

Appendix A: Early Boy Scout Troops in Surrounding Towns

Prior to 1930, most of the first Boy Scout troops in the towns and cities were the result of enthusiastic boys that were eager to become Boy Scouts. They did not result from organized efforts of a Boy Scout council.

The *8th Annual Report to Congress of the Boy Scouts of America* reported that on December 31, 1917, four Iowa cities had first class councils: Burlington, Davenport, Des Moines, and Dubuque. There were 103 troops registered to these four councils, and 282 Iowa troops that registered directly with the National Council. The Dubuque Council registered 7 troops and 118 Scouts. Only 2,172 of the 7,462 Iowa Scouts were registered through a council. The troop in Lamont, for example, was chartered directly with the National Office.

Troops in some towns had a relatively short lifespan. The Scoutmaster was typically a man that had some previous experience leading boys, perhaps with a church group or the YMCA. Without the support of a council, the leader was often on his own in terms of supporting the troop. Little or no training material was available for the early Scout leaders, and if the town had only one or two troops, the leaders didn't have the opportunity to share ideas as to what did and did not work well when handling various situations.

Growth Throughout Iowa

For geographic areas outside of what would eventually become the Northeast Iowa Council, troops throughout Iowa began to surface. Logically, the first troop in each town became Troop 1. During the early years of most Boy Scout councils, multiple troops existed that were Troop 1, but there was not more than one per town.

The August 29, 1910 *Cedar Rapids Evening Gazette* reported that YMCA Boys' Work Secretary B. L. Dawson helps promote the Boy Scout movement locally after attending a YMCA boys' conference in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. The following month, Dawson, along with J. M. Flanagan, published by-laws that were proposed in order to organize a local Scout council. By the end of 1910, Scout troops existed in Des Moines, Dubuque, Cedar Rapids, Fort Dodge, Oelwein, Marion, and Waterloo.

By December 31, 1911, Scout troops had formed in these Iowa cities: Akron, Boone, Burlington, Cedar Falls, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Edgewood, Elkader, Emmetsburg, Fairfield, Fort Dodge, Fort Madison, Harlan, Humboldt, Keokuk, Le Mars, Manchester, Mapleton, Marshalltown, Mason City, Monticello, Muscatine, Mt. Pleasant, Oskaloosa, Pocahontas, Postville, Rolfe, Sioux City, Waucoma, and Webster City.

Attorney C. W. Stanley served as Scoutmaster of a troop in Corning, Iowa that was active by January of 1912. Troop members were primarily of the Boy's Club that existed in the Methodist church. The troop grew eventually grew to have 20 Scouts.

By July, a troop existed in Monticello. Rev. H. C. Culver and H. Carbee were adult leaders of the troop in Springville. In August of 1912, a group of Scouts from Burlington took a bicycle trip to Washington D.C.

University of Iowa law professor E. A. Wilcox was leading an effort to reorganize a troop in Iowa City in 1914. By March, under the leadership of Scoutmaster Rev. E. F. Clark, the Marion troop had approximately 50 Scouts.

In 1915, Scouts from Shellsburg, Mt. Vernon, Springville, Coggan, Paris, and Alburnett camped for what was described as a 4-day "annual event" at Paris, along the Wapsipinicon River.

Growth in Nearby Towns

If a troop decided to charter on their own, the process was done directly with the National Office in New York City. Many of the early Boy Scout troops never chartered or became affiliated with the Dubuque Council, even if they still existed in 1916 or later when the Dubuque council was established.

When the Dubuque Council was organized in 1917, one of the first priorities was to develop was a court of honor committee. This committee provided structure for boys (and adults) to pass rank advancement. In addition, a council could order books, awards, and supplies from the National Office in New York City. For adults, a council organized and offered encouragement and training. The council also developed program activities such as multi-troop contests and demonstrations, larger scale service projects, and organized and ran long-term summer camps.

It was rare, at least in the Dubuque Council, for a troop to get "too large to handle". Adult leaders of Troop 19 had that feeling in December of 1921, however. The leaders felt the best solution was to divide the troop of 45 Scouts into two troops. Both troops remained chartered by Lincoln School. Scoutmaster Ed Krumbach retained most of the original troop members, and retained the number of Troop 19. Assistant Scoutmaster Russell Daubert formed a second troop, which registered as Troop 19A.

In December of 1921, Regional Committeeman Dr. Erwin Schenk reported that there were 15 first class councils in Iowa and two second class councils. The sum of all troops affiliated with one of the councils was 226. Iowa also had 276 troops that were not affiliated with any council. Cedar Rapids was the only city with a population of over 20,000 that didn't have a Boy Scout council.

First class councils existed in Burlington, Clinton, Davenport, Dubuque, Des Moines, Fort Dodge, Fort Madison, Ottumwa, Shenandoah, Sioux City, Waterloo, Ames, Iowa City, Mason City, and Council Bluffs. Le Mars and Red Oak had Second Class councils.

Council Expands to Service to Serve Troops in Dubuque Area

Even before the Dubuque council became an *area* council, there were attempts to form a district to help channel support to geographic areas.

In June of 1921, Scout Executive Moore held a meeting to help establish East Dubuque as a district. This district would still be affiliated with the Dubuque Council. A primary benefit, according to the committee, would be that Scouts wouldn't have to travel to Dubuque to pass tests for their rank advancement. The East Dubuque district committee could handle the entire process. Elected to the new committee was L. W. Mundhenke, president; Dr. Kassmeyer, vice-president; A. A. Beck, treasurer; William Courtade, secretary and deputy commissioner. Shortly after this district was formed, a fund drive netted \$500 of its \$700 goal for support of the East Dubuque Scouts.

During the December 1922 Executive Board Meeting, the council voted whether to include all towns within a 50 mile radius as part of the council. The Dubuque Council, almost from its origin, served troops in Dubuque *and* East Dubuque, Illinois. The Dubuque Council officially became an "area" council in 1928. All troops in Allamakee, Clayton, Delaware, were added to the jurisdiction of the Dubuque Council.

The benefit of council-affiliation to troops in surrounding towns was that they would be able to take advantage of training and program opportunities that would not otherwise be available to them. The increased service and attention, however, also meant that local businesses and adults would be expected to provide financial assistance for Council expenses. Dubuque businesses were, after all, providing financial assistance to aid boys in their town, not surrounding towns.

When the Council expanded to serve multiple counties, the Scout Executive organized the council into the following districts.

District 1

Troop 9	Third Presbyterian Church
Troop 11	St. Mary's Orphanage
Troop 12	Sacred Heart Church
Troop 15	First Evangelical Church
Troop 16	Holy Trinity Church

District 2

Troop 5	St. Luke's M.E. Church
Troop 6	St. Patrick's Church
Troop 10	Nativity Church

District 3

Troop 2	Cathedral Church
Troop 14	East Dubuque
Troop 18	Grandview M.E. Church
Troop 19	Washington Junior High School

District 4

Troop 1	St. John's Lutheran Church
Troop 3	Immanuel Church
Troop 8	St. Mary's Casino

District 5

Troop 25	Epworth
Troop 29	Cascade
Troop 37	Farley

District 6

Troop 28	Edgewood
Troop 30	Hopkinton
Troop 34	Manchester
Troop 39	Earlville

District 7

Troop 26	Elkader
Troop 27	Marquette
Troop 32	McGregor
Troop 36	Strawberry Point
Troop 38	Monona
Troop 40	Guttenberg

By organizing the Council into districts, a Deputy Scout Commissioner could serve a group of troops. A district grouping also helped leadership facilitate competition among the troops within the district for such things as most advancement earned or best participation in events.

Bellevue

Troop 1 in Bellevue became affiliated with the Dubuque council in 1923. Troop meetings were conducted at the American Legion, and E. L. Berg served as Scoutmaster. John Hillman became Scoutmaster in 1926 when Berg moved to Milwaukee.

Cascade

A group of boys met at the Baptist Church on February 21, 1916 to form a Boy Scout troop. A guest who was present to offer his assistance with organization at this first meeting was A. E. Abben from Dubuque. At this first meeting, the boys elected the following leaders:

- Scoutmaster: George Craft
- Patrol Leader: Philip Kingsley
- Assistant Patrol Leader: Eugene Macomber
- Scribe: Harold King

It wasn't long before the Scouts were voting on nearly everything, perhaps because it seemed like the appropriate thing to do. They voted on having Tuesday night as the weekly meeting night, and that the meetings would be held at Woodman Hall. They voted to change the name of Woodman Hall to Boy Scout Hall. They agreed that dues would be

2 ½ cents per week, and anyone wishing to pay more could do so. When a new boy wanted to join the troop, the members voted on whether to accept him. After one meeting, the boys even took a vote to ask the Scoutmaster for “more work to do”!

