

Minutes of Meeting held in Carnegie Library, Palmetto, Fla. for purpose
of Forming Boy Scout Council. Dec. 11, 1925

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A representative group of business men from Sarasota and Manatee counties met on the evening of Friday, December 11, 1925, for the purpose of organizing a Scout Council to function in the two counties represented, it being the judgement of Scout leaders that the South Florida Council, of which these counties were part, had grown so large that better service could be rendered and more efficient work done in this vicinity if a new Council were formed.

The meeting was held at 6:30 over a supper provided and served by the Palmetto Womens Club. Deputy Regional Scout Executive, from Macon, Ga; Scout Executive Carl Sullivan of South Florida Council; and Field Executive Truman A. Horton at the request of Chairman W.T. Harrison presented the history of the work and showed the need for a new Council.

Without dissent it was moved and carried that a new Council, Boy Scouts of America, comprising the two counties of Sarasota and Manatee be formed.

On proceeding to the election of officers, C. E. Hitchings, Sarasota, was elected President of the Council, and took the chair.

Geo. T. Blakely, Palmetto, was elected temporary secretary.

Vice Presidents elected were: - Judge W.T. Harrison, Palmetto.
Major H.P. Munck, Bradenton.
W.G. Sparkman, Manatee.

S.H. Fifield, Bradenton, was elected treasurer.

President C.E. Hitchings was elected National Council Representative.

Moved and carried that Truman A. Horton be engaged as Scout Executive. After some discussion as to budget for the year it was moved and carried that a budget of \$7500.00 be set. This budget was apportioned as follows: Sarasota County, \$3500.00; Manatee County, \$4000.00.

To the Executive/^{Committee} was left the working out of the details of the budget, save the item of salary of the Executive. Moved and carried that Executive

Horton be paid a salary of \$250.00 per month.

On motion the following members were added to the Executive Committee:

H.E.Boyd - Terra Ceia.
Dr.S.G.Hollingsworth - Bradenton.
Herbert Sawyer - Sarasota.
A.A.Koestline, Oneco.
H.C.Groff - Palmetto.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee have privilege of adding to its membership members from other districts that may become connected with the Council.

Moved and carried that the name of the new Council be - "Sunny Land Council."

Raising of the budget was guaranteed by the following members, under leadership of H.K.Tallant:

H.K.Tallant °
J.P.Harilee
H.P.Munck °
W.T.Harrison
E.L.Vanderipe.°
C.E. HITCHINES

A check for \$200.00 was made out and handed to Deputy E.J.Mellen, covering the \$50.00 annual charter fee to the National Council and the \$150.00 subscription to the work of the National Council. Above authorized by motion carried.

List of membership, Sunny Land Council, hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo B Blakely
Temporary Secretary.

Approved
Jan 21st, 1927

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Membership Sunny Land Council.

Bradenton:- George E.White, H.K.Tallant, S.G.Hollingsworth, S.H.Fifield,
T.A.Horton, J.O.Grogan, L.E.Womack, H.P.Munck, C.R.Shannon.

Palmetto:- C.M.Harrison, Council Wooten, W.E.Mann, M.C.Taylor, S.B.Cole,
H.C.Groff, P.J.Hackney, J.P.Harllee, Ben F.Wade, Geo.T.Blakely,
A.M.C.Russell, B.F.Mount.

Sarasota:- C.E.Hitchings, Herbert Sawyer, J.C.Peel, J.Claude Turner,
G.L.Thacker, T.W.Yarbrough.

Terra Ceia:- Geo.T.Martin, H.E.Boyd.

Manatee:- W.H.Allison, C.E.Marjory, W.G.Sperkman, E.L.Vanderipe.

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TRUMAN A. HORTON, Scout Executive

December 5, 1927

(Personal heading)

Dear Sir;

The Annual meeting of the Sunny Land Council will be held at the Oaks Hotel, Palmetto, Tuesday evening, December 13th, at 7:00 P.M.

Many questions pertinent to the future of Scouting in your community will be definitely settled. Your presence is of the utmost importance as you are one of the delegates from your community and it is desired that our program be carried out in accordance with the needs and wishes of the district which you represent.

The three most important items of business which must be decided upon will be:

1.- The reports and recommendations of the investigating committees relative to the advisability of forming a separate Council for each county.

2.- Election of officers.

3.- Application for Charter.

Items 2 and 3 of course will be governed by council action regarding item 1.

If there are any outstanding men in your community who should become members of the council, please bring them with you, that they too may participate in this splendid program.

Trusting that you will make every effort to be present at this important meeting and assuring you that your cooperation is much desired and needed, I am

Yours in Service to Boyhood

Truman A. Horton
Truman A. Horton,
Scout Executive

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MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING SUNNY LAND COUNCIL ~~DECEMBER~~ 13, 1927

Persuent to notice duly given, the regular annual meeting of the Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America was held at the Oaks Hotel, Almetto, Tuesday evening, December 13, 1927, at 7:00 o'clock.

There were Thirty-two members present when the meeting was called to order by the President.

There being a quorum present the meeting proceeded to business as follows:

Minutes of the preceeding meeting were read and approved as read.

Written reports of the Scout Commissioner and Scout Executive were heard, accepted and ordered filed.

Harry Putnam, chairman of Sarasota district educational - publicity committee reported verbally that although they had not been getting good support from the papers in Sarasota in the past, he was pleased to state that they were now getting splendid cooperation and had been assured that in the future they would give scout items more consideration.

The executive reported verbally for the Court of Honor and Finance committee. He stated that there had been 48 Tenderfoot scouts promoted to second class; 35 second class promoted to first class; 14 promoted to merit badge or higher, making a total of 97 promotions reported November, this year. He stated that the Treasurer would submit a written audited statement as of December 31, 1927 and that the council was not in debt and would finish the year with a small balance.

These reports were approved.

New business was opened with a written report from the Sarasota district Investigating committee relative to advisability of council division at this time.

Harry Putnam, chairman of the above mentioned committee prefaced the reading of his committee report with a verbal statement in effect that according to a letter received from the chairman of the Manatee county Investigating committee the matter of ~~division~~ seemed to rest with the Sarasota committee and that before reading his report he would read the letter mentioned. Then followed the reading of S.H. Fifield, as chairman of the Manatee county committee, to C.E. Hitchings, President of the council,

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Then followed the reading of the report of the Sarasota district which recommendation was made to divide the council as per the original report appended to these minutes.

The report was accepted and ordered attached to the minutes with H. Fifield letter to C. E. Hitchings.

Then followed a lengthy discussion of the situation which ended with the motion duly made and seconded that this council be divided, said division to take place April 1st, 1928 and that the first quarter be used to take the necessary steps to form new councils.

The motion was put to vote and unanimously carried.

Subject of Officers was taken up which resulted in the motion, that the present officers be re-elected to act until April 1st, 1928. This motion was duly seconded and voted favorably upon.

Upon motion duly made and seconded:

Charter application for 1928 was referred to the Executive Board with power to act, for the council in the matter.

There being no further business to come before the body at this time the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

Test:

Truman A. Horton
Secretary for the Council

Approved.

See Mma. entitled 'APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CHARTER' for
Copies:

General data
Membership analysis
TRAINING REPORT
1928 OBJECTIVE
COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

6. BRIEF OF CAMPING Committee report
7. Report of Camp Committee
8. FINANCIAL REPORT

These minutes for copy of:
Scout Exec. report
Scout Comm. report

WM. M. TALIAFERRO, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
JOHN T. CAMPBELL, PRESIDENT
JOHN F. VANDERIFE, VICE-PRESIDENT



RAYMOND B. BALIS, CASHIER
STEPHEN H. FIELD, ASST. TO THE PRESIDENT
L. L. CAMPBELL, JR., ASSISTANT CASHIER
CANDLER A. BROOKS, AUDITOR

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL \$ 120,000 00 SURPLUS \$ 80,000 00

BRADENTON, FLA.

Nov. 30, 1927.

Mr. C. E. Hitchings, President
Sunniland Council Boy Scouts,
% Bank of Sarasota,
Sarasota, Fla.

Dear Mr. Hitchings:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, I did at the first opportunity get in touch with the members of my committee and found them of the following opinion:

We had all made some inquiry from various members of the Council, and with the exception of one or two, they were all willing that the Council should be split if the Sarasota County members so desire, but they wanted it clearly understood that this request did not emanate from the Manatee County side. Some expressed the opinion that for the good of the future generation of both Counties that the Council might be held together and the present secretary be given over to full time in Sarasota County and his assistant assigned to Manatee County, however, the committee fully agreed that if the Sarasota members think it best to split the Council into separate Councils with separate secretaries etc., ~~that~~ there will be no objection from the Manatee County side. The committee further suggests that owing to the holiday season and other activities, it would be better just to have this letter read to the Sarasota committee and whatever they decide on will be satisfactory to all parties concerned. This will eliminate another meeting.

Very sincerely yours

Sarasota, Florida, December 13, 1927.

SUNNY LAND COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS:

Report of Investigating Committee

Sarasota County.

The undersigned who were duly appointed at the last meeting of the Council to constitute a committee for the purpose of investigating the advisability or expediency of dividing the Sunny Land Council in Manatee and Sarasota Counties, beg leave to report as follows:

(1) This committee is of the opinion that as much or more good could be accomplished without a division and appreciates the good fellowship and friendly feeling existing in the Council, and deplores the fact that it seems advisable to recommend a division.

(2) With much regret, we have to further report that because of financial conditions, it seems advisable that the Council be divided. This recommendation is made however, because of conditions wholly beyond the control of the Sarasota wing of the Sunny Land Council, and scouting in Sarasota County deplores the necessity of such a recommendation.

Respectfully submitted, with regrets and the very kindest feeling and good wishes not only for the Christmas Season, but for the continued welfare, prosperity, and good works of Sunny Land Council,

Harry Putnam
Chairman.

Dana Milligan

Herbert Sawyer

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TRUMAN A. HORTON, Scout Executive

DECEMBER 13th 1927

Report of Scout Commissioner:
Sunnyland Council;

President and Members of the Council.

Scout Commissioner submits the following report of conditions activities of the Sunnyland council, covering the period from May 1st 1927 to date.

dition of troops:

the beginning of the year there were practically no responsible troop committees and the Institutions were not properly sponsoring troops. The few troops which were headed by Institutions which took their responsibilities seriously and had troop committees which functioned were so far in advance of other troops there was comparison.

According to our program the time was ripe for stressing troop committees which would function, Sarasota being the most in need of help at this time, we immediately set to work to bring about a standard, which we hoped would work with each troop. The essence of this from the Troop Committee standpoint being as follows:

Officers Council separate and aside from troop meetings;
Plans-program-problems of Troop officers, consisting of Patrol leaders, senior Patrol leaders, Scribe, Ass't Scout Master, Scout Master and Troop Committeemen.

- Troop Committee active in Scouting;
- A- At least one at every Troop meeting.
- B- Conduct surveys-analyze conditions of troop and surrounding environments and represent Troop at all Local council meetings.
- C- Complete one or more Training courses as recommended by Local Regional or National Council.

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gives me much pleasure to report that at the present time all
ops in Sarasota County are sponsored by Institutions and Troop
mitteemen who are taking their responsibilities seriously and are
ducing results as is evidenced by the efficient staff of Officers
the head of each Troop, with the exception of Venice Troop 14
ch was organized this Summer and has not been able to function
perly as yet, because of unsettled conditions at this point.

situation in Manatee County is not as good as could be. It is my
sion that a large part of this trouble is due to lack of interest
the part of the Troop Committees and Scoutmasters not taking
antage of the oppertunities of training as provided for by the
at Executive. Parrish, Terra Ceia and Oneco are not organized as
because of inadequate sponsorship or leaded facilities, we have
ad it necessary to drop two troops since the first of the year for
same reasons, but other Troops have absorbed the majority of the
bership of said dropped Troops.

my opinion if the Troop Committees will fully realize the great
ortance of their duties, keep Troops supplied with the proper
utmasters, see that he meets each week with the troop and if he is
ble to be there one of the committeemen meet with it, thereby never
appointing the boys, which will keep their interest alive, it would
y be a question of a few weeks before we could see a vast difference
Scouting, in Manatee County.

W. H. HINGS, Pres.
Council Representative

JUDGE W. T. HARRISON
First Vice-President

S. H. FIFIELD
Treasurer

H. J. GROFF
Scout Commissioner

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(No.3) Report Scout Commissioner.

At the time comes that every Troop Committeeman will feel that he is an integral part of the organization and that his responsibilities are on a par with those of the Scout Commissioner and Executive so that he gets the vision of the vast amount of service that he can render and the good that can be accomplished from his efforts, then will Scouting accomplish its objective, that of producing real citizens out of the boy of today.

Council Leadership:

Hitherto Council committees have been on the whole, rather lax in carrying out their duties, with the exception of the Finance and Training committees. Our publicity committee especially has fallen down completely as is evidenced by the fact that for the past several months there has been no Scout news in the papers other than that which has originated from other sources than said committee, nor have we secured speakers to appear before various civic organizations or other institutions.

The camping committee deserves much praise for their work in establishing the splendid camp which this council conducted during the summer. The camp was rated as a "C" grade by the State Board of Health representative from Jacksonville. According to National Standard "C" the camp is considered very good and shows that much interest on the part of the Camping Committee was taken to establish such a camp in so short a time. The only fault, being the small attendance from Manatee County, which I feel was due in a large measure, to the lack

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The Publicity Committee Co-operating.

Sarasota Court of Honor should be highly commended upon their interest in holding courts of Honor at a regular time and place regardless of whether or not applications for merit badges or advancement have been received. This group of men meet twice each month for the purpose of conducting examinations or presenting awards. When there are no applicants to come before them they use the time to discuss better ways of conducting courts of Honor and other business of their committee. This is the true spirit in which committees should work.

Scout Executive:

Scout Executive has been handicapped for the last month or so on account of his foot, which was injured in a motor boat while enroute to camp. I have been in close touch with him, receiving each month his monthly reports and activities and feel he has done as well as could be expected under the circumstances. I have inspected his office, files records etc. and find them in good condition and up to date.

This report is based upon my personal observations, made in troop meetings, conferences with various Scoutmasters and committeemen.

Recommendations:-

- 1st. That no Scoutmaster be commissioned unless he has taken, or will agree to take a training course conducted by this council through its Scout Executive and its Leadership and training committee..

WITCHINGS, Pres.
Council Representative

JUDGE W. T. HARRISON
First Vice-President

S. H. FIFIELD
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Scout Commissioner

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(No.5) Report Scout Commissioner.

2nd. That in the future no council Officers or committee Chairman be elected or appointed, unless he is present and agrees to function.

Conclusion would like to say, that if every man connected with the council, would fully realize the good that can be accomplished with boys between the ages of 12 and 18 and if we will furnish the proper training and environment during these six years and realize every day lost is gone and that our opportunity to help these is only a passing moment, so to speak, we will consider more seriously the vast importance of putting a few hours each week of our time into this great work and we will find that the investment will receive larger dividends, than any other which we can make.

Respectfully Submitted,

(Signed) W. C. Groff
Scout Commissioner.

December 13th, 1927.

Report of Scout Executive to the Annual Council Meeting Sunny Land Council:
President and members of the Board;
Gentlemen:

Your Scout Executive reports on the Activities of the Council for the year 1927 as follows:

The Council has been confronted with a problem that is worthy the best efforts of all members.

A thorough survey shows that there should be upwards of One thousand Scouts registered, but the territory is sadly under-constituted and consequently responsible leaders are scarce. Attention has been brought to this problem before, but perhaps has not been pressed enough. Concentrated efforts on the part of a well organized Top Organization Committee should solve this difficulty and place us in a position to prosecute a large scale scouting program.

One new Troop was formed in Sarasota County and the new Home Control idea furnished us by the Department of Rural Scouting of National Council, is being tried in Osprey.

Ten Troops reregistered promptly, two of them 30 days ahead of time and seven of them reregistering approximately 90% of their members. ★

It has been found necessary to drop Troops 3 and 6 until the Sponsoring Institutions and Troop Committees of same can secure leadership for them. The majority of this membership has been absorbed in other Troops.

140 new Scouts were added to date. 130 Scouts were dropped making a net gain of ten. The dropped list includes some few boys who have been promoted to Assistant Scoutmasters, but the majority have been lost through the moving of entire families from this territory.

All active Troops are at this time well headed and special attention should be made of the splendid personell of the Sarasota district. Every Troop committee and every Scoutmaster is on the job and much real Scouting may be looked forward to in that territory

(No.2) Scout Executive Report.

use of the unanimous cooperation of it's Troop leaders and institutions.

Closer council committee cooperation in the future will bring this section more Scouting than has been done in the last five years collectively.

Outstanding activities of the Council program were:

1- Scout service at the Manatee and Sarasota County Fairs. The boys having rendered collectively over 2400 hours service.

2- Establishing of Council over night Pow-Wow, thus affording to the Scouts where Troops were led by men who could not take them on overnight hikes, the opportunity to do so. The average attendance of these pow-wows being approx. 100 Scouts and Ten Officers.

3- Scout demonstrations in show windows and public places with full daily program during Anniversary week.

4- Summer Camp - Six weeks.

5- Scout service now being rendered at the Baptist State Convention in Bradenton.

6- Scout service scheduled for distribution of Christmas baskets and stockings to the poor.

7- The final gathering of the Scouts on our 1927 program will be the Annual Field Meet to be held in Bradenton December 29th.

The 1928 program should positively contain Scoutmasters, Troop Attendemen and Patrol leader training courses.

