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A BOY SCOUT WEATHER MANUAL

It is a well-known practice of the Boy Scout organization to award "merit badges" for proficiency attained by Scouts in various subjects, each badge being awarded on the basis of a relatively simple examination. Strange to say, the important out-of-door subject of meteorology has heretofore been conspicuous by its absence from the list of topics for which badges are awarded, but this defect has now been remedied and a "Weather Merit Badge" has been announced. The badge will show the figure of a weather vane.

A manual to aid Scouts in preparing for the examination necessary to obtain this badge is in course of publication by the Boy Scouts of America in New York. It will be a pamphlet of about 75 pages, divided into two parts. The first part, entitled "Some Points about Weather," discusses in clear and simple language the specific topics to be included in the examination. The second half of the book is called "An Outline of Meteorology". It is a very concise digest of the subject - a "nutshell" treatise on meteorology.

The book will be fully illustrated.

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