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WITH THE LONE SCOUTS

Lone Scouts Don't Hitch Hike

Although the number was not large, there were last summer several press-reported instances of alleged Scouts cadging their unscoutlike way across the country—"hitch-hiking."

Bona fide Scout hiking is not done

or the main highways; and except in an obvious case of emergency, any boy or man in Scout kit travelling along a highway and looking for a lift may at once be put down as a fake Scout tramp; and no assistance should be extended.

When such pretended Scouts call upon Scoutmasters or Scouts seeking free entertainment, a service would be done the movement by securing their names and other particulars, and forwarding these to Provincial Headquarters. Local papers should be advised to give no publicity to alleged-Scout hikers claiming to be on a "world tour" or a "coast to coast trip on a wager," etc. Such wagers usually are as imaginary as the Scout connection.

All bona fide overseas foreign Scouts travelling in Canada carry credentials from the International Scout Bureau at London; American Scouts carry credentials from National Headquarters, New York. Purely local credentials have little value.

Genuine Scout hiking involves an incidental example of manly self-reliance. Hitch hiking is a complete negation of this spirit of Scouting.

No real Scouts don't hitch hike!

A Duck Scramble For Boys

A job that any other Scout Troop would gladly have shared fell to the 4th (21st) Own Calgary Troop when they were called upon by the keeper of the Calgary Zoo to help catch and move the water fowl to new quarters on St. George's Island. The birds lost a few feathers, and the Scouts gained a few pecks and scratches, but the job was done.

Assistant Scoutmaster One Spot

Edward One Spot, formerly of the old 12th (Killarney) Calgary Troop, is

Sunspots

London's Underground railways use up well over two hundred tons of tickets every year.

Among the railway "lost property" last year was a baby which was found in a London waiting-room.

Great Britain consumes every year about 35,000,000 cwt. of fruit, of which about 10,000,000 cwt. is home-grown.

There was not one death sentence passed in Scotland, nor was there one execution in Scottish prisons, during 1931.

Tortoise eggs take a long time—from eight to thirteen months—to hatch, according to the conditions in which they are laid.

In the wardrobe-rooms at Covent Garden Opera House are stored thousands of costumes, sufficient to "dress" about sixty different operas.

Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody, the famous American lawn-tennis champion, recently came to Europe, bringing with her twenty-five tennis rackets.

Among the words "banned" on the wireless is the English place-name Cirencester. This is pronounced "Sis-ster," and so is too sibilant for radio use.

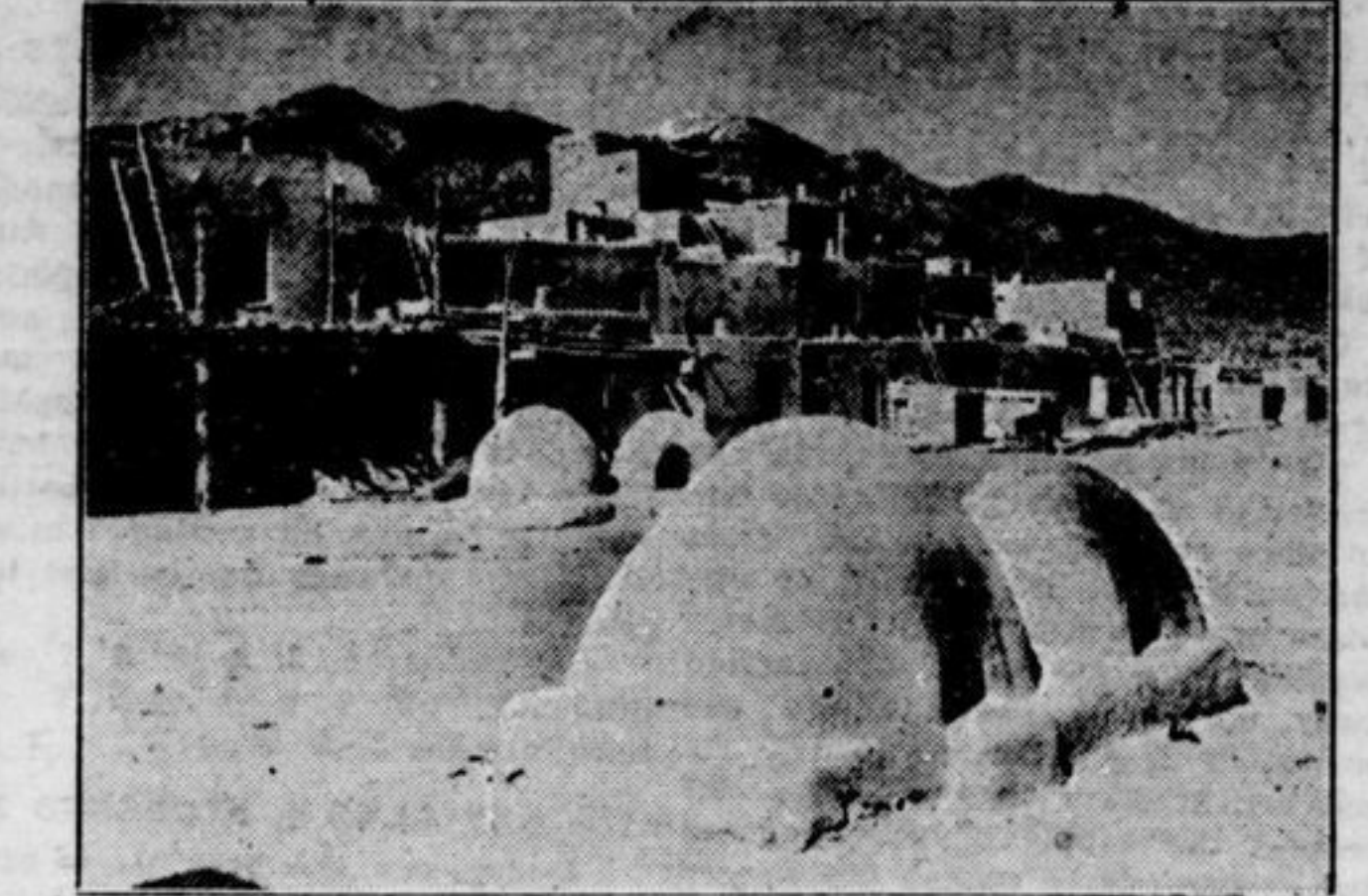
Baritone songs try to feel they are really in love when they have to sing sentimental songs, according to Mr. Roy Henderson, the famous singer.