Respectively submitted,

(Signed) Truman A. Horton.
Scout Executive.

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TRUMAN A. HORTON, Scout Executive

March 15, 1928

REPORT OF SCOUT EXECUTIVE ON ACTIVITIES JANUARY 1st TO MARCH 15, 1928
WITH APPENDED DETAIL REPORTS OF: ASSETS & LIABILITIES; RECEIPTS & DIS-
BURSEMENTS; BILLS PAYABLE TO DATE; BILLS PAYABLE AFTER DATE; INVENTORIES
OF: OFFICE EQUIPMENT; CAMP EQUIPMENT; OFFICE SUPPLIES; SCOUT SUPPLIES;
POSITION & LOCATION OF CAMP EQUIPMENT; AUDIT COMMITTEE VERIFICATION;
DOCUMENT OF RELEASE.

To the Executive Board of Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America;
President;
Gentlemen;

Your Scout Executive reports upon the activities of the
Council, funds, supplies and equipment for which he has been responsible
since January 1st to March 15, 1928 as follows:

TROOPS: January 1st 1928 there were 14 troops and 275 scouts. Since
January 1st, troops 4 - 5 - 2 were suspended; troops 8 - 11 were lapsed
and troops 7 - 1 were registered on time.

Troops 5 and 2 were reregistered and removed from the sus-
pended list in February and Troop 4, still suspended is completing
its registration papers and will undoubtedly be in good standing before
April 1st.

Troop 8 was removed from the lapsed list with registration
fee paid and application completed with exception of two signatures
which will be placed thereon at once.

Of the four troops due to register this month, troops 9 - 12 -
13 have given definite commitments that they will be reregistered
before April 1st.

At the present time our registrations show 13 troops and 266
scouts, 11 troops in good standing, 1 troop lapsed and one troop suspend-
ed. 229 scouts in good standing, 23 lapsed scouts and 16 suspended scouts.

Troop 10 of Manatee was merged with Manatee troop 9 in January.
This accounts for the apparent loss of one troop. The action was taken
because of the fact that both troops are sponsored by the same institu-
tion and because of scarcity of leaders at this time it was thought
best to combine the two.

Special mention should be made of the fact that Bradenton
troop 1 has reregistered 90 days ahead of time. This is very unusual
and speaks well for the foresight and efficiency of Scoutmaster John
Cartney and his assistant Dr. L.B. King.

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MEETINGS:

- 1 Council Executive Board meeting held in January
- 1 Manatee District Executive Board Meeting held in February.
- 1 Manatee County District Finance Committee meeting in Feb.
- 5 Sarasota District Courts of Honor since January 1st.
- 3 Manatee District Courts of Honor since January 1st.

PROMOTIONS:

9 second class, 3 first class, 34 merit badges awarded, 1 star, and 1 Eagle promotions have been reported since January 1st. Lorraine Gonyea of Sarasota troop 15 was the first Eagle scout so awarded since the formation of the Council. His degree was conferred upon him with fitting ceremony and public recognition by President C. S. Hitchings, assisted by the Sarasota District Court of Honor in conjunction with Sarasota District's Anniversary night program at the Y.W.C.A.

Scout Andrew Rippey received the camping merit badge at the last Manatee District Court of Honor. This award qualifies him to apply for the Eagle degree. He will be the second Eagle Scout of the Council and the first so awarded in Manatee County. Rippey is in Bradenton troop 7.

NEW TROOP:

Plans are now being completed to organize a new troop in Oneco. The Executive has received two visits from Oneco people regarding this probable organization and has given them information regarding initial steps needed to organize. When these steps have been taken the completion will take effect. It is expected that this troop will be ready to apply for charter before the 1st of April.

This represents the Scout Executive's last report to the Sunny Land Council and its Executive Board. He wishes to take this opportunity to express his sincere appreciation of the splendid fellowship and feeling of good will which has been so apparent in all of his contacts with you, individually and as a group.

He feels that his life has been much enriched through you Gentlemen, and your friendship and kindly advices from time to time have meant much to him. He regards the experience he has had here as one which will hold many pleasant memories and the things he has learned are well worth remembrance.

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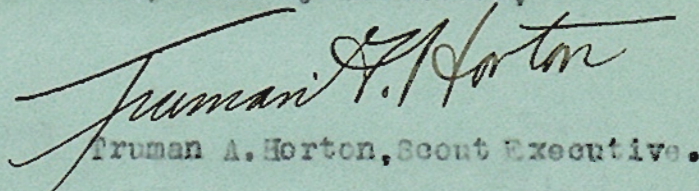
The following pages of this report are devoted to detailed statements of:

Receipts and Disbursements. Exhibit 'A'
Brief of Assets and Liabilities. Exhibit 'B'
Bills payable to Date. Exhibit 'C'
Bills payable after Date. Exhibit 'D'
Office Equipment Inventory. Exhibit 'E'
Office supplies Inventory. Exhibit 'F'
~~Office~~ Scout Supplies Inventory. Exhibit 'G1'
Merit Badge Inventory. Exhibit 'G2'
Camp Equipment Inventory. Exhibit 'H'
Deposition and Location of Camp Equipment. Exhibit 'I'
Exhibit 'J' -

Audit Committee Verification of Exhibits: A-B-C-D-E-F-G1-G2-H-I. Document of release from further responsibility of the Scout Executive for such funds, supplies and equipment for which he has been responsible.

With hearty and sincere wishes for the future health and prosperity of each member of the Executive Board and Sunny Land Council and for continued success and greater progress of scouting under your leadership in the Counties of Manatee and Sarasota this report is,

Respectfully Submitted,


Truman A. Horton, Scout Executive.

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TRUMAN A. HORTON, Scout Executive
March 15, 1928

STATEMENT RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS JANUARY 1st to DATE

EXHIBIT "A"

RECEIPTS

January - Supplies & registrations	\$ 8.45
Subscriptions - Acc't Sarasota Quota	200.00
February - Supplies & registrations	27.58
March - Supplies & registrations	<u>36.88</u>
Total Receipts	\$272.91
Fwd. Bank bal. Jan. 1, 1928	<u>159.10</u>
	\$432.01

DISBURSEMENTS

Executive Salary	\$275.00
Office Salary	4.88
Rent, light, heat, telephone, etc.	.40
Office supplies	.65
Postage	2.20
Field days	3.00
National Quota & Charter fee	75.00
Miscellaneous	11.28
Supplies	1.00
Registrations	<u>48.05</u>
Total disbursements	\$421.46
Balance according to bank	9.10
Cash on hand	<u>1.45</u>
	\$432.01

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

EXHIBIT "B"

ASSETS

Office equipment (Exhibit "E")	\$531.43
Office supplies estimated re-sale ^{value} (Exhibit "F")	25.00
Scout supplies for re-sale (Exhibit "G1")	80.14 ¹³
Camp equipment estimated re-sale value (Exhibit "H")	233.80
Cash on hand and in bank	10.55
Total	<u>\$880.92⁹¹</u>
Less estimated depreciation office equipment, 10%	53.14
Total net assets	<u>\$827.78⁷⁷</u>

LIABILITIES

Bills payable (Exhibit "C")	\$613.34
Debts contracted for payable after date (Exhibit "D")	<u>259.23</u>
	\$872.57

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STATEMENT OF BILLS PAYABLE TO DATE.

EXHIBIT "C"

Boy Scouts of America

Geo.D.Pratt,Treas.;	Acc't National Quota	\$ 25.00
Supply Department;	Acc't Supplies as per invoices:	
Invoice # 105761	\$12.08	
" # 25943	3.74	
" # 1534	1.50	
" # 4398	3.57	\$ 20.89

Scout Executive - Truman A Horton -

Bal.Jan.	\$ 25.00	
In full Feb.	300.00	
To date Mar.	150.00	\$475.00

Office help - James Williamson, scout Troop # 7

1 week January \$ 2.00

Jewel Edwards

1 week March \$10.00 \$ 12.00

Lee Peninsular Telephone Co.

February toll &	\$.85	
February service	\$7.25	
March service	\$6.50	
To date March Toll	\$.30	\$ 14.90

Manatee Arcade Co.

February Rent	\$25.00	
March Rent	\$25.00	
To repair glass door	\$10.00	\$ 60.00

Miscellaneous

Farmers Hardware Co - Bolts,nails,rope,etc.	\$ 5.55	
Total to date	\$613.34	

the best of my knowledge this is a true and complete statement of all present outstanding debts of the Sunny Land Council contracted, entered agreed for or upon verbally or written by me or through my office with individual, company or corporation in the name of the Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America, to date. This statement further represents any all outstanding indebtedness of the Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America which have been or will be incurred by me or through my office up and including March 31, 1928, before the hour of five o'clock P.M., at which time I shall have no further official connection with said council, except such indebtedness which appears as set forth in Exhibit "D"

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STATEMENT OF DEBTS NOW CONTRACTED FOR, PAYABLE AFTER DATE.

EXHIBIT "D"

- 120.00 payable to Geo.D.Pratt,Treasurer being balance due account of National Quota,payable in four equal payments of \$25.00 each in the months of May, July, September, November.
- 13.23 payable to the Boy Scouts of America for supply order placed March 14, 1928, being ordered for and by Scoutmaster John Robert McCartney, Bradenton Troop # 1 and to be paid by him to the general funds treasury of the Sunny Land Council.
- 12.00 being the maximum estimated amount of toll service which may be incurred from date to March 31, 1928.
- 14.00 being the maximum estimated amount which may be used for postage from date to March 31, 1928.
- 130.00 payable to Truman A. Horton March 31, 1928 which payment and amount represents salary in full due him as Scout Executive of the Sunny Land Council.
- 139.23 representing, in full, all future indebtedness which is now or will be incurred from date to March 31, 1928, by me or through my office, in the name of the Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Respectfully submitted

Truman A. Horton
Scout Executive

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OFFICE EQUIPMENT

EXHIBIT "E"

Costumer (oak)	-----	7.00	—
Straight back chairs	-----	42.00	
Rotary Neostyle (No. 8-F)	-----	65.00	
Steno. swivel chair (oak)	-----	14.00	
Desk swivel chair (oak)	-----	18.00	
60x30 flat top desk (oak)	-----	55.00	
52x31 Secretary desk (oak)	-----	76.00	
Large work table	-----	18.00	
Globe Wernicke Standard 4 drawer letter file	-----	38.00	
Four drawer card file	-----	17.00	
4 section book case (oak)	-----	42.00	
Wire trays	-----	2.00	
Wire basket	-----	1.00	
Everyday file	-----	1.75	
Work Distributor	-----	1.20	
Oil heater	-----	7.00	
Underwood typewriter (with rubberized cover)	-----	65.50	
Printing outfit (rubber stamps)	-----	3.00	
Ink stand (glass)	-----	3.00	
Ink stand " (small)	-----	.50	
Pencil sharpner and clamp	-----	1.50	
Sponge cup	-----	.75	
Desk blotter (pad)	-----	.75	
Broom	-----	.50	
Flag cover	-----	3.00	
Flag pole	-----	4.50	
Council flag	-----	6.50	
Typewriter cleaner	-----	1.00	
Letter sealer	-----	1.00	
Styli @.75 ea.	-----	1.50	
Rubber stamp (Sunny Land Council)	-----	1.20	
Secretary breif case	-----	13.50	
Ruler	-----	.15	
Desk Calendar stand	-----	.50	
Cleaning brush for typewriter	-----	.10	
Camp belt Honor system (rubber stamps)	-----	7.33	
Binder for boys Scout Executive	-----	1.75	
3 Compartment clip tray (glass)	-----	1.50	

Find Total \$ 523.98

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Exhibit " E " cont'd.

March 15, 1928

Scrap book	-----	2.25
American Flag set	-----	1.65
Towel	-----	.15
American adding machine model 4 (Property of H. C. Groff, Palmetto)	-----	
Pen staffs	-----	.20
Pair Shears (broken)	-----	1.25
Binder for boys' life	-----	1.50
gal. oil can (loaned to O. A. Spencer at fair grnds.	-----	.45

Total \$ 7.45

Fwd 523.98

\$531.43

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INVENTORY OFFICE SUPPLIES

EXHIBIT " F "

20 sheets mimeograph paper (small)	\$ 1.00
20 sheets mimeograph paper (long)	\$ 1.25
20 (approx.) blue envelopes (long)	approx \$ 3.00
20 (approx.) blue envelopes (short)	approx. \$ 2.25
20 (approx.) manilla envelopes (short)	approx. \$ 2.25
20 (approx.) colonial clasp envelopes (small) "	\$ 1.00
20 (approx.) sheets Sunny Land Council stationery	approx. \$ 5.00
20 requirements, cards 2nd class (yellow)	approx. \$ 2.10
200 requirement, cards 1st class (blue)	approx. \$ 4.20
25 (approx.) pledge cards	approx \$ 1.00
25 (approx.) rank certificates, Scout leaders reserve "	\$ 1.25
20 (approx.) Certificates of service	approx. \$ 12.00
20 (approx.) 1st class certificates	approx. \$ 5.00
2 star rank certificates	approx. \$.75
2 life certificates	approx. \$.75
2 Eagle certificates	approx. \$.75
2 cloth aprons for neostyle duplicator	\$.15
2 stencils (6 dry) (6 wet)	approx. \$ 3.00
2 bottle dermax	approx \$.10

Total \$ 46.80

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INVENTORY SCOUT SUPPLIES

EXHIBIT "G1"

	Each	Total
1st class bugler badge	.30	.30
Sleeve badge	.20	6.40
Metal life badge	.50	1.50
Scribe badge	.10	.10
25 Merit badge	.15	17.25
Assistant scoutmaster sleeve badge	.40	.40
Sleeve badge	.40	.40
Deputy commissioner hat badge	.50	1.00
Deputy commissioner miniture badge	.50	1.00
Deputy commissioner sleeve badge	1.00	2.00
100% duty badge	.21	2.10
13 Ribbon bar pins	.15	3.45
Scoutmaster hand book	1.00	1.00
Indian sign language books	1.00	4.00
sets buttons	.20	.60
Camp Emblems, 1st year	.25	.25
10 Camp Emblems, 2nd year	.25	2.50
5 Camp Emblems, 3rd year	.25	1.25
Morse signal flag	.55	.55

Invd. Total \$46.05

W. T. HARRISON, Pres.
Council Representative

JUDGE W. T. HARRISON
First Vice-President

S. H. FIFIELD
Treasurer

C. GROFF
Scout Commissioner

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INVENTORY SCOUT SUPPLIES(Cont')

EXHIBIT "G1"

	Each	Total
1 First class emblem for flag pole	2.75	2.75
2 Hik - Stik	1.25	3.75
3 Collar Insignia, b.s.a.	.15	.45
4 Merit badges	.20	14.20
5 Service star, 5 year	.07	.49
6 Patrol leaders sleeve stripe	.08	.08
7 Assistant patrol leaders sleeve stripe	.08	.40
8 Senior patrol leaders sleeve stripe	.08	.16
9 Patrol shoulder medallions (8) per set	.40	.80
10 Stop watch, 1/5 split second	11.00	11.00

Total \$ 34.08

Fwd. 46.05

\$ 80.13

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UNIT BADGE INVENTORY

EXHIBIT "G2"

Automobiling	.60
Agriculture	.15
Archery	.60
Angling	.30
Art	.30
Athletics	.75
Architecture	.45
Aviation	.15
Bugling	.60
Business	.30
Bee Keeping	.15
Carptenery	.30
Camping	1.05
Civics	.45
Canoeing	.15
Craftsmanship	.30

Leather

Wood

Total \$ 6.60

2	Craftsmanship (Old)	.45 ^{.30}
1	Cooking	.15
1	Conservation	.15
2	Electricity	.30
2	First Aid	.30
5	Firemanship	.75
2	First Aid Animals	.30
4	Hiking	.60
2	Horsemanship	.30
1	Journalism	.15
3	Life Saving	.45
2	Machinery	.30
1	Marksmanship	.15
3	Music	.45
1	Pathfinding	.15
2	Painting	.30
2	Photography	.30
2	Poultrykeeping	.30
3	Public Health	.45

Total \$ ~~6.30~~ ^{7.15}
6.60

Food Total \$ 12.40 ⁷⁵

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VENTORY CAMP SUPPLIES

EXHIBIT "H "

MANATEE COUNTY SOURCE

ITEM NO.

- | | | |
|----|------|--|
| 1 | 5 | spring cots ✓ |
| 2 | ✓ 13 | canvass cots (3 only in good condition) |
| 3 | 7 | oil lanterns (3 missing) |
| 4 | 1 | gasoline lantern ✓ |
| 5 | 2 | spray pumps ✓ |
| 6 | 2 | ice hooks ✓ |
| 7 | 2 | ice picks ✓ |
| 8 | 3 | scrub brushes ✓ |
| 9 | 1-5 | gal. can ✓ |
| 10 | 1 | 2 gal can ✓ |
| 11 | 2 | large zink buckets ✓ |
| 12 | 16 | mosquito bars ✓ |
| 13 | 1 | large frying pan ✓ |
| 14 | 3 | medium frying pans ✓ |
| 15 | 1 | extra large white enamel boiler ✓ |
| 16 | 2 | medium white enamel boilers, with covers ✓ |
| 17 | 1 | gray enamel pail ✓ |
| 18 | 4 | gray enamel pails with covers ✓ |
| 19 | 4 | gray enamel boilers ✓ |
| 20 | 1 | large white enamel basin ✓ |
| 21 | 5 | white enamel mixing bowls ✓ |
| 22 | 1 | 2' x 6' work table ✓ |
| 23 | 1 | 3' x 6' serving table ✓ |
| 24 | 1 | motor boat hull |
| 25 | 1 | ford touring car. <u>Car has been Robbed</u> - turned over |
| 26 | 1 | ford truck |
| 27 | 2 | 1/2 full kegs assorted nails |
| 28 | | 3600 feet (approx.) lumber donated by M.C. Lumber Cos. |

Estimated value

\$91.55

oil
M.C. L.
3/22/28

OK
G. H. Thacker
Manatee
Property

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INVENTORY CAMP SUPPLIES

EXHIBIT "E" CONTINUED

SARASOTA COUNTY SOURCE

ITEM NO.

