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"There is one slight point in connection with the book which is not quite in harmony with the Scout practice. I think Miss Tarbell would have that changed if she had been correctly informed too. Speaking of Lincoln's campaign for President she says "There were bands organized for street parades, body guards for political speakers and for all sorts of campaign work, such work as Boy Scouts do now-a-days." The Boy Scout Movement is non-partisan and we keep very close watch to see that the tenants of our By-laws and Constitution are upheld so that no Scouts, as Scouts, participate in political activities. From the reading one would assume that the Scouts did participate."

--C.A. Worden, Scout Executive.

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