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BOY SCOUTS MAKE REAL MEN

Mr Cook Interests Old And Young With The History of Scoutdom

At last night's performance the Schubert String Quartet opened the program with their concert, which was followed by Dr. Thomas Green's lecture on 'The Forces That Fall.'

The quartet was even more appreciatively applauded in the evening than in the afternoon. Dr. Green's address was a brilliant expose of the 'Preparedness' fallacy and the Navy League and was enthusiastically received by Elizabeth City People.

During the intermission announcement was made that the contract for 1917 Chautauqua has been signed with one hundred and five guarantors and the probability of thirty others today. Mr. Cook congratulated Elizabeth City on the signing of the contract before the Seven Joyous Days are half gone and announced that early this morning he will send by wire to Chautauqua headquarters the message that the contract has been signed, adding the words "Boost Elizabeth City the banner Chautauqua town."

Chautauqua crowds are continuing large and enthusiastic and Chautauqua spirit is pervading the entire city.

Monday's afternoon program began with a lecture in the series of Literary Hearthstones, the subject being 'Sidney Lanier.' The lecture was followed by a concert by Victor's Band, which is Chautauqua favorite with the majority of people. Victor's Band again played in the evening and Rosani, the prince of jugglers, delighted both old and young with his exceptionally wonderful feats.

On Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock Chautauqua Superintendent Hunt Cook spoke on the Boy Scout Movement.

Mr Cook began by saying that the Boy Scout Movement was the subject nearest his heart since he had been in close touch with boys

THE STROLLERS' QUARTET



Chautauqua audiences are the most appreciative in the world. They know a good thing when they see it. The Original Strollers Quartet has a third season's engagement with the Chautauqua Association of Swarthmore and will be on our program this year solely because the Chautauquas demand them.

They present a program of wonderful variety—quartets, duets, solos, both vocal and instrumental; songs, both serious and comic; interlocutor work; high grade recitals, both tear fetching and laughter compelling, with many etceteras. With it all, they are the best Swiss Bell Ringers on the road. They never fail to capture the crowd.

In this movement for thirteen years having given himself to the work because he had no money to give.

From this intimate experience with the Boy Scout Movement Mr. Cook declared that it is undoubtedly the best movement ever inaugurated out of which grow stalwart, conscientious men.

THE BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT

'One Sunday afternoon' said the speaker, 'Sir Baden Powell, who had won brilliant honors in the Transvaal and was again at home in London, took ten boys for a walk,—an inconsequential happening—and returning to his room he kept thinking of these boys and as he thought the conviction grew upon him that these boys were thirsting for leadership. From the afternoon's experience plans were evolved whereby the kinetic energy of a boy's make-

up is directed into proper channels and transformed into wholesome action. This was the beginning of the Boy Scout Movement.

'There are now six hundred thousand and Scouts in America, and two hundred thousand of these are in camp this summer.

'Dan Beard, whose signature you have seen on caricatures perhaps, is the man who has done more than any other man in America for the Boy Scout Movement.

'The King of Spain has read the manual and has become a scout master with his young subjects as his scouts.

'The Prince of Italy is a Scout Master.

'The Prince of Denmark is also a scout, because his father realized the importance of the Boy Scout Movement. And wherever men have realized what the movement has done

for boys, they have become scout masters or appointed others as scout masters to carry on the work.

'The Boy Scouts of Europe were immediately called into service when the war broke out,—not into military action, but carrying water, tending farms, carrying messages, and so on.

'William Randolph Hearst organized the Country Boy Scouts in contradiction to the Boy Scouts of America, but this movement was solely for self-aggrandizement, and it has already almost died out.

'The Boy Scouts organization is

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not a military organization. You who are mothers will want to know about this before you permit your sons to join. In camp the boys are taught camp sanitation, camp drainage, and camp life generally. If they should be called into war as men they will know camp life and thus be ready to serve quickly and efficiently. But the military feature goes no further. In fact, the movement is strictly non-military.'

Mr. Cook said 'I would drop every interest in the world except the maintenance of my home before I would drop the Boy Scout Movement, because I realize how important it is. It is my life work from this time on.'

He then related a number of interesting incidents in his experience wherein boys were developed into splendid manhood from most unpromising circumstances and conditions, combating disease, poverty, lack of home care, and similar disadvantages.

In conclusion Mr. Cook bade the boys take the Scout oath as their compass through life.—'On my honor I will do what I can to be true to my country, to my fellowman, and to my God, striving at all times to be helpful to other people, to keep myself mentally alert and morally straight.'

Continuing the illustration, he urged them to take the twelve Scout Laws at their twelve points of their compass; the thirty two lines of Kipling's poem 'If' as the thirty two divisions on the compass dial.

'If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,

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