✓29	3	14'x 16' wall tents with poles
✓30	3	16'x 18' wall tents with poles
✓31	1	16' x 16' pyramidal tent without pole
✓32	3	rakes
✓33	1	scoop shovel
✓34	1	grubbing hoe
✓35	1	garden hoe
✓36	2	brush hooks
✓37	1	handle

Estimated value \$124.50

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Co. Property

Sarasota

OK May

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INVENTORY CAMP SUPPLIES

PURCHASED FROM CAMP FUNDS COMMON PROPERTY

EXHIBIT "H" CONTINUED

ITEM NO.

- | | | |
|----|----|-----------------------------|
| 38 | 6 | tin wash basins |
| 39 | 1 | tin coffee pot |
| 40 | 1 | gal. crank sieve |
| 41 | 9 | tin pans |
| 42 | 5 | white enamel plates |
| 43 | 3 | gray enamel plates |
| 44 | 1 | tin pie plate |
| 45 | 1 | carving knife |
| 46 | 2 | paring knives |
| 47 | 5 | large cook spoons |
| 48 | 5 | can openers |
| 49 | 2 | cake turners |
| 50 | 1 | tin strainer |
| 51 | 1 | wooden ladel |
| 52 | 1 | dipper |
| 53 | 1 | potatoe masher |
| 54 | 1 | lemon squeezer |
| 55 | 24 | tin plates |
| 56 | 24 | tin cups |
| 57 | 32 | teaspoons |
| 58 | 1 | large funnel |
| 59 | 3 | small funnels |
| 60 | 3 | small hand brushes |
| 61 | 1 | joint stove pipe |
| 62 | 10 | small tin pails with covers |
| 63 | 1 | tin measure |
| 64 | 8 | misc. cups |
| 65 | 6 | salt and pepper shakers |
| 66 | 1 | force water pump |

Estimated value

\$17.75

ITEM NO.

- | | | |
|----|-----|----------------------|
| 67 | 12 | glass candle holders |
| 68 | 3 | metal candle holders |
| 69 | 2 | small boxes Texwax |
| 70 | 2 | block planes |
| 71 | 2 | small saws |
| 72 | 1 | screw driver |
| 73 | 1 | pair pliers |
| 74 | 1 | lock |
| 75 | 24 | swans down paper |
| 76 | 1 | bolt netting |
| 77 | 2-1 | gal. glass jugs |
| 78 | 3 | quires sand paper |
| 79 | 1 | gal. shellac |
| 80 | - | misc. files |

OK
Heg
1/2 Each

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DEPOSITION AND LOCATION OF CAMP EQUIPMENT
ITEM NO. (Refer to item No. Exhibit ' H ')

EXHIBIT " I "

28 All lumber utilized in building; 1 - 5' x 6' x 4' underground ice box; 3 large tent floors approx. 18'x20'; 2 fly proof latrines; 1 diving platform and board; 1 pontoon raft approx. 12'x18'; 1-3 shelf utensil rack; 1 serving table 3'x6'; 1 work table 2'x6'; 4 dinning tables with seats, 3'x6' tops; Above described equipment is at Camp site used July & August 1927, located on Lincoln Marine property on Braden river, with exception of items Nos. 22 & 23 located as shown elsewhere in this statement.

66 Force pump and pipe in hand drilled well at above mentioned camp site.

NOTE: Camp site was visited week of March 5th by Scoutmaster John Mc Cartney, Bradenton troop 1, who reports that said items are at camp site as stated herein and in good condition. Utensil rack not itemized located at council headquarters.

24 Motor boat hull was raised from river bed where it had sunk after camp. Located on land at foot of 9th St. Manatee. Worthless but kept with view to use in training seascouts in patching, repairing and caulking small boat hulls.

25

26 Two Fords donated by Harlee and Harrison and G.D. Pope; touring car dismantled and parts used to repair 1 ton truck. Parts which were useless or in bad shape given to Manatee Auto wrecking company to haul away. Truck used throughout camp period and turned over to Scoutmaster L.D. Roberts for use of Manatee scouts as originally intended. January 1st 1928. In repairable condition.

1 to 23 inclusive; 27; 38 to 65 incl.; 67 to 80 incl.; 29 to 37 incl.; stored at Fletcher - Simmons Tire Company, second floor, opposite Manatee Arcade building, Manatee, with exception of item 4-- which was loaned to Scoutmaster L.D. Roberts for use of Troop 10.

Sarasota District had loaned two rowboats which were stolen or sunk beyond recovery and same reported to President Hitchings after thorough search and attempts to recover same had been made

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THE COMMITTEE VERIFICATION

EXHIBIT "J"

Having been duly appointed by the *Executive Board, March 19, 1928,*
undersigned hereby certifies that every figure, article, word
statement made in the foregoing statements of Exhibits, "A";
"C"; "D"; "E"; "F"; "G1"; "G2"; "H"; "I" have been carefully
checked and verified, and they have been found correct.

Thacker

Auditing
Committee.

D. B. Pollier

Jeff

STATEMENT OF RELEASE

WEAS, Truman A Horton, Scout Executive of the Sunny Land Coun-
cil, Boy Scouts of America, has rendered full account of all funds,
supplies, Office supplies, registrations, Office furnishings
equipment, Camp and other council furnishings and equipment
which he has been responsible and

WEAS, above mentioned statements of deposition and accounting have
thoroughly checked and found to be sufficient and satisfactory

WEAS, a quorum of the Executive Board of the Sunny Land Council
regular meeting assembled took official action as stated herein
and appointed C. E. Hitchings, President, S. H. Fifield, Treas.,
H. C. Groff, Scout Commissioner of the Sunny Land Council to
witness and sign this document of Release from further responsibility,
Truman A Horton regarding all funds, equipment and supplies for
which he has been responsible.

WE THEREFOR BE IT KNOWN, that the Executive Board of the Sunny Land
Council hereby releases said Truman A Horton from further responsibility
regarding above named funds, equipment and supplies, except as stated
in Exhibit "D" of the foregoing instruments of writing.

WESS OUR HANDS AND SEALS THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 1928.

C. E. Hitchings Pres.
S. H. Fifield Treas.
H. C. Groff Comm.
Jeff

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO: APPRAISE VALUE OF OFFICE
EQUIPMENT, AGREE UPON EQUITABLE DIVISION OF SUCH OFFICE, CAMP
EQUIPMENT AND ALL SUPPLIES OF SUNNY LAND COUNCIL AS PER MINUTES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MARCH 19, 1928.

To the Sunny Land Council and Members of the Executive Board;
Mr President;
Gentlemen;

Your committee, duly appointed as set forth in the minutes of the
Executive Board meeting held March 19, 1928, hereby reports all action
taken and announce that equitable, amiable and satisfactory appraisal
and division of: Council equipment; Camp equipment; Office supplies and
Scout supplies; was made as follows:

Exhibit 'B' of the Scout Executive's report March 15 was checked
and discussed, final statements of discussion being as follows:

Mr. Thacker: " I think a fair valuation would be \$200.00. On that
basis Manatee County would have \$100.00 in this equipment and Sarasota
County \$100.00. Manatee County could have our share for \$100.00. What
do you gentlemen think about it?"

Mr. Deveraux: " It would be hard to get \$200.00 on the auction block
but that amount seems to be a fair estimate of value."

Mr. Groff: " I believe that is a fair proposition. We will accept."

It was therefore unanimously agreed that Manatee County keep all
office equipment and pay Sarasota County \$100.00 for their share of
said equipment.

Then followed checking up and discussion of exhibits 'B', 'G1'
and 'G2' of the Scout Executive's report March 15, final statements
relative to division of same being as follows:

Mr. Thacker: " Will you allow us \$10.00 for our share?"

Mr. Groff: " Yes, that is fair and Mr. Horton is instructed to
divide the scout certificates (referring to Exhibit F) and these
supplies (referring to Exhibits G1 & 2) as evenly as possible, if that
is agreeable to you."

Mr. Thacker: " Yes that seems to be fair. I am agreeable."

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Committee of Appraisal and division report continued page - 2 -

It was therefore unanimously agreed that in consideration of the sum of \$10.00, Sarasota would relinquish all claim on office supplies with exception of certificates of rank listed on Exhibit 'P' and that all scout supplies as well as certificates herein mentioned be equally divided between the two districts by the Scout Executive.

D. B. Collier, appointed for the purpose, checked and verified Exhibits A to D inclusive of the Scout Executives report March 15, 1928.

Exhibits 'H' and 'I' were checked and verified and equipment listed as originating in counties indicated were declared right and common property listed was ordered divided equally between the two districts, said division to be made by the Scout Executive.

Respectfully submitted,

Geo L Thacker

Representative Sarasota District

H. C. Groff

Representative Manatee District

L. P. Dwyer

Neutral Representative

Attest:

Truman A. Horton

Scout Executive

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING SUNNY LAND COUNCIL MARCH 19, 1928

Persuant to notice duly given, by telephone, at the call of the President, the Executive Board of the Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America met at the Dixie Grande Hotel Monday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, for the purpose of making final arrangements regarding division of present organization of the Sunny Land Council; receiving the Scout Executive's annual report; and the appointment of any committees which may be deemed necessary to handle any further business in the matter of council division which could not be disposed of at this meeting.

Present at this meeting were: H.C. Groff, Reverend S.B. Cole, S.H. Fifield, O.W. Shelton, A.F. Wyman, L.E. Womack, C.E. Hitchings, George L. Thacker, Harry Putnam, J. Claude Turner, R.B. Woodfin, F.D. Chadwick and T.A. Horton.

There being a quorum present the meeting proceeded to business as follows:

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Scout Executive's report was heard and accepted and ordered read upon these minutes.

The President called upon Regional Executive F.D. Chadwick, to state what further steps were necessary before the present council organization could be divided and new councils formed for Sarasota and Manatee counties.

F.D. Chadwick then stated that there were three things, which to his mind should be definitely settled and disposed of before he felt able to determine proper procedure with regard to further organization in the matter of new council formation. These three things were: 1 - The name of the council - He stated that if Sarasota county were withdrawing from the present Sunny Land council, then there would be a simplification of the problem in the event that Manatee county cared to retain the name Sunny Land council, in which event there would be no need for a new charter to be issued to the Manatee County group and it would merely be a problem of satisfactory understanding and disposal of such supplies, office and camp equipment and other property owned jointly by the two counties group. 2 - Question of finance - both county organizations must be prepared to operate on a \$4500.00 budget, which amount is the minimum budget allowance for operation of a First class council and that it is a Nationally adopted

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Policy that no Second class councils be chartered in the future, this policy having been in effect for the past year. Were the Manatee county group disposed to retain the name Sunny Land council and satisfied to continue charter fee and national quota as already set for this year and the Sarasota county group willing to adopt a \$ 4500.00 budget the problem would be merely to form one new council in Sarasota county and he would be ~~willing to~~ willing to recommend a charter fee of \$25.00 and a national quota of 100.00.

Discussion following F.D.Chadwick statements resulted in definite action as stated here below:

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously decided that the name Sunny Land council be retained by the Manatee county group.

Motion duly made and seconded that F.D.Chadwick be, and he is, hereby requested to recommend to the National Council the the charter fee for each county group, to-wit; Sarasota and Manatee counties, be placed at the sum of \$25.00 and the National quota for each group be placed at the sum of \$75.00 with the understanding that in the event that the National Council should refuse said recommendation, a \$25.00 charter fee and a 100.00 national quota would be the maximum amount required of and to be paid by the afore mentioned groups. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion - S.H.Fifield: "I move you that one man from Sarasota county and one man from Manatee county and one man who has no connection with either council and who will be chosen by these two, be appointed to appraise the value of ~~the~~ office equipment. Motion duly seconded, put to vote and carried unanimously.

George L.Thacker of Sarasota and H.C.Groff of Palmetto duly appointed on above committee.

Upon motion duly made and seconded ~~it~~ it was unanimously agreed that the Camp equipment purchased from council funds be equally divided between the two groups and that each county keep such equipment which it had furnished and that the above named committee make division of such equipment which was common property of the groups.

It was the sense of the group that any action taken by above named committee would meet the approval of the group and that a copy of their report be appended to these minutes and that this meeting would constitute the final meeting ~~of the~~ as representing the organization known as the Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America having jurisdiction of all scouting activities in the counties of Manatee and Sarasota.

F.D.Chadwick stated that there were no further reasons why the Sarasota group could not apply for charter for First class council and that ~~all that was necessary for the Man~~

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It was necessary for the Manatee county group to continue as the Sunny Land Council was to hold an election of officers to replace officers who were lost through the division and to name chairmen of at least six standing committees and that notification of results of election of officers be sent him in duplicate. He requested that the services of the Scout Executive be used in reporting results of election and in making new charter application for Sarasota county.

Upon motion duly made and seconded a resolution of appreciation and recommendation of services of Scout Executive Truman A Horton was authorized.

S.H.Fifield was appointed to properly word said recommendation, copy of which is appended to these minutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

C. E. Fifield
Chairman

Truman A. Horton
Scout Executive, Sec'y for the Board

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March 21, 1928

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COPY At a special meeting of the Sunny Land Council, as called by the President, C.E. Hitchings, and while in session at the Dixie Grande Hotel, Bradenton Florida, Tuesday March 20, 1928, the following resolution was authorized:

WHEREAS: Truman A. Horton, Executive Secretary of the Sunny Land Council, has served the two counties namely; Sarasota and Manatee, in building up; working with and developing greater efficiency in the Boy Scout work, and

WHEREAS: Truman A. Horton has served faithfully and we believe to the best of his ability in helping to develop a better future citizenship among our young boys;

BE IT RESOLVED: That this council express herein its kindest sentiments and thanks to Truman A Horton for his faithful services and extend to him our very best wishes for his future success in whatever line of endeavor he chooses to follow.

(Signed) C.E. Hitchings

President.

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TRUMAN A. HORTON, Scout Executive

March 30, 1928

MINUTES ORGANIZATION MEETING MANATEE COUNTY SCOUT COUNCIL TO CONTINUE AS SUNNY LAND COUNCIL.

A group of men, representative of the Scouting interests of Manatee County, convened at the Oaks Hotel, Palmetto, Friday evening March 30, 1928 for the purpose of organizing a Scout Council having jurisdiction of all scouting activities in the County of Manatee, same to continue activities under the name Sunny Land Council and operating under the former charter, in accordance with minutes of Executive Board meeting March 19, 1928 of the old council. The new council formation having been sanctioned by Regional Scout Executive F.D. Chadwick and becoming effective and in official existence April 1st, 1928.

Present were: Judge W.T. Harrison, H.C. Groff, J.T. Jenner, A.F. Wyman, S. H. Fifield, D.L. Thorpe, Reverend S.B. Cole, O.W. Shelton, T.P. Chaires, I.P. Rose, and J.D. Rogells.

This group having fully agreed to accept the responsibilities of financial, leadership and organization interests of Scouting in Manatee County according to the tenets, principles and requirements of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, proceeded to business as follows:

Election of Officers:

The following officers were duly elected to hold office until January 1st, 1929.

President W.T. Harrison, Treasurer S.H. Fifield, H.C. Groff Scout Commissioner,

Chairman of Standing committees; A.F. Wyman, Finance; J.T. Jenner, Educational-Publicity; O.W. Shelton, Civic Service; D.L. Thorpe, Troop Organization.

It was unanimously decided that election of Vice Presidents be deferred until the next meeting of the council and that a Vice President from each community which the council will serve be elected upon recommendation of the Civic Service and Troop Organization committees.

Chairman for the Court of Honor and Camping Committees to be appointed at the next meeting of the council.

T.A. Horton then retired from the room during discussion of appointment of Scout Executive.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously decided that Truman A. Horton be retained in that capacity by the month at a salary of \$200.00 per month, pending arrangement of financial plans.

It was the sense of the body present that termination of Scout Executive services be discontinued upon thirty days notice by either party.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE EXECUTIVE BOARD

W. T. Harrison, President.	W. Bay St.	Palmetto.	29-531 Res. 23-181 Bus.
L. F. Vaught V.-Pres.	1508 3rd Ave.	Bradenton	33-921 Res. 28-221 Bus.
S. E. Simmons V.-Pres.	301 11th	Manatee.	24-382 Res. 31-731 Bus.
+ D. S. Blalock Treasurer.	2607 7th Ave.	Bradenton.	29-851 Res. 2144 Bus.
H. C. Groff Commr.	Central Ave.	Palmetto.	36-421 Res. 21-131 Bus.
J. P. Harllee	214 Riverside Dr.	Palmetto.	31-011 Res. 2157 Bus.
+ A. F. Wyman, Finance.	Palma Sola Park	Bradenton	35-221 Res. 2144 Bus.
- D. L. Thorpe C. of H.	1018 Manatee Ave.	Manatee.	23-892 Res.
+ O. W. Shelton, Tr. Org.	321 27th St.	Bradenton.	28-011 Res. 2144 Bus.
+ W. H. Tucker, Camp.	1st St.	Bradenton.	39-981 Res. 33-121 Bus.
R. B. Whitney, Civic Serv.	804 26th St.,	Bradenton.	29-861 Res. 25-801 Bus.
- Geo. B. Gallup Reading.		Bradenton.	42-771 Bus.
Ralph H. Pardee Training.	Box 82	Bradenton.	23-502 Bus.
+ Geo. L. King,	2518 9th Ave.	Bradenton.	32-901 Res. 33-581 Bus.

