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Once upon a time, as the stories in storybooks begin, there was a young man named James Frederick Hieronymus and his wife, Martha Jane Tatum Hieronymus. They were living in a town called Valpariso, Indiana, on the date of my arrival in this world on November 21, 1895.

Apparently, from all accounts, I was greatly endowed with insatiable curiosity, even at an early age, and possessed an analytical mind over-stocked with question marks.

I do not remember when my parents moved back to South Missouri. We lived out in the country near my grandparents and I had lots of cousins. We used to play throwing a ball over my maternal grandmother's house. We usually chose the time for our game when my dear grandmother had finished her chores and had retired to a quiet place to meditate. Upon her anguished protest, we had to move our game elsewhere. As time went on, a baby sister joined our family, and then another! And another. Instead of just "son," I became "big brother." I was a typical country boy, barefoot in summer, wearing a blue chambray shirt and a pair of blue denim overalls. I went fishing for crawdads in the creek. As the eldest of the children, I helped my mother wash dishes and did small chores. I started to a little country school when I was about six years old. All the boys wore blue shirts and overalls too, so I felt right at home dressed just as they were.

My mother had a stiff knee and found it difficult to move about without crutches, but with what little help I could give with the chores, she took excellent care of her family. Tho' I was quite young, I remember her sisters coming to dinner at our house on Sundays. After a beautiful meal my mother had cooked over a hot stove on a hot

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Sunday, our dinner guests would say, "Mattie, that was a tasty dinner! We'll go out and sit on the porch now. If you need any help with clearing away, just call us." Then they sat on the vine-shaded porch fanning themselves and gossiping while mother and I cleared the table and washed and dried the dishes. I made a big decision then, though I was just a little boy, that when I grew up and had a wife and home, we would never have company for Sunday dinner. I kept that resolution, too, for I never forgot how hard my mother had to work, and how no one helped her but me.

By that time my paternal grandfather had moved to Kansas City. My father went to Kansas City to see if he could find work there. We had raised many rabbits. One evening I put two pet rabbits in a box and took them into the house. That night a crowd of night-riding hunters came by our house. They cut our fence down and turned their dogs loose on our rabbits. When the slaughter was over, we had only three rabbits left; the ones I had put in a box and taken into the house, and the one which got away and came back the next day.

My father found work in Kansas City so my mother, my sisters and I (and the rabbits) made the adventurous journey to Kansas City on the train. We went to my grandfather's house to stay until my mother and father could find a house for us.

It was September, just before school opened. I was almost seven years old and in the second grade. I wanted some new clothes for school. I wanted a new pair of blue denim overalls and a new blue chambray shirt. My aunts said they would go shopping and buy my school clothes for me. They did go shopping, and they did buy some school clothes for me. Imagine how shocked I was when I saw the little dark knee pants, short jacket and the white shirt with a ruffled collar and fancy tie. The style was called a "Little Lord Fauntleroy" suit. I rebelled. I said I wouldn't wear such clothes. Such clothes were for a "sissy." I, Thomas Galen Hieronymus, was no "sissy." I wanted a new pair of blue denim overalls and a new blue chambray shirt to wear to school. I waged a long and desperate battle. Finally, in behalf of peace, my grandfather intervened. He proposed a compromise. "Just wear these clothes the first day," he said. "I will go to school with you. Then, if the other boys aren't wearing suits like yours, we will go to town, you and I, and buy you some new overalls and new blue shirts!" I had to be satisfied with that. I believed my grandfather's promise. He had always done what he told me he would do. Monday morning, the first day of school, came all too soon. I was scrubbed and my ears washed. After breakfast I was assisted in donning the hated "Little Lord Fauntleroy" suit. My shoes were polished, my hair combed. I couldn't stand to look at myself in the mirror. I looked just like a "sissy." I hated the way I looked. My aunts were very pleased. They said I looked so handsome. My grandfather and I walked to school. "Remember," he told

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me, "if all the other boys aren't dressed like this, we will go right downtown and buy you some new overalls and new blue shirts." That was some comfort. I was just scared stiff. I didn't want to be labeled "sissy" on my first day in a strange school.

It was about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to the school. I wished it was even further. We finally arrived and behold, a miracle wrought just for me. Then I couldn't imagine why God would do a miracle just for me. All the boys my age were wearing suits just like mine! The boys in their "Little Lord Fauntleroy" suits were playing baseball. The school principal, a friend of my grandfather's, was on the playground and my grandfather introduced me. The principal called one of the boys, who was captain of one team, and told him to put me on his team. So I played ball, dressed just like the other boys whose mothers wanted them to be dressed up for their first day in school. Playing ball didn't help keep our fancy suits clean.

My grandfather was a real good sport. He used to take me around with him on Saturdays and holidays. I can remember going downtown in Kansas City, Missouri, on the streetcar with him when the snow plows had piled the snow up in high mounds on both sides of the street. I remember a big beer wagon pulled with big Percheron type horses. The driver was keeping just ahead of the street car. There were big barrels of draft beer piled up in the wagon. When the driver came to a saloon where he was to deliver a barrel of beer, he stopped the wagon and took it in the saloon. No matter how much the streetcar motorman clanged the bell, he couldn't move until the driver came back through the little opening between the mounds of piled up snow, got back in the driver's seat and yelled to the horses to move on.

When I was about eight years old, I went with my grandfather to visit one of his friends who was a Station Manager for the Missouri Pacific Railroad in a suburb of Kansas City. While they were talking and I was waiting, the telegraph instrument began to chatter. Immediately I had to know what that was. While I was thinking how to ask, to my amazement, my grandfather's friend began playing with a gadget on a desk making the same kind of noise as the incoming noise had been. Seeing my great interest, when he had finished answering the message, he explained what the equipment was and showed me how it worked. He also taught me the Morse Code. To say I was delighted is to put it mildly. I was thrilled beyond measure with my new knowledge. We went home and I proceeded to build a workable telegraph key for my own use, to practice with. About that time I also invented a surveyor's transit which worked very well. Of course, I didn't know it had already been invented. I had considered a problem, figured out a means of solving the problem and built the instrument I had rationalized would be the means of solving the problem. I knew it

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would work, and it did!

My father had become a painting contractor. As I grew a year or so older, I went to his painting job right after school and went to work. All the hard-to-get-at spots and the trim were left for me. I painted right along with my father and his work crew.

On Friday and Saturday nights, my buddies and I used to go camping. I had made a tent for myself with some tow sacks (Crocker bags) opened up flat and sewed together end to end. Then I took all the old paint cans with little amounts of paint in them and painted the bags with the paint. I did this over and over until the sacks were covered with paint. I then threw the sacks over my mother's clothesline and tied the corners to pegs. When we went camping I would take my tent along, borrow my mother's clothesline, stretch it between two saplings, put the sacks over it and tie the corners to pegs I pounded into the ground. We cooked out and slept in our tents.

It was about that time I was doing some thinking about religion. I went to church because my mother and my aunts went and wanted me to go with them. I was somewhat skeptical about a lot of things the preacher said when he was preaching, so one Sunday I stayed back and asked him some questions. He said, "You aren't old enough to understand," and, "You'll have to take it on faith." I figured maybe he didn't know so much about it himself since he couldn't give me an answer, so I gave up on going to church.

Since I had built a telegraph key and learned the Morse Code, I needed some power for my wireless telegraph. Telephones in those days worked with the power of big, dry batteries which had to be replaced every so often. I watched for the discarded ones and took them home. Then I rejuvenated them. I punched holes in zinc casings, set each one in a big jar full of a solution of Sal Ammoniac and water. Most of the batteries were dried out; putting them into the Sal Ammoniac solution revived their chemical properties. They worked just right for my purpose.

As I grew older school became more interesting. Manual Training Class was my favorite. Once I was building book shelves in the principal's office when I noticed some interesting looking books. I forgot about the shelves, sat down on the floor and started reading. In the middle of an exciting account of exciting events, I looked up and the principal was standing there looking at me. I got up and started to make some excuses, but he stopped me. When I got the shelves up and started to go, he loaned me the book and told me when to bring it back. I read it. When I went to his office to return it, he asked me for an account of what I had read. I just couldn't remember what I had read, so he loaned me the book again and told me he would expect an account of it when I returned it. I gave him an account of the story when

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I took it back to him. He loaned me another; I read it and reported on it. He loaned me other books and I gave him a report on each one. I learned something then that helped me later. I learned to eliminate the extra words and window dressing when I read books and concentrate on the important part, which was the action. Thanks to the lessons I learned by reading the principal's books and making reports to him on what I had read, I could make adequate, meaningful book reports in High School English Class and not have to spend hours and hours reading the books.

