

NEWS AND NOTES OF THE BOY SCOUTS

SCRIBE WIELAND LIKED THE RALLY

Pack Two Had Great Time; Hiked Through Cameron Extension Saturday

Well, we hit the trail to the rally last Friday and it was quite worth while. We enjoyed every minute of the time when we left Bethlehem Church until we returned about three hours later. The turnout was fine and I'm sure that the people along the line of march were surprised at the number of Scouts and Cubs in line. Of the rally itself too much cannot be said. Captain Lumb's talk on "Be Prepared" was the very best thing along that line that we have ever heard. I hope that every boy there has asked himself this question—If a man of such position and standing in the commonwealth as Captain Lumb can stand up before an audience of at least 500 and confess his faith in God as set forth in the twenty-third psalm, is there any reason why any mere boy should hesitate about taking a step? Every Scout and Cub ought to think seriously about becoming a member of the church of his preference, whether it be Catholic or Protestant, Jewish or Gentile. The Captain's thought of planning our line of defense before the temptation comes was right straight to the point. We hope to hear him soon again. Scout Commissioner German had a busy fifteen minutes presenting bars and medals to the seventy-one winners in the Fourth Loan campaign. Of course we were proud of our own Cub Huston, and say he's right on the job this time, too, he's sold enough for several medals already.

Nine cuts enjoyed the hike through Cameron Extension on Saturday. The weather was just right. We hope that every Cub and his father will be on hand tonight at 7:30 when we sit down to our luncheon. We expect some prominent men as our guests and hope to have at the Scout extension and song. The cuts will be first-class, and everything else will be on that same high plane. Tonight we lost George Roak, who has reached the high and mighty age of 12 and will be transferred with appropriate ceremony to Troop 16 by the Scout extension and song. He has been one of our most loyal and enthusiastic Cubs and naturally we are sorry to see him go. We will have the privilege of welcoming John Hallesman, our newest Cub, tonight. Be on hand not earlier than 7:15 and not later than 7:25 in your Cub uniform or your best clothes. Please do not forget to introduce your father to the officers. DON M. WIELAND, Acting Scribe.

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THE WIGWAM

Fellows, this little article by the Observer is a good one. It shows that someone was watching us at work on Wednesday and isn't afraid to tell what he thinks of us. There were a good many false alarms Wednesday, were there not, Scouts? Well, it didn't seem to disappoint any Scout even if more could have been used. Those who responded—and there were hundreds of them—did the job well. It took some pep and grit, fellows, to hold that surging crowd back and some of you were never in such a jam in your young lives. But tell me, Scouts who also could have done it: They were not enough officers to do it; ropes could have been cut or broken. But a Scout could and did do it. How? Why? Because they were working together as all good Scouts do. Did a few fall down on the job? Suppose they did. It was only because they had not been in the organization long enough to know how to pull together. In three or six months these tenderfoot Scouts will be up to the standard. Why? Because they are associating with the older Scouts and are learning to do things systematically. By Scribe Constantine.

THE PURPOSE OF SCOUTING. What is our purpose in scouting? What do we think the Scout movement stands for? And how may we be helped by it? Those are the questions a candidate is asked as he takes off his tenderfoot test. Surely as we sign an application to become a Scout, we have some purpose for joining such a grand organization. There are not very many sports to be gained by claiming the Scouts as a model place for such a series of games as a would-be athlete would desire. Then some fellows like to join for the privileges of wearing the uniform and those sublimely remain tenderfoots for two years and then drop out. Of course we don't want for such strikers or imitation Scouts. But then we have real leaders in scouting, big men to take care of the coming generation, and altogether, the Scout movement is favored everywhere although great numbers are against it, but then our helpers and the other odd-numbered troops with us in our purpose. The largest organized club or body of fellows are those that belong to scouting. No other interest will last for years and years to come, indoor or out of doors. And when we join at twelve years of age, we climb steadily up all we become already worthy citizens of the coming generation. Then there is the boy who writes B. S. A. over buildings, but he is not a Scout, for what would deface a building if a Scout has honor for the Scout movement? And then if a boy once joins a good up-to-date troop, he will honor the troop because he values the help it gives not only to himself but to others. Let our purpose be of the highest degree and may we make the city in which we live better for having such a movement existing.

SCOUTING NOTES BY J. FREDRIK VIRGIN, SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Liberty Fire. Through the courtesy of Mr. B. Goldberg, of the American Rag, Metal and Junk Company, Briggs street, between Cowden and Seventh, we have been able to secure a collecting place for all combustible material for the Liberty Fire. All troops are requested to transport whatever material they have collected to this central point at as early a date as possible. We must secure at least five truck loads of boxes and barrels in order to make a fire of good size. This is important and should be done immediately. Parade. Wednesday was a day to be remembered by the Scouts of Harrisburg. It was as much their day as it was a big day for the "boys" in whose honor it all was. They began reporting at Scout Headquarters early in the morning and they hadn't stopped at eight o'clock last evening. Six were on duty at the Armory in the afternoon, and a Scout afterwards reported, "That was some job." At Third and State streets ten others assisted in handling the mobilization of the parade and several were in the parade, over six hundred assisted in handling traffic and directing the crowds. They did their work well and deserve all the praise one heard of them to-day. Scouts must have been tired. But every boy of them would agree with one of the Cub Scouts who said: "It was great. When will there be another?" Scoutmasters' Supper. A Scoutmasters' supper will be held on Tuesday night at 8:30 in the Y. M. C. A. A short business session will be held following the supper, and the rest of the evening will be given over to instruction in Scoutcraft.

