

BOY SCOUTS

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For the benefit of those who do not know about the troop or where it meets we would like to announce the following: The troop was chartered last June, it holds its meetings on Thursday evenings at the Halsey school. The scoutmaster is Robert J. Roeber and the committee is comprised of Messrs. M. Rasmussen, chairman; F. L. McCracken, thrift; Rev. A. Billman, outdoor activities; H. Griffis, H. Strenger and E. Gilroy, advisors. At the meeting held last Thursday, Dec. 5, the boys were given instruction in fire building without matches, fire by friction contests were held. Assistant scout executive, P. Masslich, was present and had with him a number of interesting pictures at Camp Makajawan. After the meeting ice cream, cake and cookies were served.

The scouts of Troop 48, which meets in the Halsey school on Thursday evenings, are all going to have uniforms. They are able to do this because Mr. Strenger is providing employment for these boys in various stores. Mr. Strenger would be glad to hear from business men and women who want boys to work for them. The fact that these boys are particularly honest and hard workers should appeal to those who have odd jobs to be done.

Illinois P. T. A. to Assist Health Dept. of State Is Report

That the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers will aid the state department of health to the fullest extent possible in carrying out the latter's health program, was indicated Nov. 13, when the executive committee of the congress, holding a three-day session in Springfield, called on Dr. Andy Hall, head of the state department, and offered its services. The congress will stress safety education, physical examinations and immunization against diphtheria and small-pox. Dr. Hall urged attention also to social diseases and tuberculosis. The congress committee endorsed the plan of dental societies for examination of children and of education in dental hygiene.

Rodney H. Brandon, director of the state department of welfare, was principal speaker at the banquet. He said that schools, churches and homes are the three avenue through which solution of the crime problem in the United States must be approached. The state council of P. T. A. differs from the welfare director in the way it states the solution, contending that the influence of the home is greater than that of the two other institutions and should represent the first approach.

Springfield on Longest Concrete Road in U. S.

Springfield is located on the longest concrete highway in the country, extending more than 1,100 miles, from Hibbing, Minn., through Duluth, St. Paul, Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City to Topeka. Illinois has 11 pavements crossing the state from north to south, six crossing the state from east to west, and numerous shorter slabs.

Illinois 37th in Legion Race to Aid Disabled

Never before in the history of the American Legion has there been such a whole-hearted response as at present by veterans of the World war to an attempt to get all membership dues paid up for the coming year before Jan. 1, according to word received by officers of this department from national headquarters in Indianapolis, Ind.

The response is the answer of the veterans to an appeal to strengthen the Legion's ranks with 1930 members in order to impress congress when the Legion again this winter asks that construction be allowed for government hospitals to care for 5,543 mentally ill comrades who now are inadequately cared for in overcrowded state institutions, often in jails.

Efforts will be continued in this department to have a complete 100 per cent enrollment of members as a Christmas present in behalf of the disabled. A national telegraphic roll call, posts to departments and departments to National Headquarters, will be held Dec. 31.

North Shore Fire Chiefs May Organize

A movement to organize an association of fire chiefs along the north shore has been started, it is reported.

The plan, when it is fully matured, might include all the cities and villages of the county, according to those interested in the project.

Some of the north shore cities, such as Highland Park, Lake Forest, Highland, Lake Bluff and North Chicago, are said to have received the early plans with great enthusiasm.

The formation of this society is, it stated, a movement for the mutual protection of the extensive properties that have been developed along the north shore.

The pooling of equipment and men to fight a serious blaze in any of these shore cities would be of great advantage, it has been agreed by the men interested thus far in the project although they admit that fire companies have been prompt to respond to out of town calls in the past.

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the evening of Dec. 17, and each girl will bring a gift costing a limited amount which will put into a large grab bag and thus exchanged with some other girl when the bag is opened and the gifts distributed around the Christmas tree. The committee in charge of the party is composed of Muriel Mason, Jennie Olesen, and Betty Leonard.

The Freshman Girl Reserve club are glad to announce that their president, Elsie Carlisle, who has been in the Fort Sheridan hospital with a bad knee and an appendix operation is much better and fast regaining her strength. Elsie hopes to be ordered home in a few days and though her leg is still in a splint she assures us that it will be out soon and that she will be able to attend club and school after the Christmas holidays. While she has been convalescing, Elsie has dressed two dolls and filled her stocking as her part in the club's Christmas project.

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