



*History
of the
Mobile Council
&
Mobile Area Council
Boy Scouts of America
1919 - 2012*

Dedicated To

*All Scouts and Scout Leaders
of the
Mobile Council
&
Mobile Area Council
Boy Scouts of America
Past, Present & Future*

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History of the Mobile Area Council, BSA

In 1919, soon after the First World War, the Boy Scout movement in the United States was spreading rapidly. This movement spread to Mobile, Alabama where, on January 16, 1919, a group of civic minded men met at the Mobile Chamber of Commerce and decided that Mobile boys should share in a great movement which was then a few years old.

Present at the first meeting on January 16, 1919, at the Mobile Chamber of Commerce was Paul Harris, representing this new movement known as the Boy Scouts of America, E. M. Bailey, J. L. Cawthorn, W. M. Clemens, John T. Cochran, H. B. Crocker, George Linning, C. H. Mohr, and S. S. Murphy represented Mobile.

Paul Harris described the plans of the Boy Scouts as organized by Sir Baden-Powell in 1910. The ideals of the Boy Scout movement had already caught on in Mobile, and there were troops of from 5 to 30 boys throughout the city. They were not organized or standardized, however, and there was another organization known as the United States Boy Scouts active in Mobile at the time.

This organization was comprised of boys under the age of 12, whereas the Boy Scouts of America concentrated its activities on boys in those formative years of ages 12 to 18.

The need for a Scout Executive was stressed, and a budget of about \$30,000 for a three year period was strongly recommended. A Scout Executive should be employed, and a downtown office with an Assistant Scout Executive and stenographer; some summer camps and equipment for poorer boys was to be covered by the budget. A place for boys under 12 years old was also made with these known as "Wolf Cubs". Mr. Bailey nominated Mr. John T. Cochran to chair a businessmen's conference to explore the organization of the new movement, and to raise the necessary finances.

The next day, January 17, 1919, several interested citizens in Mobile met with representatives of the Chamber of Commerce to explore the question. The result of their deliberation was a contract entered into by the citizens of Mobile and the Nation Council of the Boy Scouts of America. In this contract, it was agreed that an educational and financial campaign would be carried on in Mobile so that a standardized Boy Scouts of America organization could be formed in the city.

On January 18, 1919, the Mayor of Mobile, the Honorable George Crawford, proposed that a committee be formed to accept and put into operation the contract made the previous day. And the campaign was under way.

“And if there are men here who cannot see the vision and do the work, then get out of the way of those who can”. Thus the spirit and determination of the Citizens Committee organizing the campaign to raise funds for the establishment of a Boy Scout council in the Mobile area was stated by W. H. Reynalds, president of the Mobile Chamber of Commerce before the Mobile Rotary Club on March 20, 1919.

A group of Mobile businessmen requested help from the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America to assist in the organization of a local administrative council to supervise and extend the program of the Boy Scouts of America in the vicinity of Mobile.

Scouting had been in formal existence for nine years in America in 1919, and even at the time of organization of the Mobile Council in 1919, the movement had previously made its way to the Gulf Coast.

Paul Harris, Deputy National Field Commissioner of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, was sent to Mobile to guide a volunteer citizens committee in the proper methods of raising funds for, and organizing a council. The first meeting was held on January 19, 1919 at the Chamber of Commerce.

The citizens committee elected as its first chairman, Mr. John T. Cochran, and secretary, Mr. W. M. Clemens, general secretary of the Mobile Chamber of Commerce.

Serving with the officers were many prominent Mobilians, interested in the objectives of the Boy Scouts of America as embodied in the National Constitution and Bylaws and set forth in the original Certificate of Incorporation under the laws of the District of Columbia, dated February 8, 1910, and restated in Section 3 of the Charter granted by the Congress of the United States of America on June 15, 1916, as follows: "That the purpose of this corporation shall be to promote, through organization, and cooperation with other agencies, the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self reliance, and kindred virtues, using the methods which are now in common use by the Boy Scouts," by placing emphasis upon the Scout Oath and Laws for character development, citizenship training and physical fitness.

Other members of the original committee in Mobile were:

C. A. Mohr

Mayor G. E. Crawford

E. O. Fowlkes

D. S. Bauer

W. E. Murphy

L. D. Dix

Judge R. T. Ervin

E. M. Bailey

W. D. Bellingrath

E. C. Grace

H. C. McMaster

W. O. Lott

G. W. Adams

R. P. Roach

H. P. McDonald

S. S. Murphy

George D. Linning

Charles Franklin

H. T. Hartwell

H. B. Crocker

Russell Houston

William H. Armbrecht

In order to assist the local group with their promotion, the Honorable W. M. Barrow, Assistant Attorney General of Louisiana, spoke to the Mobile Rotary Club on March 27, 1919 to discuss the needs and functions of a Boy Scout Council. His message was well received.

GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE FIRST YEAR

1. Membership:

The territory contained seven (7) troops with a membership of 110 boys under the leadership of Messrs. Condie, Grove, Allen, and Stapleton. Included in the figures was one troop of boys under twelve years of age affiliated with the United States Boy Scouts headed by a Mr. Daly. This unit was absorbed by the Council and became affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America.

Starting with seven (7) troops and 110 boys, the Council reached a total of sixteen (16) troops with a membership of 194 boys by May 1919, and ending the year with fifteen (15) troops and a membership of 247 boys. Considerable fluctuation was apparent as the following twenty (20) troops were listed on the National records as of September 9, 1920.

<i>Troop 1</i>	<i>- Mobile - Chester R. Savelle</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 2</i>	<i>- Mobile - Orvel W. Crowder</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 3</i>	<i>- Mobile - W. A. Christian</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 4</i>	<i>- Mobile - F. F. McGlynn</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 5</i>	<i>- Mobile - Rev. V. C. McMaiser</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 6</i>	<i>- Mobile - Edward Montague</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 7</i>	<i>- Mobile - C. H. Barnes</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 8</i>	<i>- Mobile - William J. J. McKinner</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 9</i>	<i>- Mobile - John E. Meredith</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 11</i>	<i>- Mobile - Robert F. Duffy</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 12</i>	<i>- Mobile - John A. McGee</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 13</i>	<i>- Mobile - T. J. McMahon</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 14</i>	<i>- Mobile - J. C. Wacker</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 15</i>	<i>- Mobile - J. E. Bullen</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 16</i>	<i>- Mobile - W. A. Christian</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 17</i>	<i>- Mobile - John H. Miller</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>

<i>Troop 1</i>	<i>- Bay Minette - Rowe Watson</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 2</i>	<i>- Bon Secour - Marion C. Shutt</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 3</i>	<i>- Daphne - N. O. Scott</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>
<i>Troop 4</i>	<i>- Grand Bay - Roy L. Langford</i>	<i>- Scoutmaster</i>

2. Administration:

On January 18, 1919, the committee resolved itself into a Council organization and adopted a written agreement between the citizens of Mobile and the Boy Scouts of America.

On March 12, 1919, a permanent chairman, the first President of the Council, although not termed as such, Alex Hancock, a local contractor, assumed his position, and Stanley Harris became Secretary. H. A. Pharr was the first Treasurer of the Council. A Scout Headquarters had been set up and assignments made to civic minded men to carry on the campaign for funds and to organize the official Boy Scout of America program in Mobile. Office facilities were secured on the second floor of the Chamber of Commerce building.

On April 17, 1920, Paul Harris tendered his resignation as Scout Executive and the Executive Committee appointed J. E. Meredith of Mobile to fill the position at a salary of \$3,000.00 per year. Washington and Baldwin Counties were both added to the council territory. The Council headquarters office was located at this time at the Emanuel Building in Mobile with one secretary as the clerical staff. The first statistical report of record was contained in the Council's application for charter covering the 1920 year's activities.

3. Finance:

The campaign goal was \$30,000.00 for the first three years of operation and would include an executive, assistant, clerical employee, and other operational and promotional items. The goal was not reached, but the Council began operation, concluding the first year of operation with net operating expenditures of \$2,868.00.

The budget system was adopted and adherence was emphasized. Net operating expenditures for the year were \$6,067.34, although the budget was \$9,000.00. The first Council operated camp was self supporting, so the Council was able to operate on its income, ending the year without a deficit.

4. Leadership:

As the Council got underway, additional community leaders were attracted in order to provide this most desirable program for the boys of the area.

Paul Harris, Jr. of Nashville, Tennessee was hired from the National Council on June 16, 1919 as the first Scout Executive. His leadership continued in office until the first annual meeting of the Mobile Council, Boy Scouts of America on December 5, 1919. C.M.A. Rogers was the first Council Commissioner, heading the program staff of the area.

The officers for 1920 were:

<i>President</i>	<i>- Alex Hancock (contractor)</i>
<i>First Vice President</i>	<i>- F. L. Grove (principal)</i>
<i>Second Vice President</i>	<i>- W. F. Walsh (tax collector)</i>
<i>Third Vice President</i>	<i>- L. E. Carroll (manger, C. D. Karney Company)</i>
<i>Forth Vice President</i>	<i>- Leon Schwarz (insurance)</i>
<i>Fifth Vice President</i>	<i>- J. H. Zelnicker</i>
<i>Secretary (Scout Executive)</i>	<i>- J. E. Meredith</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>- H. A. Pharr (bank cashier)</i>
<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>- Max Rogers (attorney)</i>

Executive Board Members:

<i>George W. Adams</i>	<i>L. D. Dix</i>	<i>Chester A. Mohr</i>
<i>W. H. Reynalds</i>	<i>E. G. Dreaper</i>	<i>W. K. Morrill</i>
<i>E. M. Bailey</i>	<i>R. T. Irvin</i>	<i>R. V. Taylor</i>
<i>George Linning</i>	<i>W. D. Bellingraph</i>	<i>Judge Price Williams</i>
<i>John Callaghan</i>	<i>V. C. McMaster</i>	<i>Father T. J. Eaton</i>
<i>J. B. Harvey</i>	<i>Mat Mahorner</i>	<i>C. M. Erdman</i>
<i>Roy Albright</i>	<i>W. H. Armbrecht</i>	<i>J. T. Wright</i>
<i>J. L. Cawthon</i>	<i>W. O. Lott</i>	<i>John Gaillard</i>
<i>G. E. Crawford</i>	<i>E. O. Fowlkes</i>	<i>W. H. Monk</i>
<i>E. C. Grace</i>	<i>S. S. Murphy</i>	<i>Gordon Smith</i>
<i>H. C. Vaughn</i>	<i>S. S. Neuberger</i>	<i>W. M. West</i>
<i>Will Oates</i>	<i>Jacob Reiss</i>	<i>Bigson DeWitt</i>
<i>Captain W. E. Mickle</i>		

5. Program:

Emphasis was placed on assisting the local troops to standardize their programs and adopt the proven program of the National Council. Assistance was rendered the community and nation through the sale of Liberty Bonds, service as guards; watchman; temporary firemen; crowd control; assistance in the promotion of the Red Cross and the Salvation Army campaigns; establishing as a foundation in Mobile, the Scout Slogan, "Do A Good Turn Daily". The wartime atmosphere, World War I, dictated many facets of Council and unit programming.

6. Membership:

Churches were the logical places to form Scout Troops. Prominent in this field were the Government Street Presbyterian Church, the Government Street Methodist Church, Christ Episcopal Church, All Saints Episcopal Church, the Boys' Industrial Home, and many of the Catholic Churches throughout the city.

The first Mobile Council, Boy Scouts of America, elected Alex Hancock as President; F. L. Grove as First Vice President; W. F. Walsh, L. E. Carroll, Leon Schwarz and J. H. Zelnicker, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Vice Presidents respectively. J. E. Meredith was elected Secretary; H. A. Pharr, Treasurer; and Max Rogers, Commissioner.

These public spirited citizens and recognized leaders in the Mobile civic life set the pace for the growth of the Scout movement in Mobile. Down through the years men of similar status and civic responsibility have been elected to office and have guided the Council through its successes and its disappointments; its triumphs and vicissitudes.

In 1919, the very year Scouting was organized in Mobile, a devastating fire swept the south side of the city. Forty city blocks were razed before the blaze could be brought under control. The newly organized Boy Scouts were cited for their manifold contributions during this catastrophe. They were particularly outstanding as guards in the stricken area, and rendered invaluable assistance to the firemen.

In that same year, 1919, they were commended by the Mobile City Police Department for the excellent manner in which they helped handle the huge crowds welcoming home the 67th Regiment, just returning from Europe.