I remember very well Christmas at the age of twelve. I got a long desired Christmas present—a shiny, new Stevens 22 single shot long rifle. My cousin also got one. We went hunting together the afternoon of Christmas Day. The snow had fallen heavily the day before and all that night, on top of snow from a few days before, and had blown into drifts higher than our shoulders.

There was a Skeet Shooting Range not far away. On Sundays they used real live pigeons for targets. Many of the pigeons escaped and lived in the woods where my cousin and I went hunting. We shot many of them, and shot wild rabbits, too. We used to leave the feathers or fur on the game we shot and after cleaning the game, cover them with clay, feathers or fur and all, and roast them in the coals. I learned to be an accurate shot. We lived off the land on our camping trips.

One day my Manual Training teacher, Charley Barrett, told me, "Come over to my house Thursday evening. We are going to organize a Boy Scout Troup." I said, "Sure. What's a Boy Scout?" He said, "Just come Thursday night and you will find out." I had been going camping with several other boys. I called them together and we went over to Mr. Barrett's house. My camping friends and I formed "The Cobra Patrol" of the Boy Scout Troop. That was on Thursday night. Friday night, after we got our homework done, we went camping as a Scout Patrol, staying out over Saturday night and going home Sunday. Becoming Boy Scouts just enlarged our camping activities. This was the first Scout Patrol in Kansas City, Missouri. Later we went to summer camp. At the summer camp the price was \$.50 a day. If a boy had \$2.00, he could stay for four days. This proved a great incentive to work and save up money for the Scout Camp. I was the first boy of our Troop to become a Second Class Scout. Becoming a Boy Scout started me in an activity I pursued for 60 years.

My activities with the telegraph became more intense as I grew older. Some of my friends became interested and soon could operate the telegraph, too. We used to hook an instrument to a barbed wire fence and send messages along the wire to another friend who was a mile down the length of ranch fence with his receiving set. I built my first "wireless" set in 1911.

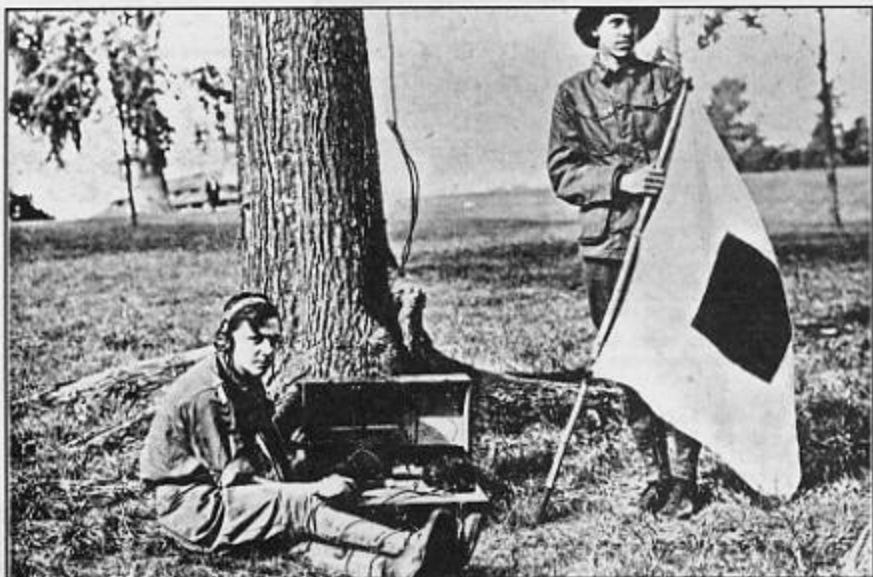
Most people didn't realize what "wireless" was and didn't believe it when we

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tried to tell them about it. One man, a friend of my father's was openly skeptical, teasing me about wasting my time with that "gadget that didn't work." One of my friends and I decided to convince him. So the next time he came to visit us, I asked him to write a short message on a sheet of paper. Then I went to my "wireless" and telegraphed the man's message to my friend. My friend then rang our phone and asked to speak to our visitor. When the man answered, he told the man what he had written on the paper. While the man was surprised and wondered how my friend had found out what he had written on the paper, he still didn't believe I had been in communication with my friend and told him the message. I hadn't left the room, so how could I have told my friend anything when he was a mile away?

In 1911, when I was sixteen years old, I had a wireless station in operation, and in 1913 when a license to operate a wireless station became mandatory, I proved I had a station in operation in 1912, so they gave me what has become known as a "grandfathers' license" or a license to operate a wireless station without having to prove (by examination) that I was a competent operator.

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By tree, Thomas Galen Hieronymus, age 17, with his wireless set. Galen was the only scout in the United States who built and demonstrated a wireless set to a district scout meeting.

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KANSAS CITY COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
KANSAS CITY, MO.

This is to Certify that

T. G. HIERONYMUS

IS CONSTITUTED A MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING Dec. 31, 1934

D. M. Beard
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

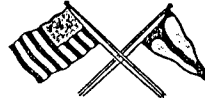
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CHAIRMAN, COURT OF HONOR

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
HEADQUARTERS, 200 FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK
THE NATIONAL COURT OF HONOR OF THE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF MAY, 1935
HEREBY AWARDS THIS CERTIFICATE TO T. G. HIERONYMUS
OF THE D. COMM. PATROL, TROOP NO. D. COMM.
OF KANSAS CITY STATE OF MISSOURI
WHO HAS SATISFACTORILY MET ALL OF ITS REQUIREMENTS, IS DESIGNATED
EAGLE SCOUT
ON BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL COURT OF HONOR
DANIEL CARTER BEARD, National Scout Commissioner
JAMES E. WEST, Chief Scout Executive

James E. West
SECRETARY

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FORT LAUDERDALE POWER SQUADRON
A Unit of UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS

P/C T. GALEN HIERONYMUS, N
1322 ORANGE ISLE
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

March 1, 1962.

Honorable H. Roe Bartle,
Mayor, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Roe:

When you were here a year ago and I told you I planned to send for my 50 year Veteran's Status, you suggested that I send the application to you and that you would see it through.

This was done but I have never heard from the application nor has my check been cashed, so I conclude that it has been lost somewhere along the line.

Enclosed is another copy of the application and my copy of the letter I wrote with it. Also, I am enclosing another check for \$10.00 to cover any expense involved. If this is not enough, have the Scout office notify me.

In looking over my file which was misplaced for several years, I find a lot of data. Included is my certificate dated Jan. 8th, 1924 showing that I completed the "Course in Scouting" and signed by O. U. Hover, training chairman. Another certificate dated Dec. 15, 1930 shows that I completed the "Specialization Course in Commissionership" signed by one H. Roe Bartle as Scout Executive and by W. Everly as President of the local council.

I also have the charter issued to the #1 (RADIO) Troop of Kansas City, Mo. Council and with T.G. Hieronymus as Explorer Leader, signed by only national officers but dated Dec. 31, 1938 and sponsored by all of the Radio stations in Kansas City.

Enclosed is something that will bring back memories to you. It is the survey of the land deeded to the City of Ocala for reasons you will remember.

Tell Margaret I enjoyed talking to her and am very sorry we didn't have an opportunity to see her. All our best to you.

As ever,

encl

*Data from letter from Lt. Col. M. Rhodes dated Mar. 8, 1939
Mailed Transfer post letter Nov. 10, 1910 - Troop 5. Transferred to Troop 4
240 Ocala Aug. 15, 1911 - 4
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February 7, 1961

Honorable H. Roe Bartle
Mayor, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Roe:

When you were here, I told you I planned to apply for my fifty year Scout Veteran's Status and you suggested that I send the application to you.

My file on Scouting activities seems to have been mislaid so I cannot fill in the exact date I became a Scout but it was at the beginning of the fall school term. I saw Charley Barrett during the summer vacation and he told me about the Scout movement and suggested that I get some of my friends together for the first meeting. I did that and organized the Cobra patrol as patrol leader.

Some of my pals and I had been camping out during the summer. We took a week end out just after the first meeting of the new troop and I have always thought it was the first overnight hike of a Kansas City Scout group, my Cobra Patrol. I had learned to telegraph at the old Mo. Pacific station at 15th St. and the Mo. Pac. tracks in Centropolis, I built two telegraph sets and the patrol used to send messages over barbed wire fences in the country while on hikes.

Enclosed is my check for \$10.00 made out to Scout Hq. to cover cost of a pin and tie clasp and any registration that may be necessary. If they need more, let me know.

It was a real treat to have you here even for so short a time. Next time you can make a trip here, let me know ahead of time and plan to spend some time with us. I can guarantee you some rest from the angry mob. Louise is a good cook.

