

Scout Drive Starts June 5

Over 400 to Attend Dinner at Hempstead—Need \$46,508

Mineola, May 30—Over 400 men and women from 41 communities, workers in the campaign for \$46,508 for the Nassau County Council, Boy Scouts of America, will assemble for an inspirational and instruction dinner conference on Wednesday, June 5, at the Elks Club in Hempstead, it is announced by Carl Stedman Brown of Baldwin, council president. The dinner will mark the official start of the campaign.

The program will include speeches by John M. Schiff of Oyster Bay, general chairman; Police Justice J. Dwight Rogers of Mineola, Albert Z. Gray of Old Westbury, Franklin Remington, Centre Island, and F. Howard Covey, Scout executive. Mr. Brown will preside as chairman of the program.

Mr. Covey pointed to the record of continuous growth made in Scouting in the county during the past 15 years. The cost of the council budget is less than \$7 per enrolled boy, he stated. In answer to many inquiries regarding the present status of the movement, Mr. Covey said:

"Approximately 6,000 boys received the benefits of the Scouting and Cubbing program during 1934. One thousand six hundred thirty-two adult volunteer leaders are recruited, trained, coaches and supervised by only four salaried executives. If these 1,632 men were to be paid at a minimum rate (and many of them are highly trained men) through taxation, it would cost our communities over \$250,000 a year for salaries only.

"In 1934, 216 men were graduated from training courses in boy leadership through these funds. At least 25,428 personal interviews for instruction and examination in citizenship, craft and educational subjects were conducted among our boys during the year."

Camp Escaped Fire

The council owns and operates Camp Wauwepex, one of the finest and largest boys camps in the world. This is a Summer and weekend camp and provides poor boys and those of medium means a camp experience in citizenship and character building equal to and better than most high-priced camps. Although a forest fire swept part of Camp Wauwepex this Spring, the camp will be conducted as usual.

There are 122 troops, 25 Sea Scout units and 14 Cub Packs in Nassau County reaching into each community, each with a Scout or Cub leader (adult over 21 years of age) and five or more troop committeemen (adults) supervising the work of our Scouts. These units are visited and serviced by a staff of 19 commissioners and a headquarter's staff of four.

At the headquarters office in Mineola an individual record is kept of every Scout and Scout official with his daily, weekly and monthly advancement, assuring Scouts and Scouters complete credit for their work, regardless of where they live or move.