The first Council operated Scout camp was held at historic Fort Gaines on Dauphin Island, Alabama on September 3 through September 17, 1919.

1920

The Mobile Council came of age in 1920. The slate of officers followed the pattern set throughout the country. The Scouters were gaining in know how and were following the technical guidance of the Scout Executive. A number of changes took place which virtually affected the growth in the area.

The second Council operated Scout camp was held at historic Fort Gaines on Dauphin Island, Alabama on June 8 through June 19, 1920, with E. V. Montague as Camp Director. Nine (9) troops with ninety-five (95) Scouts attended the event which had a camp fee of \$10.00. It was interesting to note that 1500 pounds of ice was used during the camp.

During this time, the Scouts would also camp at North Wharf and Battles Wharf, which are located near the present day site of the Marriott Grand Hotel & Resort in Point Clear, Alabama. There were not permanent buildings at either location and they used their pup tents for shelter.

On December 9, 1920, the first Eagle Scouts recorded were Price and Marshall Oliver, but the date of the award is unknown.

More emphasis was placed on individual unit programs, advancements and civic good turns.

Help was provided by the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs and by the U.S. Army for conducting the summer camping program.

The year 1920 saw the Boy Scouts active in such charitable endeavors as the Jewish War Relief, the Far East Relief, the Anti-Tuberculosis League, the Red Cross, and the Orphans Drive. That same year, Scout Julian Savage saved the life of a companion by the application of a tourniquet, a technique he had learned in his Scouting.

1921

The previous officers were continued in 1921, and during the early part of the year, the Executive Committee adopted the committee method of operation.

The following committees were appointed on January 7, 1921, by Council President Alex Hancock.

*Sub-committee of Executive Committee:
Max Rogers, Leon Schwarz, Walter Walsh*

*Auditing Committee:
J.F. McRae, John Gaillard, E.O. Fowlkes*

*Court of Honor Committee:
S.S. Murphy, W.H. Monk, Frank L. Grove, Dr T. R. Bridges, W. H. Fagerstrom*

*Camping Committee:
William E. Mickle, Jr., R.H. Coffin, E.V. Montague, Irvin Jackson*

Manpower for unit leadership and needs for additional funds were most frequently mentioned in minutes of the meetings of the Executive Committee.

Relationships with Jewish groups were established, and progress was made among Catholic churches under Mr. McNulty's leadership.

However, the enthusiastic surge of troop sponsorship by the National Catholic War Council began to subside, and several troops, organized hurriedly without proper foundation and training of leadership, began to fall apart. Many of these troops were assumed by Protestant churches in the city.

The second Council operated camp was held at Camp Alex Hancock on property owned by Mrs. J.K. Glennon from August 29 to September 10, 1921, under the supervision of the Scout Executive.

The sixty-seven (67) Scouts from eleven (11) troops, including two (2) troops from outside of the Council's jurisdiction, had a most eventful and fairly healthy stay. Only one small axe cut on the shin and two mild cases of homesickness were reported on the health report of the camp.

Boys paid a camp fee of \$7.50 each for the twelve day period. The deficit of \$189.94 in the camp operation had been underwritten prior to the camp opening by Mr. Hancock and Judge Williams.

Officers and members of the local Council as appearing on the application for charter for the local Council were:

<i>President</i>	<i>Alex Hancock</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Frank L. Grove</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Walter F. Walsh</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>L. E. Carroll</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Leon Schwarz</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>J.H. Zelnicker</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>H. Austill Pharr</i>
<i>Secretary (Scout Executive)</i>	<i>J.E. Meredith</i>
<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>C.M.A. Rogers</i>

*G.W. Adams
Roy Albright
William H. Armbrecht
E.M. Bailey
W.D. Bellingraph
John Callaghan
J.L. Cawthon
G.E. Crawford
Gibson DeWitt
L.D. Dix
E.G. Dreaper
T.J. Easton
C.M. Eardman
E.A. Fowlkes
John Gaillard
E.C. Grace
J.B. Harvey
F.E. Armstrong
W.O. Lott*

*William E. Mickle
Charles A. Mohr
W.H. Monk
W.R. Morrill
S.S. Murphy
V.C. McMasters
S.G. Neuberger`
W.H. Gates
Jacob Reiss
W.H. Reynalds
Gordon Smith
H.C. Vaughn
R.V. Taylor
W.M. West
Price Williams
J.T. Wright
J.W. Phillips
George Lining*

*H.B. Gayfer
C.H. Barnes
George Moeller
T.R. Bridges
J.H. Glennon
R.H. Llewellyh
Sidney Phillips
Ned Montague
W.A. Christian
Russell Parker
Anton Nelson
J.H. Miller
G.T. McRae
Harry Drysdale
W.T. Handy
Charles Haig
R.T. Irvin
R. Excell Fry*

The Mobile Council ended the year (1921) with net operating expenditures of \$5,269.66. A second staff member was added when Malcolm Chisholm was employed as Assistant Scout Executive. The advancement program was still in its infancy with eight (8) boys earning the Second Class Rank and ten (10) boys earning the First Class Rank. A total of forty-eight (48) merit badges were earned in 1921.

In 1921, Scout Julian Savage of Troop 12, by the prompt use of a tourniquet, saved the life of his young brother whose sub-clavian artery had been severed. Scout Savage's feat was all the more outstanding because he was only twelve years old and had received but one lesson in first aid.

Civic "Good Turns" marked the major service projects for the year (1921) as Scouts:

Served at the Mobile Fair - Hartwell Field

Participated in the Flag Day and Armistice Day exercises

Spotted and plotted unmarked streets in Mobile

Gathered over 26,000 tin cans in a clean-up campaign

Assisted with publicity campaigns for the Jewish War Relief, Far East Relief, Anti-tuberculosis League, Red Cross, Orphans Drive, Y.M.C.A, American Legion and various other local charities.

In his final report of the year (1921), the Scout Executive states, "There either exists an indifference to the boy problem in Mobile or there was an inability on the part of your Executive to enthuse the people over the subject." Regardless of the pessimistic report, considerable progress was made.

1922

The planning meeting in late December 1921 brought about several items, namely:

- 1. The hiring of a new Scout Executive, H.W. Webster, on a temporary basis*
- 2. An enlarged Executive Committee with several fully organized committees*
- 3. A determination to raise necessary operating funds to meet the program needs for the Council*
- 4. A concerted effort to share responsibility and to get away from the “one man operation” idea*
- 5. Setting goals to organize twenty-one (21) new troops during the year (1922)*

The officers for the year (1922) were:

<i>President</i>	<i>C. Max Rogers</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>F.L. Grove</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>L.E. Carroll</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>R.J. Kearns</i>
<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Alex Hancock</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Wallace Parham</i>

The 1922 net operating budget was \$6,5000.00, with the year end membership of one hundred and thirty-four (134) boys in eight (8) troops. The lack of records indicate considerable changes on the part of the administrative leadership, and it is indicated that this period was rather difficult in many areas of community life.

1923

The Executive leadership again changed in the early part of the year with the resignation of H.W. Webster as Scout Executive and the hiring of Harry C. Burton in May 1923.

Dr. William Oates began the first of two terms as Council President which saw several changes in Council operations.

Joe S. Norton became the Council Treasurer, serving in an outstanding manner in this capacity through February 1959, providing stability and experience to Scouting's financial program.

The net operating expenditures for the year (1923) were \$4,624.48. Several members of the Executive Committee contributed heavily to provide the budget needs. Alex Hancock's influence was still strongly felt, and his strong financial support kept the Council from deficit financing.

Year end membership figures stood at nine (9) troops, no Sea Scouts, which had been a part of all previous figures, and one hundred and eighteen (118) boys registered on December 31, 1923 in Mobile, Whistler and Crichton.

A letter in the history files of the Council from Dr. George J. Fisher, Deputy Chief Scout Executive, is most critical of several administrative practices which include infrequent Executive Board meetings and the lack of records.

However, with no Scout Executive for the first four months of the year, the lack of attention to critical items are understandable.

The officers for the year were:

<i>President</i>	<i>Dr. William Oates</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Joe S. Norton</i>
<i>Secretary (Scout Executive)</i>	<i>Harry C. Burton (May 1, 1923)</i>

1924

With greater stability in leadership and some experience on the part of the Scout Executive, 1924 proved to be a much better year for Scouting in Mobile. Although troops continued to operate, the effectiveness of the program was almost nullified without an operating Council to extend the "service stations" to boys through the organization of new units, training of leadership and inspiration of leaders, boys and the general public.

The annual camp at Camp Glennon at Point Clear, Baldwin County, Alabama was from July 24 to August 9, 1924 and was attended by ninety-five (95) boys. Only two cases of minor sunburn evidenced a most healthful camp, and the program was improved over the previous year.

Civic "Good Turns" continued to play a vital role in the service program of the units in the Council. Bay Minette and Fairhope troops were also given assistance by the Council and participated in the Council's activities.

Scouts Payl Cram and Lesesne Brannon were awarded Certificates of Heroism by the National Court of Honor, the first two awarded in the Mobile area.

Relationships with churches was emphasized through unit organization and re-organization in the Central Presbyterian Church, Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Christ Episcopal Church, Dauphin Way Methodist Church, Orthodox Jewish Synagogue, and the Daupin Way Baptist Church.

The officers for the year were:

<i>President</i>	<i>Dr. William H. Oates</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>N. E. Stallworth</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Dr. E. B. Dreaper</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Rev. Thomas R. Bridges</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>J. S. Norton</i>
<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Sam W. Pipes, Jr</i>
<i>Secretary (Scout Executive)</i>	<i>Harry C. Burton</i>

Executive Board Members were:

<i>Alex Hancock</i>	<i>Warren Christian</i>	<i>Hoyt W. Lee</i>
<i>Rev R.O. Gerow</i>	<i>J.H. Wienans</i>	<i>Frank Grove</i>
<i>W.A. Steadman</i>	<i>W.D. Bellingraph</i>	<i>S.S. Murphy</i>

*R.L. McConnell
Rev J.O. Hunter
Rev E.C. Moore
Emile Hergin
Myron T. Sprague
Jack Meredith
Judge Claude Grayson
Charles E. Meredith
Tom Woods
Judge Price Williams
Shannon Hunter
Ralph G. Holberg
Sam Colvin*

*Roy Albirght
Edwin Warbley
Leon Schwartz
Rev J.F. Ellison
W.H. Reynolds
George Lining
Lloyd Abbott
Walter L. Ellis
Irving Jackson
Pay Byrne
Julius Hammel
R.D. Walker
Rev V. McMaster*

*Sherwood Pape
William Wakeford
W.T.S. Hill
Noah Schwartz
L.G. Adams
Tom Taylor
Rev Louis Tucker
Andrew Mitchell
Gordon Smith
Harris Vaughn
J.E. Addicks
Rabbi A.G. Moses*

Help was provided by the Saint Francis Street Methodist Church in the loss of Scoutmaster Hoyt W. Lee, who was transferred from the city by his company, and to the Government Street Methodist Church.

The net operating expenditures for the year was \$3,966.04 for the Council ending in 1924 with fourteen (14) troops and one hundred and seventy-two (172) registered Scouts.

1925

Gradually the Mobile Council grew into the Mobile Area Council, comprising Clarke, Baldwin, and Washington Counties, in addition to Mobile County and was chartered on August 14, 1925 with its new name.

The name change from Mobile Council was changed in 1924 from Mobile Council to Mobile Area Council, and then in 1926 it changed to Mobile & Baldwin Counties Council and finally in 1927, it was changed to its present name of Mobile Area Council.

In 1925, Dr. William H. Oates continued as Council President, but was succeeded by Sam W. Pipes, Jr. in March 1925.

Henry C. Burton resigned as Scout Executive on September 30, 1925, so the period proved to be one of changing leadership.

The planned budget was \$4,025.00, but additional support was secured for additional programs. Net operating expenditures for the year was \$4,727.51.