Troop 1 soon formed a 3-page document that included a constitution and by-laws that they intended to follow. Not all rules were paraphrases from the *Handbook for Boys*. One rule, for example, said that each troop member must attend church at least three Sunday’s per month.

Agenda items for weekly meetings typically included doing a stunt, a song, jokes, a report on “good turns” done during the past week, and a speech by the Scoutmaster. For a brief period, the troop went on weekly hikes. Attendance at the weekly meetings was around 10 boys, somewhat equally divided between the Wolf and the Eagle patrols.

The troop did a surprising number of fundraising during their brief existence. They collected newspaper. They even sold horseradish. Their profits allowed the troop to register with the National Office, to purchase materials to make signaling flags, and to purchase patrol flags and patrol pennants. They even ordered a 14’ x 16’ tent, complete with poles.

Although working on Scout skills and Scout advancement seemed to be a minor part of their weekly meetings, the Scouts did earn some rank advancement. After the troop had existed just four months, Kimble Will, Harry Fetig, Floyd Lindemann, Philip Kingsley, Oliver Winters, William Kauder, Eugene Macomber, and William Mundell had been examined by Scoutmaster Craft and a member of the Dubuque Council and became Second Class Scouts.

By the end of March, 1917, Fetig had not only passed several of the tests for the First Class rank, he had earned the following merit badges: Pathfinding, Civics, Carpentry, Handicraft, Personal Health, Bird Study, Firemanship, Photography, Cycling, First Aid to Animals, and Swimming.

Sometime during 1917, the troop disbanded. It was a decade before another troop was organized in the city.

By October of 1927, the American Legion Auxiliary pushed for the formation of a Boy Scout troop. Mrs. F. E. Powers, president of the auxiliary, along with a committee selected Raymond J. Finn as Scoutmaster. Post commander Joseph Streng of the American Legion fully supported the troop, and offered room at the American Legion building for the Scouts to hold their meetings. The first local court of honor was held in Cascade on February 14, 1929.

Colesburg

Troop 1 in Colesburg existed in 1911, and perhaps as early as 1910. The Scoutmaster was the town’s Methodist minister, George H. Harvey.

When the Civil War Veterans of the 21st Regiment of Volunteers from Iowa held their 19th reunion in August of 1917, Boy Scouts from Colesburg escorted the veterans at the

program and banquet that was given in their honor. The troop raised \$36 that resulted from a box social held in November of this same year.

Carl J. Mitzner, Scoutmaster took the troop on a 1-week camping trip in Millville in 1920. Mitzner was known as “the Boss Woodsman” to campers at Camp Karberg during the 1924 camp season.

In June of 1921, Scoutmaster Mitzner and members of Troop 1 hiked to Fayette to attend and participate in the Second Annual Northeastern Iowa Boy Scout Exposition. Scouts who made the trip were Otto Eppens, Harold White, Burton White, Robert Gull, Leavitt Bush, and Chester Shaffer, and Clark Schaffer.

Delhi

Seward Andrews served as Scoutmaster of a Troop that organized in March, 1912. His Assistant Scoutmaster was Jesse Sloan.

Rev. Carl Skinner served as Scoutmaster in 1915. The Earlville troop joined the Delhi troop for a week-long camp in July of 1915. Scouts from these two towns also took a joint hike in November of 1916.

In 1916, Skinner took the troop on a week-long camping trip at Hartwick. In October, the Scouts were cutting logs with the intention of building a log cabin to serve as their headquarters. The following summer, Scoutmaster Skinner took the troop camping for two weeks at a location near Maquoketa.

The Ladies Relief Corps presented the troop with a U.S. flag in April of 1917. Rev. Prescott was the Scout leader for 11 Scouts that went camping in August of 1918.

Dyersville

Earlville

Rev. Carl Skinner spent a week camping with Scouts from Earlville and Delhi in July of 1915.

Earlville Scouts participated in the 1918 Memorial Day parade. Scoutmaster C.R. Rhodes took the Scouts on a week-long camping trip along Plum Creek in August of 1918.

Troop 39 was chartered in 1929 by the Earlville Commercial Club. Stuart E. Johnson was the Scoutmaster of this new troop, which registered 14 Boy Scouts. Thirteen of these Scouts attended the formal dedication ceremony of Camp Burton.

Scouts and leaders from both Earlville and Hopkinton received badges at the November, 1929 monthly Court of Honor for District 6 (Delaware County). In addition to Scout Executive Harold Baker, and chairman Fred Hermann, 12 other district officials were on hand for the presentation as part of the court of awards.

East Dubuque, Illinois

Walter Gunn identified East Dubuque on the first Dubuque Council charter that he completed as Scout Executive, which was for the year 1918.

In the early 1920's William Courtade served as Deputy Commissioner for the two troops in East Dubuque in addition to serving as Scoutmaster. Courtade even served as Camp Director for Camp Karberg during the 1924 summer camp season.

When East Dubuque had to "start over" by forming Troop 1 in November, 1925, William Courtade once again volunteered to serve as Scoutmaster. The original members in this new troop were Eugene Hessling, A. Rieder, H. Stewart, Charlie Courtade, William Jansen, H. Accola, and C. Lang.

Scoutmaster R. T. Steward chartered Troop 14 in April of 1929 with the Dubuque Area Council. Other leadership involved with this troop reorganization effort were S. M. Graham, M. Y. Graham, and E. C. Hughes.

Edgewood

Scoutmaster Alva J. Rhines and Rev. J. W. Turner provided leadership to a troop that originated in October of 1911 and met at the Methodist church. By December, the troop had 15 Scouts that were organized into two patrols.

A 1912 camping trip by the Scouts was held at Newberry Springs. The troop still met actively at least through 1913. The troop defeated a Scout troop from Greeley in a baseball game in May of 1913. Scoutmaster Fern Sharp camped with the troop in August of 1915. In August of 1916, the troop camped at Bixby's Park.

A Scout troop in Strawberry Point met at the Congregational Church in 1921. By December of this same year, Carl Mitzner was serving as Scoutmaster of the Edgewood troop.

Troop 28 hosted the District 6 Court of Honor in December, 1929 at the Edgewood High School auditorium. Fifty-one boys received an award during the ceremony. Fred I. Smith served as the first Scoutmaster of the troop.



Figure. 1924 Edgewood troop. Howard Stalnaker is in the center of the back row.

Elkader

Professor (and Scoutmaster) Robert Rienow took 25 members of his Boy Scout troop on a 2-week camping trip on an island in the Mississippi River near Guttenberg. The troop hiked over 20 miles on August 6, 1911 to reach their destination and ultimate camp site.



Figure. Troop 26 Scouts (twins) Ross and Harry Powell, shown in 1930.

Epworth

After a visit by new Scout Executive Gunn, Epworth formed a troop of 16 Scouts in July, 1917. Mr. Gilbert was the Scoutmaster.

Farley

A recently organized troop in Farley was reported in the January 28, 1928 *Telegraph Herald*. Scouts in Troop 37 were John Gibbs, John Fox, John Smith, Vaughn Walter, C. P. Georgen, Thomas Wilkins, Melvin Denning, Donald Denning, and Raymond Lester. Reverend C. L. Oelfke served as Scoutmaster.

Galena, Illinois

A Scout troop existed in Galena, Illinois in 1910. In January of 1911, when the High School Athletic Association rented the fourth floor of the Linenfelser building for basketball games, the newly organized Boy Scouts were also allowed to use the space for a meeting room. (The Knights of Columbus had previously the hall but had moved into the Slattery building, which allowed for a facility for youth in the city of Galena.)

By April of 1911, the Scouts sold tickets to an "entertainment performance" they were conducting at the Turner Opera House. Proceeds from the ticket sales were used to buy Paul Lewis

Scout uniforms for troop members in time for the parade on Ulysses S. Grant's birthday. Local businessmen helped to raise funds in late July in order to send Scouts from the Galena troop to August 4 "field day" activities in Fenimore, Wisconsin.

Whether the troop continuously existed is unknown, but in December of 1916, Galena Boy Scouts hiked to Dubuque during one of their outings.

J. B. Waterman, Scoutmaster of Troop 1 in Galena, Illinois, sent a letter to the Dubuque Council headquarters in May, 1924 asking if they could be affiliated with the council. The Scouts participated in many council-sponsored activities, attended summer camp with Dubuque scouts in 1924-26, and in fact, often won inter-troop events sponsored by the Dubuque Council. For several periods, the troop kept the President's Cup trophy in their meeting room at Harris Hall. The trophy was a prize awarded by the Dubuque Council for the troop who had earned the most points during the past 3 months. A troop earned points for such things as passing tests for rank advancement, participation in activities, and so on.

A second troop in Galena was organized in September, 1926, with the assistance of current Scoutmaster J. B. Waterman. Waterman became Deputy Scout Commissioner of the Galena District of the Dubuque Council. His two assistant Scoutmasters would assume leadership of the existing and the new troops: C. C. Potter became Scoutmaster of Troop 1, and William Grimm became Scoutmaster of Troop 2.

