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SCOUTING VIGNETTES

By Peter Carlton

I know a boy. From outward appearance he is just like any boy you would see around town. Just a boy. You might see him peddling newspapers or running errands. Just a little fellow with glasses and a very plain face. He might even have a cow-lick sproutin' at the rear of his head, and maybe a strand of straight hair, straw-colored, pushing down over his right eye. You might perhaps, just on chance, take notice of him because he is quiet and serious of mien. Maybe when you could get him to say anything you would be impressed by his courteous but most brief responses to your questions. He might even say a few words like "yes, sir; or no Sir." For a moment or two you might suspect that he came from that section of the country which is noted for the brevity of speech of its natives, but no, the inflection of his voice and his total qualities would place him right back again as the little boy you often see around the town or city.

It is very likely that you would never think that this boy of thirteen, bespeckled, gangly, was a hero. And from contact with this boy, you'd feel he hadn't thought of such a stigma, as anyone who was "all boy" would classify such a title. "A hero—humpf. For shovin' three girls out of the water? Are you kiddin'?" he might say. How could you feel like a hero if you were never afraid one bit that three drowning girls ranging in ages from 14 to 16 would, perhaps in their frantic desires to be saved, grab hold of you and drown you, too? And even if the so-called "law of averages" was taken into account, was it possible that one out of three would grab a fatal hold on him? Let's see, that means that if the law were to work, at least one of the three girls might make this fatal move.

One day someone would say, "Did you hear how that young Titshaw boy, who is a Boy Scout, saved those three girls out of the Pasquotank River near 'old Brick House land-in'?" and before you could answer yea or nay, he would go on, "He doesn't talk about it, but the kids were speaking among themselves and I overheard it."

By this time you could just see everyone settling themselves and getting ready for a long tale. But Mr. Story-teller would disappoint the listeners because he didn't know too much about it himself. Why? Because there's a catch to it at first as you'll find out. And it all has to do with a mishap of a code of honor, chivalry, neighborhood or some such stuff—but "wait a minute, that's a funny way to put it. You just said this kid didn't believe in hero stuff," would be the words shot at you. "That's right," you would quietly reply if you were to back up the story teller. Then you'd let the story teller go on before you finished what you were thinking. "Three girls, few weeks ago—out on a stump. One testing water to see how deep—she loses her balance—falls in—pulls other two in. One could swim fairly well, but couldn't because the other two kept pulling her down. One drifts away, goes down again and many have left the plane plants and shipyards, assure us on that point. Nine out of ten of the workers have money in the bank, tin boxes full of war bonds, and the best cars they could buy. And they're on their way home, principally to the Middle West. The scene is largely being repeated along the Atlantic seaboard.

Many are not looking for jobs and shouldn't be classified among the jobless. Most of them did not work for wages before. They were their own bosses, or housewives, or went to school. Now they will go back to one of the little houses you passed last week on your first "free-gas" trip into the country. You remember, the little empty houses with weeds growing around them. Now they will be painted and have some new plumbing. The weeds will be plowed under and flowers will spring up in the yard. Some war workers are having to hunt new jobs. But many so far are of this type—they will reopen the roadside garages, stands and stores. They will re-employ themselves.—Christian Science Monitor.

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Hertford's Loss

For the past two years Hertford has hummed with the extra activity created by having the air station located at Harvey Point, and a bright spot was added to the town with the opening of the USO Club for the use of service men and GSO girls, who served as junior hostesses at the club. The fact that the base has closed and the USO has suspended operation is, indeed, a loss for Hertford, not only from a selfish monetary point-of-view, but the closing of the base and the USO means that Hertford will lose several well known residents who have made Hertford their home during these years.

The men and officers stationed at Harvey Point were an asset to the town. Unlike other towns located near Army and Navy stations, we had practically no trouble created by the service personnel and those of them who resided in Hertford took a decided interest in community affairs during their stay here.

Many words could be written regarding the benefits the town derived from the USO Club, but it is with much regret that soon we will lose Edgar J. Hill, club director, who plans to return to his native Pennsylvania. During his stay here the USO director was active in civic club work, school work and general community activities, all of these in addition to his duties at the USO and his leaving will be a loss to Hertford.

These things, however, must happen, and this newspaper stops to say farewell and good luck to all those good folks who have lived among us during the short period that the base and the USO was in operation.

Why People Leave Rural Areas

Senator George L. Radcliffe, of Maryland, is disturbed over the war-speeded tendency of the nation's population to leave the rural areas for city life. He thinks there is a "very great need for people to go back to rural areas."

The drift from the farm has concerned many people for many years but it continues unabated and there is little chance of stopping the trend until the economic rewards that come to farmers make agriculture more attractive as a source of each.

The country has become a very attractive place of residence since modern inventions and developments have made it possible to enjoy electricity, telephones, radios and other conveniences on the farm. Not least of the contributions to better living in rural areas have been the automobile and good highways.

