

3—Tatnuck C.—Since the first of the year, under the leadership of our new Asst. Scoutmaster Frank Kinney, who is taking charge of all out-door activities of the Troop, we have had nine Troop hikes, 3 all day hikes for the entire Troop, three map making hikes for Second Class fellows, and three Patrol hikes. The average attendance on the Troop hikes has been about 15 Scouts. On Feb. 17 we admitted five new Tenderfeet to our ranks and we have three new recruits working on the Tenderfeet requirements. As a community good turn our Troop has been shoveling out the hydrants in the district and after the last storm we shoveled out seventeen. We had a fine Church service Anniversary Week under the direction of our chaplain, Rev. James Carter.

13—All Souls—We entertained Troop 28 March 9. Each Troop challenged the other in one contest, provided one stunt, and showed the other a new game. The "Traveling Sheepskin" was brought back by Troop 28. It has now been in the hands of 15 Troops and is starting on its third year of visitation. We accept Troop 51's challenge in knot tying.

24—Pilgrim Cong.—We were visited recently by Troop 29 and we exchanged visits with Troop 65 at the "Y". We have a Parent's Night scheduled some time in March.

30—Newton Sq. Baptist—Scribe Hodge reports Sr. P. L. Finlayson and Quartermaster Randolph Creswell are right on the job in his Troop. They have new Tenderfoot Scouts and are planning to have at least 2 Eagles at the end of the year. Good for Troop 30.

40—Rice Square—Our meetings average an attendance of between 35 and 40 boys and this number is generally exceeded. Scoutmaster Hogan and Asst. Scoutmasters Johnson and Cramer and ten Scouts hiked out to a nearby quarry and cleaned up on plenty of tests. We had a great time besides in an "apple roast". We also found a clump of blue beeches or American Hornbeams, a rather rare tree here.

54—First Univ.—March 1st Mr. Raymond Frost our Scoutmaster succeeding Mr. Charles F. Davis who has become a District Deputy. Mr. Frost was one of the first Scoutmasters of the Worcester Council and organized Troop 54 in 1916. In addition to Scout experience Mr. Frost brings to us experience in the Navy, assistant physical director at the Y. M. C. A., basket ball player for several years, and 100 yard swimming champion in Worcester for 1912-13. There is no question but that Troop 54 is going to stay on the map.

System is working fine. At our District Rally our Troop received the prize for having the most adult friends present. Elliott Jones directed the ushers at the Rally. Cornelius Carroll passed two merit badges at the last Court of Honor.

51—St. Peters—Our Troop has been making great progress lately. We have several new Tenderfoot Scouts. We claim the championship in the Main South District in knot tying. Several Patrols were out on ski hikes and had great fun. Knot tying competitors should call Scribe Eliot Bradish, C. 6004 MK.

106—South Grafton—School vacation week we managed to have two test passing hikes, one mystery hike, one Court of Honor meeting, one Patrol meeting and one Regular Scout meeting. Otherwise Scouting was forgotten for the week.

1—Sturbridge—February 12th was a big day for our Troop. In the afternoon a hockey game was played between the two Patrols and won by the Flying Eagles. In the evening a banquet was held at which Assistant Executive McKinstry spoke. We gave a send-off to Scoutmaster MacDonald who is leaving town. Scouts Knight and Courad were awarded their First Class pins.

WHO IS CHAMPION BUGLER?

Saturday afternoon, April 30 there will be a bugle contest to determine the championship of the Worcester Council. Contest open to Scouts of all rank who have not reached their 18th birthday. Contestants must register for the contest at Scout Headquarters not later than April 23.

Conditions—Contestants must use an official Scout bugle bearing the seal and name of the Boy Scouts of America. If contestant does not own an official Boy Scout bugle it is permissible for him to borrow one to use in the contest. Scout must be able to play all calls mentioned in merit badge for bugling.

Judging points—Promptness in execution, correctness of call, quality of tone, number of calls played. The winner will receive an official Rexcraft bugle. The Rexcraft Company is the organization which is encouraging the contest. Who is our champion bugler?



PUP TENTS—FALL IN!

100 pup tents assembling for Annual Encampment—Boynton Park, June 4th and 5th. For the fifth year 200 or more Scouts will have a big twenty-four hours of camping and contests. Troops assembling under Scoutmasters for camping contest, games and sports, campfire, overnight together, Sunday service, hike and demonstrations.

HOW TO PLAN FOR IT—Secure approval of parents and pastors for absence from Church or Sunday School June 5, the only occasion in the year when the Council plans to have Scouts away from their own churches. If permission cannot be obtained for absence June 5, plan on encampment June 4 with return to city early the morning of June 5.

THE EVENTS—Saturday, June 4—3 o'clock—Scout Pace contest. 4 o'clock—Observation Contest. 4.30—Obstacle Race. 5.00—Surprise Contest. 6.00—Supper. 7-8.30—Knot Tying, Verbal Message Relay Race, fire by friction-water boiling. Signaling and Carry Contest, Wall Sealing. 9.00—Campfire, stunts, songs, stories.

Sunday—8.00 o'clock—Catholic Scouts leave camp for mass. 9.00—Service for Protestants Scouts. 10.00—Hike. 3.00—General Review of Troops, each district presenting an historical episode. 3.45—Presentation of badges. Dismissal.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS—All contests will be for patrols of six or eight, 6 in case of very small Troops. Saturday P. M. contests for patrols of any 6 or 8 Scouts who happen to be present. Saturday evening patrol must hold together for all contests. All Scouts must be under own Scoutmaster or definitely assigned to some other. Troops that cannot stay until 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon should plan to leave camp before 8 o'clock Sunday morning.

DETAILS OF CONTEST—Scout Pace—

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TREASURE VALLEY—JULY 7TH "EVERY SCOUT IN CAMP"

Nearly 500 of us there last year. Why not a thousand this year? How to get there—Begin saving now—Make sure your parents realize its importance. Summer camp is the biggest experience in the life of a Scout. Camp bulletins are in the mail now for every Scout. If you do not get yours, let us know.

THE FORWARD STEP

The following Scouts have qualified for the Monadnock trip May 30 by passing their First Class test: Irving Dunn and Lloyd Jenkins of Troop 3; Paul Broman, Troop 27; Robert Fuller, Troop 24; Birger Ellertson and Henry Carlson of Troop 45; Thomas Connor, Troop 51; Russell Barros and Francis Wheeler of Troop 64 and John Wasiuk, James Sherman, Harry Daw, Charles May, Charles Marsden, and Arthur Grenon of Troop 106—South Grafton.

In almost every Troop there are Scouts who expect to complete First Class in the next three weeks. Final Court of Honor for First Class May 25. Details of Monadnock trip will be sent to each eligible Scout at that time.