

PREPAREDNESS CAMPS FOR BOYS

Nearly Two Hundred Thousand Will Be Given Training Under the Direction of Boy Scouts.

SIGNALING AND MAP MAKING

New York, June 10.—Nearly 200,000 boys will go into preparedness camps in all parts of the country this summer under the leadership of men identified with the Boy Scouts of America, according to an announcement made at the organization's headquarters here today.

"An analysis of the program for the summer and similar camps, as revealed by General Leonard A. Wood, reveals that fully three-fourths of the subjects and activities taken up in the camps are included in the Boy Scout scheme," the statement reads, "and they will be provided in this summer's Boy Scout camps, the first of which will open next week."

The aims in view, it is explained, are not only to build the boys physically, but to give them "knowledge and skill that will immeasurably increase their usefulness to their country in any crisis." Under this plan the following subjects are included in the course of instruction:

- Camp-site selection, tent pitching, drainage, sanitation, commissary equipment and management, fire lighting without matches, cooking, long distance code signaling, setting up field telegraph and wireless outfits, bridge building, construction of signal and observation towers, fire fighting, swimming, rescue of drowning persons, resuscitation, managing boats, first aid to injured, observation and memory tests, map making and reading, exploration of unfamiliar territory and dispatch bearing. In addition the scouts will learn largely through games and competitions which tickle boyish interest, a great deal about nature, and will be taught to put into practice the code of conduct known to them as "scout law." The camp motto will be "Be prepared," which has been the Boy Scout slogan since the incorporation of the movement in 1910.

Manual of Army Omitted.
The most ardent preparedness advocate of today, the statement declares, "has added nothing new to the arguments that were recognized by the promoters of the boy scout scheme; indeed, the scout scheme goes further, and provides a workable plan, one that is actually working, for preparedness for everyday life, for the routine requirements of citizenship, as well as for emergencies, including the remote possibility of war."

In explanation of the fact that the boys will not receive military drill, the statement says:
"The rifle, the sword and other military accoutrements form no part of the boy scout equipment. The boys in his adolescent years, we feel, is not sufficiently benefited by practice in the manual of arms to have it take the place of other things which are of a more positive and constructive value."

Lieutenant General Sir Baden-Powell (who developed the Boy Scout movement upon the "be prepared" plan), with long experience in England's recruiting work, strongly opposed military drill for the younger boys, and in fighting hard now against the cadet system which is advocated by some in Great Britain. He opposes it on the ground that it defeats the object it is intended to accomplish; that efficient, well disciplined, fighting men cannot be made without a personal development of character, responsibility, self-discipline, physical health, none of which come from the sort of military 'drill' that young boys receive.

Grounding for Good Citizenship.

"The Boy Scouts of America goes in a different way about the business of training boys for the service of their country. All of the interests and activities of the scout are planned so as to give the boy a grounding in the qualities that make for good citizenship, a strong body, an alert mind, moral perceptions and inclinations, a knowledge of his country and of the true meaning of the flag. The boy who gets these in his teens and who in addition gets the training given the scouts will be able to master purely military drill in one-tenth the time the average boy would require, and he would have, plus this, initiative, resource, adaptability and ability to care for himself which the cadet would not have had time to acquire."

"The summer camps will be a demonstration. But back of this demonstration is that something else about the Boy Scout training which so changes and improves the spirit of the boy and his attitude toward his home, his school, his work and his country and his flag. It is what will count for most in an hour of crisis." National headquarters records on June 1 showed that 42,000 men enrolled as scoutmasters and in other posts in the summer encampments for which 180,495 boys are eligible. In addition, the camps will have the services of army and navy officers, naturalists, scoutcraft experts, government life saving officers, physicians, geologists, civil engineers and other men qualified to give instruction.

Masters Give Good Service.

"In this day, when so much is being said about patriotic service," the statement says, "recognition should be given to the personal sacrifice of the thousands of men who without compensation are devoting many hours every week to the training of scouts, and who give up their own vacation plans in order to see that their scouts are properly protected and instructed in the scout camps this summer."

"These men stand in very close relationship to the boys; they have won their respect, admiration and confidence; they have come into positions of unusual influence in these young lives. Clean, strong men of unbroken patriotic spirit, they are playing a very large part in the work of preparing this nation for any emergency."

There are troops of boy scouts in virtually every city and town in the United States, and nearly all will have their season in camp. Each troop, the statement says, will be in charge of men vouched for and constantly under the scrutiny of leading men asso-

AMERICANS LEAVE NORTHERN MEXICO

Demonstrations Against Presence of Troops Causes Great Anxiety at Washington.