All our best to you,

encl

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"BE PREPARED"

AMERICANIZATION

NATIONAL COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
CHARTERED BY CONGRESS
JUNE 18, 1916

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED
ON BEHALF OF THE
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF
KANSAS CITY COUNCIL
AND IS TO CERTIFY THAT
T. G. HIERONYMUS
HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED
THE COURSE IN SCOUTING GIVEN AT
KANSAS CITY - MO.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE SEAL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
IS HEREBY AFFIXED THIS *8TH* DAY OF *JAN.* 1924.

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HONORARY VICE PRESIDENT

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HONORARY VICE PRESIDENT

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"DO A GOOD TURN DAILY"

PATRIOTISM **BROTHERHOOD**
SCOUTCRAFT **CAMPSCRAFT**
WOODCRAFT **SEAMANSHIP**
CHIVALRY **REVERENCE**

DUTY TO SELF
DUTY TO GOD AND COUNTRY
DUTY TO OTHERS

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

CHARTERED BY CONGRESS
JUNE 15, 1916

This is to Certify that

THE KANSAS CITY RADIO STATIONS-KCMO-KMBC-WDAF-WHB
having made proper application through its duly authorized representative to carry out the program of the Boy Scouts of America for

CHARACTER BUILDING : AMERICANIZATION : CITIZENSHIP TRAINING

is hereby granted this annual charter subject to the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws and rules and regulations of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America for one year.

Explorer Troop
#17 (RADIO) KANSAS CITY, MO.

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EXPLORER LEADER
G. HIERONYMUS
ASSISTANT EXPLORER LEADER

The above-mentioned officials, having been duly certified, are officially registered by the National Council to meet the responsibilities of their respective offices in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Boy Scouts of America.


In TESTIMONY WHEREOF the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America has caused this charter to be signed by its officers and its corporate seal to be affixed.

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HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENT

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Ran Beard
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CHIEF SCOUT EXECUTIVE

DATED December 31, 1938

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April 3, 1946

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Mr. T. G. Heironymus
1330 Baltimore Avenue
Kansas City 6, Missouri

Dear Mr. Heironymus:

Please find enclosed your Certificate of Membership in the National Council, Boy Scouts of America. It is an honor and privilege to send this to you.

During the war period, the Boy Scouts carried out more than sixty different projects in service to our National Government. In spite of our great losses of volunteers - Scoutmasters and Commissioners - and of our Professional Personnel, Scouting had a tremendous growth during the war years. Scouting seems to thrive as Scouts carry out their Good Turn idea to BE PREPARED to help other people at all times.

There is, and has been, great emphasis on our Theme of the year, "Scouts of the World - Building Together." In that connection I hope you will enjoy this letter that came to us from Guam. The writer is a former Eagle Scout from Philadelphia and is now a Lieutenant in the U. S. Navy.

"Sunday we held the first Scouting get-together ever held on Guam. The Jamboree was so revealing that I received more satisfaction and delight from it than from anything else I have ever done. At 1000 on the dot, sixteen Scout Troops in the most varied array of Scout Uniforms you ever saw were lined up behind their leaders at Anigua village. A little Scout marched out in front and in pidgin English led the Scout Oath. The real Scout Meeting started at 1315 and was the most satisfying demonstration of Scouting one can hope to see. Scouting is on a firm foundation here, I think, for the boys and the leaders have seen the fun you can have from being a good Scout."

Scouting in this post-war period demands our clearest thinking in constructive, cooperative action. May I add that I hope you enjoy your Scouting.

Very sincerely yours,
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Elbert K. Fretwell
Chief Scout Executive

EKF:mtc
Enc.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,
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Kansas City's Greatest Show

THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY BOY SCOUT ROUND-UP

May 3rd - 4th, 1936 American Royal Bldg.

IMPORTANT FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

DRESS REHEARSAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT MAY 1st 7:00 P.M. FOR THESE EVENTS

COME: All Scouts who are to participate in the following events:

The First Handbook - Signaling - Sea Scouting - Merit Badge
Tableaux - Opening Tableaux - Colored Scouts - War Service Event
Rotary Cooperation Event - First Jamboree - Drills - Wall
Scaling - Patriotic Pilgrimages - Leadership Training - Towns

COME: All adult leaders of Troops having boys present. This is most important

STAY AWAY: All Scouts not participating in any event.

DRESS REHEARSAL THURSDAY NIGHT, MAY 2nd, 7:00 FOR THESE EVENTS ONLY!

Disaster Relief - Aviation - Cubbing - World Adventurers
Chariots - Camping - Pioneering - Indians.
(Same instructions as above)

ENTRANCE: Scouts and Scout Leaders will enter the American Royal Building
on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at the Wyoming
Street Entrance on the incline north of Twenty-third Street.

SUPPLIES &

EQUIPMENT: Troops should arrange for transportation of equipment to the hall.
Use your Troop Committee in this connection. The American Royal
Building will be open all day Wednesday and Thursday to receive
equipment. If you can't possibly provide transportation for
your equipment, call Mr. Modlin before Wednesday.

TELEPHONE: The telephone number of the American Royal is Main 6800.

Scout Officials should reserve their seats early, as ticket
sales have been excellent and reserved seats will be in demand.

TALK THE ROUND UP! - - Make sure the entire personnel of your Troop is present
both Friday and Saturday nights.

LET EVERY SCOUTER PUT HIS SHOULDER TO THE WHEEL

THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY ROUND UP MUST BE THE BEST !!

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THE GRAND ENTRY

ROUND UP

May 3rd - 4th, 1935

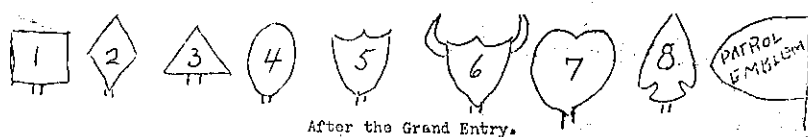
AMERICAN ROYAL

A. DIRECTORS:

Director: T. G. Hieronymus

B. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: (Read Carefully)

- Boys and leaders will report at Wyoming Street Entrance to American Royal Bldg. Troops will form by Divisions in the Annex under cover.
- Troops should be in place not later than 7:30 P. M.
- Permit no boys to bring guns, - blank or otherwise, - or other explosives.
- Send uniformed Scout with American Flag into Arena at Northeast Door.
- Keep your Troop Flag and number sign with you.
- Members of the Tableaux and Clowns will report at once to dressing rooms.
- Each Troop should bring a large gummy sack or blanket into which all coats, caps and other belongings can be placed. When filled, send to the check room near the Wyoming Street Entrance. No checking will be done for individuals. **BE PREPARED!**
- Boys not in uniform will march with their own Troops but should be placed in inner ranks to improve Troop appearance.
- Troops well equipped with hats should wear them. If only a few boys have hats, entire Troop should be bare-headed.
- When passing Reviewing Stand at West side of Arena, give command, "Eyes Left" or "Right". Hold this for six paces before and after passing stand. Do not salute. **Boys do not salute!**
- When passing in front of Flags in center of hall, give command, "Right Hand Salute". Do this only when passing directly in front of flags for first time.
- Each Troop should prepare a numbered sign similar to those shown to be carried opposite Troop Flag. Patrol Flags should be stretched on wire and carried at proper intervals:



After the Grand Entry.

- Keep Troop under control at all times and stay with your Troop.
- Keep boys back of Arena posts and seated if possible.
- Cooperate with men assigned to keeping boys in place.
- Follow the program call sheet closely and see that your entries get to point of formation in plenty of time.
- Remind your boys that the audience judges Scouting by their behavior on the floor.
- All events form in Annex and enter from North Main door. Events exit at South East and West exits.

Assembly Instructions

Division 1. Division Commissioner, James G. Hazell and staff in charge.

Form: In numerical order in Annex in sections I and J.

Time: 7:15 P. M.