Officers for the year were:

<i>President</i>	<i>Sam W. Pipes, Jr</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Dr E.B. Dreaper</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Rev T.R. Bridges</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>N.E. Stallworth</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Joe S. Norton</i>
<i>Commissioner</i>	
<i>Secretary (Scout Executive)</i>	<i>Harry C. Burton (through September 20, 1925)</i>

Executive Board Members were:

<i>Noah Schwartz</i>	<i>J.E. Meredith</i>	<i>Rev J.H. Ellison</i>
<i>R.D. Walker</i>	<i>Fritz Norquist</i>	<i>J.M. Milling</i>
<i>W.L. Ellis</i>	<i>Rev J.W. Phillips</i>	<i>Frank Grove</i>
<i>Myron Sprague</i>	<i>G.J. Hindsman</i>	<i>C.A. Strain</i>
<i>Erwin Craighead</i>	<i>W.D. Bellingraph</i>	<i>T.D. Brewster</i>
<i>S.S. Murphy</i>	<i>J.H. Creighton</i>	<i>Harry Kemp</i>
<i>C.A. Baumhauer</i>	<i>Jack Hughes</i>	<i>Warren Christian</i>
<i>Douglas Harris</i>	<i>Walter K. Smith</i>	<i>T.J. Ford</i>
<i>James H. Glennon</i>	<i>L.G. Adams</i>	<i>Rev Frank Hackett</i>
<i>D.P. Bestor</i>	<i>Rev C.B. Arendall</i>	<i>Julius T. Wright</i>
<i>E.F. Ladd</i>	<i>Harry T. Hartwell</i>	<i>David Holt</i>
<i>R.V. Taylor</i>	<i>Hugh Stanfil</i>	<i>Leon Schwartz</i>
<i>Pay Byrne</i>	<i>Rabbi A.G. Moses</i>	<i>Claude Grayson</i>
<i>H.D. Lesesne</i>	<i>W.H. Myrick</i>	<i>Andrew Mitchell</i>
<i>T.R. Bridges</i>	<i>O.M. Phelps</i>	<i>Irwin Jackson</i>
<i>Henry D. Luscher</i>	<i>Rodney Speer</i>	<i>E.J. Grove</i>

In September 1925, the Council appointed a Committee to meet with the Mobile Chamber of Commerce in reference to the proposed organization of the Community Chest of Mobile.

Mobile Council ended the year with only ninety-six (96) registered Scouts in Seven (7) troops, pointing toward adequate trained professional leadership for guidance of Scouting in a local area.



Mobile Area Council Scouts traveled in two Ford Model T cars and one Ford Sedan from Mobile to Tuscaloosa, Alabama for the 1925 Scout Jamboree. It took thirteen (13) hours to drive from Mobile to Tuscaloosa, Alabama via Demopolis on a white clay, dirt and gravel roads, which turned into mud due to January rain. It took eight (8) hours of driving between Demopolis and Greensboro, Alabama. There were Scouts from Troops 2 -7 -12 - 20. Five of the Scouts that participated were identified as: Henry Grube, George Hardesty, Alan Troup and Scout Howard.



*Scouts from Troop 7 - George Hardesty, Henry Grube, and Alan Troup
Attended the January 1925 - Scout Jamboree in Tuscaloosa, Alabama*



Left: H. L. Gaskins - Scout Executive

Right: Alfred Frederick Delchamps, Sr. - Founder of the Delchamps Grocery Store Chain.



*January 1925
Boy Scout Jamboree
Tuscaloosa, Alabama*

Scouts from Troops 2 -7- 12 -20

1926

In late December 1925, the Executive Board interviewed Herbert L. Gaskin, Field Scout Executive at Jackson, Mississippi for the position of Scout Executive of the Mobile Council. Gaskin assumed his duties on January 5, 1926, on a temporary basis, until May 15, 1926.

Judge David H. Edington succeeded Sam Pipes as Council President in March 1926, beginning a period of aggressive leadership for Scouting in Mobile. Ray J. Seegar, Scout Executive in Huntsville, Alabama assumed the position of Scout Executive on May 15, 1926.

The combined efforts of Judge Edington and Scout Executive Ray Seegar provided the stability needed to build a Boy Scout Council as evidenced by the membership records.

In June 1926, a camp which was used for many happy and useful years of Scouting activities was donated by the Taylor and Lowenstein families. It was appropriately called Camp Tay-Low and served the boys for many years before it was outgrown. It was located approximately five (5) miles north of Whistler near Kushler, Alabama on Chickasabogue Creek. Camp Tay-Low was opened on July 5, 1926 for its first operation.

1933

In 1933, two permanent camps, Camp Pushmataha and Camp Leon Roberts, were purchased near the city of Citronelle which is located in north Mobile County, Alabama. These purchases were made possible by the unselfish action of Scout Executive Ray Seegar in pledging his own life insurance to raise funds with which the purchases of these two camps were effected. Camp Leon Roberts was used as a Scout camp for minority Scouts.

1940's

During the 1940's, outstanding among the contributions of Scouts during World War II was the collection of 125,000 pounds of waste paper for the War Drive. It was enough to fill ten railroad cars, and won for the Scouts the coveted General Eisenhower Award.

1950's & 1960's

Each fall during the 1950's and 1960's the Mobile Area Council held a Scout-O-Rama, which was held at Ladd Stadium as a Scouting fund raiser. The Scout-O-Rama consisted of exhibit booths presented by individual Scout units; Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorer Scout units from throughout the Council. The exhibit booths were constructed below the stands and were visited by numerous parents of Scouts and interested citizens of Mobile.

Also during this period, Boy Scouts from the Council participated in the annual Senior Bowl football game as ushers.

1958

In 1958, there were 5,000 Scouts who participated in the Scout-O-Rama.

In this same year, there were 40,000 boys of Scout age in the Mobile area. At this time, the Mobile Area Council had 234 chartered units with 6,300 Scouts and 2,000 adult leaders registered.

In 1958, a much larger camp was acquired in Clarke County. It was given the name of Camp Maubila. It comprises 680 acres of beautiful timber country in Clarke County, and compares with 89 acres at Camp Pushmataha. Camp Maubila is located near Grove Hill, Alabama.

In 1958 there were 101 merits badges in the Scouting program.

1959

And in 1959, the first Council event was held at Camp Maubila, it was the 1959 Camp-O-Ral, a Council wide weekend camp out. At that time there were few trees and no buildings at this camp.

1960's

In 1963, a capital fund drive was launched to raise \$300,000 for buildings and equipment for Camp Maubila. Arthur Tonsmeire successfully chaired this campaign. In 1965, Camp Maubila became the council's primary camp and the first council summer camp was held there that year instead of at Camp Pushmataha.

1970

Starting in 1970, the Mobile Area Council sponsored an annual Scout Show event for one weekend each fall. This event took place in the northwest corner of the Bel Air Mall Shopping Center's grounds. The area where the event was located is today additional parking for the mall. The Scout Show consisted of numerous Scouting exhibits; rope bridges, signal towers, camp sites, cooking demonstrations, first aid demonstrations, compass use, and other related Scouting activities. There were numerous units from the Council that participated in this event, which was open to and attended by the parents and the general public.

Council Scouter leadership training during the early 1970's was conducted at Ashland Methodist Church and camping training was located in the grassy area to the right of the entrance to the church.

1971

In 1971, the National Council changed the Boy Scout uniform for Boy Scouts. The trousers with the button flap and red piping were replaced with standard pockets and the Scout whistle with its red cord lanyard that had been worn around the Scout's neck and the whistle attached to the left pocket's button was deleted. The Scout Leadership Patch and red beret were added.

1972

In order to better serve the institutions using Scouting, the Mobile Area Council decided to divide into eight geographical areas called districts.

<i>(White)</i>	<i>#1</i>	<i>Spanish Trail</i>	<i>Mobile County</i>
<i>(White)</i>	<i>#2</i>	<i>Azalea</i>	<i>Mobile County</i>
<i>(White)</i>	<i>#4</i>	<i>Tall Pines</i>	<i>Clarke - Washington County</i>
<i>(White)</i>	<i>#5</i>	<i>Baldwin</i>	<i>Baldwin County</i>
<i>(Color)</i>	<i>#6</i>	<i>Cloverleaf</i>	<i>Mobile County</i>
<i>(Color)</i>	<i>#7</i>	<i>Tombigbee</i>	<i>Clarke - Washington County</i>
<i>(Color)</i>	<i>#8</i>	<i>Magnolia</i>	<i>Baldwin County</i>

<u><i>District</i></u>	<u><i>District Commissioner</i></u>	<u><i>Asst. District Commissioner</i></u>
<i>Spanish Trail</i>	<i>James Strickland</i>	<i>Rev E. M. Cotten Richard Whitword John Hart</i>
<i>Azalea</i>	<i>Roger Geil</i>	
<i>Tall Pines</i>	<i>Donald Duff</i>	
<i>Baldwin</i>	<i>Wes Strauley</i>	<i>Ernest Irwin Roderick Byrne</i>
<i>Cloverleaf</i>	<i>Maurice Holt</i>	
<i>Tombigbee</i>		
<i>Magnolia</i>	<i>John Hobbs</i>	

In 1972, the Council had several men working on their Woodbadge. Bill Allen had served on Regional Staff Woodbadge courses and was a very dedicated man. The Council have had a number of men participate in various Woodbadge Courses, but not all of them had completed their written work. Charles Zehner of Bay Minette; Gene Totach of Foley; Harper Williams of Mobile; Roy Jones of Mobile; Walter Kennedy of Mobile; Bill Allen of Prichard.

1973

The Advancement Committee had for many years had a day long program for Eagle Day. They visited local industrial and construction sites. Martin Johnson, the Advancement Chairman, planned and had a committee work on the first Eagle Dinner. The Eagle Dinner was held on February 13, 1973, and was held at the Admiral Semmes Hotel in downtown Mobile.

The Council show called, "EXPO '73" was scheduled for Apr 7, 1973. It was a booth type show and was held at the Municipal Auditorium. This was a big show where units got 25% commission from ticket sales, the boys received prizes for selling tickets and the Council got what was left after expenses of putting the show on were paid. In 1972, the Council netted approximately \$6,000.00 from the show.

1976

The year 1976 saw the completion of the Monte L. Moorer Sevice Center located at 2587 Government Boulevard in Mobile, Alabama. The Dr. Monte L. Moorer Foundation donated \$100,000 and an additional \$30,000 was secured from the James Graham Brown Foundation. These two generous gifts made possible the much needed expansion of the Council Service Center for the use of volunteers fo the Mobile Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Deceased Scouter, E. E. Ellis, Jr. is one of the Scouters most responsible for this building.

1978

On October 12, 1978, the Mobile Area Council was presented with a solid brass sundial, which was given to Troop 3 in 1936. This brass sundial has all of the Scout Law on it, and was made by Herbert Bayard, an engineer employed by the Gulf Oil Company.

This presentation was due to the fact that the original owner of the sundial, Troop 3 of the Whistler United Methodist Church in Whistler, Alabama would not be re-registering at the end of 1977, and since M. Lee Hammond, who had been its Scoutmaster for 25 years and currently on its Committee, had been assured by the Mobile Area Council would keep and protect it in the Mobile, Alabama area, Troop 3 would present the Council with its prized solid brass sundial.

At the time it was given to Troop 3 in 1936, Herbert Bayard presented it to them in appreciation for his camping experiences with Troop 3's Scouts, who in his opinion showed the most, and best Scouting spirit of any he had ever seen and he had camped with troops all across the United States.

It still stands today in front of the Mobile Area Council's Service Center.

1999

The Mobile Area Council created Camp Challenge, which is a five day camp for inner city youth to be held at Camp Maubila in Grove Hill, Alabama. The camp is funded by the city of Mobile, which allocated \$21,650.00 to fund this opportunity for one hundred (100) inner city youth to experience basic Scouting skills.

2010

The Mobile Area Council acquired a new Scout camp, Camp Pine Treat, which is located in Stockton, Alabama.

Old District Names:

Azalea District - now known as Choctaw District

Camellia District - now known as Spanish Trail District

Pine Tree District - now known as Baldwin District

Cloverleaf District - was Scoutreach and now is again known as Cloverleaf



At the Scoutreach District Banquet, volunteers were recognized for their achievements and service. Aline Woodyard and Rudolph Hudness received the Clarence Matthews Leadership Award; Woodyard has 58 years of Scouting service and Hudnell has 61. From left are Claudette Daffin, daughter of Clarence Matthews; Aline Woodyard; Hazel Fournier, daughter of Clarence Matthews; Rudolph Hudnell; and Scoutreach District Chairman, Jeff Robbins.

The award is named for the late Clarence Matthews. In 1930, Matthews mortgaged his Mobile home to travel with 43 boys to Washington, DC. His mission was to ask President Herbert Hoover for a charter to allow Negro boys in Mobile to be officially recognized as members of the Boy Scouts of America. On their way, the travelers visited Tuskegee Institute and met Dr. George Washington Carver.

On Matthew's last day in the Nation's capital, he and the boys were escorted through the front door of the capital building, where President Hoover and Vice President Charles Curtis shook hands and spoke with each of them. Best of all, President Hoover awarded not one Boy Scout charter, but three.

