

Snow Survival Rules Given to Girl Scouts

Roby (Slim) Maberry of Crater Lake National park and his sons, Kenneth and Dennis, demonstrated many "do's and don't's" at the Operation X program on snow survival held Saturday, January 14, at Hedrick Junior High school by the Girl Scouts of America. The program, one of several to be held in coming months, was attended by about 200 girls and leaders of the North Jackson and South Medford districts, Girl Scouts of the sixth grade through Senior Scouts are eligible to attend.

Mr. Maberry, concerned mainly with survival in snow country, explained and demonstrated what the minimum equipment for a snow hike or a ski trip, with overnight

camping, should be. High on his list was the first aid kit, with plenty of adhesive tape. He showed the many ways tape could be used in an emergency, lashing poles for a lean-to, repairing broken ski poles and other things.

Other needs were an extra pair of socks, extra sweater, matches in a dry container, plastic bags, a candle to light fires, sleeping bag, snow pick, a rope and the ski equipment.

He also stated that newspaper can be used in many ways, but one of the important ways to use it is in the toe of the boots to absorb moisture.

Go in Party

Emphasizing that no one should ski or hike alone, but should have a party of at least three, Mr. Maberry explained the use of the avalanche rope and the snow

Former Domiciliary Secretary Describes Life in Near East

A glimpse into the life of an American family in Amman, Jordan, is given in a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Dooley to Mrs. Amy Randle, 1115 West Fourth street, Medford. Mrs. Dooley is the former Thalia Doty, who was secretary to Marvin Kahn, special service officer at the Veterans Domiciliary at White City a number of years ago.

Mr. Dooley is an agricultural instructor for the Near East Foundation in Jordan. Mrs. Dooley reviewed the past year for her friends in Medford, and vividly describes places of religious and historic significance which they have visited. The letter reads:

"We have had an extremely interesting year here in Jordan; our original contract year has been extended until next spring, so we have a few more months to accomplish things yet undone. There is history at every turn in the road. Bible reading and stories take on more meaning and deeper interest. The Arab-Jew, or Jordan-Israel situation has become a real thing now—before it was merely news items and propaganda.

Last Christmas eve we followed the bright star hanging under a cradle moon to Bethlehem and attended church services in the Church of Nativity. The ringing of the famous "Christmas Bells" was wonderful. Art Linkletter was showing on his TV program this season. Perhaps many of you saw it. Later (early spring) we made another trip to Bethlehem to do our sightseeing, as it was too crowded and cold at Christmas. We saw the fields of Ruth and Boaz, Rachel's tomb, Shepherd's field, etc. On Palm Sunday we walked the Gethsemane Road from Martha's and Mary's home in Bethany, over the Mt. of Olives to Gethsemane, with a Sunday school group and had Scripture readings along the way.

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We ate lunch on the Jordan side of the wall near Zion, overlooking Kidron Valley with Potter's Fields to our right and the Mt. of Olives and Garden of Gethsemane to our left. After lunch we perched on a hillside overlooking the Garden of Gethsemane and watched the church processions come down the Mt. of Olives into the Garden, and on into the city. On Good Friday we joined the thousands of pilgrims on the Way of the Cross procession. At each Station Scriptures were read.

Speaker Told For Coming Club Meeting

A representative from the School of Hope will speak at the February 2 meeting of the Welcome Wagon club at the Girls Community club.

At the club's January meeting the club saw a film "Volkswagen Safari" shown by Dr. Earl Johnson. The pictures were taken by Dr. and Mrs. Johnson during a trip they took while living in Ethiopia.

January 10 a coffee was held for members and prospective members at the home of Mrs. John Hoogerheide.

Cards were played at the Red Cross building Thursday, January 19. High score in bridge was won by Mrs. James Gill. Mrs. Robert Moss won high score in pinocle.

The Welcome Wagon club meets the first Thursday evening every month at the Girls Community club for a program and business meeting. A coffee is held at a home of one of the members on the Tuesday morning following the business meeting. Cards are played at the Red Cross building on the third Thursday evening of the month.

A social for couples is planned for Sunday, February 5. There will be a roller skating party with refreshments served later at the home of Mrs. Jack Sanborn. Mrs. Gary King is in charge.

Anyone new to Medford is invited to attend. For information call Mrs. Richard Bates, SPring 3-1535.

Women's Fellowship Plans Circle Day; For White Cross Work

Circle day for the Women's fellowship of First Baptist church is set for Tuesday, January 24. The fellowship is divided into five day-time circles, and one meeting at night. These groups do White Cross work for the various mission fields.

Ruth circle, with Mary Landers as chairman, will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Sloane Thomas, 2533 Argonne street. All members are to bring a sack lunch and call SPring 2-5819 for directions.

Esther Circle, of which Mrs. Bernice Higdon is chairman, will meet at the Charley Gilbert home, 613 Ross lane at 10:30 a.m. Members are to take a sack lunch and scissors.

Martha Circle, headed by Mrs. Grace Crawford, will meet at 10:30 a.m. at Mrs. Crawford's home, 515 West Second street. A sack lunch and scissors are required.

