

IS "GIRL SCOUT WEEK IMPORTANT"?

An Editorial

Is the Girl Scout Program important and does "Girl Scout Week" have any importance?

The period of March 6 - 12 is "Girl Scout Week" in New York State, so proclaimed by Governor Rockefeller in tribute to an organization which he said has made, for 54 years, "a lasting impact upon the lives of thousands of girls throughout the country."

Terming Girl Scouting also "a dynamic force in many communities of our State", the Governor said: "During the past year in New York State 334,881 girls between the ages of seven and seventeen participated in the Girl Scout program which emphasizes duty to God, duty to country, and service to others."

"We have good reason to be thankful for the existence of this beneficent organization. Those who have been Girl Scouts proudly acknowledge the many happy days they enjoyed in their Scouting years."

According to Governor Rockefeller's Proclamation, it would appear that the Girl Scout Program and "Girl Scout Week" plays an important part in the lives of many people — to the Girls participating in the program—undoubtedly to their parents—to their leaders and instructors—and even to their friends and the rest of their communities.

"Girl Scout Week", 1966, marks the end of a triennium, the goal of which has been "A Promise in Action". Throughout the Council, troops are celebrating their 54th anniversary by promising greater service to God and their Country, to their communities, their schools, their homes, and to themselves by obeying the Girl Scout Law.

Here in Andover, the recent Girl Scout movement started out by registering around 30 girls in October and has grown to 38 in a short period of four months.

They too, marked the beginning of "Girl Scout Week", Sunday, March 6, by attending the Church of their choice—most of them in uniform.

Locally, the Girl Scout Troop has been carrying out their goal of "A Promise in Action" by assisting "shut-ins" and people unable to get out around handily by taking care of necessary errands for them.

This program emphasizes one of the points of the Girl Scout Law which is: "A Girl Scouts duty is to be useful and help others".

Since this is a new program in Andover, we feel that the 10 points of the Girl Scout Law are worthy of being quoted so that everyone can readily see the merits of this training — so here they are:

1. A Girl Scouts Honor is to be trusted.
2. A Girl Scout is loyal.
3. A Girl Scouts duty is to be useful and help others.
4. A Girl Scout is a friend to all and a sister to every other Girl Scout.
5. A Girl Scout is courteous.
6. A Girl Scout is a friend to animals.
7. A Girl Scout obeys orders.
8. A Girl Scout is Cheerful.
9. A Girl Scout is Thrifty.
10. A Girl Scout is clean in thought, word and deed.

With these high ideals to follow and live up to, we feel that the Girl Scout Program and "Girl Scout Week" is indeed significant and worthy of any and all support that we citizens can give them.

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50 YEARS AGO

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The Lucy Stone Club enjoyed a sleigh-ride Friday afternoon to the farm-home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eggert. Following the regular meeting a turkey luncheon was served.

Mrs. Jerry Rogers has traded her house and lot on Water Street with George Bloss of Whitesville for his farm. We understood that Mr. Bloss and family will move to Andover about the first of April.

Drs. Elwood and Clara Burdick went to Waverly Wednesday where they will take up their practice.

S. J. Joyce and children of Hornell were week-end guests of his mother, Mrs. Rosanna Joyce.

Mrs. J. C. Hazlett of Huntington, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sylvia Mourhess.

Archie Bloss left Sunday for Meadville, Pa., where he is to be employed in the Superintendent's Office of the Erie Railroad.

Mrs. Estella Richardson returned Saturday from several months visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Wilson of Merkimar.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith and children have been guests at the home of H. Horan of South Hill for a few days, while Mr. Smith moves their household goods to the Martin house on Chestnut St.

40 YEARS AGO

Feb. 26, 1926

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Mrs. Ellen G. McCarn, 77, died at her home Friday, February 19. A sister, Mrs. Mila Pingrey survives. Interment was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

Thru the efforts of the local Chamber of Commerce directors, the Andover Automobile Club is being re-organized this week.

Mrs. William Pease spent several days the past week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updyke in Andover.

Mrs. Maud Clarke of Independence is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. Whitford at Watsonstown, Pa.

Miss Irene Dougherty spent the week-end in Hornell guest of her sister, Mrs. Harold Griswald.