***Mobile Area Council
Boy Scouts of America
History of Scout Camps
1919 - Present***

From 1919 to 1926, the Mobile Council, Boy Scouts of America did not have a permanent camp site and did very little camping. Several trips were made before this time, but were not efficiently handled and could not be classed as approved Boy Scout camps.

In June 1926, a camp site was secured near Kushla, Alabama. Taylor-Lowenstein Company at that time giving the Mobile Council permission to use certain lands free of charge, but without written agreement or lease. The Council erected upon this site a mess hall and six (6) cabins at a cost of \$1,201.18.

In 1927, the mess hall and cabins were floored at an expense of \$346.19.

In 1928, a new handicraft building was erected and equipped at an expense of \$601.81.

This made a total investment at Camp Tay-Low for the buildings and equipment of \$2,149.18.

In 1933, it became apparent that health, safety and physical conditions at Camp Tay-Low should be improved and as the Council did not have a lease upon the property it was decided to make an effort to secure another camp site which would be more ideal from a health standpoint and which would give more room for expansion.

The Camp Committee under the leadership of Mr. Sam Pipes made several trips to different localities in the county (Mobile County) and inspected several camp sites, finally finding what they considered the best site available at Citronelle, Alabama. This property was then known as the Mann Place and consisted of eighty-six (86) acres at an elevation of three hundred and sixty (360) feet above sea level, with a spring lake of four (4) acres and a spring fed swimming pool 185 feet x 60 feet in size. This property at that time had two (2) old buildings upon it that had been partly completed some forty (40) years before, and two (2) small cabins. After inspection by National and Regional officers, it was decided that if a way could be found, that it would be advisable for the Council to secure this property as a permanent camp site. On investigation it was found that this property could be purchased for \$3,500.00 on a five (5) year contract, \$1,000.00 cash and \$500.00 per year over a period of five (5) years. It was further found that the Council could get the donation of R.F.C. labor to tear down these old buildings, construct new ones, and clear off the property at no expense to the Council except for tools.

In order to take advantage of this situation and because of the fact that the Community Chest would not allow any monies for capital improvement, it was necessary to find someone who would advance the money, so that the Council could take advantage of this opportunity and secure the necessary labor to complete it.

A friend of Scouting made the initial payment of \$1,000.00 and obligated himself to the balance at \$500.00 per year, leasing the property to the Council for a five (5) year period with the privilege of purchase any time within this period subject to a yearly rental equal to the amount of interest and taxes on the money advanced. It was found after these arrangements were completed that some money would be needed to take care of the necessary hardware, tools and equipment and for the moving of Camp Tay-Low's buildings to Citronelle. Party referred to, advanced to the Council in 1933, \$726.50 and \$405.83 in 1934. The \$726.50 was added to the purchase price under the lease and the \$405.83 was still being carried in an open account against the receipts from the camp (1935).

The work done on the camp and new buildings were constructed from material salvaged, which increased the value of the camp by about \$5,000.00 over the purchase price.

STATEMENT

Present value of the camp property and equipment (1935) \$10, 500.00

Outstanding obligations:

Purchase price to Council under five year lease \$4,226.50

Other monies advanced \$ 405.83

Bill Payable \$ 267.00

Interest & taxes - June 15, 2935 \$ 297.00

Total \$5,196.45

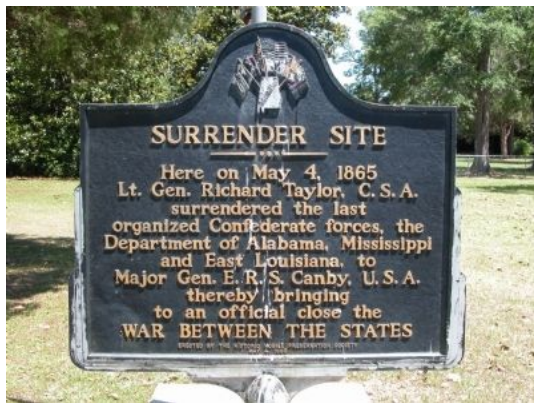
The camp operation did not require assistance from the Council's budget, except for capital improvements.

During the 1934 season, operations showed a profit of around \$300.00, which was used in reducing the outstanding capital expenditures.

They confidently expected that after the Council had taken over the camp and paid all of the outstanding obligations that the receipts from the camp each year would take care of the expenses including ordinary improvements and upkeep.

On May 4, 1865, at the site where Camp Pushmataha was located in Citronelle, Alabama, Lt. General Richard Taylor, C.S.A. surrendered the last organized Confederate forces, the Department of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana, to Major General E.R.S. Canby, U.S.A. thereby bringing to an official close to the War Between the States.

In 1965, there was a marker erected by The Historic Mobile Preservation Society on Center Street/County Road 41 at the entrance to the camp. Coordinates 31 degrees 4.512 minutes north and 88 degrees 14.023 minutes west.



CAMP DESIGNED FOR SCOUTS' USE ON HISTORIC SITE

Officials Announce Contest to Name Unit Being Constructed In County

How good is your knowledge of local history? Are you well informed on the Indian tribes that used to roam the wilds of Mobile county? Do you know anything about historical events that marked the growth of southern Alabama?

A contest to select a name for the new Boy Scout camp at Citronelle is announced by scout officials. Two weeks at camp with all expenses paid during the camping season next summer will be given to the person between the ages of 15 and 25 who selects a name for the camp. If an older person should win the contest he may designate a boy or girl to enjoy the prize.

Ray Seeger, Boy Scout executive, in announcing the contest, emphasized that the name may not be that of an individual, but must have some historical reference. The scout executive board will judge the entries.

If you have a suggestion, send it and an explanation of not more than 50 words to the Contest Manager, Boy Scout headquarters, Box 1553, Mobile, Ala., before October 29.

Seventy years ago it was the plantation home of a southern gentleman. Approximately 50 years ago it was a potential summer resort and money mint. Today, overrun with grape vines grown wild, and marked by the tombstone-like foundations of an old mansion, it is about to be the largest and most beautiful Boy Scout camp in the south.

On the historic site, near Surrender Oak, where General Dick Taylor, son of President Zachary Taylor, and a Confederate soldier, surrendered to the Federal general, E. R. S. Canby, May 8, 1865, a month after General Lee had handed over his sword at Appomattox, groups of RFC workers are laying off baseball diamonds, rifle and archery ranges, tennis, volleyball and basketball courts for the use of Mobile county Boy Scouts during the summer.

Work Is Progressing

From the materials that were purchased almost 50 years ago by Col. Eugene Mann to build a summer hotel that was calculated to surpass the celebrated North Carolina resorts, trim rustic scout cabins and lodges have been built along the lake and on the wooded hills surrounding. In the lake, that was to be the old hotel's chief attraction, RFC workers are working with mule teams, scraping the bottom, constructing drainage systems, building rafts, diving boards and piers.

The terraces and ridges where an imaginative hotel builder hoped to have bridle paths and landscaped vistas for the pleasure of scores of wealthy guests, are being restored to their former beauty for the benefit of scores of Mobile county Boy Scouts.

The 36-acre tract, known by natives of Citronelle as the old Mann place, was purchased by the Boy Scouts several months ago to be converted into a camp for week-ends and the summer season.

RFC Labor Helps

With the aid of RFC labor and with plans, generously drawn up gratis by N. H. Holmes, Mobile architect, scout officials expect to see the camp sufficiently near completion for a formal opening November 1.

Seven cabins, which will accommodate as many as 10 boys each; a large mess hall, with offices and sleeping quarters for the camp executive and camp cook; a library and recreation hall, a handicraft shop and the caretaker's cottage have already been erected, entirely of material taken from the old Mann mansion. The mess hall has been furnished with tables and benches, made from the old materials, and the kitchen has been furnished with supplies from the old Camp Tay-Low on Chickasabogue.

Mounted antlers and butterfly and snake specimens under glass have been arranged on shelves in the room along with totem poles, relics and trophies owned by the scouts for ornamentation.

Years of exposure to sun and wind have given the building a weathered finish which Ray Seeger, scout executive, says will not be changed except with oil to darken and preserve it.

Lake Being Enlarged

A visitor at the camp will find Mr. Seeger busily engaged with crews of RFC workers, blasting away the big concrete foundations to the old mansion, cleaning and enlarging the lake, clearing away underbrush and weeds around the cabins, and generally improving and developing the place, which has lain untenanted since the Mann fortunes failed 40 years ago.

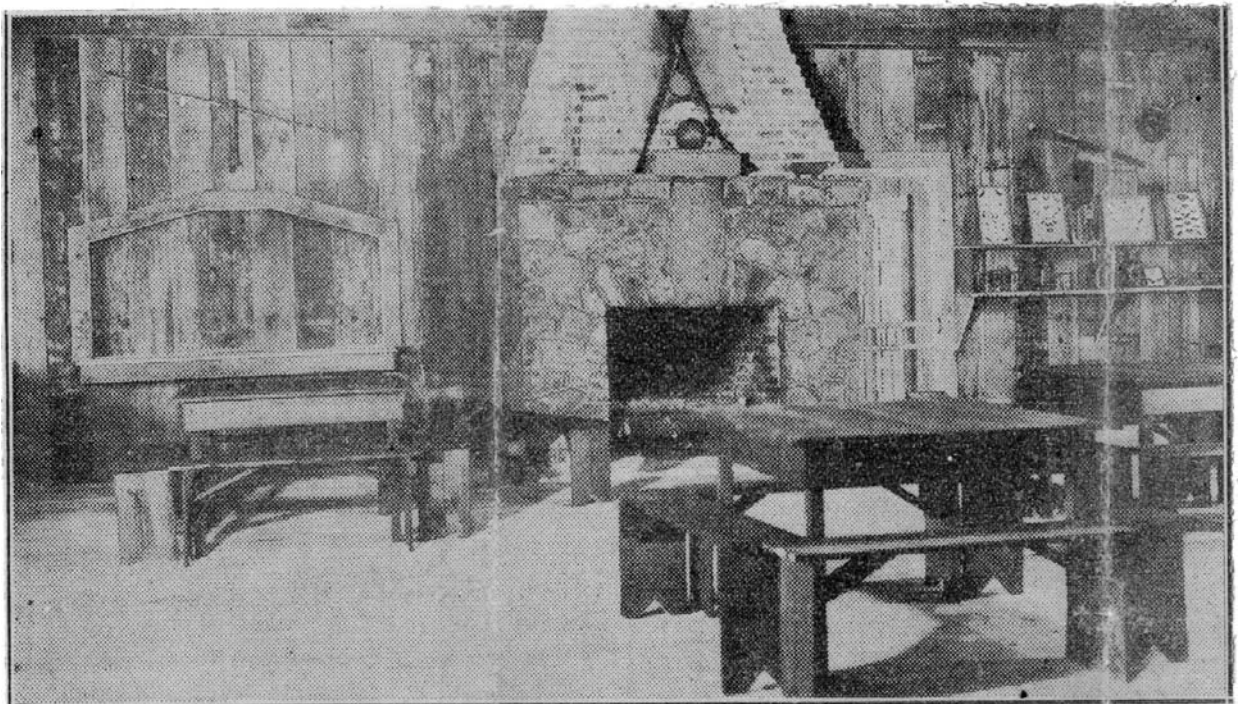
Down by a big spring at the end of the lake a group of men are erecting a log spring house. The spring, recently clogged and overgrown with weeds, has been cleaned and made sanitary with a cement basin, and offers the best drinking water in the county, residents of Citronelle will tell you. Nearby a pool, which was once swampy and dense with underbrush, is being converted into a lily pond and fish pool. Other groups of men are installing sanitary sewerage systems, and still others are stacking up the logs which have been cut down for fuel in the big rock fireplace in the mess hall. Native rocks, found in the hills surrounding the place, have been used.