Rebecca circle, with Mrs. Dora Brantley as chairman, will meet at the home of Mrs. B. F. Wooten, 915 Kenyon street, at 10:30 a.m. Members are to take sack lunch and scissors.

Elizabeth circle will meet at 10 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Roy Howe, 119 North Keeneway avenue. A sack lunch is required.

All women interested in working in the night circles are asked to meet at the home of the Rev. Edward Stauffer, 1037 West Eleventh street, Tuesday, at 7:30 p.m. Members are to take scissors; names will be drawn for two circles if enough interested women attend.

Women's Group Plans Initiation

Insurance Women of Jackson county will hold initiation for new members Wednesday, January 25, at the Mark Anthony hotel in Ashland. A no-host dinner meeting will be held in the Caesar room and will be preceded by a social hour in the "Crown" room from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

The program for the evening will be in charge of Miss Catherine Fonken, art instructor at Hedrick Junior High school. Miss Fonken will show colored slides of her trip to Israel and Jerusalem last summer.

Guests are welcomed. A special invitation is extended to women in the insurance field who reside in Ashland.

Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Anne Davis, SPring 3-6628 or Miss Sharon Harden, MURdock 9-8601.

Persons desiring transportation are asked to contact Mrs. Davis or Miss Harden.

At a luncheon meeting held

Woman's Group Plans Initiation

recently, Frank Wilkinson of Crater Finance company spoke on the operations of consumer finance. Frank Frieze of the local U.S. Navy recruiting office assisted Mr. Wilkinson in the showing of the film "The Littlest Giant."

John Hood Family Here From Alaska

Eagle Point—Mr. and Mrs. John Hood, Valdez, Alaska, were recent guests of Mrs. Hood's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hanscom, Stevens road, Eagle Point. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hood were raised in the valley and attended both grade and high school in Central Point. Mrs. Hood is the former Joyce Harper.

The Hoods flew from Anchorage to Seattle from where they motored with friends to Medford and have been visiting friends and relatives throughout the valley.

Landscaping Design Topic for Group

"Landscaping Design for the Small Home" will be topic for Howard Garden club when it meets at the home of Mrs. Clarence Black, 2662 Howard avenue Tuesday, January 24, 8 p.m.

Dessert will be served by Mrs. Black and Mrs. Ernest Gleason, co-hostesses.

Dale Coverstone will be guest speaker. Mrs. C. O. Long, district director and other officers will be visitors. Members are asked to take articles for a bazaar table.

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Assassination Told

The bombing assassination of the Prime Minister, Haza Majalli, was a terrible shock, and brought several days of uneasiness, but all seems to be serene again—especially since the king's return from the U. N. We heard his speech here just a few hours after he had made it, and we were very interested. When he returned to Jordan there were street demonstrations and rejoicing for several days. We were to attend a dinner in honor of the Prime Minister the evening on which he was killed—and one of the last telephone calls he made was to his wife reminding her of their engagement. When Eula was here we had a tour of the palace, and had met him at that time.

We attended Jordan Army day and saw the unique camel troops and a real desert sand storm. Now I know why Arabs wear the type of head-dress they do—it is most practical in a dust storm! People around us, visible only within three feet, had their faces wrapped in their scarves while we breather through handkerchiefs. After it swept past we were a different color; our clothes, camera cases, and bags were penetrated!

There was a water shortage all summer, and we had to watch our roof top tanks carefully. We were among the fortunate few not to run out, and also managed to keep a nice flower garden (but no lawn). Each Sunday we enjoyed swimming at the RAF pool.

Douglas started school at a British kindergarten this fall, and likes it very much. He is learning to read and write, counts to 100 and does simple addition with numbers to 10. Ann amuses herself very well, but really lights up when Douglas gets home. They had a big time on Halloween; dressed up and visited the American homes in the neighborhood. They have quite a number of playmates their ages near us, so keep quite busy. We have three nice hens in a little chicken house in the corner of our back yard (they produce 2 and 3 eggs each day) and the boys like to feed and water them and pick the eggs. We still have our big cat "Sylvester".

The NEF program keeps us busy. Our main work, is to bring improvements to the rural people. The "Youth Center" project that we told you about last year has grown greatly this past year.

Ceremony Held For Auxiliary

Mrs. Gerald Harper was recently installed as president of the local unit of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks Auxiliary. Mrs. C. Moldovan was installed as vice-president.

Mrs. Gilbert Merritt, first vice-president of the state organization, installed the new officers at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Chester Silliman, Winema way.

Members heard a report on the Christmas food basket and toy project conducted in December. They are considering a new program to work with a ward at the state hospital in Salem as part of the 1961 mental health program.

The local group was organized in 1951 and now has 14 members, including five who, as wives of supervisory personnel at the Medford post office, are social members. Any wife, sister or mother of a member of the National Federation of Postal Clerks, local 342, is eligible to belong. Those interested may call Mrs. Don Gray, SPring 3-3262, for further information.

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