

# Waterfront Praised by National Leaders

## More Boats and Canoes Added to Water Equipment

Will Have Five Sail Boats

When campers were questioned about the thing they liked best about camp, invariably, Aquatic activities and "eats" were at the top of the list. That is the reason much effort and expense is being put to making these things still more attractive.

On the Waterfront, the docks and swimming pools are being improved, a kick rail and slide are being added for the non-swimmers pool, and additional game equipment added for other swimmers.

Boating, sailing, and canoeing will be high lights for this year's camping. Three new sail boats will make a fleet of five cat boats, just great for sailing and racing. Ten more rowboats will bring the total to 20 rowboats. To the seven canoes now at camp, 6 new ones are being added—a fine fleet of 13-boys' canoes including one, a sailing canoe.

Best of all, two new safe War canoes will be at camp for real team work training for war canoe racing. These canoes are safely built to hold 12 Scouts and a leader. Think of all these new improvements fellows.—You can't stay away from Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

## Teach Every Scout to Really "Row His Boat"

As recommended by the national committee on Waterfront Planning and Safety, "all Scouts should be taught to row a boat at the same time they are taught to swim." "This, because in many cases it will be the only opportunity they will ever have to learn to row, which is a vital factor for the protection of their own lives and the saving of the lives of others. This instruction includes safety in row boats, with the understanding that the student shall always be accompanied by the instructors." Every Scout will have this guided opportunity at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

## Charles A. Steele Is Leader in Camp Work

Charles A. Steele of Glencoe, past chairman of the North Shore Area Council Camping committee, was very active in the early development of Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. He spent much time in helping select the camp site, in getting through the finances, in planning the buildings and camp layout, and in all the many necessary duties contingent upon buying, equipping and getting a camp ready for a group of boys. Last fall he was made chairman of the camping committee of Region Seven for the four states of Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana.

## A Parlor Scout

I hate to breathe the outside air,  
It makes my tonsils sore;  
I passed my Scout pace round a chair  
Three hundred times or more.  
On mother's range I learned to cook,  
My tracking in the cellar,  
For I'm a husky Parlor Scout,  
A regular guy, you bet,  
And when it rains I don't go out,  
You see, I might get wet!



Even the non-swimmers have great fun on the beach of Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

## Sea Scouts Have Own Special Activities

The Sea Scouts, who are at least 15 years old, and belong to the Sea Scout ships in the council, have a separate unit in camp with their own dock, sail boats, and training equipment. In this unit 16 Sea Scouts plus their officers are encamped during each of the last three periods of camp.

Their interesting activities include boat building and repairing, sailing, water work, special trips and seamanship training. The older boys also have the opportunities to specialize in any phase of Camp life in which they are most interested.

## Expert Leaders Guide to Scouts in Swimming

The Waterfront is under the leadership of expert swimming and life saving instructors, trained by the American Red Cross. Four men are qualified American Red Cross examiners, they are Fenton Hopkins, waterfront director; Victor Joyce, assistant director; Frank Wichman Jr., assistant director, and Carl McManus, who will supervise the water activities.

There will be an organized group of Senior and Junior Red Cross life savers and Scout life guards to assist in instruction and life guard duty. Sev-

## Swimming Taught at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan

At camp, complete waterfront instruction is provided in the following activities:

- Learning to swim.
- Swimming Merit Badge.
- Life Saving Merit Badge.
- Canoeing Merit Badge.
- Row Boat Handling.
- Seamanship Merit Badge.
- Junior Red Cross Life Saving.
- Senior Red Cross Life Saving.
- Scout Life Guard Test.
- War Canoe Paddling.
- Diving and Speed Swimming.

An extra period each day is given to those older Scouts wishing to specialize in Aquatic work.

Camp trains your boys for leadership by putting him in positions of responsibility as leader of tent or mess or Patrol and through outdoor activities develops his self-reliance.

eral Scoutmasters who are expert swimmers will assist on the Waterfront. Special activities and help are given to each of the three groups of swimmers according to their need—the non-swimmers, the beginners, and the swimmers.

## Capt. Fred Mills Grades Our Camp With "Excellent"

Safety Precautions Observed

Capt. Fred C. Mills, director of Swimming and Waterfront Safety for the National council, Boy Scouts of America, visited Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan last summer rating the waterfront, its leadership, organization and equipment as "excellent." Practically every known safety precaution is used in this organization as outlined by National council and carried out at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. It includes the following:

1. A thorough physical examination.
2. A Senior Red Cross Life Saving Examiner in charge.
3. A trained group of Life Guards always on duty.
4. Equipped Life Boats always in readiness.

5. A swimming test for every boy to classify him according to his ability.

6. Use of the "Buddy" system and swimmer's check board.

7. Restricted swimming areas and use of swimmers' badges.

8. Life rings and buoys.

9. Water telescope and grappling irons.

10. First aid equipment in readiness.

Swimming is permitted only during regular swimming periods under proper supervision. Swimming in pairs according to the "Buddy" system is restricted to areas under competent Life Guards. There are two regular thirty minute swimming periods, at 11:15 in the morning and at 4:30 in the afternoon. Older Scouts specializing in aquatic work have classes outside the regular periods.

## Feature Water Meets for All Boy Campers

One of the most fascinating parts of the Camping program are the two Watercraft meets, so arranged that every Scout may have some part.

One meet is a swimming meet in which teams and individual contests for camp records in many standard and novelty events. The canoeing and boating meets afford real competition and fun in various races and stunts. The famous "Across the Lake Hay Relay" is a part.

This year will bring many new events in the various watercraft activities. The most outstanding will be the Sea Scout Sailing Races, War Canoe Races and Regatta. Canoe trips and boating expeditions are planned to furnish some real adventure.

Camp makes health; the out-of-doors activities give the boy a sturdy body; his meals are regular and his food is wholesome; taps blow early, and in the clean silence of the open country he falls into sound and refreshing sleep.

Camp develops in the boy the fine qualities of our forefathers; it changes the pampered youngster into an upstanding, manly and vigorous Scout who can face wind and weather and hardship cheerfully.



Canoe Instruction Is Camp Feature.

EVERY SCOUT A SWIMMER