

# NEWS AND NOTES OF THE BOY SCOUTS

## TROOP SIXTEEN HAS GOOD RECORD

### Boys Are Not Found Wanting When They Are Taken by Surprise

Mr. Virgin surprised Troop 16 on Monday night, but he didn't catch us napping. Twenty-two were present to welcome him when he dropped in on our meeting for a few minutes. He was given the floor immediately and told us something that made us feel mighty good. He told us that two of our fellows—Russel Brown and Frank Poose—were the first two scouts of any troop to pass the written part of the second class tests before the local executive. My, how we applauded that announcement. Mr. Virgin spoke to us about the parade plans and the campsite under consideration, and made several suggestions for the good of "Sixteen." At 7.50 he left in order to address a meeting in the interest

of scouting at Westminster Presbyterian.

Our new officers are entitled to a lot of credit. They tackled their jobs like old timers. President Sellers was there with the goods. Scribe Brown was on the job long before the meeting started. Chaplain Houston had the prayer committed to memory. That lad is going to be a minister. Treasurer Grand lived up to his name, and Vice-President Hess was ready for business in case of any mishap to the president.

Scoutmaster Fortenbaugh issued instructions for July 4. Two fellows were assigned to traffic duty and six to ice water stations. A bicycle squad was organized, with Charles Froehlich as leader and Joe McClintock as assistant leader. More about this later.

Our thanks are due to Assistant Scoutmaster Mehring for a supply of dues cards. Much obliged, old man.

Big hike on Saturday. Meet at Sixth and Maclay streets at 1.40. Take Rockville car at 1.45, ride to end of line and hike to a point in Clark's Valley where we are going to do second class work—tracking, running and so-on. Bring a lunch—something to cook if you want to,

but don't forget "food will win the war." Don't bring such a big lunch. Being 19 cents carfare, leave your spending money at home. No scout will be allowed to buy any candy or soft drinks. We'll be home no later than 8.30 or 9.

Next Monday plans for another "15-cent affair"—you know what we mean—will be announced. Eagle patrol will be the committee. You'll get about a dollar's worth for your money. Come and get a line on this, it's gonna be good.

Two, four, six, eight, ten, twelve, fourteen, sixteen, **SIXTEEN, SIXTEEN** Harrisburg. F. A. S. Scribe.

## Scouts Learn the Screech Owl Is Much Maligned

A bird of which little is known, except by the initiated, yet one that is far from uncommon in most of the wooded sections of the United States, is the much maligned screech owl, Boy Scouts have learned.

The sweeping manner in which the farmer and sportsman condemn it as well as all other birds of prey, because of the offenses of a few, aptly exemplifies the old adage that

"a little knowledge is a dangerous thing." Did the farmer but know it, he is aiding in the extermination of one of his best friends when he kills, as he almost invariably will kill when he gets the opportunity, one of these little raptors; for the screech owl not only does not help himself to the poultry but will rid the farm to a large extent of many of its enemies if he is allowed to make his home in the vicinity.

With the exception of the burrowing owl, it feeds more extensively on insects than any other species. It is also a diligent mouser. Of the 304 stomachs examined, birds were found in only about fifteen per cent, and fully one-third of those were English sparrows. Among insects, grasshoppers, crickets, beetles and cutworms are most often eaten. Meadow mice, white-footed mice, and house mice are the mammals most often taken, while chipmunks, wood rats, flying squirrels and mole are frequently found. At nearly three-fourths of the owl's food consists of injurious mammals and insects and only about one-seventh of birds—a large proportion of which are destructive English sparrows—this little owl should be carefully protected.

## SCOUT WORK NEAR THE BATTLE LINES

### Do Useful Work That Releases Soldiers For the Fighting Front

In Belgium King Albert's sons are Boy Scouts, says Sir Robert S. S. Baden-Powell, in Boys' Life, the Boy Scouts magazine, for July, and the movement was going strong there before the war. The scouts of Antwerp particularly distinguished themselves in the early days of the war by their valuable work in carrying out the communication and sending supplies between that city and the outlying defenses. In the withdrawal of the Belgian army they were attached to the army headquarters and played a useful part as cyclist orderlies both then and subsequently in the campaign in Flanders.

Scouts have also done useful work as orderlies to the hospitals at the Lavanne, one of their duties there being the care and repair of surgical instruments.

The Italian Boy Scouts, at whose head is the Crown Prince, are being utilized for auxiliary service with the army. The Serbian Boy Scouts

have as their head the Crown Prince of Serbia. Very early in the war they distinguished themselves by their useful work as orderlies and first aiders to the hospitals, then, when their country was invaded, they were mobilized and attached to the army as despatch riders and orderlies and did particularly good work in the retreat from their country.

