

ing the spring and is of the same design as the other camp buildings. A large porch extends along the length of the building on the west side. The windows, six in number, and opening on the porch, are constructed so that either windows or screens may be readily opened or closed. A counter inside at the window sill level facilitates the handling of business.

The quartermaster is in the north half of the building. This is a storehouse for camp tools, equipment, and supplies, such as lanterns, rakes, spades, hammers, axes, tents and other camping supplies. When a scout borrows an article he signs for that article and is responsible for it until it is returned in good condition.

The Trading Post, in the other half of the building, sells candy and scout equipment such as scout clothing, camping equipment, knives, merit badge pamphlets, leather, and other articles generally required by the campers.

A scout upon arriving at camp, banks all his money in the camp bank, a department handled by the camp store, and then when he buys anything he writes a check on the bank for the amount of his purchase. In the case of candy, he is permitted to spend only 10c a day. This applies to everyone in camp and insures against the loss of money. The system also provides a complete account of each boy's finances, if necessary.

Last year the "Q.M." and camp store were small rooms in a corner of the mess hall. Both were far too small and only a limited amount of equipment was handled. George Bersch, Troop 4, Wilmette, has charge of the Trading Post and is the camp quartermaster this year.

**HEADQUARTERS BUILDING**

The headquarters building is situated north of the mess hall on a wooded hill overlooking Spring lake. It is comprised of two rooms, the private office of the executive staff of the camp and another room used as the general camp office.

This building was erected last spring of imitation logs, stained with creasote. The building is 30 feet long, by 16 wide, with a small porch in front facing the lake.

The general office is where the camp newspaper, the Nahaskala, is published. The camp post office is also located here.

In the private office are the desks of Mr. Myron C. Rybolt, scout executive of the North Shore Area council and business manager of the camp; Mr. Carl McManus, assistant scout executive and camp director; and Mr. Harold Boltz, assistant scout executive and assistant camp director.

Last year the camp headquarters was located in a small room in a cor-

ner of the mess hall. It was crowded and not sufficient for the camp's needs.

**THE WATER FRONT AT SCOUT CAMP**

The camp waterfront faces south on a small bay north of the mess hall. There is a pier which extends out into the lake for about 100 feet from which there extends another leg to the west for about 50 feet in the shape of the letter "L."

Between the west section of the pier, the main section, and the shore, is the non-swimmers' area. This is where those who cannot swim at least 50 feet receive instruction. The beginners' area is on the east side of the main pier. Scouts who can swim 50 feet, but cannot swim 100 yards and do surface dives, swim in this pool. The swimmers' area is south of the west section of the pier and is much larger in area than either of the other two pools.

A diving raft is anchored in the swimmers' area. It is about 20 feet square and two diving boards are mounted on it in addition to an 80 foot diving tower.

The beach is about 150 feet long. In the middle, near the land end of the pier, there is an observation tower where the waterfront director,

or one of his assistants, is stationed while the scouts are in the water. At the west end of the beach there is a canoe rack that will accommodate eight canoes. At present the camp has six canoes which are kept here while not in use. Six row boats and one life guard boat are also a part of the waterfront equipment.

As a precaution against accidents, the camp uses the "buddy" system. Each scout must be accompanied by his buddy before he is permitted to check in or out of the water. Checking in or out is done at the entrance to the beach where a large board, divided into upper and lower sections, is located. As the buddies enter the beach they move their metal checks, on which their name is printed, from the lower section to the upper, and hang them so that the two checks overlap. This indicates to the guard in charge that the two scouts whose checks hang together are buddies and that they are in the water or on the beach.

At short intervals, the director in the tower blows his whistle. This is known as the "buddy" whistle, when every scout takes his buddy's hand and they remain quiet with their clasped hands upraised. Should a scout be without a buddy, a check is

quickly made to determine where the other boy is. In this way it is impossible for a scout to be missing and his absence not be noted. In addition to being together at the time of the buddy checks, the buddies swim together. Should one need help, the other can aid him or secure help from the several guards stationed near by. Upon leaving the beach the buddies replace their checks in the lower section of the buddy board.

Waterfront activities are directed by John Betak, who is assisted by Victor Joyce, Robert Crawford, and John Fowler.

**ORDER OF THE ARROW**

The Order of the Arrow is an organization based primarily on the scout oath and law, in recognition of those scouts who have best demonstrated to the other scouts at camp that they are able to be cheerful and helpful at all times, and that they serve their fellow scouts without thought of themselves. This organization was founded in 1914 by E. Urner Goodman, then connected with scouting in Philadelphia, and at present

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