fewer than the 7,101 born in October, 1939. Deaths totaled 2,442, as compared with 2,523 a year ago, but the number of infants who died under a year old dropped from 388 to 362, a difference of 26 in favor of this year. This brought the infant mortality rate for the month down from 23.8 to 23.

There were no outstanding differences in the number of deaths from the various diseases reported. Pellagra claimed 18 fewer victims, diphtheria 11 fewer, cancer 8 more, while there were 5 fewer suicides and 4 more homicides.

When And Where To Pass

"North Carolina needs a Marshal Foch to tell motorists that 'they shall not pass,'" Ronald Hocutt director of the Highway Safety Division, declared this week in commenting on the fact that several people were killed in the state last month as a result of improper passing on the highways.

Close to 30 persons have been killed in North Carolina this year as a result of passing or attempting to pass on curves, on the crests of hills, at intersections and at other places where common sense should have told them it was dangerous to pass.

Knowing where to pass is important, but it is just as important if not more so to know when to pass and how to pass. When you have overtaken another car and wish to pass it, be sure that there is sufficient space ahead. Give a left turn signal to notify the driver behind you that you are changing lanes. Then sound your horn so that the driver in front will know that you intend to pass. Look to the rear to see if any car is passing you. Always pass the other car on the left. A good way to judge when you are safely past a car is when you can see the left headlight in your mirror. Then you can return to the right hand side of the road.

Hocutt listed the following as places where passing is not only dangerous but is forbidden by law:

On hills, on curves, at intersections, at railroad crossings, within 100 feet of a bridge, and when another car is approaching.

The use of good judgment and common sense in passing is one of the surest earmarks of a good driver.

Really Rolling

The nation's big defense program is really going full blast. A short time ago, we notice, ground was broken for a structure that represents the largest individual aircraft production expansion effort in the country—perhaps in the world. It will increase the production of one particular type of plane from the present rate of eight a day to around seventy a day. And it shows how fast industry can move—the moment government gives the "go ahead" signal.

Robert P. Patterson, Assistant Secretary of War, was there for the ceremonies, and declared: "The rearmament program has gathered good momentum and is going forward fast."

And Emil Schramm, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, offered a mild word of approval for industry, saying there had been "no sitdown strike by industry."

Anyway, the defense program is really moving along. And even at this early stage, there seems no doubt that industry is producing rapidly and efficiently enough to put fear into the hearts of any potential aggressor who is even dallying with the thought of striking at our country and our way of life.

Requiem

Under the wide and starry sky,
Dig the grave and let me die.
Glad did I live and gladly die,
And I laid me down with a will.

This be the verse you grave for me;
He lies where he long to be,
Home is the sailor, home from sea,
And the hunter home from the hill.

—R. R. Stevenson.

Seeing as how the Rumanian earthquake happened just after the death of Neville Chamberlain, a minister remarked here Tuesday that Chamberlain died, went to heaven, told the Lord what was happening in Europe and that the earthquake was sent to slow down Hitler's armies.

Sunday Termed Favorite Day At Ft. Jackson

Fort Jackson, S. C.—Soldiers get their week-end off the same as they did in civilian life, and spend them in much the same manner.

Relieved at noon Saturday unless on special duty, the soldiers sometimes go home Saturday afternoon. Others just go to town to see the sights. Athletic soldiers play football, baseball, volleyball. Others read or sleep.

A camp's canteen is its corner drug store—a place to hang around Saturday night. Soldiers don't generally stay out late Saturday night. Getting up early in the morning, as they do, makes them ready for bed fairly early in the evening.

Sunday is the soldiers' favorite day. They sleep later, and breakfast is moved back so they can get extra sleep. It may bring visitors, and quarters are required to be cleaned and made neat.

Church call sounds at 9:30 Sunday morning, and it finds many soldiers ready to attend services by the chaplain assigned each regiment. Attendance isn't compulsory, but officers encourage it and the congregations are growing.

Sunday afternoons provide time for kodaking, or showing some relative or friend around the regimental area. If the weather is bad, Sunday afternoon is a favorite letter-writing time.

SUFFICIENT

Total stocks of unmanufactured tobacco in the United Kingdom at the beginning of the present marketing year, about 435 million pounds, were near requirements for two years.

STOPPED

War in Europe has virtually paralyzed the cotton textile industry of France, thus shutting off what was the second best European market for United States cotton.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina, County of Wilkes.

Under and by virtue of the authority in a certain deed of trust executed by Robert Welborn, dated November 18, 1931, recorded in Book 165 at Page 189, records of the above-named County and State, default having been made in payment of note secured thereby, at the request of the holder of the said deed of trust, the undersigned will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in Wilkesboro, N. C., on December 20, 1940, at 11 o'clock, A. M. the following described lands:

A certain tract of land located in Wilkes County being a one-fifth undivided interest in same, which adjoins the lands of Allen Simmons, W. L. Haynes, Mrs. Nancy E. Moody, W. Ransom Welborn, et al., AND BEGINNING on a white oak stump formerly Gwyn's and Welborn's corner on the East side of the State Road; and runs N. 56 degrees W. to the white oak which now stands in T. H. Wall's yard; then W. 20 chs. to a post oak (formerly Ed and Jack R. Moody's corner); thence Southward with Nan Moody's line 22 poles to a post oak sapling; then South 3 poles to a large white oak (Welborn's corner); then East 24 poles to a sourwood in Nan Moody's line; then on East 21 chs. to the chestnut corner, now dead and down; then South 2 1/2 chs. to a white oak, Simmons' corner; thence Northeastwardly to a persimmon tree on the side of the State Road to the BEGINNING. Containing 44 acres, more or less. This 18th day of Nov., 1940.

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Supreme Court Ruling Favors Labor Union

Washington.—The Supreme Court yesterday ruled that a Chicago labor union was free to carry on picketing activities even though the activities were alleged to interfere with interstate commerce.

A unanimous decision by Justice Black held in effect that the Norris-LaGuardia act (barring courts from issuing injunctions in labor disputes except in certain circumstances) took precedence over the Sherman act (barring actions which restrain interstate commerce).

The court also refused to review two cases challenging controversial orders of the labor board, thereby leaving the orders in force.

One order held that the Elkland Leather Company of Elkland, Pa., had committed an unfair labor practice by distributing to employees, with their pay checks, this written statement: "You are under no obligation to join any union and cannot be forced to do so as this tannery will always operate as an open shop. This company will deal individually with any employee that wishes to do so at any time."

This issue of freedom of speech was raised but a federal circuit court upheld the board's condemnation of the expression as unfair. The Supreme Court declined to review this decision even though Solicitor General Biddle, for the government, did not oppose the review. Biddle explained that another circuit court had made a contrary ruling in a similar case involving the Ford Motor Company and that settlement of the conflict by the high tribunal would be welcome.

RECORDS

Of the 17 Cabarrus County poultrymen beginning demonstration flock records last October, 16 completed their records, reports W. H. Williams, assistant farm agent of the State College Extension Service.

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Youths, Age 17 Years May Join The Navy

The Navy recruiting station, Salisbury, states that the Secretary of the Navy, Frank Knox, has authorized the enlistment in the navy of men between the ages of 17 and 18 years for minority enlistments. This means that anyone between the age of seventeen and eighteen may enlist in the Navy until he becomes twenty-one years old, that he will

in such cases be discharged on the day before his twenty-first birthday. This gives to the younger patriots of the nation a splendid opportunity. A man who enlists at the age of seventeen may retire, on half pay, at the very early age of thirty-seven years. Enlistments between the ages of 18 and thirty-one are still the same as before, for a period of six years.

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