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## EDITORIALS

### A Boy's Magazine

The primary purpose of the Boy Scouts of America is character building and citizenship training. It is hardly necessary to dwell upon the value of Scouting to the nation as a supplement to the home, the church and the school. Early in its life the Boy Scouts of America felt that "in giving the boys of America a program for their leisure time it could not escape the fact that reading is a vital factor in the life of the average boy."

The Boy Scouts of America therefore became the owners of a boys' magazine, "Boys' Life" in July 1912, and as a "non-commercial enterprise" has developed it as a vehicle through which all boys Scouts and non-Scouts alike, obtain not so very long ago, a time out from their busy lives.

Today this magazine owes its leadership to Dr. James B. West, Chief Scout Executive, who has served as Editor since October, 1923, is recognized as one of the leading periodicals in America for boys.

Dr. West is and has long been a valiant champion in the cause of sane reading material for boys. He devotes much of his time to further the cause of reading worthwhile material.

Through the celebration of "Boys' Life Week" from December 1 to December 7, the Boy Scout Movement seeks to gather together all persons and institutions interested in the needs of growing boys and together plan to help boys and young men in their difficult days to get most values out of the leisure hours they devote to reading.

It is indeed a most worthy project in which all our parents, libraries, schools, churches and civic organizations can participate. It is an activity that promises rich rewards, for in helping youth to grow, we help the nation to grow.

### They Only Did Their Duty

No matter how humble duty may be—but we're putting the moral ahead of the story, which is all about how they are preserving the tradition of good old Southern hospitality down Fort McClelland way in Alabama. You don't have to be a General, let alone a hero, to receive high military courtesies. Ask those First and Second Lieutenants who dropped in on the Twenty-Seventh Division camp to borrow—as reports state—some cook stoves.

The visitors hadn't even a used for it; one of them was in overalls. But as they stepped out of their plane, there stood a distinguished-looking group of military men with all the fixings—as Americans say around Thanksgiving time—to prove their high rank. It turns out to have been a mistake. A General was expected to alight from that plane; he didn't show up until later, when he was properly met by the right people. Mainly, while one reflects that it is better to have met the first plane and honored the Lieutenants than it would have been to risk missing the General.

So surely everybody is satisfied. And as we were about to moralize at the outset, no matter how humble a duty may seem, one can never tell how impressive it will be the honors one may receive in performing it.

### The "First Grade" Teacher

Before National Education Week is forgotten, it seems fitting that a meed of long-overdue recognition be accorded one who, perhaps, more than any other person, has had a hand in the Nation's progress—the First Grade teacher.

It is she who is charged with guiding our first faltering footsteps in the path of knowledge, who steers us safely over such unaccustomed obstacles as cat and dog, guides us through the mystifying mazes of penmanship; and, in music, steadies us until we can with a measure of ease negotiate the ladder of the major scale. With infinite tact she diverts the nostalgia which frequently attends an initial venture into the new and unfamiliar domain of the "Three R's". In short, she so endears herself to us that on entering the "Second Grade, the realization that she is no longer to teach us brings on a

sudden shower of juvenile tears. Appearing infrequently on her teacher association programs, and well in the background at its conventions, she, nevertheless, is far from being the "forgotten woman." Although no statues may be erected in her honor, she has need of them. Hundreds of purposeful, achieving men and women who she guided through the First Grade are her animated memorials.

### Fashion vs. Bird Life

An article in Bird Life, official voice of the National Audubon Society, offers a factual report of the variety of actual American birds supposed to be under legal protection but actually being killed off by time not so very long ago. There was a lot more so very long ago, a time the author, "when public sentiment aroused at the cruelty and waste wrought by the plume-hunters, had almost eliminated the use of feathers on women's hats. But the cycle of fashion has changed once again, and slowly, under the protection of legal loopholes, a reliance upon distorted terminology, and ignorance, the traffic is being resumed."

