

## SCOUTS TO BEGIN FIFTH CAMPAIGN

Omaha Troops to Assist in National Drive in Interests of Red Cross; Canvass All Theaters.

Eight hundred Omaha Boy Scouts will begin next Tuesday to assist in the fifth national campaign of this year. They will do their share in making the local Red Cross drive a success.

The scouts will canvass the theaters and motion picture houses. A schedule has been arranged for the guidance of the scoutmasters. At each night's performance a troop will visit each theater and work during intermissions.

Executive English of the local scout council believes Omaha scouts will obtain no less than 5,000 Red Cross pledges during this campaign, which will last one week. Each scout returning five or more pledges will receive a service band of same design that was awarded for the food pledge campaign work. Four hundred and fifty Omaha scouts were awarded service bands for the food conservation work and it is estimated that as many will be decorated for this Red Cross campaign. The boys assisted in both of the Liberty loan drives and the scouts of the country won national recognition for that work.

The big men of the nation have expressed themselves in appreciative terms regarding the great work done this year by the Boy Scouts in helping to make the world safe for democracy.

### Sight of Oakum Rouses

#### Valiant Scouts to Action

The boys of troop No. 9, in charge of Scoutmaster E. R. Zabriskie, believe in doing their share in the war relief work. Last Monday when they met in All Saints' church, Mrs. T. J. Mackay, wife of the rector, came in with three bales of oakum which was to be used by local Red Cross workers in making first aid bandages for the Sammies "over there." She explained that before this material could be used it must be prepared by taking out the coarse fibers.

"Would the scouts of Troop No. 9 do the work?" she asked. "Would they do it? Can a duck swim? No sooner had she made her wishes known, than the boys fell to with vim and in short order they had the work completed. That's the way they do things in Troop No. 9."

### A. B. Ambersen Reorganizes Crack Scout Troop No. 1

A. B. Ambersen is the new scoutmaster of troop No. 1. This troop is undergoing a reorganization and expects to be in the forefront of things in the future. The meeting place is in the Walnut Hill Methodist church. First and second basket ball teams have been organized. A hike to the country north of Florence is being planned for the week between Christmas and New Year's day.

Troop No. 8, which meets in St. John's Episcopal church, believes it has some basket ball team. If any other troop doubts that claim, they may have a demonstration by notifying J. J. Cameron, jr., scoutmaster.

### Scouts of Troop No. 31 Develop Sense of Touch

Scoutmaster Carl M. Worden of troop No. 31 is proud of his boys. Last Monday night Scoutmaster Hill of troop No. 31 visited Troop No. 31 and showed them a stunt which consists of blind-folding a boy, placing him in the center of a circle of boys and have him tell the name of the first boy he touches by the sense of touch and by asking one question. One quick-witted scout asked the boy he touched his address and thereby quickly gave his name. Another boy recognized the band on the trousers of a high school cadet. Mr. Hill was surprised at the quick wit of the scouts of troop No. 31.

### Troop No. 1 Opens Meetings With "Oath to the Flag"

The scouts of Troop No. 1 now open the meetings with the "Oath to the Flag." We are reorganizing the troop under Mr. Ambersen. There are three different corps, first aid, under Louis Smetana; signal corps, under Firman Hayman; knot tying corps, under Lysle Vance. We have a committee that is picking a champion basket ball team. Another big hike is planned for the Christmas vacation. During this hike most of the scouts are planning to pass as many tests as possible.

### Play Written by Omaha Girl To Have Premier Tuesday

Final rehearsals for the play, "Draught," to be staged at Creighton auditorium Tuesday night forecast a splendid presentation of this "made-in-Omaha" drama, according to Mrs. Isabella McLaughlin, who is directing the cast. Mae Greene, 2616 California street, wrote the play. The net proceeds will be donated to a fund for the construction of a new chapel at Fort Omaha.

### Here, Scouts, Is an Old One: Can You Figure It Out?

Boys, see if you can figure this out: Scout Executive English went into a barber shop during the week, got a shave and offered the barber \$1. The barber said he could not change \$1, so Mr. English said he had a \$5 bill which the barber said he could change. Mr. English received back \$4.85. How did the barber make the change of the \$5 bill when he could not change the \$1 bill?

### E. L. Johnson Is Chairman Of Red Cross Collections

The Red Cross Christmas membership committee has appointed Manager Johnson of the Gavety theater as chairman of the collections to be made at all the theaters the coming week. No doubt the appointment was made because of the "go-get-it" methods employed by him at his own theater recently, when the \$1,878 was obtained in two weeks for the "Smokes for Sammies" fund.

### Scout Dawson Aids Police In Catching Slick Thief

Boy Scouts are quick to observe things. That is part of scoutcraft. Charles Dawson of troop No. 28 last week observed a woman place some money in a paper on her door knob for a laundryman. He also observed a man who was not a laundryman take the money. He notified a policeman, who succeeded in arresting the thief.

## COURT OF HONOR SCOUT TRIBUNAL

Well Known Men Sit to Pass Upon Applications for Orders of Merit; Requirements Exacting.

The Court of Honor is the last word in Omaha Boy Scout affairs. This group of men sit from time to time to pass upon applications for first class scout certificates and merit badge certificates.

The personnel of the local court is: Judge Woodrough, Paul L. Martin, Dr. Irving S. Carter, W. R. McKern, H. A. Senter, J. W. Welch and J. A. Sunderland. They are all busy men and it is not possible for them to attend every meeting, as was the case when this picture was taken. But their hearts are in the scout movement and they are always ready, when time permits, to lend their aid to help the boys.