Frenchmen, Accused Of Dealing With the Enemy, Acquitted

Paris, May 9.—Senator Humbert, who has been on trial by court-martial on a charge of having had dealings with the enemy, was acquitted yesterday. Captain George Jile Ladoux, former chief of the Intelligence Bureau of the Ministry of War, a co-defendant with Humbert, was acquitted. Pierre Lenoir, still another of the co-defendants, was sentenced to death, while William Desouches was sentenced to five years in prison.

Scouts to Be Honor Guests at Celebration

Scouts Bowman, Wallis and Kline have been faithful and trustworthy boys and have the interest of scouting at heart, so on Monday evening they will be the honor guests at a celebration given by the troop. Scout Commissioner German will be with us and will present the First Class pins. In all probability C. W. Clark, the local Y. M. C. A. worker, will be with us and will relate his over-ages experiences. Mr. Clark is a splendid speaker and it will be a treat to hear him. The parents of our honor Scouts will also be present as well as numerous others, including a troop committee. Ham sandwiches, coffee, ice cream and cake will be served. Scout Slothower will have charge of our Scout orchestra, which will play several selections. Assistant Scoutmaster Koehler will have charge of the singing. Last Friday evening at the rally the following Scouts of our troop received medals for selling bonds during the Fourth Liberty loan. They were: Assistant Scoutmaster Koehler, Scouts Spotts, Walters, Brooke, Ed. Wallis, Emmet Wallis, Brandt, Fry, Zarker. Our girls are still on the job under the leadership of Scout Ed. Wallis. Cub Brindle is a new addition to the pack and they certainly are a likely looking bunch. EDGAR SPOTTS, Scribe.

Troop 1, Camp Hill, Represented at Rally

Twelve Scouts of Troop 1 were present at the rally last Friday night. All thoroughly enjoyed the entire day and night. Scout Stearns was presented with his war service emblem. After the rally we marched to the Square. Some of the Scouts were good boys and went home, but some remained in town and went to a nearby drug store, where Scout Ed. Hamme consumed two sundae and some Coca-Cola. Scouts Hamme and Stearns decided to walk home and on the way Scout Hamme became quite dizzy. Scouts Freeze, Nell, Patterson and Kilsborn then went through the subway and saw the big guns with the trophy train. Saturday the Victory Loan began and as we could not sell bonds in Camp Hill some of our boys went into Harrisburg to sell bonds, and were successful in selling about six hundred dollars worth. About three-fourths of the members of our troop assisted in handling the crowds on Wednesday. We never were in such a jam before, with our sweat young lives. It was hard work but we enjoyed it. SCOUT KILBORN, Scribe.

Troop Seven Plans Big Meeting Tonight

A big business meeting is on for tonight at Troop 7. You know it is getting near to camping time and a big over-night hike. Every Scout should get that spring fever out of his system, puff up with real Scout dignity and be a worker. There are three general classes of Scouts, shirkers, jerkers and workers. Let's have only one class. Frank Schwartz got the merit award for the month of April. Clyde Rosenberger comes in second. That was some rally last Friday night. Every second of the time was full of pep, and several Scouts are known to have cheered in their sleep that night. How is that for spirit? Scouts of Troop 7 who received medals for the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign are William Quaid, William Bodner, Robert Marcus, Clyde Rosenberger and John Reinhoel. John, who is dubbed "Chief," sold 37. RUDOLPH MILLER, Scribe.

GREAT TIME AT BIG SCOUT RALLY

Stevens Memorial Was Scene of Big Meeting Last Week

Troop Sixteen Did you notice the Eagle Patrol at the rally last Friday? Every fellow was on the job. Wonder where some of the Wolves and Foxes and Beavers were. Only about two-thirds of our membership thought it worth while to make the trip to the Hill. Just as if Stevens Memorial were a dozen miles from Bethlehem Lutheran. Harrisburg is a city of magnificent distances, I'll admit, but what's a four-mile hike to a Scout? Do better the next time, please. These fellows who did go were amply rewarded. Captain Lumb gave us in ten minutes enough to think seriously about all

the rest of our lives. A man who has done what he has done, who has been where he has been, and who is the acting head of one of the finest bodies of men in the world, generally says something when he speaks. Any Scout who did not hear the Captain's talk on "Be Prepared" is not quite as good a Scout as he might have been if he had heard it. We congratulate most heartily every bar or medal winner in the Fourth Liberty Loan drive, and particularly those of our own Troop—Paul Kunkel, Frank Foose, Joseph McClintock, Oliver McGary, and last, but not by any means least, our "Cub Huston." These fellows worked hard and deserve the distinction they have won. I feel sure that all of these Scouts and some others will be on hand when the Fifth Loan bars and medals are passed out. Troop Sixteen has its first merit badge, of which Foose is the proud possessor. We also announce the name of our second First-Class Scout, none other than John Fredrick Stocker Steiner. To-night we celebrate the second anniversary of the reorganization of Troop Sixteen. We hope to have with us Scout Commissioner German, Scout Executive Virgin, Field Executive Huntsberger, Chief Forester Fire Warden Wirt, of the State Forestry Department; the Rev. J. B. Markward, Messrs. Kinnard, Dellinger and Markley of our Troop Committee, about fifty Scouts and

Cuba, at least twenty fathers and three officers. The ladies have planned a dandy luncheon, and we expect to have one of the best affairs so far in our history. Some of the features of the evening will be—the commissioning of Assistant Scoutmaster Wieland, the presentation of merit, first and second-class badges, and the transfer of George Roak from Pack Two to the Troop. It goes without saying that we shall have the pleasure of hearing from each one of our guests. Be on hand promptly—not earlier than 7:15, nor later than 7:25. —Cleon Criswell, Scribe.

George and Clemenceau and President Wilson resumed consideration of the Italian question yesterday. Marcel Hutin said in the Echo De Paris yesterday morning. He added that Premier Orlando probably would attend the meeting, but discussion of the question continue for several days.

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