

EXPLAINS PURPOSE OF SCOUT FUND PLAN

R. Arthur Wood, Chairman of Central Committee Tells Why Money Is Needed

In addressing a recent meeting of seventy captains of Boy Scout campaign teams, R. Arthur Wood, of Highland Park, president of the Chicago Stock Exchange and chairman of the campaign central committee, explains the necessity and the purpose of the \$50,000 project as follows:

"On Spring Lake, up in the Wisconsin woods, amid surroundings unsurpassed for beauty even in this scenic region, lies Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. This property, belonging to North Shore Area council, covers 360 acres, including the lake of approximately 100 acres.

Camp Foundation Laid

"About two years ago it became apparent that the council's scouting program was being seriously handicapped by lack of an adequate campsite and equipment. Camping being the heart of scouting, a group of our citizens made possible the camp's acquisition, and there laid the foundation for citizenship training upon which we are now privileged further to build. Through their contributions and arrangements for temporary financing, Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan has for two seasons played a steadily increasing role in the life of our youth.

"To free the camp from obligations and to equip it so that it may adequately fill its indicated place in the life of our boys is to accomplish something far greater than to provide a pleasant holiday site. It will provide them, in increasing numbers, a place where they may become reverent through a new intimacy with nature, capable through an assumption of new responsibilities, and inspired by the precept and example of leader and counselor.

"For Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan an adequate kitchen is urgently needed, as are satisfactory refrigerator and sanitary installations. More docks, boats, canoes and other waterfront equipment; additional tentage, tent platforms, and cots; cabins and other necessary camp buildings; some additional acreage; these are requirements if the camp is to be brought to a high level of efficiency and enabled to meet the demands to be made upon it.

Improvements Essential

"These improvements are essential if our camp is to compare favorably with other scout camps in its standards and results.

"The council executive board has carefully estimated its minimum needs for 1931. During the year, if the funds required are secured, not only will scouting be made available to an increasing number of boys, but greater facilities and a more comprehensive program will be provided for them. The 1931 budget is as follows:

To free camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan from existing obligation.....\$15,000

For development of the camp —an adequate kitchen, satisfactory refrigerator and sanitary installations, docks, boats, canoes, additional tentage, tent platforms and cots, cabins, and necessary buildings 10,500

For supervision, administration, extension and supplies for the year (including provision for a field scout executive to supervise the older boy program and the new Cub program for boys, 9, 10 and 11 24,500

Total minimum need\$50,000

"North Shore Area council, Boy Scouts of America, invites you to partnership in a worthwhile invest-

ment in boyhood. The dividends of your investment will be large, regular, sure. Scouting is a bulwark against communism and allied movements.

"You need scouting and scouting needs you. In many respects our council is behind 600 other councils in the support it receives from the community. We should be in the lead in this respect. Help us to get there! In spite of hard times, scouting must go on!"

AID AGED COUPLE

Some time ago while on an outing, member of the Sea Scout Ship "Commodore Barry" of Charleroi, Pa., learned of an aged and needy couple living on the banks of the Youghiogheny river, eighteen miles away. At Christmas the scouts obtained the use of a truck and took two cases of clothing and mixed foods to the couple.

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