The Boy Scouts of Athens, among other things, have shown kindness and hospitality to their British brother scouts when some of these were rescued from the hospital ship Britannic, at the time when she was torpedoed off the coast of Greece.

The scouts of Saloniki did splendid work in the great fire there, and in the course of this six of them lost their lives.

In France, where they live in the anxious atmosphere of the war, the Boy Scouts have proved themselves to be of sterner, stronger stuff than anyone had ever suspected.

## Scouts Glad to Learn There Is No Ban on Uniforms

There is no need for concern on the part of the 244,286 scouts and \$8,523 scout officials about the danger of their having to give up the use of their official khaki uniform at this time.

## Boy Scouts Find 900,000 Feet of Black Walnut Daily

New York, July 5.—About 800,000 feet of black walnut, desired by the Government for the manufacture of certain airplane parts, is being discovered daily by the Boy Scouts of America in their search through the country's forests, it was announced today. The statement is based on information received from the forest service of the Department of Agriculture.

Black walnut has been found in thirty-three states. Word has been sent to the 442,000 scouts and scout officials that their canvass should be complete, "so that it will be unnecessary to repeat it even if the war should last five years."

action of the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers to the effect that all future production of khaki cloth should be restricted to Government orders will have no effect whatever upon the great army of Boy Scouts now organized and rapidly increasing.

In the first place, the Boy Scouts of America are recognized by the Government as a part of the machinery for winning the war. Not only is this recognition established as a matter of fact because of the practical results of their activities, but is based upon their Federal charter and the provisions in the recent Army Reorganization Law, which specifically, in section 125, legalizes the uniform of the Boy Scouts of America. Indeed, the Boy Scouts of America is the only or-

ganization outside of the Army, the Navy and the Marine Corp and the National Guard and the Naval Militia which is specifically mentioned in the Act. All other organizations require specific authority from the Secretary of War for the use of a uniform any part of which resembles a United States Army, Navy or Marine Corp uniform.

As a matter of fact, the material used for the khaki uniforms of the Boy Scouts of America, while similar in color, is not like that used in the woolen Army uniform. The standard uniform of the Boy Scouts of America is made of olive drab cotton fabric. The resolution of the manufacturers referred solely to the woolen cloth used for the winter Army uniforms. Hardly any scout and only a few scout officials wear a woolen uniform.

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## "I've Never Seen So Many Men In My Life"

This chance remark overheard from a woman after the parade emphasizes the importance of an occasional demonstration, such as the one of yesterday—if for no other reason.

We are accustomed to working in small groups and reside in scattered sections of the city and suburbs, so we seldom realize what it means to assemble 30,000 or 40,000 men and women in one group for review.

When one industry alone can marshal over 2,000 or 3,000 into line, we realize more forcibly than words or figures can tell the importance of that industry to a community.

And when thousands of the foreign-born Americans march before us in review we realize as never before what a great factor they are in building of this nation and how important they are in pushing the war work.

The success of the parade speaks for itself as a patriotic spectacle that cannot fail to inspire those who saw it with greater patriotic fervor and impress them with its significance, in various ways.

## House Dresses, Aprons and Nurses Uniforms

Many pretty styles in house dresses suitable for porch, summer home or at the beach. Prices exceptionally low, but seams carefully bound, materials good and workmanship fine.

House dresses in all sizes and extra sizes—ginghams, percale and chambray, .....\$1.25 to \$5.50

Nurses uniforms in blue chambray, striped gingham and white linens .....\$1.98 to \$3.98

Bungalow aprons of the good serviceable kind, of the stuff and workmanship that grandmother wore. We selected them for the service and satisfaction that we know they will give. Price .....\$1.00 to \$2.50

Conservation aprons that are exceptionally attractive and used extensively by domestic science specialists in leading cities .....\$2.25 to \$2.98

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor.



# Important News for MEN

## A Sale of High Grade Summer Shirts

It is worth something to know that the shirts you wear are absolutely right, and these days it is worth a whole lot to know that you can buy such shirts under regular prices.

We have assembled this lot of Summer shirts which men can buy at savings, with every assurance that they are absolutely correct and from the leading makers.

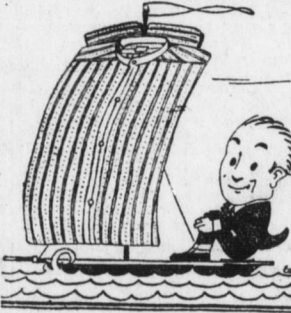
The man who is at all particular; who appreciates that a good appearance is a valuable asset, is not going to pass up this opportunity to secure

**Men's Tub Silk Shirts**  
—fine quality—good patterns, French cuffs, coat styles, special ..... \$4.50

**Men's Dress Shirts**  
—fine quality of Madras choice, patterns—French cuffs, coat style, very special, ..... \$1.15

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**Men's Dress Shirts**  
—good quality of percale coat style, French cuffs, sizes 14 to 17, unusual value at ..... 79c



## Art Needle Work

Cretonne knitting bags .....50c  
Crochet cotton—all colors—ball ..... 4c  
Stamped and embroidered made-up nightgowns—sizes 16, 17, price .....89c  
18-inch centers in tan and white—stamped and embroidered .....15c

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor.