Wine Cellars Used

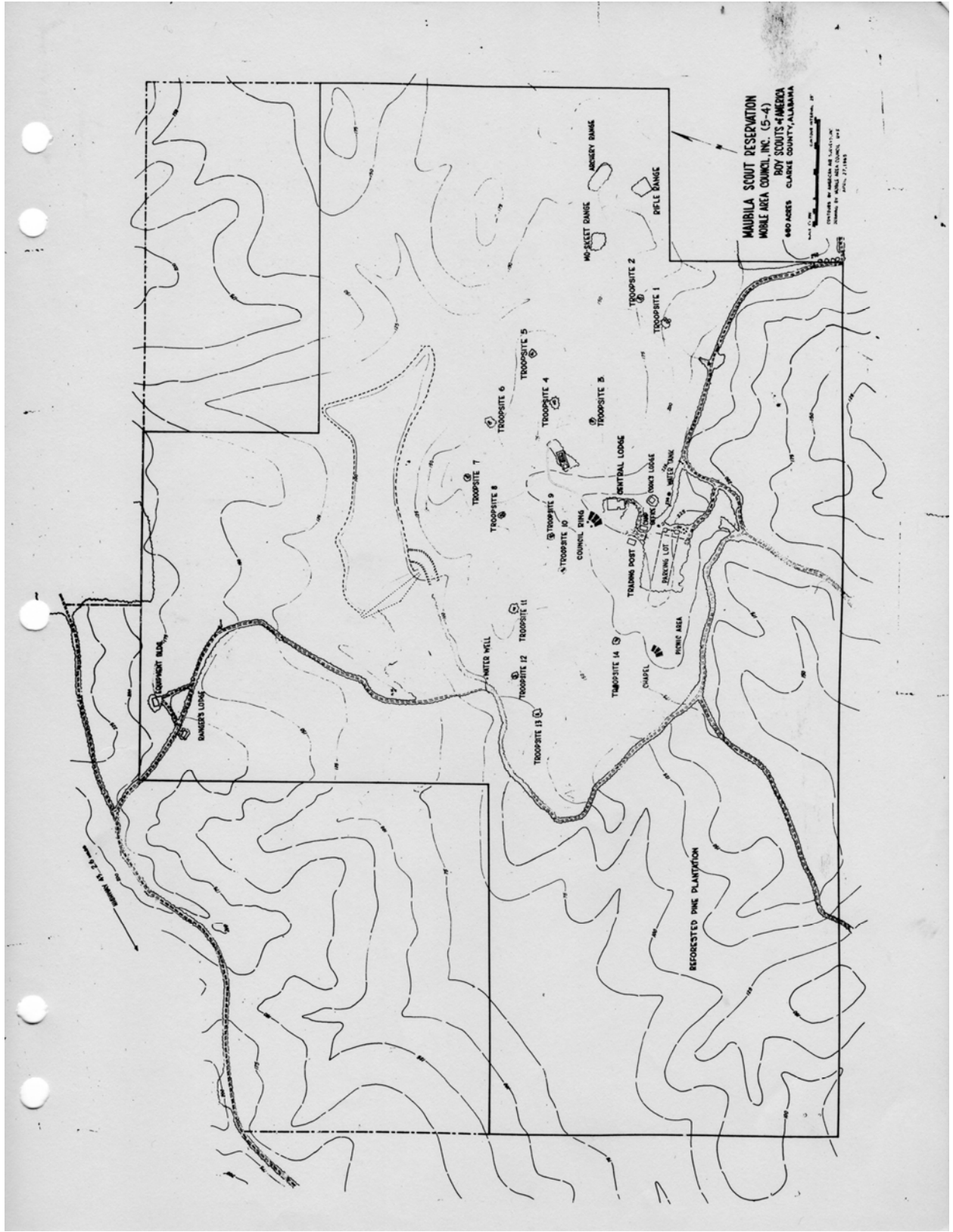
A new use for the large wine cellars, built almost 70 years ago by Dr. Joseph Borden, has been found by Mr. and Mrs. Seeger. The smaller of the two cellars has been screened and planted with cedar trees, and serves as the home of a family of doves, gifts to the camp. The other cellar will be used as a home for snakes, which the boys study annually at camp.

Woods, dense and large enough for an unfamiliar hiker to get lost in, surround the camp, and will be used extensively in the summer for nature study expeditions, tent camping and out-of-door cooking, the camp executives promise. In addition to the numerous and prolific hickory trees on the estate there are pecan, persimmon, peach and plum trees, and in many places the grounds are tangled with grape vines, the remains of the doctor's fine old vineyard, by which he kept his cellars filled.

Mobile Boy Scouts Will Have New Camp



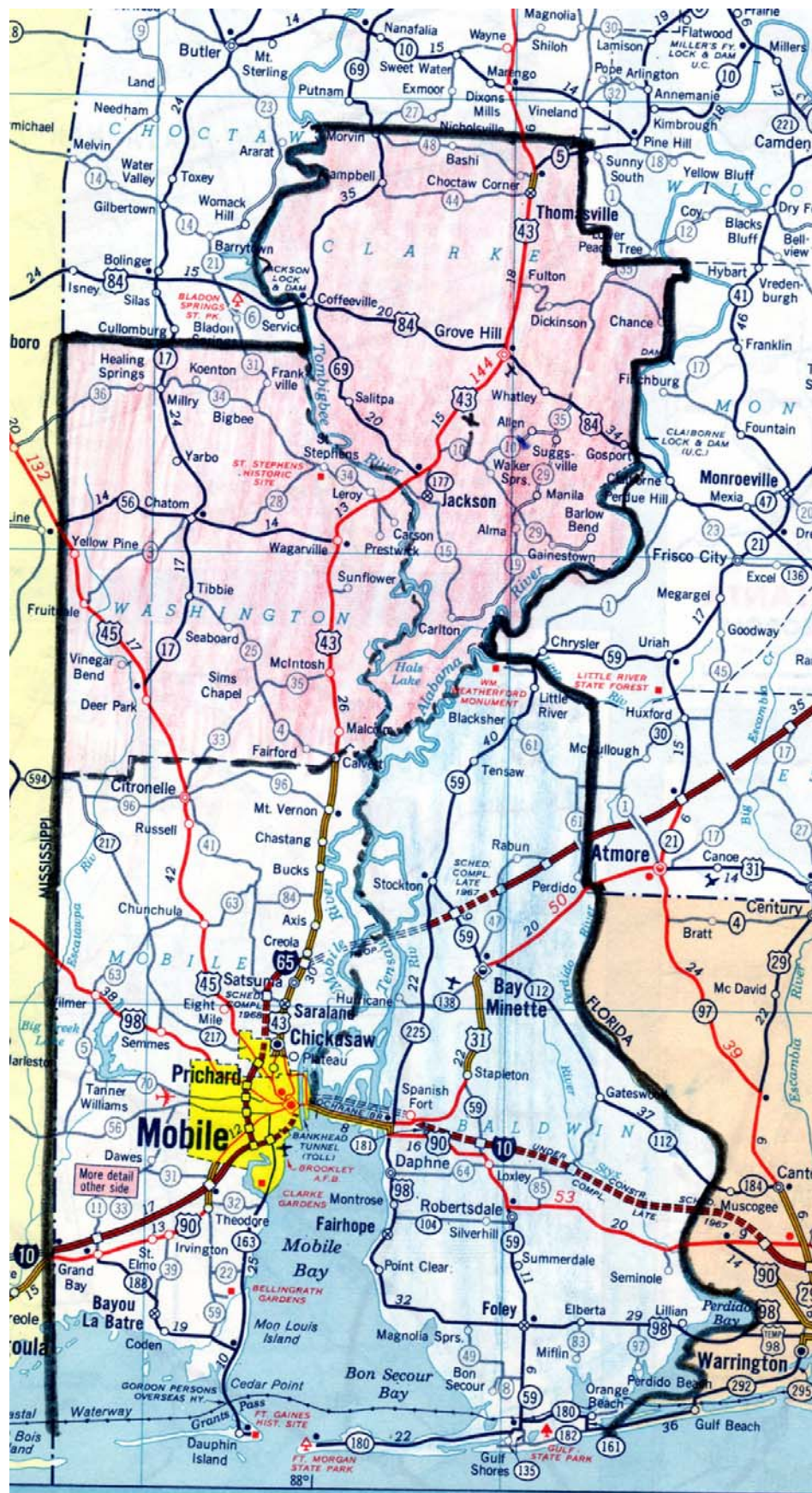
Two views of the main building at the new Boy Scout camp at Citronelle are shown above. The building was planned by N. H. Holmes, architect, and includes, in addition to a spacious mess hall, office and canteen, the kitchen, quarters for the executive and the cook's quarters. The photograph at the bottom shows the fireplace end of the mess hall. At left is the window into the kitchen and at right are shelves containing biological specimens and relics.



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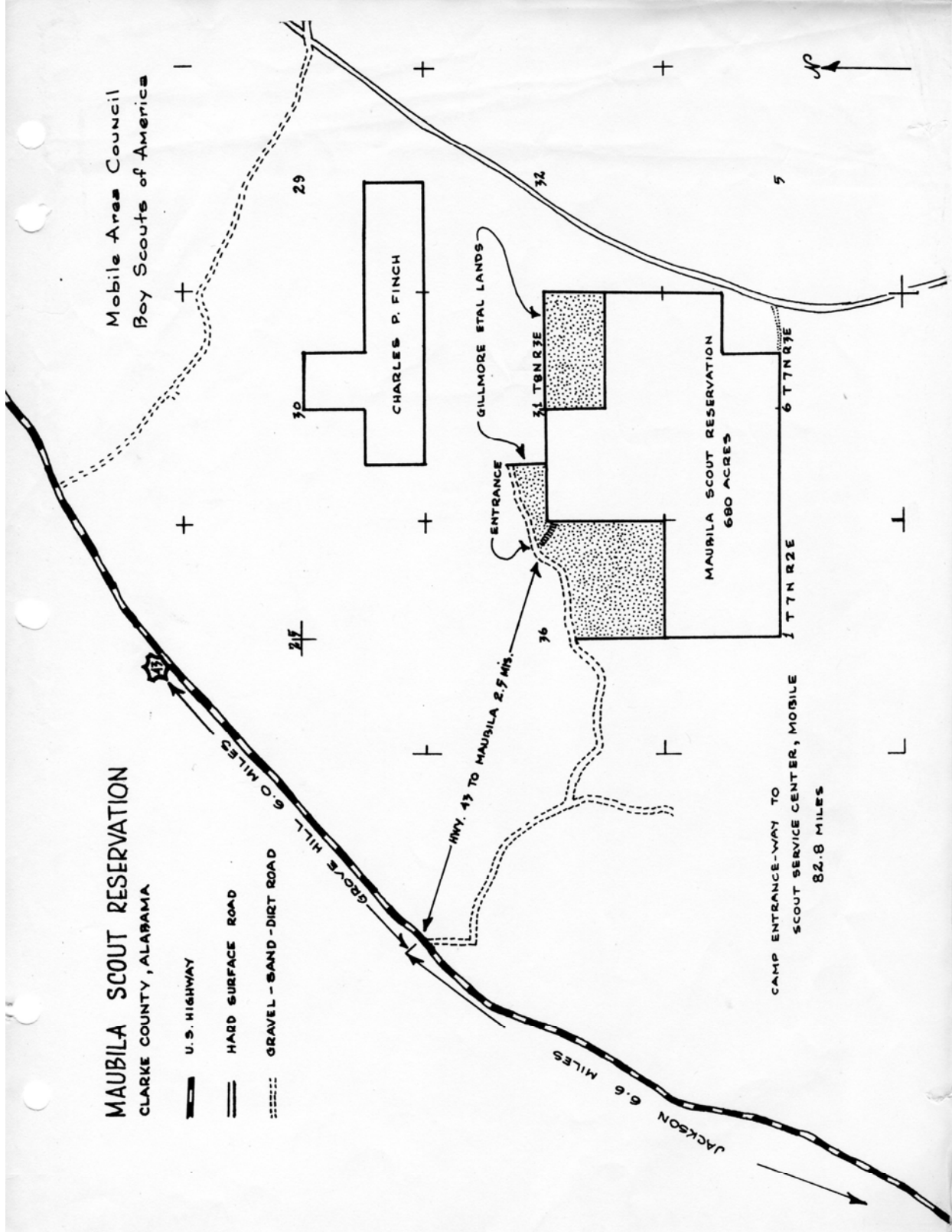
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MAUBILA SCOUT RESERVATION
 CLARKE COUNTY, ALABAMA

- U.S. HIGHWAY
- == HARD SURFACE ROAD
- GRAVEL - SAND - DIRT ROAD



Mobile Area Council
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MAUBILA SCOUT RESERVATION
 680 ACRES