The Galena troops chartered with the U.S. Grant Council in the spring of 1927.

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Local Council

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Form 691-NUC-20M-11-24. R.P.

Application for Troop Charter Renewal

Troop No. 1 Place Galena Ill
County Joplaris State Ill
Under Dubuque Council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

(Incorporated February 8, 1910. Chartered by Congress June 15, 1916.)
National Council, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Parent Teachers Association
(Name of institution, organization, or group of citizens applying for charter; if a religious body, state denomination or sect.)

(Full mailing address)
hereby makes application for Re-registration of Troop No. 1
(Date) Sept 30-1925 (Signed) Gertrude M. Grimm (Title) President
(Executive representative of institution, organization or group which is responsible for this troop)
(This should not be signed by the Scoutmaster unless he is such executive officer, as a Pastor or School Superintendent)

Agreement and Endorsement of **TROOP COMMITTEE** of three or more Representative Citizens.
We, the undersigned, certify that we understand the aims and objects of the Boy Scout Movement as set forth in its official publications and
We agree to accept the responsibilities of our office as set forth in the National Council Constitution, Article III, Section 1, and By-Laws, Article XI, Section 1, Clause 5, and we further agree that if for any reason it becomes advisable for the Scoutmaster to discontinue to serve, we will notify the National Council immediately, or the Local Council if there is one having jurisdiction over this troop, and endeavor to find a suitable successor; meanwhile we will assume control of the troop, including all troop property.

Mr. W. Waterman has been selected by us as Scoutmaster and we recommend that he be commissioned as such. To our personal knowledge he is of good character and qualified to act as a leader of boys in carrying out the Scout program.

Messrs. W. Grimm A. Hodges
have been approved by the Scoutmaster as Assistant Scoutmasters and we recommend their appointment.

NOTE—The Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters may not be members of the Troop Committee.

REMITTANCE		TIME STAMP
Cash	_____	
M. O.	_____	
C. V.	_____	
Total	_____	
Regis.	_____	
Sup.	_____	
B. L.	_____	
Setg.	_____	
Mis.	_____	

NOTE: DO NOT SIGN UNTIL YOU HAVE READ THE ABOVE AGREEMENT

PERSONAL SIGNATURES OF TROOP COMMITTEE Please write very plainly	ADDRESSES	OCCUPATIONS	Age?	American Citizen or first citizenship papers?	Subscription for Boys' Life	Subscription for Scouting	Order for Certificate
<u>H. Lottman</u>	<u>305 Hill St.</u>	<u>Minister</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Yes</u>			
<u>F. Spurr</u>	<u>D. Robert Gear</u>	<u>Dr. Buyer</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>Yes</u>			
<u>Edw. Kreisner</u>	<u>Galena</u>	<u>Clothier</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>"</u>			
<u>N.C. Schiele</u>	<u>Galena</u>	<u>Phys.</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>"</u>			

APPLICATION for Re-registration of OLD SCOUTMASTER. NOTE: New Applicants Use Form 694.

I hereby apply for the renewal of my commission as Scoutmaster of Troop No. 1 of Galena Ill

1. Age 37 2. Color Dark 3. American citizen or first citizenship papers A. C.

4. How long have you been in the Boy Scout Movement? 3 As an official? 3

5. Are you enclosing remittance for a large certificate for yourself? No

Signature in full Wesley W. Waterman
Street address (residence) _____
Date Sept 30-1925 City Galena County Joplaris State Ill
Residence telephone number H 23 15 Business telephone number _____

TO BE FILLED IN AT NATIONAL COUNCIL OFFICE

Troop No. _____ of City _____ County _____ State _____
Exp. _____
Affiliated with _____ Council. S. M.'s No. _____

*Boys' Life and Scouting are furnished Troop Committeemen at special rates. See Transmittal Blank for prices. Troop Committeeman's

Figure. 1925 troop charter, page 1

REPORT ON (LAST CHARTERED) YEAR'S WORK

1. What funds were provided during the last year by the institution or Troop Committee for troop purposes? 100.00
2. How many boys registered last year are not now enrolled? 5 Give the chief reasons for this dropping out on the separate sheet enclosed—are you doing this? no
Were they given Certificates of Service (Boys' Handbook, p. 24)? no
Are you using the Patrol System as outlined in "S. M. Helps No. 1—Patrol Method"? Yes
3. How many boys advanced at least one rank? 11 Why did the others fail? Lack of time
4. How many boys earned merit badges last year? 5 Total number earned 16
5. Camping. 30 boys spent an average of 7 days in a scout camp conducted by Dubuque Council from July 26 to Aug 1. Average cost of camp per day per boy 5.50
1 members of troop spent an average of 10 days in an organized camp not under scout auspices.
6. How many week-end camps and over-night hikes did your troop hold last year? 12
Average number of boys each 15 How many day hikes? 20 Average number of boys on each hike 20 Average distance 6
7. 32 scouts have uniforms. Why have not the rest of your troop scout uniforms? Not Able
8. State special features of troop activities during the past year, including significant individual or community "Good Turns"—Traffic Police 3 days - for City of Salerna
1 1/2 day Salvation Army Drive without Uniform.
Helped Entertain Chicago Fresh Air Boys at Camp - 2
Weeks period
9. Please give any suggestions which might be helpful to others engaged in scout work or increase the helpfulness of National Headquarters. more service requirements
a scout should be tutored all the way
thru to first class scout by a first class
scout.
10. Has your troop been registered five or ten years? no Do you wish it registered as a Veteran Troop? ✓ Date of Original Registration? Can't say

ASSISANT SCOUTMASTER'S APPLICATION FOR RE-REGISTRATION

The following men having been duly recommended for renewal of commissions as ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS for work with this troop, it is hereby certified that they are 18 years of age or over and otherwise qualified as provided in the National Constitution, Article XII:

Signatures of Old Assistants Re-registering. Do not list New Assistants here—fill out 695 and attach							
	NAMES Please Write Very Plainly	ADDRESSES	Age Last Birth day	Date of Entering the Scout Movement	American Citizen or Oath of Allegiance?	Amount for Boys' Life	Amount For Large Certificate
1	<u>E. Hodges</u>	<u>Salerna Ill</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>1922</u>	<u>Amel</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>✓</u>
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3							
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Figure. 1925 troop charter, page 2

TROOP ENROLLMENT

NOTE: PLEASE LIST SEPARATELY BELOW: 1—OLD SCOUTS RE-REGISTERING;
2—NEW BOYS; 3—TRANSFERS FROM OTHER TROOPS.

Indicate Scout's rank as follows: T=Tenderfoot; S=Second Class; F=First Class; M=Merit Badge;
Indicate Associate Scouts by A and Veterans by V, in addition to Rank letter.
A Scout must be at least 12 years of age. No exception can be made. (Seascouts must be at least 15.)

ARRANGE NAMES ALPHABETICALLY IN EACH GROUP (Print or write plainly)	POST OFFICE ADDRESSES		AGE LAST BIRTH- DAY	SCOUT RANK	PREVIOUSLY BELONGED TO			Date First Entered Move- ment
	Street	City			Troop	City	State	
Robert Gader ✓	Galena	Ill	14	S	1	Galena	Ill	Apr 1925
Leslie Berger ✓	"	"	14	S	"	"	"	" 1923
Glenn Buehig ✓	"	"	16	S	"	"	"	Sept 1924
Frank Buehig ✓	"	"	16	T	"	"	"	1921
John Christy ✓	"	"	12	S	"	"	"	Feb 1925
Marshall Dawson ✓	"	"	14	T	"	"	"	Apr 1923
Reggie Dodge ✓	"	"	15	S	"	"	"	" 1924
Starley Grimm ✓	"	"	12	S	"	"	"	" 1925
Donald Hodges ✓	"	"	14	T	"	"	"	Sept 1923
Robert Johnson ✓	"	"	15	S	"	"	"	Apr 1923
Kenneth Jeffrey ✓	"	"	12	T	"	"	"	Apr 1925
Harry Kerr ✓	"	"	13	S	"	"	"	" 1924
Chas Kleit ✓	"	"	13	S	"	"	"	May 1925
Harold Long ✓	"	"	12	T	"	"	"	Sept 1924
Fred Martin ✓	"	"	14	S	"	"	"	" 1923
Earle Maris ✓	"	"	14	T	"	"	"	" 1923
Arthur McKee ✓	"	"	15	T	"	"	"	Apr 1923
Robt Mengem ✓	"	"	14	S	"	"	"	" 1923
Karl Metzger ✓	"	"	15	T	"	"	"	Sept 1924
Tom Morgan ✓	"	"	13	S	"	"	"	Feb 1924
Chas Potter ✓	"	"	13	S	"	"	"	Sept 1924
Lesley Redfearn ✓	"	"	14	T	"	"	"	Apr 1924
Geo Martin ✓	"	"	15	T	"	"	"	"
Rick Mengem ✓	"	"	12	C	"	"	"	"
Bert Hibbitts ✓	"	"	13	C	"	"	"	"
Harry Linenbeler ✓	"	"	15	C	"	"	"	"
Clifford Schmigel ✓	"	"	14	C	"	"	"	"
Leo Schwartz ✓	"	"	16	C	"	"	"	"
Chas Staupregan ✓	"	"	17	T	1	"	"	Sept 1924
Daniel Likela ✓	"	"	13	S	"	"	"	Apr 1924
Alfred Smith ✓	"	"	14	S	"	"	"	" 1923
Ralph Musselman ✓	"	"	13	T	"	"	"	" 1924
Edmund Spurr ✓	"	"	15	T	"	"	"	" 1923
Gus Melhous ✓	"	"	15	T	1	"	"	Jan 1925
Gordon Rieck ✓	"	"	13	T	1	"	"	"
Leslie Stovall ✓	"	"	14	F	1	"	"	Apr
Leslie Stovall Associate								