Troops: 4-6-9-12-19-24-41-47-56-57-68-65-70-104-106-107-109-111-112-113
114-122-127-152-301

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- Division II. Division Commissioner, John R. Long and staff in charge
 Form: In numerical order in Annex in Sections B and C
 Time: 7:15 P. M.
 Troops: 5-14-17-18-21-22-SS 22-33-34-36-38-39-45-59-64-67-75-80-87-85
 101-125-126-131-132-133-134-135-136-155-160-178
- Division III. Division Commissioner, Glen O. Brown and staff in charge.
 Form: In numerical order in Annex in Sections D - E - F.
 Time: 7:15 P. M.
 Troops: 1-7-6-10-13-16-25-30-31-29-32-35-44-49-50-54-55-60-61-66-68-76
 78-81-82-84-86-88-100-SS 100-102-119-123-138-140-144-149-150-
 162-164-166-88-142
- Division IV. Division Commissioner, W. D. Whinery and staff in charge
 Form: In numerical order in Annex in Sections K and L.
 Time: 7:15 P. M.
 Troops: 2-3-11-15-20-26-27-28-37-40-43-46-48-51-53-63-71-72-73-74-79-69
 89-105-108-110-115-116-117-118-121-128-129-130-137-145-147-148
- Division V. Area President, John W. Diamond, District Chairmen and District
 Commissioners in charge.
 Form: In numerical order in Annex in Sections G and H
 Time: 7:15 P. M.
 Troops: 139-201-202-204-222-223-224-225-226-227-228-229-230-231-203-206
 235-200-211-213-214-216-217-218-219-220-221-236-237-238-239-240
 241-244-300-302-304-306-308-309-310-311-312-315-316-318-319-324
 333-407-408-409-410-411-414-415-416-417-412-317
- Division VI. Field Executive Raymond Marshall and Commissioner J. A. Jeffress
 in charge.
 Form: In numerical order in Annex in Section A.
 Time: 7:15 P. M.
 Troops: 90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-191-192-193-290-291-390-413
- Cubs: Commissioner Claude Vance in charge
 Form: In numerical order in Annex in center of Sections F and L. (see map)
 Time: 7:15 P. M.

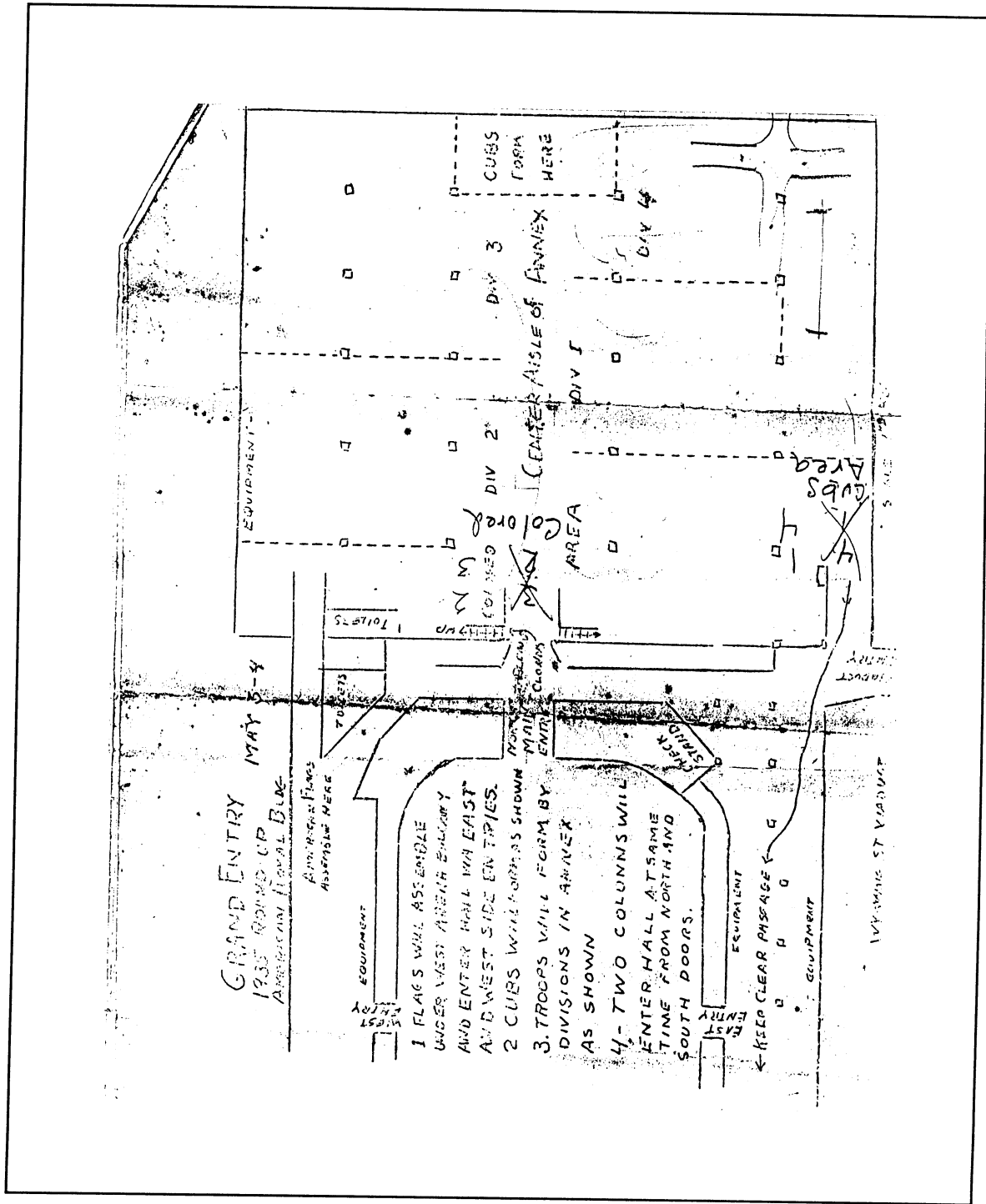
THE GRAND ENTRY

1. At 7:30 P.M. the leading Division will be led to the South Entrance to the Arena. Other Divisions will be marched into position.
2. The Troops should be formed as follows:

	X	Scoutmaster
	X X	Assistant Scoutmaster
	XXXXX	Troop Committeemen
TROOP FLAG	4321	
	S → XXXX	(X) ← Senior Patrol Leader
	C → XXXX	No. 1 Scout must stay on white
	O → XXXX	line throughout the march.
PATROL FLAGS	U → XXXX	TROOP SIGN
	T → XXXX	
	S → XXXX	(X) ← Junior Asst. S. M.

3. March at the half step. DO NOT SALUTE AT REVIEWING STAND.
4. There should not be more than 10 foot intervals between Troops. Nor more than 20 feet between Divisions.
5. As the Grand Entry is completed, Troops will be marched into position in the space reserved for Scouts. Boys taking part in the first three events must leave floor at side exits and hurry to their assembly points.
6. Scoutmasters and Committeemen will please stay with their Troops.

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DIRECTORS OF SILVER JUBILEE ROUND UP 1935					
TIME	EVENT	TIME	DIRECTOR	Bus*--PHONES--	Res.
7:50-7:59	Drum and Bugle Corps	9	R. T. Scott	HA 9900	
7:59-8:00	Distinguished Guests	1	President Harry C. Walton		
8:00-8:02	Opening Tableaux	2	Charles A. Barrett		CH 4845
8:02-8:32	Grand Entry	30	T. G. Hieronymus	GR 0060	JA 5214
8:32-8:35	First Handbook	3	Charles Watson	VI 3870	
8:35-8:37	Signaling	2	Art Dods	WE 8700	WE 4499
8:37-8:39	Sea Scouting	2	R. J. Woods		JA 3017
8:39-8:42	Merit Badge Program	3	Henry Steubenrach		LI 0536
8:42-8:45	Colored Scouting	3	J. A. Jeffress		GR 0685
8:45-8:47	War Service	2	Charles E. Teal	HA 5307	HI 6395
8:47-8:49	Rotary Co-operation	2	Will F. Dawson	VI 5353	VA 0467
8:49-8:52	First Jamboree	3	Charles A. Barrett		CH 4845
8:52-8:55	Health and Drills	3	K. S. McEntire	WE 6777	
8:55-8:59	Wall Scaling	4	M. B. Hansell	BE 3100	CH 3524
8:59-9:01	Patriotic Pilgrimages	2	K. M. Howery	MA 7500	
9:01-9:03	Leadership Training	2	T. G. Hieronymus	GR 0060	JA 5214
9:03-9:06	Disaster Relief	3	Ned Edwards	GR 5460	HI 2971
9:06-9:10	Area Event	4	J. W. Diamond	GR 0050	IND 4855
9:10-9:25	Friday: Troop Awards	15	Joyce Hall		
9:10-9:25	Saturday: Eagle Class	15	George H. Charno	GR 2456	HI 6612
9:25-9:32	Aviation	7	E. L. Hughes	HA 7195	HI 6263
9:32-9:34	World Adventurers	2	Carl Quimby	HA 8700	WA 2635
9:34-9:37	Cubbing	3	Claude Vance	MA 3606	HI 4585
9:37-9:40	Chariots	3	Charles R. Kow	MA 7220 (Sta. 32)	WE 7683
9:40-9:45	Camping	5	H. R. Heal	LO 1284	WA 0013
9:45-9:55	Pioneering	12	E. Wilkes, Jr.	VI 3931	WA 3214
9:55-9:58	Indians	3	C. J. Razen	GR 8923	
9:58-10:00	Closing	2	H. Roe Bartle		
	Clowns	3	Parker Shirling	VA 5786	

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KANSAS CITY COUNCIL
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October 5, 1935

Mr. T. G. Hieronymous, Supt.
Underground System
Kansas City Power & Light Co.
1330 Baltimore Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

My dear Hi:

Thank you very kindly for your fine letter of October 2. I am delighted that you are going to be associated with us in the working out of these WPA projects. We are hoping for great things. Say your prayers regularly and the Lord may take care of us.

