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EDITORIAL

Pasquaney has completed her forty-sixth season! In four years we shall be celebrating the camp's fiftieth anniversary; and it seems fitting at this time when we are all dedicating ourselves anew to the continuance of the traditions, the ideals, and the magnificent spirit which have played so important a part in the lives of hundreds of boys and young men, that we should restate as objectively as possible (it will be a difficult job!) the articles of Pasquaney's faith.

1. We believe that Pasquaney is unique. We believe that the world would be a better place if there were more Pasquaney's; but from those of us who have grown up here under Mr. Ned and Mr. Teddy, the camp has demanded a kind of living—a profound sensing of fundamental values—which we have met in no other environment.
2. We believe that Pasquaney is—and always must be—primarily a character- building institution. We know that here we have developed athletic skills, we have learned how to live a rough life in the open, and we have had a “swell time” ; but we know, too, that here we have absorbed a spirit of unselfishness, of honesty, of service, of reverence. Because we have felt that we were being held up to certain standards, because we have been made to reach for ideals, we have experienced a deep and spiritual happiness which has been a very different thing from a mere “swell time.”
3. We believe that the greatest service we can perform for our country is to carry Pasquaney's ideals and standards with us when we leave camp.
4. We believe that the ideal Pasquaney product is the complete Christian gentleman—the traditional

gentleman who recognizes (and acts upon his recognition!) that there are certain objective standards of purity, honesty, love, consideration for others, service, and reverence which are far more important than the

consideration for others, service, and reverence which are far more important than the individual personality. Loyalty to Pasquaney involves loyalty to these standards. True leadership involves the leading of others in such loyalty.

5. We are convinced that many of us have grown up in an age during which it has been fashionable never to take spiritual values very seriously. Wit, superficial gaiety, and an ignorant belief that the scientific method should be able to solve all problems have combined partially to convince us that an outspoken championing of the basic Christian virtues is now passé and slightly childish. Rank selfishness in business, international affairs, and every-day living has been called by other names; but at this critical point in the world's history, we recognize it as selfishness. Some of us have known environments where the practice of honesty, loyalty, and humble reverence have, by a distorted scale of values, been considered soft, unmanly, not virile. But we see now on every side people being roused—having their eyes opened—to the essential fundamental value of self-discipline and the necessity for the development of character in the individual, as well as in business and government. In other words, we see now that mankind gets itself into a mess when it fails to take seriously the ideals that Mr. Ned and Mr. Teddy always held before us.