New Scout - Card 37

Figure. 1925 troop charter, page 3

GENERAL INFORMATION

IMPORTANT Information enabling the National Council to understand Local Conditions of the Troop

NOTE: Registration is expected to be continuous. New charter will be dated from expiration of previous registration, unless the troop had practically ceased to exist or has been reorganized with new officers and members. Delay in sending remittance does not extend registration period.

1. When did previous registration of troop expire? Sept 1925
 2. Has troop had continuous existence? No If not, when did it reorganize? Apr 1923
 3. If present applicant is a new Scoutmaster, give name of previous Scoutmaster _____
His present address _____ why did he resign? _____
- SCOUT EXECUTIVE OR COMMISSIONER PLEASE ANSWER ABOVE QUESTION
4. Where does troop meet? Church Athletic Hall = Harris Hall
School, church, etc. Street number and name
 5. When does troop meet? Days Tuesday Hours 730 pm
 6. What institution is troop under jurisdiction of? P. J. A. Assn
 7. With what department of the institution is the troop connected? None
 8. Is the work of the troop recognized by the institution as a part of its work for boys? Yes
 9. What part does the head of the institution take in the work of the troop? none
 10. Is the membership of the troop limited to the boys connected with the institution? no
 11. What is population of your city or town? 2800
 12. Who is the present Superintendent of Schools? Mrs. H. L. Hester
 13. Give name of representative on Council or District Committee Sam Meisner
(National By-Laws, Article XI, Section 1, Clause 6.)
 14. Do you have a fathers' or mothers' or other auxiliary? No Which? ✓

NATIONAL COUNCIL RECORD,

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STATUS—		Initials	Stencils Made		Compared	
Troop	To Expire		Alpha. Cards		Geo. Cards	
Applicant			CERTIFICATES—S. M.		A. S. M.	SCOUTS
Former S. M.			No. Small			
			Written			
Council			Mailed			
Affiliation			No. Large			
			Written			
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Figure. 1925 troop charter, page 4

Guttenberg

Troop 40 was organized in November of 1929. The troop was part of District 7 in 1928.

Hopkinton

The first troop was organized in 1915, and became well known for their 20+ member Boy Scout band. It was this band that influenced Scouts in Dubuque to form a Boy Scout band. The Hopkinton Band received many requests, and performed at a Rural School Picnic and 8th Grade Graduation, Delhi's Dairy Day Celebration, 4th of July parades, and the Dubuque Sunday School parade. The band performed weekly concerts during the summer of 1921.

This troop also apparently had some baseball players, for in October of 1919, they beat a town team of former baseball players.

In May, 1923, Scout Executive E. B. Moore helped to re-organize the troop and have it affiliated with the Dubuque Council. John Clarke, a member of the Hopkinton High School faculty, served as Scoutmaster. The troop band leader was C. C. Morgan. C. S. Keith served as drill master. The following businessmen served on the troop committee: Harry L. Main, Will R. Reeve, N. A. Gearhart, C. C. Morgan, and Harlan Williamson.

The 1927 Troop charter reflected an increase in adult leadership. Fred Pierce was Scoutmaster, and Robert Gearhart and Gilbert French served as Assistant Scoutmasters. Troop committee members were J. L. Statler, E.V. Laughlin, H. L. Main, E. M. Kniker, N. A. Gearhart, and W. R. Reeve. Scouts, all of whom had earned the Tenderfoot rank, included Forrest Billings, Ralph Brooks, Lyle E. Brown, Herbert Bryan, W. Clark DeShaw, Wayne Fear, Louis H. Gaddie, Raymond B. Lewis, Raymond L. Maroff, Robert McDonald, Donald D. Smith, Thomas Tibbitts, and Raymond J. Wallace.

Manchester

At least one Boy Scout troop existed and was available to boys in Manchester from 1911 at least through 1922.

In March of 1911 a 35-member Scout troop was organized and met at the First Methodist Episcopal Church. Scouts from this troop would receive some publicity later that August. A story reported in multiple newspapers throughout Iowa, including *The Manchester Press* and the *Des Moines Tribune* reported that the Boy Scout troop discovered a cave northwest of the city of Manchester. The cave was on the Truman Smith farm, above Lindsey bridge. The boys used a bicycle lamp to explore the 150-foot cave. The Scouts learned that the cave had 14 separate caverns, each large enough for 6-8 people to explore at the same time.

Rev. Geo H. Harvey organized a troop of Scouts in October of 1911. In June of 1912, Scoutmaster Harvey took his troop camping for a week on an island in the Mississippi River above Guttenberg. The troop hiked to the camp site and back to Manchester following the week-long camp.

Ray Wells, George Lyman, and Archie Le Clere, all members of Troop 1, traveled to Cedar Rapids in November of 1911 to attend a meeting concerning the Boy Scout movement.

In April, 1912, Rev. J. F. Black served as Scoutmaster of Troop 1, chartered by the Methodist Church. In May, a ventriloquist entertained the Scouts at one of their meetings. The Scouts also marched in the Memorial Day parade. The Troop 1 travelled in May of 1912 to Winthrop to play a baseball game against the Winthrop Scout troop. In August, Scoutmaster Rev. J. F. Black spent a week camping with nine Scouts from the troop at the ice caves near Edgewood. Black's troop hosted a "basket social" for Scouts and their "lady friends" in April of 1913 at the G.A.R. Hall.

The Scouts, Women's Relief Corps, and G.A.R. attended the Methodist Church on February 15, 1914 to hear the message "Completing Lincoln's Work". In February of 1915 the Scouts held social events to commemorate the anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

Members who attended the 7:30 p.m. worship service at the Congregational Church on March 14, 1915 received presentations by several Boy Scouts.



Figure: Notice in the March 10, 1915 Manchester Democrat

Topics presented by the Scouts:

Norman Kaster:	Origin of the Boy Scout Movement
Darrell Allman:	Scouts' Activities
Mesars, Miller, and Klaus:	Application of Scout Principles and Outline of Scout Work
James Fickle:	Qualifications for Scouts
Robert Hutchinson:	History of U.S. Flag
Lloyd Grommon:	First Aid Work
H. R. Langridge:	Morse Code and Mind Development
Chester Tousley:	Our Motto: Do a Good Turn Daily
Rev. W. J. Suckow:	Needs of the Future

The Troop was assisted with a similar patriotic service at the church in June of 1917. At that service, Robert Hutchinson spoke on the work of the Boy Scouts in war times.

Scouts from Independence, Iowa completed a relay race in May of 1915 where the Scouts brought a "message" from their mayor to Manchester mayor C.E. Richardson. When the Independence Scouts arrived in Manchester, they were met by Manchester Scoutmaster Rev. C. K. Hudson, members of his troop, and Mayor Richardson.

By 1916, Manchester had at least two troops. Rev. Ensign served as Scoutmaster of Troop 2, which included the following members: Harvey Atkinson, Ray Mcukimen, Will Roe, Carl Reisner, Lucien Rann, Hassell Munson, Colin Marshall, Harvey Atkinson, Eugene Ellis, Dewey Howick, Clyde Lusk, George Dunlop, Ray Phelps, Lawrence Dennis, Stanley Klaus, Roy Pinch, and Henry Munson.

Scoutmaster L. Platt took his troop camping in August of 1916.

Frank Keiser's "The Corner Store" ran ads as being The Official Headquarters for Boy Scout uniforms during 1917.

Boy Scouts from the Dubuque Council camped near Manchester during 1917 – 1919. Manchester Boy Scouts did not participate. Camp Quaker Mills, as it was known, was organized and ran by Scout Executive Walter Gunn. It is unlikely that Gunn would turn *any* boys away. However, it was primarily Dubuque businessmen who funded Gunn's salary, and at the time the Scouts in Manchester were not affiliated with Scouts from the Dubuque Council.

