



AMONG THE BOY SCOUTS—

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A Scout

HOW CAN YOU BE ONE OF US?

(Continued from the September issue)

5) *Adventure in Woodcraft*

It is proposed that each progress level in Senior and Rover Scouting that each individual or Team or Circle plan with the adult leader involved a real outdoor adventure, securing advance recognition of it as qualifying as an "adventure" and involving mastery of being comfortable and safe in all weathers in the out-of-doors. This may involve the construction of his own comfort equipment and devices; it may involve making the necessary precautionary plans for a band of such Scouts going on a canoe trip, a cruise (Sea Scouts), building trails in National Parks, making studies of bird migration, exploring watersheds for State authorities, surveying Indian trails, co-operation with museums in excavating Indian mounds or geologic "finds."

While we should recognize that in many cases these young men are already well leaded up with things to do in church, school, work, social life, it is well to chart these opportunities not implying that each will do all these things, but enriching by

such listing the choice which they shall make in terms of the demands upon their own time. After all, this is a supplementary program to home, church, school and community life.

6) *Rover Socials*

Under proper auspices and leadership it is quite desirable that a program of social activity involving the presence of young ladies be developed in Rover Scouting. The exact nature of these occasions will vary with the community and the churches and schools and homes involved, but the tone and quality and spirit of them can be of the best, everywhere.

Musicals, literary evenings, amateur dramatic events, dinners, dances, bridges, are among these already used. The presence of the Rovermasters and committeemen and their wives provides not only a proper chaperonage but a fine opportunity for these adults to enjoy association with these young men and women and to give indirect training in such experiences which are an important phase of adult life.

7) *Health—Recreation—Athletics*

Rover Scouts should "Be Prepared" by keeping in good health and to that and should undergo at least an annual health check-up. Also each should plan out a program of health practices involving definite recreation. The truly broad life is a balanced life and in it recreation is essential for both physical and mental health. Young men of these ages need opportunities for vigorous outdoor physical activity. Since most Senior Scouts will be in High School (more because of the new leisure and employment trends) it is natural to expect them to take advantage of the abundant opportunities for athletic activities afforded there.

Increasingly, we are being reminded of the ills and evils attendant upon competitive athletics and of the desirability of young men having vigorous physical expression not necessarily competitive but more concerned with vitality. The whole emphasis of Scouting on the out-of-doors points here to the opportunities for hiking, skating, skiing, coasting, mountain climbing, canoeing, rowing, and swimming. These offer a fine supplement to the types of school athletics widely practiced.

(To be continued)

JOKES

Teacher—"Ricardo, form the three degrees of comparison of brave."

Ricardo—"brave, braver, bravest."

Teacher—"Good. Gregorio, form the three degrees of comparison of much."

Gregorio—"much, mucher, muchest."

Teacher—"Delfin, why do we have skin?"

Delfin—"to protect the *meat* inside our body."

Teacher—"How would you stop the bleeding from a cut in the head?"

Juliano—"I will tie a handkerchief with a knot around the patient's neck."

Pacifico giving a riddle.

"What is in the middle of the street?"

Floro—"Stones."

Pacifico—"No."

Class—"what?"

Pacifico—"A traffic policeman."