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Today's Movie Program.—classified section today. It appears in The Bee exclusively. Find out what the various moving picture theaters offer.

Keep Your Money and Real Estate.—The American Safe Deposit Vault, 218 South 17th St., Bee Bldg. Boxes rent \$1.00 for 2 months. Open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Andrews, Fla. **Sevens—Sunderland's Jewish Charities' Meeting.**—A regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Associated Jewish Charities will be held at their office, 714 Brandeis building, Sunday morning, at 10 o'clock.

To Members of German Alliance.—All members are urged to take part in the flag parade, June 14. Meet on 14th Ave at Harney street promptly at 1 p. m. ALL HONOR TO THE FLAG. Val J. Peters, Pres.

Use "Ten-Tile" Shingles.—Sunderland's New Firm Locates Here—The Taylor-Johnson Wholesale Optical Goods Manufacturing company in the Brandeis Theater building is the newest firm to locate in Omaha. It will open an extensive plan here, employing possibly eight skilled workmen.

W. J. Taylor, W. F. Jenkins and L. E. Wood are the members of the firm. They come here from Quincy, Ill., where they have a similar establishment.

Auto Victim Sues—Jesse L. Hatt has brought suit against Peter T. Barber for \$10,000 for damages caused by being injured in a collision of their automobiles May 29 at the corner of Dodge and Fort-second streets. Mr. Hatt alleges that Barber was driving his car recklessly and improperly; that his car was damaged to the extent of \$500, and that he received permanent and serious injuries, on which he sets the valuation to be \$10,000.

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Hall Announces Instruction Camp to Be Held at Lincoln

Adjutant General Hall of the Nebraska National Guard announces that an officers' camp of instruction will be held at the state farm, Lincoln, June 21 to 29.

Omaha officers of the state guard are looking forward to this event with unusual interest. It is believed this camp will result in a stronger esprit du corps among the guardsmen.

Wife of Dead Admiral Was an Omaha Girl

Rear Admiral Hood, who was among the British officers lost during the great sea fight last week, was the husband of a former Omaha girl, Miss Ellen Touzalin, daughter of the late A. E. Touzalin, at one time general manager of the Burlington road here. The Touzalins went from here to Boston and Miss Ellen married Mr. George Nickerson of that city and was left a widow with three children, and several years ago married a second time, her second husband being Captain Hood, since promoted to rear admiral and second in command to Vice Admiral Sir David Beatty.

War Summary

PROBABLY AS A PRELIMINARY to renewal of their assault on the defenses of Verdun from the north-west, the Germans are sending their heavy forces to be positioned in the French trenches in that sector.

THE ITALIANS have suffered a probably heavy loss in men in the sinking of the Italian transport *Felice Umberto*, in an attack by two Austrian submarines in the lower Adriatic. It is believed that fully half the large number of troops on board perished.

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CITIZENS MAKE WAY TO BORDER

Washington, June 10.—Administration officials were uneasy over continued reports of anti-American demonstrations in northern Mexico. Americans in Mexico, fearing serious riots, are making their way to the border in great numbers, and those seeking to return to Mexico are being advised against such action by border agents acting under orders.

Most demonstrations have gone no further than mass meetings and speeches by agitators who resent the presence of American troops on Mexican soil. Carranza troops have sought to disperse such gatherings. Officials fear public opinion may

Youngsters Deplete Fireworks Supplies

Ten grade school boys, most of them bright looking little chaps, were in the probation court before Judge Leslie, on the charge of breaking into the store of Benjamin Marshall, Eighteenth and Howard streets, for three nights in a row.

According to witnesses, the boys took \$100 worth of stuff from the store, including a quantity of cap pistols and other supplies. They broke a window and then shoved open a door. The boys did not deny their guilt, but tearfully declared that two

other boys, who were not in court at all, were the worst culprits.

Peter Synek, a good looking boy about 16 years of age, and who has been earning \$12 per week, he says, was soon sentenced to the Kearney school as one of the ring-leaders. Then there was a private conversation between the judge and the probation officials, after which Joe Polito and Joe Sculla were also sent to Kearney.

Strong appeals were made in behalf of these youngsters, that they might share the lot of the others, but the appeals were in vain. The smaller boys were sent to the Detention home until such time as Judge Leslie decides they are good enough to go free.

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