With the best of good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

H. Roe Bartle
Scout Executive

HRB:MAH

KANSAS CITY COUNCIL
Boy Scouts of America
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3215 PARK AVENUE • KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

June 19, 1933

Mr. T. G. Hieronymus
K. C. Pr. & Lt. Co.
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Hi:

The Camporee Coordinating Committee wishes to express its thanks and appreciation to you for the unusual amount of time and efforts you expended in helping put over this Camp. We believe that without your help the Camp would not have been the success that it was. We hope you enjoyed your work as much as we did ours.

Yours for Scouting,
Camporee Coordinating Committee
By John R. Long
Secretary

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November 12, 1934

Mr. T. G. Hieronymus
Kansas City Power & Light Co.
Kansas City, Missouri

My dear Hi:

I am happy to enclose herewith your commission which has been duly and properly issued by the National Council.

May the Lord permit you to serve for many more years in the great game of Scouting. We need you as badly as you wanted this commission.

With best of good wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

H. Roe Bartle
Scout Executive

HRB:JL

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 CABLE ADDRESS "BOYSCOUTS, NEW YORK"

June 9, 1951

Mr. T. G. Hieronymus
 Kansas City Power & Lighting Co.
 Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Hieronymus:

We are planning to publish in SCOUTING a brief outline of the records of some of our Twenty-Year Veteran Scouters. According to our records as indicated on your Veteran application, your service has been as follows:

- As Scout
 - Sept. 1910 to 1911 - Troop 5, Kansas City, Mo.
 - Apr. 1911 to 1915 - Troop 4
- As Official
 - 1915 to 1920 - Assistant Scoutmaster of Kansas City, Mo.
 - 1920 to 1927 - Deputy & District Commissioner " " "
 - 1919 to 1925 - Merit Badge Examiner, Wireless " " "
 - 1923 to 1931 - " " " Electricity " "

If there is any change in this record, or if you are serving in any other capacity at present than the last one indicated above, kindly advise us. We are anxious to have this brief outline correct. Can you give us any other information about your experience as a Scouter, such as an expression of your opinion as to the character values of the Boy Scout training based on your own observation over these many years? Such evidence will be an inspiration to us and to the field.

Sincerely yours,
 PROGRAM DIVISION

E. G. Martin
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 National Director of Publications.

ESM:CS

"QC PREPARED"

ALL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,
 2 PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.

"DO A GOOD TURN DAILY"

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Form 598-10M-10-29-D. L.



**FIVE, TEN or FIFTEEN YEAR
VETERAN SCOUT APPLICATION BLANK**

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
(Incorporated February 8, 1910. Chartered by Congress June 15, 1916.)

National Council, 2 Park Avenue, New York

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NATIONAL COUNCIL,
Boy Scouts of America, New York City.

CODE NUMBERS		
REGION	COUNCIL	TROOP
DO NOT WRITE HERE		
REMITTANCE	TIME STAMP	

Gentlemen:

After having carefully considered the requirements for membership in the Veteran Scout Association of the Boy Scouts of America as prescribed by the National Council, I hereby apply for enrollment as a 20 year Veteran Scout.

I { successfully passed the prescribed tests as a First-Class Scout on 1911 (date)
was commissioned as See attached sheet on _____ (date)

and I have had 17 30 complete registered years of service in the Boy Scouts of America as set forth in detail on the Scout history herewith.

I agree to do my best to live up to the obligations of the Scout Oath and Law, to keep the local Scout authorities of the community in which I may live informed as to my address in order that I may be available for service to the community in case of any emergency; and as circumstances and conditions permit I agree to tender my service either as Scout Instructor, Assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster, member of Troop Committee, member of Local Council, or as a contributor to the Boy Scout Movement.

SIGNATURE _____

Present Status or Rank Dist. Comm. and merit badge
Address 417 E. 70th Street
City Kansas City State Mo.

Date 11-15-30

RECOMMENDATION OF SCOUTMASTER.

(To be used only in case the applicant is at present an active member of a Troop.)

Favorable action is recommended upon the foregoing application. Applicant is a member in good standing of my Troop, having enrolled on _____ Year _____

I certify upon my honor that the statement made in the information sheet herewith as to Scout service is true from my personal knowledge, from _____ to _____ and to the best of my knowledge and belief from _____ to _____

SIGNATURE _____

Troop Number _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____

Date _____

RECOMMENDATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL.

(To be used in all cases where applicant comes from a community in which there is a Local Council.)

The above named applicant has personally appeared before representatives of the Local Council and has demonstrated to our satisfaction that he has been a member in good standing of the Boy Scouts of America

for a period of five years either as an Active or Associate Scout, or as a Scout Official, in accordance with the statements made by the applicant on the information sheet herewith.

Favorable action is recommended.

Date _____

SIGNATURE _____

Council _____
Address, City and State _____

Signature of Scout Executive

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Gentlemen:

After having carefully considered the requirements for membership in the Veteran Scout Association of the Boy Scouts of America as prescribed by the National Council, I hereby apply for enrollment as a year Veteran Scout. I successfully passed the prescribed tests as a First-Class Scout on 1911 (date) was commissioned as See attached sheet on _____ (date) and I have had 15 complete registered years of service in the Boy Scouts of America as set forth in detail on the Scout history herewith.

I agree to do my best to live up to the obligations of the Scout Oath and Law, to keep the local Scout authorities of the community in which I may live informed as to my address in order that I may be available for service to the community in case of any emergency; and as circumstances and conditions permit I agree to tender my service either as Scout Instructor, Assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster, member of Troop Committee, member of Local Council, or as a contributor to the Boy Scout Movement.

SIGNATURE _____

Present Status or Rank Dist. Comm. and Merit Badge
Address 417 E. 70th Street
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Date 11-15-32

RECOMMENDATION OF SCOUTMASTER.

(To be used only in case the applicant is at present an active member of a Troop.)
Favorable action is recommended upon the foregoing application. Applicant is a member in good standing of my Troop, having enrolled on _____ Year _____
I certify upon my honor that the statement made in the information sheet herewith as to Scout service is true from my personal knowledge, from _____ to _____ and to the best of my knowledge and belief from _____ to _____

SIGNATURE _____

Troop Number _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____

Date _____

RECOMMENDATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL.

(To be used in all cases where applicant comes from a community in which there is a Local Council.)
The above named applicant has personally appeared before representatives of the Local Council and has demonstrated to our satisfaction that he has been a member in good standing of the Boy Scouts of America for a period of five ten fifteen years either as an Active or Associate Scout, or as a Scout Official, in accordance with the statements made by the applicant on the information sheet herewith.
Favorable action is recommended.

Date _____

SIGNATURE _____

Council _____ Signature of Scout Executive _____
Address, City and State _____

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SCOUT HISTORY

DETAIL REGISTRATION RECORD MUST BE GIVEN BELOW

As Scout
 From Sept 6-1916 to Apr 1911 Tr. No. or L. S. Rank 5 of Kansas City, Mo. S. M. Chas. J. Bennett
(Mo. and Yr.) (Mo. and Yr.) (City and State)
 " Apr 1911 " 1920 " " " " W. M. Rhodes
 " " " " " " " " " " " "

As Official
 From 1916 to 1920 as Asst. Scout Master of Troop 4 - Kansas City, Mo.
(Mo. and Yr.) (Mo. and Yr.) Rank (Place and Troop or Council)
 " 1920 " 1927 " Dist. Commissioner " Kansas City, Mo.
 " 1929 " Present time - merit badge examiner Kansas City, Mo.
 " " " part time in wireless and part time in electricity
 " " " part time in both " " "

Was there any part of the period of service entered above for which you did not receive an official B. S. A. membership certificate? _____
Date Rank Place Tr. No.

If so, attach written statement explaining the circumstances.

If application is for 10-year Registration, answer the following questions:

1. Have you registered as a Five Year Veteran? _____ {In this case additional registration fee of 50 cts. is required.
2. If not, do you desire Five Year Certificate? _____

If application is for 15-year Registration, answer the following questions:

1. Have you registered as a Ten Year Veteran? Yes {In this case additional registration fee of 50 cts. is required.
2. If not, do you desire Ten Year Certificate? Also registered and received gold service medal for 15 years service

SHOULD YOU DESIRE LARGE CERTIFICATE—50 cts. extra. Enclosed _____ for Large Certificate for framing. 94 was presented today to our round up in 1926 by Dan Beard

National Council Record

Do Not Write Here

(1) PREVIOUS SCOUT HISTORY.