Nearly twenty-six million motor-cars are registered in the United States, the owners paying about £70,000,000 in registration and license fees last year.

It is estimated that there are some three and a half million wireless sets in use for which no license is paid. The Post Office thus loses £1,700,000.

By weekly instalments paid beforehand, the parents of babies born in general hospitals under the London County Council can pay part of the cost of treatment.

American "Apartments" a Thousand Years Old



Pueblo ruins common in New Mexico and Arizona. Even today, the fast dwindling tribes of the American Indian, still live in such dwellings, carrying on the simple communal life and ceremonials of the past.

Sunday School Lesson

July 3. Lesson I—Childhood and Education of Moses—Exodus 3: 1-10; Acts 7: 20-22. Golden Text—Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.—Proverbs 22: 6.

ANALYSIS

I. THE CHILD'S PERIL, vs. 1-3.
II. THE CHILD'S RESCUE, vs. 4-10.
III. THE CHILD'S EDUCATION, Acts 7: 20-22.

INTRODUCTION—The book of Genesis closes with the Hebrews in great favor in Egypt; the book of Exodus opens with them in slavery. The Hebrews were pressed into the Pharaoh's forced labor-gangs. They were employed in the building of two cities—Exodus 1: 11, one of which has been recently excavated; they were also employed on work on the land—extending and repairing the irrigation system connected with the Nile, and cultivating the soil. Exodus 1: 14. The Pharaoh proceeded to a policy of extermination—at first secretly, by having every Hebrew male child mysteriously killed at birth, and then publicly, by ordering that every male child be drowned in the Nile. But God was mindful of his own. In the birth of Moses God was preparing for the day of deliverance. "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty," 1 Cor. 1: 27.

I. THE CHILD'S PERIL, vs. 1-3.
Moses was born at a time when his life was in deadly peril of being forfeit to the frenzy of the Pharaoh, who seemed, on all human reckoning, little hope that he would escape the general extermination. At first his mother hid him, until the growing power of his talents made concealment no longer possible. A mother's love usually sharpens her wits and makes her resourceful; but Moses' mother was utterly baffled. There was no hiding him, on that same river, but commit him to the kindly providence of God. To show that the life of her child was beyond her power and solely in the hand of God, she set him out, or exposed him, on that same river, to the Pharaoh who had decreed that the Hebrew baby boys should be drowned. She made a small boat of a kind frequently to be seen on the Nile; it was shaped like a little basket, woven of papyrus reeds, and rendered watertight by asphalt. Sometimes in the inhuman cruelty of an ancient society, children were set out and left to die; but Moses' mother set him out in an act of love and trust.