Mrs. Joseph Eberle is the guest of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Atherton of Franklin, Pa.

Harold Bunnell of Belmont was a week-end guest at the home of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bullard.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Stevens of Shinglehouse returned home Wednesday after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gleason.

Robert Common, Carrol Ruger, Clair Greene, Albert Rogers and Rev. F. A. Hassold attended the County Y.M.C.A. Athletic Meet at Alfred Tuesday. Carroll Ruger won the broad jump.

30 YEARS AGO

Feb. 28, 1936

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After 42 years in the services of the Erie Railroad as Track Foreman at Tip Top, the highest point on the Erie System, Charles Lusk has been retired with a most commendable record of service.

Among 18 other WPA projects approved this week by the project administrator is the improvement of Andover's Athletic Field, corner of Church and Water Streets. The WPA workmen, under the direction of Superintendent E. S. Horan and Engineer John Oakes, began work on the project Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ordway of Davis Hill are the parents of a son, born Saturday, February 22nd.

Miss Mary Etta Spicer of Independence attended a Youth's Conference in Rochester from Thursday until Sunday.

John Nobles left last week for Fulton, N. Y., where he is working in the Silk Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gibson of Dundee visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis and other Andover relatives several days this

LIVING UNDER LAW

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE CALLS

Many people have party line telephones. Suppose that a house catches fire—or some other, store emergency exists—and someone tries to call the fire department or the police. Other people on the party line may refuse to permit the call, the house burns down or the robber gets away.

What is the law on this?

An "emergency" means a situation in which injury or human life is in jeopardy and the prompt furnishing of aid is essential. This would include a fire, a robbery in progress or a critically injured or ill person.

But don't be a smart aleck and ask for the line if there is no "real emergency." For example, calling one's husband to ask him to pick up groceries on his way home is no

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emergency. The law also makes it a misdemeanor for requesting the use of a party line on the pretext that an emergency exists.

If you face a real emergency, want to call help and find the line busy, interrupt and explain briefly and clearly that an emergency exists and that you wish to report it or obtain help. Identify yourself and give your address to the fire department, police, or other emergency service. If they refuse, you should insist on your right to the line, informing them that the law so provides.

Violations of this law should be reported promptly to the district attorney, the prosecutor, or the police. If damage to property or persons refuses to heed the law, the person suffering damage might recover money damages in court.

All telephone directories must contain a warning notice concerning this law.

Walkley's Report

Last week was a busy one in Albany. Several statewide groups were in the Capitol for meetings. The Dairymen's League met here with its affiliated Board, Ainsworth Sondericker of Attica, Roubt Martin of Portville, and Raymond Strahan of Friendship were representatives from our area. Meeting with them Tuesday morning were several Farm Bureau Directors and officers, including Glenn Wingert who was here with his wife and daughter.

Governor Rockefeller's annual reception for the legislators and their wives was held Tuesday night February 22nd. This is one social event that we all try to attend. Some of our members have entertainment talents and they gave a performance after the buffet supper. Also, it gives us an opportunity to visit with the Governor and others on an informal basis.

A hearing on milk standardization was held in the Assembly Parlor on February 22nd also. LaRue Sears of Belmont came to that hearing and testified on behalf of the New York State Grange. As the only dairy farmer in the Assembly and also as a member of the Committee on Agriculture, I was asked to be present.

The Assembly acted on a bill last week which would have required that, for a confession to be admissible as evidence it would have to be made in the presence of a judge or the defendant's attorney. Objections were that (1) A cooperative judge might give more credence to the confession than it deserved, and (2) It often is difficult to find a judge or attorney when a suspect is willing to

make a statement. I felt that this would further restrict our law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties. Even now they are having a difficult time with many restrictions and further restrictions are not justified.

A proposal has been made which would lower the voting age of citizens of this state from twenty-one years to eighteen years. A constitutional amendment would be required in order to make this change. There has not been very much publicity on this matter and I would appreciate having your comments and opinions.

News Briefs Of Local Servicemen

Karl (Knubby) Wittie OMS, stationed at Newport, R. I., completed a cruise on the US Yosemite which docked at Newport, R. I., March 4th, and spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wittie and attended the Kniffin-Wittie reception held at the Moose Club in Wellsville Friday night.

Girl Scouts Salute



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