CAMP ENTRANCE-WAY TO
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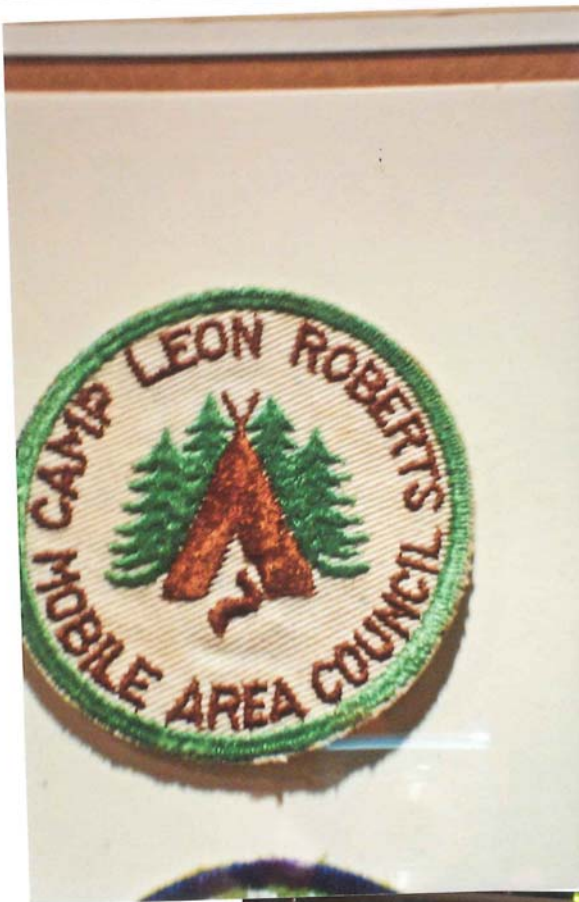
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*Mobile Council / Mobile Area Council
Key 3's*

<i>YEAR</i>	<i>COUNCIL PRESIDENT</i>	<i>SCOUT EXECUTIVE</i>	<i>COUNCIL COMMISSIONER</i>	<i>UNITS</i>	<i>BOYS</i>	<i>BUDGET</i>	<i>STAFF</i>
<i>Jan 16, 1919</i>	<i>Alex Hancock</i>	<i>Paul Harris, Jr.</i>	<i>George Lining</i>	<i>007</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>\$2,860.00</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>Apr 27, 1920</i>	<i>Alex Hancock</i>	<i>J. E. Meredith</i>	<i>C. M. A. (Max) Rogers</i>	<i>015</i>	<i>247</i>	<i>6,067.34</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1921</i>	<i>Alex Hancock</i>	<i>J. E. Meredith</i>	<i>C. M. A. (Max) Rogers</i>	<i>011</i>	<i>218</i>	<i>5,269.66</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1922</i>	<i>C. M. A. (Max) Rogers</i>	<i>H. W. Webster</i>	<i>Alex Hancock</i>	<i>008</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>6,500.00</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1923</i>	<i>Dr William H. Oates</i>	<i>Harry C. Burton</i>	<i>C. M. A. (Max) Rogers</i>	<i>009</i>	<i>118</i>	<i>4,624.48</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1924</i>	<i>Dr William H. Oates</i>	<i>Harry C. Burton</i>	<i>Sam W. Pipes, Jr.</i>	<i>014</i>	<i>172</i>	<i>3,966.04</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>Mar 1925</i>	<i>Sam W. Pipes, Jr.</i>	<i>Harry C. Burton</i>		<i>007</i>	<i>096</i>	<i>4,727.51</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>Jan 6, 1926 - Mar 14, 1926</i>	<i>Judge David H. Edington</i>	<i>Herbert L. Gaskin</i>					
<i>Mar 15, 1926</i>	<i>Judge David H. Edington</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>017</i>	<i>403</i>	<i>6,459.93</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1927</i>	<i>Judge David H. Edington</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>028</i>	<i>604</i>	<i>6,310.00</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1928</i>	<i>Judge David H. Edington</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>028</i>	<i>621</i>	<i>6,469.20</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1929</i>	<i>Judge David H. Edington</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>028</i>	<i>510</i>	<i>6,424.00</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1930</i>	<i>Pelham Durant</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>031</i>	<i>543</i>	<i>6,424.00</i>	<i>02</i>
<i>1931</i>	<i>Pelham Durant</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>038</i>	<i>645</i>	<i>5,486.00</i>	<i>02</i>
<i>1932</i>	<i>Pelham Durant</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>032</i>	<i>492</i>	<i>5,500.00</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1933</i>	<i>C. W. Dodson</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>035</i>	<i>684</i>	<i>4,537.00</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1934</i>	<i>W. C. Griggs</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>036</i>	<i>687</i>	<i>4,385.70</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1935</i>	<i>W. C. Griggs</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>038</i>	<i>654</i>	<i>4,755.76</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1936</i>	<i>Marion S. Adams</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>036</i>	<i>659</i>	<i>4,761.32</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1937</i>	<i>Marion S. Adams</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>035</i>	<i>650</i>	<i>5,334.31</i>	<i>01</i>
<i>1938</i>	<i>James J. Duffy, Jr</i>	<i>Ray Jared Seeger</i>		<i>043</i>	<i>928</i>	<i>5,583.12</i>	<i>01</i>

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1942	Judge David H. Edington	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	048	1237	6,030.13	01
1943	Judge David H. Edington	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	067	2154	9,068.25	02
1944	A. F. Norquist	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	101	2523	11,068.52	03
1945	A. F. Norquist	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	108	3091	13,221.10	03
1946	S. Stratford Eyre White-Spunner, Sr	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	122	2711	13,407.11	03
1947	Sidney C. Phillips	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	127	2386	14,786.54	03
1948	C. M. A. Rogers	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	116	2212	15,473.52	02
1949	C. M. A. Rogers	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	126	2941	18,361.22	03
1950	Joseph Barton Greer	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	155	3329	18,634.37	03
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1954	Julian R. De Ovies	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	172	4508	30,491.76	04
1955	Julian R. De Ovies	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	185	5026	32,348.15	03
1956	Hoyt W. Lee	J.L. "Hap" Hubbard	211	5901	38,894.56	04
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1972	William J. Gehlen	Joe B. Irvin	J. Fred Dietz	283	6319	150,942.80	07
1973	William J. Gehlen	Joseph A. Long		329	7356	169,036.83	
1974	Don Wyatt	Joseph A. Long		315	6602	206,726.75	
1975	C.M.A. Rogers, III	Joseph A. Long		307	6692	264,091.60	
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1978	Oliver Harris Delchamps, Jr	Joseph A. Long		338	7440	309,868.00	09
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1980	James C. Bledsoe	Donald K. Abernathy		304	6737	377,000.00	09
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1985	Arthur R. Outlaw	Larry L. Bain	David C. Hannon	338	9189	523,707.00
1986	Norvelle "Gus" Smith	Larry L. Bain	David C. Hannon			578,957.00
1987	Norvelle "Gus" Smith	William T. Luc				
1988	William L. Marks	William T. Luc				
1989	William L. Marks	William T. Luc				
1990	David C. Hannan	William T. Luc	David Diehl Roberts, Jr			
1991	David C. Hannan	William T. Luc	David Diehl Roberts, Jr			
1992	John W. Mincy	William T. Luc	Jim Walker			
1993	John W. Mincy	William T. Luc	Jim Walker			
1994	David Diehl Roberts, Jr	William T. Luc	Jim Walker			
1995	David Diehl Roberts, Jr	William T. Luc	H. Randall Jones			
1996	Thomas Martin Hinds	William T. Luc	H. Randall Jones			
1997	Thomas Martin Hinds	William T. Luc	Douglas R. Knoll			
1998	H. Randall Jones	William T. Luc				
1999	H. Randall Jones	William T. Luc				
2000	H. Randall Jones	William T. Luc	Ray Thompson			
2001	H. Randall Jones	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			
2002	John H. Brooks, III	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			
2003	John H. Brooks, III	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			
2004	Ray Thompson	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			
2005	Lee Everett Moncrief	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			
2006	R. Leon Hill	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			
2007	R. Leon Hill	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.			

2008	Xavier Anthony Hartmann, III	William T. Luc	Robert J. Ware, Jr.
2009	Xavier Anthony Hartmann, III	Michael J. Hartigan, III	Robert J. Ware, Jr.
2010	Xavier Anthony Hartmann, III	Michael J. Hartigan, III	Robert J. Ware, Jr.
2011 - 2012	Michael Edward Box	Michael J. Hartigan, III	Robert J. Ware, Jr.

1 st Scout Executive = Paul Harris, Jr.	1919
2 nd Scout Executive = J. E. Meredith	1920 - 1921
3 rd Scout Executive = H. W. Webster	1922
4 th Scout Executive = Harry C. Burton	1923 - resigned Sep 20, 1925
5 th Scout Executive = Herbert L. Gaskin	Jan 6, 1926 - May 14, 1926
6 th Scout Executive = Ray J. Seegar	May 15, 1926 - 1942
7 th Scout Executive = J. L. (Hap) Hubbard	1942 - 1958
8 th Scout Executive = Russ Faulkner	1959 - 1967
9 th Scout Executive = Harvey Yarbrough	Nov 1967 - Apr 1970
10 th Scout Executive = Joe Irvin	1970 - 1972
11 th Scout Executive = Joseph A. Long	1973 - 1978
12 th Scout Executive = Donald K. Abernathy	1979 - 1980
13 th Scout Executive = Larry L. Bain	1981 - 1986
14 th Scout Executive = William T. Luc	1987 to 2008
15 th Scout Executive = Michael J. Hartigan, III	2009 to present

Monday, March 2, 1936

Dr William H. Oates, chairman of the Mobile County Board of Health and well-known physician, succumbed at a local infirmary at 5 o'clock Sunday morning of pneumonia. Besides civic work and conducting many activities as president of the Board of Health, Dr Oates was a trustee of Auburn University and one of the oldest members of the Mobile County Medical Society. At one time, he was a state prison inspector.

Oliver Harris Delchamps, Jr

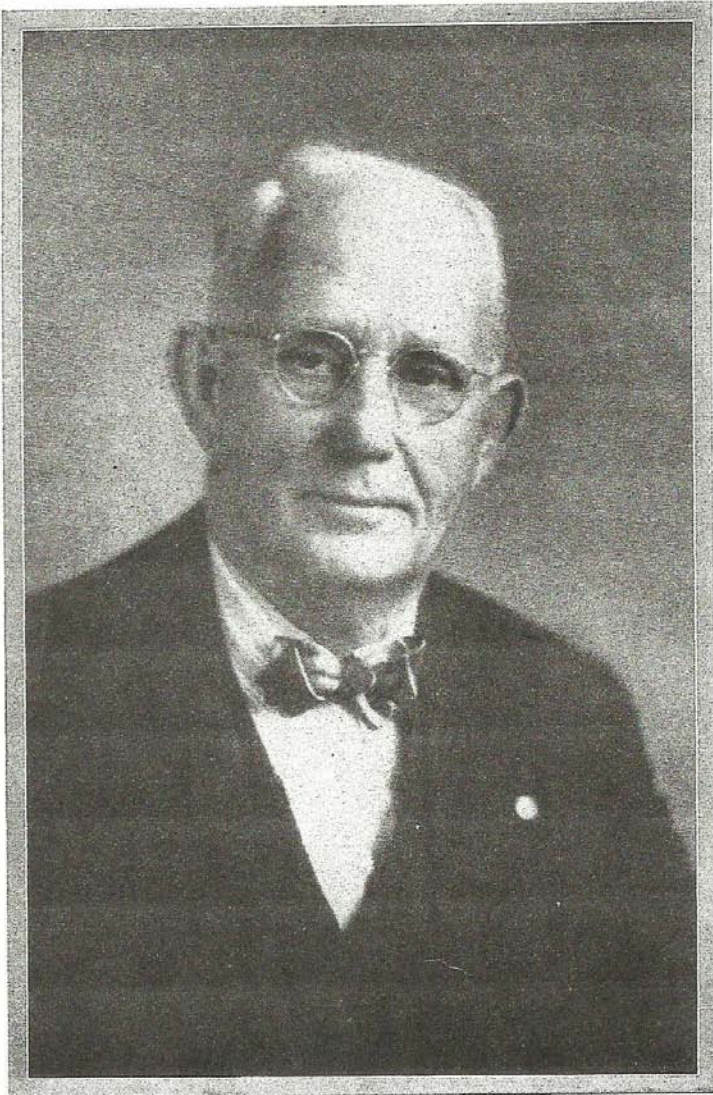
Sep 16, 1900 - Mobile, AL - Oct 15, 1987 - Mobile, AL

ALEX HANCOCK—Whenever, in war or peace, the citizens of Mobile have sought leaders for coordinated efforts aimed at general welfare, civic improvement or fund-raising for worthy causes, Alex Hancock has inevitably been among those pressed into service. During both World War I and World War II, he served on numerous boards and committees operating for the nation's defense or managing War Bond campaigns. Mr. Hancock is a contractor who has specialized in road building and he has constructed hundreds of miles of roads throughout southern Alabama, and localities in Mississippi and Florida. Since 1925 his elder son, John Hilliard Hancock, has been his partner.