The investigation behind this article presents a second indictment of fashion in the court of public opinion. The case was once tried; and at that time "not so very long ago," public opinion found for the birds (foreign as well as native), and a widespread slaughter of winged creatures for the ornamentation of hats seemed to have been stopped.

Recently in New York and Philadelphia "more than 200 different feather samples" were purchased, and subsequent classification and study of them by specialists at the American Museum of Natural History shows unmistakably that more than forty species of wild birds are represented. "A six months investigation by the Audubon Society shows that the 'need' in wild birds' feathers for millinery, supposed to have ended a long generation ago, has revived and that all large cities in the United States are flooded with plumes illegally imported and illegally possessed."

The Society believes that, as happened before, the wearer's realization of the relationship between feathers on hats and feathers on birds would promptly and materially change a fashion under which "American and bird life faces its worst threat in three decades." But even so, protective laws then enacted should be critically examined and the loopholes legally sealed up.

### Dearth of Mirth

(Christian Science Monitor)

It was one thing when color comics were restricted to a section of the Sunday newspaper. A colorful virtue, perhaps, but at least it limited the appearance of such "funnies" to once a week. Now, days, newspaper comics, in magazine form, are present on newsstands daily—and even more markedly devoid of comedy than before. In fact, the one funny thing left about them is their name.

"Way back in the unsophisticated and more risible days of Buster Brown and Happy Hooligan comics were comical—at least sometimes. Today, you may hear your Johnny and Janey scream with excitement over them. But laugh? Never! So why not rename these colorful compendiums of superlatives, melodrama? What about Terrifics, or Horrifics? Or even Scarrifics?"

Some such name would be in keeping, too, with their authors' ineptitude. Fearlessly they ransack not only the annals of banditry and gangsterdom, but in a manner of treachery and crime, but great literature, history, and legend as well. Liberally revamped and mass-produced, these researches are served up piping hot with vitriolic violence and horrendous halfbreath being.

Who knows? A generation from now, some enterprising university candidate for the Ph. D. may do a learned dissertation on our current comedyless comics as "utterly invaluable to the understanding of significant social phenomena of this period." Maybe that's where the laugh will come in—and, on us, too.

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## CHURCHES

SALEM EVANGELICAL  
Rev. Carl Schultz, Pastor

Church 10 a. m.  
Sunday School 11:15 a. m.  
All Sunday School members are urged to be present for practice for Christmas entertainment.

CLARENCEVILLE M. E.  
Rev. W. J. Priak, Pastor

Church service, 10 a. m.  
Sunday School, 11 a. m.  
Evening service, 7:30 p. m.  
Thursday evening, 7:30 p. m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS  
Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 10:30 a. m., and at 12 noon.  
Masses on Holy Days at 6:00, 7:30, and 9:00 a. m.  
Daily Masses at 6:30 and 8:00 a. m.

REDFORD GOSPEL TABERNACLE  
16800 Lahser Road

Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Pentecostal prayer and praise service, 11:00 a. m.

FIRST BAPTIST  
"The Friendly Church"  
Gilbert A. Miles, Pastor

Morning prayer meetings, 10:15.  
Morning worship, 10:30.  
Bible School, 11:45. We have a good class for every age, group and all who are not attending some other school are invited to come.  
B. Y. P. U., 6:30.  
Evening evangelistic meeting at 7:30.

West Point Bible Church  
Seven Mile W. & Farmington Rds.  
West Point, Mich.  
Rev. J. H. Sandbrook, pastor

19020 Woodruff avenue  
Phone 584-J1

Mr. P. Amstutz, assistant pastor  
Rev. E. B. Parnum, superintendent

WINTER SCHEDULE  
Sundays

Sunday School, 10 to 11 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11:15 to 12:30.

Junior Church, 3 to 4 p. m. /  
Evangelistic Service, 7:45 p. m.

Tuesdays

Prayer Meeting and Divine  
Institution (we pray for the sick), 8 p. m.

