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EDUCATION AND CAMP FIRE GIRLS

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ways been the center of home; because "camp fire" suggests out-of-doors, and we want the romantic out-of-door element in it; because the camp represents human solidarity, the coming together of the group.

There are three orders: The Wood Gathers, the Fire Makers and the Torch Bearers. When a girl first joins she becomes a wood gatherer. She stands for these desires: "It is my desire to become a Camp Fire Girl, which is to seek beauty, to give service, to pursue knowledge, to be trustworthy, to hold on to health, to glorify my work and to be happy. This law of the Camp Fire I will strive to follow."

To attain the next stage a girl must learn to do and actually perform many useful things.

In addition she must present twenty elective honors. There are seven groups of these elective honors—Health Craft, Home Craft, Nature Lore, Camp Craft, Band Craft, Business and Patriotism. At least one honor must be won in each group, and with the exception of Home Craft, not more than five honors may be presented from any one group. To become a Torch Bearer, the girl must present fifteen more of these elective honors, besides fulfilling certain other requirements.

The activities in these seven groups represent all the phases of woman's work that we know about. They are to make for status in that work. After a certain kind of work has been dignified, it is done in a very different sort of way from what it was before. Also, we have tried to restore the psychic function of motherhood by exalting all the domestic feelings. The work in the business section is designed for the girl who is earning her own living. Credits are given for definite accomplishment in her particular line of work.

The general aim of the Camp Fire Girls is to help girls get ready for the new world in which woman is finding herself and to enable them to overcome the grinding tendency of modern machine work; to show that common life contains the materials for romance and adventure—that making a lamp or inventing a new way of learning may be an adventure; to show by special names and symbols, the significance of the modest attainments of life; to put woman's work into measurable bundles; to develop in girls the power of keeping step. We have made the organization to simple that it can be carried on by ordinary people. It is adapted to all peoples.

Woman's work has left the home—the religious institutions have gone, the educational institutions have gone, the weaving and the making of the things of beauty have gone, yet the things which these stood for should occupy all her powers the bulk of her days most of the years of her life. There must be a broader field of usefulness for her. The fundamental difference between the world relation of women and the world relation of men is that woman's instinct feelings have been confined to the home while the man's have worked themselves out in the wider life of the community; as the gang instinct, for example, works itself out in the relation of the man to the party or to the army. Here is woman's opportunity, not to copy the institutions of men, but to apply her own instinct feelings to community life. Many of the fundamental activities of the community are not primarily the business of men—those that relate to good housekeeping, for instance, to the cleaning up and particularly to the beautifying of our cities. And so the conditions under which girls work in New York City are the business of women of New York City, although the men must help them out. Woman's work is still woman's work. The only difference is that formerly it was essentially individualistic, it can no longer be done socially with other women.

Love has been predominately a home affair. By applying it to the community, we are going to get a finer type of community life. It is coming all over the world, but it must be organized and brought about by women and it will take time. The re-adjustment of one-half of human kind to the world is a tremendous step.

Confidence in Bryan.

(Petersburg Report.)
William J. Bryan advocates the recall for all public officials. We don't believe in the recall, but will admit that if anyone could change our views in this particular, it would be this same W. J. B.

An "ad" in The Empire reaches everybody.

SPORTS

(The following article, written for the Chicago Herald by Frank L. Chance, the "peerless" leader of baseball, is one of the best articles ever written on this subject. It is sound advice to the youngsters just breaking into athletics. Cleanliness in body and mind are essential to any athlete's success, says Chance. Be healthy, you don't have to be a gladiator, are other of his warnings.)

Good physical condition means good health. Good health is founded on clean living, and the average boy who follows certain rules of living can acquire good health, even if he has the misfortune to be naturally frail physically. As I said in my talk to you boys and growing young men last week, good physical condition is one of the most important things in the make-up of a future big league star.

It does not matter whether you desire to be a pitcher, outfielder, infielder or catcher, good health is the prime requisite. Of course, not all ball players are strong physically. Some of the greatest players that the game has ever known have been far from robust. I can mention three or four players who went to make up the old Cub machine who were anything but muscular, but who were, and are right to this day, great ball players.

Ever's Thing As a Ball Player.
Take for instance, Johnny Evers. When Evers first came to the Cubs he was as thin as the proverbial rail. He looked anything but the great ball player he was destined to become. In fact, his appearance was so much against him that it handicapped him at the start of his career, and I know of one manager who declared that he was too small to ever amount to much in the big league. But Evers had an abundance of something that many ball players lack. He had a big lot of nerve, and many a brilliant game he put up when he was far from being what we call "in form."