Chas. H. Wilson

Chas. P. Gray

Dropped April 11, 1929

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

	3/14	3/21 Sp	3/28	4/11	4/25	5/10	5/24	6/14	6/28	7/12	7/26	8/9	8/23	9/13	9/27	10/11
W T Harrison	p	p	p	e	p	p	p	e	p	p	e	p	e	p	p	a
L F Vaught	e	p	p	p	p	p	p	e	e	p	p	p	p	e	p	a
J P Harllee	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	p	e
J D Roggells	a	a	a	a	a	Dropped April 25, 1929										
H C Groff	e	p	p	e	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	e	e	e	p	p
D L Thorpe	p	p	p	p	p	p	e	p	e	e	p	p	p	p	p	p
A F Wyman	p	p	e	p	e	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p
O W Shelton	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p
W H Tucker	e	p	p	p	p	e	p	p	p	p	e	e	e	e	p	a
D S Blalock	e	p	a	p	e	p	e	p	e	p	p	a	p	a	p	a
S E Simmons	p	a	p	e	e	e	p	p	p	p	e	e	e	e	p	e
I E Rose	e	p	a	a	p	a	a	a								
R B Whitney	p	p	p	p	e	p	p	p	p	p	p	e	e	p	p	p
Geo. B. Gallup					p	p	p	p	p	e	p	p	p	p	p	p
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The Scout Executive reported that there were on hand a number of articles for which there was apparently

March 28, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council, was held on the above date, the following members being present: [T. W.] Harrison, S. E. Simmons, L. F. Vaught, D. L. Thorpe, O. W. Shelton, R. B. Whitney, W. H. Tucker, H. C. Groff, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive, constituting a quorum.

Absent and excused: A. F. Wyman, out of city; J. D. Roggles, duties with platform committee; J. P. Harllee.

Absent and unexcused: D. S. Blalock, I. E. Rose, Chas. P. Gray.

Minutes of the last regular meeting and special meeting of March 21st were read and approved.

R. B. Whitney reported for the camp site committee that the Rotary Club was making progress on raising funds for the main building; that each member was being allotted an amount to be raised; that painting and hardware had been donated.

Commissioner Groff reported having visited a number of troops since the last meeting.

On motion of R. B. Whitney, the board approved a blank to be used in application for loan to purchase uniform, the blank when properly filled out and approved by an investigating officer to be appointed by the president, to be referred to the official outfitter, the articles called for furnished, an invoice of same attached to the application and returned to the Scout Executive as a voucher for payment. The minimum weekly payment to be not less than 25c and all installments to be paid through Scout headquarters. Copy of this blank attached to these minutes. The president appointed Judge W. H. Tucker as investigating officer.

It was ordered that Chester T. Brown, of Palmetto, be commissioned as Deputy Commissioner for the territory north of Manatee River.

Moved and carried that the Scout Executive, Deputy Commissioner L. D. Roberts and Scoutmaster S. F. Williams be sent to the Regional Camp Directors' Conference at Atlanta, April 15, at an expense on not more than \$75.00.

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no sale, and asked permission to use same as prizes in individual contests. This was granted.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned.

In accordance with the minutes of April 12, 1928, the following rule was read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

Under rule adopted April 12, 1928, the name of Chas. P. Gray was dropped from the board and the Scout Executive was directed to advise him of this fact, and requesting his future cooperation in other lines of Scouting.

Chas. N. Walcott Scout Executive. *W. J. Harrison* President.

O. W. Shelton reported that he was in conference with prospective members for the committees on Health and Sanitation and Reading Program and hoped to have these committees organized by the next meeting of the Board.

The Scout Executive read his report for the last two weeks in March, which was received and ordered filed.

It was voted to change the date of Board meetings after the first of May to the second and fourth Friday evenings 8:00 o'clock.

The Scout Executive reported the issuance of commissions to the following:

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The Scout Executive was directed to write members of Council, requesting their attendance at the church service to be held April 14.

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Absent Excused: W. T. Harrison, H. C. Groff, J. P. Harllee, S. E. Simmons.

Absent Unexcused: J. D. Roggells, I. E. Rose, Chas. P. Gray.

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April 25, 1929.

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Adjourned.

Absent unexcused: J. D. Roggells

W. T. Harrison

President.

Chas. N. Wilson

Scout Executive.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved with correction.

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Absent excused: A. F. Wyman, R. B. Whitney, D. S. Blalock, S. E. Simmons.

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REPORT ON CAMP CONFERENCE

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To the Executive Board,
Sunny Land Adjourned. BSA.

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camping practice, which has demonstrated that the unit should be eight boys. The lake was an artificial body of water, but so muddy that it could be used only for boating, while a concrete swimming pool using filtered water was used for swimming purposes. Filtered water was used for drinking and was quite satisfactory.

The mess hall had a capacity of 150 Scouts and was raised above the ground so as to provide ample space underneath for the storage of boats and other material, and to furnish plenty of space for a hand-icraft lodge.

The kitchen was well equipped with range, bakers' oven, tables, sinks, racks., etc., and enamelled dishes were used in the mess hall.

While the camp was perfectly sanitary, some of the equipment was not up-to-date, pit latrines being used and the disposal of garbage not being handled in the most efficient manner.

The Atlanta Council, through its camp staff, made a very fine showing for the efficiency, courtesy and hospitality shown on this occasion.

The various courses covered rather thoroughly most of the points on which camp leaders should be informed. Particular stress was laid upon the proper psychology of boy training. It was strongly urged that discipline could be maintained not so much by authority of the camp director as by interesting the boys themselves in the matter of making good records. I may say in passing that this was the plan used at the last camp I handled in the Okefinokee Council and it worked very efficiently. Emphasis was laid upon the matter of a camp program that would appeal to the Scouts themselves, rather than one that would strive after the highest possible records of camp direction and camp objectives. In other words, the camp director, while trying for a high rating for his camp, should not lose sight of the fact that camping in Scouting exists solely for the boys and should be made interesting to them, getting away from the old idea of a cut and dried program that could not be changed even when conditions demanded it.

The matter of camp records, health and sanitation, legal phases of Scouting, reading program and other topics were carefully handled and the latest ideas along these lines interestingly discussed.

In spite of the inclement weather for the first two or three days, the men from the various councils maintained a most commendable morale and a very fine spirit of fellowship prevailed throughout the entire week.

April-25-29
The last day of the conference was devoted to examinations on the various courses, as well as a rather severe intelligence test, which your representatives hope they passed with flying colors.

Moving pictures of various activities about the camp were made by a Paramount representative and should be released this week.

In conclusion, allow me to thank the board, both for Mr. Roberts and myself, for having made it possible to attend this conference.

I submit herewith vouchers showing that the amount of \$74.53 was expended on this trip and a balance of 47c returned to the council treasury.

Respectfully submitted.

Chas. N. Wilson
Scout Executive.

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April-25-29

Visited Samoset troop 11 April 1st 11 scouts present 2 commättemen present. 6 Full uniform, 5 without. conduct good.

No flag displayed, but before meeting was over they received a new flag and displayed it. One boy Connie Padget reinstated who had been expelled from troop account not obeying 12th scout law.

He came in before troop, asked to be reinstated as he was sorry for what he had done and would promise that troop 11 would never regret taking him back.

This boy showed up Court of Honor Tuesday night and passed one or two tests. Think this good work, and real scouting.

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I also notice some of the boys are coming after uniforms, who have not received their certificates, but have notes from troop Committee chairmen or Scout Masters. Think this practise should be discontinued. Glad to report ~~Max~~ Dpty. S.C. Brown working good, and always ready to go any place where told.

HCG

Work out some plan to grade troops for special turn outs, like the Church meeting at Manatee, don't seem fair to me, figuring from troop percentage for instance one troop has 12 boys, he is there with all in uniform another troop has 24 boys in it, he has only 11 out in full uniform, yet the troop with 12 gets more credit than the man with 24 boys in troop with only 11 present, when he has more responsibility and care with 24 boys than the fellow with only 12, yet the fellow with 12 is 100%

Think this should be figured from a full troop of 32 boys, or allow each boy present in full uniform so much percent, on time, so much, and so on troop committee so much each, and each boy absent deduct a certain percent each. Think we should work out some plan that would be fair to all.

One way it would seem discouraging to the fellow who only had 12 boys and could not get any more in his locality, and yet it might be an incentive to the troop ~~with~~ below the ~~maxim~~ maxim to branch out and get boys in his troop.

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The Executive Board, Sunny Land Council, met
in regular session on the above date. The members
named below were present:

W. T. Harrison, presiding, L. F. Vaught, H. C.
Groff, D. L. Thorpe, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, D. S.
Blalock, R. B. Whitney, Geo. B. Gallup, Chas. N. Wilson,
Scout Executive.

Absent excused: J. P. Harllee, W. H. Tucker,
S. E. Simmons.

Absent unexcused: I. E. Rose.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. G. A. Renney, of the State Board of Health,
being present, was asked to suggest to the Board ways in
which the Scouts could assist the local health officers.
Mr. Renney responded with suggestions as to an anti-mos-
quito campaign. Mr. H. B. Tallant, of the Bradenton
Board of Health, and Dr. J. W. Henagan of the Manatee
County board also discussed this matter. On motion duly
made and seconded, the Civic Service committee was direct-
ed to offer the services of the Scouts in putting on such
a campaign.

R. B. Whitney, chairman of the Civic Service
committee, moved that the Scout Executive be authorized
to have 1000 civic service record cards printed. The
motion was duly seconded and carried.

A communication from C. T. Brown, deputy com-
missioner, asking that he be relieved from active duty
until June 30th, on account of duties connected with the
National Guard encampment, was read and the request
was granted.

Abill from the Payne Jewelry Co., for trophy
cups ordered last year, was ordered paid at once.

O. W. Shelton reported recommending that H.
B. Tallant be named as chairman of the committee on
Health and Sanitation. Mr. Tallant asked that he
be given time to consider the request. Mr. Shelton
also recommended that L. F. Vaught be appointed as
head of the committee on Educational Publicity. Mr.
Vaught accepted the appointment and was duly named by the
board.

D. L. Thorpe reported for the Court of Honor,
stating that five meetings had been held during the
month. Two hundred and twenty one scouts had attended

these meetings, 119 being in uniform. Three troop committeement were present, five troop officials, besides many other visitors. One hundred eighteen second class tests were passed, 14 first class tests, and six merit badge tests. Mr. Thorpe recommended to the board that H. C. Fleming, O. H. Whelchel and Ben Richardson be added to the court. The recommendation was approved.

The Scout executive read his report for the month of April and a report covering the activities of the camp directors' conference in Atlanta. The reports were approved and ordered filed.

Deputy Commissioner Roberts made a verbal report, cover the handicraft and activities sections of the camp conference.

In accordance with the minutes of April 12, 1928, the following rule was read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

Adjourned.

present	9
Troop Committeemen	14
Total	141

President.

Scout Executive.

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Analyzing these figures, I would say that the general attendance was very gratifying. The percentage of Scouts wearing uniforms was rather low and it will be our endeavor to improve the appearance of the units at the next gathering of this kind by inducing more of the Scouts to appear properly equipped. The number of troop officials attending was fair. The troop committeemen showed more interest than could have been expected but still scored a rather low per cent. I understand that some of the officials thought the service rather too long for the Scouts, and at future meetings we must guard against this, as nothing will kill the interest of the boys like unduly protracted sermons. Altogether, I believe that this first event of the kind was much more of a success than could have been hoped for.

The Scouts have taken advantage of the loan plan for securing uniforms. The amount lent were \$5.15 and \$3.45 and the payments have been promptly met so far.

Our system of inspection, May 3, 1929. April has worked very well. The examinations for that month were intended as instruction in what will be required in To the Executive Board, as a contest between the troops. Sunny Land Council, BSA. We made very creditable showings and during May, when the contests start, the ratings will be high. Deputy Commissioner Roberts and Brown have been handling the inspections in their districts in a very satisfactory manner. I submit herewith my report as Scout Executive for the month of April, 1929. to wear uniform, lack of troop and patrol insignia, lack of patrol flags and totems.

Attendance On April 14th the first quarterly church service for Scouts was held at the Manatee Methodist church. Reports from Deputy Commissioner Brown show that all of the units were represented. In addition to the attendance of Scouts and officials a large number of interested visitors were present. The following figures are given by Mr. Brown:

Scouts present	81	
In uniform	36	
Officials present	9	
Troop	Troop Committeemen	14

1	37	Total 141
2	12	40
		15

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Scoutmaster active. New Assistant just signed up. Believe in hiking. There has been a slight discrepancy in our registration records, the perpetual inventory book showing 3 more Scouts than could be found on the individual record cards. I have accepted the card record as being correct. At the end of April the following figures are shown.

Troop	T	S	F	M	Total
1	37	3			40
2	12	2	1		15
3	9		1		10
4	5		2		7
5	20	1		1	22
6	12				12
7	10	2		1	13
8	2	3	1	2	8
9	15	8	2	3	28
10	10				10
11	9	2			11
	144	21	3	11	176

This shows that our membership is divided about as follows: Tenderfoot, 80%; second class 12% and first class or higher 8%. The national average is approximately: Tenderfoot 55%, second class 25%, first class and higher 15%. It will be seen that in order to attain the national average we must cut down the number of tenderfoots very materially and correspondingly increase the percentage of the other two classes. I believe that the interest now being shown by the Scouts in the Court of Honor indicates that we are making a good start in that direction. I am chairman of troop committee and am looking for a new leader. At present troop is thoroughly disorganized.

I give herewith a brief summary of the general condition of the troops, as I find them after visiting each one, with the exception of six, which has been meeting Thursday evenings until recently, and which held no meeting on the date on which I visited them.

1. This is the largest troop in the council and is now carrying more Scouts than authorized for a full troop. Some have been placed on the inactive list, giving them approximately a full troop. Attendance good, Interest high. Regular visits from at least one troop committeeman. Altogether too many tenderfoot scouts. Just beginning to come out to Court of Honor meetings and pass tests. Scoutmaster active. New assistant just signed up. Believe in hiking.

2. Attendance very good. Only a few passing tests. No help from troop committee. Interest good, but program needs more Scout stuff. High percentage of tenderfoots. Needs assistant Scoutmaster. Scoutmaster on the job regularly but needs training.

3. Good attendance, fair interest. Just waking up to Court of Honor meetings. All tenderfoots with exception of Senior Patrol Leader. Scoutmaster inexperienced, but wishes to improve by training. Assistant Scoutmaster needed. Senior Patrol Leader doing most of the work. Good discipline. Good Troop Committee.

4. A small troop, but a live one. Have been doing very good work, including hiking in their program. Fair amount of advancement, Scoutmaster regular in attendance, but is leaving town soon. Discipline good. Troop committee waking up.

5. High per cent of tenderfoots, but beginning to wake up to advancement opportunities. Scoutmaster definitely on the job and holding the scouts to a strict discipline. Not much assistance from troop committee. Too much athletics in troop program. Needs assistant Scoutmaster. Membership increasing, 7 new members being signed up last month.

6. Have been unable to visit this troop. Scoutmaster is leaving. Has been at odds with his committee. All scouts are tenderfoots and only one has appeared before the court of honor during the last month. Have held conference with chairman of troop committee and am looking for a new leader. At present troop is thoroughly disorganized.

Registrations of the new scouts during the month total 24. However, owing to the fact that two lapsed troops in re-reg.

7. This troop has been without a Scoutmaster for several months but has been held together by the assistants. Discipline has been very poor. Troop committee active and trying hard to get new leader. Boys have been appearing for tests, and the troop has finally been re-registered, having been lapsed since February. Now trying to get new leader, whose meeting last week showed that he could do a great deal with this crowd of boys. Believe this troop will make a good record in the future.

8. This troop was lapsed for some time but has been re-registered. Was formerly composed of older boys who have nearly all dropped out. New material coming in. New troop committee just organized. Scoutmaster active. One of the old members just commissioned assistant. With the leadership opportunities furnished by the older scouts in this troop it should make a fine record.

9. Undoubted one of the best all-round units in the council. Membership does not show such a high percent of tenderfoots. Scoutmaster on the job. Discipline excellent. Has good junior staff. Attendance always good. Programs fair. Only one of the troops with anything like a real patrol organization. Need assistant.

10. Scoutmaster new to his job but anxious to learn. Receives good assistance from his troop committee. Active assistant. Good attendance. Fair programs, but too much indoor stuff. Showing much interest in advancement.

11. Probably the most enthusiastic unit in the council. Have a record at court of honor that has only been beaten once in five weeks. Scoutmaster efficient. Good programs. Outdoor activities. Attendance fine. Discipline good. Patrol organization can be improved. Need assistant Scoutmaster.

In most of our troops the patrol organization has been neglected. Patrols exist nearly on paper. This condition is one of the first that should be corrected, as the troop is not the efficient unit, but the patrol or gang. It will be my endeavor to have efficient patrol organizations in all of the troops just as rapidly as possible.

