

Scouts Plan To Add 75 Nassau Units

Mineola — To keep pace with Nassau's rapid growth, 75 new Boy Scout units for 3,000 more members will be organized in the county this year, it was announced by Supreme Court Justice Cortland A. Johnson, president of the Nassau Scout Council.

Announcing the plans in his annual report to the Scout Council, Johnson said that the 300 units now in operation were inadequate for the growing needs of the county. He reported that a large portion of the \$109,000 to be raised on Feb. 12 will be used for that purpose.

On that day, volunteer workers will solicit funds for the 1950 drive in a single dawn-to-dusk campaign.

Johnson estimated that it cost about \$7.50 to keep a boy in Scouting for one year, \$30 to organize a unit and \$2.25 to train every adult volunteer leader. About 3,500 adult volunteers will be trained in 1950.

He reported that it also costs the council \$3 a week for each boy who attends the summer session at Camp Wauwepex, Wading River. The scouts pay \$15 a week and the council absorbs the other expenses.

Johnson also reported a personnel problem. The county's 20,000 Scouts and leaders, he said, are supervised by only nine professional executives.

"Actually," he wrote, "we are understaffed, and will have to expand if we are to keep pace with the rapid growth of the county."