Evers, naturally, had to take pretty good care of himself. He knew it, too, and was pretty careful not to abuse himself in that way. There was just one thing he would insist on doing which I knew was very harmful for him. He would stuff himself with candy at all hours of the day or night when it happened to be within his reach. He was, and is yet, inordinately fond of chocolate. He would devour a pound of it before breakfast if he could get it, and many is the time that I had to forbid him indulging in a Sport Serrano.

Just before an important series with New York or some other team which was close on our heels for pennant honors. A fan in Boston gave Johnny a box of candy every day we played there, and I finally had to forbid it, as Evers would eat the candy on the bench during the game.

Schulte, Hoffman, and Virgil Garvin, the pitcher, who is now dead, are three great players who could not be called in any stretch of the imagination "strong men." Yet look at the way Schulte whaled the ball the year he was awarded the Chalmers trophy. It was almost a daily occurrence for him to "bounce them off" the scoreboard out in the right field, batters "combing one" is the quaint way that Schulte referred to it when he would "straighten out" a curve or "put the wood" to a fast one handed him by the opposing pitcher.

Cleanliness is First Rule.
One of the first rules that the future ball player should lay down for himself is in regard to personal cleanliness. Nearly all ball players are scrupulously clean. They have to be. After every game the whole team breaks for the clubhouse and for half an hour there is the sound of shouting and splashing as the players soap themselves and stand under the shower baths. If a man keeps his body clean he will naturally follow this up by keeping his linen and underclothing in the same immaculate condition.

Boys, develop the habit of the daily bath. It will send you to school or to work feeling twice as fit as the man who bathes irregularly. Keeping your body clean and the pores of the skin open and healthy is half the battle for good "condition" and a strong vigorous body.

I intend, as the time goes along, to give you kids and future ball players some real pointers in regard to playing the National sport. I intend to take each position, beginning with the catcher, and tell you what goes to make up a great pitcher or catcher, as the case may be, and what you shall do to form habits that will help you to correctly play any position on the diamond. However, before these lessons are begun, it is necessary that I should speak a foreword in regard to your daily habits.

Cut Out the Cigarettes.
And remember this boys, and don't let it escape from your minds for a single instant. What one boy or man can do doesn't mean that you also can do it. What I mean is this: Because one man smokes cigarettes, do not think you can do it and still keep "in trim." Smoking is bad for the wind. Plenty of lung power is an awful good thing for any one, whether he be a ball player or not. Ball players who have good lungs, or "bellows," as we call them on the ball field, can streak it around the bases, stretching ordinary two-baggers into three-bag hits.

If you want to be a Ty Cobb don't smoke. But if you do smoke, at least use tobacco in moderation. Here is one of the most important rules for a ball player, no matter what his experience to follow: Be temperate in your eating. Gluttony, to my



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Thus far the United States, Holland, Italy, Greece, Norway and Denmark have made representations, all in friendly terms.

The most absurd rumors are circulated in the foreign press about the immense German losses in the fighting east of Bolland at the beginning of February. The German losses in these attacks were small in proportion to the success which they attained," says a German statement.

London special says that the first batch of 100 incapacitated German wounded prisoners has started home, and an equal number of British wounded soldiers are leaving Germany.

Thirtieth overseas battalions of 1200 Canadian troops, which has been in training near Victoria, B. C., left on its way to England by special trains over Canadian Pacific.

The Rockefeller Foundation report shows that 1,400,000 people in Belgium are wholly destitute. More than \$2,000,000 per month for relief is imperative.

The Austrian government has ordered a census of church bells which may be used if copper needs become acute.

The Lokal Anzeiger says Germany is prepared to strew the British coast with mines.

All physicians in Austria under the age of 50 are called to the colors.

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(Cleveland Plain Dealer.)
Bourgeois, the Russian revolutionist, has been sentenced to Siberia. Orphan one is inclined to congratulate him. Even a moderately cozy domicile in Siberia seems preferable to fighting on the snow-covered plains of Poland, among the frozen bogs of Prussia, or in the bitter blizzards of the Carpathians or the Caucasus. For the first time in history the man "agin the government" in Russia seems to fare better than the loyalist.

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