Reg. fr. _____ to _____ as _____ Troop _____ of _____
 " " " " " " " " " " " "
 " " " " " " " " " " " "
 " " " " " " " " " " " "
 " " " " " " " " " " " "

Remarks _____

O. K. for _____
 Not O. K. for _____ Total service only _____

- (2) Registered as Five Year Veteran Scout No. _____ Date _____
- (3) " " Ten Year Veteran Scout No. _____ Date _____
- (4) " " Fifteen Year Veteran Scout No. _____ Date _____
- (5) Certificate written _____
- (6) Veteran letter written _____
- (7) Large Certificate _____
- (8) Alphabetical Veteran card written _____
- (9) Letter and certificate mailed _____
- (10) Entered _____
- (11) Filed _____



Supply Order Detached

See attached sheet

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CHARLES A. BARRETT
Proprietor



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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

November 14th, 1930

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that T. G. Hieronymus started in the Boy Scout of America on September 6th, 1910. Enrolling in my troop, which at that time was Troop 5 of Kansas City. He passed the Tenderfoot tests and took oath on November 10th the same year. He transferred to Troop 4 during the year of 1911.

To my knowledge, he was active in scouting in various capacities up to the time he received his Fifteen Year Service badge. We received this badge at the same moment. Our beloved Dan Beard presented me two and three others with a fifteen year service medal from the Kansas City Council for continuous service here in Kansas City. Any further information that I can supply, will be glad to furnish.

Yours very truly,

(Chas. A. Barrett)
District Commissioner.

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BOY SCOUT SERVICE RECORD OF T.G.HIERONYMUS

Joined Scouts September 6, 1910, Troop 5, Chas. A. Barrett, S.M.

Made patrol leader of the Cobra patrol.

Became tenderfoot November 10, 1910.

We took the first overnight hike that was taken in Kansas City, Mo.

Transferred to Troop 4, Wm. M. Rhodes, S.M. Spring 1911.

Passed 2nd class (the first in the K.C. Council to pass it)

June 22, 1911 at the first scout of the K. C. Council held at Dallas Park near Kansas City, Mo.

Passed 1st class in the fall 1911.

Demonstrated a portable field wireless station in Convention Hall at the December 30, 1912 round-up and sent messages to another permanent station in the hall.

Went to the Mexican border with the Signal Corps from Missouri from June 1916 to January 1917.

Assistant Scoutmaster Troop 4. *before entering military service.*

In military service August 5, 1917; to France, October 18, 1917 returned home June 1919 (was carried on records of Troop 4 as A.S.M. during military service)

Asst. Scoutmaster troop 4 from middle of 1919 until commissioned District Commissioner in either 1920 or 1921 and acted in that capacity until middle of 1927.

Merit badge examiner in "Wireless" from middle of 1919 until in 1925.

Merit badge examiner in Electricity from 1923 to present time.

Was Scoutmaster of Camp troop "T" at the "Ginger Blue" camp in the Ozarks 1921.

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Was aid to the Director of our first permanent scout camp at Noel, Missouri, 1922.

Was director of the summer camp at Noel, Missouri, 1923.

Was at all scout camps on up to and including 1928.

Took part in all annual "round-up" of the K. C. Council except the last one when I was out of town on business.

Was assistant director of the Grand entry at the 1926 round-up.

Was Director of the Grand entry at the 1927 round-up.

Was Director of the Pioneering events at the 1928 round-up.

Was Director of the Pioneering events at the 1929 round-up.

Have been student and instructor at various scout leader's training courses.

Am taking the scout commissioners course at this time in the K.C. Council's university of Scouting.

Became active as district commissioner again in September 1930.

Received a gold service medal from the Kansas City Council in spring of 1936 and presented by Uncle Sam Beard for 15 years continuous service in scouting in Kansas City, Mo.

J. M. [Signature]
11-15-30

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FIVE, TEN AND FIFTEEN YEAR VETERAN INFORMATION SHEET

SUPPLY
REMITTANCE

When a Scout has had an all around training, being thoroughly grounded in Scout work, and well developed, through long, continued service in the Scout Movement, it is but fitting that some suitable recognition of that fact be made. This is provided for through the establishment of the VETERAN SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

There are three conditions of membership in this Association:

- (1) That the Scout be at least a First Class Scout, Scout Official or Adult Member.
- (2) That he has a total of at least five, ten or fifteen years—not necessarily continuous—service.
- (3) That he agrees (a) to live up to his Scout obligation; (b) to keep local Scout authorities in the community in which he lives informed as to his availability for service to the community in case of emergency, and (c) to take an active part in the promotion of the cause of Scouting as the circumstances and conditions in his case permit.

Registration as a Veteran Scout, at a cost of \$.50, makes him a life member of the Veteran Scout Association, and entitles him to wear the embroidered Veteran Scout badge on his uniform and the Veteran metal badge on his civilian clothes.

Membership in the Veteran Scout Association is open to all Scout Officials and Adult Members—of five or more years' total registered service.

NOTE—If a member of the Veteran Scout Association desires further recognition as a 10 year Veteran, 15 year Veteran, etc., he must maintain an active registered relationship in some official capacity as a Scout or a Scouter and pay the annual registration fee of his membership class—Scout 50 cents, Scouter \$1.00.

Registration as a Ten Year Veteran Scout costs 50 cents, whether or not the Scout has registered previously as a Five Year Veteran. If a ten-year applicant has not been registered as a Five Year Veteran, his ten-year registration enrolls him as a life member of the Veteran Scout Association. If he also desires a five-year certificate, it will cost him 50 cents additional.

Questions regarding eligibility to membership in the Veteran Scout Association are answered on the back of this sheet.

TRANSMITTAL BLANK

NATIONAL COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,
2 Park Avenue, New York City.

Note:—Registration fee not to be included on supply items ordered below.

Dear Sir:

Attached are application and \$.50 fee for membership as a

5 Year Veteran Scout
10 Year Veteran Scout and \$^{\$.50} to
15 Year Veteran Scout

cover the following items:			
(1) Five year Veteran gold-filled pin	\$.50		
(2) " " " embroidered badge	1.25 .25		
(3) " " " 10 karat solid gold pin	2.35		
(4) " " " 14 karat solid gold pin	3.00		
(5) Ten " " " gold-filled pin	1.00		
(6) " " " embroidered badge	20 .35		
(7) ¹⁰ " " " 14 karat solid gold pin	3.25		
(8) fifteen-year Veteran gold-filled pin	1.25		
(9) " " " embroidered badge	20 .35		
(10) " " " 14 karat solid gold pin	3.50		
Total amount enclosed		1.95 .25 <u>2.20</u>	

Respectfully submitted, _____ Applicant

Mail Address Street _____
City and State _____
Date _____

(SUPPLIES ORDERED SHOULD BE LISTED ON SEPARATE ORDER BLANK)

Council _____
Address _____

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THE KANSAS CITY AREA COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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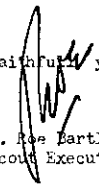
Mr. T. G. Hieronymus
Kansas City Power & Light Co.,
P. O. Box 679, 10
Kansas City, Missouri

My dear Good Scouter Extraordinary:

I count it a deep pleasure and a privilege to hand you with this communication your commission from the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America as a member of our board of directors for the year 1948.

May we unitedly continue to keep faith with the boys whom we serve through our great program of Scouting in the Kansas City Area Council - the #1 council of America.

Faithfully yours,


H. Roe Bartle
Scout Executive

HRB:H



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A PARTIAL DESCRIPTION OF A BOY

A fellow by the name of Herbert M. Smith is credited with the authorship of this partial description of a critter that may be found in many a home. Possibly you may be able to find one in yours:

"After a male baby has grown out of long clothes and has acquired pants and freckles and so much dirt that well-meaning relatives do not dare to kiss it between meals, it becomes a BOY.

"A boy is Nature's irrefutable answer to mankind's belief that there is no such thing as perpetual motion. A boy is a man minus pride, ambition, pretense, greed, and about one hundred and ten pounds. When he grows up he will trade romance, energy, bashfulness, warts, and a snag-proof stomach for these other possessions. But then a boy is usually getting the worst of it in some trade or another.

"The world is so full of boys that it is impossible to touch off a firecracker, strike up a band, or pitch a ball game without collecting about a thousand of them. Boys are not ornamental, but they are useful. If it were not for boys the newspapers of this country would go undelivered and unread, and a thousand circus elephants would die of thirst.

"Boys are useful in running errands. The zest with which a boy does an errand is only equaled by the spirit in which a twenty-year-old Missouri mule pulls a wagon loaded with bricks. With the aid of five or six adults, a boy can easily do the family errands.