May 24, 1929.

The Executive Board, Sunny Land Council, met in regular Registrations of the new scouts during the month total 24. However, owing to the fact that two lapsed troops in re-registering dropped a large number of scouts, amounting in all to 31, we showed a net loss of 7. Quite a number of these dropped scouts will probably be re-registered during this month.

Absent excused: J. P. Harilee, B. S. Blalock.

The following figures will show other activities of the executive's office during April: I. B. Rose.

Conferences	39
Bulletins issued	175
Letters and cards	52
Cards to prospects	3
Troops visited	11
Scouts called at Headquarters	29
Leaders called	5
Conferences with Troop committees	4
Publicity (new-paper)	136 inches.

A. F. Wyman of the Camp Life Committee reported that \$6.00 had been expended in work at the camp, clearing underbrush and asked that this item be approved. This was done. He also requested that the Board approve the sinking well, with the understanding that this item was to be returned to the general fund when raised later. This was also approved. Mr. Wyman Scout Executive. Rotary Club was ready to begin the erection of the main building, and suggested that a formal presentation be held when the building is completed. A discussion of these various matters followed.

Mr. Geo. B. Gallup reported that he had visited several of the troops with the Scout Executive, to interest the Scouts in the reading program and that considerable interest was being shown along this line.

L. F. Vaught reported to the Board the outline of a publicity schedule for the balance of the year, as follows:

June--14th, Flag Day. Showing of Old Glory movie; Distribution of Flag Regulations. Scouts put on 4 minute talks at Civic Clubs. Speakers at Woman's Club featuring Camp program. Archery Tournament.

July--Patriotic Rally. Inspection of all troops. Parade. Showing of forestry films at camp. Quarterly church service.

August--Troop first aid May 24, 1929.

September--Showing of Scout films at local theatres. The Executive Board, Sunny Land Council, met in regular session on the above date, the following members being present: W. T. Harrison, presiding, O. W. Shelton, H. C. Groff, S. E. Simmons, Geo. B. Gallup, R. B. Whitney, A. F. Wyman, W. H. Tucker, L. F. Vaught, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Thanksgiving Day.

Absent excused: J. P. Harllee, D. S. Blalock.

December--Christmas Good Turns. Baskets to poor families. Absent unexcused: D. L. Thorpe, I. E. Rose. Army.

Minutes of meeting of May 10th were read and approved.

R. B. Whitney, reporting for the Civic Service Committee, said that the committee had been in conference with officials of Bradenton, Palmetto and Manatee on the subject of anti-mosquito campaign and that date for same had been fixed for June 17; that four-minute speakers would visit the troops to arouse interest in the matter of public service; and that during the campaign literature on mosquito control would be distributed.

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October--Quarterly Church Service. Columbus Day. Fall Field Day.

November--Fall Roundup. Armistice Celebration. Thanksgiving Day.

December--Christmas Good Turns. Baskets to poor families. Toys for poor children. Assist Salvation Army.

Messrs. Wyman, Tucker and Groff were named to select site for main camp building and well.

The Scout Executive suggested that steps be taken at once to name the new campsite. On motion duly seconded, the president was authorized to appoint a committee to select three names to submit to the Board at the next meeting. The president appointed Messrs. Simmons, Gallup and Wyman.

The Scout Executive was authorized to employ clerical help two days a week if necessary, until after the camp season.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned after reading rule adopted April 28, 1928, as follows: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse, will be automatically suspended."

D. H. Thorpe for the Court of Honor reported the following figures for the month.

President.

Meeting Scout Executive.

Second class tests	77
First Class tests	8
Merit badges awarded	
First class	13
Second class	4
Advanced to first class	1
Advanced to second class	3

	Gold Stars	Blue Stars	Red Stars
Troop 4	2	1	
Troop 7			3
Troop 11	1	2	

For the Camp Site committee June 14, 1929, reported that the mess hall was nearly completed and that the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council, met in regular session on the above date, the following members being present: S. E. Simmons, presiding, H. C. Groff, Scout Commissioner, D. L. Thorpe, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, D. S. Blalock, R. B. Whitney, Geo. B. Gallup, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Absent excused: W. T. Harrison, L. F. Vaught, J. P. Harllee.

Absent unexcused: I. E. Rose. This being the third consecutive unexcused absence for Dr. Rose, his name was dropped from the board.

D. L. Thorpe rendered excuse for absence at meeting of May 24th, which was accepted.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

O. W. Shelton reported for Troop Organization committee that in company with R. B. Whitney and W. H. Tucker, he had visited Wauchula, but on account of lack of interest at that place he recommended that no steps be taken to extend this council's jurisdiction over Hardee county until such time when an improvement along that line is shown.

Scout Commissioner Groff reported better conditions among the troops, noting particularly that more interest is being shown by the Scouts than is usual at this time of year.

D. L. Thorpe for the Court of Honor reported the following figures for the month of May:

Meetings held, 3.			
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For the Camp Site committee, A. F. Wyman reported that the mess hall was nearly completed and that the well was down 300 feet, but an insufficient supply of water had been obtained and that it would be necessary to go deeper. He also reported that the Kiwanis Club of Bradenton had voted to build three patrol huts at the camp site. The Executive was directed to write the secretary of the club thanking the Kiwanians for these buildings and expressing the hope that there would be no delay in their erection. The executive was also directed to get in touch with the Palmetto Kiwanis Club and arrange for presenting a stunt before that body. Mr. Wyman also reported for the Finance committee that the City of Manatee had completed payment of pledge for 1927.

R. B. Whitney reported for the Civic Service Committee that service had been rendered in the Med. fly cleanup, but that the work was not very extensive. That more cooperation was needed on the part of the troop leaders and through them with the Scouts. He suggested that the leaders be invited to meet occasionally with the executive board. Moved and carried that the troop leaders be invited to the next meeting of the board.

For the Reading Program committee, Geo. B. Gallup reported that a list of books was being prepared to submit to the Scouts. Two troops were visited during May.

The report of the Scout Executive for the month of May was read and approved.

Troop 2. This troop is in charge of an acting assistant. A general discussion of the camping plans followed and the Scout Executive was authorized to purchase kitchen equipment to the value of \$50.00. The acting assistant has taken charge, a weekly troop story has been published.

Troop 3. Mr. Seidenberg, scoutmaster of this troop, has moved as Scout Executive. A interested President. committee of five members, with a regular attendance of three or more at every troop meeting. Senior Patrol Leader Warren Saunders is handling the troop as effectively as it is possible for a boy leader, but the strong hand of a man is needed. The committee is now investigating a prospective scoutmaster. Objective sheets have been promised for this week. Some reports have been received and a troop story published during the last week in May.

Troop 4. Under the leadership of the new scoutmaster, George T. Blakely, this troop is developing rapidly. Objectives have not been received, but weekly reports and troop stories have come in regularly.

Their membership has increased from 7 to 13, and some old Scouts have been re-registered, one of whom will probably be appointed June 1, 1929.

Troop 5. Reported that the scoutmaster is To the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council: stories and no reports. Meetings are good so far as attendance Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my report for the month of May. I note an improvement in the condition of some of our troops, though some, owing to lack of leadership have made little progress as yet. Generally, I believe, the interest of the Scouts individually is much higher than it was a month ago, but in the development of troop and patrol morale, we still have far to go. The following paragraphs will give a general idea of the condition of the troops at this date.

Troop 1. This troop is hampered by having to carry on its roll a large number of inactive Scouts. However, its re-registration is due this month and a great deal of dead wood will be removed. While this dropping of inactive scouts will again hold down our membership record for June, it will, I believe, be of great value to this particular troop, which at present is marking time. I have received no objective sheet from this troop, nor have they sent in any weekly reports. They do not contribute to the weekly Scout department.

Troop 2. This troop is in charge of an acting assistant Scoutmaster, the Scoutmaster having been obliged to give up temporarily. No objective sheet has been received, no reports sent in. Since the acting assistant has taken charge, a weekly troop story has been published.

Troop 3. Mr. Seidenberg, scoutmaster of this troop, has moved away. They have an interested troop committee of five members, with a regular attendance of three or more at every troop meeting. Senior Patrol Leader Warren Saunders is handling the troop as effectively as it is possible for a boy leader, but the strong hand of a man is needed. The committee is now investigating a prospective scoutmaster. Objective sheets have been promised for this week. Some reports have been received and a troop story published during the last week in May.

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Troop 5. Reported that the scoutmaster is resigning shortly. No objectives, no weekly stories and no reports. Meetings are good so far as attendance goes.

Troop 6. Have been unable to line up new scoutmaster for this outfit, and they are rather badly disorganized. Have asked Troop 4 to take them under their wing until new leader is secured. Have tried to hold two conferences with troop committee, but no one showed up except the chairman. If this bunch will meet with Troop 4, I hope that they will absorb a little discipline, which they need very badly.

Troop 7. Since re-organizing, this troop is making very fine progress. Mr. Pardee, the new Scoutmaster is very efficient, and is putting on a real Scouting program. They have re-registered a number of the Scouts dropped last month. Two new members of the troop committee have been signed up, additional assistants secured, a junior assistant appointed, making this troop the first to reach the council's organization standard. Objectives received. Some reports and stories.

Troop 8. Dr. Chaires, scoutmaster of this troop has just handed in his resignation, and as yet the troop committee has not been able to locate his successor. They have done very little during the past month. No objectives, no reports, one story.

Troop 9. This troop is keeping up its good work, and has a new assistant in prospect. Their reports come in regularly, they have definite objectives and their publicity stuff is fair. They are working up to the troop standard requirements, two new committeemen having been secured.

Troop 10. When I met with this troop last, no leaders were present, and I could form no idea as to their progress. However, they have accepted no objectives, sent in no reports and published no troop stories. They have been fairly interested in advancement, however, usually having a good delegation at Court of Honor meetings.

Uniform regulations are not very closely observed in this council. The practice of wearing the uniform while at work, wearing parts of the uniform, failure

to was Troop 11. This outfit is keeping up the good work reported last month. They are a very good example of scouts and leaders cooperating with each other and with headquarters. Two scouts advanced to second class during the month, out of a membership of 11. Objective sheets, weekly reports and news stories up to date. Had largest number of scouts at Memorial Day parade, although one of the smallest troops in the council. Have just awarded a number of medals to scouts for efficiency.

I believe I can see some improvement in the matter of patrol organization this month, though a great deal of organizing remains to be done.

Registration figures are given below:

	Total	New	Dropped	Re-Reg.	Dropped	Total
April 1	179	10	7	9	9	188

A net gain of 9 for the month, as against a loss of 7 in April.

By rank our membership figures are:

	T	S	F
April	137	29	13
May	147	25	16

During the month of May we launched our Civic Service program. The first project undertaken was that of publicity for Dulcy, the play put on by the Rotarians for the benefit of the camp building program. This first project was by no means a success, as only a very few Scouts took part. In Bradenton only one troop participated and five scouts did all of the work. Civic service is one of the fundamentals of the Scouting program, and in order to do effective work along that line there must be complete cooperation between the Scouts, the leaders and headquarters. In this first civic work undertaken by the council, I believe our weak spot was the attitude of the leaders, this being in most cases a disposition to read to the troops headquarters announcement and let it go at that. We are now planning for the anti-mosquito campaign next month, and from indications now visible, I believe the leaders will be much more interested. Record cards have been issued to the Scouts and they are beginning to take pride in filling them out.

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Bulletins issued 330
Letters written 40
Cards to prospects 5

to wear the proper insignia are some of the things we have to contend with. Also the practice of wearing the unofficial over-seas cap constitutes a very serious breach of the regulations. Any pictures of Sunny Land Council Scouts, no matter how interesting the subject, would never be used in any official Scout publication on account of this. I am aware that the council allowed the Scouts to use this cap, because it saved them considerable on the purchase of their uniform, but I think that we should gradually discourage its use. Copies of uniform regulations have been mailed to each troop leader, and his attention called to the requirements.

On May 30th, 39 Scouts and 3 officials turned out to take part in the American Legion's Memorial Day parade. While this number was not large as it should have been, your executive was very much gratified by the fine appearance, perfect discipline and good marching order of this contingent.

During the month, Mr. Paul Vetter gave to the council a number of tents with boarded up sides, for use at camp. While the tents themselves were of little value, the lumber can be used to advantage.

During the month of May all of the troops received a formal inspection with the exception of Troop 6. Most of these inspections were conducted by Deputy Commissioner Roberts, Deputy Commissioner Brown having been relieved from active duty until July 1. Following are figures giving the result of these inspections:

Troop 1	30%	Troop 7	46%
Troop 2	32%	Troop 8	27%
Troop 3	34%	Troop 9	50%
Troop 4	49%	Troop 10	25%
Troop 5	30%	Troop 11	55%

Troop 6 Not Inspected

These figures do not show high percentages, but many things are required besides uniforms and attendance at these inspections. Troop and American flags, patrol flags and totems, proper insignia all enter into the scoring. From month to month I expect a regular increase in these figures.

Other statistics of interest for the Month of May are given below:

Conferences	22
Bulletins issued	330
Letters written	40
Cards to prospects	5

Commissions issued:

June 22, 1929.

Scoutmaster Ralph H. Pardee,
Geo. T. Blakely.
Assistant Scoutmaster
Clarke Barney.

Scouts calling at HQ 32
Leaders Calling at HQ 9
Newspaper publicity 279 inches.
Troop Visits 12

Absent excused: D. S. Blalock, D. L. Thorpe.

In preparation for our training course for leaders, which should be put on soon after camp closes, I feel it necessary to issue to our leaders certain leaflets that will aid them in carrying on their work. Patrol Methods, the Troop Committee, the Budget Plan are some of the literature I would like to distribute as soon as possible. A supply for all our leaders and committee-men would cost about \$5.50. I would recommend that order be placed for these leaflets and that they be distributed to the troops. In this connection, there is a work issued by the National Council known as The How Book of Scouting. It cost \$1.00 per copy, but is worth many times that to the council and the troop. I believe that this book should be furnished free to each troop for I am certain that with it in the hands of the Scoutmasters we should see a wonderful improvement in their programs.

The matter of the new camp site not having been discussed after a discussion of names the board by vote selected the name Flying Eagle.

The Scout Executive reported that the troop leaders of the council had organized a Scout Leaders' association.

Scout Executive.

Mr. Gallup for the committee on Reading Program, reported that the Bradenton Library had arranged for a Scout department and had ordered books in addition to those already on hand. He also stated that the Palmetto Library was being approached on the same subject.

Adjourned.

Scout Executive.

President.

June 28, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council was held on the above date, Judge W. T. Harrison, presiding.

Other members answering to roll call were: L. F. Vaught, H. C. Groff, Scout Commissioner, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, S. E. Simmons, R. B. Whitney, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive, Geo. B. Gallup. D. S. Blalock, S. E. Simmons, R. B. Whitney, Chas. N. Wilson.
Absent excused: D. S. Blalock, D. L. Thorpe.

Minutes of meeting of June 14th were read and approved.

Reading of the minutes of meeting of June 28th was deferred.
After a general discussion of the approaching camp period, the board voted to fix the fee at \$6.00 per week.

The Executive was directed to write the Bradenton Rotary Club and the Bradenton and Palmetto Kiwanis Clubs, expressing the thanks of the council for their assistance in the construction of camp buildings.

The Board voted to hold the next regular meeting at Camp Flying Eagle on July 12th.

The matter of a name for the new camp site not having been definitely fixed, after a discussion of names the Board by vote selected the name Flying Eagle.

The Scout Executive reported that the troop leaders of the council had organized a Scout Leaders' Association.

Mr. Gallup for the committee on Reading Program, reported that the Bradenton Library had arranged for a Scout department and had ordered books in addition to those already on hand. He also stated that the Palmetto Library was being approached on the same subject.

Adjourned.

Scout Executive.

President.

July 26, 1929.

July 12, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Board,

In accordance with action taken at meeting of June 28, the Executive Board Sunny Land Council met at camp Flying Eagle this date, immediately after the meeting of the Court of Honor. The meeting was called to order by Judge W. T. Harrison, with the following members present. L. F. Vaught, H. G. Groff, Scout Commissioner, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, D. S. Blalock, S. E. Simmons, R. B. Whitney, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Absent: Excused, D. L. Thorpe, Geo. B. Gallup.

Reading of the minutes of meeting of June 28th was deferred until the next meeting.

Judge W. H. Tucker, chairman of the camping committee was directed to take up the matter of securing a caretaker for Camp Flying Eagle.

A. F. Wyman was authorized to have done necessary work in clearing up the camp grounds.

The Scout Executive was directed to write R. O. Evans of Wauchula, expressing the gratification of the Executive Board over the fine record made by the Wauchula troop during the first camping period.

Adjourned.

On motion duly seconded, it was ordered that all Scoutmasters and assistant be required to attend the Training School Scout Executive. President.

Ralph E. Pardee was appointed chairman of the Committee on Leadership and Training, and A. F. Wyman was appointed to notify him of the action of the board.

The board voted to assume jurisdiction over the counties of Highlands and Hardee, it being distinctly understood that Sunny Land Council is obligated only to the extent of handling registrations and furnishing bulletin service until such time as these counties expressly ask for more definite service.

Geo. B. Gallup reported for the Reading Program Committee that the Bradenton Library had arranged a special alcove for Scouting books and that the Palmetto Library was taking similar action. He asked that the Scout Executive write letters to the librarians acknowledging this.

After a discussion of the problems of the Court of Honor, the meeting adjourned.

