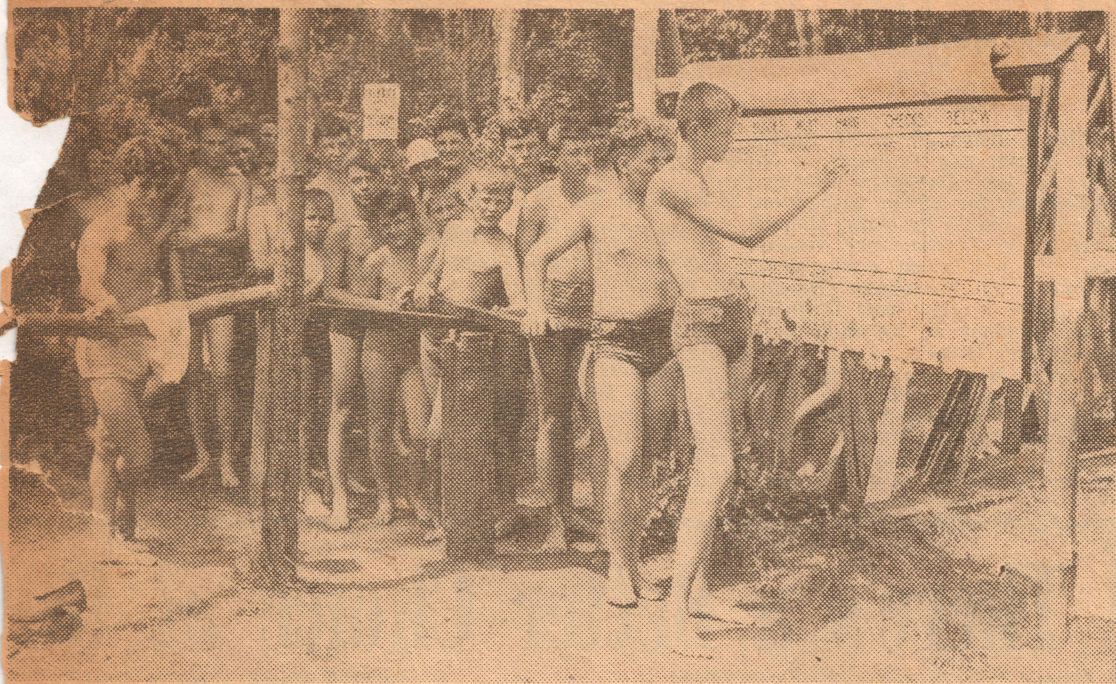


Herkimer Scouts at Adirondack Camp



White Lake Scout Camp Busy Place

Largest Enrollment Since Opened by General Herkimer Council

Ilion, July 30.—It's great to be an American, if you have any doubts about this, just ask anyone of the more than 200 Boy Scouts who have been having the time of their lives at Camp Russell, the official Scout headquarters for the troops of the General Herkimer Council for one month each summer.

The camp has enjoyed the best year for attendance since it was opened. Throughout the last few years many improvements have been made to the camp grounds and buildings with the exception of this year. Work on the buildings and the grounds has been retarded due to the fact that practically all of the scoutmasters of the various troops of the council are busy in the local war plants, although considerable work has been done by the boys and Camp Director Bryon Greenfield and Robert Pierce, waterfront director in improving the camps beach and swimming area. The docks have been painted, new water markers placed, both high and low diving boards put in tiptop shape.

Even though the boys have been busy on this program, considerable time was devoted during the last four weeks to the earning of merit badges, craftwork, health building exercises and just good clean fun.

Starting off the day with setting up exercises the boys went through a flag raising program daily, followed by a body building breakfast that, according to "Prof" Greenfield, "knocked the spots out of the ration points." This was followed by periods of crafts that included the making of belts, moccasins, knot tying, with many of the youths, while the balance were assigned to policing the camp and KP work in the dining room. Sports included baseball, running, handball, swimming for those who knew how and instructions for those who were beginners with the two latter sports drawing the largest attendance.

The safety of the youths was the foremost thought in the mind of the instructors. With this in mind, when the boys were in the water, they were compelled to have a buddy whose duty it was to always keep an eye on this fellow scout. Even though an older boy was assigned to a younger one, the directors were always in attendance and blew a whistle every five minutes to halt festivities so that a check could be made.

Sunday afternoon was a sad time of the week for some while it was the best part of the summer vacation for others as that was the time that the bus arrived with a new group for a week's fun and to take those home whose time had expired.