Alex Hancock was born in Montgomery, on February 27, 1882, the son of John H. Hancock, also a native of Montgomery, and Anna (Fleming) Hancock, who came from Dundee, Scotland. John H. Hancock established his home at Montgomery, in 1858 and spent his life in the contracting and building business. He died in 1912 and his widow died at Montgomery, in 1920. Alex Hancock was educated in the public schools of Montgomery and in a business college. He has been in the contracting business virtually his entire life. At times his contracts have been so numerous and the projects so extensive that he has employed as many as fifteen hundred persons. His leadership in this field has been recognized by fellow practitioners. He is a past president of the Alabama Road Builders Association and in January, 1947, was named president emeritus and an ex-officio director for life of this association. He is also a director of the Contractors Division of the Associated General Contractors of America. In addition, he has been chairman and remains a member of the Alabama State Licensing Board for General Contractors. He has served his community in yet another way—as a sponsor and leader of the Boy Scout movement. He was one of the organizers and the first president of the Mobile Council of the Boy Scouts of America and his work for the Scouts continues to be his hobby.

Mr. Hancock is a former director of the Mobile Chamber of Commerce and a former president of the Kiwanis Club of Mobile. He retains his membership in the Kiwanis Club, and was a member of the Rotary Club. His fraternal orders include the Free and Accepted Masons, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Knights Templar and Abba Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He once was potentate of Abba Temple. He is a member of the board of vestrymen of Trinity Episcopal Church.

Mr. Hancock married Elmary Gunnison of Mobile, in 1903. There are two sons: 1. John Hilliard, born January 23, 1905; is a graduate of the University Military School of Alabama and of Alabama Polytechnic Institute in mechanical engineering. He is his father's partner, having been associated with him in the contracting business since 1925. He is the father of one son, Alex II. 2. Alex Forbes, born January 23, 1920; graduated from the University Military School, attended Washington and Lee and graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in naval architecture and marine engineering; is a lieutenant, senior grade, of the United States Navy. During World War II he was assigned to the United States Navy Yard, Philadelphia, as superintendent of construction. He was awarded the commendation ribbon for outstanding performance of duty in construction of battleships, aircraft carriers and other naval vessels of the Navy Yard in Philadelphia, and previously was awarded the prize of the American Bureau of Shipping for general excellence in study in naval architecture and marine engineering. He married Marjorie Middleton of Mobile, and they have one son, William Alex.



Alex Hancock

Major General Charles B. Root
Council President 1969 - 1970



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR GENERAL CHARLES B. ROOT

Retired March 1, 1966. Died Nov. 8, 1998.

Charles Berton Root was born in Madison, S.D., in 1909. He graduated from high school there and received his bachelor of science degree from the University of South Dakota in 1931.

Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Reserve June 6, 1931, the following year General Root entered Flying Training at Kelly Field, Texas, and graduated in February 1933. During the next nine years he served as a flight instructor and held other squadron assignments. In December 1942, he assumed command of the Martin B-26 Transition school at Dodge City, Kan., and later became commanding officer of the 504th Bomb Group of the 20th Air Force in the Marianas.

Moving to the Philippines in April 1946, General Root was deputy chief of staff for materiel of the 313th Bomb Wing, and that November was named chief of staff of the 313th. The following August he was appointed deputy chief of staff of the 13th Air Force in the Philippines. Entering the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Va., in January 1948, he graduated that July and was appointed chief of the Congressional Liaison Division at Air Force headquarters.

Joining the Air Materiel Command in January 1949, General Root was director of maintenance engineering at the Ogden Air Materiel Area, Hill Air Force Base, Utah, and two years later he was named deputy commander of the Ogden Air Materiel Area. For 16 weeks, beginning in February 1952, he attended the Graduate School of Business at Harvard University, and then resumed his former duties at Ogden AMA. Entering the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in August 1952, he graduated the following June and was appointed deputy director of Supply and Services in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Materiel at Air Force headquarters.

Going to Pepperell Air Force Base, Newfoundland, on March 15, 1955, General Root was deputy commander of the Northeast Air Command. In May 1957, he became deputy commander of Middletown Air Materiel Area. In May 1958, he became chief of AMC's Electronics Defense System Division in New York City. On Dec. 1, 1959, he became commander of Rome Air Materiel Area.

He is rated a command pilot.



Major General Charles B. Root was the last base commander of Brookley Air Force Base in Mobile, Alabama – the base closed in 1969

OLIVER H. DELCHAMPS, JR.
Council President 1978 - 1979



OLIVER H. DELCHAMPS

The following biographical sketch was compiled at the time of induction into the Academy in 1984.

Oliver H. Delchamps, Jr., business executive, churchman, civic leader and avid supporter of education was born January 17, 1933 in Mobile, Alabama.

Following in his father's footsteps, he has worked his way up in Delchamps' Inc. to Chairman of its Executive Committee. His expertise and drive has guided this sixty-six retail chain of grocery stores to annual sales of \$500 million dollars, giving employment to 3,600 people.

Mr. Delchamps is a member of the Dauphin Way United Methodist Church and has stressed spiritual values wherever he believed his talents and energy would be productive.

Mr. Delchamps has accepted many civic assignments, working vigorously to improve the living conditions of young and old alike. He has served as director of the Mobile Association for the Blind, Mobile Opera Guild, YMCA of Mobile, as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Mobile Public Library, as the Chairman of the Advance Gifts Division of the Little Sisters of the Poor Development Fund and as member of the Board of Trustees of Mobile Infirmary and is a member of the Gulf Health Board of Directors.

Mr. Delchamps has served as president of America's Junior Miss Scholarship Fund. He has supported the Boy Scouts of America movement with his means and his efforts; the Mobile United Way receives his considerable momentum as do many other worthwhile efforts for the good of his fellow man.

As a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama, he has made a signal contribution to higher education in Alabama and the nation. His interest in improving the minds and characters of all the people of his area, from kindergarten through college, is well known.

In addition to his own business responsibilities, he has accepted directorates in the United States Chamber of Commerce, Mobile Investment Development Board, First Alabama Bank and Merchants National Bank of Mobile.

He is listed in Who's Who in America.

He is married to Otilia Meyer, and has three children: Oliver Harris, III, Karen Ann, and John Meyer.



FIRST DELCHAMPS STORE

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*Mobile Area Council
Boy Scouts of America
Scout Unit Histories*

Cub Packs

Pack 75 Westlawn Elementary School 1948 – 2000 – disbanded

Boy Scouts

*Troop 28 Wesley Chapel Methodist Church – 1950's – 1960's
Sage Avenue – now across the street from and owned by St. Pius Catholic Church
St. Luke's Episcopal Church – 1960's – present
Azalea Road one block north of Government Street in west Mobile, AL*

*Troop 29 Westlawn Baptist Church – 1950's – 1960's
One block west of Florida Street on the south side of Ralston Road
Later chartered at Saint Ignatius Catholic Church in Mobile, AL*

*Troop 124 Westminister Presbyterian Church – 1950's – 1960's
Airport Blvd. at Sage Avenue*

Troop 145 Saint John's Methodist Church – 1960's – 1990's – disbanded

*Troop 47 Fairhope United Methodist Church, Fairhope, Alabama
Chartered in 1928
Chartered for 82 years and the oldest chartered unit in Baldwin District*

*Troop 121 Theodore United Methodist Church, Theodore, Alabama
Chartered in 1965
Chartered for 45 years and the oldest chartered unit in Spanish Trail District*

Sea Scouts

*Ship 5 Episcopal Church – 1960's
Airport Blvd. near Ziegler Blvd. next to the International House of Pancakes*

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David D. Roberts, III & David Palmer
Mobile Press-Register – February 15, 1990

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The National Society
of the American Revolution

Robert E. Burt
Boy Scout Volunteer Award
is presented to

Comptrol Robert J. Ware, Jr.

For his outstanding support of the
Boy Scouts of America

June 22, 2010
Date









20-MILE HIKE — Twelve Boy Scouts and the scoutmaster of Mobile Troop 145, which meets at St. John's Methodist Church, made a 20-mile hike along the Jefferson Davis Memorial Trail in Biloxi, Miss., last weekend. The scouts visited the Jefferson Davis home in Biloxi and camped out one night at Camp Wilkes. The scouts received the Jefferson Davis Memorial Trail medal for the hike. Sitting, left to right, are Mark Coley, Jamie Reid, David Loving and Kent Lyman. Kneeling, from left, are Jodie Holland, Phillip Reid and Mark Moore. Standing, left to right, are Chan Beane, Kenny Rowell and Scoutmaster Robert Ware. Not pictured are Mike Grosse, Bryon Hughes and Jody Martin.

Mobile Press Register
 Sunday, December 3, 1972





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THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Presented to
Certificate for Merit
Boy Scout # [illegible]
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[illegible]

Andy Hahn
SCOUT # [illegible]
HUMBoldt ASSOCIATED
BOY SCOUTS
HUMBoldt
PUBLIC SAVING CENTER

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MOBILE AREA COUNCIL



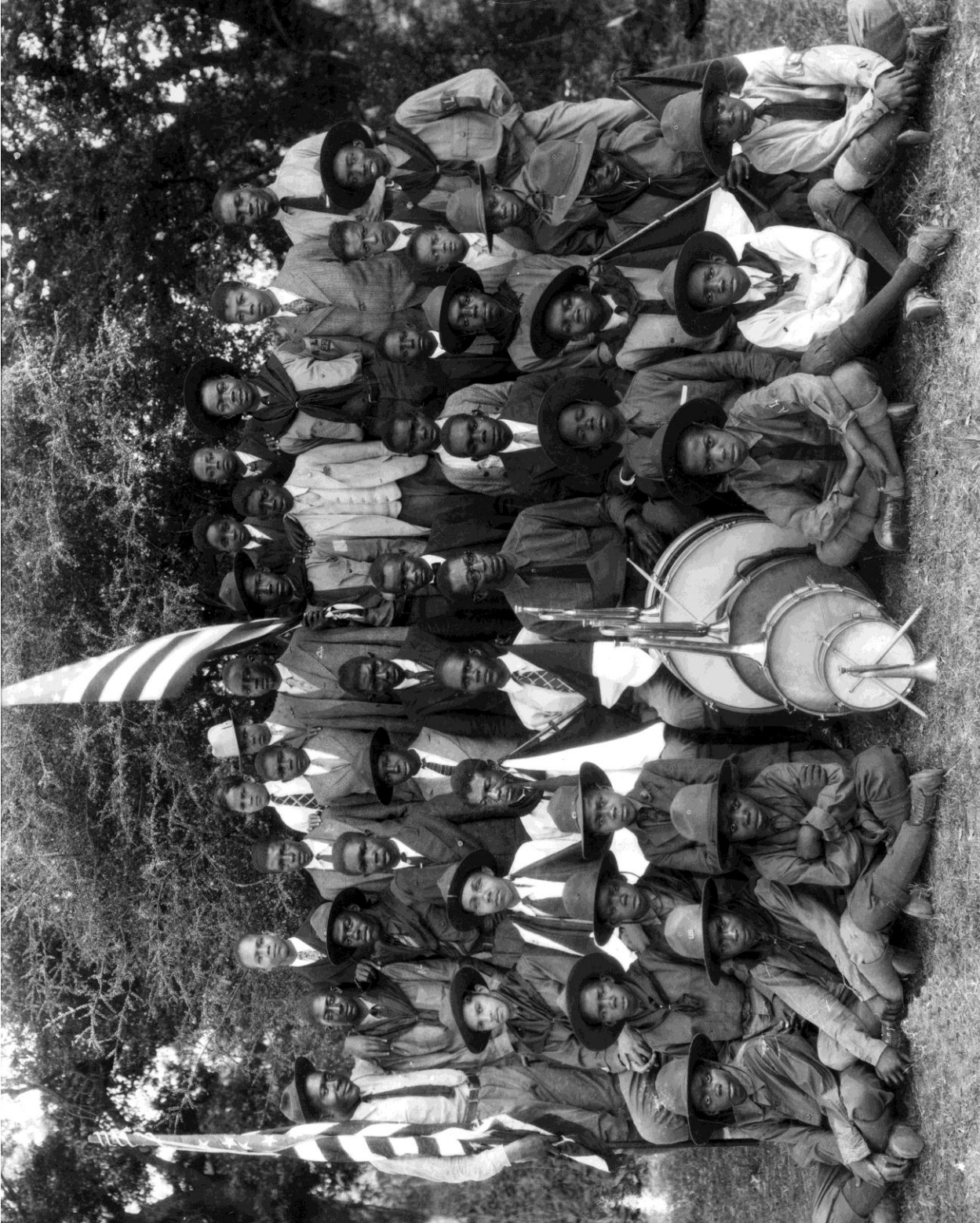
Richard Conrad

Alan Scott

Tom Ames

Joey Scheurman





*BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH
ALLEN LIFE GUARD PHOTO*

Photograph taken in a brickyard near Virginia avenue in Mobile, Alabama in August 1930 prior to their departure for Tuskegee Institute and Washington, DC