Scout Executive

President.

July 26, 1929.

August 16, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council, met on the above date, the following members being present: ~~Edge W. T. Harrison, president.~~

L. F. Vaught, vice-president, presiding, H. C. Groff, Scout Commissioner, D. L. Thorpe, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, D. S. Blalock, R. B. Whitney, Geo. B. Gallup, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Minutes of the meeting of July 12, and June 28th were read and approved.

Moved and carried, that Camp Flying Eagle be turned over to the Girl Scouts for a two-weeks period, beginning August 5th and that the Scout Executive check them in and out according to inventory of camp property.

The Scout Executive stating that Scoutmaster Heim of Wauchula had offered to put on his marionette show for the local Scouts, he was authorized to extend to Mr. Heim an invitation to visit Sunny Land Council for this purpose.

Moved and carried that the Scout Executive be authorized to confer upon troops of this council, the right to wear distinctive neckerchief when, in his opinion, they have reached a certain standard of organization and effectiveness.

On motion duly seconded, it was ordered that all Scoutmasters and assistant be required to attend the Training School to be put on this fall.

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REPORT OF CAMP DIRECTOR

CAMP FLYING EAGLE, 1929

August 16, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council was held on the above date, and was called to order by Judge W. T. Harrison, president.

Others present were L. F. Vaught, D. L. Thorpe, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, Geo. B. Gallup, Chas. N. Wilson.

Absent Excused: J. P. Harllee, H. C. Groff, W. H. Tucker, S. E. Simmons, R. B. Whitney.

Absent Unexcused: D. S. Blalock.

Minutes of meeting of July 26th were approved with correction.

D. L. Thorpe of the Court of Honor reported it had become necessary to arrange a special awarding court each month for merit badges, and that regulations for the more efficient working of the court were being put into effect.

A. F. Wyman reported that Ralph H. Pavdee had agreed to take chairmanship of Leadership and Training Committee, but was unable to be present at this meeting of the board to signify his formal acceptance.

The Camp Director read his formal report of activities and finances at Camp Flying Eagle this summer, which was accepted and ordered filed.

A discussion of the extension of jurisdiction over Highlands and Hardee counties followed. It was the consensus of opinion that the limited service to be given these counties would eventually result in the raising of a sufficient budget to warrant complete service later on.

The meeting adjourned after reading the rule adopted April 28, 1929--"Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse, will be automatically suspended."

ATTENDANCE BY TROOPS

President.

Scout Executive.

Troop 1	7
Troop 2	7
Troop 3	None
Troop 4	8
Troop 5	1
Troop 6	1
Troop 7	8
Troop 8	None

REPORT OF CAMP DIRECTOR

CAMP FLYING EAGLE, 1929

August 1, 1929.

To the Executive Board,
Sunny Land Council, BSA.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report on the Summer Camping Period for 1929.

Owing to the fact that a sufficient supply of water could not be obtained until just before camp opened, our preparations were rather hurried. The water supply was examined and received the approval of the state Board of Health the day before we moved into camp. Mr. A. G. Renney, district officer of the State Board of Health, examined the site before the opening date and twice during the camping period. He obtained a second specimen of water for examination the second week of camp, and after the close of the camping period the State Board advised that gas forming organisms appeared to be present and asked for another sample.

The weather during the camping period was ideal. Sufficient rain fell to keep the air cool and comfortable, but not enough to interfere with the program, except on the date scheduled for overnight hikes, when a heavy shower prevented the campers from sleeping in the open. The hike program was, however, carried out.

The spirit of the campers was everything that could be desired. The discipline was excellent and a fine spirit of fellowship and sportmanship prevailed. The Scouts themselves adopted traditions for the government of the camp and lived up to them in a highly gratifying manner.

Numbers of visitors came to the camp during the two weeks period and appeared to be highly gratified with the program, the camp environment and the conduct of the Scouts.

ATTENDANCE BY TROOPS

Following is the record of attendance by troops.

	Paid	On Staff
Troop 1	5	
Troop 2	7	
Troop 3	None	
Troop 4	8	
Troop 5	1	
Troop 6	1	
Troop 7	8	
Troop 8	None	

The camp was Paid awarded On Staff were on
Honor or Gold Troop 9 5 for at least half of their time in
camp was won Troop 10 but None of the campers, and these
two only at Troop 11 won None a few points 2 I recommend
that all the Troop 1 this year receive the emblem.
Wauchula 9

WATERFRONT
This made a total of 48 different boys enrolled during the camp season. one Scout who could not swim registered for the camp period. He had lack only this point to become

ADVANCEMENT, having passed all his other tests some months ago. Early in the second week he passed his first class swimming test. During the first week at camp the Scouts were so busy getting established, cleaning up the grounds and quarters and doing handicraft that not as many tests were passed as I had hoped and expected. However, with the opening of the second week, under the urging of the staff, they snapped into the work of advancement in such a manner as to establish a very commendable record. I give below figures showing the progress made:

FINANCES

Second Class Tests passed	37
First Class Tests passed	33
Merit Badges passed	69
Advanced to First Class	3
Advanced to Second Class	9
Advanced to Star	2
Advanced to Life	1

Two meetings of the Court of Honor were held, one during each week of the camp period.

HONORS AND AWARDS

The records made by the various patrols were very gratifying. Following are the points scored by each unit:

Bears--John Coverstone, leader	12152 points
Otters--Earl Clinger, leader	9259
Foxes--Dan Thorpe, leader	8393
Wolves, Gray Singleton, leader	4667
Tigers--Wallace McNutt, leader	4495
Hawks--Edward White, leader	3806
Lions--John Fortner, leader	3445

The pennant for best troop attendance was awarded to Troop 1 of Wauchula. The pennant for best hut and the pannant for best table went to the Bear patrol.

Bernard Russell, Troop 4, Palmetto, was selected as Honor Camper

If we deduct from this \$1.00 additional fee for each boy, which was the figure on which we based our first cost estimate, it will show that camp operations came

The camp emblem, awarded to all who were on Honor or Good records for at least half their time in camp was won by all but two of the campers, and these two only missed the award by a few points. I recommend that all the campers this year receive the emblem.

WATERFRONT

Only one Scout who could not swim registered for the camp period. He had lack only this point to become first class, having passed all his other tests some months ago. Early in the second week he passed his first class swimming test.

Sixty Scouts won the Life Saving Merit Badge.
Eight won the Swimming Merit Badge
Two qualified as Scout Life Guards.
Three Junior and Three Senior Red Cross tests were passed.

FINANCES

Amounts actually expended during the two weeks of camp operations, aside from the preparatory work of getting camp ready to open, such as building latrines, cleaning equipment and buildings, building bunks, repairing cots and buying necessary equipment, all of which will be treated of in another place, and which could not be taken care of in the budget for camp operations, were:

Food	\$291.75	
Salaries	105.00	
Equipment	37.60	
First Aid Supplies	6.00	
Ice	7.67	
Fuel (oil)	1.09	
Transportation	20.39	
	-----	\$469.48
To this must be added:		
Purchases for Camp store		28.78

Total Expenditures		498.26
Receipts were:		
Camp Fees	366.00	
Visitors fees	17.00	
Canteen Sales	32.71	
Groceries resold	5.88	
	-----	421.59

Net loss on operations		76.67

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Our total expenditures were as follows:
 within \$16.00 of the amount estimated, when we originally decided to charge a \$7.00 fee.

In preparing for camp we found it necessary to go to considerable additional expense. I submit herewith a list of expenditures incurred this way. I may say that I tried to hold these items down as much as possible, but in the establishment of an altogether new camp there were many expenses which I could not avoid.

Lumber for building cots, four benches and Spring Board, Updegraff	\$30.75
Lumber Co.	
Armstrong Bros.	
Sewer Pipe	18.55
Bradenton Hdw. Co.	
G. I. can, fire buckets, etc.	7.31
\$5 Limit Store	
kitchen equip.	12.90
Griggs Metal & Pbg. Co., piping for stove	3.00
Duck for cots	12.11
Woolworth's, kitchen equip.	5.05
Manatee Mch. Works	
repairs on stove	4.00
Farmers Hdw. Co.	
fittings for stove, plumbing fixtures, small equipment	35.59
Labor	66.50
Hauling equipment to camp	9.80

	205.56

In reference to the item of labor, Mr. S. F. Williams and I worked for two weeks and Milliard White one week, getting camp ready to open. A latrine was built, tables and benches constructed, shelves built for the pantry and kitchen, stove worked over, plumbing installed, drain pipes run to temporary cess pool, bubbler installed at well, wash rack installed and many other odd jobs done. I held down these items as far as possible, but the total was larger than I had anticipated. However, all of these expenditures were for permanent improvements on the camp site and will not have to be repeated hereafter. With the exception of the bunk material, all the lumber used in the other construction work was leftovers from the construction of the cabins and a little which was donated.

Our total expenditures were as follows:

Preparations for camp	\$205.56
Operating Expenses	498.26

Total	703.82
Receipts	421.58

Deficit	282.24

RECOGNITION

I wish to pay particular tribute to the efficiency of the staff who assisted me during the camping period. I have never worked with a more congenial set of men and boys. They were thoroughly imbued with the spirit of Scouting and worked hard to put across the camp program. It is to their loyal efforts and to the hearty cooperation of the Scouts, the splendid spirit of helpfulness manifested by the Executive Board and camp committee, and the ungrudging assistance of the various civic organizations, that I attribute the fine record achieved at Camp Flying Eagle this year.

CAMP FIRE PROGRAMS

While each member of the staff assisted in handling these nightly performances, Scoutmaster Geo. T. Blakely specialized in this line during the first week of the camp and Scoutmaster Edward Heim of Wauchula during the second week. I cannot praise too highly the very efficient work of these leaders.

HANDICRAFT

Deputy Commissioner L. D. Roberts handled the craftwork period each afternoon in a highly satisfactory manner. Much interest was shown by the Scouts and almost everyone had some article of craftwork to his credit before camp was over.

WATERFRONT

Assistant Scoutmaster Milliard B. White had charge of this department and was assisted for three days by Assistant Scoutmaster Henry Curry. The precautions taken to guard against water accidents were elaborate and in only three minor instances were the waterfront rules violated by the campers. Two of the Scouts, Leslie Roberts and John Coverstone, who have qualified as Scout Life Guards, assisted in the work of this department and I have only

the highest praise for all connected with this part of the camp work, particularly as this year it was rather difficult on account of the lack of equipment.

My thanks are also due Dr. R. G. Manchester, who visited the camp on three occasions to give the Scouts an opportunity to pass the Red Cross Life Saving tests.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Scoutmaster S. F. Williams, as cook and quartermaster, had about the most difficult job in camp, but he performed his duties so well as to take a very heavy load off the shoulders of the camp director. Under his able direction, the mess hall and kitchen were kept in fine shape, food in ample quantity was well cooked and meals served on time, all of which things are most important factors in the success of a camp, particularly from the standpoint of the campers.

CAMP PAPER

Four issues of the Flying Eagle appeared during the camp period under the direction of Assistant Scoutmaster Wyatt Sewell, furnishing a most interesting contribution to camp life. The paper was printed on the council mimeograph and distributed to the Scouts and visitors.

ROPE SPINNING

Bill Carlton of the Wauchula outfit gave the boys instruction in rope spinning and rendered valuable assistance as officer of the day on several occasions.

TARGET PRACTICE

Deputy Commissioner Chester T. Brown, range officer of the council, visited camp and gave instruction and tests for the marksmanship merit badge. His services along this line were of great value to the camp.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

The work of examining each Scout and Scouter twice a week was a task of considerable magnitude and the thanks of the camp director are due to the four physicians who gave so generously of their time to make these examinations and to inspect the sanitary condition of the camp twice each week. Drs. Blake, Davis, McDuffie and Gates handled this part of the camp work in a most efficient manner.

JUNIOR STAFF

August 22, 1929.

Leslie Roberts, as camp scribe, and John Fortner, in charge of transportation, rendered very valuable service. Also the Scouts who acted as leaders of the various patrols and who had much of the responsibility in the matter of maintaining discipline thrown upon them, responded in a manner worthy of the best traditions of Scouting.

As camp director, I wish to express my most sincere thanks and appreciation of the fine service rendered by these men and boys.

Respectfully submitted.

Tucker.

Charles M. Wilson
CHAS. M. WILSON,
Camp Director.

Minutes of meeting of August 15th were read and approved.

The Executive stated that plans for the training school were working into shape and that a number of applications had been received. All members of the board were present enrolled for the course.

He also stated that two Scouts had been reported as having violated the regulations for the use of Camp Flying Eagle. It was ordered that the Scouts be directed to appear before a special meeting of the board to be presided over by the chairman of the camping committee for an investigation. Also that another Scout against whom there are charges but whose troop has taken no action be directed to appear at the same time.

Ralph K. Pardee, having appeared before the board and signified his willingness to accept the position of Chairman of the Committee on Leadership and Training, he was elected to that place. On account of the work incident to the training school during the next few months, it was voted to excuse Mr. Pardee from the regular meetings of the board.

A general discussion of the training program and the matter of securing new leaders ensued. Mr. Gallup called attention to the need for a troop at Bernish. Mr. Halton detailed the steps already taken there. Mr. Pardee agreed to try to line up leaders in that community. The Scout Executive reported that Terra Ceia was asking for the organization of a troop.

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Absent excused: J. P. Harllee, M. C. Groff, S. E. Simmons, R. B. Whitney,

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Absent excused: E. F. Vaught, J. F. Harries, H. C. Graft, W. K. Tucker, Ralph H. Pardee.

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It was moved and carried that Troops 3 and 11 be permitted to hold joint meetings until the first of the year.

Permission was granted the Scout Executive to move his office to the American National Bank building, three rooms having been made available there through the kindness of Mr. George L. King. The Scout Executive was directed to write Mr. King expressing the thanks of the Executive Board for the new quarters, and for the use of rooms in the same building for training

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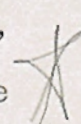
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To the Executive Board,
Sunny Land Council, BSA.

school quarters, also to invite him to be present at the meeting of the Board.

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INSPECTIONS: During August, for the first time we endeavored to inspect all the troops. In Palmetto, all three troops turned out. In Bradenton two out of three were present. The Vassar, Samoset and Ellenton troops were visited at their regular meeting places, it being inconvenient for them to take part in the district inspections. Warnings of the inspection are given below:

Troop 11, 70%
Troop 4, 65%
Troop 2, 65%

Other troops scored from 18 per cent up.
Troop 1 and Troop 10 failed to appear.
Troop 3 was not inspected.

HANDICRAFT EXHIBITION: The following troops took part in this event: 2, 4, 7, 9, 11. Very creditable exhibits were made in every case and the interest aroused promises even better exhibits when this event comes around again. The interest of the public was secured to a marked degree. Troop 4 was awarded first place, Troop 7, second and Troop 2 third place.

FIRST AID CONTEST: Only three troops entered this contest, 4, 7, and 8. Quite a number of visitors were present and manifested much interest. Troop 4 took off first place and Troop 7 second. The work done by all the teams was very efficient, particularly when it is the fact that some of the contestants were second class scouts working on first class requirements.

OVERNIGHT HIKE: Troops 1 and 7 took advantage of the hiking opportunities offered by Camp Flying Eagle by putting on overnight hikes. Troop 1 took 9 Scouts and Troop 7 twelve.

MEETINGS ADDRESSED: The Scout Executive spoke on Scouting before the American Legion

and also spoke before the prayer meeting at the First Presbyterian church.

September 13, 1929.

To the Executive Board, RS MEETING: The regular monthly Sunny Land Council, BSA. was held at headquarters during the month. Plans for the fall training school were discussed. Gentlemen:

The activities of the council during the month of August showed a decided increase in interest on the part of the troops, and while some of the units are still lagging, others are becoming more active. Each month shows that more and more troops and officials are being brought up to the point where they are willing to engage in all the council activities.

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SCOUT LEADERS MEETING: The regular monthly meeting of Scout Leaders was held at headquarters during the month. Plans for the fall training school were discussed.

COURT OF HONOR: The month showed the greatest volume of business for the court since I have been Executive, particularly in the line of Merit Badge work. Two special awarding courts were held.. Mr. Thorpe's report will go into detail on this.

NEW TROOPS IN PROSPECT: I recommend that the Leadership and Training Committee take steps to organize troops at the Westminster Presbyterian Church and at Terra Ceia. The time for such organization appears to be ripe, and competent leaders can be secured.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS:

July 31	Added	Dropped	August 31
168	11	0	179

By Rank:

	July 31	T	S	F
Troop 2	112	34	22	
Troop 3	120	35	24	
Troop 5				
Troop 6				

PUBLICITY: During the month the total of newspaper publicity was 218 inches.

MARIONETTE SHOW: Scoutmaster Edward Heim of Wauchula brought his marionette show to Bradenton and gave a free performance for the Scouts of the Council.

HIGHLANDS AND HARDEE COUNTIES: National Headquarters has advised of the approval of extension to these communities and has furnished this council with the following data in reference to troops:

Troop	Location	SM	ASM
21	Brighton	H R Currie	S. Billingsley
3	Sebring	O A White	O W Chapman
1	Wauchula	Edw. Heim	
1	Lake Placid	R E Huey	B. F. Williams
1	Avon Park	J. R. Wells	

The Avon Park troop has been suspended for failure to re-register.

Other data will be furnished soon.