At least one of the Manchester troops camped at Backbone during August of 1917.

The Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire Girls held a joint sleighing party in January of 1918.

W. J. Rowley was Scoutmaster of one of the Manchester troops in February of 1918. In March, his troop sold over \$200.00 of war stamps. Scouts who participated in this campaign included Sammie Carter, Merwin Belknap, Irvin Martin, Verle Millis, Shirley Hopkins, David Gearhart, Dale Moore, Alfred Pierce, Harold Appleby, Doran Beitz, Donald Wilson, and Paul Payne.

Scouts Harold Hickox and Clair Klaus carried on to a stage a service flag that was dedicated at the Methodist Church on April 10, 1918. Stars were pinned on the flag to represent each person who had been a church member and/or Sunday School, and was now in one of the branches of service. The flag was acquired with funds raised entirely by the Boy Scouts.

A discussion topic at the February, 1920 Commercial Club meeting was whether to hire a paid Scout Master (presumably a Scout Executive, and thus make Manchester a First Class council). Superintendent J.S. Hilliard posed the question. Scoutmaster L.L. Platt discussed the existing Boy Scout work being done in the city, and asked the Commercial Club for support. A committee of Superintendent J.S. Hilliard, E.M. Carlock, and Judge George W. Dunham was appointed to research the issue. No action resulted from this committee, however.

The Boy Scouts did participate in Memorial Day services, held at the cemetery, during May of 1921.

Troop 4 spent a week camping at Backbone during August of 1921. Scouts who attended were Harry Tubbs, Edward Wolcott, Everett Ludley, Myron Allen, John Mitch, and Donald Malvern. Tom T. Norris provided leadership to the troop during camp. During this same timeframe, L. L. Platt took his troop to Backbone Park.

With the assistance of the Rotary Club and Dr. J. I. Jones, president of the Manchester Rotary Club, a site was purchased for Scouts to use as their permanent camp site by Scouts from the local troop. August 25-27, 1926 was the first time the site was used by the Scouts for a camp session.

Ray Short, the Field Scout Commissioner for Iowa, met with adult leaders in January of 1920 but was unsuccessful in attempting to form a county council that would include the city of Manchester. It's likely that the leaders were either unwilling, or felt they were unable to support a paid Scout Executive to help administer a program that they were already providing. At the time of his visit, Short noted that 12 councils in the Midwest were currently searching for Scout Executives.

Scouts from Manchester would continue to register with the National Office until October of 1928. At this time, the Dubuque Council became an "area" council. Scout Executive Harold Baker formalized plans to include Delaware County Scout troops as part of the Dubuque Area Council. Baker also appointed Loren L. Platt from Manchester as Deputy Scout Commissioner in charge of Manchester troops. *Hawkeye Scouting*, published by Robert Chapel of Manchester, was the official publication of Scouting for Delaware County.

THE SCOUT PACE

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SCOUT LEADERS' TRAINING CAMP !

The first session of the fourth annual school for scout leaders will be held on March 24th. under the direction of William Schlung, Scoutmaster. The training committee which is composed of William Schlung, chairman; Rev. John Theobald, E. D. Cline, A. A. Morr and Leo F. McDonough will act as the troop committee of the training school and have charge of the housing, special presentations, education, finance, examination papers and assignments. Other officers of the course are Frank Schneider, Assistant Scoutmaster; Don Whelan, senior patrol leader; Leo McDonough, scribe; C. G. Sanner, bugler; Chas. F. Mosser, J. C. Smith, B. H. Wehlage and Dave Ames, patrol leaders.

Almost fifty men have expressed their intention of taking this training up to date and all indications show that this is to be the largest school ever attempted in this council. Men are to attend the school from Dyersville, Manchester, Earlville and Guttenberg.

The school is of value to men who are in any way connected with boys whether as teachers, Scout leaders or just friends. The course is of a cultural nature offering pointers on psychology of dealing with boys and the preservation of good citizenship qualities and will contain numerous special features such as plaster casts, rope making, knot tying, camping and what not.

The first course will be of six sessions, the last of which will be held at Camp Burton. The second course will be continued right from the first and will be six more sessions. Those meeting the requirements will

be given the approved training certificate.

The Boy Scout movement has gained its great advancement through the use of volunteer leadership. The number of paid men in Scouting as compared to the number of boys is extremely small. The Boy Scout movement goes into the community and trains men to lead their own boys into paths of citizenship and development of clean living. These volunteer men receive their training through building themselves together in training courses and working out in actual practice and experience the ideas of the Scout movement. Through this procedure Scouting has advanced in scope until its influences are felt in every village and town in the country no matter how small. Scouting is a movement of men and boys in which the volunteer plays the most conspicuous part. Men who could not be hired by dollars and cents are giving of their time and ability to the development of character through Scouting freely and willingly. It would be impossible for any group of professional men to give this high type of devoted leadership that the volunteer is capable of. In fact the professional Scout leader must necessarily receive his inspiration from the volunteer leaders. As volunteers join together to learn more of Scouting, they create an atmosphere of experience and learning which is invaluable to them both in their dealing with boys and in their actual adjustment to their own lives.

A Scout training course is as valuable to a man as any other form of education. It is extremely practical and many men in their daily lives are using principles and abilities which they learned through a Scout training school.

There is no enrollment fee to this course. The only cost is for materials and handbooks used. One may register for the course by simply calling Scout headquarters or dropping a line to the Scout executive.

Scribe Pilgrimage

On February 28th., the following scribes made their annual pilgrimage to the grave of Julien Dubuque, founder of the present city of Dubuque: Harold Knoernschild, troop one; Melvin Kreiman, troop three; Lee McNeeley, troop four; Marvin Hindorff, troop five; Anthony Tarkett, troop six; William Watters, troop nine; Richard McKay, troop ten; Charles Cole, troop 14; Roy Gau, troop 15; Clarence Peck, troop 17; David Lippert, troop 19 and Dale Brown, troop 20.

After looking the grave over the boys descended to Catfish Creek where a camp site was selected and headquarters established. An interesting game of cowboy and Indians was played. The boys divided themselves into two teams, one of whom was lead by a cowboy by the name of "Wild Bill." "Chief Rain in the Face," another boy, led the group of wild Indians. The Indians were given a head start and soon were pursued by the cowboys. Definite playing boundaries running perhaps a quarter of a mile had been established and neither team could go outside of this line. The Indians lay in hiding and by the use of signals, intelligent Scouts, and much skulking around, managed to pick off the cowboys one by one. Putting a boy on his back by means of force constitutes a kill. Finally in a hand to hand battle, Chief Rain in the Face put the two cowboy lieutenants out of the game but was himself killed in the battle. Dale Brown who was really "Wild Bill" single handed and alone captured one by one the six remaining Indians and put them out of the game, thereby winning the game for the cowboys. This game is one which may be played by any troop and utilizes quite a lot of Scouting tactics such as team play, the use of brains, definite planning, observation and signalling. Try it some time on a hike.

At the next regular meeting of the scribes, which is to be held on March 22nd., the scribes are to have their books audited by M. E. Brooks, Public Accountant.

Figure. The Scout Pace was a monthly, 4-page newsletter of the Dubuque Area Council for Scouts and Scout leaders. It was first published in June of 1929. The first editor was Robert Chapel of Manchester.

TROOP NEWS CONTINUED

Greenway and John Tutak, Scoutmaster Edward J. Ferris and Assistant Newton Wimmer and fourteen boys. They are adopting a plan of advancement whereby every boy must make an effort to advance and progress in order to retain his membership in the troop. If he fails once, he is given another chance. Boy Scouts do not acquire the fail habit, however, we are sure troop 17 will benefit by their new program. Troop 17 played an important part in the search for the two boys who were drowned. One of these boys was a brother of one of the Scouts in troop 17.

Overnite Hike—Troop 18, Grandview M. E. church enjoyed an overnite hike at Camp Burton, February 28th. under the leadership of Scoutmaster Franklin Schmick, assisted by Ray Frost, Harry Radloff and Harold Pahlas. The boys had a wild and hilarious time passing tests, playing "Capture the Flag" and "Cowboy and Indian."

Wanted a Scoutmaster—Troop 19, Washington Junior High School on the eve of registration is in need of a Scoutmaster to assist Al Weber, the present Scoutmaster. P. W. Gifford, chairman of the troop committee recently visited every other troop in the city and has outlined great plans in the future for this troop.

Swabbing the Deck—Troop 20, Sea Scouts, Dubuque American Legion did a good turn to their sponsoring institution by scrubbing the decks over at the Legion Hall. Following this lowly task a fine meal, consisting of Mulligan Stew was served to the boys. Guests at the dinner were Commodore Hoffman, Skipper Sheldon, Chief Baker, and the Field Executive. The ship has now been registered and the boys are planning a big demonstration at which time their charter will be presented.