*CLARENCE JOSEPH MATHEWS
Guardmaster*

1. Phillip McDaniel
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.. Henry Mills
5. Thomas Nathaniel Read (T.N.)(CPA)
- 6.. Ellis L. Johnson (M.D.)
- 7.
8. Percy davis
9. Otto Burroughs
10. Warren Singleton
11. Nathaniel Carleton
12. Russell Brown
13. Joseph Hall
14. Edmund Cook (later became Scoutmaster)
15. Samuel Calloway, Sr.
16. Andrew Thomas
17. Clarence Joseph Mathews (Guardmaster and Scoutmaster)
18. Leonard Anderson (Insurance Business)
19. Charlie Johnson (Businessman)
20. Broadus Nathaniel Butler (Ph.D.)
21. Rev. John King
22. Cecil Monroe
- 23.
24. Cornelius Smith (“Doc”)
- 25.
26. Knight Davis
- 27.
- 28.
- 29.
30. “Bunny” Nickerman or Walter Thompson
31. Leonard Hall
32. Alfred Creshon
33. Eugene Mathews
34. Raymond Foster
35. Edward Mathews
36. Alphonse Lewis (Juris D.) (Attorney)
- 37.
38. Mr. Burton
- 39.
40. Henry Godwin (Deceased)
41. McDonald Small
42. Winston Kermit McAllister (Ph.D. – genius)
43. Edward Mathews
- 44.
45. Raymaond Perry (?)

Yesterday's photographs



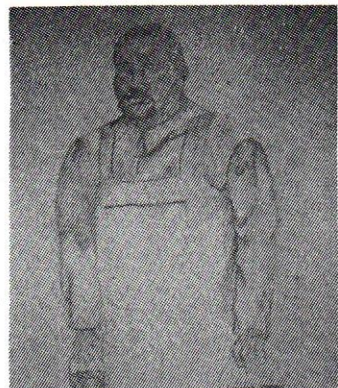
OLD MOBILE ALBUM

Do you recognize any of these Boy Scouts or the adults with them? Erik Overbey made the photograph during the 1930s, but we don't know who the people are or what the occasion. Can you help? If so, call Dr. Michael Thomason at the University of South Alabama Photographic Archives at 431-6446. This photo is from the Erik Overbey/Mobile Public Library Collection at the USA

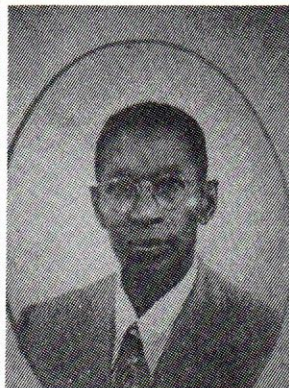
Photo Archives. Callers indicated last week's photo was of the 1941 Azalea Trail opening in Bienville Square. Pictured were Rosemary Hallett and her twin sister Joann, queens, with Tallulah Duniap, Queen of Mardi Gras. Rosemary Ogburn and Tallulah Quina both reside in Mobile, while Joann Self, who resided in Atlanta, is deceased.

MOBILE - BOY SCOUTS

archives. Callers indicated last week's photo was the Allen Life Guards formed in the late 1920s at Bethel AME Church. The photo was made in Aug. 1930 when they were on their way to meet President Herbert Hoover in Washington, D.C. The group later became a Boy Scout troop. Clarence Matthews, who was in the picture, was their leader.



George Lovejoy



Clarence Mathews



Annie McGrew

George W. Lovejoy: A prominent Mobile attorney born in Coosa County, Alabama on February 22, 1859. He graduated from Tuskegee Normal School in 1888 and studied law in Portsmouth, Virginia. Lovejoy relocated to Alabama in 1892 and set up practice in Mobile for several years. There was once a Lovejoy School named in his honor along with the Lovejoy Loop in Prichard. He died August 31, 1933 and is buried in Magnolia Cemetery.

Clarence Mathews: A Mobile chauffeur with a fourth grade education mortgaged his home in the Depression days of the 1930's to finance a trip to Washington D.C. He carried forty-three boy scouts to meet George Washington Carver in Tuskegee and President Herbert Hoover at the White House. Mathew's boy scouts started out with second-hand uniforms and spent many nights camping out in an old abandoned brickyard in Mobile. He let young boys know that they were just as good as any other boy in Mobile and to never let your race or poverty be a handicap in reaching your goals.

Annie McGrew born in Claiborne, AL, August 12, 1900. In addition to being a Mobile school teacher she served as president of the A.F. Owens Tenant Association and was a honorary member of the Mobile County Commission, Mobile County Board of Pensions and Security, NAACP, Mobile County Law Enforcement Association, and the National Caucus and Center on Black Aged. She died November 22, 1986.



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In front of a Curtiss P-40L Warhawk, pilots of the segregated 99th Fighter Squadron, at the time of this photo attached to the 79th Fighter Group, discuss the action of January 27-28, 1944, over the Nettuno/Anzio beachhead. In sustained air attacks, German fighter-bombers attempted to destroy the transports unloading on the beach. Despite the fact that their P-40Ls were nearing obsolescence and some 80 miles slower than the Focke-Wulf FW-190s they were engaging, the 99th shot down some eleven Germans over the two-day period. Shown discussing the engagements are, left to right: Lieutenant (later Major) Herbert V. Clark (March 16, 1919-January 25, 2003) of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Tuskegee class 42-F-SE. He was shot down over Ober Raderach Chemical Works, Germany, on August 16, 1944. Clark evaded capture and led a band of Italian partisans until he rejoined the 99th on May 7, 1945. Lieutenant (later Major) Leon C. Roberts (1921-July 11, 1944) of Prichard, Alabama, class 42-G-SE. On January 27, 1944, Roberts shot down one FW-190 over Anzio; the plane could have gotten away but turned to fight Roberts, who compensated for his Curtiss P-40L's lower speed with superior gunnery skills. One of three Tuskegee Airmen on the first air-to-air combat action on June 9, 1943, which resulted in no losses to either side. Killed in Action when his P-51C (#42-103913) lost oxygen and spun in. At the time, Roberts was the 99th's Operations Officer and the last original member, with 116 missions. His twin brother was an instrument instructor at Tuskegee. Lieutenant William H. Fuller (August 2, 1919-January 15, 1995) of Tarboro, North Carolina, class 42-G-SE, completed 70 missions with the 99th. Lieutenant (later Colonel) William Ayers Campbell (1917-) of Tuskegee, Alabama, class 42-F-SE. On June 2, 1943, Campbell dropped the first bomb by a Tuskegee Airman on Axis forces. Shot down a Messerschmitt Me-109 while mounted in a P-51 on March 31, 1945. Stayed in the United States Air Force after

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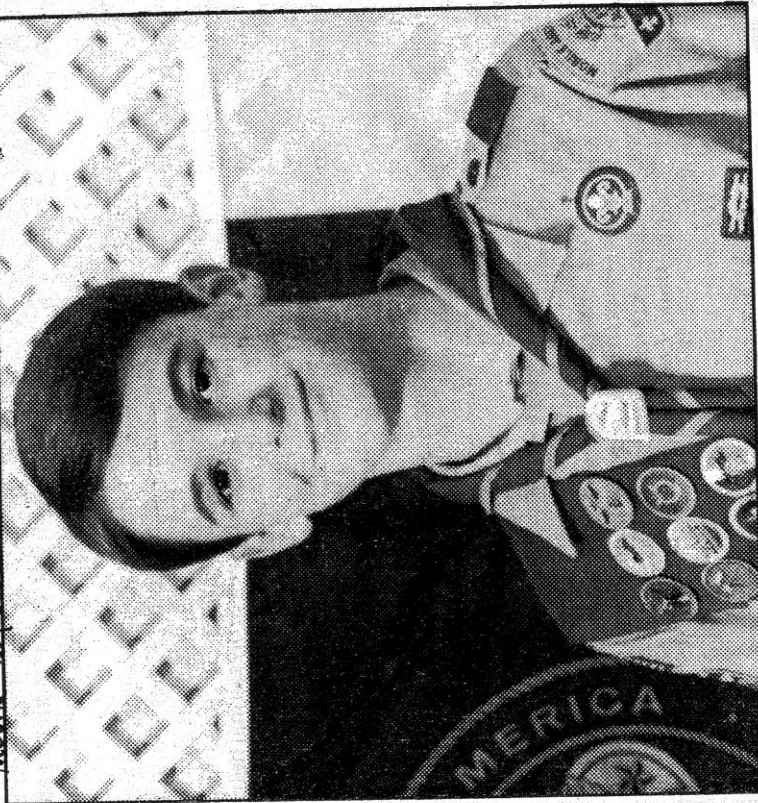
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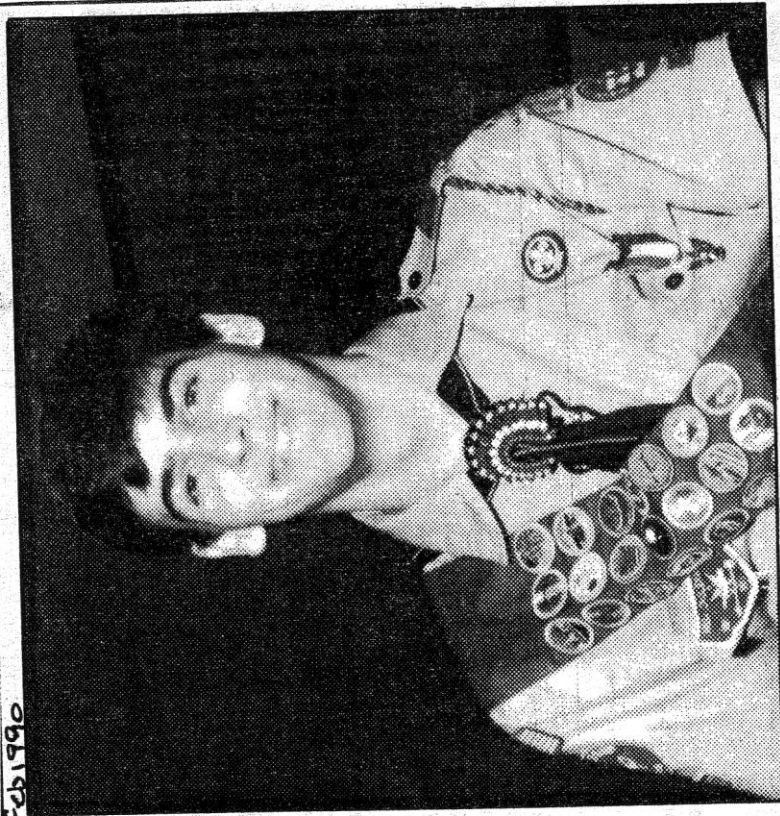
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Eagle Scouts

David D. Roberts III, in left photo, and David Scott Palmer, in right photo, were awarded their Eagle Scout awards recently. Roberts, a member of Troop 28 in Mobile, landscaped an area at his church, planting more than 50 azalea bushes and 450 square yards of grass sod for his Eagle Scout project. Roberts has received the God and Country Award from Dauphin Way Methodist Church, and holds 27 merit badges. The son of



Ellen and David Roberts Jr. of Mobile, Roberts is an eighth-grade student at St. Paul's Episcopal School. David Scott Palmer, a member of Scout Troop 186, worked on environmental improvements at Mobile Botanical Gardens for his project. A sophomore at McGill—Toolen High School, Palmer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Palmer of Mobile. Palmer carried on a family tradition in scouting which started with his father and his four uncles, all of whom were also Eagle Scouts.