LEADERS TRAINING SCHOOL: While this opened September, I wish to take this opportunity of giving some information in regard to its operations thus far. Much interest has been manifested by the men of the various communities, 42 having registered for the course. Some have already dropped out, but the first meeting showed 37 present and the second 36. The two sessions held seem to have gripped the interest of the students and they are displaying an unusual amount of activity. Three patrols have been formed under the leadership of Geo. T. Blakely, S. F. Williams and Ben Richardson, with Ralph H. Pardee acting as Scoutmaster and the Scout Executive as Senior Patrol Leader. The first meeting proved that new quarters were necessary, as headquarter's space was too small for the various activities. Mr. Geo. L. King kindly offered suitable quarters in the American National Bank building, and the second meeting was held there. He also furnished twenty chairs, and about thirty more were secured for the duration of the course from the Samoset town hall. Mr. Whitney furnished transportation for the chairs.

The attendance is particularly gratifying and would do credit to a much larger council.

Troops represented by leaders are:

Troop 1-	1
Troop 2	3
Troop 3	2
Troop 4	2
Troop 5	0
Troop 6	0
Troop 7	5
Troop 8	0
Troop 9	0
Troop 10	0
Troop 11	1

D. L. Thorpe, chairman of the Court of Honor, announced Respectfully submitted.

Scout Executive.

Geo. L. King was elected to the Board, as chairman of the committee on Health and Sanitation, subject to his formal acceptance at the next meeting.

A. F. Wyman, chairman of the Finance committee, reported that the Bradenton city council had refused to renew the appropriation for scouting.

The Education Publicity committee, through D. F. Vaught, chairman, reported that speaking engagements for Warren Saunders, Jamboree Scout, had been made with all of the civic organizations of the communities, and that most of these had been already

September 27, 1929.

The Executive Board of Sunny Land Council met in regular session on the above date at the home of Judge W. H. Tucker. The following members were present: W. T. Harrison, L. F. Vaught, J. P. Harllee, H. C. Groff, D. L. Thorpe, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, D. S. Blalock, S. E. Simmons, R. B. Whitney, Geo. B. Gallup, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive. Ralph H. Pardee was absent from the city. Geo. L. King of the Court of Honor and Mr. Dansby were also present.

The meeting was held in Judge Tucker's yard, under a widespreading mulberry tree, and was a practical as well as enjoyable illustration of how to keep the "out" in Scouting. Around the glowing embers of a campfire, Judge Tucker gave a most efficient demonstration of how to cook mullet, and the Board gave a wonderful exemplification of the 13th Scout Law. It was impossible to determine who disposed of the most fish, all the members of the Board doing more than their duty in this respect. At the time of writing these minutes no casualties have been reported. Judge Tucker was assisted in preparing and serving the feast by Mrs. Tucker and the family and the Board gave them a unimous and most enthusiastic vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Minutes of the meeting of September 13th were read and approved. O. W. Shelton, for the committee on Troop Organization, reported that a meeting will be held Sunday at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, for the purpose of organizing a troop in that institution, and that work would begin at Terra Ceai about the first of November.

D. L. Thorpe, chairman of the Court of Honor, announced that an Awarding Court would be held at the municipal pier, Bradenton on Oct. 1st, and invited the Board to be present.

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filled. Several of the members of the Board reported having heard Warren talk and spoke of the very favorable impression he had made on his audiences. Mr. Vaught also reported that arrangements were being made with local theatres for the showing of Scout films at some time in the future.

Absent excused: F. F. Harlike, S. B. Simons, H. C. Groff, Scout Commissioner, reported that inspections were showing an increase in interest on the part of the troops.

The Scout Executive reported that O. W. Shelton has had a perfect record of attendance at Board meetings since March 14, 1929. He also stated that the in the matter of Troop Reports more interest was being shown this month than ever before. He asked permission to secure pennants for the approaching field meet instead of cups. This request was granted.

Mr. Vaught brought to the attention of the Board a request for change in the sponsoring institution of Troop 11, Samoset. The matter was referred to the Troop Organization Committee, and Mr. Vaught was named to assist in working out such a change, tentative plans to be submitted to a future meeting of the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, after reading the rule adopted April 28, 1928: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings of the reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

Sept. 10, 71% of members present.

Sept. 15, 43%. Special meeting to pass

on Eagle application.

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Sept. 25, 50%.

Oct. 1. 68%. Awarding Court.

Advancement:

To first class, 3

To second class, 2

To Star, 1

To Eagle, 2

Merit Badges:

Second Class, 5

First Class, 40

K. B. Whitney of the Civic Service Committee reported for the last quarter as follows:

Troop 9 170 hours.

Troop 6
Troop 7
October 11, 1929.

The Executive Board, Sunny Land Council met on the above date with H. C. Groff, Scout Commissioner presiding. Other members present were: D. L. Thorpe, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, R. B. Whitney, Geo. B. Gallup, Geo. L. King, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Absent excused: J. P. Harllee, S. E. Simmons, Ralph H. Pardee.

Absent unexcused: W. T. Harrison, L. F. Vaught, W. H. Tucker, D. S. Blalock.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

A. F. Wyman, for the Finance committee, reported that the City of Bradenton had agreed to place in the budget an item of ~~\$1000~~ for Sunny Land Council.

O. W. Shelton, for the Troop Organization Committee, reported progress in the matter of organization at Westminster Presbyterian church. He also stated that the matter of transferring Troop 11 to the sponsorship of the Elks was under way.

Chairman Thorpe of the Court of Honor made the following report:

D. L. Thorpe Meetings held as follows:

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Sept. 15, 43%. Special meeting to pass on Eagle application.
Sept. 17, 56%.
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Oct. 1. 88%. Awarding Court.

Advancement: To first class, 3
To second class, 3
To Star, 1
To Eagle, 2

Merit Badges: Second Class, 5
First Class, 40

R. B. Whitney of the Civic Service Committee reported for the last quarter as follows:

Troop 9 170 hours.

Troop 4	81 hours
Troop 7	62
Troop 11	51

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Sunny Land A number of troops have service that has not been reported.

Gentlemen:

The service rendered covered the items that follow:

Med Fly Cleanup.
Anti-Mosquito Campaign.
Cut Weeds on streets.
Trimmed Trees.
Fought Fire.
Mowed Library Lawn.
Worked at Camp Site.
Helped Beautification Committee.
Picked up Glass on streets.

The report of the Scout Executive for the month of September was read and ordered filed.

Moved and carried that the Scout Executive be authorized to conduct a five-day winter camp during the Christmas holidays.

Moved and carried that a committee be appointed to prepare plans for a barbecue to be held at Flying Eagle during the winter camp. The chairman named on the committee, A. F. Wyman, O. W. Shelton, D. L. Thorpe, R. B. Whitney. are functioning, with the exception of S and 10. A complete reorganization of these units. A. F. Wyman and the Scout Executive were authorized to visit Highlands and Hardee counties to get in touch with the scout authorities and prepare the way for a financial campaign later. They were also authorized to take with them Scout Warren Saunders.

The Scout Executive asked if it was the desire of the Board that he attend the annual Regional Conference at Savannah. Referred to the chairman of the Finance committee, with power to act.

The meeting adjourned after the rule adopted April 28, 1928, was read--"Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

A gratifying feature of the work is the number of dropped scouts who are being re-registered. Advancement is stressed. Regular monthly hikes are part of the program.

Scout Executive.

President.

Troop 3.--While this troop has been without a Scoutmaster for some months, it has progressed well under the leadership of Jr. Asst. Scoutmaster Warren Saunders.

Efforts have been made to line up an adult leader, but without success. During October 11, 1929, the Jamboree, the troop was not active, but since his return to the Executive Board, considerable progress has been made. A new meeting has been started. Scouts who have been inactive are returning. Troop committee is active. Gentlemen: reports, and troop stories.

Troop 4.--One of the very best units in the council. Herewith I hand you my report for the month of September.

CAMPING--Troop 2 was the only unit using Camp Flying Eagle during the month. This troop, under the supervision of Committeeman H. C. Fleming, spent two night in camp early in the month.

Troop 5.--Active for the last SCOUT LEADERS--Owing to the sessions of the Training School, no meeting of the Scout Leaders' Association was held during the month.

TRAINING SCHOOL--The training school reached its fifth session this week. The attendance for the last two meetings has dropped considerably, but those who are still continuing the course are displaying much interest. Three of the students have been assigned to temporary work with the troops, Frank Pelot with Troop 9, and B. L. Hudgins and Gautier Jackson with Troop 5.

GENERAL CONDITIONS--A survey of the troops of the council show that all are functioning, with the exception of 8 and 10. A complete reorganization of these units is necessary. The following paragraphs will give an idea of the situation of the other troops.

Troop 1.--During the last month this troop has showed signs of a revival of interest. New junior officers, scribe, reported and senior patrol leader, have been appointed. Troop reports and stories are being turned in regularly. Headquarters has been moved from the church to a nearby building. Troop committee 2/3 dead. Scoutmaster and assistant taking much more interest. Not enough interest in advancement.

Troop 2.--This unit is making fine progress along all lines of Scouting. The chairman of the Troop committee is acting as Scoutmaster, and the rest of the committeemen are active. A gratifying feature of the work is the number of dropped scouts who are being re-registered. Advancement is stressed. Regular monthly hikes are part of the program.

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Troop 5.--This troop have been inactive for the last six weeks, but temporary leaders from the training school have been supplied. Troop committee interested but not particularly active. Held one meeting with Scout Executive and Commissioner last month in an effort to line up leader without success. Temporary leaders are from Bradenton. No reports or stories.

Troop 6.--This troop is in about the same shape as Troop 5. Bradenton men are holding it together, but it needs local men to direct it. One member of troop committee interested but can do nothing to interest leadership. No reports, some stories.

Troop 7.--Another of our model troops. Good programs. Good discipline. Fine advancement. Active troop committee. Emphasis on outdoor stuff. Prompt with reports and stories.

Troop 9.--Scoutmaster has been on leave of absence for about 6 weeks. Has just resigned but has been named as assistant. Frank Pelot of the training school has been assisting in the work of this unit. Junior staff has been doing very good work. Reports and stories coming in good. Good work in advancement.

Troop 11.--This troop still keeping up a good record. Have lost out on some of the contests, not on account of their own failure, but because other troops are waking up. Sponsoring institution and committee giving no help. Need assistant Scoutmaster. Lewis Hammand of Training School helping out. This troop negotiation with Bradenton Elks for sponsors.

STATISTICS:

Membership: Includes two troops transferred into council.

	Tenderfoot	Second	First	Total
August	120	35	24	179
September	130	40	39	209

W. T. Harrison PUBLICITY--Newspaper space for the month amounted to 340 inches.

33. Respectfully submitted:

D. S. Blalock

H. C. Groff

Scout Executive.

J. P. Harlowe

A. F. Hyman

D. L. Thorpe

C. F. Smith

A. H. Taylor

B. H. Baker

Geo. B. Collins

Halpa K. Perkins

Geo. E. King

Chas. H. Wilson

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

	10/25	11/8	11/15	11/22	12/5				
W. T. Harrison	a	p	a	a	p	a			
L. F. Vaught	p	a	p	e	p				
3 S. E. Simmons	p	p	e	e	p	e			
D. S. Blalock	e	e	p	e	a	p			
H. C. Groff	a	p	p	p	e	p			
J. P. Harllee	e	e	e	e	e	e			
A. F. Wyman	p	p	p	p	a	p			
D. L. Thorpe	p	p	p	p	p	p			
O. W. Shelton	p	p	p	p	p	p			
W. H. Tucker	p	p	a	a	p				
R. B. Whitney	a	p	a	p	e	p			
Geo. B. Gallup	e	p	p	p	p	e			
Ralph H. Pardee	e	e	e	e	e				
Geo. L. King	p	p	p	e	p				
Chas. N. Wilson	p	p	p	p	p				

The Scout Executive asked that the Board authorize the expenditure of \$10.00 for a page of advertising space in book to be gotten out by Scout Warren Saunders and Asst. Scoutmaster Wyatt Sewell. On motion duly seconded this was approved.

R. B. Whitney, Geo. L. King and L. F. Vaught were named as a committee to prepare for annual meeting of council in December.

There being no further business, the

meeting adjourned at October 25, 1929. April 28, 1928, was read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without..."

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of Sunny Land Council was held on the date named above at Scout Headquarters, the following members being present: L. F. Vaught, S. E. Simmons, A. F. Wyman, D. L. Thorpe, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, Geo. L. King, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive. Scout Executive, President.

Absent excused: D. S. Blalock, J. P. Harllee, Geo. B. Gallup, Ralph H. Pardee.

Absent unexcused: W. T. Harrison, H. C. Groff, R. B. Whitney.

Minutes of meeting of Oct. 11, were read and approved with correction.

A. F. Wyman and the Scout Executive made verbal reports on the trip taken through Highlands and Hardee counties, stating that the troops in that section, with the exception of the one at Brighton, appeared to be in a flourishing condition, and that the adult members of the organization seemed to show a willingness to cooperate.

The Scout Executive read his report on the Sixth Region Conference, held at Savannah on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The report was accepted and ordered filed. (See insert).

O. W. Shelton reported that he had visited Terra Ceia and conferred with local men in reference to new troop to be organized there, and stated that the situation was promising. He also stated that plans were being worked out for transferring the charter of Troop 8 to the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Bradenton.

The Scout Executive asked that the Board authorize the expenditure of \$10.00 for 1 page of advertising space in book to be gotten out by Scout Warren Saunders and Asst. Scoutmaster Wyatt Sewell. On motion duly seconded this was approved.

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President.

Various topics were handled by Mr. Ray Wyland, Head of the department of October 25, 1929. Wyland is one of the outstanding men on the National staff. His lectures on National Education and the Scouting Game To the Executive Board, high degree, as was that of Mr. Sunny Land Council. and Growth through Publicity.

Gentlemen: Two papers presented that were of particular interest to your Executive were those of Beaver M. Harr of Jacksonville. Herewith I make report on the Conference of Sixth Region Executives held at Savannah, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We have been describing the working of the Executive Board of Sunny Land Council, while Mr. Hackney suggested leaving Bradenton early Sunday morning, in company with H. O. Kight of Royal Ralm Council, Fort Myers, and Russell Woodfin of Sarasota Council, we picked up C. M. Wakelin of Central Florida Council at Wildwood, spent the night at Brunswick and reached Savannah Monday morning in time for the opening session.

Only five of the Region Six executives were absent from the conference. Mr. Chadwick and Mr. Sharp of the Regional office were in attendance, as were Ray Wyland, George Ehler, Arthur Schuck, Sandifer, Keene, Frank Robinson and Chas. N. Miller of the National office. The sessions were held at Hotel DeSoto.

The program was a very fine one, full of inspiration and practical as well. The National Council men who were present had very helpful messages to deliver and the Sixth Regional executives who participated made very fine presentations of their subjects. A noticeable spirit of fellowship prevailed among these men who had gathered to consider the problems of Scouting, and the closing session witnessed a spontaneous recommitment of the executives to the spirit of cooperation with the Regional office and a tribute to our Regional Executive, Francis D. Chadwick.

Subjects considered the first day grouped around the Scout Executive personally, Chas. N. Miller speaking on Scouting as a profession; Herbert Stuckey analyzing the Scout Executive's task, and Millard Davidson presenting a fine paper on Ethics for Scout Executives. The consensus of these subjects showed clearly that those men who have gone into Scouting professionally and who expect to succeed therein must tie themselves up closely with the religious, civic and business life of their communities; that they should develop leadership to the highest possible degree; that they must study to improve themselves along all the various lines making for greater efficiency, and develop a code of ethics and practice it to the point where their communities will respect them, not only for the work they are doing but for their personalities as well.

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Two papers presented that were of particular interest to your Executive were those of Weaver M. Marr of Jacksonville on the Executive Board of the Local Council, and The Troop Committee by Bunn Hackney of High Point, N. C. Mr. Marr might have been describing the working of the Executive Board of Sunny Land Council, while Mr. Hackney suggested almost the identical plans under which we are trying to organize our own troop committees.

Mr. George W. Ehler handled the matter of Council Records Analysis and the Council Rating Plan. Mr. Ehler is generally looked upon as spending his time in thinking up new records and charts with which to worry the Scout Executive in the leisure time which he possesses so abundantly. His ideas, however, have proved to be so efficient, particularly in keeping the executive posted as to the growth or lack of growth of his council, that I consider his suggestions as of very great value in helping any council in matters that are usually guessed at and often guessed wrong.

The subject of Area Administration and Development, handled by Mr. Miller, contain much that will be of help to us in taking over the new territory recently assigned us.

Leo M. Sandefur spoke in a most practical way on the Budget System which he has developed. His idea that the law of Thrift, taught in a purely idealistic way in Scouting, can be applied in most practical manner in every troop through the adoption of the system. His suggestion that Thrift has four phases, Earn, Spend Wisely, Share and Save was particularly good. In his budget system, he works out the following items:

Dues of 5c per week, to be actually earned by the Scout, netting approximately \$2.50 per year. Of this amount, he considers that spending wisely will take care of these items:

Reregistration	.50
Boy's Life	1.00
Tenderfoot, second class and first class badges	.30

Sharing accounts for 25c more and makes the troop responsible for such Good Turns as Christmas baskets. Savings takes another 25c into the Troop sinking fund to be used for emergency

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and 20c is used for incidental expenses. He also suggested that Troop Committees build up a small revolving fund, that can be used in helping the Scouts purchase uniforms, go to camp, etc.

Mr. Keane, head of the department of Sea Scouting gave some very practical plans for organizing in this work and stated that plans were being worked out for a Sea Scout Training Course for the executives of this region.

