



# NEW TRIER GIRL SCOUT



# TOWNSHIP NEWS



## Winnetka Scouts Receive Awards on Parents' Night

Winnetka's Girl Scout Parents' Night was a great success, if success is measured by sandwiches and cupcakes. The Brownie Scouts showed their parents just how they could "lend a hand" by helping the older girls to pass sandwiches and punch. They also did a very nice singing game, "On the Bridge of Avignon," taking the parts of various persons. They seemed to like being street boys far better than gentlemen or ladies!

The Girl Scouts sang some of their songs and did a singing game called "Soldier, Soldier." This is an Appalachian folk song and one of the few real American folk tunes.

Mrs. Hearne, New Trier commissioner, awarded proficiency badges. Sixty were earned by the various Scouts. There were many cooks, laundresses, housekeepers, swimmers, and craftsmen. Mary Alice Leslie of Troop 1 was awarded the First Class badge. A girl must have covered a great deal of work and done some community service before she may be considered a First Class Scout. Miriam Bartlett was the only girl who had earned the Artist badge. This badge may not be worked for, but is awarded on talent alone. Catherine Hedman received a certificate of honorable mention for having shown great presence of mind in rescuing a girl from drowning. Catherine belongs to Troop 3.

## Girl Scouts May Fashion Uniforms to 1931 Smartness

Girl Scouts do not need to have their dressmaker's badge to bring their grey green uniforms into the ranks of 1931 smartness, if they will but follow the suggestion of the equipment division of national headquarters. A snip here and a stitch or two there and Girl Scouts may make of their last year's uniform one that is all that the last word in 1931 fashion demands.

The directions are quite simple. They need only raise the belt loops on their uniforms so that the bottom of the loop will be at the place where the top of the loop is now. When the belt is slipped through the loops and fastened, the Girl Scout presents her usual trim appearance, with the 1931 detail of a slightly higher belt line giving her the new chic.

In this year of new and startling changes that have been made in feminine fashions, outmoding last year's dresses and coats and accessories by the wholesale, Girl Scout uniforms have come smiling through. Five minutes' time, a pair of scissors, a thimble, thread and needle, and presto! the Girl Scout is ready for the most fashion conscious inspector.

It is emphasized again that the official Girl Scout outfit requires that full length stockings be worn with it. Socks are permitted with the official camp outfit of bloomers and middie, but they are not worn with the regulation uniform by Girl Scouts who know and respect their national rulings.

## It Won't Be Long Now!



The bird who is not early enough to catch the worm won't go hungry, for these Girl Scout carpenters are busy making bird homes which will later be provided with seed.

## Troop News

### WINNETKA

#### TROOP 3

We opened our meeting by having the horseshoe. There were such a few girls there that we didn't have colors. We then repeated our laws. Betty Jane Coombs and Antoinette Hearne were chosen to repeat the laws on Friday night, May 15. Then we practiced singing "Soldier, soldier, will you marry me with your musket, fife and drum." We chose four girls to sing in that. They were Ann Dorothy Schuman, Nancy Wolcott, Conny Lowrey, and Alice Eisman. Then we sang taps and the meeting was over at 11:30.—Antoinette Hearne, scribe.

#### TROOP 4

First we sang some of the songs we are to sing Friday night. Then we had patrol corners. After marking attendance and dues we played a game called "What-shall-I-take-on-a hike." On pieces of paper were written things you should take on a hike and things you shouldn't. We picked what we thought was good and afterwards we discussed what we had picked. Then we had some announcements. After that we played a knot game. One person was a cow and the other person was the cowboy. When the cowboy had caught the cow, she tied two ropes together with a square knot and then tied

it around the cow with a bowline knot. Then we discussed some plants. After that we went outside to sing taps.—Jean Clark, scribe, Troop 4, Winnetka.

### WILMETTE

#### CIRCUS BIG SUCCESS

The circus which was given May 14 and 15 by the Scouts of Troops 1, 2, and 4 Wilmette was a great success. Very nearly all the seats were filled at both performances.

Just a few words for the benefit of those who were unable to attend. There were a number of side shows open before and after the circus. The ring act consisted of some twenty acts each being introduced by a very fine ring master. All but two of the acts were in the center ring. The other two were held on the stage. There was a very peppy band which lent enthusiasm to the whole performance. During the intermissions candy, popcorn, peanuts and ice cream were sold.

The money that was cleared on the circus (this being around a hundred dollars) will be divided among the three troupes and will go to help pay their building fund pledge for the new Methodist church.

We hope that the spectators enjoyed this evening of real old-fashioned fun as much as the girls enjoyed entertaining them. It is our wish that it become an annual event. How about You?—Isabel Haskin, Scribe Troop 1, Wilmette.

## Girl Scouts Have Interesting Diet; Eat Some-Mores

There could be no more subtle clue to the characters of different peoples than the dishes to which they have lent their names. The ordinary menu is a melange of them all. It offers sweets from France, sausages from Frankfurt, salad dressings from Russia and stew from Ireland. Maryland contributes fried chicken and Hungary a goulash. Boston stands for baked beans. It would be interesting to analyze just to which the cooks catered—a healthy appetite or a highly fastidious palate? It was always something distinctive, indicative of the climate or the character of the people in these cities, states and nations.

Now come the Girl Scouts challenging the chefs with menus suitable to themselves. Naturally, a healthy appetite dictates some of their dishes, but there are other factors to be considered. Like all Americans they have a "sweet tooth," and their palates like to be surprised. But their cooks have no inexhaustible larder on which to lean. In fact, few of them have more than an "oriole's pantry," a pack-basket hanging on the nearest limb. Despite this handicap, they have a varied table, on which appear kabobs, angels on horseback, ring-tum-tiddy, some-mores and other things savory.

A kabob consists of beef cubes, onion, bacon and celery done en brochette on a stick over a wood fire. The angels on horseback are toasted cubes of cheese wrapped in bacon which, after cooking, are unhorsed into a split roll lined with lettuce. Some-mores are made up of graham crackers between which are sandwiched toasted marshmallows and chocolate bars.

## Mrs. Walter Straub Heads Scout Group

The Girl Scout Leaders' association met Tuesday with Mrs. Herbert Sieck, Winnetka. Luncheon was served during which problems were discussed and plans made for the coming year. Mrs. Walter Straub was elected president and Mrs. Forrest Lowrey, secretary and treasurer. It was decided that there should be additional troops started in the fall to care for the girls who want to become Scouts.

Mrs. Elbert Clarke, assisted by Mrs. Straub will entertain the leaders and potential leaders at tea May 25 at 4 o'clock.

Miss Grobben, Scout director, gave some splendid nature and signalling games and the addresses of firms printing bird, flower and tree pictures. There were fifteen present.

## NEW NATIONAL DESIGNATION

Girl Scout regional directors hereafter will be known as members of the national field staff, according to an announcement from national headquarters. It was also decided that where branch offices are located in regions determined upon by the national field division committee, these offices shall be called Girl Scout National Branch office.