This season at the camp was particularly outstanding for a number of boys were made members of Kamargo, the honor society of the Council. Ceremonies were held at the weekly campfire program and those who were admitted to the society were James Casey and William Stitt, Troop 26, Mohawk; William McTiernan, Troop 24, Little Falls; Charles Lang, Troop 23, Ilion, and Vincent Chirico, Troop 17, Herkimer.

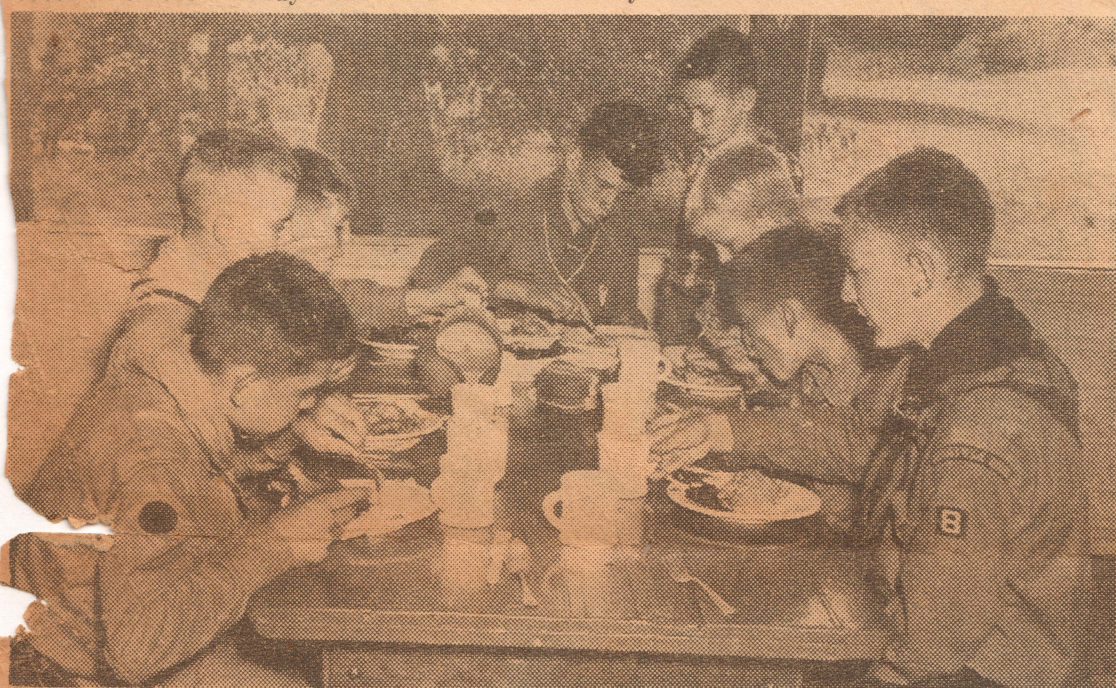
Another record set by the camp was the enrollment of 68 boys for one week, the largest number to have attended the camp since the council was formed in 1933.

Special features for the entertainment and advancement of the Scouts included a 14-mile hike, an overnight hike, water meet, canoe race water polo swimming and diving meet.

Greenfield, who is principal of the East Frankfort School, stated that this was one of the most successful seasons that the camp has ever enjoyed and that despite wartime restrictions on food, very little trouble was encountered in feeding the youths as all brought their ration books. Visitors at the camp were not quite so many this season due to gasoline restrictions, he said.

James Casey was the only Scout to receive the Eagle award during the season.

CAMP RUSSELL ACTIVITIES. Burrill Fay and Leroy Cuttrim, first through the turnstiles, check in on the "Buddy Board" at White Lake Boy Scout Camp as other Scouts wait turns.



SCOUTS ENJOY CHOW. Ration points disappear rapidly as Scouts of General Herkimer Council sit down to lunch at their Adirondack camp.

Camp Russell Awards

Ilion, July 31.—Awards earned by Boy Scouts at Camp Russell, White Lake camp of General Herkimer Council, as announced today, include:

Arrowheads—Frederick Bahr, Bernard Bahr, Alexander La Rocco, all of Dolgeville; Richard Meadows, Joseph Spadol, William Miller, Joseph Baker, James Garnsey, Marbin Lang, Donald Crouch, Edward Gerber, Robert Willoughby, all of Ilion; Walter Firra, Herkimer; Robert Daly, Leighton Burns, both of Mohawk.

First Class—Lawrence Doty, Donald Polvan, both of Ilion.

Star Awards—Harry Feldman, Little Falls; Robert Polsin, Joseph Ferguson, David Loftis, William White, Jr., Robert Rowlands, Alfred Bowman, all of Ilion; Richard Lee, John Lee, Leighton Burns, all of Mohawk.

