

MODOC COUNCIL INSTALLS NEW SCOUT TROOPS

New troops of Boy Scouts are becoming the order of the day in the Modoc area council, according to K. G. Klahn, council president. Two new troops came into the council membership in the month of May. One of these, troop 2, was installed last Wednesday evening at ceremonies in the First Church of God on Altamont drive. The other troop was installed at the First Presbyterian church in Bend.

Expected to be installed in the month of June is troop 16 at the Sacred Heart Catholic church in Klamath Falls.

Among other councils in the northwest states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, the Modoc area council has remained in the top 10 per cent in membership growth during 1943. Objectives set for the end of the year promise to give the Scouting program to many more boys in Klamath Falls as well as other areas of the council.

At present the communities of Canby and Likely in California are working with the local scout executive in formation of Scout units. Klahn urged more institutions to consider the Scouting program as a character building program for their boys and stated that he felt a great deal of the progress in Klamath Falls was due to the work of C. S. Elliot, chairman of organization and extension.

Red Cross Notes

The Production Department wishes to thank all the Red Cross knitters for the fine work done on the last navy quota. They also request that all those who still have unfinished articles please get them in as soon as possible. The new navy yarn quota is as follows:

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- 40 Navy Scarves

It may be of interest to know that the Red Cross is caring for more than 90,000 persons left homeless by the recent floods which swept across Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma. 140 Red Cross disaster relief workers, including doctors and nurses, were assigned to the flooded areas. They are supervising emergency relief work of several thousand Red Cross volunteers, including local doctors and nurses.

A late summary reveals that more than 14,000 homes have been damaged and more than 1000 destroyed in the southwest. Homeless families are being housed in army tents or in public and private buildings. Cots and blankets have come from Red Cross warehouses and nearby army posts. Evacuees are being fed by local Red Cross Chapter Canteen Corps, while doctors and nurses look after their health.

An estimated half million crop acres were destroyed.

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Vast changes in driving habits have come as a result of wartime regulations.

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Thousands of head of cattle were driven to safety and are being fed by the Red Cross. The Red Cross has requested the U. S. Department of Agriculture to supply 10,000 seed packages to be distributed to farmers through local Red Cross chapters. Prompt and efficient evacuation kept down the loss of life. Cooperating with the Red Cross were U. S. coast guard, U. S.

engineers and civilian defense workers.

Rose Poole, publicity chairman

PETTY LARCENY

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Work slowed down at the Tasker street war housing project.

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SPY RELEASE FROM EVACUEE CAMPS DENIED

A statement recently carried in the press and attributed to Robert E. Stripling, identified as chief investigator of the committee on un-American activity, that spies and saboteurs have been released from relocation centers was vigorously denied by Dillon S. Myer, director of the War Relocation Authority.

"This statement reveals a complete ignorance of the manner in which the agency is conducting its program," Myer said, in a statement released today at the Tulalake center.

"No evacuee is permitted to leave a relocation center if there is any indication that he would in any way endanger the national security. The granting of permits to leave is handled very carefully on an individual basis. We have records on all people over the age of 17 who are being considered for leave; these records cover family relationships, training, experience, contacts with Japan, and other pertinent facts," Mr. Myer explained.

"In addition we have available and we utilize the information from the intelligence agencies of the government in determining

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whether or not there is anything in the record of an evacuee which would make it undesirable for him to live outside of a relocation center.

"We presume that anyone having evidence of disloyal activity on the part of relocated evacuees will transmit that information promptly to the agencies of the government which are responsible for apprehending dangerous persons. To our knowledge not one instance of disloyal activity on the part of any of the twelve thousand persons of Japanese ancestry on leave from relocation centers has been reported," Myer said.

"The statements attributed to Mr. Stripling have the effect of misleading the public on an important principle of democracy. That principle centers around the question of whether loyal American citizens and law abiding aliens should be kept in confinement for the duration of the war, or whether they should be given the opportunity to contribute to the war effort in a nor-

mal manner in our democratic society. The War Relocation Authority was established for the purpose of relocating people evacuated from military areas. Our belief is that such people should be re-established in normal communities unless they are found to be potentially dangerous. In administering our leave program, we are taking all proper precautions to protect the national security.

"We welcome a thorough investigation of our program, but we feel that the charges which have been made are irresponsible and detrimental to the war effort," Myer said.

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Courthouse Records

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H. Stockman, attorney for plaintiff.

Justice Court
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