"The boy is a natural spectator; watching things is his forte. He watches parades, fires, fights, ball games, dogs, ice wagons, mud turtles, bumble bees, automobiles, trains, boats, hand organs and airplanes with equal fervor. But he will not watch the clock. The man who invents a clock that will stand upon its head and sing a song when it strikes, will confer an inestimable boon on millions of families whose boys are forever coming home to dinner along about supper time.

"Boys are not popular except with their parents, but they do have many fine points. One is their entire trustworthiness. You can absolutely rely on a boy, if you know what to rely on. Trust him to get into some kind of mischief every day, for instance, and he will not disappoint you.

"Boys are abstemious, eating only when awake. They are also very durable. A boy, if not washed too often and if kept in a cool, quiet place for a while after each accident, will survive broken bones, hornets, swimming holes, massacres, and nine helpings of pie at one sitting. If only some genius would invent a method of making a boy's clothes as durable as he is, this old world would be much happier for boy-raisers."

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Twenty years ago T. G. Hieronymous, then 12 years old, became a tenderfoot Boy Scout. Last night at Scout ceremonies at Westport high school he was presented the twenty-year Veteran Scout pin, for continuous service in the organization. Mr. Hieronymous, who lives at 417 East Seventieth street, now an engineer for the Kansas City Power and Light Company, is shown below as he appears today. Above is a photograph made twenty years ago when, as a tenderfoot, he was learning the intricacies of wireless telegraphy.



THE NEW YORK DEMOCRAT (APRIL 1914) VERY GOOD. Both classes merit.

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March 23rd 1934

Galen Hieronymous,
Dear Galen,

I herewith enclose your record with Troop 4 as my records show and trust it may be satisfactory.

Owing to the fact that the National Hdqts did not keep any records until some time in 1912 Kansas City is just 2 years behind everybody else. This is not as it should be but inasmuch as I am not connected with scouting in any way at this time it is impossible for me to do anything about it except to urge you and Barrett to work through Scoutmaster of Tr 4 -L Thomas to see that Kansas City gets her rightful place in scouting. As you know Troop 4 was organized Aug 19th 1910 and is the only troop that has not lost its identity or number since that time but the National records show that this is only the 21st year -instead of 23rd year- of its existence and if this error is allowed to stand then there will be no record whatsoever that Mr A.W. Stypes who actually served from Aug 19-1910 till May 9-1911 and as a consequence your record prior to the actual registration of Troop 4 in New York cannot be made official -on the other hand, if they recognize your record as accurate then it must necessarily follow, troop 4 is more than 21 years old when as an actual fact Troop 4 is on this day exactly 23 yrs 7 months and 4 days old and the best way to establish Kansas City's seniority is thru Troop 4's actual record coupled with those of Mr Barrett and your own record. We three, I think, are the only survivors of 1910 who have any data on the subject. Even Scout Hdqts here had to come to my records to find out who their officers were from 1910 to 1925. I wish you could come in and see me when you have an hour to spare as I want also to discuss with you another matter of vital interest.

Sincerely,

Wm M Rhodes

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Kansas City Area Council
Boy Scouts of America
1021 McGee Street
Victor 2-4322



To Mr. T G Hieronymus

Date 7/11/74

From

Subject



Mr. Hieronymus we received your letter that you sent Mr. John D Armstrong concerning your 50 year veteran pin. If you will fill out the Veteran Application that is enclosed and send it in to us we will forward it to national to be approved. Please give us all dates and Troop Numbers and postions on the application.

THANK YOU

Nadine Hayes
REGISTRAR

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11-19-30

What to look for.

Program - plan - is it working?

Is Patrol leaders council functioning?

Is it a one man troop or does the S.M. delegate responsibility

Mr. Whinnery on Budget plan

Mr. Campbell - troop program.

It must be planned.

- Attention -

- Interest -

- Desire -

- Action -

must develop the boy.

S.M. must know his boys, their home environment etc. before arranging the troop program.

Program should conform to Natl. council program

should have variety

training in citizenship and character.

The S.M. is minutes at end of the evening. Send them home with some definite lesson learned.

The element of fun is very important. It should develop teamwork & good fellowship.

Games should be chosen to develop various good traits
Service -

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DIRECTORS OF SILVER JUBILEE ROUND UP 1935

TIME SCHEDULED	EVENT	TIME	DIRECTOR	Bus*--PHONE--Ret.
7:50-7:59	Drum and Bugle Corps	9	R. T. Scott	HA 9900
8:00-8:00	Distinguished Guests	1	President Harry C. Walton	
8:00-8:02	Opening Tableaux	2	Charles A. Barrett	CH 484F
8:02-8:32	Grand Entry	30	T. G. Hieronymas	GR 0060 JA 5214
8:32-8:35	First Handbook	3	Charles Watson	VI 3878
8:35-8:37	Signaling	2	Art Dods	WE 8700 WE 4498
8:37-8:39	Sea Scouting	2	R. J. Woods	JA 3017
8:39-8:42	Merit Badge Program	3	Henry Steubenrach	LI 0536
8:42-8:45	Colored Scouting	3	J. A. Jeffress	GR 0885
8:45-8:47	War Service	2	Charles E. Teal	HA 5307 HI 8395
8:47-8:49	Rotary Co-operation	2	Will F. Dawson	VI 5353 VA 3467
8:49-8:52	First Jamboree	3	Charles A. Barrett	CH 4845
8:52-8:55	Health and Drills	3	K. S. McEntire	WE 6777
8:55-8:59	Wall Scaling	4	M. B. Hansell	BE 3100 CH 3524
8:59-9:01	Patriotic Pilgrimages	2	K. M. Howery	MA 7500
9:01-9:03	Leadership Training	2	T. G. Hieronymas	GR 0060 JA 5214
9:03-9:06	Disaster Relief	3	Ned Edwards	GR 5460 HI 2971
9:06-9:10	Area Event	4	J. W. Diamond	GR 0050 IND 4655
9:10-9:25	Friday: Troop Awards	15	Joyce Hall	
9:10-9:25	Saturday: Eagle Class	15	George H. Charno	GR 2456 HI 6612
9:25-9:32	Aviation	7	E. L. Hughes	HA 7195 HI 6260
9:32-9:34	World Adventurers	2	Carl Quimby	HA 8700 WA 2635
9:34-9:37	Cubbing	3	Claude Vance	MA 3606 HI 4585
9:37-9:40	Chariots	3	Charles R. Kew	MA 7220 WE 7683
9:40-9:45	Camping	5	H. R. Heal	(Sta. 32) LO 1284 WA 0013
9:45-9:55	Pioneering	12	E. Wilkes, Jr.	VI 3931 WA 3214
9:55-9:58	Indians	3	C. J. Razen	GR 8923
9:58-10:00	Closing	2	H. Roe Bartle	
	Clowns	3	Parkor Shirling	VA 5786

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Scout Record of Galen Hieronymus in Troop 4- B.S.A.

Transferred to Troop 4- First Congl Church May 24th 1911 From Troop 5

Passed Tend Test Tr 5- Nov 10-1910

" 2nd class Tr 4 Aug 15-1911 (First 2nd class scout in K?C.Mo)

" 1st class Tr 4 Oct 15-1911 (Second First class " ")

appointed
Because of his interest in Signalling was/Patrol leader of signal patrol
Attended first camp at Dallas Mo June 14-24 incl -1911
Built 1st portable wireless set , demonstrated same at the annual (First)
exhibition in Convention hall Dec 30-1912.

Became the first Boy Scout in U.S.(So far as known) to receive a Commercial
license as a wireless opr.

Asst S.M. Troop 4 1915 -Joined 3rd regiment signal Corps & went to Mexican
border in 1916.

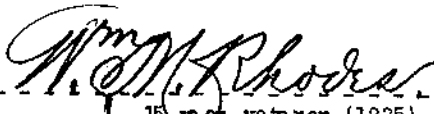
Volunteered from Troop 4 Aug 5-1917 for war in the 117 th field signal Bat
went to France in October 1917 and returned 1919.

During his absence both at the Mexican border and in France he was carried
on the rolls of troop 4 as Asst Scoutmaster by authority of National Edgts
ruling that "Volunteer service in Worlds war was good scouting" & counted as
Scout service.

I have newspaper articles in my possession relative to his attendance in
scout camp in 1911- to his service on the Mexican border in which he was
reported by his commanding officer Ruby Garrett, as having made the Regular
Army Signal Corps at Ft McIntosh Tex ,sit up and take notice of the "Boy
Scout Militiaman.", and relative to his "Portable wireless demonstration in
Convention Hall in 1912.

This is to certify that the above record of scout T.G.Hieronymus was taken
from my records of Troop 4 B.S.A. and I believe them to be accurate. I was
scoutmaster of Troop 4 from May 4-1911 until Jan 17+ 1925 which period cov-
ered his entire service with troop 4.