Fridays

Missionary Meeting, 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.  
Child Evangelism, 4 to 5 p. m.  
Bible Institute, 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. (accredited Moody Bible Institute courses).

OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

Monday

Mexican Missionary Work (Detroit).

Wednesdays

Evangelistic Team (at missions and churches anywhere scheduled if you are interested come with us.)

Saturdays

Tract Distribution (local and outside).  
"You are Never a Stranger."

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY  
23608 Warner Avenue.

Rev. and Mrs. Hubert L. Tomlinson  
Pastors, 23408 Sherwood Ave.  
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.  
Worship, 10:45 a. m.  
Evangelistic, 7:30 p. m.  
Cottage prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Teaching, preaching and singing the gospel of Christ.  
Everybody welcome.

FIRST METHODIST  
Rev. Delmore Stubbs, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:30. Sermon by the minister.  
Church School, 12 noon.  
Junior League 5:30.  
Sunday Evening Club 7:00.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY  
New High School Auditorium  
Farmington, Michigan

"God the Only Cause and Creator" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in All Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 8.

The Golden Text (Hebrews 3:4) is: "Every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God."

Among the Bible citations is this passage (Psalm 46:5): "Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward; they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee, if I would declare and speak of them; they are more than can be numbered."

## ARMY RECRUITING SERVICE STILL FUNCTIONING

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph L. Bachus, Detroit District Recruiting Officer, said today that "Appreciably many people have gained an erroneous impression that the mission of the Army Recruiting Service had been completed and that this office would now cease to function. Such an idea is entirely incorrect." Colonel Bachus pointed out, "because now the Army Recruiting Service has a much more specialized job than ever before." The Selective Service Act contemplates filling the large number needed by the Army, and the Recruiting Service will furnish the instructors and trained key men necessary to maintain the standard expected. He invited attention to the fact that Selectees, both volunteers and selected men, will be between 18 and 35 years of age, which is the same as the Regular Army requirements. The War Department has established a ratio of eligible males in each section of the country based upon their male population. As enlisted men are reported by the Regular Army, they are credited to the quota of that section.

The Army Recruiting Service is now required to maintain the Army at its present strength of 375,000 plus the additional authorized troops. This figure may eventually reach 500,000 with authorization of some new specialist units now contemplated. All men within this group will be 3 year enlisted men, especially schooled and specialized for their task, between the ages of 18 and 35 years of age. Many of these men, preferred voluntary enlistment rather than service by selection. The units to which these men are being assigned, will be Air Corps, Armored Force, Signal Units, Medical Units, certain special Artillery Units, and specially trained Quartermaster Corps men. A vast new field will be opened if eastern island bases recently acquired are garrisoned. These island groups are from Newfoundland to British Guiana, and will also include present American possessions such as Porto Rico and the Panama Canal Zone. Far western possessions, from Alaska to the Philippines, including Hawaii, will also need strengthened garrisons.

For this expansion of National Defense, the Army must provide the key men; instructors; trained cadres for an expanded group of 300,000 selectees; instructors with the National Guard in Active Service and those not yet in active service; instructors for the Organized Reserve and Reserve Officer Training Corps units now organized; staffs and specialists for the 9 Field Corps and the 4 Field Armies; and personnel for the administration of the 9 "housekeeping" Corps organizations set-up.

He that can have patience, can have what he will.—Franklin

FARMINGTON LODGE NO. 151  
F. & A. M.

Regular meetings at 7:30 p. m., on the second Monday of the month.  
Lodge room open every Monday night.

Worshipful Master is E. F. Alexander. James L. Hogle is secretary.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY  
NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON  
A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts

SUNDAY SERVICES  
AT 11:00 A. M.

And Sunday School for Pupils up to the age of 22 at 11:00 a. m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p. m. in Universalist Church, 23808 Warner Ave.

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Farmington, Michigan

## FRUIT GROWERS ADVISED TO PRUNE AND SPRAY TREES

There's no rest even in winter for the growers of Michigan quality fruit. Here are two winter jobs suggested to protect your fruit crops in the state, whether for home or commercial use.