The only catch in the scheme of living for farmers is that it takes cash to secure electricity, telephones, radios, automobiles and other conveniences. While a large number of agriculturalists have all of the items mentioned, there are many others who lack the wherewithal to purchase them.

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Not Really Jobless

The official statement that two million men and women are now out of work in America has caused some alarm. But we need not assume that these workers have been thrown into the streets and are begging for bread. If they are looking for jobs, they won't have to look long. There are plenty to be had, so far.

No, most of the 2,000,000 who quit bench or assembly line should not be in had straits at all. Reports from California and the Northwest, where

again. No one pays any attention, thinking they are fooling. Young Titshaw thought so, too, at first, but then swims the 80 feet to them. He ducks under and pushes the one who could swim to a place where she could stand and walk out. He grabs the other and tows her in where a young swimmer lent a hand to walk her out. The third girl who went down again and again, was expertly seized by Billy Titshaw and towed to shore.

The speaker stops. The drone of his voice ceases. You're shaken out of your reverie by the question, "Is that all?" Your mind flashes back to many things. "What was the answer to the catch? Chivalry—bah, stuff and nonsense." Well, those little things may not mean much to grown ups. When the three girls, who named themselves, Evelyn Sprull, Shirley Jordan and Vina Mae Tillett, all of Elizabeth City, come up and tell you themselves about it, you learn he was shielding them from being scolded by their parents. Then you go on dreaming and asking yourself, "What is a hero?"

Favorable Weather Helps Peanut Crop

Very favorable weather in the Virginia-Carolina area during the past two weeks has greatly improved crop conditions for peanuts.

Demand for new crop peanuts for immediate shipment has been very good in all sections. In south Texas

the crop has largely moved by truck to nearby points. In the Southeast some shelled Spanish have already moved to market but the stock still contains too much moisture for shipment to distant points. Current bookings are far in excess of available supplies. A fair future demand continues for Spanish for delivery in September, October and November, but demand for futures beyond that time has been very light. Also there have been almost no bids for future shipment of Runners. All sales on Spanish have been reported at the ceiling of 14 1/2 c. f.o.b. in the Southwest and 14 c. in the Southeast.

SOIL CONSERVATION NOTES

Soil Conservation plans were completed last month for W. B. Jordan, P. E. Lane, J. L. Proctor, Ed Garrett and Shelton Manley. Henry J. Bragg, Soil Scientist with the Soil Conservation Service, has recently mapped the soils on the farms of the following land owners: Guy Webb, Clarence Dail, W. R. Miller, T. E. Madre, Jake White, Adrian Smith, Lewis Smith, T. W. Nixon, L. W. Smith and Nathan Trueblood. Mapping the soils is one of the first steps in working out a soil conservation plan on a farm.

The farmers in the Bagley Swamp neighborhood have recently petitioned the supervisors of the Albemarle Soil Conservation District for assistance in helping them solve and overcome a drainage problem affecting their lands.

NEW HOPB NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Barclift of Norfolk are visiting friends and relatives here for a few days. Mrs. and Mr. J. A. Sawyer, M.D., and Mrs. Robert Robbins and little daughter spent Sunday in Norfolk visiting friends.

Miss Celia Blanche Dail has returned to Washington, D. C., where she will resume her work as teacher of science in Elliott High School after spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dail.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Banks of Norfolk spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Birchler Banks. Mrs. W. W. Spencer, who has been a patient in DePue Hospital in Norfolk, has returned home. Her condition is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Barclift and children, Patsy and William, have returned to their home in Washington, D. C., after spending several days with Mrs. Barclift's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dail. They were accompanied by their niece, Miss Billie Dail, who had spent the summer with her grandparents.

William Sawyer, USN, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. J. E. Sawyer.

Mrs. Maude Simpson, who has been ill for several days, is much improved.

Lady Nearly Choked While Lying In Bed—Due To Stomach Gas

One lady said a few days ago that she used to be afraid to go to bed at night. She was swollen with stomach gas, which always got worse when she went to bed, and the gas would rise up in her throat after she lay down and would nearly choke her. She couldn't lie flat. Had to prop herself up on pillows. Recently this lady got INNER-AID and now says gas is gone, stomach feels fine, bowels are regular and she can go to bed and sleep soundly.

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Table with financial data for Hanover Fire Insurance Company, including Condition December 31, 1944, Amount of Capital paid in cash, and various assets and liabilities.

Table showing ASSETS: Value of Bonds and Stocks, Cash in Company's Office, Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks, Agents' balances, etc.

Table showing LIABILITIES: Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, Unearned premiums, Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, due or accrued, etc.

Table showing Business in North Carolina During 1944: Fire Premiums received, All other Premiums received, Losses incurred—Fire, etc.

I, Wm. P. Hodges, Commissioner of Insurance, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Hanover Fire Insurance Company of New York 8, N. Y., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company, on the 31st day of December, 1944.

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY HARTFORD, CONN.

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