

there was an informal get-together of all members.

**Troop 52 Meeting**

The troop assembled in their usual meeting place on Warrington road, near West Gate avenue, at 7:15 p. m. The meeting opened with the Oath and Law led by Edgely Todd, senior patrol leader. It was decided to hold meetings outside for the ensuing two weeks, and then return to our meeting place in the Presbyterian church. A game called "Follow the Flag" was then played. This being called about 9:00 p. m. at that point the victory being undecided. The meeting was dismissed by the Scout Benediction.—K. Vetter.

**Deerfield Press Club News**

The first meeting of the Deerfield Press club will be held at the home of Kenneth Vetter Thursday afternoon, September 20 at five p. m. We will then decide a time for meetings most convenient for all members. All troops of the Deerfield-Bannockburn district please send their representative.—K. Vetter, editor.

**Stag Patrol**

The Stag Patrol met at the home of Kenneth Vetter at seven p. m. The meeting opened with the Scout Oath and Law. Suggestions and plans were made for the patrol fall activities. The scouts were given instruction in the nature requirements for first class. The next patrol meeting will be held Thursday evening, Sept. 11, at the patrol leaders home. All the patrol members are urged to be present and make the final decision of the night best suited for the meeting.

At about four-thirty Friday morning, August 29, signs of activity were seen in the vicinity of the Frederick S. Rummler hospital in Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, the summer camp of the North Shore Area council, Boy Scouts of America, located on Sprink Lake near Elcho, Wis. Soon voices were heard, those of the eleven officers who had remained after the official closing of the camp in order to put the camp in shape for the winter. After breakfast and a big scurry of packing the camp truck, the two truck drivers, Cal Gartley and Jim Baker, four other senior officers, Celeste Bettini, Lloyd Wightman, George Bersch, and Bob Mehren, and two Junior officers, John Brenner and Leslie Robinson, got started for home at about a quarter to seven. The truck went home by way of Antigo and State Trunk High-

way 26. After they had crossed the Wolf river, about four miles from camp, the smoke from the forest fires in the vicinity was so thick across the road that, for a distance of about a mile, it was impossible to see the road in front of the truck. Steering was accomplished by occasional glimpses of the right-hand ditch, afforded by rifts in the smoke screen. After the smoke was passed all breathed more easily, and the rest of the trip was uneventful except for lunch in Fond du Lac and one instance when Leslie Robinson was nearly left in a roadside zoo. The gang finally convinced the proprietor that Les was their property, and that he was not allowed to roam at large. The truck arrived on the North Shore about six and came to its final resting place in Wilmette about eight.

Sunday morning the two drivers started back for camp to bring back a load of freight and three senior officers who had been left behind, Bob Crawford, Jack Fowler, and Oscar Goepner. The truck arrived at camp around five o'clock, having made a speedy trip of about ten hours. The truck was loaded Sunday night and a start was made at seven Monday morning. The truck was loaded down, half with cots and the rest with camp boxes full of books and other camp equipment that would be needed on the North Shore during the winter. Fond du Lac was reached in time for dinner, and from there on in to the North Shore the ride was without any occurrence of importance, except for one traffic jam, met with on the outskirts of Milwaukee, on County Loop 100. All were very glad to arrive home safely about nine.

**More Paving Contracts For County Roads Are Awarded; Others Later**

The contract for the paving of the Mundelein-Buffalo Grove road of three and a half miles will be let September 12, it was learned Tuesday from R. M. Lobdell, county superintendent of highways, who issued a call for bids on this project for September 12, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Two jobs were let Monday. One was the bridge over Squaw Creek in the Fox Lake district, and the other was the paving of Wilson road in the same district. V. B. Duprey, of Antioch, was low bidder on the bridge job with a figure of \$9,072.88 while S. J. Groves & Sons, of Minneapolis, were low on the paving with \$50,784.54.

James Cape & Sons, of Racine were awarded the contract for the completing of the extension of Millburn road from Hickory corners to the Wisconsin-Illinois line. The cost of this job is to be \$37,200.80.

The work is being carried out under a county bond issue of \$1,250,000 which was passed at an election in May. About one-sixth of the money will have been expended when the present contracts are fulfilled. Bridge work and paving will add another ten miles to the paved system of highways, it was pointed out.

The bond issue is to be discharged by the income to the county from the state gasoline tax of three cents on the gallon of gasoline.

**New Type Snake Is Found in Collection**

A remarkable new species of poisonous snake has been discovered at the Museum during examination of a reptile collection recently received. It is a new kind of horned viper, and was obtained in the Syrian Desert by Assistant Curator Henry Field, while leading the Marshall Field North Arabian Desert Expedition. That none of its species has ever been previously reported was established by Karl P. Schmidt, Assistant Curator of Reptiles. Mr. Field's collection, which was made incidentally to the main objective of his expedition—gathering of anthropological material—contained other valuable reptile specimens, including an extremely rare lizard of which only one other specimen was ever obtained, and a desert monitor or out lizard.

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