## Kimonos in Many Dainty Materials & Pretty Patterns

Plain shades and floral patterns—materials of silk and figured crepe—plain and elastic bands—also a new lot of Japanese crepe kimonos in rose, Copen, old blue, lavender, crepe, at .....\$1.50 to \$5.50  
Silk kimonos .....\$5.98 to \$16.50

BOWMAN'S—Third Floor

## Pretty Draperies, Cushions and Couch Covers

In the many beautiful materials that wrap the entire surroundings with a tone rich with color, making the home appearance more home-like and greatly increasing its attractiveness.



Cretonne porch cushions—round and square, good patterns, each .....49c  
Plain and fancy figured marquisette for door curtains in rose, green, blue and brown, yard .....38c  
Heavy dark cretonne yard wide, in good all-over and set patterns, yard .....39c  
36-inch mercerized poplin in rose, blue and brown for draperies, yard .....49c  
Worsted couch covers in full sizes—90x48 inches several colors, pair, .....\$1.50

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## Wavy Hair Transformations

May be worn inside or outside one's own hair, to give the coiffure a modish fullness. The workmanship and naturally wavy hair are of the finest quality, and they are sufficiently long to encircle the entire head.

Specially priced at **\$2.45**.  
In all shades, including a large assortment of gray.

BOWMAN'S—Third Floor

# CAN ALL YOU CAN AND HELP CAN THE KAISER

## We Have the Necessary Utensils For Perfect Canning



Fruit Jar Lifter

Fruit season is here and we were never so well prepared to cater to the wants of the many thousands of Harrisburg and surrounding territory who intend to put up fruit and vegetables this year.



Measuring Glass Jons.

### Mason Jars

Old-fashioned Mason jars with the porcelain metal top porcelain lined, in pint, quart and half-gallon sizes—the Ideal glass jar with glass top in pints, quarts and half-gallon sizes.

Glass jelly glasses with tin top in 6 and 8 oz. capacity.

Kleen Kup—an ideal wood fiber container for home-made jams, jellies and marmalades.

Stone crocks—for pickles, sauerkraut, and from the small one of a gallon capacity to one holding 12 gal-

### Hall Cold Pack Canner

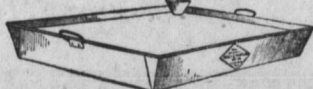
This enables you to do your canning of fruit and vegetables in less time than by any other method—the Hall Canner is strongly made of galvanized steel, has patented fruit jar holders which make it impossible to burn or scald the hands, and has a capacity of from one to twelve jars of any style or make

### McAleer Canner

In addition to being used for fruit, can be used as a corn or ham boiler; made of extra heavy tin plate with inside partitioned wire rack holding six jars.

The "Handy" fruit and vegetable canner, will hold eight jars and the inside rack is so constructed that it can be used as a blanching basket.

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Fruit and Vegetable Drier

### Evaporators

Fruit and Vegetable Evaporators—in this particular, and necessary article we have the Granger and the McAleer, both well-known and tried.

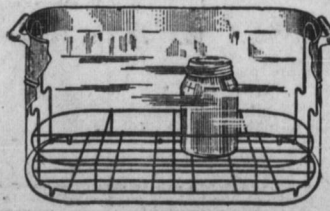
This item represents the most economy of any preserving season invention.

Any fruit or vegetable that is left on the table not consumed at the end of a meal can be placed on the evaporator, dried and used during the coming winter months.

### Fruit Jar Racks

We feel proud of our variety of the canning necessity; with these racks one can use an ordinary wash boiler to insert the rack. We have them in wire and also in extra heavy tin that will last many years. In the wire we have them to hold one, four or eight jars. In the heavy tin to hold two, four, six and eight jars.

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Wire Jar Rack



Jelly Strainer



Hall Canner



McAleer Canner



Jaxon Jar Holder



Heavy Tin Jar Rack



Jaxon Jelly Strainer

### It's the Little Things That Help Make Your Preserving a Success

We have them from a little strawberry huller up to the most essential want. The variety includes: Wax for sealing, pineapple eyers, paring knives, and by the way, we have one that fruit cannot stain; fruit press, cherry stoners, scales and measuring glasses, not forgetting fruit jar gums and tops for fruit jars.