Sawing Wood—Troop 25, Epworth under the direction of Scoutmaster J. H. Wetzler has been holding meetings and steadily advancing. Two boys are prepared to receive merit badges whenever they can find a Court of Honor.

Indian Sign Language—Troop 26, Elkader under the leadership of Scoutmaster Roy Leibrock the boys of this troop are studying Indian Sign Language. At a Court of Honor in Mc-

Gregor, they gave an extensive demonstration of this fascinating art. Two boys in Indian costume came out and talked to each other for five or ten minutes in sign language and then repeated the conversation while Mr. Leibrock acted as interpreter.

Registered on Time—Troop 27, Marquette sent its registration in promptly on time. Let's make that a troop tradition for every troop in the council. Register on time!

Basketry—The boys of troop 28, Edgewood are working on basketry and two of them received merit badges in the subject. Mrs. Cleveland, wife of the Methodist minister, is instructing the boys in this work.

Anniversary Celebration—Troop 30, Hopkinton held an anniversary week meeting at which time story telling from Boys' Life, games, recommitment of the Scout Oath and Laws, and refreshments played the leading parts. This troop was well represented at the district meeting held recently at Earlville.

Rope Splicing—Troop 31, Manchester has a demonstration prepared on rope splicing and other uses of rope which is to be given at the next Court of Honor to be held in Manchester. Seven boys from this troop were awarded their tenderfoot badge on March 6th.

Court of Honor Hosts—Troop 32, McGregor presented some very fine demonstrations at the Court of Honor which was held there. They showed proficiency especially in rope work.

Regular Meetings—Troop 33, Manchester under the leadership of Scoutmaster Roy Welterlen is holding their regular Scout meetings each Tuesday night. They are making steady advancement.

New Scoutmaster—Troop 34, Manchester. This troop is doing fine work under the leadership of Mr. Platt, their new Scoutmaster.

Totem Pole—Troop 35, Manchester has a ten foot totem pole cut and are going to start work on it just as soon as they can drag it up to their Scout room. The boys have never done this work before but we are sure they can make a very hideous totem pole. They have a booklet on totem pole

making and the will to work, this combination is very effective in totem pole making.

Going Visiting—Troop 36, Strawberry Point, is making definite plans to attend the Court of Honor at Elkader, March 16th. These boys have stayed home for a long time but this time are going visiting.

Overnite Camp—Troop 38, Menona under the leadership of Rev. L. H. Joslin, Chairman of the Troop Committee, recently had an overnite camp at Camp Burton. The field executive assisted by Harold Pahlas of troop 18 administered the camp program. The boys are determined to attend Scout camp in force next summer.

Moonlight Hike—Troop 40, Guttenberg on March 3rd., conducted a moonlight hike to Table Rock where they roasted apples and played games. "If you want to be a Boy Scout, just come along with me and we'll hike by the light of the moon."

Outdoor Work—Troop 41, Postville under the leadership of Elmer Sander is planning a great deal of outdoor work for the spring months and are going to hold their meetings out of doors and do all in their power to keep the out in Scouting in Postville. **To Be Divided**—Troop 42, Waukon is to be divided into two organizations, one of which is to remain with the American Legion and the other to be sponsored by the Waukon Kiwanis Club. Dr. J. E. Cassidy, Organization Chairman for District eight is bending every effort to complete the registration of the two troops by March 31st.

School Troop—Troop 43, Waterville has its meeting at a study period every week. This troop is connected with the Consolidated School and many of the boys in it live out in the country.

Overnite Camp—Troop 47, Lansing is now registered and has a Boy Scout troop of 23 boys with a Sea Scout Patrol of 6. A troop committeeman has made available the use of a farm up in a wooded valley about three miles from Lansing which the boys use for an overnite camp spot. There is plenty of timber to be used in the Scout work and a good well on the place. How we wish more troops could have this type of facility!

Figure: The Scout Pace, page 4

McGregor

Scoutmaster Raymond Sullivan provided leadership to a troop of 28 Scouts in McGregor in March of 1917. Some of their first activities were practicing military drills.

In early April, the troop had a new Scoutmaster: P. Schumacher. Twice the Scouts assisted the fire department in handling fires. They also performed clean-up and raking at the public square.

At the end of April, the Scouts hiked to Wisconsin State Park and visited the camp of 17 soldiers who were stationed at the Burlington Railway bridge at the mouth of the Wisconsin River.

Civic service wasn't the only activities that Schumacher had his troop involved in. By early May, each Scout had his own garden, thanks to W. Hagensick, who allowed the Boy Scouts to use two acres of land on his farm. This allowed the boys to participate in the national "every Scout to Feed a Soldier" campaign.

Also in March, the troop held a food sale as a fundraising activity. They were thrilled with the success of the event. Over \$20.00 was raised, and it allowed them to achieve their goal and purchase their troop flag from the National Office. The Community Welfare Ladies supplemented this by donating an American flag to the troop.

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PLEASE! READ INFORMATION SHEET FIRST

Form 690-10M-3-22-R.P.

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Application for Charter for New Troop

[1,2,3,4] Troop No. 1 Place McGregor
 County Clayton State Iowa
 Under National Council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

(Incorporated February 8, 1916. Chartered by Congress June 15, 1916.)
 National Council, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York

On 27th day of July 1922
 at a meeting of the duly constituted governing body of the
Pocket City Post #267 American Legion
 Name of institution, organization, or group of citizens applying for charter; if a religious body, state denomination or sect.)
McGregor Iowa
 (Full mailing address)

formal action was taken authorizing the application hereby made for charter for a troop of Boy Scouts. At this meeting the requirements and responsibilities as set forth in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Boy Scouts of America were fully explained, and it was specifically agreed in accordance therewith that the said institution, organization or group, would

- Provide the necessary facilities for meetings of the Troop.
- Provide adequate leadership, including the supervision of a man, 21 years of age or over, to be commissioned as Scoutmaster, and a committee of adults who will visit the Troop and co-operate in its direction and supervision.
- Endeavor to provide an opportunity for the members of the Troop to spend a week or more in a summer camp.
- Conduct the Troop in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and, if the Troop be under Local Council, of the Local Council having jurisdiction over the territory in which the Troop is situated.

At this meeting: Form No. _____
 should serve as memb
 Troop Committee in acco
 Clause 5. (See Information _____)

A voluntary contribution of \$ _____ to the work of the National Council _____ to be paid _____

Signature of Executive Officer of institution, organization or group responsible for this troop. <u>Ewald J. Meyer</u> Not the Scoutmaster	His Office <u>Commander</u>
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AGREEMENT AND ENDORSEMENT of TROOP COMMITTEE of at least three Representative Citizens.
 We, the undersigned, certify that we understand the aims and objects of the Boy Scout Movement as set forth in its official publications, and
 We agree to accept the responsibilities of our office as set forth in the National Council By-Laws, Article XI, Section 1, Clause 5, and we further agree that if for any reason it becomes advisable for the Scoutmaster to discontinue to serve, we will notify the National Council immediately, or the Local Council, if there is one having jurisdiction over this troop, and endeavor to find a suitable successor; meanwhile we will assume control of the Troop, including all Troop property.

Mr. HARVEY E. HALTMAYER has been selected by us as Scoutmaster, and we recommend that he be commissioned as such. To our personal knowledge, he is of good character and qualified to act as a leader of boys in carrying out the Scout program.

Messrs. A. J. CORDS have been approved by the Scoutmaster and we recommend that they be commissioned as Assistant Scoutmasters.
 (NOTE: Troop Committee does not include either Scoutmaster or Assistants.)

NOTE: DO NOT SIGN TILL YOU HAVE READ THE ABOVE AGREEMENT

PERSONAL SIGNATURES OF TROOP COMMITTEE (NOT LESS THAN THREE) Please write very plainly	ADDRESSES	OCCUPATIONS	Age?	American Citizen or Foreign?	Papers?	Subscription for Boys' Life	Subscription for Scouting	Do you Wish Certificate?
<u>H. H. Bishop</u>	<u>McGregor Ia</u>	<u>Civil Engineer</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>Yes</u>				
<u>R. H. Thomas</u>	<u>McGregor Ia</u>	<u>M.D.</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>Yes</u>				
<u>Oscar Guy</u>	<u>McGregor</u>	<u>Photographer</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>Yes</u>				

Pocket certificate is furnished when requested at 10c. Every Troop Committeeman should carry one, thus encouraging boys and indicating the value attached to membership in the Boy Scouts of America.
 *Boys' Life and Scouting are furnished Troop Committeeman at a special rate. See Transmittal Blank for prices.