II. THE CHILD'S RESCUE, vs. 4-10.
Moses' older sister took her stand to see what would befall the infant. There was more, however, than the sister watching Moses; God had his eye on Moses from birth. Unseen in the background, God was shaping a most unlikely chain of events in order to preserve the child, and to fit him for the day of deliverance. The daughter of the Pharaoh, attended by her ladies-in-waiting, came down to the river-bank at just the spot where the little basket-boat lay floating among the rushes. The princess' maids would probably pace the bank back and forth while she was preparing for the bath; but when the great lady bathed, her attendants would bathe with her in order to protect her from all danger. On spying the child, she

The B.B.C. Moves On

The British Broadcasting Corporation has sent out its last program from its historic headquarters at Savoy Hill, London, and has moved into more commodious premises at Portland Place, about a mile farther west. This is likely to prove an event of cardinal importance in British broadcasting, for work at Savoy Hill was carried on only in the face of great difficulties. Portland Place, however, offers every possible facility for broadcasting under ideal conditions.

The B. B. C. can look back on its nine years at Savoy Hill with considerable satisfaction. In that time British radio has acquired a cultural reputation second to that of no other radio service in the world; and viewed merely as an entertainment it stands very high. It introduces millions of listeners to the most famous statesmen, actors, thinkers, writers, and scholars of the day, and has perhaps done more than any other single influence to raise the popular taste in music. It radiocasts regularly all the most important public functions, from the opening of disarmament conferences to the lighting out of cup finals. And it successfully financed the famous Promenade concerts when they were in danger of being discontinued for lack of sufficient support.

All these things are developments of the B. B. C. while it has been at Savoy Hill. Technically also immense progress has been registered during this period. Seven years ago there were only 1,000,000 licensed receiving sets in Britain; today there are 4,473,227, representing roughly 23,000,000 listeners. Its record therefore encourages the B. B. C. to enter Portland Place with every confidence that its achievements there will be a significant contribution to the history of radio.—Christian Science Monitor.

Volcanic Ash Cause of Colorful Sunsets?

Wellington, New Zealand.—Dr. Ernest Kidson, meteorological director of the Dominion, attributes to volcanic ash, blown over the Pacific from the recent Chilean eruptions, responsibility for unusually brilliant sunsets, frequent aurora displays, and lower temperatures in New Zealand this month.

The light ash, he said, was carried more than 6,000 miles over the ocean by the prevailing westerly air currents.

Arctic Islands Preserve

The area of wild life preserves set aside for the benefit of natives by the Department of the Interior, in the Northwest Territories, Canada, has been extended by taking in all islands under Canadian jurisdiction north of the districts of Mackenzie and Keewatin, with the exception of a part of Baffin Island. This large area is now known as the Arctic Islands Preserve. It embraces a land area of 439,105 square miles.

Banff Park Set Aside in 1885

Banff National Park in the Province of Alberta is the oldest of the Dominion playgrounds, the original reservation having been set aside in 1885. It comprises an area of 2,585 square miles of territory. Reserved for the enjoyment of all who wish to visit it, it is also a wild life sanctuary, evidence of which is manifest in the large number of mountain sheep, deer, and bear to be seen in the areas adjacent to the highways of the park.

3,500 Motor Cars in Bogota

Bogota.—This city, the capital of Colombia, had no automobiles ten years ago and no streets over which a car could have been driven in safety. This year 3,500 automotive vehicles have been licensed, and there are sixty-three miles of paved streets.

Police Dogs Guard Museums

Boston—German police dogs, are let loose as watchdogs every night in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts and in the Fogg Museum at Harvard University.

Best of 20



Kinda young to be "in his cups" is Numa The Second, ten-day-old champion at the El Monte, Calif. formia, baby lion contest. There were twenty entries.

Rome-Buenos Aires Air Service Proposed

Rome.—A project to establish week-by-two-way air service between Rome and Buenos Aires was presented by Gen. Italo Balbo, Italian Air Minister, at the recent convention of transoceanic fliers of all nations here.

The scheme resulted from studies conducted both before and after General Balbo's group flight to South America in January, 1931.

The War Minister presented cost figures and even a time-table and declared that "even commercially speaking the line would pay for itself."

Under the plan the 7185 miles from Rome to Buenos Aires would be covered in 2 1/2 days. Two routes were suggested:

Rome to Tripoli by hydroplane; Tripoli to Bolama, Portuguese Guinea, across the desert by land plane; Bolama to Parahyba, Brazil, by hydroplane, and Parahyba to Buenos Aires, land plane.

Rome to Tunis, hydroplane; Tunis to Bolama, landplane; along the coast from Bolama and then to Parahyba, hydroplane, and Parahyba to Buenos Aires, landplane.

The ship would fly night and day. Both land and water craft would be three-motored and a total of 11 planes would be necessary, each manned by two pilots, a navigator, a mechanic and a telegrapher.