Winter pruning to control fire blight which affects apples, pears and quinces is one job. The other is a dormant spray to kill the spores of the leaf curl fungus that thrives in peach plantings. Each job is an excellent one for the wintertime.

Any bright warm day when the temperature is above freezing will do for the peach leaf curl spray. The idea, says Catton, is to kill the spores of the yeast-like fungus which live on the wax of the twigs. He recommends an 8-100 Bordeaux mixture—eight pounds of spray lime, eight pounds of copper sulphate and 100 gallons of water. This spray can go on in early spring but there is no certainty that other work will permit or that the ground will be solid for equipment.

Michigan has had no generally serious leaf curl in peaches for about five years although the general expectancy is to have trouble three years out of five, either before or after the job, says Catton, the spray pump should be drained to prevent freezing at night.

The fire blight is curbed by proper pruning. Apples, pears and quinces are also to be treated with a bacterial disease, usually severe in 1940. It kills back twigs and branches and forms cankers.

All portions should be trimmed out. On branches the knife should go two or three inches back of the spread, or back to the next leaf to avoid leaving a stub. Cankers are treated by removing all dead bark and taking at least an inch outside of the edge of the canker to get live bacteria. No disinfectant is necessary.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL BRINGS OUT SNOW-FIGHTERS

As snow showers swept into Michigan this week and last, the state highway department and county road commissions had their first taste of snow-fighting for the present season.

The storm caused the highway department to prepare its first snow removal reports and order its machinery for special winter highway information started.

"This service," State Highway Commissioner G. Donald Kennedy

stated, "will include winter maintenance information and weather forecasts."

All maintenance superintendents have been ordered to arrange with persons throughout their counties to report weather and road conditions in their respective neighborhoods during adverse conditions. These reports, in turn, are to be relayed to the Lansing office to that information on road conditions throughout the state may be supplied the public.

The reports will indicate if roads have been sanded, condition of weather, visibility, temperature, road conditions, and indicate what roads, if any, are blocked.

Meanwhile, 44 of Michigan's county road commissions have again divided \$200,000 in state funds to assist them in paying for snow removal costs on county roads.

These funds are made available each year under the terms of a 1917 statute appropriating \$200,000 annually to counties in northern Michigan having more than 60 inches total snowfall during the preceding winter. The money is allocated on the basis of county road mileage and amount of snowfall as recorded by the U. S. Weather Bureau.

## GROWERS WARNED OF DANGER FROM PEACH VIRUS

In a grave warning this week, Agricultural Commissioner Elmer A. Beamer asked all Michigan nurserymen and fruit growers to use every precaution possible in purchasing their peach nursery stock because of the dangerous condition which may result on the reception in this state of any young peach trees from Texas where the deadly virus disease, Peach Mosaic, has been positively identified by the United States Department of Agriculture.

"This disease is not now present in Michigan," Beamer said, "and I am certain no one would choose to be adjudged guilty of its introduction into the state."

"Michigan stands fifth in the United States in the production of peaches, and the development of Peach Mosaic in the orchards of the state would practically ruin some of our fruit growers."

Peach Mosaic is a virus disease usually found in peach trees which will literally spread like wildfire upon its development in an orchard, and will cause a degradation of the fruit produced and, in a short time, cause the death of every tree infected.

C. A. Boyer, Director of the Bureau of Orchard and Nursery Inspection Service said that he had asked the U. S. Department of Agriculture to prohibit the shipment of peach stock out of the state of Texas because of the serious situation which might develop.

Boyer, who is chairman of the Central Plant Board Quarantine Committee, comprising twelve mid-western states, also said that a meeting of the executive committee of the board had been called to discuss necessary steps to be taken to prevent the inception of any Texas peach stock in the central states area.

News items always welcome.

"I want a gift that will KEEP ON GIVING—for years to come"

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