Life Awards—Irving Abeson, Herkimer; H. D. Fay, Ilion.

Eagle Awards—James Casey, Mohawk.

"R" Awards—Daniel H. Fay, Daniel Doty, Robert Polsin, Lawrence Doty, all of Ilion.

"H" Awards—Lawrence Doty, David Doty.

Scout Life Guard—James B. Casey, William Stitt, Mohawk; Bernard Brown, Richard Partington, Ilion; Armand Chapadeau, Little Falls; Rodman Robinson, Herkimer.

Firemanship—David Doty, Bernard Brown, Charles Lang, Joseph Ferguson, Ilion.

Cooking—Donald Polsin, Charles Lang, Orlyn Irving, David Loftis, Joseph Ferguson, Ilion; Mathew Charles, Vincent Chirico, Herkimer; Armand Chapadeau, Little Falls; William Stitt, Mohawk.

Pathfinding—Richard Bishton, Herkimer.

First Aid—David Doty, Lawrence Doty, Charles Lang, H. B. Fay, David Loftis, Joseph Ferguson, Ilion; Robert Weir, Alexander La Rocco, Dolgeville.

Safety—Lawrence Doty, Alfred Bowman, Donald Polsin, Joseph Ferguson, George Malis, Barton Warner, Robert Zer, Ilion.

Angling—William White, H. B. Fay, Ilion.

Carpentry—George Malis, Donald Polsin, Charles Lang, Robert Francisco, David Loftis, Alfred Bowman, Joseph Ferguson, William Dugleby, Ilion; Robert Bishton, Irving Abeson, Herkimer; Armand Chapadeau, Little Falls.

Bugling—Sidnet Partington, Ilion; Armand Chapadeau, Little Falls.

Electricity—William White, Robert Rowlands, Alfred Bowman, Ilion; Irving Abeson, Herkimer.

Handicraft—William Dugleby, Joseph Ferguson, George Malis, Bernard Brown, Ilion.

Woodcutting—Leroy Cuttrim, Bernard Brown, David Loftis, David Doty, Lawrence Doty, Charles Lang, William White, William Dugleby, Robert Rowlands, Ilion; Alexander LaRocco, Dolgeville.

Metal Working—William White, Joseph Stadol, Leroy Cuttrim, Alfred Bowman, Joseph Ferguson, Robert Rowlands, William Dugleby, Ilion; Robert Vishton, Irving Abeson, Herkimer.

Bird Study—James Casey, Mohawk; Robert Francisco, Ilion; Harry Zeldman, David Rogers, Robert Reilly, David Mahoney, Armand Chapadeau, Little Falls.

Leathercraft—William White, Leroy Cuttrim, Robert Rowlands, Robert Francisco, Ilion.

Public Health—Charles Lang, Robert Polsin, Bernard Brown, Sidney Partington, Ilion; Harry Feldman, Little Falls; Raymond Slater, Herkimer.

Athletics—William White, Sidney Partington, Bert Warner, Robert Rowlands, Charles Lang, Robert Polsin, Ilion; William Stitt, Robert Hausner, James Casey, Mohawk; Irving Abeson, Herkimer.

Swimming—James Garnsey, Marvin Lang, David Doty, David Loftis, Lawrence Doty, Leroy Cuttrim, Daniel Fay, Harold Ferguson, Orlyn Irving, Ilion; Vincent Chirico, Teddy Franchino, Walter Ferra, Herkimer; William McGinnis, Little Falls; Jack Lee, Leighton Burns, Robert Hausner, Robert Daly, Mohawk; Frederick Bahr, Dolgeville.

Life Saving—Marvin Lang, James Garnsey, Leroy Cuttrim, Robert Francisco, Ilion; Frederick Bahr, Dolgeville; Robert Reilly, David Mahoney, William McGinnis, Little Falls; Richard Lee, Robert Daly, Jack Lee, Leighton Burns, Mohawk; Vincent Chirico, Teddy Franchino, Herkimer.

Canoeing—James McGinnis, Little Falls; William Stitt, Mohawk.

Camping—Robert Reilly, David Rogers, Armand Chapadeau, David Mahoney, William McTiernan, Little Falls.

Rowing—Bernard Brown, Ilion; William Stitt, Mohawk; James McGinnis, Little Falls.

Personal Health—Raymond Slater, Herkimer; Charles Lang, Robert Polsin, Richard Partington, Bernard Brown, Ilion.

Pioneering—Irving Abeson, Robert Bishton, Herkimer.