General Balbo indicated that he would like to conduct experiments in flying in the stratosphere. He recommended that a ship be hired to cruise out from Bolama in less frequented zones and that it have special equipment to study conditions in high altitudes.

In the projected south Atlantic crossing a plane would be going from Africa to South America on the same day that another was going from South America to Africa. Thus each would be able to inform the other about the weather conditions.

General Balbo was elected president of the transoceanic fliers. Before the meeting the air men visited the King at Quirinal Palace.

Far seal captures by British Columbia Indians in 1931 totalled 1,463, as compared with 2,297 in 1930. Prices were so low that there was much less inducement than usual for hunting fur seals, which, under the Pelagic Sealing Treaty, may be taken by Indians only, so far as British Columbia waters are concerned.

Humour

I heard one yesterday about a little boy who went to school for the first time. When he returned home his father inquired how he liked it.

"It's all right, but they ask too many questions," said the lad. "First they asked me where you were born and I told them. Then they asked me where mother was born and I told them. But when they asked me where I was born I had to tell a lie."

"Why?" asked his father.
"I didn't want to say I was born in the Women's Hospital and have them think I was a sissy so I told them it was in the Yankee Stadium."
—Karl Kitcher, N.Y. Sun.

"And has she made him a good wife?"
"I don't know about that—but she's certainly making him a good husband."
—Montreal Star.

Pond Mother: "I hope my little darling has been as good as gold all day."
Nurse: "No, ma'am, he went off the gold standard about tea-time."
—Humorist.

Husband: "We've had this car for years and never had a wreck."
Wife: "You mean we've had this wreck for years, and never had a car."
—Presbyterian Magazine.

She: "There's an old-clothes man coming to the door."
He: "Tell him I've got all I need."
—Glasgow Evening Citizen.

Mabel: "So you and Maurice are to be married? Why, I thought it was a mere flirtation."
Helen: "So did Maurice."
—National Magazine.

Wife: "The couple next door seem to be very devoted—he kisses her every time they meet. Why don't you do that?"
Husband: "I don't know her well enough yet."
—Pathfinder.

Ambiguity is telling the truth when you do not want to.
The name of America is anonymous with Liberty.

Most of the beautiful buildings in Boston are of the reminiscent period of architecture.
On her small feet scandals were tied.

The digestive juices are the bile and the sarcastic juices are the gall.
Both men are aspirins for the same girl.

When a person cannot take a contagious disease he is said to be intoxicated.
A passive verb is when the subject is the sufferer, as in "I am loved."

The king wore a scarlet robe trimmed with vermilion.
The whole world except the United States of America is in the Temperance Zone.

"Worry is interest paid on trouble before it falls due."
—Dean Inge.

An old-fashioned girl blushed when she was ashamed . . . a modern girl is ashamed when she blushes.
—Wall Street Journal.

Many a young man thinks she's hard boiled when he's really only half-baked.
—St. Nicholas.

"Good taste is no longer a virtue; it is a definite lack of a sense of publicity."
—Cecil Robberts.

They used to call them scenarios "scenarios."
—Pathfinder.

Sometimes a man thinks he is ahead of his times because the times aren't going in his direction at all.
—Boston Transcript.

Cubans Plant Sunflowers In Place of Sugar Cane

Havana, Cuba.—The humble sunflower may replace the sugar cane as Cuba's greatest agricultural crop. Scores of planters, weary with trying to make both ends meet by growing sugar cane, have applied to the Hershey sugar mill at Hershey, Cuba, for sunflower seeds and now hundreds of acres formerly planted in cane are covered with the yellow blossoms.

Sunflower cultivation, according to agricultural experts, offers the Cuban farmer a profitable crop twice a year, compared to the now unprofitable cane crop once a year. Expensive mills or centrals required for grinding sugar cane are not necessary for extracting the easily marketable oil from the sunflower seeds.

A large market already exists in Cuba for vegetable oil from the sunflower seed. This oil, its backers declare, exceeds olive oil, now imported in great quantities from Italy and Spain, for cooking purposes. Plans for development of the industry include establishment of a large crushing mill, a refinery and a packing plant to can the finished product. If present experimental crops are a success, those backing it declare at least 30,000 acres will be immediately planted in sunflowers.

Crochet Fad Mounts Twine Sales in N.C.

New Bern, N.C.—A local department store ordered so many cones of cotton twine that a New York sales agency wrote to ask how it happened to be using so much string in these times of reluctant trade. If the string was being used for wrapping packages, trade must be very brisk, the agency observed.

The local manager, however, wrote back that the string was not all being used for package wrapping. He was, he said, selling the string itself by the cone for the purpose of crocheting. The population, he said, had become crochet enthusiasts.

MUTT AND JEFF— By BUD FISHER



The Race Will Be To The Swift