Altogether, I consider this conference, both for inspiration and for methods of applying perspiration as one of the most helpful I have ever attended, and I desire to express my thanks to the Board for having made it possible for me to attend.

I attach herewith statement of my expenses.

Respectfully submitted.

R. B. Whitney asked for suggestions as to program, etc., for the annual meeting of council. After a thorough discussion, December 6th was selected as the date, Camp Flying Eagle as the place and it was agreed that the the feed should be in the shape of a bird supper.

Expenses:

Registration \$3.00
Meals and room 23.55
Gas 6.25

32.80

reporting for the Court of Honor, the awarding court would be held at the school auditorium, on Friday, Nov. 22. About forty merit badges will be awarded at that time and Leslie Roberts was promoted to rank of Eagle. The Court held a session at Nauchula last evening, at which 31 merit badges were approved, three tenderfoot badges and 2 second class badges awarded.

Geo. B. Gallup for the Reading Program committee told of efforts being made for library extension to the adjacent communities.

The Scout Executive reported on camp plans, stating that two large tents had been secured, giving sleeping quarters for about 70 at the winter period. The stove in kitchen needs repairs and new flue. Temporary cesspool will have to be enlarged. Bunks should be built in Elks and Palmetto Kiwanis huts, and all bunks repaired with wire screening. Lockers from headquarters will be moved to camp to take care of tools and equipment. Two canoes can be obtained at cost of \$25.00, which can probably be taken care of in camp budget. Barges should be moved up to camp to improve waterfront facilities. Will need to borrow several small skiffs and if possible a power boat

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Absent excused: D. S. Blalock, J. P. Harllee, Ralph H. Pardee.

Absent unexcused: L. F. Vaught.

The minutes of meeting of October 25 were read and approved.

S. E. Simmons reported that John Glazier had accepted position as committeeman of Troop 9. The Scout Executive stated that Clint Parvin had agreed to serve on this committee also.

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D. L. Thorpe, reporting for the Court of Honor, stated that the next awarding court would be held at Manatee school auditorium, on Friday, Nov. 22. About forty merit badges will be awarded at that time and Leslie Roberts advanced to rank of Eagle. The Court held a session at Wauchula last evening, at which 31 merit badges were approved, three tenderfoot badges and 2 second class badges awarded.

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as well as a Ford truck. Also need length of fire hose and small hand extinguishers for fire protection.

The Executive also reported steps taken to arouse interest in Fall Round up, suggesting that of talks and demonstrations be put on at the schools under direction of the Educational Publicity committee and that the Troop Organization committee cooperate in the campaign for new members and for re-registering dropped scouts.

As there being no further business the meeting adjourned. The rule adopted April 28, 1928, having been previously read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended." The rule of November 3th were read and approved.

O. W. Shelton for the committee on Troop Organization reported that re-organization of Troop 8 was about completed. New committee had been selected and conference with Scout Executive. it soon President.

Geo. L. King for the committee on Health and Safety reported rumors of health conditions in Bradenton schools and was authorized to cooperate with the school board in correcting unfavorable conditions.

D. L. Thorpe for the Court of Honor reported that school was interfering with first and second class tests, but that merit badge work is still showing good progress. At the last awarding court 31 merit badges were presented and two scouts were advanced to star rank.

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After a general discussion of the annual meeting scheduled for Dec. 5th, the meeting adjourned after the rule adopted April 28, 1928, had been read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more consecutive meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

Scout Executive,

President,

December 1, 1929.
November 29, 1929.

To the Annual Meeting of
Sunny Land Council
The regular meeting of the Executive Board of Sunny Land Council was held on the date named above, with L. F. Vaught presiding. Other members present were D. S. Blalock, H. C. Groff, A. F. Wyman, D. L. Thorpe, O. W. Shelton, Geo. B. Gallup, Geo. L. King, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Absent excused: J. P. Harllee, Ralph H. Pardee.

Absent unexcused: S. E. Simmons, W. H. Tucker, W. T. Harrison, R. B. Whitney.

Minutes of the meeting of November 8th were read and approved.

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These conditions were brought to the attention of the Executive Board and plans devised for correcting unfavorable conditions and for further stimulating those that

Scout Executive. President,

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December 1, 1929.

To the Annual Meeting of
Sunny Land Council,
Boy Scouts of America.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit my report as Scout Executive on the work of the council to date.

I assumed my duties on March 15th of this year and immediately made a rather careful study of the situation facing me. As a result of that survey I was convinced:

1. That our losses in dropped Scouts was altogether too large.

2. That in order to cut down such losses and to enable the troops to function more efficiently it would be necessary to train leadership that could develop and put on programs that would hold the interest and attention of the boys in the various troops.

3. That there was not sufficient cooperation between the troops and council headquarters, particularly in the matter of council-wide activities.

4. That the recent purchase of a new campsite offered a wonderful opportunity for the development of Scouting in this council.

5. That it would be necessary to stimulate a spirit of emulation among the individual Scouts, particularly in merit badge work, in order to attain a proper standing in regard to the number of tests passed.

6. That the Executive Board and Court of Honor of the Council were so well organized and functioning so efficiently, that these bodies, usually the despair of the Scout Executive, would need no attention from me and that I could devote most of my time to the conditions named above.

These conditions were brought to the attention of the Executive Board and plans devised for correcting unfavorable conditions and for further stimulating those that were favorable.

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a training school, authorized by the National Council, in order that the leaders of the various troops might have opportunity of fitting themselves for more efficient work. This evening 11 certificates are awarded men who have completed this course. Twelve sessions have held in the fall course, and it is planned to conduct two courses each year, one in the spring for new men, and one in the Fall for advanced pupils. These schools are not only of much service to leaders already in Scouting, but they provide a waiting list of men who are willing to take on Scout work, who already have the training necessary and will not have to acquire it through the not any too easy method of handling a troop.

Field meets and pow-wows were the only troop events provided by the council program early in the year. To these have been added the quarterly church services, monthly inspections and a number of contests on efficiency, roundup of members, civic service, etc., which have stimulated a friendly spirit of competition among the troops. Lack of cooperation between troops and headquarters in the matter of reports and participation in the various events is being gradually overcome and most of the troops are developing a spirit that reaches out beyond their own ranks and makes for a council consciousness.

The opportunity provided by the purchase of a new campsite was not allowed to pass unheeded. The summer camping period of two weeks was largely attended and a comprehensive program of Scout activities furnished ample opportunity for training and advancement. The camping committee's report will go into detail as to the summer camp. A winter period of six days during the Christmast holidays is being planned.

Probably no branch of our work has shown more satisfactory results than that handled by the Court of Honor. From a few merit badge tests each month early in the year, the number had increased in October to 98. The report of the chairman of the Court of Honor will give further information as to the work of the court.

On January 1, 1929, the council records showed a membership of 185 scouts. During the year the following increases were noted:

New Scouts	78
Dropped Scouts reregistered	30
Transferred in	1

	109

The following losses were shown;

Died	1
Transferred	9
Dropped	104

	114
Net loss	5

However, to these figures must be added 56 Scouts in the new territory of Highlands and Hardee counties, which gives us a total membership at the present time of 236. About 20 more are included in the troop at Avon Park, which is lapsed at the present time, but is being re-organized.

We have on our records three troops that are lapsed, or behind in re-registration, Troops 5 and 6 of Palmetto and 10 of Ellenton. Two of these troops have been without leaders for some months, which accounts for their condition. All other troops are in good standing with the council.

In September, at the request of the Regional Office, we took over supervision of the counties of Highlands and Hardee. At the present time only limited service is being given these communities, largely through our bulletin service; but a visit to troops in this territory indicates that soon they can be induced to accept quotas toward the annual budget that will entitle them to more efficient service. There were five troops in these two counties. One, however, was defunct, and the one at Avon Park, as mentioned above, lapsed. The troops at Lake Placid, Sebring and Wauchula are doing very fine work in Scouting and I consider them as credits to Sunny Land Council.

During the year we have made earnest efforts to impress upon our Scouts that they are citizens of their various communities and that as such they should accept definite responsibility for public service. Your committee on Civic Service will report some of the activities along this line.

I would recommend for our Objective next year the following:

- A 50% increase in Scouts.
- A 50% increase in first class Scouts.
- A fifty per cent increase in second class Scouts.
- A 50% increase in Merit Badge tests.
- A 25% increase in troops.
- A Spring Training School for new leaders.
- A Fall Training School for advanced leaders.

most have rendered
A Red Cross First Aid Course for leaders.
Spring and Fall Field Meets
Spring and Fall Roundups.
An Inter-Troop First Aid Contest.
Anniversary Week celebration.
No lapsed or suspended troops at end of year.
All troop committees functioning in an efficient manner.

I would strongly recommend that as soon as possible in 1930 steps be taken toward the organization of a Sea Scout Ship. Experience in many other councils has shown that this branch of Scouting is necessary if we are to hold the older boys. We have a wonderful opportunity here in Manatee county, where the combination of river, bay and Gulf furnishes unparalleled conditions. I have already been endeavoring to line up Sea Scout leadership, and believe we can start on the preliminary training of land patrols very soon.

Our new campsite at Flying Eagle I believe to be one of the very best in Region Six. We made a most promising start last summer in the matter of permanent improvements. The fine mess hall provided by the Bradenton Rotary Club, the sleeping quarters built by the Bradenton Elks and the Bradenton and Palmetto Kiwanians, the flowing well provided by the council, have given us a firm foundation on which to build from year to year. I hope that before the next summer camping season rolls around we may be able to install flush toilets, additional sleeping cabins and sufficient boats and canoes.

This has been for me a year of most pleasant effort. While there have been heavy tasks to perform, the attitude of your Executive Board has been such that much of the load has been shifted from my shoulders to the various committees. There has been at all times a spirit of hearty and cheerful cooperation, not only manifested by those directly interested in Scouting, but by the public generally.

In closing this report, I wish to pay a special tribute to the volunteer leaders of Sunny Land Council, the Scoutmasters, Assistants and Troop Committeemen whose efforts have contributed so largely to whatever of success we may have had in carrying out our program. They are the key men in Scouting; the council, with its various departments and committees, exists only to be of service to them. I hope we have helped them in their tasks this year and I wish to commend

most heartily the ungrudging support which they have rendered me during the past months.

Respectfully submitted.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

December 8, 1929

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Scout Executive.

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Also, working for three months at the Court of Honor has opened up lines of approach to the boys and their interest in following through with books after their work to get merit badges.

The Bradenton Library will cooperate a little later in a circulating library plan to give the patrols easy access to the right kind of books. This will be introduced early next year. The committee feels this would be a much needed step forward.

Signed: George B. Gallup
Chairman

REPORT OF TREASURER

REPORT OF READING PROGRAM COMMITTEE

December 6, 1929

Gentlemen:

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Field Days
National Quota and Fee
Miscellaneous
Camp Site
Interest
Supplies
Registrations

Signed: George B. Gallup
Chairman

D. S. Blacklock
Treasurer

REPORT OF SCOUT COMMISSIONER

REPORT OF TREASURER

December 6, 1929

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report:

Collections to date (Nov. 1) \$4697.52

Disbursements

Executive's Salary	\$2140.00
Office Salary	22.00
Rents, Light, Heat, Ins.	70.00
Office Supplies	71.54
Postage	44.70
Publicity and Propaganda	136.43
Transportation	58.00
Camps and Hikes	517.39
Camp (capital expenditures)	635.44
Leadership and Training	72.90
Rallies and Field Days	38.65
National Quota and Fee	100.00
Miscellaneous	41.98
Camp Site	475.00
Interest	60.00
Supplies	106.77
Registrations	125.75

\$4716.64

D. S. Blalock
Treasurer

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Groff

REPORT OF SCOUT COMMISSIONER

REPORT OF 1929

Beginning the year 1929, we were confronted with several problems which required careful attention. We were short on scoutmasters, and not enough scouts were wearing uniforms, and those that were, were wearing them very carelessly. We have overcome this to a certain extent by starting monthly inspections allowing each troop points for each boy wearing his uniform correctly. By putting each troop directly in competition with each other, we found this worked very successfully. We also urged the leaders to wear uniforms and by force of example to influence the boys. We also had each scout leader stress the point of how and when to wear uniforms. I notice we sold \$299.19 more uniforms in 1929 than we did in 1928. We have overcome to a great extent the irregularities existing early in the year.

I wish to commend the Deputy Commissioners, L. D. Roberts of Manatee, Ben S. Richardson of Bradenton, and Chester T. Brown of Palmetto for their good work in handling inspections.

At the beginning of the year none of the troops were sending in weekly reports to headquarters; now most of them are sending in weekly reports and at least half of them have 100% records.

I wish to commend our Scout Executive for his good work. We always find him ready and willing when called on. I think the weekly bulletin, and the weekly reports from troops was a big item in bringing scouting up to where it is at present.

Taking everything as a whole, I think we have made wonderful progress during 1929, and have better prospects for the coming year. We do not want to rest on our laurels, but push ahead more vigorously, and with more determination, and we will soon have one of the best councils in the state.

I wish to commend the chairman of each committee, also the chairman of the Court of Honor, for their good work. They have certainly been loyal, and you will always find them ready to go.

I notice from monthly reports, December 1928, number of scouts 185, and the last report I received for 1929 was dated October and shows 234 scouts, none suspended, making a gain of 49 scouts, but think this included troops in Highland and Hardee Counties.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. Groff

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF COURT OF HONOR, 1929.

Mr. President and Gentlemen:

I will make my report brief for we are workers and not talkers. To convince you of this fact, I extend you a very cordial invitation to visit us while at work each Tuesday in the year at Scout headquarters; then you will understand what we are doing for the boys of Manatee County.

I have a body of the very highest type of men associated with me and will introduce them to you at this time. These men give much study and thought to the scout work, and from three to five hours weekly in Examinations.

We lay much stress on the Scout Oath and Laws, and if you as men and fathers of boys will learn the oath and laws I am sure you will profit much by so doing.

To become a Second Class Scout a boy must pass twelve tests. To become a First Class Scout he must pass twelve more tests. He has to pass five merit badges to become a Star Scout; ten merit badges to become a Life Scout, and twenty-one to become an Eagle Scout.

We have advanced scouts as follows:

22 to second class, 9 to first class, 12 to star, 2 to life, and 3 to Eagle. This means that we have passed over 1200 tests during the year.

Here is how we have advanced in merit badge approval from January 1, to November 30,

January	2	July	69
February	4	August	85
March	8	September	34
April	5	October	98
May	16	November	64
June	25		

Total 407

I trust I have made this clear to you and you will also become a good scout.

Yours for the advancement of scouting,

D. L. Thorpe
Chairman

Scout Executive. President.

December 13, 1929.

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of Sunny Land Council was held this date, the following members answering to roll call: R. B. Whitney, presiding, H. C. Groff, A. F. Wyman, D. L. Thorpe, O. W. Shelton, Geo. B. Gallup, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.


Absent Excused: S. E. Simmons, L. F. Vaught, Geo. L. King, D. S. Blalock, W. T. Harrison, J. P. Harllee. W. H. Tucker.

Absent Unexcused: None.

Minutes of the meeting of Nov. 29th were read and approved.

The Scout Executive reported:

That the Manatee Junior High School Manatee Training Department, through the principal, Mr. Flowers, had offered to build three boats for camp if the material costing \$60.00 was furnished.

That six Scouts and two leaders had signed up for the Royal Palm Council's Cuban trip and that Warren Saunders had been invited to take part in the Radio program to be put on at CMC. 

That not enough Scouts had registered for camp and that he recommended that this be called off. He was given authority to do this.

R. B. Whitney reported that the annual meeting had been carried out by the committee assigned for this work and stated that a formal report would be filed later.

The report of the Scout Commissioner which had not been read at the annual meeting was read and approved at this time.

The Scout Executive was directed to write a letter of appreciation to A. M. C. Russell of the Palmetto News for the very helpful publicity given the organization.

The meeting adjourned after the rule adopted April 28, 1928, had been read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses one or more consecutive meetings of the board without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

Scout Executive.

President.

December 31, 1929.

Adjourned meeting of the Executive Board, Sunny Land Council was held at the office of the Scout Executive on the above date. Present W. T. Harrison, presiding, L. F. Vaught, S. E. Simmons, D. L. Thorpe, O. W. Shelton, W. H. Tucker, Geo. B. Gallup, Geo. L. King, Chas. N. Wilson, Scout Executive.

Absent excused: J. P. Harllee, R. B. Whitney, Ralph H. Pardee.

Absent unexcused: H. C. Groff, A. F. Wyman. Dan Black-

Minutes of meeting of December 13th were read and approved.

W. O. Shelton reported progress in the matter of organizing troop at Terra Ceia.

The Scout Executive read the annual report and application for charter which was approved.

The Scout Executive was directed to take up with Harold Johnson the matter of auditing the accounts of the council.

Chas. N. Wilson was elected as Scout Executive for the ensuing year, at a salary of \$2400.00.

The Executive reported that the Rotary Club had agreed to furnish material for three boats to be built by the manual training department of the Manatee junior high school. Mr. S. E. Simmons presented to the council a boat for the use of Camp Flying Eagle.

L. F. Vaught for the committee on Educational Publicity reported that the Bradenton Herald had agreed to publish a tabloid supplement during Anniversay Week as a special Scout edition.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned after the rule adopted April 28, 1928, was read: "Any member of the Executive Board who misses three or more meetings without reasonable and acceptable excuse will be automatically suspended."

Scout Executive.

President.