When a scout becomes first class, he is entitled to strive for merit badges which are given for proficiency in 60 lines of activity which cover nearly the entire field of everyday affairs. Some boys begin their life work by becoming interested in an activity to gain a merit badge. Automobiling, for instance, may lead a boy to become a mechanic. The government at this time is making a loud call for automobile and airplane mechanics. The same may be said of telegraphy, wireless telegraphy, machinery, wood working and other lines of work.

Boy Scouts have found that information gained in their efforts to win merit badges has proved valuable in more than one way. These activities have broadened their point of view and helped them to be handy at home. A boy who passes a handicraft merit test can do almost any kind of repairing in the average home.

### Brandeis Stores Open Information Bureau

The Brandeis Stores have opened a special holiday season information bureau, where shoppers from out of town especially, can get information on any subject they wish. J. W. Kennedy, a well known hotel man of Omaha, has been placed in charge of this important bureau and is ready to furnish information in regard to trains, hotel accommodations, places of amusement and points of interest to out-of-town visitors.

Mr. Kennedy, because of his long association with three of the best hotels in Omaha, is also qualified to give the best of service in obtaining accommodations for holiday shoppers.

The holiday information bureau will be located on the main floor, main aisle (Will H. Thomas' office).

### Troop No. 38 Goes Through Foot Ball Season Unscathed

Troop No. 38, St. John's Catholic church, Twenty-fifth and California streets, is feeling rather cheery over the record attained by its foot ball team which has played eight games this season without a defeat. John Gullin is manager and Arthur Gaines is captain.

Hand ball is another game in which members of this troop claim superiority. They will consider inter-troop games.

### Auto Salesmen Do Good Business in Cold Weather

"One of the most prevalent reasons advanced by automobile salesmen for slack business during the winter," asserts Manager O'Neal of the Nebraska Oldsmobile company, "is that the people don't want to buy cars until warm weather."

This, according to O'Neal, is poor logic for two reasons. First, many owners drive their cars all winter and many prospects would do the same if they had cars. Secondly, many motorists will be disappointed in the spring when they find that it will be very hard to get prompt delivery. Then, too, there is every indication that cars will advance from \$150 to \$300 by spring. This will make many owners wish they had bought during the winter at lower prices.

### United States "Royal Cord" Tire Passes 38,000 Mile Mark

Here is a tire performance that is apt to hold the endurance record for many a day to come, a performance that is arousing such interest in California that the public is keeping score on its daily mileage record. The Kent Brothers, who operate the motor stage between San Pedro and Redondo, Cal., have their car equipped with United States "Royal Cord" tires. When one of these tires had run 28,411 miles and was brought in to be retreaded, the local press sat up and took an intense interest in this "wonder" tire, and on November 3, when a total of 38,249 miles was attained, crowds were waiting at each end of the stage route to jot down the mileage.

### Missouri Pacific Official Snowbound in Dakota

Traveling Passenger Agent Perry of the Missouri Pacific is in Omaha from South Dakota, where he was storm bound a couple of days of the present cold spell. While the weather was the coldest, Mr. Perry was in Aberdeen. There the thermometers registered 36 to 40 degrees below zero.

As told to Mr. Perry, this was the coldest weather that the oldest South Dakota residents had ever experienced this early in the season. It was so cold that business was practically suspended and no attempt was made to perform outside labor.

### What the Omaha Boy Scouts Are Doing

Scoutmaster Zabriskie of Troop No. 9, has proposed to his boys a tentative constitution for the guidance of his troop. This set of rules will be for internal affairs of the troop and will in no manner contravene the rules as laid down in the handbook of the Boy Scouts of America. Adoption of the proposed constitution will be brought up in a week or so.

George Phillips of Troop No. 9, suffered a broken arm. The boys are hoping that George will be up and around in time to enjoy Christmas dinner with both arms.

Troop No. 20, under Scoutmaster R. F. Edmunds, held a parents' night session on Thursday. The boys gave demonstrations of scout work for the edification of their parents.

Rev. C. E. Cobby will speak to the boys of Troop No. 28 on Monday night on his recent experiences at Camp Cody.



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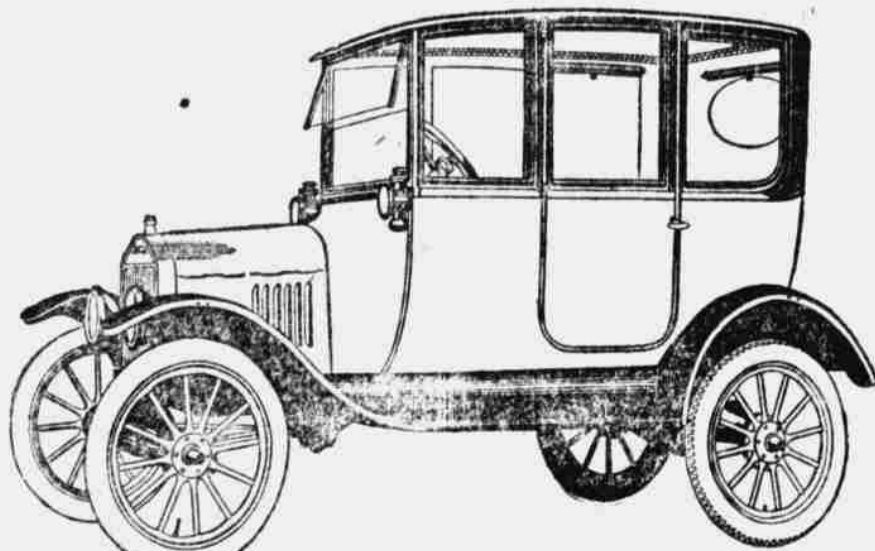
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