Figure. 1922 troop charter, page 1

SCOUTMASTER

MR. HARVEY FRANCIS HALTMEYER
SCOUTMASTER, TROOP #1
MC GREGOR, IOWA

1. Age last birthday 34 2. C
3. Naturalized citizen? become a citizen?
4. Naturalized citizen? become a citizen?

Article III. Constitution, Boy Scouts of America.

Section 1—The Boy Scouts of America maintain that no boy can grow into the best kind of citizenship without recognizing his obligation to God. In the first part of the boy scout's oath or pledge the boy promises, "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country, and to obey the scout law." The recognition of God as the ruling and leading power in the universe, and the grateful acknowledgment of His favors and blessings, is necessary to the best type of citizenship, and is a wholesome thing in the education of the growing boy. No matter what the boy may be—Catholic or Protestant or Jew—this fundamental need of good citizenship should be kept before him. The Boy Scouts of America therefore recognizes the religious element in the training of a boy, but it is absolutely non-sectarian in its attitude toward that religious training. Its policy is that the organization or institution with which the boy scout is connected shall give definite attention to his religious life.

Only men willing to subscribe to this declaration of principle shall be entitled to certificates in carrying out the boy scout program.

The activities of the members of the Boy Scouts of America shall be carried on under conditions which show respect for the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion, as required by the twelfth Scout Law, reading, "A scout is reverent. He is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion."

In no case where a troop is connected with a church or other distinctively religious institution, shall scouts of other denominations or faith be required, because of their membership in the scout troop, to take part in or observe a religious ceremony distinctively peculiar to that institution or church.

5. Do you subscribe to the above declaration of principle? yes

6. What has been your scout experience? 26 months in the regular army during late war, no experience outside of study

[2,3] How long have you been in the boy scout movement as a Scout? As an official? [2,3]

[2] 7. What other experience, if any, have you had in connection with organizations for boys or young men? Band instructor, have organized and taught three boys bands in the past fourteen years

8. What offices have you held in church, civic, or in philanthropic societies? none

[2,3,7] 9. Check the highest educational institution from which you have graduated Grammar High School, College. 10. Condition of health? Good 11. Physical disability, if any? none

[2,3,7] 12. What occupations have you held in the last three years? (State present occupation last.) Hardware Clerk

[2] 13. Name and address of business firm? A. J. Sloane & Son McGregor Ia

[2] 14. What is your church preference? Catholic 15. Are you a member? yes [2]

[2,3,7] 16. Are you married? no 17. Have you boys of your own? no [2,3,7]

[2] 18. Are you enclosing remittance for subscription to Boys' Life? For a large certificate?

[2] 19. What voluntary contribution do you desire to make to the support of the National Council?

I agree, if a commission as Scoutmaster is granted, to be guided by the Scout Oath and Law and the rules and regulations of the National Council and the Local Council in whose territory my Troop is located.

Signature of applicant in full Harvey Francis Haltmeyer

Street address (residence) _____

Date 7/27/22 City McGregor County Clayton State Iowa

Telephone: Residence _____ Business 95 J

TO BE FILLED IN AT NATIONAL COUNCIL OFFICE

Troop No. 1 of McGregor State Iowa Exp. 7/23 S. M.'s } No. 77989
A. S. M.'s }

Affiliated with _____ Council

ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

NAMES OF ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER	ADDRESSES	Do you subscribe to O.S. above?	Age last Birthday	Date of Entering The Scout Movement	American Citizen or Birth of American? Alliances?	Amount for Boys' Life	Amount for Large Certificate
<u>A. J. CORDS</u>	<u>McGREGOR IOWA</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>24</u>		<u>yes</u>		

Figure. 1922 troop charter, page 2

TROOP ENROLLMENT

NOTE: Please list boys as follows: (1) New Boys, (2) Old Scouts Re-Registered, (3) Transfers from other Troops.

Indicate Scout's rank as follows: T=Tenderfoot; S=Second Class; F=First Class; M=Merit Badge; A=Associate. Scout must be at least 12 years of age. No exceptions can be made. (Seascouts must be at least 15.) More than 32 boys will not be approved in new troops. Do not register boys who have not passed tenderfoot tests.

[1,2,3,4,6]	ARRANGE NAMES ALPHABETICALLY IN EACH GROUP (Print or write plainly)	POST OFFICE ADDRESSES		AGE LAST BIRTH DAY	SCOUT RANK	PREVIOUSLY BELONGED TO			*See Special Offer AMOUNT
		Street	City			Troop	City	State	
NEW SCOUTS	1) ROBERT BERGMAN	McGREGOR	IOWA	13	T				
	1) MARION C. EDGAR	"	"	14	T				
	1) WALTER T. HOGAN	"	"	12	T				
	1) ADOLPH LARSON	"	"	13	T				
	1) HAROLD H. LINDEMANN	"	"	13	T				
	1) BALDWIN MOA	"	"	13	T				
	1) S. PAUL RAMAGE	"	"	13	T				
	1) REX RICHARDS	"	"	13	T				
	1) CARLETON C. SLOANE	"	"	14	T				
	1) FRANK TURNER	"	"	14	T				
OLD RE-REGISTERED	JOHN DAVIES	"	"	13	T				
	GERALD HENDRICKSON	"	"	14	T				
TRANS.	BAYARD H. ESMAY	McGREGOR	IOWA	14	T				

**LOCAL COUNCIL DATA—To be filled only by Commissioner or Scout Executive
CHARTER APPLICATION APPROVED—**

By Troop Organization Committee on _____ Date _____ Sig. _____ Chairman of Committee

By Local Council on _____ Date _____ Sig. _____ Commissioner or Scout Executive

Expiration Date _____ Affiliation Papers Transmitted _____

*Certificates No. _____ To _____ Issued on _____ Date _____

*This applies only to First Class Councils.

Figure. 1922 troop charter, page 3

GENERAL INFORMATION			
NOTE—This is important information, helping the National Office to appreciate and understand each Troop's local situation			
1. Is this a new troop? <u>yes</u> Or an old troop being revived? _____			
2. If an old troop give name of former scoutmaster _____ His present address? _____ Why did he resign? _____			
If troop is under Council-Commissioner or Scout Executive please answer above.			
3. How have boys been organized previously? (Boys' Brigade, K. O. K. A., S. S. Class, etc.) _____			
4. Where will troop meet? <u>Legion room</u> Church, School, etc. _____ Number and Name of Street _____			
5. Where does troop meet? Days <u>Thursday</u> Hour <u>7:00 P.M.</u>			
6. Is the troop under the jurisdiction of the institution named on page 1? <u>yes</u>			
7. With what department of the institution is the troop connected? _____			
8. Is the work of the troop recognized by the institution as an official part of its work for boys? <u>yes</u>			
9. What part does the head of the institution take in the work of the troop? <u>Instruction in scoutcraft</u>			
10. Is the membership of the troop limited to the boys connected with the institution? _____			
11. Population of city or town <u>About 1300</u>			
12. Who is present Superintendent of Schools? <u>Prof. Hill</u>			
13. If troop is under Local Council give name of Troop Representative on Council or District Committee. _____			
NATIONAL COUNCIL RECORD		Do not write on this section	
STATUS— Troop <u>111</u> To Expire <u>new</u> S. M. <u>111</u> Council <u>111</u> Affiliation _____		Initials _____ HOLD RETURN APPROVED AUG 8 - 1922	
REGISTR'N—SCOUTS Dr. Re-reg. _____ Re-reg. _____ New _____ Transfer _____ Dropped _____		ASSISTANTS _____ _____ _____	
Checked _____ Entered <u>AUG 5 1922</u> Stencils Made <u>111</u> Compared _____ Alpha Cards _____ Geo. Cards <u>MS</u>		CHARTER written _____ Framer _____ Mailed _____ CERTIFICATES—S. M. A. S. M. SCOUTS Number _____ Written <u>M. Spencer AUG - 8 1922</u> Mailed <u>M. Spencer AUG - 8 1922</u> Large for _____ Written _____ Mailed _____	
Acknowledged _____ <u>CCO</u> <u>7/26/22</u>		SUBSCRIPTIONS— Boys' Life _____ Scouting _____ Seascout Ship noted? _____	

Figure. 1922 troop charter, page 4

In March, 1923, several 2nd Class Scouts went to the YMCA in Dubuque and successfully passed their First Class swimming tests. By May of 1923, Troop 1 had 10 First Class Scouts, 7 Second Class Scouts, and 12 Tenderfoot Scouts, with a total of 29 on the troop roster.

Scouts assembled on Mothers Day in 1923 and raised the city flag. At the following troop meeting, Earl B. Moore, the Scout Executive of the Dubuque Council, came to McGregor and presented the troop with a President Harding streamer that the troop had earned.