March 8th 1934.


W. M. Rhodes
15 year veteran (1925)
Spite 204 Montgall Bldg 2614 east 15th St
Kansas City Missouri.

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"BE PREPARED"

AMERICANIZATION

**NATIONAL COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**
CHARTERED BY CONGRESS
JUNE 17, 1916

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED
ON BEHALF OF THE
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
KANSAS CITY COUNCIL
AND IS TO CERTIFY THAT
I. G. HIERONYMUS
HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED
THE SPECIALIZATION COURSE IN
COMMISSIONERSHIP
GIVEN AT
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE SEAL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
IS HEREBY AFFIXED THIS FIFTEENTH DAY OF December 1930

Herbert Hoover
HONORARY PRESIDENT

Carl Taylor
HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENT

Richard L. Strickland
HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENT

Walter Dill Scott
HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENT

Walter Dill Scott
PRESIDENT, LOCAL COUNCIL

Walter Dill Scott
SCOUT EXECUTIVE


Walter Dill Scott
PRESIDENT

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CHAIRMAN, TRAINING COMMITTEE



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June 11, 1931

Mr. E. S. Martin,
National Director of Publications,
Boy Scouts of America,
2 Park Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Martin:

If there were time before the issue of your magazine, and space available, I am sure that a great deal of interesting reminiscing might be done in connection with the last twenty years existence of the Boy Scout organization.

Your interpretation of my particular service record is almost entirely correct insofar as it goes. I am attaching a more complete service record.

As to the character building sources of boy scout training, much can be said.

I can recall numerous incidents where boys have had their attitude towards others and toward life in general entirely changed after becoming associated with a boy scout troop.

In the Merit Badge work, I have especially noticed the effect on some boys. We have had a number of instances where the entire life of a boy has been changed as the result of his interest in Merit Badge work and the attitude of the Merit Badge examiner to him. There is one boy (now a man by the way) who decided to become a doctor and recently graduated from a medical school as the result of having been detailed to duty in the camp hospital at one of our summer camps.

There is another young boy who is taking a course in Sculpturing at the Art Institute as the result of his work in attempting to pass the sculpturing merit badge. Since he was an Italian and his father was a huckster,

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I am inclined to think that the boy would in all probability have grown up to be a huckster had it not been for the Merit Badge work. As to myself, my first interest in radio was manifested when I undertook to build a wireless outfit in 1910 in order to use it in connection with boy scout signal work. Thru the interest of my manual training teacher who happened to be my Scout Master, I built the outfit and in later years made the building of radio equipment a business.

As I said in the beginning of this letter, if time and space permitted, there is no question but that innumerable instances might be related.

I am looking forward to seeing a list of the old timers and I am just wondering how many there are who have a continuous service record.

Yours truly,

TCH:EH

T. C. Hieronymus

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BOY SCOUT SERVICE RECORD OF T. G. HIERONYMUS

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Joined Troop 5 under S.M. Chas. A. Barrett, Sept. 6, 1910. Was made Patrol Leader and organized the Cobra Patrol.

Passed tests and became a tenderfoot, Nov. 10, 1910.

My patrol took the first overnight hike of the Kansas City Council.

Transferred to Troop 4, Wm. H. Rhodes, S.M. in the spring of 1911.

Attended the first summer camp of the K. C. Council in June 1911 at Dallas Park. While there I passed the tests and on June 22, 1911 became the first, second-class scout in Kansas City.

Passed tests and became first-class in the fall of 1911.

Demonstrated a portable field wireless at the first Scout Round Up December 30, 1912.

In May 1913 while operating my field wireless set, telegraphing to another scout with a field station, we were seen by members of the Signal Corps, National Guard of Missouri. As a result, I was induced to join the Signal Corps.

Was made Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 4 in 1915 and held that position until 1920.

Went to Mexican Border with Signal Corps from June 1916 to January 15, 1917 as 1st Class Sgt. and Master Signal Electrician.

Left Kansas City for France, August 5, 1917 as Master Signal Electrician with 117th Field Signal Bn. 42nd Division.

Returned from France, June 1919 as 2nd Lieutenant.

Merit badge examiner in Wireless from 1919 until 1925.

Merit badge examiner in Electricity from 1923 to present time.

Commissioned District Commissioner in winter 1920 and acted as such until 1927.

Awarded Eagle Badge, May 11, 1925.

Presented 15 year gold service medal by K.C. Council, Spring of 1926.

Commissioned District Commissioner again in 1930 and 1931.

Presented with 20 year Veterans pin, Feb. 1931.

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February 5, 1931

Mr. James E. West,
Chief Scout Executive,
Boy Scouts of America,
20 Park Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. West:

Your letter of December 4 and my twenty year pin and certificate were presented last nite at Court of Honor.

I wish to thank you for your very nice letter. It shall be put away with the other mementos I am collecting in connection with the Scout movement. You will be interested to know that my pin was presented by Mr. Chas. J. Barrett, also a twenty year veteran, who was my first scoutmaster.

Again thanking you for your kindness, I am

Yours truly,

TGH:FH

T. G. Hieronymus

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August 12, 1935

Mr. T. G. Hieronymous
8Kansas City Power & Light Co.
14th & Baltimore
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Hieronymous

The Jamboree Committee wishes to express its heartfelt appreciation and thanks for your efforts in assisting us to work out the Kansas City Project. We feel that you have again proven yourself a good scout and are only sorry that your project could not be constructed for all to see.

With best of Scouting good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

John R. Long
Assistant Secretary
Jamboree Committee

JRL:KB

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February 22, 1936

Mr. T. G. Hieronymus
1330 Baltimore Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

My dear Commissioner:

As these commissions pass through my hands to be checked before being mailed to the field I want to pause long enough to add my personal expression of appreciation for your fine work for this council. You have in every way proved yourself a true friend of this boy movement. Please be assured that your unlimited industry and faithfulness is a constant pleasure to me.

Faithfully yours,

H. Roe Bartle
Scout Executive

HRB:MAH

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Kansas City Mo
May 16th 1946
Oscar L Smith
Room 1003 Light & Power Bldg
C I T Y.

Referring to our conversation regarding Hieronymus and that "Card index" of mine that contains all(?) the information Galen was born Nov 21-1895. In Convention Hall on Dec 30th 1912 he exhibited and operated from the floor to the upper gallery of the (old) hall, the first wireless set built in America by a Boy Scout. He was my assistant Scoutmaster in 1915 and resigned to go to the Mexican border with the American troops and later with the 117 Field Signal Bat- in France. Now a few quibe taken at random from the index that might interest you. Galen was the first scout in America to receive a license as a wireless op'r (George M Myers Electrical expert in the earl 90's predicted in Oct 17-1892 that the annual Priest of Palles floats would, in a few years move through the streets with electric power. (up to then the floats were horse drawn).

Steinmets was the first man to discover and utilize the "alternating current".

~~The only house in Kansas City thoroughly equipped with electric lights in February 1890 was the home of Edwin R Weeks-Electrician -at 1409 Cherry.~~

In 1892 when Electric cars were suggested for Wyandotte St (Oct 8th) were opposed by many citizens because of its danger to pedestrians -they might get a shock and be killed.

The old Cable car to Westport Mo was changed to Electric powerlay 3rd 1900.

In 1902 the street car co began experiments with an "electric switch" by which the car operator could throw the switch without leaving his post.

On Sept 4-1882 Thos A Edison threw a switch that put into operation the WORLD'S FIRST ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT. Located in N Y City. He also perfected a system of wiring by which one electric light could be turned out without affecting the others - (here's one for your engineers to ponder over).

On October 26-1896 Nikola Tesla began work on a plan of electric power transmission without the use of wires.

On May 30-1900 your company began installing underground wires between Baltimore and McGee and from 7th to 15th St. Wonder if Galen knew this date?

Last but not least on Aug 24-1903 The street car company sought some practical method of providing light on Street cars other than oil lamps. Galen was only 8 years old then so he could not do anything about it. but I dare the bunch to ask him NOW.

That's all from Rhodes Card index at this time. Hope I havnt tired you but I just wanted to see for myself a very few of the items concerning your line of work. Then decided to pass them on.

Sincerely,

W. M. Rhodes.

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From "Snowbound"

By: James Greenleaf Whittier

Yet Love will dream, and faith will trust,
That somehow, somewhere, meet we must.
Alas for him who never sees
The stars shine thru his Cypress trees:
who, hopeless, lays his dead away,
nor looks to see the breaking day
across the mournful marbles play:
who hath not learned, in hours of faith
The Truth, to sense and flesh unknown:
That Life is ever Lord of Death,
And Love can never lose its own.