Scoutmaster Harvey Haltmeyer took Scouts from the troop on a 2-week camping trip, beginning July 15, 1923. Their destination was 7 miles South of McGregor at "Wyalusing slough". Fourteen boys stayed the entire two weeks, and 10 stayed for a portion of the camp. During their "summer camp" the Scouts passed a total of 15 Scout tests. Melvin Mehsling earned his First Class rank.

By March of 1925, the troop had 30 registered Scouts on the roster.

The October 18, 1923 *North Iowa Times* reported that John L. Larson received a certificate of award for lifesaving from Daniel Carter Beard, the National Scout Commissioner. He was also mentioned in the nationally-distributed 1925 *Boy Scout Diary*.

In early 1924, the City of McGregor turned over their large American flag to the Scout troop. The troop accepted responsibility to display it at all legal holidays.

A 1924 photo of the troop members, complete in uniform, appeared in the June 18, 1970 *North Iowa Times*. Included in the photo was Richard Meyers, John Reynolds, Raymond Sires, Fred Edgar, Charles Bachtell, Elliot Boyle, Kenneth Durr, Clarence Neimeyer, John Jones, John Sloane, John Larson, Marion Edgar, Walter Hogan, Carleton Sloane, Toots Larson, Bob Bergman, Rex Richards, Melvin Mehsling, Baldwin Moe, Lewis Moody, and Scoutmaster Harvey Haltmeyer.

Troop 1, under the leadership of Scoutmaster Harvey Haltmeyer, earned 2nd place honors at the 6th Annual Northeast Iowa Scout Roundup, held at Cresco, Iowa from June 10-12. Scouts competed in the following events: knot tying, staff throwing, semaphore signaling, Morse signaling, troop stunt, troop inspection, tent pitching, troop maneuvering, bugling, fire by friction, Scout pace, camp pitching, wood chopping, patrol signal tower race, rescue race, first aid, parade and review, speed swimming, diving, life saving, engineering, water boiling, cooking, wall scaling, and exhibits.

By October, Ralph Horning became a Life Scout in October, 1925. Two months later Carleton Sloane was also awarded the same rank. They were the first Scouts from McGregor to earn the Life rank.



Figure. 1929 Registration Card, front

THE SCOUT OATH
ON MY HONOR I WILL DO MY BEST:

1. TO DO MY DUTY TO GOD AND MY COUNTRY, AND TO OBEY THE SCOUT LAW.
2. TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE AT ALL TIMES.
3. TO KEEP MYSELF PHYSICALLY STRONG, MENTALLY AWAKE, AND MORALLY STRAIGHT.

THE SCOUT LAW

1. A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY
A SCOUT'S HONOR IS TO BE TRUSTED. IF HE WERE TO VIOLATE HIS HONOR BY TELLING A LIE, OR BY CHEATING, OR BY NOT DOING EXACTLY A GIVEN TASK, WHEN TRUSTED ON HIS HONOR, HE MAY BE DIRECTED TO HAND OVER HIS SCOUT BADGE.
2. A SCOUT IS LOYAL
HE IS LOYAL TO ALL TO WHOM LOYALTY IS DUE: HIS SCOUT LEADER, HIS HOME, AND HIS COUNTRY.
3. A SCOUT IS HELPFUL
HE MUST BE PREPARED AT ANY TIME TO GIVE LIFE, HELP INJURED PERSONS, AND SHARE THE HOME DUTIES. HE MUST DO AT LEAST ONE GOOD TURN TO SOMEBODY EVERY DAY.
4. A SCOUT IS FRIENDLY
HE IS A FRIEND TO ALL AND A BROTHER TO EVERY OTHER SCOUT.
5. A SCOUT IS COURTEOUS
HE IS POLITE TO ALL, ESPECIALLY TO WOMEN, CHILDREN, OLD PEOPLE, AND THE WEAK AND HELPLESS. HE MUST NOT TAKE PAIN FOR BEING HELPFUL OR COURTEOUS.
6. A SCOUT IS KIND
HE IS A FRIEND TO ANIMALS. HE WILL NOT KILL NOR HURT ANY LIVING CREATURE NEEDLESSLY, BUT WILL STRIVE TO SAVE AND PROTECT ALL HARMLESS LIFE.
7. A SCOUT IS OBEDIENT
HE OBEYS HIS PARENTS, SCOUTMASTER, PATROL LEADER, AND ALL OTHER DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITIES.
8. A SCOUT IS CHEERFUL
HE SMILES WHENEVER HE CAN. HIS OBEDIENCE TO ORDERS IS PROMPT AND CHEERFUL. HE NEVER SHRINKS NOR GRUMBLES AT HARDSHIPS.
9. A SCOUT IS THRIFTY
HE DOES NOT WANTONLY DESTROY PROPERTY. HE WORKS FAITHFULLY, WASTES NOTHING, AND MAKES THE BEST USE OF HIS OPPORTUNITIES. HE SAVES HIS MONEY SO THAT HE MAY PAY HIS OWN WAY, BE GENEROUS TO THOSE IN NEED, AND HELPFUL TO WORTHY OBJECTS. HE MAY WORK FOR PAY BUT MUST NOT RECEIVE PAY FOR COURTESIES OR GOOD TURNING.
10. A SCOUT IS BRAVE
HE HAS THE COURAGE TO FACE DANGER IN SPITE OF FEAR AND TO STAND UP FOR THE RIGHT AGAINST THE GOAKINGS OF FRIENDS OR THE JEERS OR THREATS OF ENEMIES, AND DEFEAT DOES NOT DOWN HIM.
11. A SCOUT IS CLEAN
HE KEEPS CLEAN IN BODY AND THOUGHT, STANDS FOR CLEAN SPEECH, CLEAN SPORT, CLEAN HABITS, AND TRAVELS WITH A CLEAN DROWD.
12. A SCOUT IS REVERENT
HE IS REVERENT TOWARD GOD. HE IS FAITHFUL IN HIS RELIGIOUS DUTIES, AND RESPECTS THE CONVICTIONS OF OTHERS IN MATTERS OF DUTY AND BELIEF.

SCOUT HISTORY

QUALIFIED AS TENDERFOOT	DATE
CABIN BOY	1929
SECOND CLASS SCOUT	1929
FIRST CLASS SCOUT	1929
SEA SCOUT	1929
ASST. PATROL LEADER	1929
PATROL LEADER	1929
SENIOR PATROL LEADER	1929
SCRIBE	1929
VETERAN SCOUT - 5 YEARS	1929
TRANSFERRED TO	1929

RECEIPT FOR TROOP DUES PAID

JAN.	FEB.	MCH.	APR.	MAY	JUNE

NOTICE
THE SCOUT SHOULD CARRY THIS CERTIFICATE WITH HIM AT ALL TIMES. HE SHOULD SHOW IT TO THE OFFICIAL OUTFITTER WHEN PURCHASING HIS UNIFORM. HE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO SHOW IT WHENEVER CALLED UPON.

Figure. 1929 Registration Card, back. Scout Executive Harold Baker's signature is on the card.

Monona

The M. E. Sunday School sponsored Troop 1 from June, 1917 through June, 1920, from April 1921 through April, 1922, and from April, 1923 through April, 1925.

The Commercial Club sponsored Troop 38 from 1927 through March, 1931. Troop 38 re-registered in April of 1929 with the Dubuque Area Council. Chartered by the Commercial Club, the troop registered 22 boys. Rev. H. E. Morrow served as

Scoutmaster, and Roy Berg served as the Assistant Scoutmaster. Berg, Pastor of the Evangelical Church, served as Scoutmaster from 1930 through 1931.

Another troop, sponsored by a Group of Citizens, was registered from March, 1939 through March, 1944. The Churches of Monona sponsored the troop from October, 1944 to April, 1949. A Group of Citizens sponsored a troop from March, 1951 through March, 1956.

New Diggins, Wisconsin

Clinton Palmer, a former member of Troop 1 in Dubuque, helped to organize the first troop in New Diggins, Wisconsin. Oswald S. Massey was the Scoutmaster of the New Diggins Troop 1, which registered 16 Scouts when it became affiliated with the Dubuque Council in March, 1924. It participated with Dubuque Council activities for nearly two years.

Zwingle

A significant project that the Boy Scouts of America participated in during World War I was selling Liberty Bonds. The Honorary President of the Boy Scouts of America, Woodrow Wilson, addressed a letter to all Boy Scouts dated May 17, 1917, asking to secure Liberty Loan subscriptions.

Nationally, Scouts sold subscriptions in all five of the Liberty Loan campaigns. During the second and third campaigns, the President of the United States, through the Women's Liberty Loan Committee, awarded a "President's Flag" to one troop in each state. The flag was awarded to the troop who sold the largest number of bonds in proportion to their troop enrollment. Following the third Liberty Loan campaign, which lasted from April 25 – May 5, 1918, Troop 1 from Zwingle was awarded the President's Flag for the state of Iowa.

A troop was affiliated with the Dubuque Council in 1920 and 1921.